

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA PARISH COMMUNITY



WE REMEMBER + WE CELEBRATE + WE ENVISION
1946 *Celebrating Our Parish's 75th Anniversary Jubilee* 2021
RECORDAMOS + CELEBRAMOS + VISUALIZAMOS



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

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Sesinando Cajucum, Jr., MSC, Pastor
Rev. Luis Alfonso Segura, MSC, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Joseph Christy Yesudass, MSC, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Adrianus Budhi, MSC, In Residence
Deacon John De Gano
Deacon Richard Heames

Ministry Center: 7005 Brockton Avenue
Riverside, CA 92506

Church: 3680 Arlington Avenue
Riverside, CA 92506

Parish Office: 951.781.9855 **Parish Fax:** 951.781.3061
Rector: 951.683.0800 **School:** 951.684.1091
Sick Calls (M-F 9:00 am - 5:00 pm): 951.781.9855
Sick Calls (after hours): 951.683.0800 x 25

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 Español / 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**

Visit us online: www.stcofa.org for up-to-date information

www.facebook.com/stcofa

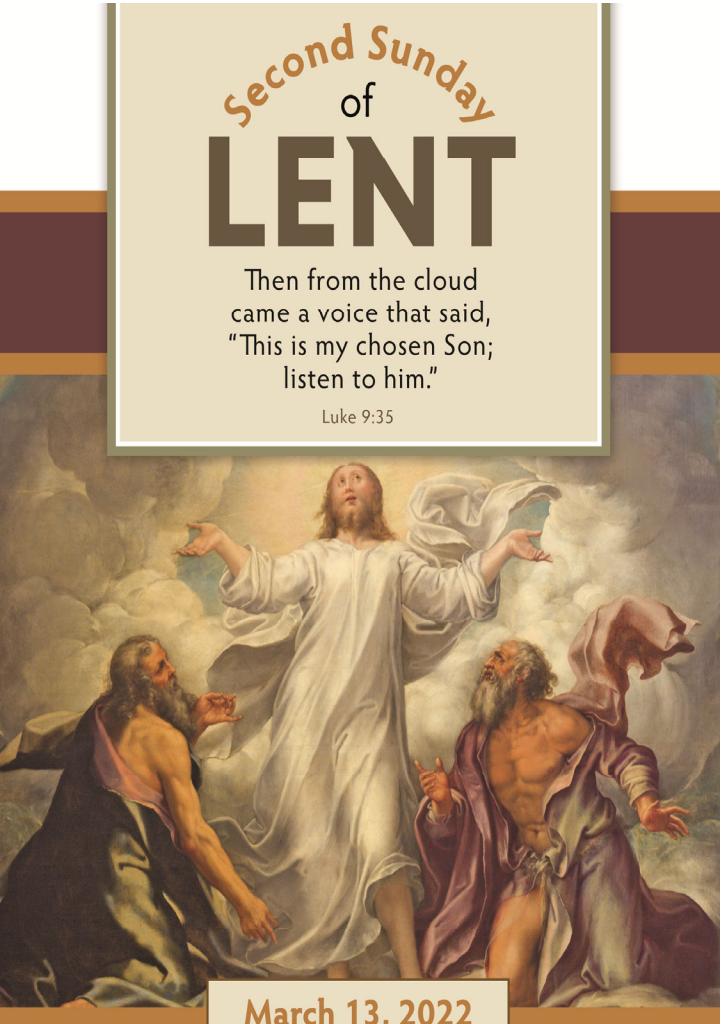
@stcofa / #stcofa

CONFessions (CONFESIONES)

Saturday (sábado): 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

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.



Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co. Inc. • Photos: © Renáta Sedmíková / AdobeStock • Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass © 2001, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970, CCD.



