

Meditation From Father Tom: May the light and touch of Christ silence our fears as we walk our Lenten journey.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

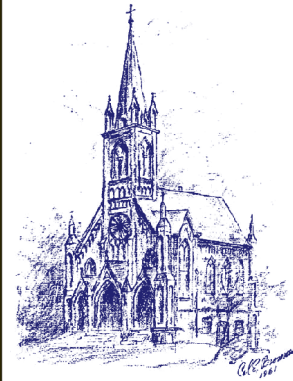
- **Stations of the Cross every Friday through March 31st followed by soup and bread @ 4:30pm.**
- **Monday, March 13th @ 11:30am Grief Support Group will meet at St. Ann's Parish in Dayton.**
- **During the Season of Lent we will be having a one day retreat and a potluck. The topic is "Mariology: The study of Mary" on Tuesday, March 14th from 10am to 3pm at St. Ann's. Bring your favorite dish to share.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 13924

The Knights of Columbus serving St. Ann's and St. Mary in the Mountains would like to invite all Catholic men 18 years of age and older to come and join us. Strengthen your faith while serving your parish and community. See information on the table at the rear of the church or contact Patrick Neylan 246-3527 rginiacitypat@sbcglobal.net for additional information.

WELCOME VISITORS to St. Mary in the Mountains Catholic Church. This is the oldest active Catholic Church in Nevada, and the most photographed landmark on the Comstock. Please plan to visit our **FREE MUSEUM** located in the basement of the church (entrance through the south parking lot). Our **GIFT SHOP** in the church vestibule has a wide selection of high quality religious articles, and also sells very good Napa Valley wine with our St. Mary in the Mountains and Mad Monk labels. Varieties include cabernet sauvignon, chardonnay, Gewurztraminer, and pinot rose'. Enjoy!

MAY GOD BLESS ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS!



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Judy Allen, John Diffenbaugh, and Mary Calkins

St. Mary's in the Mountains Catholic Church

"The Jewel of the Comstock" Established 1862

**March 5, 2023
Second Sunday of Lent**

"Lent is a path: it leads to the triumph of mercy over all that would crush us or reduce us to something unworthy of our dignity as God's children."

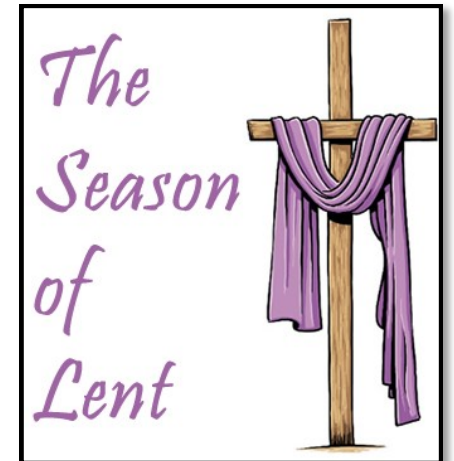
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Celebration of the Sacraments

Eucharist: Sunday and Feast Day Mass is at 11:30am. Daily Mass on Wednesdays at 9:00am.

Baptism: Please contact the church office

Marriage: Please contact the church office 6 months in advance and before making other arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick: Following first Wednesday Mass of each month unless otherwise noted

General Absolution: First Mass of Each Month

Church and Gift Shop Hours: 10am—4pm **Free Museum Hours:** 11am - 4pm

Parish Open Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9am-3pm and Wednesday & Friday 1pm-5pm

(I will be working remotely from St. Ann's Parish) 775-246-7578

From Father Chuck

Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest

Years ago the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops authorized a Sunday service when it was not possible for a priest to be present to a parish community. The ability to do this then must be approved in each case by the local bishop of the diocese. This need arose in light of the priest shortage and wanting the faithful to be able to gather, to hear the Word of God and to receive Holy Communion on Sunday. As you know, we have had to cancel Sunday mass three times due to weather this winter. Therefore, I have requested Bishop Mueggenborg's approval to prepare and appoint someone in the parish to lead a Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest. The bishop has granted this request and so I have worked with Judy Allen to prepare her to lead this special service should it become necessary. Judy is a long time member of the parish, member of the Pastoral Council and a Eucharistic Minister, among many other things for our parish. In the event a priest cannot make it up the hill for mass he will contact Judy who is prepared to lead this service. This is not something that will be scheduled to happen, but only in an emergency when a priest cannot come. It will satisfy one's obligation for mass, although it is important to understand that it is NOT a mass, it is a special service created for this unusual circumstance. Special thanks to Judy for being willing to do this. Remember, that if it is unsafe for you to come to mass due to severe weather you are not obligated to do so. However, it is important to honor the Day of the Lord by prayer and reflection, even if at home.

2023 CSA—"I AM THE Vine YOU ARE THE Branches" John 15:5

The Catholic Services Appeal provides so many services to provide people in our various programs and ministries. Please consider a gift to our 2023 Catholic Services Appeal. Our goal is \$11,008. We have received one pledge for \$520. Pledge cards are located next to the bulletins or scan barcode to make a donation. Thank you!

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CSA Donation



MARCH 5—SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
Genesis 12:1-4a 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Matthew 17:1-9

MASS INTENTION:

Repose of the Soul of Suzanne Griffin—Requested by Valerie LeBel-Flatley

Diocese of Reno's
Virtual Parish Offering Plate

TO DONATE

Scan with your
phone's camera

All Donations go straight to this parish.



**Due to weather we will update offertory
Next week.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Prayer Requests—Please keep these needs in prayer before the Lord this week.

- **Prayers For The Community of St. Mary's In The Mountain**
- Prayers for my sister, who has developed rapid dementia, that we will find a quality residence for her, where she will be safe and happy.—Judy
- For Debra Thornton, who fractured her ankle in 3 places, and is unable as to work, as a truck driver, until it has healed.—Judy
- Sherri Fraiser, who was recently diagnosed with colon cancer and was to have surgery, but her husband, Paul, suffered a severe heart attack, & needed resuscitation. They are not sure of any brain damage at this time. - Judy

If you have a prayer request that you would like to be included in our weekly bulletin, please email it to lizhernandez@stmarysvc.org

CRS RICE BOWL

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. Pick up your families CRS Rice Bowl located next to bulletins.

ACTIVITIES AND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOLLOWED BY
SOUP AND BREAD—EVERY FRIDAY
THROUGH MARCH 31 AT 4:30PM**

**SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES
Sunday, March 12, 2023**