



# Fifth Sunday of Lent

## March 29, 2009

### Ministry Schedule

#### St. Mary

Sat. 4/04 6:00 PM

Team 1

Sun. 4/05 10:30 AM

Team 3

Sun 4/05 12:15 PM

Team 4

Ushers:

Bill Snyder  
Team 2

Vern Birgenheir  
Team 4

Victor Olmos

#### St. Francis

Sun. 4/05 8:00 AM

Team 2- Wil Hutchinson

Altar Servers:

Team 3

### Mass Intentions

#### St. Mary

Sat.	3/28	6:00 PM	Charles Corre
Sun.	3/29	10:30 AM	John Robert/Kim Rivera
"	3/29	12:15 PM	+ Maria Delores Rodriques
"	3/29	7:00 PM	+ Rev. Michael McGivny
<b>Tue.</b>	<b>3/31</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	+ Amy E. Dodd
Wed.	4/01	8:00 AM	Judy Kohrs
Thur.	4/02	8:00 AM	+ Luis Perez
Fri.	4/03	8:00 AM	+ Amilcar Rivera
Sat.	4/04	6:00 PM	Katy Bennet
Sun.	4/05	10:30 AM	Margarite Lite-Happy Birthday
"	4/05	12:15 PM	Thanksgiving –Palamattam family

#### St. Francis

Sun.	3/29	8:00 AM	+ Helen Lindsey
<b>Tue.</b>	<b>3/31</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	+ Amy E Dodd
Wed.	4/01	5:00 PM	+ Gilbert/Maria Rivera
Thur.	4/02	5:00 PM	+ Rev. Daniel Dade
Fri.	4/03	5:00 PM	+ Rev. Patrick Brady
Sun.	4/05	8:00 AM	Ponting /Valpey Family

### Thought of the Week

**Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary.**

### Our Faith Our Family Our Future

If you are having difficulty in fulfilling your pledge that you made to the "Our Faith, Our family, Our Future Capital Campaign" Please take the time to write to the Dioceses Office to request a release from your financial obligation. This request **MUST** be made by **YOU** directly. Mail your request to: **Campaign Office**  
**Our Faith, Our Family, Our Future, 1550 North Fresno St., Fresno, CA 93703-3788**

### Centennial

During the 2009/10 school year, St. Francis Parish School in Bakersfield will be celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.SFS100yr.com) or call (661)326-7955.

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

### Please Pray for the Sick

Dora Leyva, Hilda Gonzalez, Frank Paulino, Bertha Acosta, Clayton Clifford, Vicki Ingram, Mariah Trujillo, Frances Lawrence, Judy Kohrs, Anna Godde, Carol Whalen, 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, Florence Stratman, Joe Britt, John Klay, Heriberto Villegas, John Lite, Ben Canaday, Martha Perry, Shelly Bryant, Joe Gonzales, Kristian Silva, Al Charlberg, Kathleen Lindstron, 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.**

## Confirmation Dinner

Thank you to all the Hospitality members for their hard work and preparations for the Confirmation dinner. The Confirmandi, their parents, families, teachers were joined by our Bishop John T. Steinbock, Pat Lane, the Bishop's personal M.C., Fr. Charles Casale, Fr. Patrick Persinger for dinner.

The dinner was catered by Crazy Otto's of Rosamond.

All parishioners and guests at the 6 pm Mass were invited to the Hall for cake and coffee to greet the Bishop and congratulate the newly confirmed.

## Holy Week Penance Schedule

These will be the last dates after April 4<sup>th</sup> for Confessions during Lent.

Service and Confessions  
7:30pm

### Wednesday April 1

St. Mary – Rosamond

### Thursday April 2

Blessed Serra – Quartz Hill

### Tuesday April 7

St. Mary – Palmdale

### Wednesday April 8

Sacred Heart – Lancaster

## Palm Sunday

8:00 am St. Francis  
10:30 am St. Mary  
12:15 pm St. Mary

Palms will be distributed after mass.

## Holy Thursday

Mass of The Lord's Supper and the Washing of the Feet

6:00 pm St. Mary

The Blessed Sacrament will be transferred to the Altar of Repose in **St. Mary's Hall, 7:00-10:00 pm**

It is necessary for **two people each hour** to sit with the Holy Eucharist. Call or come by the Office to sign up for this honor.

