

ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

8720 Florin Road
Sacramento, CA 95828



JANUARY 29, 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor—Rev. Joyle Martinez

Deacon— Antonio Ramirez

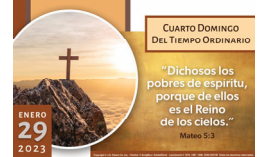
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Mass Schedules and other Services

Weekdays [M-T-Th-F]: 8:00 AM (English)

No mass on Wednesdays

First Saturday: 8:00 AM (English)

Saturday: 4:00 pm English Anticipated Sunday Mass

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM (livestream) and 11:00 AM English; 1:00 PM Spanish Mass (livestream)

Holy Days: 8:00 AM (English) 6:30 PM (Spanish)

Holy Hour: First Friday 7-8 PM

Confession (bilingual): every Saturday 2:45—3:45 PM; during Lent only 2:00 - 3:45 PM (Reconciliation Room by the Chapel); or by appointment call the office.

Baptism: (for English every 4th Sat. of the month; for Spanish every 1st Sat. of the month; *Baptism Classes:* 3rd Tuesday (Eng.) Rm 8 in REC Bldg. at 6:30 PM; last Tuesday (Sp.) Rm 8 in REC Bldg. at 6:30 PM or call the office.

Faith Formation Ministries and Groups

Director of Religious Education	Sr. Ma. Elizabeth U. Siguenza RVM	
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Catholic Faith Formation		
English Coordinator	Lina Marco	510.334.2106
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RCIA for Adults	Kit Yamamoto	916.895.1441
RCIA for Children	Emilia Caoagas-Dones	916.849.5617
RCIA for Teens	Imelda Nanca	916.744.3434
Catholics Returning Home	Dale & Kit Yamamoto	916.895.1441
Baptism Preparation	Dale & Kit Yamamoto	916.895.1441
Young Adults Ministry	Rectory Office	916.381.5200
Legion of Mary	Zenaida Ventura	916.606.0485
Vocation Committee	Rectory Office	916.381.5200

Social Ministries and Groups

Christmas Bazaar	Michelle Eck	916.524.5097
Fall Festival	PPC/PFC	916.381.5200
Multi-Cultural Event	Emilia Caoagas-Dones	916.849.5617
Religious Gifts Store	Regina Thompson	916.968.3116
White Elephant Sale	Ann Viernes	916.799.0439

Caregiving Ministries and Groups

Bereavement Ministry	Ella Baxa	916-849-0685
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Social Justice Ministry	Rectory Office	916.381.5200
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The Gabriel Project	Lynn Bertaut	916.200.9078
Loaves and Fishers	Ja'net Blea	916.284.2008

WELCOME!

You are encouraged to participate in our many functions, events, and activities. We offer opportunities for parishioners to use the time, talent, and treasure that God has given them in praise and glory of His name through our liturgical, care-giving, philanthropic, faith-formation and social ministries.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Councils

Pastoral Council	Ja'net Blea	916.284.2008
Finance Council	Jerry Fong	916.689-9418

Liturgical Ministries

Sacristans	Primo Atienza, Catalino Baxa, John Bernatchy	916.381.5200
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Martha's Daughters	Ja'net Blea	916.284.2008
Art & Environment Ministry	Lisa Saquiton/Lucy Laforteza/ Annie Hendricks	916.381.5200
Eucharistic Ministry 7:30am	Nina Laconsay	916.708.4823
9:00am	Le Pham	phanthiet_2000@yahoo.com
11:00am	Edwin Badua	916.765.9948
Hospitality Ministry	Aurora Ramos	916.752.4798
Ministry of the Word	Nina Laconsay	916.708.4823
Ministry Sick and Homebound	Dale & Kit Yamamoto	916.895.1441
Music Ministry	Sr. Elizabeth Siguenza, RVM	916.381.5200
Liturg Committee	Rectory Office	916.381.5200
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Philanthropic Ministries and Groups

Catholic Daughters of the Americas	Michelle Eck	916.524.5097
Knights of Columbus Council 6922	Vince Neuburger	916.524.8792

