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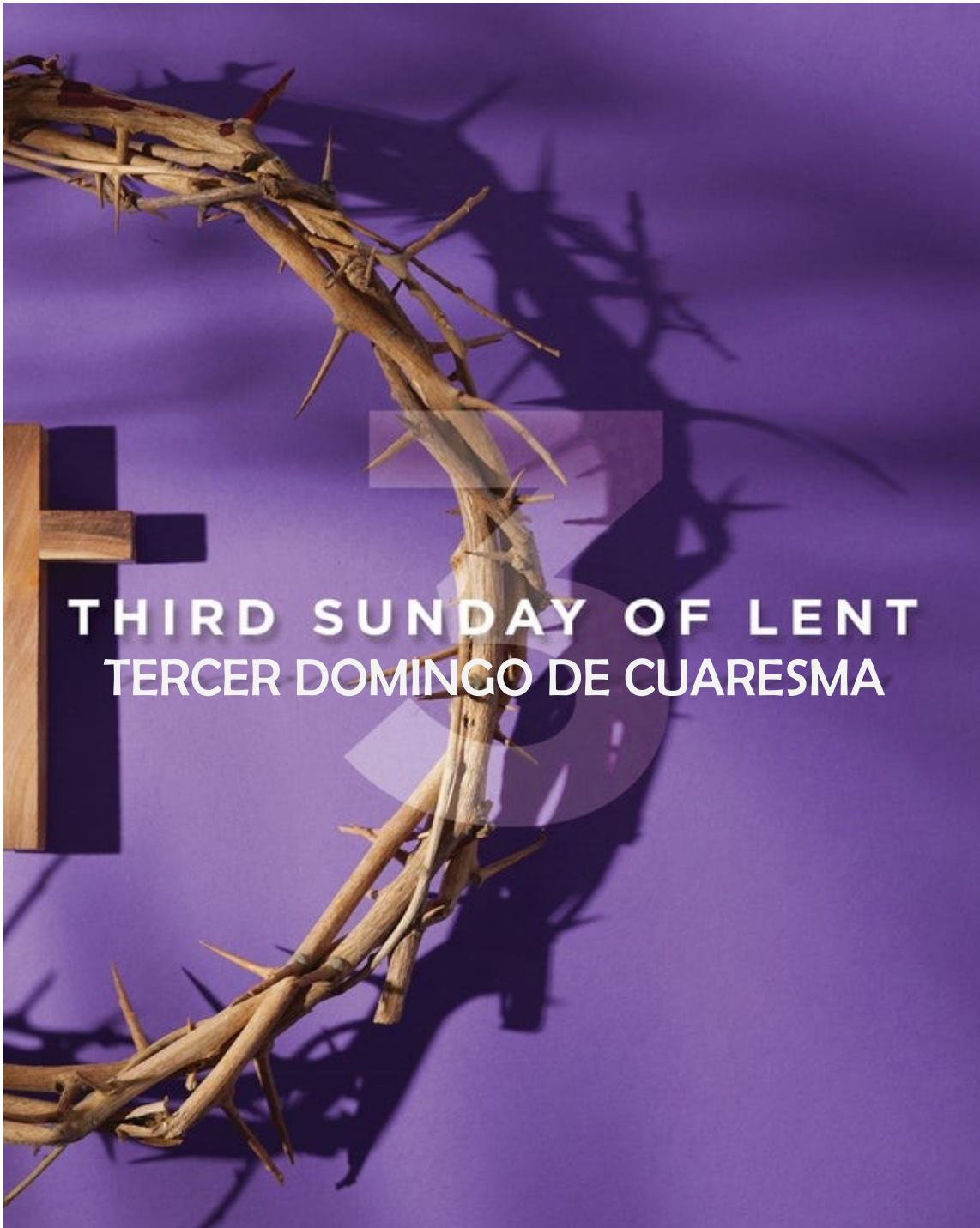
PARISH COMMUNITY

Santa Clara, California

*Third Sunday
of Lent*

March 3, 2024

*Tercer Domingo de
Cuaresma*



**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
TERCER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA**

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PARISH COMMUNITY

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil

5:00 p.m. (English)

Livestreamed

Sunday

7:30 a.m. (English)

9:00 a.m. (Portuguesa)

10:30 a.m. (English)

12:00 p.m. (Español)

Livestreamed

*Liturgy of the Word
for Children during*

10:30 a.m. Mass (English)

*Liturgia de la Palabra
para Niños*

durante Misa de

12:00 p.m. (Español)

Weekday Masses

Monday-Saturday

8:00 a.m.

