June 30, 2024

**13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 

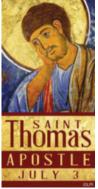
### **OUR MISSION**

We are a community of believers in Jesus Christ that gathers together to celebrate the mysteries of God's love. We support and strengthen one another in our commitment to the Catholic faith. We serve those in need and share with all the Good News of God's unconditional love.



FR. ANGELO DAVID







#### A PRAYER FOR THE UNITED STATES ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

Father of all nations and ages, we recall the day when our country claimed its place among the family of nations; for what has been achieved we give you thanks, for the work that still remains we ask your help, and as you have called us from many peoples to be one nation, grant that, under your providence, our country may share your blessings with all the peoples of the earth.



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. Amen. *The Roman Missal* 

#### **HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!**

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Thursday, July 4th and Friday, July 5th in observance of INDEPENDENCE DAY. We will return on Monday, July 8th.



### **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday Vigil**: Saturday 5:00pm

**Sunday**: 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am and Daily Masses are **Live Streamed** on our website stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass

#### **DAILY MASS**

Mon - Sat: 8:30am Rosary - 8:00am Live-Stream & in church

#### RECONCILIATION

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

#### ADORATION

Mondays - 9:00-10:00am Thursdays - 7:00 pm

### **PARISH OFFICE**

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm 408-354-3726

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Web: stmaryslg.org

If it is an EMERGENCY and you need to reach a priest call 669-219-9465.

### ST. MARY PARISH SCHOOL

408.354.3944 30 Lyndon Avenue Los Gatos, CA 95030 Web: smslg.org

### REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

#### **First Reading:**

Our wisdom writer teaches us that God did not create death, rather, death entered the world from the envy of the devil. *How should a Christian think about death?* 

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul encourages the community of believers in

Corinth to share with others out of their abundance as a means of establishing equality. What could you share with others among your family and friends this week?

#### Gospel

Mark presents us with independent healing stories of how faith in Jesus saves. *What needs healing in your life?* 

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**TODAY'S READINGS** 

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24;

Psalm 30;

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15;

Mark 5:21-43

Our readings today remind us that our God is a tender and loving God.

Our First Reading, from the book of Wisdom, helps answer a common question in our Catholic faith — why is there suffering and death?

We are tempted to be angry at God for death of loved ones or innocent people. We are also tempted to be angry at Him our sufferings — like illness, car troubles or a terrible week at work. Wisdom teaches us, "God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living." Rather, "God formed man to be imperishable; the image of his own nature he made him."

It was in God's original plan for man to not suffer and to not die. This is how the world began with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. It is when they sinned that suffering and death entered our lives, as Wisdom states, "by the envy of the devil, death entered the world." To restore God's original plan, and to save us from the state of sin and death, He sent His only Son to revive our souls. Through Jesus Christ, we once again are imperishable when we enter eternal life.

In our Gospel, Jesus heals two people — a sick woman and an ill child. The woman and the father of the child approached Jesus because they heard of His healing works.

The first healing was a woman who suffered physically for many years. She believed that, "if I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." As Jesus questioned who touched Him, she fell at her knees and confessed the truth of what she had done. Jesus replied with such tender words, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."

These words that Christ spoke are very similar to the words He speaks to us during the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As we kneel before a priest with sorrow in our hearts and profess the entire truth of how we have offended our Lord, Christ can only reply with such tender words, "Daughter or son, your sins are forgiven. Go in peace."

As this woman got on her knees and felt ashamed of what she did, Jesus could only look at her with eyes of love. So too, as we kneel before Christ, feeling ashamed and unwanted, all He can do is look at us with love and see our great faith.

The second healing was of a 12-year-old girl. An anxious and loving father sought after Jesus so that his daughter might be cured of her illness. As Jesus was traveling to heal her, they got word that the daughter had died. In that deeply painful moment, a moment no parent wants to experience, Jesus turned and said, "Do not be afraid; just have faith."

Recall a moment when you felt like you hit rock bottom. Maybe you received devastating news, someone died, you lost your job, you were fighting addiction, or you were suffering mentally, spiritually or physically. Maybe you are living that moment or maybe that moment is yet to come.

In that time, imagine Jesus looking at you and saying, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." Remember this verse. May it bring you peace and comfort in tribulation.

Whether we are healed like the little girl in our Gospel in this life, or we carry our suffering with us until we reach the next, if we remain faithful, Jesus will one day say to us, "Little girl or little boy, I say to you, arise!"

Today, let us reflect on how much our Good and Gracious God loves us. Remember that whatever we are suffering in this life, do not be afraid, God is right there with us. Offer it to Him, seek His healing and remain faithful so that one day we might rise.