Religious Movements and Groups

Couples for Christ	Rectory Office	916.381.5200
Families in Christ Jesus Com'ty.	Angie Lovett	916.803.6463
	Fernando & Mary Ann Basa	916.896.7930
Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague	Minda Miguel	916.837.8527
Family Prayer Group (MIJ of Prague)	Josefina Nicolas	916.835.0239
Cursillo	Jackie Loret de Mola	916.914.9936

MISSION STATEMENT

We, God's people of St. Paul Catholic Parish in Sacramento, California, a multicultural, inclusive and welcoming community, inspired by the love of Jesus Christ are called: to bring all people of God together in worship, to declare our belief in God's love, based on the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to celebrate and grow in our relationship with God.



Masses for the Week



MON:	01/30	Tereso Rafanan † (1st death Anniversary)
TUE:	01/31	Eduardo Hernandez † (3rd Death Anniversary) Ralph Baker † Robert Sherwood † (Mass of Remembrance)
WED:	02/01	NO HOLY MASS
THUR:	02/02	MASS FOR THE SOULS OF THE DECEASED
FRI:	02/03	MASS FOR THE SOULS OF THE DECEASED
SAT:	02/04	MASS FOR THE SOULS OF THE DECEASED

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

Psalm — The Lord blesses the humble and gives them the heavenly kingdom (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

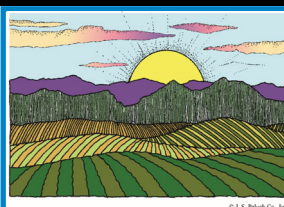
Gospel — Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Friday:	Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday:	Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
Tuesday:	St. John Bosco
Thursday:	The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life; Groundhog Day
Friday:	St. Blase; St. Ansgar; First Friday; Blessing of throats
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2023

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

— Matthew 5:3

THE PEOPLE OF GOD'S KINGDOM

In our Gospel reading from Matthew, we hear the Beatitudes, the stirring opening to the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus is proclaiming the coming of the kingdom of God, and begins by considering what kind of people will enter and participate in this kingdom. They are the poor in spirit, the meek, the clean of heart, the peacemakers. We hear both Zephaniah and Paul echo this, as God specifically chooses the weak and the lowly to be God's agents in ushering in the reign of God. By living with humility and integrity, their hearts are open to being transformed by the grace of God. We too are called to live in this way. Jesus invites us to be people with open hearts, to receive God's blessing. And working through us, God may bless all of creation.

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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Candlemas (February 2)

Thanks to Pope Sergius I (687–701), on February 2 we celebrate the Presentation of the Lord. On this day we also commemorate the Purification of Mary, who complied with the Jewish law (Leviticus 12:1). The law indicated that a mother should be purified forty days after giving birth to a boy child. Since the eleventh century the Purification of Mary and the Presentation of the Lord have been celebrated with the blessing of all the candles and candlesticks that are going to be used during the year. This is done with the hope that there will never be a lack of light, either material or spiritual, in the houses of the faithful. The root of the word candlemas is the Latin verb *candere* ("to shine") and from which also come the words candelabra and candlestick. This feast of candles recalls that Christians can, like Simon and the prophetess Anna in the temple, say that they also have seen salvation: Jesus the true Light who shines in the arms of Mary (Luke 2:25–38).

—Friar Gilberto Cavazos-González, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

THE CHRISTIAN IDEAL

The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult and left untried.

—Gilbert K. Chesterton

CONSTANT FAITH

If you remain constant in faith in the face of trial, the Lord will give you peace and rest for a time in this world, and forever in the next.

—St. Jerome Emiliani

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our readings this week all speak of the distinctive characteristics of the people God gathers to achieve God's purposes. The deep communion of love that God envisions requires a community that is humble and lowly, as Zephaniah describes. God chooses the weak and foolish to reveal God's strength and wisdom, as Paul says. And in the Beatitudes, Jesus teaches that a people who know their weakness and vulnerability can most fully place their trust in God and work for a just world. As Christians, we believe God will fully heal our world when Christ returns. But Christ also invites us to experience a foretaste of this future right now, through our life in Christian community, and in our work of peace-making and justice-seeking in the world. Our poverty in spirit can enable us to be both recipients and instruments of the "kingdom of heaven" here and now.

