

April 9, 2023

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



St. Mary community congratulates and welcomes the following who were received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion Javier, Mateo, Nicolas, Shoni, & Natalie



The resurrection of the LORD is our HOPE.

St. Augustine

May this Easter strengthen your hope and bring joy to your heart.

Fr. Greg & Staff



The Parish Office will be CLOSED on Monday April 10.
We will return on Tuesday April 11



ADA UPDATE: END OF THE 2023 CAMPAIGN

This bulletin went to print before final results came in. A big THANK YOU to all parish families that participated this year. Every gift is a sign of love for our local church, the Diocese of San Jose, and for our own parish community. Special thanks to Steve Milligan, our parish chair, for all the time and energy he put into leading the campaign. It's not too late to give: even though the campaign for this year has come to a close, ADA contributions will be accepted until December 31, 2023. Donate online at dsj.org/ada.



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with St. Mary and our community through our eNewsletter. Sign-up or view recent eNewsletters on our website at:

stmaryslg.org/enewsletter



Sunday 9:00am and Daily Masses are Live Streamed on our website

stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm - In Person Sunday Masses: 9:00am

Live-Stream & In Person 11:00am & 5:00pm - In Person

Mon - Sat: 8:30 am Live-Stream & In Person

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm (Office Conference Room)

SUNDAY DONATIONS

are best made online stmaryslg.org/donate

Envelopes can be mailed in or dropped in the mail slot at the rectory

ADORATION LIVE STREAMED

Thursdays at 7 pm stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

Peter speaks about himself and the other apostles as "witnesses" to Jesus' public ministry as well as his death and resurrection from the dead. What are some ways you could give witness to the risen Jesus this week?

Second Reading:

Paul encourages the Christians in Corinth to see themselves as a community defined by sincerity and truth rather than malice and wickedness. *Does this describe your circle of friends?*

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9 or Matthew 28:1-10

Gospel:

The two women (Mary Magdalene and the other Mary) experience a range of emotions (from fear to being overjoyed) as they encounter first the angel and then the resurrected Jesus. *How do you imagine you would react to encountering Jesus risen from the dead?*

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REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

The great feast of Easter has begun, Christian stewards. Let us rejoice and be glad! Just as we embraced the discipline and fasting of Lent, let us fully embrace the joy and feasting that the next 50 days offer. We are called to be good stewards of the Easter season.

Our first reading, from Acts, gives instruction on how to do this. Here, St. Peter says that our Lord, "commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead... that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name." How do we ordinary people preach and testify to all God has done? By the way we live our ordinary lives — through the intentional use of our time, talent, and treasure for the kingdom of God. Putting God and others ahead of ourselves in every aspect of our lives is the most eloquent preaching we can do. Boldly and joyfully embracing a stewardship way of life is our most powerful testimony.

Reflecting on today's Gospel passage from John and studying the actions of the first witnesses to the Resurrection gives us further insight into how we should live the Easter season.

First, we learn of Mary Magdalene's response. She "came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark." Despite the trauma of just having witnessed the crucifixion of the Lord whom she loved so much, Mary Magdalene remained focused on Him, not on herself and her own sense of loss. In fact, forgetting herself entirely, she made her way to the tomb in the dark so she could be near Him. Once she realized that the tomb was empty we read that she "ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple..." to tell them this shocking news. In response, we read that "they both ran, but the other disciple ran faster and arrived at the tomb first."

They ran to see all of this for themselves. These first witnesses of Christ's mission and message, His death, and now His Resurrection were passionate. As stewards, we are called to this same devotion to our Lord, this same passion, and the same determination to remain near to Him no matter what.

As Christian stewards, we are the modern-day witnesses of an incredible miracle prompted by unfathomable love — the death and Resurrection of our Savior for us. Let us rejoice and be glad and let's make sure our lives are a testimony to this amazing grace!

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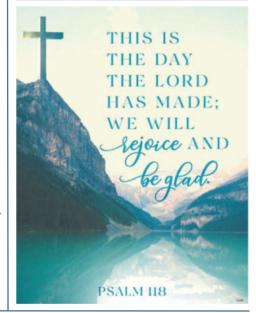


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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun	4/9	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or 41; Mt 28:1-10
Mon	4/10	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Tue	4/11	Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wed	4/12	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thu	4/13	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Fri	4/14	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Sat	4/15	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sun	4/16	2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Sunday of Divine Mercy) Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	4/10	8:30 am	James Malander †
Tue	4/11	8:30 am	Ralph Edgar Lovelace †
Wed	4/12	8:30 am	Gary Aiello (healing)
Thu	4/13	8:30 am	Geri Forsyth † (10th death anniversary)
Fri	4/14	8:30 am	Juan Castillo (healing)
Sat	1/15	8:30 am	Ron Mackin †
	4/15	5:00 pm	Frank H Filice †
		9:00 am	Han Quoc Nguyen †
Sun	4/16	11:00 am	David Zamboni †
		5:00 pm	Brian Brager †



APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Though we work tirelessly year-round to create safe environments for our children, let us put a special emphasis this April to promote child abuse prevention in our parishes and schools.

