



OUR LADY OF THE PILLAR CATHOLIC CHURCH
Iglesia Católica de Nuestra Señora del Pilar

400 Church Street, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019 • 650-726-4674

**Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord
January 6, 2013**

Our Parish Clergy

Rev. Juan Manuel Lopez, Parish Administrator

Rev. Charles Fermeglia, Parochial Vicar
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Rev. Charles Onubogu, In Residence

Deacon John McGhee

Deacon John Sequeira, Parish Manager

Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday: 8:00 am

- **First-Fridays** — *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Anointing of the Sick is First Friday each month; Adoration begins following the 8:00 am Mass and lasts throughout the day; at 6:30 pm there is Anointing of the Sick followed by the Benediction.*

Saturday, January 5, 2013

8:00 am - Fr. Onobogu

5:00 pm - Fr. Charlie

8:00 pm (Spanish) - Fr. Juan Manuel

- Reconciliation / Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Sunday, January 6, 2013

8:00 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm - Fr. Charlie

12:00 Noon (Spanish) - Fr. Juan Manuel

St. Anthony's — Pescadero

696 North Street, Pescadero, CA 94060

Saturday: 6:00 pm (Spanish) - Fr. Juan Manuel

Sunday: 9:00 am - Fr. Onubogu

Our Lady of Refuge — La Honda

146 Sears Ranch Road, La Honda, CA 94020

Sunday: 10:30 am - Fr. Onubogu

WELCOME *Bienvenidos*

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Blessings to each of you as we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. This week in the Gospel according to St. Matthew, we learn about how King Herod sent three *magi* to Bethlehem. "Go and search diligently for the child..." They followed the rising star until it stopped over the place where the Christ Child was found with His mother, which filled them with great joy. They bowed down and offered their gifts to him. As we celebrate Holy Eucharist together in commemoration, what gifts will you commit to the service of our Lord Jesus Christ? I encourage you to ask God to guide your heart.

Bendiciones a cada uno de ustedes al celebrar la Epifanía del Señor. Esta semana en el Evangelio según San Mateo, aprendemos como el Rey Herodes envió a tres Reyes Magos a Belén. "Vayan y busquen diligentemente al niño..." Ellos siguieron la estrella creciente que los llevó hasta el lugar donde el Niño Jesús se encontraba con su madre, que los llenó de gran alegría. Ellos se arrodillaron y le ofrecieron sus regalos. ¿Cuándo celebramos la Eucaristía Santa juntos en la conmemoración, qué regalos pondrá usted al servicio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo? Le invito a pedir a Dios como dirigir su corazón.

**May God Bless you all,
Fr. Juan Manuel**



Parish Coordinators and Staff

RCIA | Adult Faith Formation: Terry Ruppel
Religious Education K-6th Grade: Eileen Arnold
Religious Education (Spanish): Claudia Miramontes
Spanish Weddings: Juana Ruano
Youth Confirmation: Elizabeth Neapolitan

Church Office:

Monday – Friday 9:30 am - 12:00 Noon; 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
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- Parish Secretary and Bulletin Editor: Hilda Krup
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- Management Advisor: Dr. James Spilker

As a Catholic community, we strive to grow in faith together through the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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With Gratitude for 3 Beautiful Christmas Trees

Thank you to Dan and Natalie Sare of Santa's Tree Farm and Village on Hwy 92 for the three beautiful Christmas trees at Our Lady of the Pillar. Also, please pray for God's healing for their *father*, Natalino Marchi. We also want to thank Derek Kulda and Aaron Botham who spent a long *cold winter evening* with Fr. Charlie setting up the trees for our *Parish Tree Lighting* on December 19 and to bring beauty to our sanctuary for the Christmas Season.



Are you looking for a special way to use your Gifts?

Our **Youth Confirmation** program is looking for a few talented teachers and classroom aides. Classes meet Wednesday evenings from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. For more information, contact Liz Neapolitan at 650 726-5587 x 209 or email confirmation@ourladyofthepillar.org

January 20 | Special CYO Mass at 10:00 am

Join us as we honor the CYO (Catholic Youth Organization). Joe Haggarty, CYO Lead for Our Lady of the Pillar will be joining us with CYO Youth on the Feast Day of Saint Sebastian, the patron saint for athletics. Founded in 1907, CYO programs bring youth—of all socioeconomic backgrounds—together to take part in organized athletic programs, summer camp, and environmental education.



