

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA PARISH COMMUNITY



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Missionaries of the Sacred Heart
"May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be loved everywhere"

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INDOOR MASS SCHEDULE

100% Capacity

Face masks are encouraged upon entering the church.

SATURDAY VIGIL

***5:15 pm English**

SUNDAY

6:30 am / 8:30 am

***10:15 am - interpreted for the deaf
12:00 pm / *1:45 pm Espanol / 5:15 pm**

DAILY MASS

***8:15 am & 5:30 pm**

Daily Mass in Spanish every Wednesday at 5:30 pm

Misa diaria en español cada miércoles a las 5:30 pm

(There is no 5:30 pm Mass from Memorial Day through Labor Day)

***Masses are Live-stream**

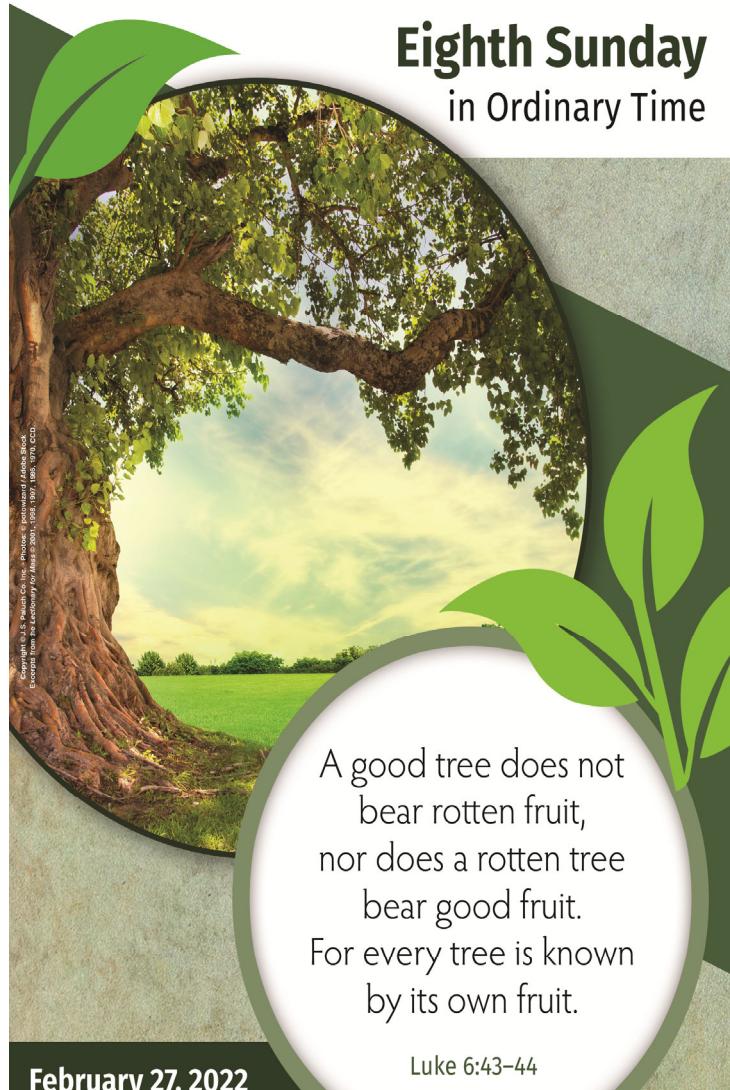
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CONFESIONS (CONFESIONES)

Saturday (sábado): 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm



A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.
For every tree is known
by its own fruit.

Luke 6:43-44

February 27, 2022

No hay árbol bueno que produzca frutos malos,
ni árbol malo que produzca frutos buenos.
Cada árbol se conoce por sus frutos.

Lucas 6:43-44

**Octavo Domingo
del Tiempo Ordinario
27 de febrero de 2022**

PARISH VISION STATEMENT

One God, One people in Christ, One community of love guided by the Holy Spirit to impact lives.
Un Dios, Un pueblo en Cristo, Una comunidad de amor guiada por el Espíritu Santo para impactar vidas.

