

ST. PHILOMENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 15, 2020

Third Sunday of Lent

OFFICE HOURS
Tues – Fri - 1:00pm— 5:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:	5:30 PM - English
Sunday:	7:30 AM - English 9:00 AM - English 12:00 PM - Español
Tuesday:	8:15 AM - English
Wednesday:	8:15 AM - English
Thursday:	8:15 AM - English
Friday:	8:15 AM - English

CONFSSION / CONFESIONES

Saturday: 4:00pm - 5:00pm, or by appt.

BAPTISMS

Call the Parish Office (even before the birth of the baby) for preparation times

Classes: 10:00am (English); 11:00am (Español)
(First Saturday of each Month)

Baptisms: 10:00am (English); 11:00am (Español)
(Second Saturday of each Month)

WEDDINGS AND QUINCEAÑERAS

At least six months notice required.

PARISH STAFF

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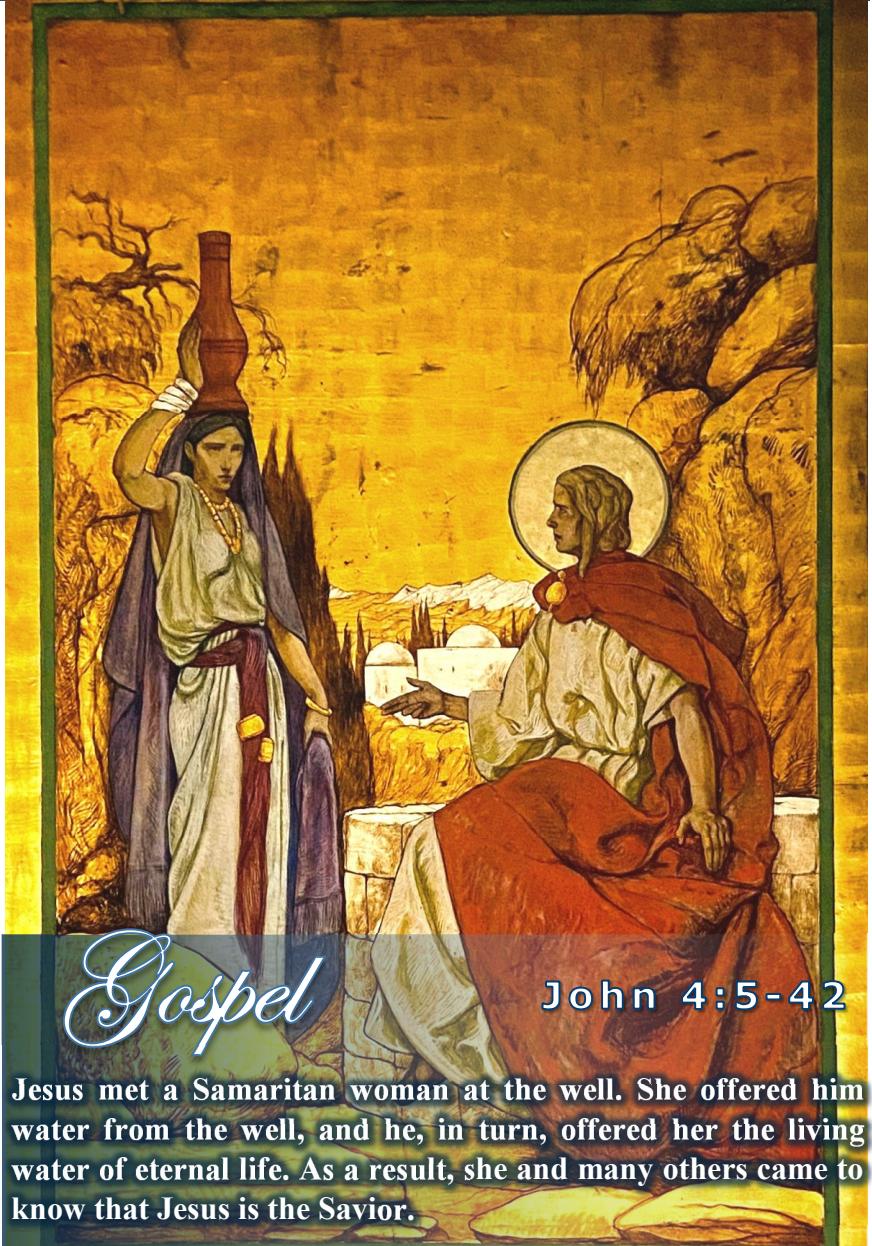
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ST. PHILOMENE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of St. Philomene Parish, are a communion of brothers and sisters united by our communion with Jesus Christ who gathers us and empowers us with His Holy Spirit to worship God in faith through the celebration of the Sacraments, prayers, evangelization and loving communion and service. We rejoice and embrace the diversity of all our members as a gift from God.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Israelites grumbled against Moses for leading them out of Egypt. They were thirsty, and there was no water in the desert, so Moses struck a rock with his staff, and water flowed out for the people to drink.

