



Third Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2009

Ministry Schedule

St. Mary

Sat. 3/21 6:00 PM

Team 1

Ushers: Bill Snyder
Team 2

Sun. 3/22 10:30 AM

Team 2

Vern Birgenheir
Team 4

Sun. 3/22 12:15 PM

Team 4

Victor Olmos

St. Francis

Sun. 3/22 8:00 AM

Team 2- Wil Hutchinson

Altar Servers: Team 1

Mass Intentions

St. Mary

Sat. 3/14 6:00 PM †Ramon and Herlinda Lujan

Sun. 3/15 10:30 AM †Frank A. Cruz

" 3/15 12:15 PM Thanksgiving- Corre Family

Tue. 3/17 5:00 PM Margie and Ray Delarosa

Wed. 3/18 8:00 AM † Teresa Lujan Bahler

George Lujan

Thur. 3/19 8:00 AM Joseph Pablo

St. Joseph Petition

Fri. 3/20 8:00 AM † Trudy Lujan Hermadez

Tilie and John Trujillo

Sat. 3/21 6:00 PM John Lite

Sun. 3/22 10:30 AM †Francisco/Maria Leon Guerrero

Sun. " 12:15 PM † Rev. Michael McNamara

St. Francis

Sun. 3/15 8:00 AM † Rev. Julian Prieto

Tue. 3/17 8:00 AM Luis Perez

Wed. 3/18 5:00 PM † Rev. Francis Campbell

Thur. 3/19 5:00 PM † Msgr. Francis E. Walsh

Fri. 3/20 5:00 PM † Very Rev. John Brady

Sun. 3/22 8:00 AM †Jan Williams

Thought of the Week

**Blessed are they who can laugh
at themselves, for they shall
never cease to be amused.**

Retreats, Conferences and Seminars

CATHOLIC SENIOR ADULTS

St. Anthony Retreat is sponsoring a retreat for, March 24-26, 2009. The cost is \$140 (shared occupancy), \$260 (couples), and \$170 (private room). The retreat begins Tuesday with lunch at noon and ends on Thursday after the noon meal. For more information and to register please call (559) 561-4595 or log on to: www.stanthonyretreat.org

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille helps couples through times of trouble, disillusionment, and misery in their marriage. The next workshop weekend will be held on April 17-19 in Modesto. For confidential information call: 1-800-470-2230 or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Please Pray for the Sick

Carol Whalen, Dorothy Schrorer, David Schrorer, Luis Perez, Father Patrick Persinger, Edward Hays, Lula Olmos, Wil Hutchinson, Tim Miller, Carol Capko, Ronae Winroe and her baby, Ginger Turcotte, Nancy Glover, Oralia Torres, Tom Quinn, Bud Staudenraus, L. J. Pope, Connie P. Alfred, Rosemarie Lampino, Mario and Lucy Carreño, Omar A., Wayne Lester, Pat and Donna Ryan, Dean and Betty Ziegler, Grace Sanchez, Anthony Langsine, Maggie Hopkins, Mike Nehl, Gloria Barr, Teresa Hernandez, Roy Gallagher, Florence Stratman, Joe Britt, John Klay, Heriberto Villegas, John Lite, Ben Canaday, Martha Perry, Shelly Bryant, Joe Gonzales, Kristian Silva, Al Charlberg, Kathleen Lindstrom, Carol Caniete, Marcos Avina, Christopher Avina, Dennis Focht, Autumn Ginn, Erwin Stratman, Sandy Hamman, James Smith, Joshua Borne, Frances Branham, Peggy and Randy Medford, Ray Baxter, Diane Muzach, Maribel Scoglio, Mary Valdez, and all those in need of prayer.

**Please keep us informed of the progress of those listed and let us know when a name should be removed.
Help us keep the list up to date.**



www.ekklezialifeteen.com

Calling all teens!

Come and join us Monday
March 16th in Mojave
"Consumed"

Ladies of St. Francis

The Ladies of St. Francis will meet Friday, March 20th at 6pm in the Hall to discuss this year's plans. We will also be having a pot-luck supper.



Confirmation

We look forward to Bishop John Steinbock's presence for the March 21st Confirmation at our 6:00pm Mass. The Bishop will be assisted by his Master of Ceremony, Pat Lane.

Reminder:

All CCD classes are canceled on Saturday, March 21st

Second Collection

On Sunday, March 22nd, our second collection will be for the Catholic Relief Services. This international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States provides relief in emergency situations and helps people in the developing world break the cycle of poverty.

Day of the Unborn Child

A special Mass honoring the memory of all the children who have been aborted and also the unborn will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 25th at 7:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi in Mojave. This event is being co-sponsored by Msgr. Baquedano Council 6705, California City/Mojave and Our Lady of the Desert Council 12055, Rosamond.



Easter Flowers

St. Mary

For parishioners who wish to donate flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one, there are special envelopes in the pews. Please turn in the "flower donation" envelopes as soon as possible to allow enough time for the flowers to be ordered.