MASS INTENTIONS - INTENCIÓNES DE MISASSUNDAY - DOMINGO 03/13

6:30 am St. Catherine's Parishioners
 8:30 am Sister Justin McCarthy †
 10:15 am Juan Jose & Matilde Machuca †
 12:00 pm Ryan Buyco †
 1:45 pm Los difuntos de la Familia Perez-Garcia †
 5:15 pm Miriam A. Jackson †

MONDAY - LUNES 03/14

8:15 am Juan Jesus Garcia †
 5:30 pm Gilberto Moreto †

TUESDAY - MARTES 03/15

8:15 am Josefina Campos †
 5:30 pm Intentions of the Yap Family

WEDNESDAY - MIÉRCOLES 03/16

8:15 am Robert Patrick Nyc †
 5:30 pm Gilberto Moreto †

THURSDAY - JUEVES 03/17

8:15 am Sister Elizabeth Scully †
 5:30 pm Maria Antonia Capraro †

FRIDAY - VIERNES 03/18

8:15 am Josephine Vigil †
 5:15 pm Alejandro Tan †

SATURDAY - SÁBADO 03/19

8:15 am Jody Birket †
 10:00 am At WMV - Parishioners
 5:15 pm Erle Jose Estipona †

SUNDAY - DOMINGO 03/20

6:30 am Ryan Buyco †
 8:30 am Intentions of Ed Petersen
 10:15 am Intentions of Dorothea Crews
 12:00 pm Carmela Cianciulli †
 1:45 pm Souls of all the faithful departed †
 5:15 pm St. Catherine's Parishioners
 † Symbolizes Soul of Deceased

LITURGY CORNER**March 13 - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT****March 17 - St. Patrick, Bishop****March 18 - Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church****March 19 - SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE
BLESSSED VIRGIN MARY**

Saint Patrick the apostle to Ireland, once wrote: *"Christ in the heart of every person who thinks of me, Christ in the eye that sees me, Christ in the ear that hears me."* He was captured and sold into slavery in Ireland as a teenager. He escaped, but he dreamed Ireland's children were calling to him, and returned to Ireland as a missionary. As Patrick once did, Pope John Paul II challenged the youth of Ireland.

Saint Cyril fills his writings with great lines of the healing power of forgiveness and the Holy Spirit, like *"The Spirit comes gently and makes himself known by his fragrance. He is not felt as a burden for God is light, very light. Rays of light and knowledge stream before him as the Spirit approaches. The Spirit comes with the tenderness of a true friend to save, to heal, to teach, to counsel, to strengthen and to console."* He was devoted to the liturgy and the sacraments, and died in 386.

Saint Joseph Prayer to St. Joseph by Pope Francis:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen

+ + +

Stations of the Cross will be held:

- Fridays at 6:30 pm, English March 18, 25, and April 8; and in Spanish April 1.
- Wednesdays in Spanish at 6:30 pm: March 16, 23, 30, and April 6.
- Good Friday, April 15, at 3:00 pm.

+ + +

Anointing of the Sick will be after all Masses March 12 and 13.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
 Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;
 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or
 Lk 2:41-51a
 Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11;
 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
 Alternate readings (Year A):
 Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
 Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord made a covenant with his faithful servant, Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land" (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18).

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — We await the Lord Jesus, who will change us to conform with his glorified body (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).

Gospel — Peter, James, and John witness the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain (Luke 9:28b-36).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

Brothers and Sisters,

The season of Lent is a time that we can slow down our busy lives, to be better able to see God working in and through us. The silence of the season affords us an opportunity to recall those times in our own lives when we put the Lord to the test, by our desires to find fame or success, wealth or happiness. Finding silence can be a challenge. Lent gives us the opportunity to lean into the silence that is called for in this season of mercy and purification. Enter into the silence. Embrace it. Let Christ speak to you in the silence as he makes his "way of the cross".

Today on our journey through this penitential season we are reminded of the promise the Lord makes to us. God asked Abram (later called Abraham) to look up to the heavens and witness the uncountable stars in the sky. Peter, James and John looked up at the heavens and saw Jesus transfigured to shine like the sun. As we fast, pray and give alms this Lent, let us pause to look up to the heavens and consider the incredible vastness of our transformation and that of our world that God set in motion.