MASS INTENTIONS - INTENCIÓNES DE MISASSUNDAY - DOMINGO 02/27

- 6:30 am Gregory "The Sarge" Porcu †
 8:30 am Petra Perez †
 10:15 am Freddie Y. López †
 12:00 pm Carmela Cianciulli †
 1:45 pm St. Catherine's Parishioners
 5:15 pm Maria Guadalupe & Luis De La Torre †

MONDAY - LUNES 02/28

- 8:15 am Intentions of Oswaldo Aliaga
 5:30 pm Inocencia Soto †

TUESDAY - MARTES 03/01

- 8:15 am Wilda Sann †
 5:30 pm Intentions of Citlali Campos

WEDNESDAY - MIÉRCOLES 03/02**ASH WEDNESDAY / MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA**

All Masses for St. Catherine's Parishioners

THURSDAY - JUEVES 03/03

- 8:15 am Bernardo Digal, Sr. †
 5:30 pm Francine Hernandez †

FRIDAY - VIERNES 03/04

- 8:15 am Lulu Tan Torres †
 5:15 pm Wendy Christine Chaves †

SATURDAY - SÁBADO 03/05

- 8:15 am Francine Hernandez †
 10:00 am At WMV - Parishioners
 5:15 pm Irma Veronica Mortimer †

SUNDAY - DOMINGO 03/06

- 6:30 am St. Catherine's Parishioners
 8:30 am Beebee Noriega †
 10:15 am Gilbert & Jeanne Backes †
 12:00 pm Ryan Buyco †
 1:45 pm Rita Elena Montoya
 5:15 pm Ryan Santana †

† Symbolizes Soul of Deceased



St. Catherine Church has radio frequency capability at 72.9 MHz Wideband Audio Input with 10.0 db for the FM Radio that you can hear with your in-ear headphone direct from the presider's microphone.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks (Sirach 27:4-7).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:54-59).

Gospel — A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart (Luke 6:39-45).

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LITURGY CORNER**February 27 - EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

March 2 - ASH WEDNESDAY

March 3 - Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin

March 4 - Saint Casimir

Ash Wednesday - Repent and believe in the Gospel

We will receive the blessed ashes to initiate our Lent Journey, reflecting on Our Lord's 40-days in the desert; a journey of fasting, praying, and almsgiving.

Schedule of Masses:

English 6:30 am, 8:15 am, 10:15 am; 12:00 pm Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes, 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm; 5:30pm Spanish.

Saint Katharine Drexel wrote, *"Prayer can reach where the pen fails to go. He who is faithful in prayer will serve God with fervor. Lord, help me love you in the way you deserve to be loved..."* She founded the Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament; established some forty-nine foundations, including Xavier University in New Orleans. She died in 1955 and was canonized in October 2000 by Pope John Paul II.

Saint Casimir a polish prince who throughout his life dedicated himself totally to serving the poor; he considered himself "father, son and brother" to widows, orphans and all oppressed people. He died in 1484, at the age of 25, of tuberculosis; he is honored as a patron saint of Poland and Lithuania.

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Sunday, February 27th during the 10:15 am mass will be the Rite of Sending for the Catechumen who will be celebrating the Rite of Election with Bishop Rojas.

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Tuesday, March 1st, after the 8:15am Mass, there will be a Rite of Burning Palms, bring your blessed dried palms that you received on prior years' Palm Sunday.

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During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays at 6:30 pm and in Spanish on Wednesdays after the 5:30 pm evening mass.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c;
 Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15;
 Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Brothers and Sisters,

In a few days we will begin the season of Lent, during which we will be reminded of the lessons Jesus taught us as he anticipated his eventual death. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, and the ashes we receive call us as a community to remember that we “are dust and to dust we shall return”, or to “Repent and believe in the gospel.” These words and these ashes call us to remember our failings and our foolish actions as human beings struggling to get it right with ourselves, each other and our God. This season of Lent officially ends during the day on Holy Thursday. As the sun goes down that evening, we end Lent and begin the Triduum (a season we will discuss on another day).