THE BLESSED COMMUNITY

We turn to the first action of Jesus' public ministry described by Matthew—Jesus preaching to the crowds in what we call the Sermon on the Mount. The Sermon begins with today's Gospel passage, the Beatitudes. Having just called his first disciples to form a community, Jesus begins to spell out what this community is all about. The Beatitudes lay the foundation, describing the primary values and practices, and the core identity of this community.

Jesus tells his followers, first and foremost, that they are blessed by God. The community will reveal its blessed character through its humility, meekness, and hunger for justice. Knowing they are loved as God's children, they will have open and pure hearts, free to be merciful, and they will be able to endure suffering gracefully. Listening anew to the Beatitudes, we remember how far we fall short of Jesus' vision. But we know God has gathered us, and continues to transform us, to receive the fullness of blessing.

WHOM GOD HONORS

In Jesus' time, honor and shame were key markers for who is up and who is down in their society. Typically, those with wealth and power over others were to be honored. And in our own time, often we find ourselves drawn strongly toward having more abundance, control, and options to choose from. We avoid vulnerability and limitations. But Jesus says in the Beatitudes that the poor and meek are truly blessed, that is, honorable and privileged by God. How can this be?

Perhaps Jesus is first exposing the opposites to the poor and meek, the "rich in spirit." These develop such confidence in themselves, based on achievement or inherited privilege, that they isolate themselves from God, and either ignore or exploit others. Jesus also knew that the humble in heart realize that they cannot build an illusory self-affirmation, so they can be most open to God's affirmation of them. They can then become more deeply empowered to participate in God's work. God blesses and honors the open-hearted.

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome



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Carlos & Juren Llanera; William Council, Sr; Mariana Sanchez & Manuel Godinez Rubio; Ricky Lucero Jr & Rosemarie Carmona-Lucero, Ricky and Alyssa Lucero, Andre Sanchez, Alexis, Johnny and Lucia Grace Luera, Gabriel Arnel Bantugon, Daniel Louise Bantu-

Bienvenidos



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gon, Christopher & Gemma Estepa and Family, Denise Falcon, Angelica & Princess Grace Neerja and Family, Laura D. Johnson, Francis Ogbanna, Mirian Obioha, Arista Obioha, Melanie Nguyen, Stephen Machado, Krystle J. Yehya, Samuel S. Milo, Faustino & Clavelita Valdivia; Bang & Cindy Nguyen, Emma, Anna, Matthew, Robert Gaviola & Family; Diana Castro; Barry and Mary Carmody; Carol Olinger, Karen MacDonald and Family; Thomas Dunning and Family; Long T. Huynh; Dolores Garcia; Tina, Eric, Isabel and Lydia Hurt, Maryjoy Marcial and Jayson Geron; Jonathan & Mylene Ramer; Anh Bao Dinh & Quyn Pham Nguyen, Maria Teresa Sanosa; Christian Carpenter; Zelene Molina; Luis Angel, Lucia and Eya Camila Cruz, Dante & Cindy Pacia, Mayra Tamayo & Aristeo Pelcastre and Family, Rodolfo & Adelina Pena, Nariza Eva, Linda Christian Collier. Misty Xiong & Family, Virginia Fulgencio, Alejandro Cervantes Maldonado & Family

You may register in our website:

<https://stpaul-florin.org/new-parishioners>

If you are new to our parish we welcome you and encourage you to participate in our ministries. If you have any questions please contact the parish office 916-381-5200.



Pray for the Sick



Oremos por los Enfermos

Priscilla Wong
Monica Cordero
Virginia Collier
Jean Hesse
Michael Delgado
Jackie Martin
James Solari
Elizabeth Solari
Maria Lopez
Raymond Gutierrez
Dorethea Viltz
Virginia Thomas
Elnora Williams
Barbara Sules
Bethany Lewis
Richard Onia
Janelle Flores
Lori Martenia
Eva Rollins
Robert Cordero
Joan Ganahl