Each year on this Second Sunday of Lent our readings connect the covenant between God and Abraham with the transfiguration of Jesus. Today we are assured that we are rooted in the long-standing covenant of God's presence and care. In ancient Israel covenants created familial bonds between two parties and often contained mutual privileges and responsibilities. But the covenant sealed here in today's first reading names responsibilities only for God, not Abraham. His promise is unconditional.

In our second reading Paul makes a necessary connection for the Philippians: "(Jesus) will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (Philp. 3:21). It is not only our Lord who is transfigured. We pray that we will be transfigured to become more like Christ as we witness to his redemptive acts in us and in our world.

"The human journey is a continuous act of transfiguration." These words of the Irish poet John O'Donohue remind us that our journey through life is one of constant growth and change. This is true of both our internal and external worlds. In today's gospel, Jesus takes the disciples away from their ordinary lives to the mountain, a place of *silence* and prayer. And there, while Jesus prays, he is transfigured. Jesus' whole appearance changes. While Jesus and the disciples are *silent* the voice of the Father speaks from the cloud they had entered, telling them, "This is my chosen Son, listen to him."

Like the disciples, it would be good for us to spend some time alone with Jesus in *silence* and simply allow ourselves to be transformed in the light of his unconditional love.

Pope Francis, in one of his homilies on the transfiguration, said the "instructions for the disciples and for us are these: 'Listen to him!' Listen to Jesus...To listen to Christ...entails setting out on a journey with him to make oneself a gift of love to others."

As Christians we are called to fix our eyes on Christ and to trust in his promise to be with us on our journey of faith and to offer Christ's transfiguring love to those we meet.

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
March 6, 2022**

	<u>Actual Collection</u>	<u>Budgeted Collection</u>
March 6th	\$ 28,740.57	\$ 23,000.00
Actual Collection	\$ 621,091.58	
Budgeted Collection	580,500.00	
YTD Collection Overage	\$40,591.58	

**2022 Diocesan Development Fund
March 6, 2022**

DDF Assessment	\$ 66,700
Less: Pledges Made	31,425
Total Pledges Shortfall	\$ 35,275
DDF Assessment	\$ 66,700
Less: DDF Pledge Payments	14,251
Total Amount Payable to the Diocese	\$ 52,449
Number of donors	125
Parishioner's participation %	4%

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

PLEASE SUPPORT DDF-2022.

BLOOD DRIVE

BLOOD DRIVE IS TODAY!

Scan the code to make your next appointment!

SCAN ME

Proudly Hosted By

St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church

Sunday, March 13
9 AM to 3:30 PM
7005 Brockton Ave., Riverside
in the Parish Hall.

For appointments, call 1.800.879.4484,
visit lsblooddrive.org/rc36, or scan QR code above.

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!

Rice Bowls are here!**Perseverence to Succeed**

Raúl and Lillian have faced many challenges while trying to provide for their family and pursue their dreams in Guatemala. With support from Catholic Relief Services, they have been able to overcome these obstacles and grow their business while helping their community along the way. **In what ways are you being challenged to serve others this Lent?** Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

+ + +

Let us pray for Raúl and Lillian and for all who lack access to basic services such as education and clean water, that they have opportunities and resources to create positive change for their communities. Let us also pray for our community, that we help address systemic injustices that violate people's human dignity.

**VINCENTIAN CORNER**

Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please have them call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 951-684-7386 so that together we can help the poor, the suffering, and the deprived.

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.

LET NOTHING DISTURB YOU

Let nothing disturb you, Nothing frighten you.
All things are passing. God never changes.
Patient endurance attains all things.
Whoever possesses God lacks nothing,
God alone is sufficient.

—St. Teresa of Ávila



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.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME begins **TODAY, Sunday, March 13, 2022**. Please remember to set your clock ahead 1 hour.