(Exodus 17:3-7 (28A))

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

(Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9)

Second Reading — “The love of God has been poured out into our hearts,” and that love is immeasurable; “while we were still sinners Christ died for us.”

(Romans 5:1-2, 5-8)

Gospel — Jesus met a Samaritan woman at the well. She offered him water from the well, and he, in turn, offered her the living water of eternal life. As a result, she and many others came to know that Jesus is the Savior.

(John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42)

she is an outcast within the Samaritan community. We learn in her conversation with Jesus that she is an outcast because of her “many husbands.”

Behind the conversation lies the animosity and rivalry between the Jews and the Samaritans. Samaritans shared Jewish ancestry, but Samaritans had intermarried with foreigners when they lived under the rule of the Assyrians. Samaritan religion included worship of Yahweh, but was also influenced by the worship of other gods. When the Jews refused Samaritan help in the building of the Temple at Jerusalem, the Samaritans eventually built a temple for themselves at Mt. Gerizim (the same mountain mentioned by the woman at the well). Like the Jews, the Samaritans believed that a Messiah would come.

The high point of the conversation is when Jesus reveals himself to her as the Messiah. His answer to the Samaritan woman’s questions about worship is meant to predict a time when worshiping in truth and spirit will become the way to worship.

After the conversation, the Samaritan woman becomes a disciple. Even though she is an outcast and not a Jew, she returns to her town to lead others to Jesus and to wonder whether she has found the Messiah. The Samaritan townspeople return with her to meet Jesus for themselves, and many are said to come to believe in him.

The significance of the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman has many levels. The first is personal: The woman is herself converted to belief in Jesus as Messiah because he knows her sin but speaks with her just the same. The second is social: Having come to know Jesus as the Messiah, the Samaritan woman becomes an evangelist to her own people.

The third level of the story is educational: Jesus uses his encounter with the Samaritan woman to teach his disciples that God’s mercy is without limit. The disciples return from their shopping quite confused to find Jesus talking with a Samaritan, and a woman at that! But the conversion of the Samaritan townspeople is a foretaste of the kind of open community that will be created among those who believe that Jesus is the Messiah.

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL

In today’s Gospel, the dialogue between Jesus and a woman from Samaria is among the most lengthy and most theological found in Scripture. The most startling aspect of the conversation is that it happens at all. Jesus, an observant Jew of that time, was expected to avoid conversation with women in public. The animosity between the Jews and the Samaritans should have prevented the conversation as well. The woman herself alludes to the break from tradition: “How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?” Yet Jesus not only converses with the woman, he also asks to share her drinking vessel, an action that makes him unclean according to Jewish law.

The initial conversation between Jesus and the woman is better understood if we consider the importance of water, especially in the climate of Israel. At first, the woman understands Jesus’ promise of “living water” in a literal sense: “Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.” With no running water, the daily trip to the well by the women of the community was of paramount importance. The women of the town would have traveled to the well in the early morning, but this woman came to the well at noon, the hottest time of the day. The timing of her visit is a clear sign that

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura — Los israelitas, sedientos, se quejaron contra Moisés porque los sacó de Egipto. El Señor dijo a Moisés que golpeara una roca. Moisés golpeó la roca y de ésta brotó agua.

(Exodo 17, 3-7)

Salmo Responsorial — Ojalá escuchen hoy su voz: "No endurezcan el corazón."

(Salmo 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9)

Segunda Lectura — El inmenso amor de Dios fue puesto en nuestros corazones, amor que no se puede medir. Cristo murió por nosotros cuando todavía éramos pecadores.