St. Francis

You may use the envelopes or bring in a live potted flower on Saturday, April 11th.

Knights of Columbus

Founder's Day

Father Patrick will be celebrating Mass on Sunday, March 29th at 7:00pm at St. Mary of the Desert, commemorating the founding of the Knights in 1882.



Palms

Please bring in the blessed palms you received last year on Palm Sunday so they can be properly disposed of. You may bring them in until Holy Week.

Hospitality St. Francis

Visitation of the Homebound and Nursing Homes:

Contact Nancy Valpey : 824-4201

Special Occasion Cards:

Frances Valpey: 824-2840

Assistance Needed

A parishioner at St. Mary is in need of some help at home for a few hours a week.

If you are interested please call the Office for more information.

Baptisms

February 14, 2009

Maribel Garcia

Isaiah Salcedo

Nicholas Afid Ayala-Javregui

The Lord's Hour

St. Francis

The next First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will be April 3rd from 9:00 am to 4:45 pm. The sign-up sheet is in the front right pew.

St. Mary

If anyone at St. Mary is interested in participating in the First Friday Adoration here, please call or come to the Office to sign up.

Active Catholic

Parish registration and regular attendance at Mass is required for the sacraments.

One of the means of verification is the use of the Offertory Envelopes which is recorded.

New Parishioners

Newly registered parishioners please come to the Office and pick up your Offertory envelopes.

Centennial

During the 2009/10 school year, St. Francis Parish School in Bakersfield will be celebrating its 100th year. In preparation for the Centennial Celebration we are looking for former students and family members, as well as staff members. If you have information you'd like to share, visit us at www.SFS100yr.com or call (661)326-7955.

The Historical Committee is seeking photographs and memorabilia to commemorate the 100th anniversary. If you have anything to share to share please call Phyllis Reischman, (661)589-2609. Thank you!

Last Sunday's Offerings

St. Mary: \$ 2,770.02

St. Francis: \$ 712.94

Registered Parishioners: 357
Envelopes Used: 154



Lenten Soup Supper

Come! Join the crowd at the Hall for a soup supper at 6pm, after the Mass and Stations of the Cross.

While we enjoy our meal we will listen to the Word of the Lord.

The only restriction for the soups: **NO NUTS or NUT BY-PRODUCTS)**

St. Mary Hosted by:

- 3/17 Life Teen
- 3/24 Sacristans
- 3/31 Knights of Columbus
- 4/07 Hospitality/Latin Choir (?)

Thursday: St. Francis

After Mass and the Stations of the Cross, come share your pot of soup and bread in the Hall.

Tuesdays Schedules

St. Mary

- 5:00pm Mass
- 5:30pm Stations
- 6:00pm Soup Suppers

8:00am Mass at St. Francis

Thursdays Schedules

St. Francis

- 5:00pm Mass
- 5:30pm Stations
- 6:00pm Soup Suppers **

**Please bring enough soup and bread for your family plus four. Contact Carol Flores for more information (661)917-9134.

8:00am Mass at St. Mary

Please Note

There will be no St. Paul Classes until **April 28th**.

Penance Schedule

Wednesday, April 1-7:30pm

St. Mary (Rosamond)

Thursday, April 2-7:30pm

Blessed Serra (Quartz Hill)

Tuesday, April 7-7:30pm

St. Mary (Palmdale)

Wednesday, April 8 7:30pm

Sacred Heart (Lancaster)

Reflections: Day by Day

Sunday 3/15

We must worship God with our hearts and our souls.

John 2:15, 16B

Jesus drove them out of the temple area saying, "...stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

Today's reflection:

When we attend Mass are we just going through the rituals, being hypocrites? Let us ask God to teach us to worship in truth with our hearts and souls.

Monday 3/16

Do we judge others by their appearance?

Luke 4:24-30

"Free us from our complacency and open our hearts to embrace the love you offer in every person in our daily life."

Today's reflection:

Look at the everyday people around you; remember they are significant in God's eyes.

Tuesday 3/17

A forgiven person forgives.

Matthew 18:21-35

"May I forgive as I have been forgiven."

Today's reflection:

Is it hard to forgive others? If we would accept that we are forgiven and do not have to live in guilt or shame then we would be truly free – free to forgive others "seventy times seven times".

Wednesday 3/18

Jesus' message of love was ignored and he was crucified.

Matthew 5:17-19

"Dear Lord, teach me to know your heart and show that love to the world."

Today's reflection:

In our world of loneliness and despair we need to remember that the heart of God forgives, cares and reaches out to us with love.

Thursday 3/19

Surrendering to God's call is a risk, a leap toward a promise not fully known, requiring courage not easily felt.

Matthew 1:16, 18-21

"St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, teach us to believe in the unbelievable."

Today's reflection:

St. Joseph came to know the immense generosity of Divine love in the affection of a child for his father.