INSIGHTS *with Fr. Charlie*

Jesus Revealed

The First Feast Day | January 6

"The holy day has dawned upon us: Come and adore the Lord, for a great light has come down upon earth."

Did you know that *The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ* was the *first* feast day? Its earliest reference was in 361 A.D. Roman historian, Ammianus Marcellinus quoted Saint Epiphanius writing about January 6: *Hemera genethlion toutestin epiphanon*, meaning it is *Christ's birthday; that is, his epiphany.*"

The word *epiphany* comes from the Greek word, *epiphaneia*, meaning "*manifestation*" or "*sudden appearance.*" The origin of the observance of Epiphany started in the Eastern Christian Church. They mark Jesus' revelations by four significant happenings:

- Jesus' birth.
- The visit to Bethlehem by the *Magi* in search of a *heavenly king* and their adoration of Him.
- Jesus childhood and life events, up to and including his Baptism in the River Jordan by John the Baptist.
- Manifestation of Jesus' public ministry and His first *Miracle* at the Wedding at Cana in Galilee: *The transformation of the water into wine.*

In the Western Christian tradition, our emphasis focuses on Jesus' *revelations to the Gentiles* mentioned in Luke's Gospel: "*He is a Light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.*" (Luke 2:32) *Gentiles* mean non-Jewish people; in the Bible, the *Magi* represent the non-Jewish people of the world. The essence of the feast days in both the Eastern and the Western Christian traditions is the same; we both celebrate the manifestations of Jesus being *revealed* to the people of the world.

The Epiphany of our Lord has a personal significance to each of us today. John spoke it this way: "*This is how God showed His love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.*" (1 John 4:9)

How is Jesus revealing Himself to you?

Peace,
Fr. Charlie

WISDOM to Keep

Let us join the wise men in worship
and the shepherds in giving glory to God.

Let us dance with angels and sing:

To us is born this a savior who is Christ the Lord.

St. Basil the Great

Doctor of the Church



Sacrament Preparation

Baptism • Marriage

Communion in the Home • Anointing the Sick

SPECIAL NOTE: English Baptism classes have been changed to 3rd Thursday each month at 7:00 pm. For preparation information, call the Church Office 726-4674 or visit our website: www.ourladyofthepillar.org/sacraments

Parish Organizations and Services

We have a wide array of organizations, committees, faith formation groups, and service organizations that serve our parish community. For a complete list and meeting times, go to our parish website: www.ourladyofthepillar.org/groups or find other information in the vestibule of the church.

Pray for Our Parish Family Who are Sick

Pray that God's healing power will fill them with strength and hope. To add a name, please call the Parish Office at 726-4674. Each name is put on the parish prayer list for three weeks; to extend the listing beyond the initial three weeks, please call the parish office.

Geraldine Carter	Nancy Madieros	Cherie Schwing
Josephine	Natalino Marchi	Donald Thery
Nicki Galle	Deacon McGhee	Mike Warner
	Margaret Phelan	Marilyn Wright

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Supporting Our Parish | Your Offerings

December 29 and 30 OFFERINGS

Our Lady of the Pillar	\$
Our Lady of Refuge	\$
St Anthony's	\$

*Due to the holiday production schedule,
we will be reporting the year-end offerings
for our parish in the next bulletin.*

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday EVENING, January 5, 2013

5:00 pm Maria & Jose Matos+, Luis & Bernardette Belo+,
Nancy Lilly+
8:00 pm Por la Parroquia

Sunday, January 6, 2013

8:00 am Antonio Costa & Family+, Manuel Ferreira
& Family+
10:00 am Manuel & Julia Silveira+, Jose & Maria Matos+,
Maria Mendes+
12:00 noon Por la Parroquia
6:00 pm Manuel Machado+, Joe Lopes+, Isabel & Jose
Gabriel+, Manuel Jose+

Monday, January 7, 2013

8:00 am Antonio Alves & Celestino Bettencourt+

Tuesday, January 8, 2013

8:00 am For the Parish

Wednesday, January 9, 2013

8:00 am Antonio Alves & Celestino Bettencourt+

Thursday, January 10, 2013

8:00 am Francisco Costa+, Maria Silveira+

Friday, January 11, 2013

8:00 am Rosanna & Clifford Hollander+, Rita Grodt+,
Larry Johnson+

Saturday, January 12, 2013

8:00 am Manuel Ferreira+, Palmira Cota & Parents+



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