(Romanos 5, 1-2. 5-8)

Evangelio — Jesús, cansado por la caminata, se sentó al borde del pozo. Una mujer samaritana le dio agua, y Cristo le dio el agua viva de la vida eterna.

(Juan 4, 5-42)

dentro de la comunidad samaritana. En su conversación con Jesús, aprendemos que ella es una marginada debido a sus "muchos esposos".

Detrás de la conversación se encuentra la animosidad y la rivalidad entre los judíos y los samaritanos. Los samaritanos compartían ascendencia judía, pero los samaritanos se habían casado con extranjeros cuando vivían bajo el dominio de los asirios. La religión samaritana incluía la adoración a Yahveh, pero también estaba influenciada por la adoración de otros dioses. Cuando los judíos rechazaron la ayuda samaritana en la construcción del Templo en Jerusalén, los samaritanos finalmente construyeron un templo para ellos en el monte Gerizim (la misma montaña mencionada por la mujer en el pozo). Al igual que los judíos, los samaritanos creían que vendría un Mesías.

El punto culminante de la conversación es cuando Jesús se revela a ella como el Mesías. Su respuesta a las preguntas de la mujer samaritana sobre la adoración tiene la intención de predecir un momento en que la adoración en verdad y espíritu se convertirá en la forma de adorar.

Después de la conversación, la mujer samaritana se convierte en discípula. Aunque es una paria y no una judía, regresa a su ciudad para llevar a otros a Jesús y preguntarse si ha encontrado al Mesías. La gente del pueblo samaritano regresa con ella para encontrarse con Jesús por sí mismos, y se dice que muchos creen en él.

La importancia del encuentro entre Jesús y la mujer samaritana tiene muchos niveles. El primero es personal: la mujer está convertida a creer en Jesús como el Mesías porque él conoce su pecado pero habla con ella de todos modos. El segundo es social: después de conocer a Jesús como el Mesías, la mujer samaritana se convierte en evangelista de su propio pueblo.

El tercer nivel de la historia es educativo: Jesús usa su encuentro con la mujer samaritana para enseñar a sus discípulos que la misericordia de Dios es ilimitada. ¡Los discípulos regresan de sus compras bastante confundidos para encontrar a Jesús hablando con un samaritano, y una mujer en eso! Pero la conversión de la gente del pueblo samaritano es un anticipo del tipo de comunidad abierta que se creará entre aquellos que creen que Jesús es el Mesías.

ANTECEDENTES SOBRE EL EVANGELIO

En el Evangelio de hoy, el diálogo entre Jesús y una mujer de Samaria es uno de los más largos y teológicos que se encuentran en las Escrituras. El aspecto más sorprendente de la conversación es que sucede en absoluto. Se esperaba que Jesús, un judío observante de la época, evitara la conversación con mujeres en público. La animosidad entre los judíos y los samaritanos también debería haber impedido la conversación. La mujer alude al salto de la tradición: "¿Cómo puedes, judía, pedirme una bebida samaritana?" Sin embargo, Jesús no solo conversa con la mujer, sino que también le pide que comparta su vaso para beber, una acción que lo hace impuro según la ley judía.

La conversación inicial entre Jesús y la mujer se entiende mejor si consideramos la importancia del agua, especialmente en el clima de Israel. Al principio, la mujer comprende la promesa de Jesús de "agua viva" en un sentido literal: "Señor, dame esta agua, para que no tenga sed o tenga que seguir vieniendo aquí para sacar agua". Sin agua corriente, el viaje diario al pozo por parte de las mujeres de la comunidad era de suma importancia. Las mujeres de la ciudad habrían viajado al pozo temprano en la mañana, pero esta mujer llegó al pozo al mediodía, el momento más caluroso del día. El momento de su visita es una clara señal de que es una paria

MASS INTENTIONS INTENCIones DE LA MISA

Sat	Mar 14	5:30pm	
Sun	Mar 15	7:30 am	
		9:00 am	† William Regan
		12:00 pm	
Tue	Mar 17	8:15 am	
Wed	Mar 18	8:15 am	
Thu	Mar 19	8:15 am	
Fri	Mar 20	8:15 am	