NEEDED PRAYER PARTNERS

This Easter Vigil St. Catherine's will be blessed with 9 adults who will be Baptized and received into the Catholic faith. This period is a time of prayer and intense preparation for all of our new brothers and sisters in Christ. They ask for your prayers especially as an individual prayer partner. In the back of the church you will find their pictures. Please spiritually adopt one of these good people by praying for them throughout Lent to the Easter Vigil. **It means a great deal to these individuals if you can let them know that you are praying for them. Please send notes or cards to the person c/o RCIA here at St Catherine's.** You may identify yourself or remain an anonymous prayer partner.

God Bless you for evangelizing in this special way.

Their names are:

Michelle	Chelsea	Si
Ken	Michael	Briana
Elizabeth	Dirk	Sabrina



A Second Collection will be held this weekend, March 12 & 13, 2022 to help all those in need in Ukraine.

Please consider making a donation and pray for our brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers, and children affected by war and violence throughout the world.

Thank you for your contribution!

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 19, 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.

2022 LENTEN COMMUNAL PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION SERVICES 2022 SERVICIOS COMUNITARIOS DE PENITENCIA Y RECONCILIACIÓN DE CUARESMA

Riverside Vicariate & Riverside Metropolitan Area / Vicariato de Riverside y Área Metropolitana de Riverside

St. Catherine of Alexandria - Thursday, March 10 at 7:00 pm

St. Thomas the Apostle - Thursday, March 10 at 7:00 pm

Queen of Angels - Wednesday, March 23 at 7:00 pm

St. Mel - Wednesday, March 23 at 7:00 pm

St. Mary Magdalene - Thursday, March 24 at 7:00 pm

St. Anthony - Friday, March 25 at 5:00 pm

St. Edward - Friday, April 1 at 7:00 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine - Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm

St. Andrew Newman Center - Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm

St. Andrew Kim - Friday, April 8 at 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Penance
is an
experience
of the gift of
God's
boundless
mercy.

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



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

Edward McLellan

Katherine Patton

Mary Geraldine Anderson

Marlene Ann Hofmeister

Ludy Orencia

Isamel Vara

Leon Charles Anderson

Gilberto Moreto

Gary Wiederspan

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



Prayer + Fasting + Almsgiving

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,

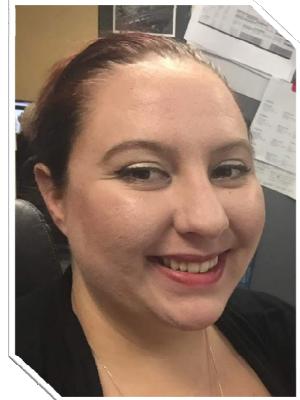
llame a la **Línea Directa de Conducta Sexual
Inapropiada 1-888-206-9090**

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

PRAY FOR THOSE BECOMING CATHOLIC.
BRIANA CHELSEA DIRK ELIZABETH KEN
MICHAEL MICHELLE SABRINA SI

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 Chelsea

Chelsea is 32, has a Jewish grandmother and was introduced to the Mormon faith growing up. She has worked for many years with a wonderful woman who last year went thru the RCIA process. Because they often worked Sundays and RCIA gatherings were on Zoom, Chelsea listened in on the gatherings and became interested in the Catholic faith. Her sponsor describes her as the most caring woman she has ever met. Chelsea thanks you for your prayers during this joyful time in her life.

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Meet Briana

Briana has two boys, 1 and 2 years old who she wants to set an example for. She has found her purpose by gaining a relationship with the Lord and listening to the gospel during this journey. She plans to marry in the church this year. She is setting the foundation for her family in order to live in accordance with God's plan.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

During Lent sign on to FORMED.org and watch the video "FORGIVEN: The Transforming Power of Confession."



Forgiven illustrates how the sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love.

You have a **FREE** Formed membership as a St. Catherine parishioner.

Follow the instructions below to register or if you have an account, simply sign in.

