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February 11, 2024

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Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 pm - In Person

Sunday Masses:

9:00am

Live-Stream & In Person

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

Mon - Sat: 8:30am

Rosary - 8:00am

Live-Stream & In Person

RECONCILIATION

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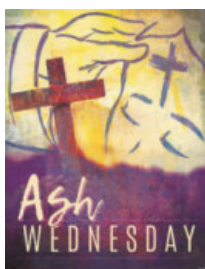
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SUNDAY DONATIONS

are best made online

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Envelopes can be mailed in
or dropped off at the
Parish Office



FEBRUARY 14, 2024

8:30AM Mass and distribution of ashes - in church & livestreamed

12 Noon Liturgy of the Word and distribution of ashes - in church

7:00PM Mass and Distribution of Ashes - in church

ASH WEDNESDAY IS A DAY OF UNIVERSAL FAST AND ABSTINENCE.
Lenten Resources are on Pg. 3 & 5



ADA WEEK 1: WE'RE ON OUR WAY!

Even before the official start of the campaign last weekend, we had collected about **\$35,000** or **18%** of our Annual Diocesan Appeal goal of **\$193,916**. Watch for more updates in the weeks to come. To all who have already returned their pledge forms, we say **THANK YOU & GOD BLESS YOU FOR HELPING YOUR PARISH AND YOUR DIOCESE**. If you have not yet returned your pledge form, please do so this week. You can donate online at dsj.org/ada or mail or drop off your pledge. If you would like to use a QR code, look for the ADA posters in the vestibule of the church or use the one here in the bulletin. Remember: every dollar over our goal will come back to us at St. Mary.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

We hear how ancient Israel was concerned about purity laws and the spread of disease, such as leprosy. *How do you support people in your life who are suffering from disease or isolation?*

Second Reading:

Paul encouraged the Corinthians to be selfless and kind to each other as a practical way of living out their faith. *Is there a friend or co-worker who could benefit from your generosity toward them?*

Gospel:

The healed leper disobeyed Jesus' command to remain silent and as a result, Jesus had to stay outside towns and in "deserted places." *How do you deal with people in your life who disappoint or frustrate you?*

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TODAY'S READINGS

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46;

Psalm 32;

1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1;

Mark 1:40-45

REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

Our readings today prepare us for the penitential season of Lent that we are about to enter. They call us to consider what our Lenten journey might be like — an opportunity to be healed and cleansed on our journey as disciples of Christ.

Our First Reading and our Gospel are tied closely together. In the book of Leviticus, the Lord tells Moses and Aaron in regard to a person with leprosy that "As long as the sore is on him he shall declare himself unclean... He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp." It was said that if a man had visible skin diseases, he would have to show himself to the priest who would declare him clean or unclean. If declared unclean, he would reside outside the community, separating himself from the rest.

Now in our Gospel, a leper came to Jesus, knelt before Him, and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Jesus reached out and touched this diseased man and healed him. He then encouraged the man to show himself to the priest and offer himself a cleansing, referencing what was commanded in the Law of Moses. By completing these rituals, this man might be reinstituted into the community.

Let us approach this holy season of Lent like the leper. We are filled with sores and wounds — namely, our sins. By our faults, we have distanced ourselves from God and His community. The leper reminds us Who to go to so that we might be healed. Let us approach the Lord this season on our knees asking for forgiveness and healing from our offenses, saying, "If you wish, you can make me clean." There is no doubt that, if we have a contrite heart, Jesus will stretch out His hand in forgiveness and His mercy will touch our lives.

And like the leper, we too should go forth from being healed with a commitment to cleanse ourselves from the lasting effects of sin. Lent is a time to offer acts of reparation through Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving so that we might be purified in all areas of our life and walk with the Gracious Healer, Who sacrificed His life for our sake. Let us commit to spending extra time with our Lord in prayer — He will purify the heart that has been wounded. Let us fast from something that competes for our attention or holds us back from our relationship with God. As we offer that sacrifice to the Lord, we will be filled with freedom and peace and will be strengthened in the face of temptation. And let us give alms to God in thanksgiving for His gifts that He has poured out on us. It will remind us that everything we have is a gift from God — everything good comes from Him, and we want to share every aspect of our lives with Him.