Floyd White Jr
Loretta Miller
Virginia Campos
Simplicio Basa
Leonida Despi
Alberto Horcabes
Jackie Gleming
Mason Kyle Vazquez
Ana Bouza Mercado
Robert Cushing
Rodrigo Reyes
Erlinda Cordero
Susan Ray Sudduth
Gilda Jeronimo
Norberta Bamford
Cecilia M. Rivera
Kim Nguyen
Paz Cajucum
Helen Boyle
Jean Gritton
Rita Mora

Chris Matanguihan
Mark Cupples
Martha Montanez
Dino F. Mapa
Flora Akridge
Beverly Chai
Arlene Hoppis
Anthony Curatolo Sr.
Maria Tafoya
Maria Granados
Delia Chavez
Tim Hoppis
Laura Johnson
Emilie Ito
Feliciano Lumbang
Edna Lumbang
Carole Olinger
Robyn A. Dahn

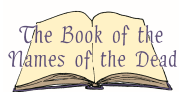
BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY



Carmelita Ferguson
Guadalupe Sandoval
Desy Serna Ipalari
George Basquez
Miguel Ochoa
Nestor Isaac
Josefina Agbunag
Georgia Walker

Nerie Baul
Victoria Vasilescu
Abel Callupe

May they rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon them. AMEN.



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Gary B. Foster II
Daniel Roy Ryan
Gregorio Rodriguez
Roel C. Dones
Ricardo Cervantes
Stephen Rich
Janae Santos
Brian Vergith
Martin Sinlao
Sergio Pineda
Ariel Rollins
Don Carlo Geroche
John Marc James

Ruben N. Libed
Nilo Uy Villaluna Jr.
Don Jamoses
Ryan Gandy
Cody Machado
Mark A. Ramos Jr.
Cameron Lindsay
Conner Sommerfield
Arianna Gutierrez
Taylor Sommerfield
Justin Broussard
Emanuel Cepeda
Maxton Perez

Landon Perez
Charles Q. Wincey
Peter A. Tsueda
Regent Perez
Yolanda Nava
Jerald Elazegui
Stewart Ilagan
Rod Emil C. Dones
Michael Chivington
Alex Curatolo
Brian Curatolo

FEBRUARY 2 and 3 (Thursday & Friday)

On February 2, Thursday, we will celebrate the FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD. It is also popularly called in the church as CANDLEMAS too. There will be a special liturgy at the beginning of the Holy Mass. We will assemble in the Main Church to do the BLESSING OF CANDLES (Kindly bring your candles - one candle is enough.) and then we will process to the chapel to do the rest of the Holy Mass.



Presentation of the Lord



On February 3, Friday (First Friday) we will have the traditional BLESSING OF THE THROAT in honor of St. Blaise.

Saint Blaise's Story

We know more about the devotion to Saint Blaise by Christians around the world than we know about the saint himself. His feast is observed as a holy day in some Eastern Churches. In 1222, the Council of Oxford prohibited servile labor in England on Blaise's feast day. The Germans and Slavs hold him in special honor, and for decades many United States Catholics have sought the annual Saint Blaise blessing for their throats.



We know that Bishop Blaise was martyred in his episcopal city of Sebastea, Armenia, in 316. The legendary Acts of St. Blaise were written 400 years later. According to them Blaise was a good bishop, working hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his people. Although the Edict of Toleration (311), granting freedom of worship in the Roman Empire, was already five years old, persecution still raged in Armenia. Blaise was apparently forced to flee to the back country. There he lived as a hermit in solitude and prayer, but he made friends with the wild animals. One day a group of hunters seeking wild animals for the amphitheater stumbled upon Blaise's cave. They were first surprised and then frightened. The bishop was kneeling in prayer surrounded by patiently waiting wolves, lions and bears.

The legend has it that as the hunters hauled Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command the child was able to cough up the bone.

Agricolaus, governor of Cappadocia, tried to persuade Blaise to sacrifice to pagan idols. The first time Blaise refused, he was beaten. The next time he was suspended from a tree and his flesh torn with iron combs or rakes. Finally, he was beheaded.