Holidays - 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays

3:00 p.m.– 3:30 p.m.

(In the church)

From Monsignor Fran Cilia

The readings we hear at Mass this weekend help us along our Lenten journey.

Exodus recounts the giving of the law to Israel through Moses; the commandments he received are the same that help guide us in our relationship with God and one another.

The gospel account of the cleansing of the temple presents Jesus as the new temple, that place where God lives, which would be destroyed and raised on the third day. Jesus shows the inadequacy of the old law and offers us, in Himself, the new law of love.

As we continue along the path to Easter, may we walk with the Lord in spirit and truth.

The First Scrutiny for our Elect

On Saturday evening, we are celebrating the first of three Scrutinies (penitential examinations) of the Elect, to assist them in uncovering sin in their lives so that they can prepare through the grace of God for Baptism at Easter. These celebrations invite the entire community to pray in support of the Elect and, at the same time, examine our own lives to consider our fidelity to the Sacrament of Baptism.

The readings for the Masses at which the Scrutinies occur differ from those at the other liturgies. This weekend, we hear the account of the Samaritan Woman at the Well; next weekend (at the 10:30 Mass), we focus on the Man Born Blind and at the Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Lent, we will hear the gospel reading of the Raising of Lazarus. Thus, Jesus is seen as Living Water, the Light of the World, and Resurrection and Life. These three baptismal themes also help the Elect on their way to Easter.



Annual Diocesan Appeal: Report #3

As of this writing, we have received \$122,431.70 from 178 gifts and pledges toward this year's ADA. We have surpassed our diocesan-assigned goal of \$98,700, and are on our way to our parish goal of \$175,000. Thank you, to all who have already joined this effort!

To achieve our goal and the number of participants we hope to have (300 or more), we need the help of those who have not yet made a gift.

As we walk through Lent, early success in the Appeal will allow us to devote our energies to our observance of this season and of the days through which the Lord Jesus has renewed the life of the world.



Go to <https://vimeo.com/907639648> to see Bishop Cantú's ADA Message Video.

Youth Ministry

Please pray for our 35 Confirmation candidates who will be embarking on their retreat this upcoming week, from March 8-10. May they grow closer to Christ and embrace their call toward Confirmation. Also, pray for the 9 youth leaders that will be accompanying them on their journey.

LENT AT SAINT CLARE PARISH

The traditional works of Lent are Prayer, Penance and Care for the Poor.

We began this season of 40 days in prayer together on Ash Wednesday, when we are invited to renew our faithfulness to Christian living, called to do penance and to begin a time of special care for those who do not share the goodness of creation as we do (almsgiving). On that day, we were marked with ashes.

Lent is a very special time for our Elect, who approach the waters of Baptism at Easter. We hold them in our prayers and try to be examples of Christian living for them. We will celebrate the Second Scrutiny at the 10:30 Mass on the Fourth Sunday in Lent and the final one, at the 5:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Lent (March 16).

Here in our parish, we hope that our Lenten offerings will continue to help all of us – individually and as a community – to deepen our baptismal sharing in the life of the Lord and the Church.

Continuing until March 22, we will celebrate bilingual (English and Spanish) **Stations of the Cross**, on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm.

We have scheduled two parish Communal Celebrations of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, at the following times:

Saturday, March 23 at 3:00 pm

Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 pm

Confessions will be available in English, Spanish, Portuguese and a number of other languages.