Let us approach this holy season of Lent as an opportunity to be healed and cleansed. As we prepare for Ash Wednesday this week, reflect on the sores and wounds that we can bring to the Lord during this season. He is ready to stretch out His hand to heal us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. And let us consider what we can do to offer acts of reparation so that we might be purified and one day partake in the resurrection of Christ.

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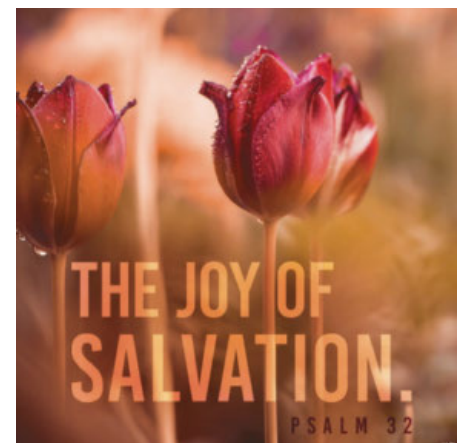
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME;	
Sun	2/11 World Day of the Sick; World Marriage Day Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31—11:1; Mk 1:40-45
Mon	2/12 Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tues	2/13 Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wed	2/14 ASH WEDNESDAY (Day of Fast & Abstinence); Valentine's Day Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6a, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thu	2/15 Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Fri	2/16 Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6a, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Sat	2/17 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	
Sun	2/18 Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	2/12	8:30 am	Eleanor McLaughlin O'Bryon 100 th birthday)
Tues	2/13	8:30 am	Dominico Nguyen Van Tien †
Wed	2/14	8:30 am	Eric Upah †
		12 noon	Liturgy of the Word Service
		7:00 pm	Gino Salegui †
Thu	2/15	8:30 am	Martin Oudewaal †
Fri	2/16	8:30 am	Marcial Laplace (special intention)
Sat	2/17	8:30 am	Denise Laplace (special intention)
		5:00 pm	Donna Hainey †
Sun	2/18	9:00 am	Uranie Laplace (special intention)
		11:00 am	Rene Adolphe Ledee †
		5:00 pm	Michael Grondalski †



**Stations
OF THE CROSS**

**EVERY FRIDAY
DURING LENT
12:00 NOON &
7:00PM IN CHURCH**

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen (14) years of age and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting is to be observed by all Catholics who are eighteen (18) years of age but not yet fifty-nine (59) years of age on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

All Catholics who have received their first communion must receive holy communion at least once a year during the Easter season (the "Easter duty").

Catholics are also obligated to confess any serious (mortal) sins at least once a year. The Lenten season is an ideal time in which to fulfill this obligation.



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

It was pity that moved the heart of Jesus to heal the leper. He worked this miracle because the leper, in his faith, boldly asked him to. Have that same courage in approaching God with your needs. Have that same faith in His power to heal.

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POPE FRANCIS' UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION: FEBRUARY

For the terminally ill: We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

PRAYER FOR HEALING

Dear Lord,
If you wish it, you can heal these wounds from my past. If you wish it, you can make me well again. I believe that you do will it. Heal me, in your name. Amen.

FAITH IN ACTION

Stewardship of PRAYER

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

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers:
Bill Flora; Bruce Welch; George Bommarito; Janie Meacham; Vic LoBue, Jr.; Valerie Bruno; Julio Emberto

For those who have recently died:

Antonio Battencourt; Victoria Miramontez; Richard Hernandez; Peter Kraljev; Linda Graham; Janice Gallagher; Thomas Louis Murphy; Tom Bommarito; Mary Cay; James D'Oliveiro; Carol Rakich

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.