Do not miss out on the wonderful opportunity to dive into the beauty of our Catholic faith!

Registering on FORMED is easier than ever!

1. Go to FORMED.org/signup
2. Enter your parish zip code or name to select your parish **92506** or St. Catherine of Alexandria
3. Enter your name and email

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Second Sunday of Lent

O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. 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

How about doing something extra to honor God during this season of Lent?

- + Take a half-hour in the beautiful outdoors.
- + Read about the causes of poverty, so you can better serve the poor.
- + Study, meditate, and pray daily with scripture.
- + Think about God while doing daily tasks.

Copyright © 2012, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

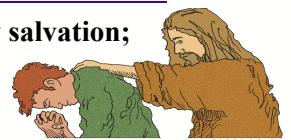
REFLECTION QUESTION:

How can I be more attentive to God's word?

Collect text from the English translation of *The Roman Missal*, © 2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.
 Copyright © J. S. Paluch Company, Inc.

**The LORD is my light and my salvation;
 whom should I fear?**

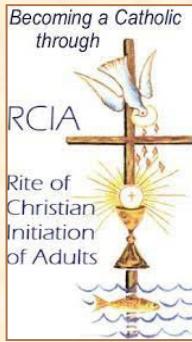
—Psalm 27:1



"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!

LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE



Fasting

Ash Wednesday
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

Abstinence

Every Friday during Lent

Ages 14+

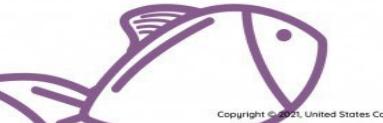
How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit usccb.org.



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 lwiseman@stcofa.org or 951-781-9855 Ext. 14 if you are interested in joining us for online gatherings.

This Week—3/13/2022: "Lent-ashes not the dryer stuff" We will have a fun night looking at Lent in a new fun way. 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—3/20/2022: "We will have a night, join in" - 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 at our parish office. Valid from date of purchase through all of Year 2022. Or contact 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 3/13/2022

1st Year of Confirmation - Our next Module for the year will be March 13th or 14th. 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 - The last candidates & sponsors gathering was March 5th on Zoom. If you missed the meeting, contact Lance. Please remember to be attending classes and life nights as this year is going by really fast. 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.

SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

13 DE MARZO DE 2022

PEDRO LE DIJO A JESÚS:
**“MAESTRO, SERÍA BUENO QUE NOS QUEDÁRAMOS AQUÍ
 Y QUE HICIÉRAMOS TRES CHOZAS:
 UNA PARA TI, UNA PARA MOISÉS Y OTRA PARA ELÍAS”.**

LUCAS 9:33

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc. - Leccionario © 1976, 1987, 1998, CEM-USCCB. Todos los derechos reservados. Foto: Torsakarin/Adobe Stock

¡AJÁ!

Podemos imaginar el esplendor de la Transfiguración en nuestro Evangelio, y de manera similar al Bautismo del Señor, oímos la voz de Dios que baja anunciando a Jesús el Hijo. Es otra de las grandes epifanías. Pero si lo pensamos bien, cada lectura de este fin de semana tiene una especie de momento “ahá”. Un momento de compromiso mutuo, de confianza. En el Génesis, Dios hace una alianza con Abram, prometiéndole una descendencia numerosa como las estrellas del cielo. El salmista profesa su fe y su esperanza: “Creo que veré la generosidad de Yahveh en la tierra de los vivos”. La carta de Pablo a los filipenses lo expone con sencillez, en plan “suelta el micrófono”: “Nuestra ciudadanía está en el cielo, y de él también esperamos a un salvador, el Señor Jesucristo”. Eso es todo. Boom.

