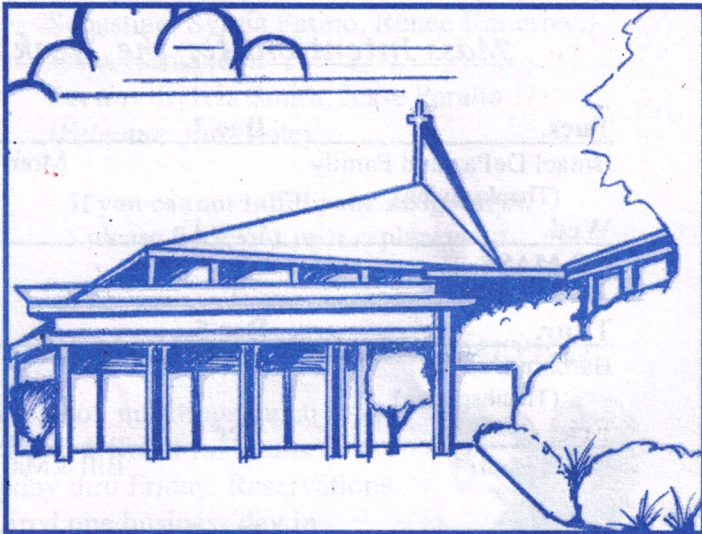


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MASSES:

Saturday	Crockett..... 4:30 pm (vigil)
Sunday	Crockett..... 9:00 am
	Port Costa..... 11:00 am
Weekdays	Crockett
	Tues. - Fri..... 12:00 noon
Holy Days	Crockett..... 12:00 noon & 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday	3:30 to 4:00 pm
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WEDDINGS: By appointment, at least six months in advance.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Notify the priest regarding those who are ill, hospitalized or homebound.



St. Patrick Mission, Port Costa

WELCOME! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether longtime resident or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you! If you are not on our parish list—please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the office.

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From the Desk of Fr. Leo

Why is humanity more intent on the temporal and the ephemeral things of this earth than on the lasting goods of the world to come? At least he or she can be expected to use the good things of this life to build a better world, to help his or her fellow men and women in need, and to insure his or her own salvation. But today more than ever, humanity is taken up with business pursuits, entertainment, recreation, news, and the pleasures of life. Great numbers give little or no thought to the warning of the Lord. Why? Because there is a great lack of faith and Jesus Himself said: "When the Son of Man comes, will He find any faith on the earth"? (Luke 18:8) Where faith is lacking, the mind of humanity is prone to the material goods of this world, in acquiring them for himself or herself without any concern for his fellow men or women. It is faith that opens up the vistas of the invisible and the reign of God to come. Faith channels our efforts in things of lasting value. Faith gives us that awareness of Christ and His kingdom, so that our lives on earth have lasting value.

This weekend's Gospel serves as an earnest warning to the New People of God. It concerns the Parousia, or Coming of Christ, as Judge in the consummation of all things. How often, Jesus exhorts all His followers to vigilance, to watchfulness, to awareness that He will come when least expected, like a thief in the night!

We are entering this week, the season of Advent. Advent is the time for a new start. It is the time to set things in order and put first things first. As the Apostle tells us in the Second Reading: "It is now the hour for us to wake from sleep, for our salvation is closer than when we first accepted the faith." (Romans 13:11). His main exhortation is to put on the Lord Jesus Christ, that is, to clothe ourselves with the aims and thoughts of the Savior. Then our lives will be correctly oriented and our labors done in and with Christ Jesus. At any rate, we will be prepared for His Coming, whether it be in His own glorious Parousia, or His coming to take us individually to Himself to be with Him forever.