(<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-blaise/>)

CATHOLIC SCOUTING COLLEGE SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS) is awarding ten service scholarships totaling \$27,000. If you

are a service oriented Catholic Scout, who is a high school senior, has received the Ad Altare Dei, Light is Life or Pope Pius XII award, and earned the Eagle Scout, Summit or Quartermaster Award you may qualify. See the NCCS website: <https://nccs-bsa.org/college-scholarships/> for complete eligibility requirements and the 2023 application. NCCS Scholarship applications are due by March 1st each year.

CAMP PENDOLA IS HIRING

Are you looking for a summer job? Do you want to have a positive impact on kids 7 to 17 you're your answer to either question yes, please consider applying to be a Camp Counselor at Camp Pendola. We are looking for fun, faith filled, caring and energetic applicants to fill our summer camp positions! Join the team and create lifelong memories for you and everyone you connect with this summer. More information and application can be found at www.pendola.org/employment

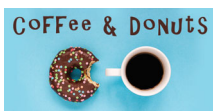
CRAB FEED



The Knights of Columbus, Mother Seton Council 6922 are hosting their annual Crab Feed on Saturday, February 25th. After a two-year hiatus, the event will once again be an indoor sit-down event. To-Go orders will also be available for purchase if you cannot join us. We are planning a very nice evening, with the doors opening promptly at 5pm. There will be a one-hour social hour to allow participants to mingle with friends and check out our wonderful raffle prizes. The cost of the event is \$65 per person and the menu will include crab topped by prawns, served with cocktail sauce, a fresh green salad, pasta with red sauce, clam chowder, and garlic bread. Our crab feed is considered one of the best in the valley and has taken place for over 20 years now. Please make plans to join us. Tickets will go on sale after all masses starting January 21st. However, we have an even easier way for you to get your tickets – you can make your purchase electronically by contacting Brother Knight David Rangel by calling or texting him at (760) 985-5374. You can also email him at drangel@verizon.net. Only 200 tickets will be sold so get your tickets early as we do anticipate tickets will sell out. Thank you.

RESPECT LIFE BABY GOODS COLLECTION

Don't forget to bring your donations of diapers and other baby goods. Support of new Moms in a crisis pregnancy helps save lives of unborn children, by giving these young Moms hope to be able to afford their new child. Pick up a list of items needed, near each playpen inside the entrance of the church. Thank you for helping save lives of unborn children.



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus after the 7:30 AM mass until 11:00 AM in the Parish Hall. Join us!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP



PROFIT AND LOSS REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2022

Last Year Contributions

January 1 - December 31, 2022

Contributions	Amount
Description	
Monthly Offertory	\$ 35,220.00
Weekly Offertory	\$ 31,655.00
Building Fund	\$ 14,624.99
Maintenance Fund	\$ 4,271.00
Other	\$ 5,187.00
Total:	\$ 90,957.99

Last Month Contributions

December 1 - 31, 2022

Contributions	Amount
Description	
Monthly Offertory	\$ 3,010.00
Weekly Offertory	\$ 2,340.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,292.00
Christmas	\$ 445.00
Other	\$ 355.00
Total:	\$ 7,442.00

This Month Contributions

January 1 - 23, 2023

Contributions	Amount
Description	
Monthly Offertory	\$ 3,135.00
Weekly Offertory	\$ 2,240.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 982.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,292.00
Other	\$ 210.00
Total:	\$ 7,859.00

INCOME

Offertory	\$ 49,000.23
Sacramental Services	\$ 2,465.00
Use of Plant Facilities	\$ 695.00
Religious Articles & Books (Candles)	\$ 1,591.70
Donations & Unrestricted Gifts	\$ 11,600.00
Charitable Donations	\$ 1,460.00
Parish Programs	\$ 200.00
Parish Fund Raising (Xmas Bazaar)	\$ 4,536.50
Total Income	\$ 71,548.43

EXPENSES

Salaries & Wages	\$ 2,408.76
Payroll & Taxes	\$ 115.49
Employee Benefits	\$ 3,272.88
Automotive	\$ 20.93
Church	\$ 370.51
Rectory	\$ 16.30
Hall	\$ 95.00
Parish Center/Office	\$ 5,789.24
Ground and Maintenance	\$ 1,200.00
Religious Articles & Books	\$ 81.50
Property & Liability Insurance	\$ 2,425.20
Charitable Donations	\$ 500.00
Religious Education	\$ 154.50
Parish Programs (Hosp. Health, Guad., etc)	\$ 1,309.22
Other Expenditures (Bank Svces, Payroll)	\$ 276.82
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 4,761.31
Total Expense	\$ 22,797.66