Once again, we will make **Rice Bowls** available from **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**, as a tangible way to help us in Lenten care for the poor. Catholic Relief Services reaches out to more than 250 Million people with lifesaving support. 75% of our CRS Rice Bowl donations support Catholic Relief Services work around the world. 25% helps fight hunger and poverty in our own community, throughout the Diocese of San Jose (Santa Clara County).



crsricebowl.org | crsplatodearroz.org

Catholic Relief Services



Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

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Support our robust tuition assistance program by making a donation: <https://www.stclare.school/supportus>

Saint Clare School continues to thank our many donors. Their support, and yours, helps support St. Clare School in its mission to provide our students with a rigorous curriculum and student centered instruction, together with parents as the primary educators of their children, form learners with strong academic and spiritual foundations to become moral and ethical servant leaders.

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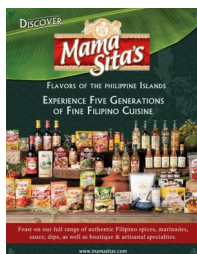
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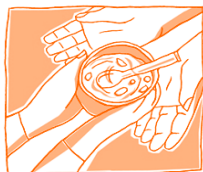
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Possible New Parish Ministry - The JW House

Saint Clare's is gauging interest in a new ministry to the JW House. The JW House is a non-profit organization started by a family who lost their son and brother at a young age due to a medical issue. The house is located near the Kaiser Permanente Hospital and provides lodging and food for families that have children being treated for long-term health issues at the hospital. We would like to get a group of people together that would like to be involved in providing a meal to the JW House. This is a volunteer opportunity and has different options for involvement: financial donation, grocery shopping, food preparation, food delivery, and/or serving food. For now, we are collecting a list of those interested and more details will be shared once we have a group together. Please contact Claire Wemp at ckwemp@gmail.com if you would like to be added to the email list.



Weekly Justice Challenges

In the First Reading (Exodus 20:1-17) for this Sunday, we hear the story of God giving the Ten Commandments to the Israelites. Did you know that many, if not most, of the justice teachings in the Catechism of the Catholic Church are found in the section on the commandments, particularly Commandment Seven — You Shall Not Steal? This is because the Seventh Commandment reminds us of how important it is to be other-centered and to respect their rights and property. Jesus' whole life was a witness to living for others. As disciples, we are called to follow Jesus' example. Your challenge this week is to choose one thing you can do each day which is totally other-centered, something which has no direct benefits for you. Do it, not because it makes you feel good or makes you proud, but simply because it's what God is calling you to do.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Journey With Me

Lord God,
fill my heart with love,
so that I can see you in others
and recognize them as the temples
in which you reside on earth.
May your spirit guide my every step.

In my struggles,
give me strength and courage
so that I will be steadfast in faith
as I continue my journey.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, March 3, 2024
Renewed Temples



Today's readings: Exodus 20:1–17; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Corinthians 1:22–25; John 2:13–25. Lent is a time for interior and exterior cleansing. Jesus was outraged when he saw what was taking place in the temple. The moneychangers failed to show reverence for the house of God when they used it as a marketplace. While some could not understand Jesus' overturning of the moneychangers' tables, the disciples recalled the words of Scripture, "Zeal for your house will consume me." Jesus' reaction to the sales in the temple make it apparent that such zeal was missing from others.

In baptism, we become a temple of the Holy Spirit. Our consideration of Christ's care for the temple in Jerusalem is an opportunity to reflect on how we care for all human beings, who are made in the image and likeness of

God. Do we treat them with the dignity that a child of God deserves, remembering each person is sacred?

Just as you show concern for others, you need to care for yourself. How do you care for your interior life? Do you seek reconciliation with God through the sacrament of penance? Do you take to heart that God's mercy is for you as well as for others? In the remaining weeks of Lent, be especially attentive to the words of the penitential act. During this part of the Mass, the faithful may pray the Confiteor, after which the priest calls on God's mercy. The other option is for the faithful to pray the Kyrie, saying, "Lord, have mercy / Christ have mercy" to the priest's invocations. Seeking mercy, our zeal for God is apparent.

