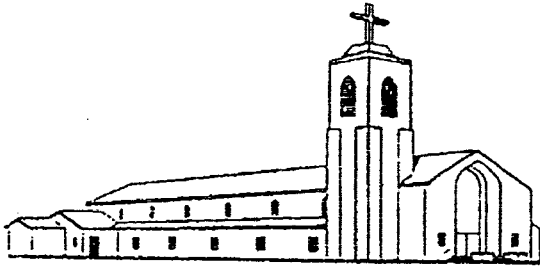


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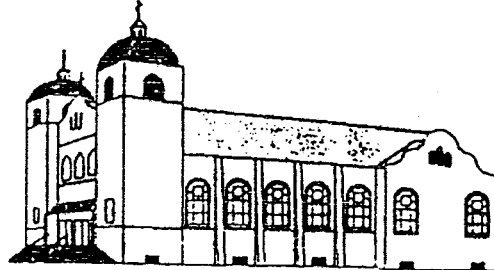
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St. Anthony Church



Immaculate Conception Church

Sunday Masses

4:00 PM (Sat Vigil)	English	St. Anthony Church
5:30 PM (Sat Vigil)	Español	St. Anthony Church
7:00 AM	English	Immaculate Conception Church
8:00 AM	Español	St. Anthony Church
9:45 AM	English	St. Anthony Church
11:30 AM	English	St. Anthony Church

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Address	1801 Winton Way, Atwater
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	Vianey Hernandez	
Office Manager/Bookkeeper	Shirley Rubalcava	358-5743

Daily Mass or Communion Service

Miercoles y Jueves Misa en Espanol

6:30 AM	English	St. Anthony Church
6:30 PM	Español	St. Anthony Church

Liturgy of the Hours 20 Minutes Before Daily Mass

Holy Days As Announced

National Holidays As Announced

Reconciliation Thursday 4pm—6pm

Baptism English: 1st & 4th Saturday 8:00am

Bautismo Español 2do y 3er Sábado 8:00am

Marriages 6 Months Advance Notice Required/

Safe Environment Coordinator Claudia Hernandez 358-5743

Religious Education:

CCD	Liliana Agundis	676-2076
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Confirmation Coordinator:	Deacon Rene Rubalcava	358-5743
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Anchor - Youth Group	Alex & Lucy Cisneros	261-5460

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Quinceañeras 1 year Advance Notice Required (Please call the Parish Office
 1 year in advance for Requirements)



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, December 31st, 2023

“The Holy Family”

When we talk about the Holy Family we are talking about Jesus & his mother Mary and his earthly father

St. Joseph. Mary became the mother of Jesus when she was formally engaged to St. Joseph, & Jesus’ real father was God the Father Himself. So, St. Joseph acted as the Father of Jesus on earth. St. Joseph was a carpenter & worked hard to provide for his family. Mary loved Jesus & Joseph & cooked & cleaned for them. When Jesus was old enough St. Joseph trained Him to be a carpenter as well. Because they all loved each other with generosity & selflessness they were really the happiest & holiest family that ever lived. We can imitate the Holy Family by loving our parents & siblings & putting others before ourselves.

“La Sagrada Familia”

Cuando hablamos de la Sagrada Familia, estamos hablando de Jesús y su madre María y su padre terrenal San José. María se convirtió en la madre de Jesús cuando estaba formalmente comprometida con San José, y el verdadero padre de Jesús era Dios Padre mismo. Entonces San José actuó como el Padre de Jesús en la tierra. San José era carpintero y trabajó duro para mantener a su familia. María amaba a Jesús y a José y cocinaba y limpiaba para ellos. Cuando Jesús tuvo edad suficiente, San José también lo entrenó para ser carpintero. Debido a que todos se amaban con generosidad y desinterés, eran realmente la familia más feliz y santa que jamás haya existido. Podemos imitar a la Sagrada Familia amando a nuestros padres y hermanos y anteponiendo a los demás a nosotros mismos.

****BAPTISMS: MUST REGISTER IN THE PARISH OFFICE****

CURRENTLY REGISTERING in the month of JANUARY, to sign up for a CLASS in FEBRUARY, & BAPTISM will be in APRIL. *IN ORDER TO ATTEND A BAPTISM CLASS, YOU MUST REGISTER IN THE PARISH OFFICE. IT IS A REQUIREMENT FOR BOTH PARENTS & GODPARENTS TO ATTEND A CLASS. PLEASE DO NOT BRING CHILDREN TO CLASS.