Net Operating Income \$ 48,750.77

OTHER INCOME

Interests & Dividends	\$ 0.48
Building Fund	\$ 565.00
Special Maintenance	\$ 3,310.17
Diocesan & Special Collections	\$ 1,885.68
Total Other Income	\$ 5,761.33

OTHER EXPENSES

Capital Expenditures (Other)	\$ 400.00
Total Other Expenses	\$ 400.00

Net Non-Operating Income \$ 5,361.33

NET TOTAL INCOME \$ 54,112.10

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 01/08/2023: \$5,839.76

Weekday: \$52.00
Christmas: \$40.00
Solemnity of Mary: \$32.00

Sunday 01/15/2023: \$5,227.34

Weekday: \$23.00
Building Fund: \$247.00 (pinks)

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 Silvia Morales 916-478.1512
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 Elizabeth Morales 916-230.6180

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 Roselia García 916.217.5648

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Retiro Quiceañeras: Elizabeth Morales Armenta 916.230.6180
 Julio Gil
Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida: John & Lynn Bertaut 916.500.1485

Quiere unirse a nuestros diferentes ministerios, por que "Nuestro bautismo nos llama a compartir la misión de Cristo". Si esta interesado favor de llamar a cualquier persona de los teléfonos de arriba de esta pagina.

MATRIMONIOS Y QUINCEAÑERAS

Para mas información sobre estos eventos por favor comuníquese con el Diacono Antonio Ramirez al (916) 381-5200 *espere el directorio o marque 2009 y déjele un mensaje de voz.*

CLASES PRE BAPTISMALES

Las clases Pre-Bautismales que son el último martes del mes, de 6:30 en la tarde en edificio de Centro de Educación Religiosa, cuarto numero 8. **NOTA: Para evitar distracciones, por favor no traiga niños. También es necesario que pase a la oficina parroquial a registrar el niño/niña que desean bautizar, antes de atender a las platicas pre-Bautismales, el horario de la oficina es 9:00 am a 4:00 pm. Las personas que vengán a clase deben presentar el recibo de la oficina.**

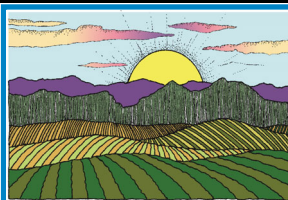
BAUTISMOS

La celebración del Sacramento del Bautismo, es el primer sábado de cada mes a las 9:45 a.m., en la Iglesia.
Requisitos: Haber atendido los padres y padrinos a las platicas pre-Bautismales y traer comprobante si atendieron en otra parroquia. Padrinos y Madrinas: Si son pareja, que estén casados en la Iglesia Católica, y haber recibido los Sacramentos de Iniciación Cristiana

HORARIO DEL DIÁCONO ANTONIO EN LA OFICINA

Cada Lunes: 10:00—1:30 PM
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Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
29 de enero 2023

“Dichosos los pobres de espíritu, porque de ellos es el Reino de los cielos”.
 — Mateo 5:3

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

CUARTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Todas nuestras lecturas de esta semana hablan de las características distintivas del pueblo que Dios reúne para lograr sus propósitos. La profunda comunión de amor que Dios prevé requiere una comunidad humilde y baja, como describe Sofonías. Dios elige a los débiles y a los necios para revelar la fuerza y la sabiduría de Dios, como dice Pablo. Y en las Bienaventuranzas, Jesús enseña que un pueblo que conoce su debilidad y vulnerabilidad puede depositar más plenamente su confianza en Dios y trabajar por un mundo justo. Como cristianos, creemos que Dios sanará completamente nuestro mundo cuando Cristo vuelva. Pero Cristo también nos invita a experimentar un anticipo de este futuro ahora mismo, a través de nuestra vida en la comunidad cristiana, y en nuestro trabajo de pacificación y búsqueda de la justicia en el mundo. Nuestra pobreza de espíritu puede permitirnos ser a la vez receptores e instrumentos del “reino de los cielos” aquí y ahora.