Lenten Layette is now Diaper Drive!

From 2003 to 2023, the Lenten Layette has been St Mary's annual donation drive to collect newborn baby items for expecting mothers in need. *New for 2024, we are reimagining Lenten Layette to ensure we are most efficiently meeting some of the greatest gaps for families in need in our community. We appreciate your support of Diaper Drive 2024.*

DONATIONS REQUESTED

- ♦ Diapers (ages newborn to toddler)
 - ♦ Baby Wipes (flip-top packs preferred)
 - ♦ Formula (ages newborn to toddler)
 - ♦ Handmade items continue to be welcome donations! (baby hats, blankets, bibs)
 - ♦ \$25 gift cards (Amazon, Visa, Target, Safeway)
- We will not be accepting other items.*

Donations accepted Monday, February 12, 2024 - Friday, March 15, 2024. Drop donations in the baskets in the church entry, or place in yellow bins in front of the parish and school offices

Week of March 18: Sorting & distribution (including student service). Volunteer sign ups coming soon!

BENEFICIARY ORGANIZATIONS

- Heritage Home of San Jose
- Hispanic Ministry of Diocese of Monterey
- Sacred Heart Community Services
- Birthright

Interested in learning more or getting involved? Reach out to program lead Dianna McKay at

408.691.0145 or diannamckay2013@gmail.com

Stewardship of TREASURE

Managing God's Gift To Us

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE!

Our Goal for February is \$78,000.00

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.

To make an online gift:

stmaryslg.org/online-giving

Please consider setting up a recurring or one-time gift Online. Instructions can be found at

stmaryslg.org/getting-started-with-online-giving

OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

	Jul. 1 2023 to Jan 28, 2024
Budget	\$ 426,496.00
Actual	\$ 465,676.00
Difference	+ \$ 27,014.00

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY, SUNDAY FEB 11, 2024 - RADIATE LOVE

The bishops of California are dedicating the 2024-2025 pastoral year to helping the faithful renew and deepen our lived experience of the Sacrament of Marriage.

Under the title "Radiate Love," every Catholic community is invited to participate in this initiative, starting on World Marriage Day – February 11, 2024 – when couples all over the globe are called by God to invest in their relationships and let that love radiate out to the whole world, first and foremost in their own family.

Join the Radiate Love initiative, visit

<https://cacatholic.org/radiatelove/>

Stewardship of TALENT

February 24 & 25

5PM Saturday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

9AM Sunday: Parish Choir

11AM Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

5PM Sunday: 5PM Sunday Ensemble



March 2 & 3

5PM Saturday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

9AM Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

11AM Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

5PM Sunday: Parish Choir

OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Resources for your Lenten Journey

POPE FRANCIS' 10 SUGGESTIONS FOR LENT

<http://bit.ly/3KyGMEb>

USCCB - LENT CALENDAR - Daily Inspiration for Your Lenten Journey | February 14 - March 28, 2024

https://www.usccb.org/resources/Lent-2024-calendar_English.pdf

LENT REFLECTION BOOKLET 2024 - Centered on the Word <https://bit.ly/49eEI8N> (slides are also available)

HALLOW - The Complete Guide to the Catholic Season of Lent 2024 <https://hallow.com/lent/>

PRAYING LENT - Online Ministry of Creighton University - February 14 - March 28, 2024 *Daily Prayer, Daily Reflection for that day and Intercessions from the Liturgy of the Hours.*

<https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/>

CRS RICE BOWL Reflections, prayers & recipes for Lent <https://www.crsricebowl.org/>

IGNATIAN LENT RESOURCES

<https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/lent/>

BISHOP BARRON REFLECTS ON THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS (video) <https://www.wofdigital.org/videos/stations-compilation-1-14>

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET WITH FR. ROB GALEA, FRG Ministry (spoken) <https://bit.ly/2QzVJqZ>

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET WITH FR. ROB GALEA, FRG Ministry (Sung) <https://bit.ly/39wBBgi>