REVEAL Christ's LOVE



After years of tension between Ukraine and the Russian Federation, Russian forces began a devastating war in February 2022 by invading Ukraine. In addition to killing and wounding many, the conflict has forced millions of Ukrainians to flee the country. Many refugees went to neighboring countries in Europe, but many others came to the United States. For decades, the Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) department of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has assisted refugees fleeing wars and persecution, and in 2022 it responded to the Ukrainian refugee crisis with two initiatives to help local communities welcome refugees.

The first initiative, **Welcome Circles**, is a community-led program that helps local groups work together to provide financial support and connect refugees to services such as health care and education. Although **Welcome Circles** are locally led, they are certified, vetted, and given ongoing guidance by MRS staff or local affiliate experts. MRS's support and guidance help each **Welcome Circle** accompany refugees effectively during the resettlement process. As of early 2023, the **Welcome Circles** program already had 25 circles engaging more than 200 volunteers and had expanded to welcome refugees from Haiti, Cuba, Nicaragua, and Venezuela in addition to Ukraine.

Since 2010, MRS has led the second initiative, **Parishes Organized to Welcome Immigrants and Refugees (POWIR)**, a program that works with select diocesan resettlement programs to empower parishes and local Catholic institutions so they can welcome and assist immigrants and refugees at the diocesan level. From May 2021 to January 2023, this diocesan support helped nearly 10,000 local volunteers, working in Catholic communities in 23 active **POWIR**

programs nationwide, to spend more than 100,000 volunteer hours working with and on behalf of about 24,000 clients.

Funds received through The Catholic Relief Services Collection allow MRS to help victims of war and oppression begin new lives in welcoming, supportive communities through innovative initiatives like **Welcome Circles** and **POWIR**. In addition to MRS, the collection supports other Catholic organizations that aid victims of persecution and natural disasters, provide legal services to poor immigrants, and advocate for the powerless.

Your Donations Help Our Brothers and Sisters . . .

In the United States

Feed Jesus' hunger in suffering refugees . . . through the **USCCB Department of Migration and Refugee Services (MRS)**.

Offer legal assistance to Jesus in struggling immigrants . . . through the **Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC)**.

Reach out to comfort Jesus' loneliness in isolated workers . . . through the pastoral work of the **USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church**.

And Around the World

Give water to quench Jesus' thirst in the people of Kenya and Zambia . . . through the humanitarian work of **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**.

Advocate on behalf of Jesus in the poor and marginalized . . . through the public policy work of the **USCCB Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development**.

Send aid to Jesus in the victims of natural disaster . . . through the **Holy Father's Relief Fund**.



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Parish Mission Statement

Founded in 1777, Saint Clare Parish is an ethnically diverse Catholic community of faith, united in worship, discipleship and service. In welcoming immigrants, newcomers and strangers, we strive to live the virtues of justice and love, so as to be the face of Christ in the world, becoming in Him a sign of unity and an instrument of God's peace.

Mass Intentions

March 2nd — 9th, 2024

Sat	5:00 pm	Elvida & Domenic Vitale †
Sun	7:30 am	Fr. Len MacMillan - Birthday
	9:00 am	Constantina Silva † Zulmira Goulart Lourenco † Andre Sardinha † Maria Lucia Cardoso † Dora de Oliveira † Ernesto Gonsalves † Maria G. Amaral † Vidalia Gaspar Silva † Maria Mello † Antonio Silveira † Thanksgiving - Saint Jude Thadeus
	10:30 am	Saint Clare Parishioners
	12:00 pm	Urbano Amaya † Miguel Ochoa † Ida López - Health Alicia Suárez - Health
Mon	9:00 am	Mario Enrique Andrade †
Tues	8:00 am	The Peters Family
Wed	8:00 am	Thomas Samuel Bommarito †
Thu	8:00 am	Rosita Pajares de Leon †
Fri	8:00 am	Benito Galam †
Sat	8:00 am	Joseph Anthony B. Alabanza †



Stewardship Report

**Sunday Collection:
February 24th & 25th**

**Goal: \$9,000.00
Actual: \$7,781.50**

Thank you

Daily Readings



3rd Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17 1
Corinthians 1:22-25
John 2:13-25