The author of today's first reading, Ben Sira, was an avid student of the law, the prophets and the writings of the time. He was a respected scribe and teacher who ran an academy for young Jewish men. The book of Sirach is one of the “wisdom” books of the bible and among the longest books of the bible. In today's reading the author addresses issues of integrity and friendship. One is to choose one's friends carefully. The prophet warns us not to judge another until he or she has spoken. Speech indicates the disposition of the human heart. When one is silent it is difficult to discern what lies within. What we say reveals who we really are.

In our second reading St. Paul reminds the Corinthians that salvation cannot be gained through personal merit. Salvation comes only through the death and resurrection of Christ, who paid the price, once and for all. Paul emphasizes that the law was given to humanity in order to reveal God's plan of salvation. However only God could empower the people (and us) to keep the law. By itself the law was (and is) empty. The law by itself served only to intensify human sin. Thus, the only freedom possible from sin is the freedom offered by Christ's self-sacrifice.

Today's gospel passage forms the last part of the “Sermon on the Plain.” In the gospel Jesus uses images to point out how we are to live out our Christian life. Jesus begins with a rhetorical question: “Can a blind person guide a blind person?” What follows is a collection of wise sayings about not judging others lest you be judged. The image of a blind person leading a blind person indicates how our own lack of faith and insight can mislead and corrupt those around us. Our life becomes meaningful when people who come to us experience Christ in and through us. The image of a splinter and a wooden beam makes the point that one must look at oneself before seeing the imperfections of others. There is something that is just wrong about pointing out another's faults while at the same time refusing to see your own faults.

Finally, the image of good and bad fruit evidences the living realities of a person's life. None of us want to bear rotten fruit. However, we need to understand that avoiding doing so is not enough. Ask yourself this question: Am I actually bearing any fruit at all? Let us do more than just avoid bearing rotten fruit. May we produce fruit that causes our families, friends, co-workers, classmates and strangers to appreciate what we provide through our lives

Final question for you: What beam in my eye do I need to work on removing during Lent?

Faithful

STEWARSHIP . . . Thank you for supporting your parish, St. Catherine of Alexandria!
Thank you for your generous contribution. God bless you.

**Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022
Summary of Weekly Sunday Offering
February 20, 2022**

	<u>Actual Collection</u>	<u>Budgeted Collection</u>
February 6th	\$ 14,658.05	\$ 15,500.00
February 13th	\$ 16,609.99	\$ 15,500.00
February 20th	\$ 15,000.89	\$ 15,500.00
Actual Collection		\$ 576,848.76
Budgeted Collection		<u>\$ 542,000.00</u>
YTD Collection Overage		<u>\$34,848.76</u>

**2022 Diocesan Development Fund
February 20, 2022**

DDF Assessment	\$ 66,700
Less: Pledges Made	3,437
Total Pledges Shortfall	\$ 63,263
DDF Assessment	\$ 66,700
Less: DDF Pledge Payments	2,837
Total Amount Payable to the Diocese	\$ 63,863
Number of donors	45
Parishioner's participation %	2%

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH FINANCIALLY.
Thank you for your generosity.**

PLEASE SUPPORT DDF-2022.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on First Friday, March 4th immediately following the 8:15 am Mass and end at 5:00 pm.

"By looking at Him and adoring Him, we are saying: yes, love exists and because it exists things can change for the better and we may hope." - Pope Benedict XVI, June 14, 2009

Rice Bowls are coming!

Pick yours up after mass on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. At the end of Lent, return your monetary donation (Checks made out to CRS -- Catholic Relief Services) to church on Divine Mercy Sunday. Your support helps people around the world and here within our diocese.



VINCENTIAN CORNER



In the Gospel today, Jesus uses images in speaking to his disciples: "Can a blind man act as guide to a blind man?...Why look at the speck in your brother's eye when you miss the plank in your own?...A good tree does not produce decayed fruit...."

It is true that donations come to the Society because a good person produces goodness from the good in their heart.

Please remember that any contributions by check should be made payable to SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL and not to St. Catherine's. Thank you for your generous contributions.