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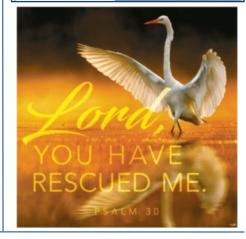
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK				
Sun	6/30	13 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43		
Mon	7/1	St. Junipero Serra, Priest Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16b-23; Mt 8:18-22		
Tues	7/2	Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27		
Wed	7/3	ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1-2; Jn 20:24-29		
Thu	7/4	Independence Day Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8		
Fri	7/5	St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13		
Sat	7/6	St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17		
Sun	7/7	14 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a		

Mass Intentions				
Mon	7/1	8:30 am	Bob Gray (birthday)	
Tues	7/2	8:30 am	Marie Antonowicz †	
Wed	7/3	8:30 am	Marie Antonowicz †	
Thu	7/4	8:30 am	Thomas and Mary Ann Ward (wedding anniversary)	
Fri	7/5	8:30 am	Ethel and Nicholas Baxter †	
Sat 7/6	7/6	8:30 am	Barbara Baxter †	
	//0	5:00 pm	Tam King Tong †	
Sun	7/7	9:00 am	Holy Souls in Purgatory †	
		11:00 am	Willow Gray Patel †	
		5:00 pm	Edward Cervantes †	

## SUMMER GRIEF DISCUSSION GROUP BEGINS WEDNESDAY, JULY 10TH

Wednesday - July 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, August 7th, 14th 1:00pm - 2:30pm

**Sacred Heart Church Parish Center,** 13716 Saratoga Avenue, Saratoga 95070

Open to all who have lost a loved one.

**RSVP**: Nancy Crowley, T: 408-209-6118 **OR** Carolyn Orasin, 408-867-3634, **c.orasin@sacredheartsaratoga.org** 

Faith-based materials are provided. There are no fees. All are welcome. Include your name, phone number, and email so we can confirm your attendance.

"... You will grieve, but your grief will become joy."
(John 16:20)



## 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

Talitha koum. Girl, arise! Jesus said this to the dead daughter of the synagogue official, and she obeyed. Listen for his voice when you are weighed down, burdened with doubt or misery, for he says it to you, too.

Arise!

## POPE FRANCIS' UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION: JULY

For the pastoral care of the sick: We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.



### FAITH IN ACTION



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

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: Zachary Schroeder; Tony Baldi; John Dowling; Frank Nolan; Michelle Schwartz; Bruce Welch; George Bommarito; Valerie Bruno; Julio Emberto

For those who have recently died:

Sharon Lydon; Deloise Ann Jordan; Suzzane Klein Lewis; Mary Andrusky; Reed Kappen; Margaret Castellese; Patricia Malysz; Doris Sanford; Cecily Bradley

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.

### Stewardship of TALENT



Parish choirs are on summer break from June - September. Cantors and small ensembles usually sing during the summer months.

#### INSTITUE OF LEADERSHIP IN MINISTRY

Do you have a call to the ministry of leadership within the Catholic Community? Do you currently participate in some form of pastoral ministry? Do you want to learn more and get skills to serve better your community?



Explore to attend the ILM this year. The ILM is accepting nominations for the academic year 2024-2025, classes begin September 2024.

Please find more information application forms on the <u>ILM</u> <u>webpage</u> - <u>dsj.org/evangelization/institute-for-leadership</u> <u>-in-ministry/ilm-admissions/</u>



Marriage Help – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the July Marriage Program beginning with a weekend on July 19-21, 2024 call 408-605-4998, email us: SanJose@RetroCA.com or visit the website at

www.HelpOurMarriage.org

## Stewardship of TREASURE

Managing God's Gift To Us

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE! Our Goal for July is \$85,000.00

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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#### OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

	Jul. 1, 2023 to June 16, 2024
Budget	\$ 773,080.00
Actual	\$ 741,813.00
Difference	- \$31,267.00

### SWITCH TO ONLINE GIVING THIS SUMMER

Did you know church staff and volunteers spend approximately 8-9 hours processing checks and cash contributions every week, but it only takes less than an hour to upload your online gift contributions? ParishSOFT Giving is secure and easy for you to use. *Help us save a little extra time this summer by switching from giving via envelope to giving online*. It takes much less time for us to process online gifts. Instructions can be found at

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

## 2nd Offering: June 29 & 30 PETER'S PENCE

This appeal enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world – those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Likewise, it provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless and voiceless, but to also sustain those who suffer. For more information, visit usccb.org/national-collection/peters-pence

To make an online gift: stmaryslg.org/online-giving



## OUR CATHOLIC FAITH



## Pope Francis on the Holy Mass

## PART IV THE PENITENTIAL ACT



Resuming the catechesis on the Eucharistic celebration, let us consider today, in the context of the Introductory Rites, the Penitential Act. In its sobriety, it favors the attitude with which we are prepared to worthily celebrate the holy mysteries, that is, by acknowledging our sins before God and our brothers and sisters, acknowledging that we are sinners. In fact the priest's invitation is addressed to the whole community in prayer, because we are all sinners. What can the Lord give to one whose heart is already filled with selfimportance, with one's own success? Nothing, because a presumptuous person is incapable of receiving forgiveness, as he is satisfied by his presumed righteousness. Let us consider the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector, where only the latter - the tax collector - returns home justified, that is, forgiven (cf. Lk 18:9-14). One who is aware of his own wretchedness and lowers his gaze with humility feels God's merciful gaze set upon him. We know through experience that only one who is able to acknowledge his mistakes and apologize receives the understanding and forgiveness others. Listening in silence to the voice of our conscience allows us to recognize that our thoughts are far from divine thoughts, that our words and our actions are often worldly, guided, that is, by choices contradictory to the Gospel.

