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*Parochial Vicar: Fr. Innocent Subiza*  
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**December 14, 2008**



## ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH

11600 Atwood Rd. Auburn, Ca. 95603  
(530) 889-2254  
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### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday Vigil.....5:00pm  
Sunday.....8:30am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

### **Daily Masses:**

Monday—Saturday.....8:30am

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday, 3:00pm – 4:30pm

The priests are honored to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance at any time; please call for an appointment with the priest of your choice.

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Saturdays.....9:00am—3:00pm  
First Fridays.....9:00am—10:00am

**Baptisms:** For the celebration of Baptism, please call the Parish Office, for information.

**Marriage:** Please contact a priest or deacon of your choice at *least* six months in advance of your desired wedding in order to participate in a process of marriage preparation.

**Confirmation:** For teens, the Sacrament of Confirmation is a two-year preparation process; please contact our coordinator of religious education; for adults not yet confirmed, please call the parish office.

**Ministry to the Sick:** Please call parish office  
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*If you are new or visiting our parish, we welcome you. If you would like to register with our parish, please contact the parish office or visit our web site at [www.stteresaauburn.com](http://www.stteresaauburn.com) to download the form. Also, please notify the parish office for address changes or member updates.*



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**REJOICE**

Isaiah proclaims truly good news to us! God's coming brings not sadness, guilt, fear, wrath, or condemnation. No, God's coming is a source of comfort and joy. Saying it once is not enough, for today's readings are full of joy. Mary's Magnificat substitutes for our psalm today, and our second reading encourages us to rejoice, to give thanks and praise. This is the root meaning of the Greek word for eucharist. We are urged to rejoice and give thanks, because the coming of the Lord brings joy, healing, liberty, release, vindication. It makes the very earth spring up with new life! Good tidings!

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**Third Sunday of Advent  
December 14, 2008**

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.

— 1 Thessalonians 5:16

**Mass Intentions for the week**



**December 15—December 21, 2008**

|            |         |   |                   |
|------------|---------|---|-------------------|
| Monday:    | 8:30am  | + | Bill Tullis       |
| Tuesday:   | 8:30am  | + | Kathleen Schultz  |
| Wednesday: | 8:30am  | + | Frances Mackey    |
| Thursday:  | 8:30am  | + | Laura Lintott     |
| Friday:    | 8:30am  | + | Irene Fershin     |
| Saturday:  | 8:30am  |   |                   |
| Saturday:  | 5:00pm  | + | Tom Schuck        |
| Sunday:    | 8:30am  | + | Richard Gavranich |
|            | 11:00am |   | All parishioners  |
|            | 5:00pm  | + | Maria Farinha     |

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE**

Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm

(Many priests available for confessions)



**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will God make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).



**Psalm** — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

**Second Reading** — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

**Gospel** — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| Monday:    | Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27                              |
| Tuesday:   | Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32                                |
| Wednesday: | Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17                                    |
| Thursday:  | Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25                                      |
| Friday:    | Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25                               |
| Saturday:  | Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38                                      |
| Sunday:    | 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38 |

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

|          |                        |
|----------|------------------------|
| Sunday:  | Third Sunday of Advent |
| Tuesday: | Las Posadas begins     |



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**Average Weekly Offertory  
November 24, 2008**

(Based on 21 weeks)

**\$12,040**

(Our weekly goal is \$13,000)



**“GUADETE SUNDAY”**

The word “Guadete” means rejoice. The reason for rejoicing is the nearness of Christ. As we celebrate the Eucharist, the Lord is very near to us, indeed, He is in our midst. The Lord’s presence turns our sadness into joy, our “being to busy” into calmness, fears into trust, our indifference into Love.

To feel the fullness of Christ’s presence we must as St. Paul says, “He must increase, we must decrease”. Our Knights of Columbus have a Christmas program to put Christ back in Christmas, so must all of us. As we grow in an awareness of Christ’s presence through the Mass, through the Christmas narratives, through the Christmas carols and prayer, we come to realize that we have to make room not only for Him, but also the needy. The needy are those like Joseph and Mary who are shut out from life. This making room for Christ and the needy brings joy.