LA COMUNIDAD BENDECIDA

Pasamos a la primera acción del ministerio público de Jesús descrita por Mateo: Jesús predicando a las multitudes en lo que llamamos el Sermón de la Montaña. El Sermón comienza con el pasaje del Evangelio de hoy, las Bienaventuranzas. Tras haber llamado a sus primeros discípulos a formar una comunidad, Jesús empieza a explicar en qué consiste esta comunidad. Las Bienaventuranzas sientan las bases, describiendo los principales valores y prácticas, y la identidad central de esta comunidad.

Jesús dice a sus seguidores, ante todo, que son bendecidos por Dios. La comunidad revelará su carácter bendecido a través de su humildad, mansedumbre y hambre de justicia. Sabiendo que son amados como hijos de Dios, tendrán corazones abiertos y puros, libres para ser misericordiosos, y serán capaces de soportar el sufrimiento con gracia. Al escuchar de nuevo las Bienaventuranzas, recordamos lo lejos que estamos de la visión de Jesús. Pero sabemos que Dios nos ha reunido, y sigue transformándonos, para recibir la plenitud de la bendición.

A QUIÉN HONRA DIOS

En la época de Jesús, el honor y la vergüenza eran indicadores clave de quién estaba arriba y quién abajo en su sociedad. Normalmente, se honraba a los que tenían riqueza y poder sobre los demás. Y en nuestra época, a menudo nos sentimos fuertemente atraídos por tener más abundancia, control y opciones para elegir. Evitamos la vulnerabilidad y las limitaciones. Pero Jesús dice en las Bienaventuranzas que los pobres y los mansos son verdaderamente bendecidos, es decir, honrados y privilegiados por Dios. ¿Cómo puede ser esto?

Tal vez Jesús está exponiendo primero los opuestos a los pobres y mansos, los “ricos de espíritu”. Éstos desarrollan tal confianza en sí mismos, basada en los logros o en los privilegios heredados, que se aíslan de Dios, e ignoran o explotan a los demás. Jesús también sabía que los humildes de corazón se dan cuenta de que no pueden construir una autoafirmación ilusoria, por lo que pueden estar más abiertos a la afirmación de Dios sobre ellos. Así pueden estar más profundamente capacitados para participar en la obra de Dios. Dios bendice y honra a los de corazón abierto.

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EL PUEBLO DEL REINO DE DIOS

En nuestra lectura del Evangelio de Mateo, escuchamos las Bienaventuranzas, la conmovedora apertura del Sermón de la Montaña. Jesús proclama la llegada del reino de Dios, y comienza considerando qué tipo de personas entrarán y participarán en este reino. Son los pobres de espíritu, los mansos, los limpios de corazón, los pacificadores. Tanto Sofonías como Pablo se hacen eco de esto, ya que Dios elige específicamente a los débiles y a los humildes para que sean los agentes de Dios en la instauración del reino de Dios. Al vivir con humildad e integridad, sus corazones están abiertos a ser transformados por la gracia de Dios. También nosotros estamos llamados a vivir así. Jesús nos invita a ser personas con el corazón abierto, para recibir la bendición de Dios. Y trabajando a través de nosotros, Dios puede bendecir a toda la creación.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Serán como el rebaño que pasta y que descansa, y no habrá quién los perturbe (Sofonías 2:3; 3:12-13).

Salmo — El Señor bendice a los humildes y les da el reino celestial (Salmo 146)

Segunda lectura — Es por la gracia de Dios que ustedes moran en Jesucristo. “El que se gloria, que se gloríe en el Señor” (1 Corintios 1:26-31).