Friday 3/20

God's love is like the love of a mother for a child, free of expectation and full of forgiveness

Mark 12:28-34

"God give us the grace to love You with all our hearts and to love our neighbor as ourselves, as you have commanded."

Today's reflection:

Loving God is the work of a lifetime: learning to live with justice and charity toward others and thanking God for the many gifts He has bestowed on us.

Saturday 3/21

The sin of pride is a "capital" sin because it engenders other sins. Envy often comes from pride. Envy represents a form of sadness, a refusal of charity.

Luke 18:9-14

"Thank you for making everyone different; help us to appreciate how special everyone is and not envy them."

Today's reflection:

Do we worry too much about our possessions, ourselves and things of this world? Do things define us?

Family Prayer

Help us to remember those who have so much less than we do. Bless us as a family. Help us grow in love and care for one another.

Confirmación

Bienvenido al Obispo Juan Steinbock, estará aquí. Confirmación será en Marzo 21 Misa a las 6 p.m. El Obispo será asistido por el Patron de Ceremonia Pat Lane.

Recuerde: Clases serán canceladas el sábado, 21 de Marzo.

Mujeres de St. Francis

Marzo 20 es nuestra próxima reunión, será a las 6:00 pm en la sala de conferencias. Discutiremos los planes del año y tendremos comida informal.

Segunda Colección

Sera el Domingo, Marzo 22 y será para Servicios Ayuda Católicos. Esta Agencia Internacional Humanitario de la comunidad Católica de los Estados Unidos mantiene ayuda en casos de emergencia y ayuda a gente en desarrollar mundo partir el círculo de pobreza.

Día de Bebés que no han Nacido

Una Misa especial para el honor y recordarnos de todos los niños que fueron abortados y también que no han nacido.

Celebraremos en Miércoles, Marzo 25 a las 7 p.m. en St. Francis de Assisi en Mojave. Este acontecimiento es esponsor de MSgr. Baquedano Cónsul 6705, California City/Mojave y Nuestra Señora del Desierto Cónsul 12055, Rosamond.



Café y Refrescos

Venga y diviértase con su familia de la parroquia después de Misas en domingos.



Flores para Pascua

St. Mary's

Para la gente de la parroquia que guste donar flores en honor de recuerdos, hay sobres especiales en las bancas. Favor de entregar los sobres con sus donaciones lo más pronto posible para tener suficiente tiempo en ordenar flores.

St. Francis

Pueden usar los sobres o traer una planta de flores en Sábado, Abril 11.

Necesitamos Asistencia

Una persona de St. Mary's busca asistencia en casa por unas cuantas horas por semana. Si está interesada, favor de llamar a la oficina para más información.

Bautismos

Febrero 14, 2009

Maribel Garica
Isaiah Salcedo

Nicolas Afid Ayala-Javreogui

Católico Activo

Registración y presencia regular en Misa es necesario para los sacramentos. El modo de confirmar es el uso de sobres ofertorios que son grabados.

Nuevos Feligrés

Nuevos feligrés registrados favor de venir a la oficina a recoger sus sobres ofertorios.

Tienda de Regalos

Tenemos muchas cosas nuevas para Confirmación y Primera Comunión. Tenemos cosa 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.



Cuaresma

Cena de Caldo

Venga a unirse en la sala a las 6 p.m. después de Misa y Estaciones de la Cruz. Mientras comemos, escuchemos la palabra de Dios.



Palmas

Favor de traer las palmas bendecidas que recibió el año pasado para que sean disponibles. Tendremos una canasta en frente de La Virgen para la colección de las palmas.

La Hora con Dios

St. Francis

El primer Viernes de Adoración Eucaristía será Abril 3 de 9 a.m. a 4:45 p.m. Para matricularse, hay una hoja en frente de la banca.

St. Mary

Si alguien está interesada en participar el primer Viernes, favor de llamar a la oficina para matricular su tiempo con Dios.

Centenario

Durante 2009/10 St. Francis escuela parroquia en Bakersfield celebraran sus 100 años. En preparación de la celebración Centenario, estamos buscando estudiantes antiguos, miembros de familia y Maestros. Si tienen información que gustaría ser parte, visite www.SFS100yr.com o llame (661) 589-2609. Gracias

Oración para la Familia

Ayude a recordar esos que tienen menos que nosotros. Bendiganos como una familia. Ayudamos a crecer en amor y cuidarnos uno a otro.



Vaya con Dios ;

A Letter From God

To: You
From: God

This is God.

Today I will be handling all of your problems for you.

I do not need your help.

So have a nice day!

I love you .

If life happens to give you a situation that you cannot handle, do NOT attempt to resolve it yourself!

Please put your problems in the SFGTD (something for God to do) box.

I will get to it in MY TIME.

All situations will be taken care of, but in MY TIME, not yours!

Once the problem is placed into the box, do not hold onto it by worrying about it.

Instead, focus on all the wonderful things that are present in your life right now.

Now, have a nice day.

God