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Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am (High),	Thursday 3:00 pm - 6:15 pm	
1:30 pm & 6:00 pm	First Friday After the 12:15 pm	
Monday 7:00 am & 12:15 pm	Friday After the 6:30 pm	
Tuesday 7:00 am & 6:30 pm	Saturday 7:45 am - 8:45 am	
Wednesday 7:00 am & 12:15 pm	THE HOLY ROSARY	
Thursday 7:00 am & 6:30 pm	Sunday 7:30 am, 10:00 am,	
Friday 7:00 am, 12:15 & 6:30 pm	2:30 pm, 5:30 pm	
Saturday 7:00 am & 9:00 am	Weekdays After the 12:15 pm	
Holy Day Check bulletin.	OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP	
CONFESSIONS	Tuesday After the 6:30 pm	
Everyday Thirty minutes prior to all Masses	SAINT MONICA SODALITY	
Saturday 8:30 am - 10:00 am	First Thursday After the 6:30 pm	
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS Contact the Parish Office. SICK CALLS Call the Parish Office to schedule a home visit for the Sacraments. If someone is dying, outside of office hours, dial 916-455-5114, then press 1. You will be transferred immediately to the priest-on-call.	FATIMA PROCESSION The 13 th of every month from May to October. See bulletin announcements for times. MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE Third Wednesday 7:00 pm Holy Hour, lecture & food	
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Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping. Please pick them up in the Parish Office or Bookstore.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR



10 March 2019 1st Sunday of Lent

Sun. 10 Mar.	1st Sunday of Lent , <i>I</i>
8:00 am	†Dr. Gerald Foy
10:30 am	Pro Populo
1:30 pm	Mendoza Family, Living & Deceased
6:00 pm	†Ramona Pacheco
Mon. 11 Mar.	Feria of Lent , <i>III</i>
7:00 am	Gabrielle Rose Carvalho
12:15 pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory
6:30 pm	†Gordon Alder
Tu. 12 Mar.	Feria of Lent, <i>III</i>
7:00 am	Conversion of Sinners
6:30 pm	Joseph Cristi & Family
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7:00 amFinal Perseverance & Holy Death6:30 pmDr. Carlos G. Solis

Fri. 15 Mar.Ember Friday in Lent, II7:00 am+Olapeju Adesanya12:15 pmDao Family6:30 pmTom DavenportSat. 16 Mar.Ember Saturday in Lent, II

7:00 amAileen Mendoza9:00 amAngelina Herrea & Family

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Barbara Graichen, Sandy Sneary, Johan Newaz, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Fr. Goodwin, Margaret Northan, Jean Haun, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan , Ramon & Robert Daley, Liz Nicolini, William Cummings, Lorraine Peterson, John Testa, Mitzi Vandenburg, Richard Cummings, Gretchen Medel, Dario Gonzalez, Rick Rabenau, Holly Hollingsworth, Michael Cuellar, Ken Taylor, Michelle di Giovanni, Barbara Jeong, Carol Cummings, Joan Rutschow, Patricia Quinn, Rogelio Mendoza

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IN MEMORIAM

Barbara Lyons, Norman Sayles, Penny Hummell, Charles Bardin, Shawn Williams, Marcial Cristi, Louise Szabo, Gerald Foy, Mieczysław Jasinski, Joseph Murphy, Olapeju Adesanya, Alice O'Kane, Willard Coillot, Audrey Kasak, Gordon Alder, Mary Ann St. Cloud

FROM THE PASTOR

"A Continuous Lent" A Parish Mission for St. Stephen the First Martyr March 25 - 29

Fr. Cassian DiRocco

- **Day 1**: <u>Prayer</u>: A Look at the Spiritual Life through a "Lenten" lens
- Day 2: <u>Liturgical Prayer</u>: The "source" of the spiritual life
- **Day 3**: <u>Scriptural Prayer</u>: The "fuel" of the spiritual life
- Day 4: <u>Eucharistic Prayer</u>: The "Daily Bread" of the spiritual life
- Day 5: <u>Silent Prayer</u>: The "language" of the spiritual life

The spiritual conferences listed above will be delivered **every evening** at **7:30 pm**, from Monday to Friday, March 25 to 29. Fr. Cassian DiRocco will more fully introduce the theme of the mission at his sermon during the Sunday Masses on March 24.

