

From the Pastor's Desktop

A Message from the Pastor



January 8, 2023

Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth,

Simbang Gabi (Dec. 16 – 24) and Christmas Season---A Thank-You List of Volunteers and Active

Participants: As you know, we had a highly successful Simbang Gabi 2022 followed by the joyful Christmas liturgies. There are many people who worked hard and collaborated in making these celebrations a prayerful and joyful. These are the volunteers I would like to thank in a very special way.

Simbang Gabi Food and Set-up:

Elizabeth Pasco and Luz Bansuelo (food setup for 9 days), Richard Padua (Coffee-master), Phil McCarthy, David Gemignani, Ken John, Richard John, Fred Spence and Sharon Soares, Setup/takedown tables and chairs.

Set-up of the manger scene:

Ed Calderon, David Gemignani, and Phil McCarthy

Sponsors and Gift Offerings for each day of Simbang Gabi

Richard and Marycon Padua (Day 1), Alipio and Macaspac Family (Day 2), Tessie Gotauco, Gloria Trinidad, Ignacio Madriaga Jr., Ledy Tolentino and Luz Bansuelo (Day 3), Estelle Rabaria, Herminia de los Reyes, and Sally Aldon (Day 4), Tessie Vinluan, En Maog, Belma Enriquez, and Cora Pilare (Day 5), Virginia Sanchez, Maria Concepcion, and Carmelita Ouano (Day 6), Carmen Reyes, Lupe Reyes, Dolores Reyes and Hermie de los Reyes (Day 7), Legion of Mary at St. Elizabeth Church (Beth Pasco-President, Jackie and Tommy Pugh, Antonia, Velasco, Eric Nacor Sr., Pilar Manalo, Anita Hazel, Tessie and Adolfo Alano), Sto. Nino De Cebu Association International, (represented by Rolly Mungues) (Day 8), Rufo Mangonon Jr., and Caroline Mangonon, May and Vito DeVera and Lilia Crow (Day 9)

Figures and animals added to the nativity manger scene:

Lamb, brought up by Philip McCarthy (Day 1), Donkey, brought up by Macaspac Family (Day 2), Sheep, brought up by Ledy Tolentino (Day 3), Cow, brought up by Estelle Rabaria (Day 4), Shepherd boy, brought up by Cora Pilare (Day 5), Shepherd, brought up by Enrique Mendez (Day 6), Joseph, brought up by Dolores Reyes (Day 7), Mary, brought up by Eric Nacor, Sr. (Day 8), Crib, brought up by May DeVera and Rufo Mangonon Jr. (Day 9)

Placing and lighting of the Altar Star:

Joey Tanquilut

The Art and Environment Committee:

Richard Padua, Marycon Padua, and Joey Tranquilut

Decoration of lights for the Church and Rectory:

Fred Spence, Phil McCarthy, Richard John, David Gemignani, and Albert Sandoval

Lighting the Advent candle

Marycon and Richard Padua (Day 1), Macaspac Family (Day 2)
Luz Bansuelo, Gloria Trinidad, Ignacio Madriaga Jr. and Tessie Gotauco (Day 3), Estelle Rabaria and Sally Aldon (Day 4), En Maog, Tessie Vinluan and Cora Pilare (Day 5), Enrique Mendez, Virginia Sanchez and Maria Concepcion (Day 6), Reyes sisters, Carmen, Lupe and Dolores (Day 7), Jackie and Tommy Pugh and Rolly Mungues (Day 8), Liberty Bacorro, Normalita Mangonon and Debbie Adams (Day 9)

Announcer for each day before the start of mass

May DeVera (Day 1), Gloria Trinidad (Day 2), David Gemignani (Day 3), Sharon Soares (Day 4), May DeVera (Day 5), Belma Enriquez (Day 6), David Gemignani (Day 7), David Gemignani (Day 8), Tessie Gotauco (Day 9)

Lectors: Lilia Crow, Gloria Trinidad, Tessie Gotauco, Dean Alipio, Giana Macaspac, Jeremy Manalastoc, Adrian Gotauco, Lourdes Saucillo, Ledy Tolentino, Estelle Rabaria, Cora Pilare, Belma Enriquez, Tessie Vinluan, David Gemignani, Marietta Alipio, May DeVera, Jackie Pugh and Elizabeth Pasco.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Richard John, Tessie Vinluan, Dave Alipio, Jenny Macaspac, Lourdes Ressurrection, Cora Pilare, Phil McCarthy, David Gemignani, Elizabeth Pasco, Sr. Olga Cristobal, Lilia Crow, Luz Bansuelo, Isabel Macias

Choir: Marycon Padua (leading the choir), Carmelita Ouano (piano), Ignacio Madriaga Jr., (guitar), Morning worshippers- Gloria Trinidad, Tessie Vinluan, Tessie Gotauco, Richard Padua, May and Vito DeVera, Marietta Alipio, Ledy Tolentino, Lourdes Saucillo, Elizabeth Pasco, Phil Alviar, Cora Pilare
About 55 people attended each day, with 45 staying for food and fellowship

Lighting the Advent candle:

11/26/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Sarah Vanucchi and Roseanne Nava, 11/27/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Carmen and Emmanuel Micallef, 12/03/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Leona and Reno Galea, 12/04/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Lucille and Edward Clement
12/10/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Jackie and Tommy Pugh, 12/11/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Laurrie Digneo, Fran Oropeza and Faith formation children, 12/17/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Martinez Family, 12/18/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Luz Bansuelo, Gloria Trinidad, 12/24/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M.

Christmas Eve, 4:30 p.m.:

Naomi Marquez (cantor), Carmelita Ouano (piano), Jessica and Kevin Mullin and 4 year old twin boys (bringing baby Jesus to manger)

12/25/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Christmas Day

Morning Worshippers (choir), Carmelita Ouano (piano),
Marycon Padua (leading the choir), Natalia Laxague (bringing baby Jesus to manger)

12/25/22 Sunday 11:00 A.M. Christmas Day

Naomi Marquez (cantor), Carmelita Ouano (piano), Belma Enriquez (bringing baby Jesus to manger)

Presider for all the masses: Rev. Charles Puthota, Ph.D., Pastor

Thank you for making these Advent, Simbang Gabi, Christmas celebrations special and memorable,

Your Friend and Pastor,
Fr. Charles Puthota