Are you interested in learning more about our ministry? Would you like to join our ministry? New members are always welcome! For more information, please call Robert Lucero at (951) 784-7642.

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We need COOKIES, CRACKERS, CEREAL for the grocery bags given to those in need of assistance with food. Donations can be dropped off at St. Catherine's Ministry Center, 7005 Brockton Ave., Riverside, CA 92506 M-F 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Thank you

2022 DDF SPECIAL COLLECTION IS NEXT WEEKEND - MARCH 5th & 6th

You can make your donation several ways:

- In the collection basket at Mass
- Via [ONLINE GIVING](#) at St. Catherine's website: www.stcofa.org
- Mail your check to St. Catherine of Alexandria 7005 Brockton Ave., Riverside, CA 92506
Thank you for your continued support!

Donating to DDF supports your Church and Ministries.

PARISH BLOOD BANK MINISTRY

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022

9:00 am to 3:30 pm

The need for blood is overwhelming, every 2 seconds someone in the United States needs blood. 38% of the U.S. population is eligible to donate; ONLY 5% do.

We encourage parishioners to sign up, be screened to establish ability to donate. You are never too old. Young people can start giving blood at 15 years of age (with a signed parental consent form).

Join us on March 13th, inside the Parish Hall from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. Due to COVID restrictions, masks will be required.

Appointments can be made by calling LifeStream at 800-879-4484 OR online <http://www.LStream.org>. Walk-ins are also welcome, but wait times may be lengthy. In preparation for your donation, eat a hearty meal and drink plenty of fluids.

Questions, please contact Jerry Wiseman at 951/781-9855.

Bless you for your help!

Feeding the Hungry Ministry

WARM BLANKETS & SOCKS

NEEDED



Cold weather is coming on and it is hard to get warm without socks or blankets. Those less fortunate than us are in need of our help. We are asking for donations of **NEW SOCKS AND CLEAN, GENTLY USED BLANKETS. All items must be sealed individually with plastic or in a trash bag.** Donations can be dropped off during weekend Masses in the container located at the entrance of the church or at the Ministry Center Monday-Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Thank you for helping those in need!

"Truly, I say to you, whatever you did for the least of my brothers, you did for me" - Matthew 25:40

HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

The mobile clinic will be at St. Catherine's school from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for adult clients on Saturday, March 5, 2022.



During the Coronavirus pandemic, please call 714-633-4600 for pre-screening and to make an appointment.

Free Adult Medical care is offered, labs and meds are as low-cost as possible. Patients sign in on a first-come, first-served basis.

For additional information or to volunteer visit their website at www.lestonnacfreeclinic.org.

Lenten Mission Retreat

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA CHURCH RIVERSIDE, CA

The Audacity to Believe in a Change of Era



**March 7 - 8, 2022 at 7:00 pm
In Person, Inside the Church**

The Signs of the Times: from a "Time of Change" to "Change of Era"

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ASH WEDNESDAY— Lent Begins “During this season of conversion, let us renew our faith, draw from the ‘living water’ of hope, and receive with open hearts the love of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ.” (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2021)

March 2nd - Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule / Horario de misa del Miércoles de Ceniza - 2 de marzo

English/Inglés: 6:30 am, 8:15 am, 10:15 am, 4:00 pm & 7:00 pm.



Español/Spanish: 5:30 pm

Liturgy of the Word & Distribution of Ashes: 12:00pm



Please pray for our beloved dead...
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;
and let perpetual light shine upon them

Gilbert Leonard Grill

Trisha Frost

Raymond Augustin Herrera

Daniel Leyva

Edward McLellan

**For all who have died during COVID-19 pandemic.
...May they rest in peace**

Stephen Bromley

Natalie Victoria Palacios

Joyce Hacker

Antonio Cabrera

TO REPORT THE SEXUAL ABUSE OF A CHILD

by a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer,
call the toll free

Sexual Misconduct Hotline 1-888-206-9090

PARA REPORTAR EL ABUSO SEXUAL DE UN MENOR

por parte de un sacerdote, diácono, empleado o voluntario,

llame a la **Línea Directa de Conducta Sexual
Inapropiada 1-888-206-9090**

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

PRAY FOR THOSE BECOMING CATHOLIC.

OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, WE WILL PROFILE THOSE ADULTS BEING RECEIVED INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH THIS EASTER. THESE MEN AND WOMEN HAVE JOURNEYED THROUGH THE RCIA FOR A YEAR OR MORE, LEARNING ABOUT THE FAITH AND DISCERNING GOD'S CALL IN THEIR LIVES. PLEASE LIFT THEM UP IN PRAYER.



A journey in faith



Meet Michelle

An Accountant who was raised without faith, even though her family was raised in the Catholic faith. Throughout her childhood, she attended different denominational religions but always felt spiritually connected to the Catholic Church. She has realized her need to receive the Lord fully into her heart and life, and she wants to be accepted by the Catholic community. She wishes to contribute in the RCIA ministry one day. Michelle will be fully received at Easter and asks for your prayers as she continues her journey.



Meet Michael

He was raised in the Baptist faith and became a Baptist Minister. Michael came to our Catholic Church after looking at many different denominations and found that the church that was Christ's original church attracted him the most. Michael asks for your prayers supporting his spiritual journey. He looks forward to helping the poor.



"Join us in Prayer"

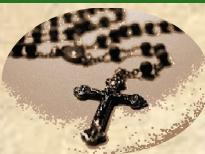
The Holy Rosary

Daily @ 7:00 PM On ZOOM (zoom.us)

Bilingual-English and Spanish

Meeting ID: 848 7071 4466 / Passcode: 803585

"Follow us on Facebook at 7pm Daily"



RCIA Inquiry



Have you been worshiping with us, but have never officially taken the step to become Catholic?

Have you been a Catholic all your life, but have not celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist)?

Have you joined us from a different background and would like to find out more about the Catholic Church?

If you, or someone you know, answers **YES** to any of these questions, you are invited to find out more through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Please call 951-781-9855 extension 29 and leave your contact information.

We would love to help you through the journey of becoming Catholic!

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion. 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.

Living Stewardship Now

Ask the Lord to flood your heart with loving kindness and mercy that you may never bear grudges and only have room for charity, kindness, and patience toward your neighbor.

-Florence Nightingale

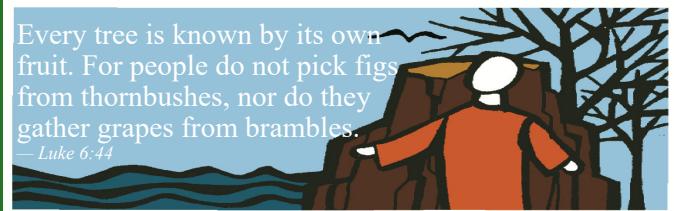
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REFLECTION QUESTION:

How can I help bring about God's peaceful reign?

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ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA CHURCH RIVERSIDE, CA

The Audacity to Believe in a Change of Era



Sunday, March 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm

<https://zoom.us/j/92743955578?pwd=QXVRajRDSkhDeU1ZcHdWWEp3U0ZHz09>

Meeting ID: 927 4395 5578

Passcode: 638372

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LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and ALL Fridays** during Lent by Catholics 14 years of age and older.

REGLAMENTOS DE CUARESMA

Los católicos mayores de 14 años deben observar la abstinencia de carne el Miércoles de Ceniza, el Viernes Santo y TODOS los viernes de Cuaresma.



Lance Wiseman - 781.9855 ext. 14

All High-School-Age Youth LIFE NIGHT
Sundays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. after LIFE TEEN Mass

LIFE TEEN (high school age teen)

Due to the Coronavirus the Life Night are meeting online almost every Sunday 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Contact Lance Wiseman at lwise-man@stcofa.org or 951-781-9855 Ext. 14 if you are interested in joining us for online gatherings.