THE ROSARY OF ST. JOSEPH WITH SCOTT HANN (video) <https://bit.ly/2OYJ0Op>

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR AUTISTIC PEOPLE <http://autismconsecrated.com/stack/stations-of-the-cross>

A SCRIPTURAL WAY OF THE CROSS FOR LENT <https://www.usccb.org/about/justice-peace-and-human-development/upload/cchd-scriptural-way-of-the-cross.pdf>

THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL CONGRESS - WAYS TO EXPERIENCE THE REVIVAL

- **JOIN ST. MARY EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS** on Sundays - 10am to 11am in Hofmann Center - Contact **Tim O'Rorke** at tj@timororke.com or call 408-438-2238
- **INTERCEDE FOR THE REVIVAL THROUGH PRAYER AND FASTING. I Am Here—Reflections and Prayers on the Eucharist.** <https://www.iamhere.org/>
- **LITANY OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST**
Litanyes have a rich history within the prayer tradition of the Catholic Church. Download the Litany of the Holy Eucharist in this easy-to-read document in call/response format. <https://fdlc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Litany-of-the-Holy-Eucharist.pdf>
- **MAKE A LOCAL PILGRIMAGE** - On a local pilgrimage, you can explore the holy places in your own diocese, state, town, or even your own parish, adoring the Eucharistic presence of Jesus Christ anew and participating in Mass in your own backyard. Even if you are homebound or ill, you can make a "spiritual pilgrimage" right where you are.
FOLLOW THIS STEP BY STEP GUIDE MINI PILGRIMAGE GUIDE - <https://bit.ly/4b9uusg>



WHEN:

Sundays till April 21st at 10:00 AM

WHERE:

Hoffmann Center

LENGTH:

Each study session will be one hour long; half video presentation and half small group sharing with a facilitator.

UPCOMING TOPICS

2/11/24	Who is Jesus? <i>Part 2</i>
2/18/24	Am I saved? <i>Part 1</i>
2/25/24	Am I saved? <i>Part 2</i>





CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

To kick off Catholic Schools Week, our Student Council members attended Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph. Bishop Oscar Cantu led an incredible service and Student Council had a wonderful time connecting with other students from across the Diocese!

Students were pictured with Fr. Engel and DSJ Superintendent.



100 DAYS OF SCHOOL!

Check out TK and Kinder showcasing their school spirit!



AROUND THE DIOCESE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

SHOWER VAN: Catholic Charities offers a Shower Van on Thursday afternoons 12:30-4:30 pm at Our Lady of Refuge, which offers showers to the unhoused. If you can volunteer please sign up at

<https://tinyurl.com/CatholicCharVolunteer>.



FAITH-BASED ADVOCACY ONLINE WORKSHOP TRANSFORMATIVE CONVERSATIONS:

A starting point to having conversations for change
March 10, 4:00PM TO 5:30PM

Register at <https://bit.ly/48LweWQ>.
Questions? jthornburg@scu.edu

BLACK HISTORY MONTH MASS AND RECEPTION

Celebrate the fifth Black History Month Mass in the Diocese of San Jose. Following Mass, there will be a reception. Your presence is warmly welcomed. You will be uplifted and inspired!

Sunday, February 25, 2024 from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM
St. Frances Cabrini Parish, 15333 Woodard Ave., San Jose

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY PAN PARA EL CAMINO

Diocesan Lenten Retreat for
Liturgical Ministers and Catechists

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

Check-in & Hospitality: 7:30am
Retreat from 8:15am - 12:30pm

ST. SIMON PARISH

Led by **Fr. Brendan McGuire**, Pastor, St. Simon Parish, in English, and **Olga Islas**, Faith Formation Associate Director, in Spanish - How the Bread of Life sustains us into our life journey.

English & Spanish Tracks

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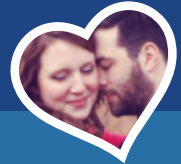
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