

## *Second Collection*

The Dioceses second collection on the weekend of February 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> will be for the Seminarians of the Dioceses of Fresno. Your generosity is very helpful to these young men.

## *Church and Parish Council Meetings*

**St. Mary's Church Council** will meet on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 am in the Hall.

**The Parish Council** will also meet this month on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 9 am in the Hall in **Rosamond**.

## *Before Lent*

### *St. Paul's Teachings*

Father Patrick's classes on the teachings of Saint Paul are on:

Tuesdays in **Rosamond**:

February 10

**(10 am class canceled)**

February 17

At 10:00am and 7:00pm

Thursdays in **Mojave**:

February 12

February 19

At 10:00am and 7:00pm

## *St. Francis Office*

Effective immediately, the office at St. Francis is **permanently closed**. Father Patrick will now be available in the Administration Office in Rosamond, Tuesdays through Fridays.

## *St. Francis*

### *Ministry Of Music*

We are still in need of someone who can play the piano or the organ to join our music group. Please contact Carol Flores (661) 917-9134.

## *Baptism Class*

Baptism class, for both English and Spanish will be held **THIS MONDAY** February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, in the Hall in Rosamond.

## *St. Francis' Hospitality*

Please contact Nancy Valpey (824-4201) for **Visitation for the Homebound and Nursing Homes**.

## **Special Occasion Cards:**

Frances Valpey: 824-2840

Please let us know about occasions where a card would be appropriate.

## *The Light Weigh*

The first meeting, for those who have registered, is on Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> in the Church hall in Rosamond, at 7:30pm.

This program is open to all parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Francis and their friends.

If you are interested and have not registered, please call Maryann at: (817) 797-8676.

## *Mass Intentions*

The Mass Intention book is open for the first three months of 2009.

The Mass Intention stipend is \$10.00 per Mass. Please come to the Office to fill out your request.

## *Year End zStatements*

Please come to the Office and pick up your statements from St. Mary. St. Francis parishioners please see Tami Kelly.



## *Did You Know?*

The month of February was named after the Latin word – *Februalia* – a time for sacrifices and atonement for sins.

## *Ash Wednesday*

Mass and distribution of Ashes:

**St. Mary's 8:00 AM**

**St. Francis 5:00 PM**

**St. Mary's 7:00 PM**

## *Lent*

This Lent season we will be having an evening Mass and The Stations of the Cross followed by a simple Lenten meal in the Hall.

The time during the meal of soup, bread/crackers and water, will be used for silent reflection and/or listening to a selected reading.

## *All During Lent*

### **St. Mary's on Tuesdays**

Masses: 5:00 pm

Stations: 5:30 pm

Soup Suppers: 6:00 pm

St. Paul classes: 7:00 pm

### **St. Francis on Thursdays**

Masses: 5:00 pm

Stations: 5:30 pm

Soup Suppers: 6:00 pm

St. Paul classes: 7:00 pm

This will begin on:

**Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**

**At St. Francis**

**Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**At St. Mary's**

The annual Lenten season is a fitting time to be more attentive to doing the work of God, praying in preparation for Easter, doing charitable works, penance and fasting.

**Fasting** is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics 18 years of age until your 59<sup>th</sup> birthday. Only one full meal (and two smaller ones if necessary to maintain health/strength). Eating solid food between meals is **NOT PERMITTED**.

**Abstinence** from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and ALL Fridays during Lent by all Catholics from the age of 14 until their 59<sup>th</sup> birthday.



## R.C.I.A.

(The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

There are many reasons to attend/participate in R.C.I.A. Here are a few reasons one might consider:

1. I am Catholic, but have been away from the Church for a while.
2. I am a Catholic and want to learn more about the faith.
3. I have been baptized, but have not received the other Sacraments.
4. I am not Catholic; I want to know what Catholics believe.
5. I am not Catholic; I am thinking about converting.

If you or anyone you know has an interest, please call the Office to make an appointment with Father Patrick.

### Bulletin Advertisers

It is time to renew or start a new ad for 2009. Please contact Sandra in the Office to make arrangements for placement and payment.

### Annual Calendar

We want to create our own calendar next year, 2010.

To do this we need your help and involvement.

The first thing we need to do is to form a Committee.

Please call the Office and let us know that you want to be on the committee.

### Ladies of St. Francis

Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm is our next potluck meeting in the St. Francis Hall.



## Gift Store

We have many new items for Confirmation and First Eucharist. We have something that should appeal to everyone: jewelry, rosaries, books, holy cards, and even garden statues. Hours are Monday through Friday 9-5 and after the Sunday Masses.

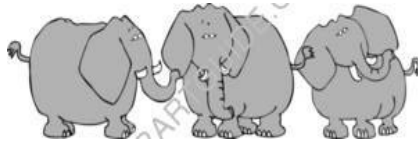
If the store is not open, please see one of the Office staff, who will be happy to assist you.