Our pleasures in life according to the song “Are but a moment long”, but, the joy of welcoming Christ and His special people lasts forever. Because “the Lord is very near” Guadete Sunday helps us rejoice in our God who is coming with the gift of His love for you and I, and especially for those with special needs.

**God Bless,  
Fr. Mike**



**Giggles:** A man goes into a dollar store. He approaches the woman behind the counter and says, “Do you keep stationary here?” “No” she replies, “Sometimes I wiggle a bit”.



“I went to the 24 hour grocery store. When I got there the owner was closing the front door. I said, “your sign says open 24 hours.” He said, “yes, but not all at once.” “No respect!” ~Rodney Dangerfield

“Until I was thirteen, I thought my name was Shut up”. ~Rodney Dangerfield



“Pastor, your sermon was like fine coffee. Rich, full bodied, and it kept us up half the night.”



Christmas Caroling At The Convalescent Homes

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

For all those interested in spreading holiday joy to the local convalescent homes, once again we will be Christmas caroling.

- Dec. 14: Colonial 1:00pm
- Dec. 19: Auburn Ravine 6:15pm
- Dec. 20: Mercy Center 2:00pm

Any questions call Barbara at 889-2254.

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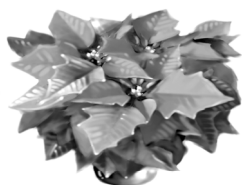
**THE GIVING TREE**

*Today is the day gift tags in a gift bag are due back to the Church today. Thank you for your participation and generosity. Please know that your involvement makes a difference in the lives of so many!*



Once again we hope to fill our Sanctuary with poinsettias for

Christmas. If you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, please bring it to the Church by Saturday,



**Poinsettias**

December 21st. They may be left in the back of the Church or in the Chapel.



**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS: Next Weekend**

This weekend's special collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your generous commitment today will help ensure appropriate care for our 37,000 elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Their institutes face critical economic challenges as the costs of health care escalate. Your gift makes a difference. Please share in the care by giving generously.

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**CHRIST THE KING RETREAT CENTER EVENTS**

- Dec. 31: **New Year's Eve Overnight Retreat:**  
6:30pm Dinner to 10:00am January 1, 2009  
Cost: \$85 Double Room/\$95 Single Room

For further information please call Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center at 916-725-4720.

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**BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC MISSION  
A CHANCE TO HELP**

Members of Bethlehem catholic mission from the holy land will be visiting our parish next weekend. They are raising funds to help Catholic families in Bethlehem. They will be selling hand made olivewood crafts, rosaries, holy water, crosses, nativities sets and statues. Your purchase will help to support those needy families in Bethlehem. Please take a minute after Mass to and visit these crafts and support their families.

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATES!!**

Our first **Parish Family Advent Day** was a great success! 28 families (that's about 100 folks!) had lunch, learned about and made Jesse Tree ornaments, decorated cookies, had an early visit from St. Nicholas and made new friends all around! A BIG "THANK YOU" goes to EVERYONE for all of your hard work in making this first attempt a successful event!

Prepare yourselves (again!)....we are already planning a Family Lenten Day...details will follow.... But let's all have a Blessed, Christ-filled Christmas First and foremost!

**THERE WILL BE NO R.E. CLASSES on  
DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> OR DECEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>!!!**

R.E. Classes will resume in the New Year, January 4<sup>th</sup>.

Many of our children have been practicing diligently for a special performance at the Christmas Eve Mass at 4:30 pm.

**ALL CHILDREN INVOLVED IN THE PERFORMANCE MUST BE AT THE CHURCH BY 3:30 p.m. MEET IN THE CHAPEL!!!!!!**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**  
 Week of December 21, 2008

**Altar Servers**

**Saturday, 12/20/08, 5:00pm:**

Nathan Jacques, Michaela Collins, Michael Crouch

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 8:30am:**

Brittany Bonitata, Chris Eggert, Eric Ivins

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 11:00am:**

Ani Lewis, Jacob Arnold, Lacey McCormick

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 5:00pm:**

Marisa Ordorica, Drew Oakes, Michael Ordorica

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Saturday, 12/20/08, 5:00pm:**