****BAUTISMOS: DEBE REGISTRARSE EN LA OFICINA**

DE LA PARROQUIA ACTUALMENTE ESTAMOS**

REGISTRANDO en el mes de ENERO, para asistir a una

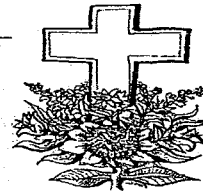
CLASE en FEBRERO, y el BAUTISMO será EN ABRIL. *PARA

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MEETINGS

Group

	As Announced	
Altar Society		
Bible Study (Estudio biblico en espanol)	Miercoles 7pm	CCD Building: Salon Sacred Heart
Catholic Daughters of the Americas	2nd Tuesday Monthly 6 pm	CCD Building: St. Theresa of Lisieux
Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial	Miercoles 7pm	CCD Building: St. Theresa of Lisieux
Movimento Familiar Cristiano	2do Jueves del Mes 7pm	CCD Building: Salon San Juan Diego
Guadalupe Society	Last Thursday of the Month / Ultimo Jueves del Mes 7pm	CCD Building: Salon San Juan Diego
Knights of Columbus	1st Monday & 1st Tuesday 6:00 PM Monthly	Parish Hall
Grupo de Oracion Dulce Maria	Friday/Viernes 7:00pm	St. Anthony Church
RCIA	Sundays 11am-1pm	CCD Building: Music Room
RICA(Español)	Every Thursday/Jueves 7pm	Parish Hall
YLI	2nd Monday Monthly 6:30pm	Italo Lodge
YMI	4th Wednesday Monthly 7:00 pm	Parish Hall
Hijos del Trueno (Ministerio de Hombres) (Mens Spanish Prayer Group)	Every Tuesday/Martes 7 pm 5th Tuesday/ Martes Monthly 7PM	CCD Building: Music Room St. Anthony Church
Anchor Youth Group	Fridays 7pm	Parish Hall
St. Anthony 4-H Club	3rd Wednesday Monthly 7pm	Parish Hall
Talita Cumi	2do Sabado del Mes- Español & 4th Saturday of the Month-English	Parish Hall
On-line Marriage Prep Class Website:	Catholicmarriageprepclass.com	
PLATICAS PRE MATRIMONIAL	Heriberto y Monica Rodriguez Para Información llame at: 559-393-5923	
CONFESSIONS/ CONFESIONES	Thursdays/ Jueves 4PM- 6PM	St. Anthony Church

REGISTRATION: New to the Parish? Moving? Been with us a while but haven't yet registered? That's OK. Just fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or bring it by the office. Thanks! You are encouraged to register online at www.stanthonyatwater.org also.

Change of Address New Parishioner

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

Would you like to receive offertory envelopes? Yes No

New Years Mass Schedule (Horario de Año Nuevo): *Monday, January 1st

*Lunes, 1^{ro} de Enero: 9:00AM – St. Anthony (Bilingual)



RANDOM ACTS OF PRAYER: Please remember to give your prayers as gifts to the less fortunate in our community, every day this whole month of December. Blessings, Our Lady of Peñafrancia Prayer Team.

OFFICE will be CLOSED for NEW YEARS ON MONDAY, JANUARY 1ST. OFICINA estará CERRADA AÑO NUEVO, EL LUNES 1^{ro} DE Enero DE 2024.



LET US REMEMBER TO OFFER A

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Domingo Arana, Pat Brown, Wanda Constable, Theresa Gonzalez, Tony Santigato, Mike Gilbert, Lucy Saldana, Anna Rogers, Yolanda Hamilton, Diana Heller, Terry Leyle, Mary Lourenco, Joseph Kumetat, Adrian Kumetat, Zina Kumetat, Natalie Borba, Mary Johnson, Laura Whitaker, Micaela Mendoza. *(To Have a Name Removed or Added to The Prayer List Call the Parish Office)*



Mandatory Reader/Lector Training Mon., Jan. 22, 2024, at 7:15 p.m. in the Church

All Existing Mass Volunteers Who Read/Lector at St. Anthony's & Immaculate Conception Churches are required to attend the upcoming Mandatory Reader/Lector Training. We will be covering Safe Environment requirements, proper Diocesan/Parish protocol/ procedures when serving & handing out the new Reader/Lector Books. Anyone interested in becoming a new Reader/ Lector should attend this training. Any existing Reader/ Lector who cannot attend, please contact Deacon Rene as this training is mandatory. You may call the parish office or send an email to: church.office@stanthonyatwater.org.