Scrutiny: Saturday, 5 pm Mass

Exodus 17:3-7

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday

2 Kings 5:1-15ab
Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday

Daniel 3:25, 34-43
Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday

Jeremiah 7:23-28
Luke 11:14-23

Friday

Hosea 14:2-10
Mark 12:28-34

Saturday

Hosea 6:1-6
Luke 18:9-14

Next Sunday

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
Ephesians 2:4-10
John 3:14-21

Scrutiny: 10:30 am Mass

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-3



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Boletim Paroquial Português

25 de Fevereiro de 2024; Domingo II da Quaresma – B
Reflexão Por: João Pereira Arruda

As leituras deste Domingo apresentam-nos duas componentes para cada um de nós reflectir. A primeira; Em que nível está a minha fé em relação á de Abraão? A segunda é; que nível se situa a minha confiança em Jesus Cristo ao saber que Ele morreu e ressuscitou pela salvação da humanidade e nos prometeu estar no meio de nós até ao fim dos tempos! Que ingredientes nos falta para que a fé e a confiança em Deus cresça em cada um de nós? A Oração é o canal pelo qual nos comunicamos com Deus. Quando nos comunicamos pela Oração com Deus; será que criamos, preparamos um meio ambiental pela qual temos o coração aberto para que a voz do Senhor chegue até nós? Quando a voz do Senhor chegando até nós tomamos uma atitude resoluto; tal e qual; Abraão teve, ao ponto de executar a ordem do Senhor e ir em holocausto imolar Isac, seu único filho? Se vemos o impossível neste gesto ou resolução de Abraão de impossível, a partir do princípio ficamos incapazes da fé crescer em nós. Por outro lado se estamos tolhidos, amarrados a preconceitos, nunca mais teremos uma confiança total em Deus. A ideia de que ouvimos do próprio Jesus que estaria no nosso meio até ao fim dos tempos, e de facto está conosco na Santa Eucaristia que nos alimenta no pão e nos sacia no vinho que pela consagração torna esses símbolos no Corpo e Sangue de Jesus. Os Cristãos que pelo Baptismo ficam sendo filhos adoptivos de Deus, são chamados a testemunhar o Amor Misericordioso de Deus neste mundo. São chamados ao sacerdócio e a profetisar. Tal como Jesus venceu a tentação do diabo no deserto nós também teremos que vencer as tentações de sermos absorvidos pelo comodismo, pelo “mim” em primeiro lugar, pelo não me rales, pela pomposidade demonstrativa de todos verem como és importante,...tudo isso são barreiras que impedem o crescimento na fé e retiram as “vitaminas” que fortificam a nossa confiança em Deus. Quaresma é por tradição um tempo favorável de fazermos um balanço ás barreiras que atolham as nossas vidas...é um tempo favorável de prepararmos meios ambientais que nos ajudem a ficarmos mais próximos de Deus.

Programa Quaresmal na Paróquia de Saint Clare's 2024:

- 1. ADA, a campanha deste ano está em progresso e em cada boletim durante a divulgação deste a comunidade será informada do progresso financeiro dessa campanha. Este ano os objectivos para esta campanha estão assentados nas quantias de \$98,700.00 para a Diocese e de \$175,000 para a nossa paróquia.**
- 2. Os livros de capa preta estão colocados á entrada da nossa igreja. Estes são em inglês(á direita) e em espanhol (do lado esquerdo) É grátis e ajuda a reflectir e orar durante o Tempo de Quaresma.**
- 3. Confissões: Este ano estão programados dois serviços penitenciais: o primeiro no Sábado dia 23 de Março ás 3 horas da tarde e o outro na Terça Feira dia 26 de Março ás 7 horas da noite. As confissões serão feitas nas línguas: Inglês, Português e Espanhol.**
- 4. Programa tigela de arroz. Esse programa será feito nas mesmas normas dos anos anteriores a este. O producto recolhido nesta campanha será depois distribuido pela Organização do “Católic Relif Serviços” 75 por cento para paizes muito pobres e 25 por cento pelos pobres da nossa paróquia.**
- 5. Devoção da Via-Sacra: Esta devoção será feita todas as sextas feiras ás 7 horas da noite na nossa Igreja em Ingês e Espanhol.**
- 6. Romaria Quaresmal, A Irmandade Familiar do Espírito Santo levará a efeito uma romaria ao estilo micaelense, fazendo oração nas igrejas da cidade de Santa Clara no Sábado dia 23 de Março.**

Um Santo e Alegre Domingo para todos!!!