Every April, child and youth serving organizations, including Catholic Dioceses, parishes, and schools, join the national movement to recognize and lift-up the immeasurable significance of Child Abuse Prevention. The Catholic Church embraces this opportunity as a time to highlight the importance of protecting children from abuse and to raise awareness that child abuse is preventable, as we reaffirm our work to help create and nurture safer childhoods locally and nationwide.

dsj.org/protecting-gods-children/family-safety-resources/child-abuse-prevention/

April 30th - Blue Sunday National Day of Prayer: Churches of all faiths are asked to join together on this day of prayer to demonstrate support for children and families who have been affected by child abuse.



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe you are really here in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love you more than anything in the world, and I hunger to receive you.
But since I cannot receive Communion at this time, Feed my soul spiritually. I unite myself to you now, as I do when I actually receive You in Holy Communion. Amen.

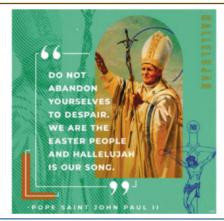
LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We are witnesses of all that Christ has done - in our lives, in our souls, in our hearts. We have seen the empty tomb. We have touched the abandoned burial cloths. "Go tell my brothers," Jesus commands us. "Do not be afraid."

POPE FRANCIS' UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION: APRIL

For a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.



FAITH IN ACTION

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." Colossians 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.



Please pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: Valerie Bruno; Julio Emberto; Denise Ealy; Carol Rakich; Frances Corpuz

For those who have recently died:

Peter Roszkowski; Norma Bridget Ocampo; Ron Mackin; Christopher Kovarik; Jani Lau

Members of our parish family who are in the military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all who have no one to pray for them.

THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION **WELCOMES YOU!**

On **Saturday, April 15** the St. Mary Branch of the Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) will attend the 5 P.M. Mass, sitting together in front of the Mary statue in the church. Following the Mass, anyone interested in learning more about becoming a member of this fun and friendly group is invited to join them for a slice of pizza in the conference room of the parish office. And you don't have to be Italian!

Questions? Contact Deanna Meyer at 408-230-9105



MEN'S & WOMEN'S UPCOMING CURSILLO

RETREATS: The Diocese of San Jose has two upcoming Cursillo retreat's that will be held at St. Clare's Retreat Center in Soquel, CA. Cursillo is a Catholic based short course in Christianity. The Men's weekend is April 20-23, 2023 and the Women's weekend is May 4-7, 2023. Come and enjoy beautiful scenery, music, daily Mass, reflections, prayers and speakers discussing how theology reflects in your everyday life. For information and online application please visit sanjosecursillo.org/cursillo-weekend/make-my-weekend or contact Amy Blalock Castillo 408-687-9140 or drop by the parish office during office hours.



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE!

Our Goal for April is \$80,000.00

Your weekly offerings enable us to meet our monthly obligations and continue to support the many parish programs at St. Mary. Thank you for your faithful support.

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Please consider setting up a recurring or one-time gift Online. Instructions can be found at stmaryslg.org/getting-started-with-online-giving



EVENTS AT ST. MARY

April 22 and April 23: After Masses on Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am in the Courtyard

Join us for finger food and refreshments on Saturday, coffee and donuts on Sunday, while learning how to live healthy and earth friendly lives. There will be information tables covering various aspects of living a healthy, earth friendly life within your home while saving money at the same time.

April 24 (Monday), 7:00pm, Hofmann Center: LAUDATO SÍ, FROM VÍSION TO PRACTICE

Prof. Paul Schutz, Santa Clara University, explains our Church's position on saving the planet and what our response as Catholics, should be encouraging each other to action.







Stress in Your Marriage? RETROUVAILLE Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored,

disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on May 5-7, 2023 call 408-605-4998, email: SanJose@RetroCA.com or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org

Easter Flowers Offering

Donations for the beautiful Easter Flowers around the sanctuary and church were lovingly made in Memory of (\dagger) or in Honor of the following:

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SAINT OF THE WEEK – EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH VEN. MARIA CASIMIRA KAUPAS

Venerable Mother Maria Kaupas, born Casmiria Kaupas, was born in Ramygala, Lithuania, in 1880. At that time of Russia rule in Lithuania, Catholics were unable to openly practice their faith as the state religion was Russian Orthodox. Despite this, Casmiria, her parents, and her nine brothers and sisters did their best to keep their Catholic faith alive.

The American Lithuanian clergy saw a need to establish a Lithuanian congregation for women in the United States to address the faith and educational needs of those immigrating to the U.S. from Lithuania

and the surrounding regions. Casmiria returned to the United States to start this congregation with two other Lithuanian companions who entered into religious life as novitiates, first with the Servants of the Sacred Heart (IHM), before the founding of the new congregation. The congregation she would go on to lead, The Sisters of St. Casmir, was approved by Pope Pius X in 1907 and, on August 30th of the same year, Casmiria and the other two sisters were professed.