## Good Friday

Good Friday Liturgy

12:00 noon St. Francis

7:00 pm St. Mary

\*\*\*Office is closed\*\*\*

## Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil Mass

8:00 pm St. Mary

## Easter Sunday

8:00 am St. Francis

10:30 am St. Mary

12:15 pm St. Mary

## Special Collections

### Second Collection

April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> the second collection will be for the Building and Maintenance Fund.

### Good Friday Collection

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS.**



## Easter Flowers

Please turn in the "flower donation" envelopes as soon as possible so the flowers can be ordered. Bring in live flowers: **Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary's**  
**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Francis.**

## Church Meetings

### St. Francis

The St. Francis Church Council will meet April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.

### Ladies of St. Francis

Meeting and pot-luck, Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 6pm in the Hall.



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

## FREED

Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> in Rosamond.



## Rest in Peace

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of Ada Campellone, loving wife of Tony

Frank Quinn, loving husband of Betty

Clarice Briand, loving wife of Fred Roy Gallagher, loving husband of Sally

We offer our sympathy and prayerful support to their families. May they rest in peace in the loving arms of Our Lord.

## First Friday

### St. Francis/ St. Mary

There will be **NO ADORATION**  
There will be **NO ANOINTING**  
On Friday April 3, 2009  
**Communion Services** only

## Final Soup Suppers

April 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. Francis.

April 7<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary

**ATTENTION**  
**NO GUM IS ALLOWED ON**  
**CHURCH PROPERTY AT ALL!**

## Parish Monthly Overview

St. Mary

February Income \$ 15,811.15  
February Expenses \$ 22,440.61  
**(6,629.46)**

St. Francis

February Income \$ 4,336.11  
February Expenses \$ 9,846.19  
**(5,510.08)**

## Last Sunday's Offerings

### St. Mary

General \$ 2,369.89  
Second \$ 512.56

### St. Francis

General \$ 1,120.80  
Second \$ 275.00

**Registered Parishioners:** 357  
**Envelopes Used:** 135  
**Flower Donations** \$ 126.00

## Sunday 3/29

Christ's glory is his Church. Only God's love can draw us to him and transform our lives.

### John 12:20-33

*May the Lord be glorified in me. May His grace transform me through conversion so that my life may be a witness to the glory of His love.*

#### Today's reflection:

When we act out of love we give glory to God. When we love our neighbor as ourselves, we follow God's commands perfectly.

## Monday 3/30

Do we have the courage to be compassionate?

### John 8:1-11

*Lord let me do your will, not mine.*

#### Today's reflection:

Give someone the benefit of the doubt, try to be compassionate and listen to their "side of the story".

## Tuesday 3/31

It is the routines of our daily lives that we ask God to bless when we pray, "Give us this day our daily bread."

### John 8:21-30

*"Lord, help us take up our crosses and follow you."*

#### Today's reflection:

Each time we feel bored by our daily routines, take a moment to thank God for our ability to these things. Gratitude is an antidote to boredom.



## Wednesday 4/01

The truth is the present moment. Life is now.

### John 8:31-42

*"You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

#### Today's reflection:

Our joy, our pain and our suffering won't last forever. The truth is knowing that only God is forever

## Thursday 4/02

At any time God can intervene in our lives. God's intervention changes us at the very core of our being.

### John 8:51-59.

*When God made a new covenant with Abram, his name was changed to convey the importance of Abraham's role in carrying out this covenant.*

#### Today's reflection:

Let us pray to our patron saint(s) that we may emulate their Christ-like qualities.

## Friday 4/03

No one lived as fully and as truly as Jesus. He lived what he preached.

### John 10:31-42

*"Lord, strengthen my beliefs. Give me the courage to live what I believe."*

#### Today's reflection:

Choose a truth to which you are deeply committed and live it fully all day today.



## Saturday 4/04

We are never to justify an evil action arguing that some greater good will result. This was the principle (Caiaphas principle) used to crucify Christ.

### John 11:45-56

"You do not understand that it is better for you to have one man die for the people than to have the whole nation destroyed."

#### Today's reflection:

As a member of a group (family, class, school, sports, work, church, etc.) look for a way you can be attentive to the needs of the individuals within it.

## *A Look at Marriage*

How does our Lenten journey shape what we are called to do in marriage?

In the marriage vows, the word obey has been replaced with the promise to love, honor, and cherish each other.

"The root of the word, obey simply means to put the needs of another ahead of our own." *John Kavanaugh*

We are called by Jesus to be unselfish. Do we love unselfishly?