De Monseñor Fran Cilia

Las lecturas que escuchamos en la Misa este fin de semana, nos ayudan en nuestro camino cuaresmal.

Éxodo relata la entrega de la ley a Israel a través de Moisés; los mandamientos que recibió son los mismos que nos ayudan a guiarnos en nuestra relación con Dios y con los demás.

El relato evangélico de la limpieza del templo presenta a Jesús como el nuevo templo, ese lugar donde vive Dios, que sería destruido y resucitado al tercer día. Jesús muestra la insuficiencia de la antigua ley y nos ofrece, en sí mismo, la nueva ley del amor.

Mientras continuamos en el camino hacia la Pascua, caminamos con el Señor en espíritu y verdad.

El Primer Escrutinio para Nuestros Elegidos

El sábado por la noche celebraremos el primero de tres Escrutinios (exámenes penitenciales) de los Elegidos, para ayudarlos a descubrir el pecado en sus vidas para que puedan prepararse, por la gracia de Dios, para el Bautismo en Pascua. Estas celebraciones invitan a toda la comunidad a orar en apoyo de los Elegidos y, al mismo tiempo, examinar nuestra propia vida para considerar nuestra fidelidad al Sacramento del Bautismo.

Las lecturas de las Misas en las que ocurren los Escrutinios difieren de las de las otras liturgias. Este fin de semana escuchamos el relato de la Mujer Samaritana junto al Pozo; El próximo fin de semana (en la Misa de las 10:30), nos centraremos en el Hombre Nacido Ciego y en la Misa de Vigilia del Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma, escucharemos la lectura del evangelio de la Resurrección de Lázaro. Así, Jesús es visto como Agua Viva, Luz del Mundo, Resurrección y Vida. Estos tres temas bautismales también ayudan a los elegidos en su camino hacia la Pascua.



Informe n.º 3 - Campaña Anual Diocesana

Al momento de escribir este artículo, hemos recibido \$122,431.70 de 178 donaciones y promesas para la ADA de este año. Hemos superado nuestra meta diocesana asignada de \$98,700 y estamos en camino a nuestra meta parroquial de \$175,000. ¡Gracias a todos los que ya se han sumado a este esfuerzo!

Para lograr nuestro objetivo y el número de participantes que esperamos tener (300 o más), necesitamos la ayuda de aquellos que aún no han hecho algún regalo.

A medida que avanzamos en la Cuaresma, el éxito temprano en la Campaña nos permitirá dedicar nuestras energías a la observancia de esta temporada y de los días a través de los cuales el Señor Jesús ha renovado la vida del mundo.



Vaya a <https://vimeo.com/907653751> para ver el video del mensaje sobre la ADA del Obispo Cantú

Catholic Relief Services



La próxima semana nuestra parroquia realizará The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Los fondos de esta colecta proporcionan alimento al hambriento, ayuda a los refugiados desplazados y llevan el amor y la misericordia de Cristo a los pueblos vulnerables, aquí y en el extranjero. La próxima semana, por favor, contribuyan generosamente a la colecta y revelen el amor de Cristo a los más necesitados. Infórmense más acerca de la colecta en www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Ministerio Juvenil

Oren por nuestros 35 candidatos a la Confirmación que se embarcarán en su retiro la próxima semana del 8 al 10 de marzo. Que se acerquen más a Cristo y acepten su llamado a la Confirmación. También tengan en sus oraciones los 9 líderes juveniles que los acompañarán en su viaje.



CUARESMA EN LA PARROQUIA SAINT CLARE

Las obras tradicionales de la Cuaresma son la Oración, la Penitencia y el Cuidado de los Pobres. Comenzamos juntos este tiempo de 40 días de oración el Miércoles de Ceniza, cuando somos invitados a renovar nuestra fidelidad a la vida cristiana, llamados a hacer penitencia y a iniciar un tiempo de especial cuidado por aquellos que no comparten la bondad de la creación como nosotros. hacer (dar limosna). Ese día fuimos marcados con cenizas.