LA RECAPITULACIÓN

Cuando se ve una serie de televisión, a menudo se ofrece una sinopsis de los acontecimientos clave de los dos últimos programas para preparar el escenario para el episodio actual. Si hacemos un repaso rápido del Evangelio de Lucas, antes, en el capítulo nueve, Jesús enviaba a los discípulos en su ministerio por primera vez, y tuvimos la alimentación de los cinco mil. Pedro se da cuenta de que Jesús es el Mesías, Jesús nos da el primer indicio de su propia muerte y les dice a los discípulos que tomen su cruz y lo sigan. Después de todo ese estrés físico, espiritual y emocional, Jesús sale a orar a la montaña, llevando a Pedro, Juan y Santiago con él.

EL EPISODIO DE ESTA SEMANA

Una vez instalados en la cima de la montaña, Jesús se puso a orar con toda seriedad y, como de costumbre, sus compañeros se quedaron dormidos. Los discípulos aún no tenían la fuerza ni la perspicacia del Maestro. Pedro, Santiago y Juan no tenían todavía la resistencia o la profundidad para poder concentrarse durante largos períodos de oración silenciosa y contemplativa, especialmente después de su larga caminata. ¡Podían ver visiones simplemente por agotamiento! Cuando Jesús se transfiguró ante ellos, Pedro pudo haber tropezado con ello al estilo típico de Pedro, pero se dio cuenta de la importancia de lo que veían, y quiso de alguna manera captar lo sagrado, capturar el momento, así que pidió construir unas chozas. Si nos imagináramos esto hoy, todos estaríamos allí con nuestros teléfonos y tubo fotográfico para autofoto o palito selfiador, intentando sacar una foto increíble, para capturar el momento y compartirlo con todo el mundo en las redes sociales. Pero todo lo que los discípulos pudieron hacer fue recordarlo, capturarlo en sus corazones, y no decírselo a nadie en ese momento. Fueron silenciados por lo sagrado. Nosotros también debemos dejar que nuestros mundos ocupados, mentes y corazones entren en el silencio. Empieza con unos minutos diarios y continúa añadiendo uno o dos minutos más cada día. Escucha lo sagrado en el silencio, y deja que la voz de Dios llene tu corazón.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Génesis 15:5-12, 17-18
 Salmo 27 (26):1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14
 Filipenses 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]
 Lucas 9:28b-36

**El Señor es mi luz y mi salvación,
 ¿a quién temeré?**

— Salmo 27 (26):1



LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El Señor hizo una alianza con su siervo fiel Abram, diciendo: “A tu descendencia daré esta tierra” (Génesis 15:5-12, 17-18).

Salmo — El Señor es mi luz y mi salvación (Salmo 27 [26]).

Segunda lectura — Esperamos al Señor Jesúis, quien nos cambiará para conformarnos con su cuerpo glorificado (Filipenses 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).

Evangelio — Pedro, Santiago y Juan presencian la transfiguración de Jesús en el monte (Lucas 9:28b-36).

Salmo responsorial: *Leccionario Hispanoamericano Dominical* © 1970, Comisión Episcopal Española. Usado con permiso. Todos los derechos reservados.

ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

Señor Dios, que nos mandaste escuchar a tu Hijo muy amado, dígnate alimentarnos íntimamente con tu palabra, para que, ya purificada nuestra mirada interior, nos alegremos en la contemplación de tu gloria.

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 estar más atento a la Palabra de Dios?

Tomado del *Misal Romano*, tercera edición © 2014 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops — Conferencia Episcopal Mexicana. Todos los derechos reservados. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Company, Inc.

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD VIVIDA AHORA

¿Por qué no hacer algo extra durante este tiempo para honrar a Dios?

- + Pasea por media hora y disfruta de la belleza al aire libre.
- + Lee acerca de las causas de pobreza a fin de que puedas servir mejor a los pobres.
- + Estudia, medita y ora diariamente con las Escrituras.
- + Piensa en Dios mientras haces tus quehaceres diarios.