A custom that is spreading in our Catholic homes more and more is the Advent wreath with the four candles representing the four Sundays of Advent. This is a very praise-worthy custom, for it reminds us each week as we light another candle that the great day of Christ's Birthday is nearer. And with that our rebirth in

Him. Only by putting on Christ, can we feel secure on earth and of salvation in heaven

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues.	Dec 3	Noon
Ismael DePaz and Family (Thanksgiving)		Mom & Dad
Wed.	Dec 4	Noon
NO MASS		
Thur.	Dec 5	Noon
Barbara DeDios (Thanksgiving)		
Fri.	Dec 6	Noon
David Ponti †		Bill & Marleana Airoldi
Sat.	Dec 7	4:30pm
Steve Gallo †		Family
Sun.	Dec 8	9am
Thanksgiving		Ed & Mae
Port Costa		11:00am
NO MASS		

****Monday, December 9th, there will be a special 9:00AM Mass to celebrate The Immaculate Conception! ****

Sunday Collection - November 24

St. Rose, Crockett/Regular Sunday	\$167
Campaign for Human Development	\$29
St. Patrick Mission, Port Costa	\$49
Campaign for Human Development	\$10
Thanks to all who support our Parish!	



Welcome Committee, Lectors and Ministers

Dec 7: June Gallo, Lydia Banaga, Mary Duckworth

Lector: Hugh Duckworth

Welcome: Hugh Duckworth

Dec 8: Lourdes Hernandez, Barbara Denton, Jenny Sebastian, Sylvia Patino, Renee Ratterree, Jesus Hernandez

Lector: Sylvia Smith, Jesse Peralta

Welcome: Inez Foley

If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please find your own replacement.

CC Café/ Senior Outreach Services

Enjoy a hot, nutritious lunch at the CC Café! Offered for adults 60+, Monday thru Friday. Reservations required one business day in advance. \$3 donation suggested. 850 Pomona St. Crockett. Call today to make your reservations 787-1341.



Special Second Collection

Our Lady of Guadalupe committee has been working hard to put on a wonderful celebration in honor of the Virgin Mary. The tamale sales are helping them attain their goals, but we are having a special second collection this week to help with some of the decorations and especially with flowers.

The committee is also encouraging parishioners to please bring fresh, cut flowers the day of the celebration, **December 8th**, especially roses. These can be brought to the vestibule just before the procession, and they will be placed on the altar as an offering during Mass. We will begin gathering in the parking lot at 8:30 AM and process to the church around 8:45. This is a wonderful way to be part of the celebration!

Celebration mass for our Lady of Guadalupe

St. Rose of Lima Church, Crockett

555 3rd Avenue

Sunday December 8th

Procession starts at 8:30 AM – Mass at 9:30AM

Performance by Mariachi Band

Reception to follow after mass



Second Sunday Social

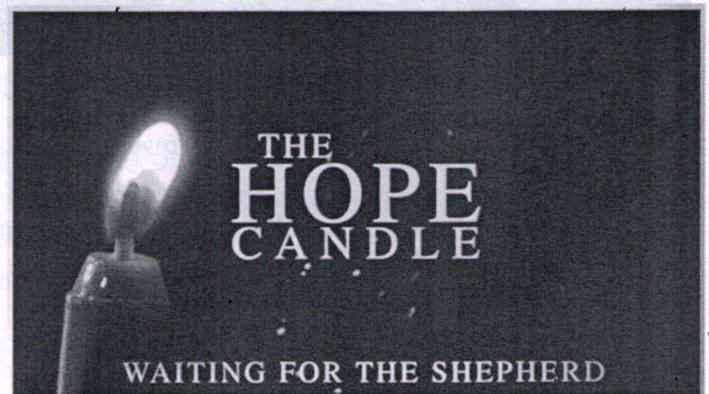
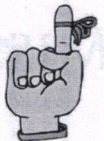
With all the activities going on in the parish this month, it was decided that there would be no Second Sunday Social. Merry Christmas to you and your family, and we will see you in January!



Prayers for the Deceased

In your prayers, please remember in a special way, Josephine Airoidi. The Memorial Mass will be held Saturday, December 7th at 11:00am here at St. Rose.

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