This Week—2/27/2022: Life Night "Batman and Robin"

We will be recognizing our authentic identity as God's children to help us to foster long-lasting friendships. Please check your email for log-in codes. We are on Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Contact Lance for more information.

Next Week—3/6/2022: Join us for the Youth Lenten Mission with Fr. Ben Alforque, MSC—“The Audacity to Believe in a Change of Era”
Please check your email for log-in codes. We are on Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Contact Lance for more information.

Remember Life Nights are open to **all High School age youth and we invite you to join us**. They are held most Sundays via ZOOM at this time. Please contact Lance if you have questions or need more information.

YOUTH SERVICE HOURS - For service opportunities, please contact Lance Wiseman at 951/781-9855 ext. 14.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER - NEW Shop Riverside cards for **2022** are available for purchase. Valid from date of purchase through all of Year **2022**. Please call Lance at 951/781-9855 x 14 if you are interested in purchasing. **Remember the money raised helps support St. Catherine's Youth Programs**. Please contact Lance for other upcoming fundraisers.

MIDDLE SCHOOL - THE EDGE – a Ministry for youth in middle school from 6th to 8th grade in private or public schools. **We are not sure at this time when we will be able to start this school year**. For more information please contact Lance.

CONFIRMATION NEWS - UPDATE AS OF 2/27/2022

1st Year of Confirmation – Our next Module for the year will be this Sunday or Monday, February 27th or 28th. **The Zoom code will be emailed during the week before the meeting**. You only need to attend one of the two modules. If you missed the Mandatory Parent & Candidate meeting or make-up, please contact Lance for Zoom code.

2nd Year of Confirmation – All 1st year make-up work, mass reflection & service reflection sheets are past due, please see Lance.

3rd Year of Confirmation - Our next candidates & sponsor gathering is March 5th from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm via Zoom. **Please check your email next week for pre-registration code**. Please remember to be attending classes and life nights as this year is going by really fast. Please make sure to turn in any make-up work, mass reflection & service reflection sheet from last two years ASAP.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION—Has started for all interested in registering for this Confirmation year. Please contact Lance Wiseman at 951-781-9855 ext. 14 for **APPOINTMENT** & more information.

Our Confirmation process is a three year program, starting in 9th grade, confirming in 11th grade, this includes public or private schools. Please contact Lance Wiseman with any questions.



Nocturno: horno
1879/80
James McNeill Whistler
Americano, 1834–1903
Instituto de Arte de Chicago

Eclesiástico
27:5

**En el horno se prueba la vasija del alfarero;
la prueba del hombre
está en su razonamiento.**

Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

27 de febrero de 2022

PREPARACIÓN PARA LA CUARESMA

A medida que nos acercamos al tiempo de Cuaresma, la primera carta de Pablo a los corintios nos ofrece un anticipo de la Pascua, que nos espera al otro lado: “¿Dónde, oh muerte, está tu victoria? ¿Dónde, oh muerte, está tu agujón?” La conclusión de Pablo, diciéndonos que permanecemos firmes y entregados a la obra del Señor, podría servir como lema de la Cuaresma. La lectura del libro del Eclesiástico ofrece una serie de adagios relativos a la disciplina de la lengua y de nuestro discurso. Tal vez no sea una mala práctica cuaresmal para observar. Incluso Jesús, en el Evangelio de Lucas, entra en acción, alejando la limpieza del corazón (“Oh Dios, crea en mí, un corazón limpio; esta frase la cantaremos en el salmo 51 durante la Cuaresma), para que desde la bondad de nuestro corazón traigamos el bien al mundo. Por supuesto, estas ideas del Eclesiástico, de Pablo y de Lucas nos sirven bastante bien durante todo el año. Lo que realmente hacemos “en el Señor” nunca se hace en vano.

¿ESTÁ ESTO EN LA PRUEBA?