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS Colectas de Ofertorio del Fin de Semana

March 1, 2020	March 8, 2020
5:30 pm = \$ 437.52	5:30 pm = \$ 748.00
7:30 am = \$ 1,036.61	7:30 am = \$ 405.00
9:00 am = \$ 1,961.35	9:00 am = \$ 735.59
12:00 pm = \$ 1,921.75	12:00 pm = \$ 1,498.18
Total = \$ 5,357.23	Total = \$ 3,386.77

No Second Collection

I would like to thank you all for your generous donations for the upkeep (physical and pastoral) of our beloved Parish! Let us together continue the mission of Jesus! May our God abundantly bless you and your families!

Rev. Francisco Velazquez

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS POR FAVOR MANTENLOS EN TUS ORACIONES

Mary F. Keenan	Armendina Guerrero	Eva Anchors
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Isnardo Rodriguez	Micaela Martinez	Denise Marziarz
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Jamie Zuñiga	Charles A. Scholz	Jacquelyn Gapp
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Perla Maulino	Martin Coyle	Marty Buckles
Peggy Smith	Jim Coyle	Jacqueline Finch
Jesus Elisea	Javier Martinez	Romina Fabriquer
Ester M. Sanchez	Jim Vogts	Catherine Galiata
Fran Young	Viliame Dovu	Herman Berenguer
Sue Wendall	Ines McMartin	Rosi Esquivel

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY MINISTERIO DEL RESPETO A LA VIDA

Come pray with us at FPA Abortion Clinic, 2322 Butano (Watt) clinic for protection of mothers and children. Monday – Friday 8am-6pm

Venga a rezar con nosotros a la Clínica de Aborto FPA, 2322 clínica de Butano (Watt) para la protección de madres y niños.

Lunes - Viernes 8 am-6pm

The flu season came early this year.

Now, with growing concerns about the Corona virus it's important that we continue to be vigilant about taking precautions against the spread of disease. While the number of cases of people infected with the Corona virus in the U.S. is very small, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) reports that the incidence of flu and flu-like illnesses is still widespread and at a level requiring we do everything reasonably possible to mitigate the spread of infection. Therefore, in order to protect the health and well-being of everyone, we wish to remind you of the following directives:

- The use of the Communion cup is suspended temporarily.
- Receive the Body of Christ in the hand.
- Do not shake hands. Offer the sign of Peace to those around you with a simple nod, saying “peace be with you.”
- Do not hold hands during the Our Father.
- Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are reminded to cleanse their hands with an alcohol-based antiseptic before and after administering Holy Communion. This also applies to those who take Holy Communion to the home-bound.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and other Holy Days does not apply to those who are sick. If you are sick, stay home and take care of yourself. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. And pray for those who are sick. The administration of Holy Communion in both kinds will resume as soon as the Bishop deems it safe and prudent to do so.



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St. Philomene Catholic School is an inclusive, multicultural dual immersion community where students achieve academic excellence and become leaders committed to service.

We are now registering students in TK-8 for the 2020-2021 school year. Students in TK-2 will be instructed in the 50/50 Spanish Dual Immersion Program and 3-8th will follow the traditional education program. Please contact the school office at **916-489-1506** for more information.

La Escuela Católica de Sta. Filomena es una comunidad inclusiva, multicultural de doble inmersión donde los estudiantes logran la excelencia académica y se convierten en líderes comprometidos con el servicio.

Ahora estamos registrando estudiantes en TK-8 para el año escolar 2020-2021. Los estudiantes en TK-2 recibirán instrucción en el Programa 50/50 de inmersión dual en español y los alumnos del 3 al 8 seguirán el programa de educación tradicional. Comuníquese con la oficina de la escuela al **916-489-1506** para obtener más información.

SHARING GOD'S BOUNTY

Our Bounty guests enjoyed a hearty meal of tamale pie, green salad, sliced peaches, desserts and drinks Tuesday evening.

Music and voices of friends old and new filled the room. There are many who are hungry every day.

If you come across anyone who needs a meal and/or company please extend an invitation to Bounty.

We gather and serve every Tuesday night from 6-7--rain or shine.

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in our Bounty circle.

ST. PHILOMENE FOOD CLOSET

916.481.7113

Thank you for your generous donations!

