# Saint Margaret Parish Weekly Bulletin

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### **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil - 6:00pm Sunday 8:30am & 11:00am **Rosary** - 9:30am

Baptisms - First Sunday - 10:00am

### **Daily Masses**

Monday & Friday - 6:00pm Tuesday & Wednesday - 8:00am

### **Confessions**

Monday, Friday, Saturday - 5:00pm

### **Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction**

Fridays - 5:00-5:50pm 1st Fridays - 7:00-8pm

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Christ's One and Eternal Sacrifice was and is for all humanity. With each Mass offered at the Altar, we give thanks that Christ offers His Sacrifice, keeping close to His Sacred Heart the following:

**SUNDAY, JAN. 30,** 8:30 - PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 11:00 - Lenore & Arthur Matheson+

**Monday, Jan. 31,** - Nelson Vetanze+

Tuesday, Feb. 1, - Alfredo Cuevas+

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 2, - ALICIA GARCIA+

FRIDAY, FEB. 4, - NORA TIMM+

SATURDAY, FEB. 5, - RUBEN GUTIERREZ+

### FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honor you with all our mind, and love everyone in truth of heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

### **GOSPEL MEDITATION - ST. LUKE 4:21-30**



The rejection of Jesus by his own people in today's Gospel must have sincerely grieved Him. This attempt to murder Him was an indication of what was yet to come. "To His own he came but His own did not accept Him," St. John(1:11). The Messiah that the Jews were looking for was a political leader who would make Israel a

political power over the other nations. Nearly all the Messianic prophecies had references to the universality of the Messianic kingdom-however, they interpreted this universality in a political, worldly sense. Their interest in spiritual things was at a very low ebb and therefore, Christ's message had little interest for them. For seventeen centuries they had been God's Chosen People, and they were proud of their superiority over the sinful Gentiles who did not know the true God. Their pride was their undoing. The Gentiles were God's children too, and were to share in the new kingdom which the Messiah would establish, yet this was abhorrent to the vast majority of the Jews. In spite of all their opposition, however, Jesus spent his public life amongst them. He gave them the first offer of entering the new kingdom. They could still continue to be God's chosen people alongside the other nations of the earth, but they refused. This refusal went so far as to call in the aid of the hated Gentiles to crucify the One-their own fellow Jew-who had come to bring them the message of the true kingdom and the offer of being its first citizens. There were exceptions, of course. Christ founded His Church, on the Apostles, who were Jews, and through their noble sacrifices, the kingdom spread to all the Gentile nations of the earth.

### St. Blaise - Bishop & Martyr - February 3



St. Blaise was a physician and Bishop of Sebaste, Armenia. He lived in a cave on Mount Argeus and was a healer of men and animals. According to legend, sick animals would come to him on their own for help, but would never disturb him at prayer. Agricola, governor of Cappadocia,

came to Sebaste to persecute Christians. His huntsmen went into the forests of Argeus to find wild animals for the arena games, and found many waiting outside Blaise's cave. Discovered in prayer, Blaise was arrested and Agricola tried to get him to recant his faith. While in prison, Blaise ministered to and healed fellow prisoners, including saving a child who was choking on a fish bone. This led to the blessing of throats on his feast day. Thrown into a lake to drown, Blaise stood on the surface and invited his persecutors to walk out and prove the power of their gods; they drowned. When he returned to land, he was martyred by being beaten, and then beheaded. Blaise has been extremely popular for centuries in both the Eastern and Western Churches and many cures were attributed to him. He is one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers. He is invoked for all throat afflictions, and on his feast two candles are blessed with a prayer that God will free from all such afflictions and every ill to all those who receive this blessing.

# BLESSING OF CANDLES - Wednesday 2/2 @ the 8am Mass

# BLESSING OF THROATS - Friday 2/4 @ the 6:00pm Mass

## **40 Days for Life Commissioning Masses**

There will be two bilingual Masses at two different locations: **February 6, 11:00 a.m.** @ **St. Mary** in Escondido & **February 13, 10:00 a.m.** @ **St. John of the Cross** in Lemon Grove. All Life Advocates, 40 days for Life leaders, Parish Culture of Life Coordinators, & parishioners are welcome to attend & celebrate the upcoming *40 Days for Life Spring campaign*. Auxiliary Bishop Bejarano will celebrate. For more information, please visit: www.sdcatholic.org/event/40-days-for-life.

# THIS WEEK'S PARISH EVENTS

Letter to Women Study Group

Tuesday, February 2nd @ 6:45pm-8:15pm & Wednesday, February 3rd, @ 9:15-10:45am Ministry Room

## **Knights of Columbus Mtg.**

Tuesday, February 2nd @ 6:00-9:00pm Fr. Sproul Room

### **Legion of Mary**

Wednesday, February 3rd, 6:45-8:15pm Music Room

**FNE - Catholic Scouting Mtg.** 

Thursday, February 4th @ 6:30-8:00pm - Hall

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Order of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS (OCIA)
2nd & 4th Tuesdays 5:45 - 7pm - Hall
CONFIRMATION - 1st & 2nd year students
Every Sunday 9:45 - 10:45am - Hall
Order of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of Children (OCIC)
Sacrament Prep Grade 3-8 - Hall
1st Sundays of the month 9:45 - 10:45am
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (FHC) Grade 2 - 2nd yr
Every Sunday - 9:45-10:45am - Hall
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Grades 1st - 8th
2nd Tuesdays of the month - 5:45-7pm - Hall

#### ULTRASOUND MACHINE FUNDRAISER



This weekend, **January 29 & 30**, the *Knights of Columbus* are sponsoring a fundraiser for **Birth Choice** to raise funds for an ultrasound machine. All contributions are greatly appreciated.

### AFTER-ABORTION HEALING RETREAT FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN

Professionally led & hosted by Rachel's Hope;
"Not judged, not lectured, just healed."
Confidentiality maintained.
When: February 4-6, 2022
Where: Diocesan Pastoral Center
3888 Paducah Drive; San Diego, CA
Cost: \$60; partial scholarships available
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