[www.ekklezialifeteen.com](http://www.ekklezialifeteen.com)

The Monday gathering on 2/16 will be in Mojave:

## “It’s a Jungle Out There”



### World Marriage Day

Today, Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup> is World Marriage day.

In 1982 World Marriage Day was designated to be celebrated on the second Sunday in February. In 1993, Pope John Paul II, imparted his Apostolic Blessings on World Marriage Day.

### Lost and Found

Did you leave something behind at the Church or the hall in **Rosamond**? We have some items that might belong to you: a child’s jacket, suit coat and tie, purse, sweater, baseball cap, camera, and a mantilla. Please call the Office to identify and pick up the items. Thank you.

## Church Etiquette



Thou shall arrive on time  
 Thou shall not chew gum  
 Thou shall not eat in church  
 Thou shall not drink in church  
 Thou shall dress properly  
 Thou shall turn off cell phones  
 Thou shall leave the church clean  
 Thou shall exit the parking lot to the east by the office

### Weekly Readings:

<b>Mon., 2/9</b>	Gn 1:1-19, Mk 6:53-56
<b>Tue., 2/10</b>	Gn1:20,2:4a Mk 7:1-13
<b>Wed., 2/11</b>	Gn 2:4b-9,15-17, Mk7:14-23
<b>Thur. 2/12</b>	Gn 2:18-25, Mk 7:24-30
<b>Fri., 2/1</b>	Gn 3:1-8, Mk 7:31-37
<b>Sat., 2/14</b>	Gn 3:9-24, Mk 8:1-10

### Last Sunday’s Offerings

#### General Collection

St. Mary: \$ 2056.00  
St. Francis: \$1012.59

#### Building Fund

St. Mary: \$1066.38  
St. Francis: \$142.00

Registered Parishioners: 357

Envelopes Used:

**Thank you for your support.**  
**F.Y.I.**

Upcoming  
Second Collections

**February 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>:**  
Seminarians of the Fresno Dioceses  
**February 28<sup>th</sup>- March 1<sup>st</sup>:**  
Building and Maintenance Fund

## Noticias en Español



### *Cuaresma*

Esta Cuaresma vamos a tener una Misa en la tarde, Durante la cena de caldo, pan/galletas y agua vamos a tener tiempo para reflexionar en silencio y lo escucharemos una lectura de la Biblia.

La Misa será a las 5:00PM el martes en Rosamond empezando marzo el 3 y a las 5:00PM el jueves en Mojave, empezando marzo el 1.

La Cuaresma es un tiempo para ser más atento para hacer el trabajo de Dios, rezar en preparación para Pascua, hacer trabajos para ayudar, confesar y ayunar.

Ayunaremos el miércoles de ceniza y viernes bueno por todos los católicos de edades 18 hasta 59.

Solo una comida entera (y dos más chiquitas necesarias para mantener la salud). Comidas NO SERAN PERMITIDAS.

Abstener de carne será observado el miércoles de ceniza y buen viernes y todos los viernes durante el tiempo de Cuaresma por todos los católicos de edades 14 y más.

### *St. Francis' Hospitalidad*

Visitación para las casas de misión:

Nancy Valpey : 824-4201

Cartas para ocasiones especiales:

Frances Valpey : 824-2840

Por favor déjenos saber de aniversarios, compélanos, muertes, cirugías, etc.

### *St. Francis' Música*

Todavía estamos buscando alguien que sabe como tocar el piano o órgano para nuestro grupo de música. Por favor contacte a Carol Flores : (661)917-9134.



### *Tienda de Regalos*

Tenemos muchas cosas nuevas para Confirmación y Primera Comunión. Tenemos cosas que pueda interesar a todos; joyas, rosarios, libros, cartas benditas, y estatuas para jardín. Las horas son lunes a viernes de 9-5 después de la Misa los domingos.

### *Mujeres de St. Francis*

Febrero 20 es nuestra próxima reunión, será a las 6:00 pm en la sala de conferencias en St. Francis.

### *La Cuenta de Ultimo Ano*

Estan aqui y listos para repartir despues de las misa in Mojave y en la oficina de Rosamond.



### *Dia de Mundo Casamiento*

Hoy Domingo 8 Febrero es Dia de Mundo Casamiento. En 1982, este dia fue designado para celebrarse en el segundo Domingo de Febrero. En 1993, Pope Juan Pablo II impartió sus Bendiciones Apostolicas en este dia.



### *Etiqueta de Iglesia*

Tu llegarás a tiempo  
Tu no comerás en la Iglesia  
Tu no tomarás en la Iglesia  
Tu te vestirás apropiadamente  
Tu dejarás la Iglesia limpia  
Tu saldrás por el oeste por la oficina

### *Calendario Anual*

El año que entra queremos que haga su propio calendario. Lo primero que tenemos que hacer es formar una comité. Favor de llamar a la oficina y digamos que quiere ser parte de la comité.

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