From Fr. DiRocco: "My theme would be taken from the Rule of St. Benedict, which adjures the monk that his whole life is to be a 'Lenten observance' (*omni tempore vita monachi quadragesimae debet observationem habere*). What does this have to do with the average lay person sitting in the pews, or even for secular priests? Quite a lot, as there is a call to the interior life in each of us, and in fact, one can say in some sense that there is a monk 'in' each of us. How is this interior dimension, so vital to our growing relationship to and intimacy with God, to be lived according to our various states in life? Through what one author has called 'The Art of Prayer', an art which one never masters, but is ever pursuing."

Sunday Pulpit Announcements

We are going to begin limiting the number of announcements made from the pulpit on Sundays, relying instead more on the bulletin itself and the parish e-newsletter.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mar. 16	Confirmations
Mar. 25-29	Parish Mission
May 4	First Holy Communion
May 11	Great Marian Procession
June 16-22	Camp Sacred Heart
July 21-25	Parish Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Parish Bookstore** is receiving donations of used books in good condition, secular and religious.

Second Collection. Annual Catholic Appeal. Many thanks to those who contributed last week. We will have a second collection this Sunday (Mar. 10) to receive envelopes and donations. Envelopes can also be returned to the Parish Office or Bookstore at any time, or placed into any collection basket. One quarter of the Annual Catholic Appeal donations returns to the parish. The other three quarters go towards supporting seminarian formation for the diocese and to programs assisting the poor.

Extra Masses. The 6:30 pm Masses on Mon. & Wed. starts this week.

7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free. Next session is this Tues, Mar. 12 at 7:30 pm, in Classroom 2.

Chesterton Society. Meets Tues., Mar. 12 at 7:30 pm, in Classroom 3. "The Approach to Thomism."

Lenten Soup Meals. <u>Volunteers needed</u>. This Friday, the Stations of the Cross will take place after the 6:30 pm Mass. Afterwards, in the parish hall, we will continue the tradition of sharing a Lenten meal of soup and bread. All are welcome, however, generous volunteers are still needed to provide the dinner! <u>We need about 6-8</u> volunteers (each bringing one crock pot) each week. Please contact Janice Aranas (justforjan@frontiernet.net) if you're able to bring a crock pot of soup or a tray of bread this Friday. Sign ups for future meals will be available in the vestibule after all Sunday Masses.

Confirmations. Sat., Mar. 16, at 10:30 am.

Altar Guild. On account of Confirmations, the Altar Guild will <u>not</u> meet this upcoming Sat. <u>It will meet for practice</u> on the fourth Saturday of this month, Mar. 23, at the usual time.

Fundraiser. Sun., Mar. 17, after the three earlier Masses. Bake sale and hotdogs, for the SFX mission trip.

St. Patrick. On Mon., Mar. 18, a Solemn Mass will be offered at 6:30 pm. This is a first class feast (transferred from the Sunday), as St. Patrick is one of the patrons of the diocese.

St. Joseph. On Tues, Mar. 19, a Solemn Mass will be offered at 6:30 pm.

St. Joseph's Table. <u>Volunteers needed</u>. On Tues., Mar. 19, after the 6:30 pm Solemn Mass, you are invited to the Parish Hall for a traditional St. Joseph's Table. Soup, bread, and beverages will be provided, and you are encouraged to provide a simple dessert treat, i.e. cookies, biscotti, cannoli, etc. These can be delivered any time after noon the day before on Mon., Mar. 18; or any time on Tues., Mar. 19. Other ways to participate: 1. donating flowers; 2. baking bread for the display; 3. setting up on Mon.; 4. Setting up before Mass or serving at the event. **Contact**: Larry White, 916-296-2088 or lwhite@mcn.org.





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