Angie Franzoni, Larry Franzoni, Judy Gerhard, Michael Percoski, Kathy Quinnan, Jim Quinnan

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 8:30am:**

Tony Ivins, Donna Keeley, Sandra Leiberger, Candie Malinowski, Jeanine Overton, John Kyser, Dianne Lemmon

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 11:00am:**

Rob Fecko, Chuck Manzer, Sally Manzer, Anita Miller, Dana Zeller, Russ Zeller

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 5:00pm:**

Michelle Armson, Danny Campos, Julie Gold, Pat Islip, Alice Masucci, Judy Sanabria

**Lectors**

**Saturday, 12/20/08, 5:00pm:** Tom Plummer, Richard Vielbig

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 8:30am:** Michael Baker, Joyce Pope

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 11:00am:** Amy Lewis, Lewis Children

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 5:00pm:** Confirmation Lector 1 & 2

**Greeter's**

**Saturday, 12/20/08, 5:00pm:**

Carol Thomas, Bob Thomas, Joe Mello, Sally Laporta

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 8:30am:**

Velma Minter, Joan Thompson, Bonnie Vrooman, Chuck Vrooman, Betty Mathews, Phylis Mathews

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 11:00am:**

Julie Juliano, Jennifer Lowe, Mark Lowe, Katherine Trout, Paul Nester, Shirley Nester

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 5:00pm:**

Andrew Zehm, Kathrynne Giles, Jim Moore

**Usher's**

**Saturday, 12/20/08, 5:00pm:** Not Filled

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 8:30am:**

Howard Clunn, David DeRosa, Bill Fixmer, Pete Ivovic, Ron Malinowski, Ed McClaughn, Jim Morgan, Paul Petrocelli, Pete Thompson

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 11:00am:**

Paul Law, Bill Stirman

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 5:00pm:** Not Filled

**Sacristan**

**Saturday, 12/20/08, 5:00pm:** Jim McKeivitt

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 8:30am:** Julia Eggert

**Sunday, 12/21/08, 11:00am:** Joe Offer

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Monday, December 15, 2008**

|         |                      |             |
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| 9:30am  | Bible Study          | Chapel      |
| 12:30pm | Dare Graduation      | Parish Hall |
| 3:00pm  | Basketball Practice  | Parish Hall |
| 6:00pm  | Jr. Cantors Practice | St. Teresa  |
| 7:15pm  | RCIA Christmas Party | Chapel      |

**Tuesday, December 16, 2008**

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| 3:15pm | School Basketball         | Fireplace Rm  |
| 3:30pm | Children's Choir Practice | Chapel        |
| 5:30pm | Liturgy Meeting           | Parish Office |
| 7:00pm | Communal Penance          | St. Teresa    |

**Wednesday, December 17, 2008**

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| 5:30pm | Bingo                | Parish Hall |
| 6:30pm | Adult Choir Practice | St. Teresa  |
| 8:00pm | Gregorian Chant      | Chapel      |

**Thursday, December 18, 2008**

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| 11:00am | Circle of Friends        | Fireplace Rm  |
| 3:00pm  | Basketball Practice      | Parish Hall   |
| 6:30pm  | Cursillo                 | Parish Office |
| 7:00pm  | School Christmas Program | St. Teresa    |

**Friday, December 19, 2008**

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| 4:00pm | KC's Christmas Party | Parish Hall |
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**Saturday, December 20, 2008**

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| 7:00pm | Christmas Concert | Parish Hall |
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**Sunday, December 21, 2008**

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| 3:30pm | Youth Choir Practice | St. Teresa |
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**Advent/Christmas Benefit Concert**

All are invited to a celebration of Christmas music at St. Teresa's Church on December 13th & 20th at 7:00pm. On December 13th, the Grass Valley Cornish Choir and the Male Voice Choir will present their version of a Cornish Christmas. On December 20th all choirs of St. Teresa of Avila will present both Advent and Christmas music followed by the Christian Brothers High School Choir. Admission is by donation and all proceeds go to the Auburn Food Closet.

**UNDERSTANDING SCRIPTURE**

Most people are bothered by those passages in Scripture which they can't understand; but . . . I have noticed that the passages in Scripture which trouble me most are those I do understand.

—Mark Twain