La Cuaresma es un tiempo muy especial para nuestros Elegidos, quienes se acercan a las aguas del Bautismo en Pascua. Los tenemos en nuestras oraciones y tratamos de ser ejemplos de vida cristiana para ellos. Celebraremos el Segundo Escrutinio en la Misa de las 10:30 del Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma y el último, en la Misa de Vigilia del Sábado de las 5:00 pm del Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma (16 de marzo).

Aquí en nuestra parroquia, esperamos que nuestras ofrendas de Cuaresma nos ayuden a todos — individualmente y como comunidad — a profundizar nuestra participación bautismal en la vida del Señor y la Iglesia.

Continuando hasta el 22 de marzo, celebraremos el **Vía Crucis** bilingüe (inglés y español) los viernes por la tarde a las 7:00 pm

Hemos programado dos Celebraciones Comunitarias parroquiales del **Sacramento de la Reconciliación**, en los siguientes horarios

Sábado 23 de marzo a las 3:00 pm

Martes 26 de marzo a las 7:00 pm

Las confesiones estarán disponibles en inglés, español, portugués y varios idiomas más.



Una vez más, pondremos a disposición **Platos de Arroz** de **Catholic Relief Services** (CRS), como una forma tangible de ayudarnos en el cuidado de los pobres durante la Cuaresma. Catholic Relief Services llega a más de 250 millones de personas brindándoles apoyo que les salva vidas. El 75% de nuestras donaciones de Plato de Arroz de CRS apoyan el trabajo de Catholic Relief Services en todo el mundo. El 25% ayuda a combatir el hambre y la pobreza en nuestra propia comunidad, en toda la Diócesis de San José (Condado de Santa Clara).

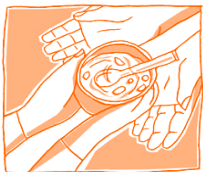
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Consejos para el Cuidado de la Creación

“No te harás una imagen, figura alguna de lo que hay arriba en el cielo, abajo en la tierra o en el agua bajo tierra”. – Éxodo 20:4. El Papa Francisco habló de los nuevos ídolos de la humanidad: el dinero y las ganancias. “Ya no es el hombre quien manda sino el dinero; dinero, el poder del dinero... hombres y mujeres son sacrificados a los ídolos de la ganancia y del consumo: es la 'cultura del desperdicio'” (Plaza de San Pedro, 2013). Esta semana, confronta la cultura del desperdicio en tu vida y en tu hogar. Reduce los artículos de un solo uso (platos de papel, vasos de plástico, etc.) y no compres nada nuevo que no sea imprescindible. Dona dinero y artículos y ropa poco usados a organizaciones locales que apoyan a las personas sin hogar y a los necesitados.



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Desafío Semanal de Justicia

En la primera lectura (Éxodo 20:1-17) para este domingo, escuchamos la historia de Dios dando los Diez Mandamientos a los israelitas. ¿Sabías que muchas de las enseñanzas de justicia en el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica se encuentran en la sección sobre los mandamientos, en particular el mandamiento siete, que no robarás? Esto se debe a que el Séptimo Mandamiento nos recuerda lo importante que es estar centrados en los demás y respetar sus derechos y propiedades. Toda la vida de Jesús fue un testimonio de vivir para los demás. Como discípulos, estamos llamados a seguir el ejemplo de Jesús. Tu reto esta semana es elegir una cosa que puedas hacer cada día que esté totalmente centrada en el otro, algo que no tenga beneficios directos para ti Hazlo no porque te haga sentir bien o te haga sentir orgulloso, sino simplemente porque es lo que Dios te está llamando a hacer.

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TERCER DOMINGO de CUARESMA



Camina conmigo

Señor Dios,
lléname el corazón de amor,
para verte en los demás
y reconocerlos como templos
en los que habitas en la tierra.
Que tu espíritu guíe mis pasos.