November 2023 Profit & Loss

Sunday Collection: \$32,397.00
Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Quinceañera Offerings: \$5,645.00
School Support Collection: \$45.00
Misc. Fees, Sacramental Prep./Religious Education: \$915.00
Altar Society: \$1,692.17
Candles, Votives, Poor box: \$1,625.00
Extra Ordinary One Time Donations: \$5,414.00
Mass Offerings: \$1,120.00
OLG: \$373.60
Food Drive Collections: \$3,020.00
Total Income for November 2023: \$52,246.77

Expenses for November 2023

Salaries, Wages, Health Ins., FICA, Fringe Benefits: \$14,659.44
Administrative Expenses: \$1,195.99
Contr. To Organizations/Individuals: \$1,843.75
Maint., Building Repairs, Janitorial, Gardening: \$5,067.24
Utilities: \$8,512.18
Insurance (Property, Liability, Auto): \$1,457.87
Misc. Expenses: \$7,839.03
Liturgical Publications (Non-Liturgical): \$2,206.97
Altar Society: \$86.10
Ministerial Growth Expense (Cont. Ed. Deacons) \$1,100.00
Total Expenses for November 2023: \$43,968.57
Net Ordinary Income: \$8,278.20

2024 Mass Intention Book Now Open: *A

suggested offering per Mass is \$10. Only 5 Mass intentions per household per year per same Family name. (3 during the week & 2 weekend Masses Allowed) *You would need to come into the parish office to request Mass Intentions. Please have the dates and Mass times you would like ready. *No more than 2 names are allowed per Mass Intention (has to be the same last name)

El libro de intenciones para las Misas de 2024 ya está abierto: *Una donación por Misa es de \$10.

*Solo 5 intenciones por hogar por año con mismo apellido. (Se permiten 3 misas durante la semana y 2 misas de fin de semana) *Tendrá que venir a la oficina para solicitar intenciones de misa. *Tenga listas las fechas y horarios de misa que desee. *No se permiten más de 2 nombres por intención de misa (tiene que ser el mismo apellido)

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION RUN

St. Anthony's School & Catholic Church would like to invite you, your friends, your family, & all of the community to the first annual New Year's Resolution Run. This fun-filled family event will be held on Saturday, January 6th, 2024 at Buhach Colony HS in the city of Atwater. Our goal is to raise enough funds to help all sports at St. Anthony's School to purchase new uniforms, and sports equipment, & prepare student-athletes for the next level of their sport. Here is the race day schedule: 10:00-11:00am = Packet Pick Up & Race Day Registration, 11:30-11:40am = 1K Kids Race (5 and under), 11:40-11:50am = 1K Kids Race (6-10 yr. old's), 12 noon = Start of the 5K Run/Walk and 10K Run, 1:00pm = LIVE Results available on your smartphone! FREE Raffle for great prizes at the conclusion of the 5K/10K. **Your bib is your ticket (must be present)!** Remember to stick around for the post-race raffle. Your bib is your ticket to win one of the many gift baskets & raffle prizes! **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.** We hope you will join us at the New Year's Resolution Run sponsored by St. Anthony's School & Catholic Church. You can register at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/Atwater/StAnthony/sResolutionRun>
WE WILL SEE YOU ON JANUARY 6, 2024!

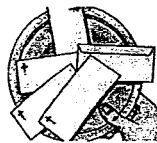


CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR 2024:

Offertory Envelopes: Jan. - March have been mailed. Please contact the office or come in Monday - Thursday from 9AM to 4PM if you have not received your envelopes. Please call us at 209-358-5743 & inform us, if you are no longer interested in using your offertory envelopes.

SOBRE DE APORTACIÓN PARA 2024:

Se han enviado por correo los sobres de la colecta de enero a marzo. Comuníquese con la oficina o venga de lunes a jueves de 9AM. A 4PM. si no ha recibido sus sobres. Llámenos al 209-358-5743 e infórmenos si ya no está interesado en usar sus sobres de ofertorio.



12th Annual West Coast Walk for Life In San Francisco, Saturday, January 20, 2024.

Reserve your place on one of the two charter buses sponsored by United for Life of Merced County. This event is the most powerful, prayerful & peaceful pro-life event you will ever attend. Abortion laws have changed but babies in the womb & their mothers are still not respected & safe! This event is so powerful! Hear the testimonies of those whose hearts have been broken yet healed, & you will join with thousands of others being encouraged, inspired, & motivated to continue to pray & defend the child in the womb. A sign-up table for reserving a seat on the charter bus will be in front of the church after some of the Masses. For more information, email: uflmerced@yahoo.com or contact Steve (209) 358-2286. Suggested donations are: Adults \$20, Students \$10, Immediate family \$50.



ATTENTION ALL MINISTRIES/ CHURCH


GROUPS: Facility Request Forms need to be filled out for the Year 2024. Please stop by the office to fill out a form & be put on the schedule. We have not received Facility Request forms for the year 2024 from the following Groups: *St. Anthony 4H, YMI, Alter Society, Anchor Youth Group, RCIA, RICA, Movimiento Familiar Cristiano, Pre- Matrimonial, Catholic Daughters, Grupo de Oracion, Estudio Biblico. (You may no longer use the facility until a Facility request Form is turned in to the Office & Approved.)