La lectura de hoy del libro del Eclesiástico nos recuerda que no debemos alabar a los demás antes de que hablen, “porque entonces se pone a prueba a la gente”. Jesús, en el Evangelio de Lucas, da un paso más, recordándonos que también se nos conoce por los frutos que da nuestra vida. No hace falta pensar en una persona o grupo de personas que hablan palabras hermosas y elogiosas, y sin embargo su vida no es fructífera, o su vida contradice abiertamente su discurso. Esta es la clase de personas que llamamos “hipócritas”, y está claro en todos los Evangelios que Jesús no tiene tiempo para ellos. Nuestro discurso nos pone a prueba, pero la prueba consiste realmente en demostrar que hay una conexión entre lo que decimos y cómo vivimos. Expresado de otra manera, se trata de la vieja discusión sobre la fe y las obras. Una fe verdaderamente arraigada dará fruto en las obras, en las acciones de nuestra vida. Como sucede a menudo en el discipulado, estamos tratando con el ambos / y, no con uno o el otro.

CORAZONES HABLANTES

Como discípulos que siguen a Jesús, creemos que estamos siguiendo a la misma Palabra de Dios hecha carne. El término teológico para esto es Encarnación, la segunda persona de la Trinidad “hecha carne”. Como seguidores de la Palabra, nuestras palabras son verdaderamente importantes. Nuestro corazón y nuestra boca están unidos, como nos dice Jesús hoy: “de la plenitud del corazón habla la boca”. Este es otro eco de la sabiduría del libro del Eclesiástico: “La palabra revela la inclinación del corazón de una persona”. Al final, nuestras palabras –y las demás acciones de nuestras vidas– transmitirán lo que realmente hay en nuestro corazón. Tal vez la prueba definitiva de nuestro discipulado no sean sólo nuestras palabras, ni siquiera nuestras acciones, sino que en un nivel más profundo la prueba es si los demás encontrarán en nosotros la palabra de Dios “hecha carne”. Nuestra misión es ser la Palabra hecha carne, en la carne de nuevo en nuestro propio lugar y tiempo.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Eclesiástico 27:4–7
Salmo 92 (91):2–3, 13–14, 15–16
1 Corintios 15:54–58
Lucas 6:39–45

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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| Lunes: | 1 Pe 1:3-9; Sal 111 (110):1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c;
Mc 10:17-27 |
| Martes: | 1 Pe 1:10-16; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Mc 10:28-31 |
| Miércoles: | Jl 2:12-18; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 |
| Jueves: | Dt 30:15-20; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 9:22-25 |
| Viernes: | Is 58:1-9a; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15 |
| Sábado: | Is 58:9b-14; Sal 86 (85):1-6; Lc 5:27-32 |
| Domingo: | Dt 26:4-10; Sal 91 (90):1-2, 10-15;
Rom 10:8-13; Lc 4:1-13 |

ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Concédenos, Señor, que tu poder pacificador dirija el curso de los acontecimientos del mundo y que tu Iglesia se regocije al poder servirte con tranquilidad. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

PREGUNTA DE REFLEXIÓN:

¿Cómo puedo ayudar a llevar a cabo el reinado pacífico de Dios?

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LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD VIVIDA AHORA

Pídele al Señor que te llene el corazón con amor, bondad y misericordia para que nunca guardes rencores y sólo tengas lugar para la caridad, la compasión y paciencia hacia tu prójimo.

Florence Nightingale (1820-1910)
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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — La palabra da a conocer los sentimientos de la persona. No alabes a nadie antes que haya hablado (Eclesiástico 27: 4-7).

Salmo — Es bueno darte gracias, Señor (Salmo 92 [91]).

Segunda lectura — Se nos ha dado la victoria sobre la muerte por medio de Jesús (1 Corintios 15:53-58).

Evangelio — Una persona buena produce lo bueno, una persona mala produce lo malo (Lucas 6:39-45).

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INFORMACIÓN LITÚRGICA

27 de febrero - OCTAVO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

2 de marzo - MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA
 3 de marzo - Santa Catalina Drexel, religiosa
 4 de marzo - San Casimiro

Miércoles de Ceniza - Arrepiéntete y cree en el Evangelio Recibiremos la ceniza bendita para iniciar nuestro viaje de Cuaresma, reflexionando sobre los 40 días de Nuestro Señor en el desierto; un viaje de ayuno, oración y limosna.