Shortly after the establishment of The Sisters of St. Casmir, they opened their first parish convent school, Holy Cross School, in Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania. This school provided education for children of Lithuanian immigrants and started with over 70 students enrolled. The Sisters of St. Casmir quickly expanded from Pennsylvania to Illinois and, eventually, many other parts of the USA.

In 1920, Mother Maria and her sisters were invited by the Bishops of Lithuania to return and start a congregation of the Sisters of St. Casmir there. They rapidly increased in number and opened schools and other institutions all over Lithuania.

Mother Maria Kaupas died of cancer at her Motherhouse in Chicago, surrounded by her sisters, on April 17, 1940, after leading the Congregation for almost her entire adult life. On July 1, 2010, the Congregation for the Causes of the Saints named Mother Maria Venerable. Many of the institutions started by Mother Maria remain today as pillars of faith and family for both immigrant and natural born citizens alike in the USA and abroad.

ST. MARY SCHOOL



20th Annual Lenten Layette









A special highlight this year was the addition of the St. Mary School students volunteering. Thank you to the 7th, 4th, and 1st grade classes for their enthusiastic volunteer spirits! They packed 80 Baby Blessing Bags with tremendous care during their volunteer sessions on Wednesday, March 29.

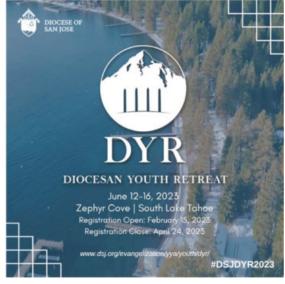
AROUND THE DIOCESE

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND RETREAT: APRIL 21-23 Your marriage is stable, and your faith is solid, but you still yearn for greater fulfillment? Do you desire to continue to grow closer to your spouse and Christ? Be More: A Marriage Formation Retreat step honestly into the trust, intimacy, joy and passion of your marriage. Retreat dates are April 21-23 held at Our Lady of Santa Clara Retreat Center in Cupertino. Retreat Directors: Ryan & Mary-Rose Verret, co-founders of Witness to Love. Visit olscretreat.org/marriage-retreats

CHURCH ON FIRE: FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023 7PM QUEEN OF APOSTLES CHURCH, 4911 Moorpark Ave., San Jose. To register or for more info: www.qofa.org/church-on-fire

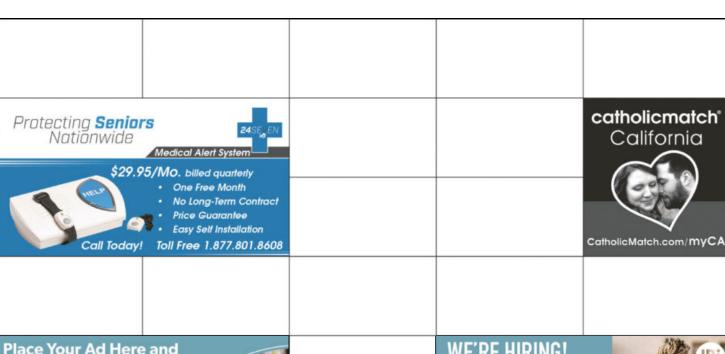
40 HOURS FOR THE LORD: EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS: Join the Diocese of San Jose Vocations Office and Bishop Oscar Cantu for a prayer vigil **April 28-30, 2023** for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life from our diocese. All are welcome to attend for any length of time to pray at St. Maria Goretti Parish. It will begin Friday, April 28 at 6pm with an Opening Mass and the Closing Mass with Bishop Oscar Cantu will be on Sunday, April 30. Sign up for an hour of Adoration at **dsj.org/40 hours.**

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS APRIL 28 @ 4:00 PM - APRIL 30 @ 2:00 PM: This program offers a weekend of support to women, men & couples whose lives have been impacted by pregnancy loss, abortion or miscarriage. The weekend includes 2 nights lodging, meals, and all retreat materials. All information is confidential. For more information please text or call 408.444.5472 or email Becky Morales hope@realoptions.net.



CAMINO SERRA - Walk in the footsteps of St Junipero Serra along the beautiful California Coast and be forever transformed through a unique encounter with God, others, and self! The Camino will go from Mission Santa Clara to the tomb of St Junipero Serra at Mission Carmel for the celebration of his feast day. Visit caminoserra.com/

INSTITUTE FOR LEADERSHIP IN MINISTRY: The academic year begins September 2023. The ILM offers a 3-year course of study for lay leaders in the Church. ILM graduates return to their parish to serve in various leadership roles in Liturgy, Catechetics, Social Justice, Pastoral Care, and others. Visit ds.j.org/evangelization/institute-for-leadership-in-ministry/ for more info or speak with Fr. Greg.



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