ATENCIÓN A TODOS LOS

MINISTERIOS/GRUPOS DE IGLESIAS: Los formularios de solicitud para usar instalaciones de la iglesia deben completarse para el año 2024. Pase por la oficina para completar un formulario y ser incluido en el calendario. No hemos recibido formularios de Solicitud para usar las instalaciones de la Iglesia para el año 2024 de los siguientes Grupos:

*St. Anthony 4H, YMI, Alter Society, Anchor Grupo de Jovenes, RICA (Eng), Movimiento Familiar Cristiano, Pre-Matrimonial, Catholic Daughters, Grupo de Oración, Estudio Bíblico. No podrá utilizar las instalaciones hasta que entregue un formulario de solicitud de instalaciones a la oficina y sea aprobado.

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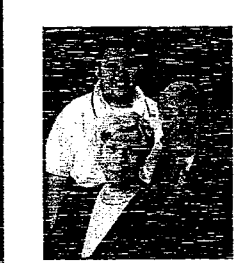
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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

NATIONAL GUARD:

US AIR FORCE: Senior Airman Keith Scharsch, Col. Juvelyn Chua


US ARMY: Staff Sergeant Jaime Hernandez, Specialist Wade Preston Wight, Staff Sergeant Cameron Taylor

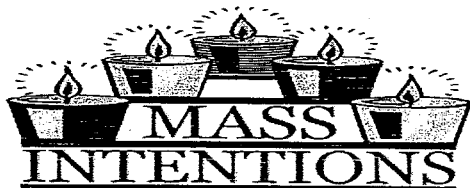
US MARINES: LCpl - Ethan J. Ochoa

US NAVY: MA3- PO3 Victoria G. Ramirez; Petty officer Third Class, William Smith; Petty Officer Second Class, Christopher Smith, MIDN Jarrett J. Sansoni

PLEASE KEEP THEM IN PRAYER.

If you would like to add someone to the Military prayer list please contact the parish office.





**** Español, * Mass at Immaculate Conception**

Saturday, December 30th, 2023

4:00PM Intention for the Parishioners of St.

Anthony & Immaculate

Conception Church

5:30PM †Roberto Barron**

5:30PM Intencion por una buena temporada
de Trabajo**

Sunday, December 31st, 2023

7:00AM †Souls in Purgatory*

7:00AM †Jack Herkert*

8:00AM †Rafael Ochoa**

8:00AM †Pedro Morales**

9:45AM †Luis & Soledad Anguiano

9:45AM †Felix Trujillo

11:30AM Intention for Sa Vahn Chung

Monday, January 1st, 2024 (New Years)

9:00AM †Roger Brum

9:00AM Intention for the Navarro Family

Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024

6:30AM †Joe Vieira

Wednesday, January 3rd, 2024

6:30AM †Carmen & Francisco Rivera

6:30PM †Odilona Ramirez**

6:30PM Intención para Fernando
Hernandez**

Thursday, January 4th, 2024

6:30AM †Roberto Belmonte

6:30AM †Charlotte Lopes

6:30PM --- **

Friday, January 5th, 2024

6:30AM †Pat Pare

6:30AM †Joe & Louise Dias

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary, & Joseph
- Monday: Solemnity of Mary, The Holy
Mother of God
- Tuesday: SS. Basil the Great & Gregory
Nazianzen
- Wednesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Thursday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Friday: St. John Neumann
- Saturday: St. Andre Bessette

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: "Hijo, cuida de tu padre en la vejez y en su vida no le causes tristeza; aunque se debilite su razón, ten paciencia con él y no lo menosprecies por estar tú en pleno vigor." (Sir 3:2-6, 12-14)

Psalm: "Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways." (Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.)

Second Reading: "Que en sus corazones reine la paz de Cristo, esa paz a la que han sido llamados, como miembros de un solo cuerpo. Finalmente, sean agradecidos.." (Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17)

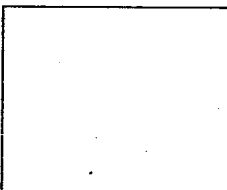
Gospel: "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." (LK 2:22-40)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
- Tuesday: 1 JN 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3AB,
3CD-4; Jn 1:19-28
- Wednesday: 1 JN 2:29-3:6; PS 98:1, 3CD-4,
5-6; Jn 1:29-34
- Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9;
Jn 1:35-42
- Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; PS 100:1b-2, 3, 4,
5; Jn 1:43-51
- Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; PS147:12-13, 14-15,
19-20; Mk 1:7-11



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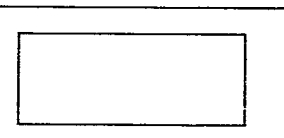




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