Horario de las Misas:

Inglés 6:30am, 8:15am, 10:15am; 12:00pm Liturgia de la Palabra y Distribución de Cenizas, 4:00 pm y 7:00pm; 5:30pm en Español.

Santa Catalina Drexel escribió: "La oración puede llegar donde la pluma no llega. El que es fiel en la oración servirá a Dios con fervor. Señor, ayúdame a amarte como mereces ser amado...". Fundó las Hermanas Misioneras del Santísimo Sacramento; creó unas cuarenta y nueve fundaciones, entre ellas la Universidad Xavier de Nueva Orleans. Murió en 1955 y fue canonizada en octubre de 2000 por el Papa Juan Pablo II.

San Casimiro un príncipe polaco que durante toda su vida se dedicó por completo a servir a los pobres; se consideraba "padre, hijo y hermano" de las viudas, los huérfanos y todos los oprimidos. Murió en 1484, a la edad de 25 años, de tuberculosis; es honrado como patrón de Polonia y Lituania.

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El domingo 27 de febrero durante la misa de las 10:15 am será el Rito de Envío del Catecúmeno que celebrará el Rito de Elección con el Obispo Rojas.

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El martes 1 de marzo, después de la misa de las 8:15, habrá un Rito de Quema de Palmas. Traiga sus palmas bendecidas y secas que recibió en el Domingo de Ramos de años anteriores.

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Durante la Cuaresma, el Vía Crucis se celebrará los viernes a las 6:30 pm y en español los miércoles después de la misa vespertina de las 5:30 pm.

AVISO IMPORTANTE

Aunque el mandato estatal de mascarilla para interiores se ha levantado, se recomienda, independientemente del estado de vacunación, que siga usando una mascarilla durante la misa. Al hacerlo, ayudará a garantizar la máxima seguridad y precaución no sólo para usted sino también para sus hermanos y hermanas en Cristo.

Gracias por su cooperación.



GRUPO DE ORACIÓN BÍBLICA

Anfitrión: Padre Luis A. Segura, MSC

Cada viernes en español
por Zoom
7:00 pm a 8:00 pm



Para unirse a la reunión:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88988979099?
pwd=N2dKcFFxaTVaL0l4a2RYRXE0QSSrZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88988979099?pwd=N2dKcFFxaTVaL0l4a2RYRXE0QSSrZz09)

Meeting ID: 889 8897 9099
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¡ÚNASE A NOSOTROS!

Los Platos de Arroz están llegando!



Recoja el suyo después de la misa del Miércoles de Ceniza, 2 de marzo. Al final de la Cuaresma, devuelva su donación monetaria (cheques a nombre de CRS - Catholic Relief Services) a la Iglesia el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia.

Su apoyo ayuda a la gente alrededor del mundo y aquí dentro de nuestra diócesis.



ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO DEL ALTAR

La Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se llevará a cabo el primer viernes, 4 de marzo inmediatamente después de la Misa de 8:15 am y terminará a las 5:00 pm.

"Al mirarlo y adorarlo, estamos diciendo: sí, el amor existe y porque existe las cosas pueden cambiar a mejor y podemos tener esperanza".
- Papa Benedicto XVI, 14 de junio de 2009

2022 COLECTA DE "DDF" SE LLEVARÁ A CABO EL PRÓXIMO FIN DE SEMANA 5 Y 6 DE MARZO

Su donación al DDF apoya su Iglesia y Ministerios.
¡Gracias por su donación y apoyo!



MINISTERIO DE SALUD

La clínica móvil está disponible el 5 de marzo de 2022 de 9:00 am a 1:00 pm para pacientes adultos, en el patio trasero de la escuela de St. Catherine, cerca de las mesas de picnic. Se ofrece cuidado médico para adultos, laboratorio y medicamento de bajo costo, los pacientes serán atendidos conforme lleguen y se registren.

Durante la pandemia de Coronavirus, llame al 714-633-4600 para realizar la preselección y hacer una cita.