Evangelio — Dichosos los pobres de espíritu (Mateo 5:1-12a).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Heb 11:32-40; Sal 31 (30):20-24; Mc 5:1-20

Martes: Heb 12:1-4; Sal 22 (21):26b-28, 30-32; Mc 5:21-43

Miércoles: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Sal 103 (102):1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mc 6:1-6

Jueves: Mal 3:1-4; Sal 24 (23):7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lc 2:22-40 [22-32]

Viernes: Heb 13:1-8; Sal 27 (26):1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mc 6:14-29

Sábado: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Mc 6:30-34

Domingo: Is 58:7-10; Sal 112 (111):4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Semana de las Escuelas Católicas

Martes: San Juan Bosco

Jueves: La Presentación del Señor; Jornada Mundial de la Vida Consagrada; Día de la Marmota

Viernes: San Blas; San Óscar; Primer viernes; Bendición de las gargantas

Sábado: Santa María Virgen; Primer sábado

EL IDEAL CRISTIANO

El ideal cristiano no se ha probado y encontrado deficiente. Se ha encontrado difícil y se ha dejado sin probar.

—Gilbert K. Chesterton

NUESTRA FASCINANTE FE

La Candelaria

Gracias al Papa Sergio I (687–701), el día 2 de febrero se celebra la Presentación de Jesús en el Templo. En este día se conmemora también la Purificación de María que cumplía con la Ley Judía (Levítico 12:1–2). Dicha ley indicaba que una madre debía ser purificada cuarenta días después de que diera a luz a un varoncito. Desde el undécimo siglo, la celebración de la Purificación de María y la Presentación del Niño Jesús en el templo se conmemoran con la bendición de todas las velas y veladoras que se van a usar durante el año. Esto se hace con la esperanza de que nunca falte la luz, tanto material como espiritual en las casas de los fieles. La palabra candelaria viene del verbo latín *candere* (brillar), de allí la palabra candela, o sea, veladora. Esta fiesta de candelas recuerda que los cristianos como Simeón y la profetiza Ana en el Templo pueden decir que ellos también han visto la salvación; Jesús la verdadera luz que brilla en brazos de María (Lucas 2:25–38).

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

ANUNCIO PARROQUIAL Y DIOCESANO

PEBRERO 2 Y 3 (Hueves y Viernes)

El jueves 2 de febrero celebraremos la FIESTA DE LA PRESENTACIÓN DEL SEÑOR. También se le llama popularmente en la iglesia como CANDLEMAS. Habrá una liturgia especial al comienzo de la Santa Misa. Nos reuniremos en la Iglesia Principal para hacer la BENDICIÓN DE LAS VELAS (por favor traigan sus velas-una vela es suficiente) y luego nos dirigiremos a la capilla para hacer la resto de la Santa Misa.

El viernes 3 de febrero (primer viernes) tendremos la tradicional BENDICIÓN DE LA GARGANTA en honor a San Blas.

CRAB FEED

Los Caballeros de Colón, *Consejo Mother Seton 6922*, realizarán su *Crab Feed* anual el sábado 25 de febrero. Después de una pausa de dos años, el evento volverá a ser un evento bajo techo. Los pedidos para llevar también estarán disponibles para su compra si no puede unirse a nosotros. Estamos planeando una velada muy agradable, con las puertas abiertas puntualmente a las 5:00 p. m. Habrá una hora social de una hora para permitir que los participantes se mezclen con amigos y vean nuestros maravillosos premios de rifa. El costo del evento es de \$65 por persona y el menú incluirá cangrejo cubierto con langostinos, servido con salsa cóctel, ensalada verde fresca, pasta con salsa roja, sopa de almejas y pan de ajo. Nuestra alimentación de cangrejos es considerada una de las mejores del valle y se lleva a cabo desde hace más de 20 años. Por favor haga planes para unirse a nosotros. Los boletos saldrán a la venta después de todas las misas a partir del 21 de enero. Sin embargo, tenemos una forma aún más fácil de obtener sus boletos: puede realizar su compra electrónicamente comunicándose con el Hermano Caballero David Rangel llamándolo o enviándole un mensaje de texto al (760) 985-5374. También puede enviarle un correo electrónico a drangel@verizon.net. Solo se venderán 200 boletos, así que compre sus boletos con anticipación, ya que anticipamos que se agotarán. Gracias.



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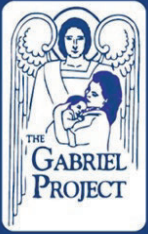
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