We served 162 adults, 40 seniors, 85 children and 7 infants with 212 bags of groceries last month of January.

Please bring any brown paper bags you may have.

If you would like to make food donations, we are open **M-T-TH-F** from **9-11am**.

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS NOTICIAS DEL CATECISMO

Due to the rising concern of Covid-19, we have decided to cancel the Confirmation NET Retreat scheduled for March 21 & 22, and catechism classes are canceled through the end of March until further notice.

Confirmation Saint reports are due! Sponsor forms are due!

Debido a la creciente preocupación de Covid-19, hemos decidido cancelar el Retiro de Confirmación NET programado para el 21 y 22 de marzo, y las clases de catecismo se cancelan hasta finales de marzo hasta nuevo aviso.

¡Ya se deben presentar los Reportes de los Santos y las Formas de los Patrocinadores de la Confirmación!

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICIAS/ANUNCIOS

Dear Parishioners,

Due to the growing concern about the coronavirus (COVID-19), it is important that we continue to be vigilant to take precautions against the spread of the disease, which is why at the request of Bishop Soto of the Diocese of Sacramento, all scheduled interior meetings for the month of March will be canceled.

In particular in our Parish, we canceled the following events:

- Stations of the Cross and Soup Dinner, all Fridays in March.
- Religious Ed Parent Meeting on March 19.
- Net Retreat for confirmation students, March 21 & 22.
- Penance Service, March 25.

Thank you for understanding as these actions are necessary to keep our community healthy.

A page posted on the diocesan website is available with links to all pertinent information about our response to the coronavirus outbreak: www.scd.org/coronavirus

Thank you for your attention in this matter!

Estimados feligreses,

Por la creciente preocupación por el coronavirus (COVID-19), es importante que sigamos vigilantes para tomar precauciones contra la propagación de la enfermedad, es por ello que a solicitud del Señor Obispo Soto, de la Diócesis de Sacramento, todas las reuniones interiores programadas para el mes de marzo se cancelarán.

En lo particular, en nuestra Parroquia, se cancelan los siguientes eventos:

- Viacrucis, programados todos los Viernes.
- Reunión de padres de catequesis, programado para el 19 de Marzo.
- Retiro de Net para los estudiantes de confirmación, programado para el 21 y 22 de Marzo.
- Servicio de penitencia cuaresmal, programado el 25 de Marzo.

Esperamos su comprensión, son necesarias estas acciones para mantener saludable a nuestra comunidad.

Esta disponible una pagina publicado en el sitio web diocesano con enlaces a toda la información pertinente sobre nuestra respuesta al brote del corona virus: www.scd.org/coronavirus

¡Gracias por la atención a estas recomendaciones!

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS NOTICIAS/ANUNCIOS



The Sacramento Life Center Mobile Clinic will be parking once a week, outside St. Philomene Church from 9AM-3:30PM at Bell and El Camino on Thursdays.

The Mobile Clinic will be offering Free Pregnancy Tests. They will also assist with setting up appointments for free 1st trimester pregnancy ultrasounds, free testing for sexually transmitted diseases, and free post-abortion Counseling.



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Los Programas de Madre e Hija exploran el regalo especial de Dios sobre la fertilidad humana y la belleza y la maravilla del plan de Dios para crecer y convertirse en una mujer.

Información e inscripción: www.scd.org/madrehija



WE INVITE YOU TO SPEND TIME WITH OUR LORD
AT OUR CHAPEL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



On March 1, nine students in our RCIA-Teen attended the Rite of Election at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament.

Signing the book of the Elect, a huge step in receiving their Sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Please keep these young men and women in your prayers as they continue on their journey to their Sacraments.

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FROM 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM
FOR CLEANING.**

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For more information, go to their website:
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St. Philomene welcomes advertising to promote individual business on the back of our bulletin.

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(Advertisements will offset our printing cost and benefits our Parish)

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Los anuncios compensarán nuestros costos de impresión y beneficiarán a nuestra parroquia)



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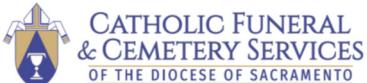
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We thank God for you. If you are not registered with St. Philomene, please fill out this form and place it in the
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Request for Registration Form or Change of Address Update

Name: _____

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