Therefore, at the beginning of Mass, as community, we perform Penitential Act through a formula of general confession, recited in the first person singular. Each one confesses to God and to his brothers and sisters to having "greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do". Yes, even in omissions, that is, in having neglected to do the good I could have done. We often feel that we are good because - we say - "I did no harm to anyone". In reality, it is not enough to refrain from doing harm to our neighbor; we must choose to do good, by seizing opportunities to bear good

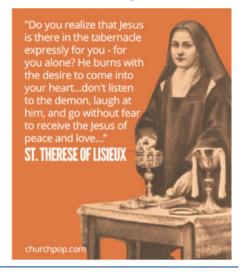
witness that we are disciples of Jesus. It is good to emphasize that we confess to being sinners both to God and to our brothers and sisters: this helps us understand the dimension of sin which, while separating us from God, also divides us from our brothers and sisters, and vice versa. Sin severs: sin severs the relationship with God and it severs the relationship with brothers and sisters, relationships within the family, in society and in the community: sin always severs; it separates; it divides.

The words we say with our mouth are accompanied by the gesture of striking our breast, acknowledging that I have sinned through my own fault and not that of others. Indeed, it often happens that, out of fear or shame, we point a finger to blame others. It costs us to admit being at fault, but it does us good to confess it sincerely. Confess your own sins. I remember an anecdote that an elderly missionary used to tell, of a woman who went to confession and started speaking about her husband's failings. Then she moved on to talk about her mother-in-law's failings and then the sins of her neighbors. At a certain point, the confessor said to her: "But, madam, tell me: have vou finished? - Very well: you have finished with the sins of others. Now start telling your own". Tell your own sins! After the confession of sins, we ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Angels and Saints to pray to the Lord for us. In this too, the communion of Saints is valuable: that is, the intercession of "companions examples" (cf. Preface of 1 November) supports us on the journey toward full communion with God, when sin will be abolished once and for all. In addition to "I confess", the Penitential Act can be performed with other formulae, for example: "Have mercy upon us, O Lord, / for we have sinned against thee. / Show us thy mercy, O Lord, / and grant us thy salvation" (cf. Ps 123) [122]:3; Jer 14:20; Ps 85:8). Especially on Sundays, the blessing and sprinkling of water may be performed as a

reminder of Baptism (cf. General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 51), which washes away all sins. It is also possible, as part of the Penitential Act, to sing the Kyrie eleison: with the ancient Greek expression, we praise the Lord - Kyrios - and implore his mercy (ibid., 52).

Sacred Scripture offers us luminous examples of "penitent" figures who. coming back into themselves after having committed sin, find the courage to take off the mask and open themselves to the grace that renews the heart. Let us think of King David and the words attributed to him in the Psalm: "Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy steadfast love; according to thy abundant mercy blot out my iniquity" (cf. 51/50/:1-2). Let us consider the prodigal son who returns to the father: "God, be merciful to me a sinner" (Lk 18:13). Let us also think of Saint Peter, of Zacchaeus, of the Samaritan woman. Measuring ourselves with the fragility of the clay of which we are molded is an experience that strengthens us: as it makes us take account of our weakness, it opens our heart to invoke the divine mercy which transforms and converts. And this is what we do in the Penitential Act at the beginning of Mass."

## Pope Francis





## LET'S TAKE A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE TO THE TK TEDDY BEAR PICNIC LAST MONTH!

Students took their bears on a tour through campus and enjoyed a nice picnic all together.















From their first day of 8th Grade...



...and now they're off to college!

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**DSJ EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2024:** Thank you to all that attended the Diocese' first Eucharistic Congress. We received great feedback such as "The Eucharistic Congress provided a wonderful opportunity for prayer and formation centered around the Eucharist. An added bonus was the opportunity to see friends and colleagues from other parishes that I don't get to see that often. It was a wonderful opportunity for a sense of community with the whole diocese." Photos of the Eucharistic Congress are at <a href="mailto:dsj.smugmug.com/Events/2024/06-01-24-Eucharistic-Congress">dsj.smugmug.com/Events/2024/06-01-24-Eucharistic-Congress</a>

#### **SPIRITUAL ACCOMPANIMENT: June 28 - Aug 3**

Online via Zoom

The 4 module workshop series begins with a broad underpinning which develops listening as both skill and an art – both parts are essential to accompanying another.

Each workshop module begins with a 2-hour introduction on a Friday evening (6:30pm to 8:30pm), followed by a 6-hour workshop Saturday (9:00am to 4:00pm).

- ♦ Listening to your life and accompanying others (June 28/29)
- ♦ Ways of listening (July 12/13)
- ♦ Praying with others (July 19/20)
- ♦ Spiritual accompaniment ministries (August 2/3)

Contact Janice Thornburg - jthornburg@scu.edu or (408) 554-4322

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For: Middle and High School students

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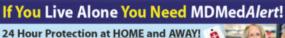
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