We can deepen our commitments in marriage and even change the dynamics within all our relationships through unconditional love. In loving unconditionally, we transform those we love and ourselves.

## *The Gift of Love*

Love is patient  
Love is kind  
It is not jealous  
Love is not pompous  
Love is not inflated  
It is not rude  
Love does not seek its own interests  
Love bears all things,  
Believes all things,  
Hopes all things,  
Endures all things.

## *Cena de Confirmacion*

Gracias a todos y los miembros de la Hospitalidad por trabajar duro en preparaciones de la cena para los Confirmados, sus padres, familias, maestros, Obispo John T. Steinbock, Padre Casale, Padre Persinger y Pat Lane.

La cena fue encargado por Crazy Otto's de Rosamond.

Invitados y parroquianos en la Misa de 6 p.m. estuvieron invitados a la sala para gozar pastel y café y saludar al Obispo y también dar felicidades a los nuevos Confirmados.

## *Segunda Colección*

Abril 4 y 5 Habrá una segunda colección para el mantenimiento del edificio. Favor de ser generosos.

## *Colecta del Viernes Santo*

El Viernes Santo, nuestra parroquia llevara a cabo la colecta anual del Viernes Santo para la Tierra Santa. Su contribución monetaria, ayuda a apoyar a la comunidad Cristiana que pasa necesidad y a proteger los lugares más santos de la cristiandad. POR FAVOR SEA GENEROSO.

## *La Hora con Dios*

### *St. Francis*

NO Adoración Abril 3

### *St. Mary*

NO Adoración Abril 3

## *Flores para Pascua*

### *St. Mary's y St. Francis*

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.

Pueden usar los sobres o traer una planta de flores en Sábado, Abril 11 por St. Francis; en Viernes, Abril 10 por St. Mary.

## *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.

## *Perdido y Encontrado*

Tenemos varios artículos in la oficina que gente han dejado in la Iglesia o in la Sala. Llamar para identificar el artículo.

## *Servicio de Comunión*

Viernes Abril 3rd 8am, 5pm  
Martes Abril 14<sup>th</sup> 8am, 5pm  
Miercoles Abril 15<sup>th</sup> 8am, 5pm  
Miercoles Abril 22<sup>nd</sup> 8am, 5pm  
Jueves Abril 23<sup>rd</sup> 8am, 5pm

## **RECUERDE!!**

En todos los Lunes a oficina no habré hasta las **1:00 pm** Favor de no llamar hasta después de esta hora.

**Chicle no se admite en la iglesia ni en la propiedad de la iglesia.**

## *Tienda de Regalos*

Tenemos cosa que pueda interesar a todos.

Las horas son lunes a viernes de 9-5 después de la Misa.

## *Intenciones de Misa*

El libro para Intenciones de Misa está abierto para los 6 primeros meses de 2009. El cobro es \$10 per misa. **Favor de llegar a la oficina para llenar su petición.** Gracias.

## *Escucha y Reflecta*

Venga! Oiga la palabra de Dios. Nos reunimos para un sopero de caldo a las 6 pm después Misa y Las Estaciones.

### *St. Francis*

Favor de traer suficiente sopa y pan para su familia más cuatro personas.

## *Programa de Martes*

### *St. Mary*

5:00pm Misa  
5:30pm Estaciones  
6:00pm Comida de Sopa  
**8:00am Misa en St. Francis**

## *Programa de Jueves*

### *St. Francis*

5:00pm Misa  
5:30pm Estaciones  
**6:00pm Comida de Sopa**  
**8:00am Misa at St. Mary**  
**La última sopa de St. Francis será Abril 2.**  
**La ultima sopa de St. Mary's será Abril 7.**

## *Mirando al Casamiento*

Como nuestro viaje de Cuaresma Forma en los que llamamos y hacemos en nuestro casamiento? En nuestra promesa de casamiento, la palabra "obedecer" Sus tiene con la promesa de amar, honor y apreciarnos.

La raíz de la palabra obedecer simplemente quiere decir que ponemos nuestras necesidades de otros adelante de nosotros.

Nos llama Dios y nos dice que no seamos egoístas. Amamos sin ser egoístas? Podemos ser más profundos en nuestras responsabilidades y hasta cambiar nuestra dinámica dentro de nuestras relaciones siendo incondicional con amor. Amando incondicional transformamos los que amamos y nosotros.