Copyright © 2012, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Dn 9:4b-10; Sal 79 (78):8, 9, 11, 13; Lc 6:36-38
Martes:	Is 1:10, 16-20; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Miércoles:	Jer 18:18-20; Sal 31 (30):5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Jueves:	Jer 17:5-10; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 16:19-31
Viernes:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Sal 105 (104):16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sábado:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a o Lc 2:41-51a
Domingo:	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lc 13:1-9 Lecturas alternativas (Año A): Ex 17:3-7; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]



INFORMACIÓN LITÚRGICA

13 de marzo - SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

17 de marzo - San Patricio, obispo

18 de marzo - San Cirilo de Jerusalén, Obispo y doctor de la Iglesia

19 de marzo - San José, esposo de la Bienaventurada Virgen María

San Patricio, el apóstol de Irlanda, escribió una vez: "Cristo en el corazón de cada persona que piensa en mí, Cristo en el ojo que me ve, Cristo en el oído que me escucha". Fue capturado y vendido como esclavo en Irlanda cuando era un adolescente. Escapó, pero soñó que los niños de Irlanda le llamaban, y volvió a Irlanda como misionero. Al igual que Patricio, el Papa Juan Pablo II desafió a los jóvenes de Irlanda.

San Cirilo llena sus escritos con grandes líneas del poder curativo del perdón y del Espíritu Santo, como "El Espíritu viene suavemente y se da a conocer por su fragancia. No se le siente como una carga porque Dios es ligero, muy ligero. Rayos de luz y conocimiento fluyen ante él cuando el Espíritu se acerca. El Espíritu viene con la ternura de un verdadero amigo para salvar, curar, enseñar, aconsejar, fortalecer y consolar". Fue devoto de la liturgia y los sacramentos, y murió en el año 386.

San José, Oración a San José por el Papa Francisco:

Salve, custodio del Redentor y esposo de la Virgen María. A ti Dios confió a su Hijo, en ti María depositó su confianza, contigo Cristo se forjó como hombre. Oh, bienaventurado José, muéstrate padre también a nosotros y guíanos en el camino de la vida. Concédenos gracia, misericordia y valentía, y defiéndenos de todo mal. Amén.

+++

El Vía Crucis se llevará a cabo:

- Los viernes a las 6:30 pm: en inglés 18 y 25 de marzo y 8 de abril; en español 1 de abril.
- En español, miércoles 16, 23 y 30 de marzo, y 6 de abril a las 6:30 pm.
- El Viernes Santo, 15 de abril a las 3:00 pm.

+++

La unción de los enfermos será después de todas las misas del 12 y 13 de marzo.



Este fin de semana se realizará una segunda colecta, 12 y 13 de marzo de 2022 para ayudar a todos los necesitados en Ucrania.

Por favor, considera hacer una donación y reza por nuestros hermanos y hermanas, madres y padres, y niños afectados por la guerra y la violencia en todo el mundo.

¡Gracias por su contribución!



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
Passcode: biblia

¡ÚNASE A NOSOTROS!

¡Los Platos de Arroz ya están aquí!



Perseverar Para Salir Adelante

Raúl y Lilian trabajan duro para mantener a su familia y seguir sus sueños en Guatemala; sin embargo, enfrentan muchos desafíos. Con el apoyo de Catholic Relief Services, ellos han podido superar estos obstáculos y hacer crecer su negocio mientras ayudan a su comunidad en el camino.

¿De qué manera estás llamado a servir a los demás esta Cuaresma? Visita crsplatodearroz.org para obtener más información.

+++

Roguemos al Señor por Raúl y Lilian, a quienes conocemos a través del Plato de Arroz de CRS, y por todos los que carecen de acceso a servicios básicos como la educación y el agua potable, para que reciban oportunidades y recursos para crear un cambio positivo para sus comunidades. También por nuestra comunidad, para que ayudemos a abordar las injusticias sistémicas que violan la dignidad humana de las personas.



HORARIO DE AHORRO DE LUZ comienza este domingo, 13 de marzo de 2022.

Por favor, recuerde adelantar su reloj 1 hora.



MINISTERIO DE SALUD

La clínica móvil está disponible el 19 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.