En la tribulación,
dame fuerza y valor
para mantenerme en la fe
mientras camino.
Por Cristo nuestro Señor. Amén.

Domingo, 3 de marzo de 2024 Templos renovados



Lecturas del día: Éxodo 20:1–17; Salmo 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Corintios 1:22–25; Juan 2:13–25. La Cuaresma es el tiempo para la limpieza interna y externa. Jesús se indignó ante lo que estaba sucediendo en el templo. Los cambistas no mostraron ningún respeto a la casa de Dios cuando la usaron de mercado. Si bien algunos alcanzaban a comprender por qué Jesús volteó las mesas de los cambistas, los discípulos recordaron las palabras de las Escrituras: “El celo por tu casa me devora”. La reacción de Jesús ante el mercado en el templo evidenció que ese celo estaba ausente en los demás.

En el bautismo nos convertimos en templo del Espíritu Santo. El aprecio que Cristo tiene por el templo de Jerusalén es una oportunidad para reflexionar cuánto cuidado le dispensamos al ser humano, hecho a imagen y semejanza

de Dios. ¿Lo tratamos con la dignidad con la que merece ser tratado un hijo de Dios?

Así como usted se preocupa por los demás, debe preocuparse por usted mismo. ¿Cómo cuida su vida interior? ¿Busca reconciliarse con Dios mediante el sacramento de la penitencia? ¿Se toma en serio que la misericordia de Dios es para usted y para los demás? En las semanas restantes de Cuaresma, preste atención especial a las palabras del acto penitencial. Durante esta parte de la misa, los fieles rezarán el *Confiteor* (el “yo pecador”) después de lo cual el sacerdote pide la misericordia de Dios. Aunque también podrían rezar el *Kyrie*, diciendo: “Señor, ten piedad / Cristo ten piedad” a las invocaciones del sacerdote. Mientras buscamos la misericordia de Dios, manifestamos nuestro celo por él.



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September 20-22: St. Francis Retreat Center, San Juan Bautista

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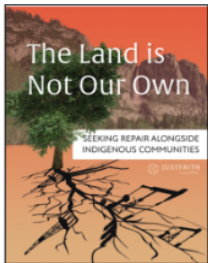
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The Land is Not Our Own: Seeking Repair Alongside Indigenous Communities



This is a small group program that will guide us in learning the truth about our history so that we can join in the heartbreaking and joyous work of protecting our sacred land, air, and water; addressing Native boarding schools; respecting tribal sovereignty, and honoring the interconnectedness of all Creation.

The Program Overview can be downloaded on *The Land Is Not Our Own* webpage: <https://justfaith.org/the-land-is-not-our-own-seeking-repair-alongside-indigenous-communities/>

Via Zoom on consecutive Tuesdays

Jan. 30th - Apr. 16th. 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm pst / 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm est

Join us in honoring and protecting Indigenous rights.

Should you have questions,
Contact Kathy Mattingly: (669) 222-9418 or kat@kajon.com

The following link can be used to register for this program:
<https://justfaith.org/the-land-is-not-our-own-st-thomas-of-canterbury/>

Cost: When you register, you will be asked to pay based on a sliding fee scale of \$35, \$55, or \$75/person. Scholarships are available.



Faith and Racial Healing: Embracing Truth, Justice, and Restoration



Created by JustFaith Ministries, Faith and Racial Healing explores the concept/construct of race through the lens of the Christian tradition. It is an eight-session program that narrates the historical context behind the racial inequalities we face today, whether in education, the criminal justice system, the workforce, or even in church life.

Hosted by St. Clare of Assisi Parish,
sessions are every other week on a Monday,
January 29 until May 6, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
725 Washington St, Santa Clara 95050

Requested tax deductible donation of \$35, \$55, \$75 per person.
Approximate cost for books is \$44, available through JustFaith Ministries and may be found at book stores, libraries or on-line.
Scholarships available on request.



Discussions within our small groups will draw from each of these books: *40 Days of Prayer*, compiled by Cheryl L. Mills, *Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome*, by Dr. Joy Degruy, and *The Color of Compromise*, by Jemar Tisby

If you have questions, or to reserve a space, contact:
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