



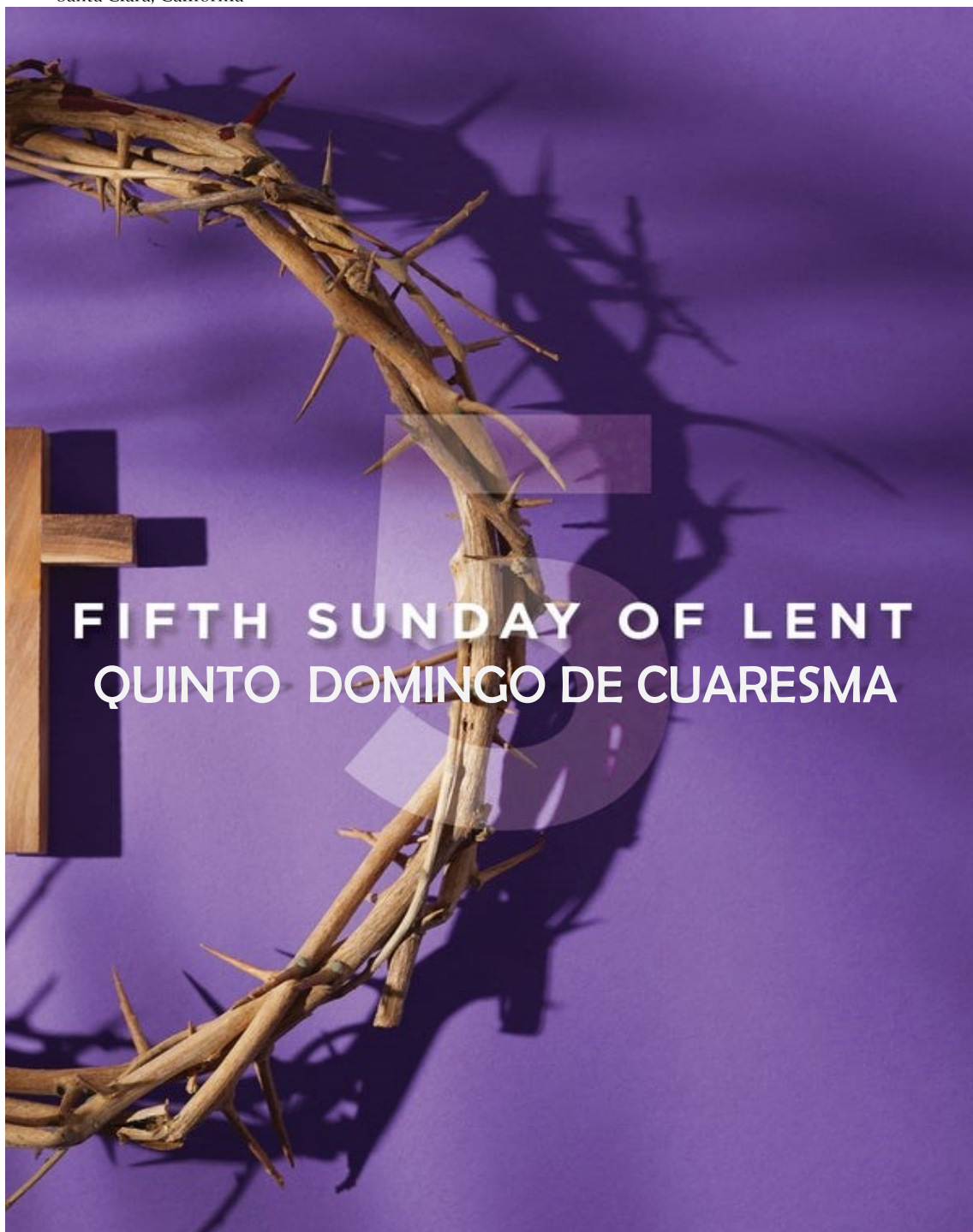
PARISH COMMUNITY

Santa Clara, California

***Fifth Sunday
of Lent***

March 17, 2024

***Quinto 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

“Sir, we would like to see Jesus” was the request made to Philip.

This same request has been made for two millennia, by inquirers and believers alike. It is both the first step toward faith and the deepening of faith in those who already share that gift.

In the Gospel account this Sunday, Jesus responds to those who want to see Him with the stark reality of His fate: “Unless the grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies, it produces much fruit.” Yet there is also the warning and invitation to believers: “Whoever loves one’s life loses it, and whoever hates one’s life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be.”

The more we come to know Jesus, the more real is the challenge to join Him in “losing” life so that we may “preserve” it for eternal life. These final two weeks of Lent invite us to renew ourselves as disciples of the Lord; may our solemn commemoration of His Dying and Rising deepen our sharing in the mystery of the love God has for us, the same love we are privileged to have for one another.

Third Scrutiny

We celebrate the Third Scrutiny (penitential examination) with our Elect at the 5:00 pm Mass this Saturday. The readings for that Mass differ from the others. The Gospel Reading (John 11) tells the story of Lazarus, the friend of Jesus whom the Lord raised from the dead. This is the third of the great baptismal themes we hear these three Sundays. Two weeks ago, Jesus revealed Himself to the Samaritan woman at the well as “Living Water.” Last Sunday, we heard at the 10:30 Mass the story of the man who was born blind as we celebrated Jesus as the Light of the world and Light of our lives. These three baptismal themes (water, light and life) help to prepare our Elect for the Easter Sacraments. The invitation is also extended to us, who are already baptized, to deepen our sharing in these same gifts given to us by the Lord, to deepen our sharing in His life.

Easter Flowers for the Church and the Altar of Repose

Once again, we invite you to help prepare the church for Easter by bringing Easter Lilies and other Spring flowering plants (such as azaleas, etc.) for our celebrations of Easter and the whole Easter Season, which ends on May 19.

We also welcome Cala Lilies to decorate the Altar of Repose in the tent, after the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday. Perhaps you have some growing in your yard? We would be grateful if you are able to share these with the parish.



Annual Diocesan Appeal: Report #6

Thanks to so many of our parishioners, we continue to move toward our \$175,000 goal. As of Thursday, we have received 216 pledges and gifts, for a total of \$145,572. We still have \$29,428 to reach our goal. The good news is that we have far surpassed our diocesan-assigned goal of \$98,700 and that everything we raise now will return to Saint Clare to help balance our budget in the face of unexpected expenses and loss of rental income, approximately \$6500 per month.

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



This Thursday

Father Victor and Msgr. Fran will be out of the office Thursday afternoon, so that they can participate in the Day of Prayer preceding the Chrism Mass. Thanks for your understanding.

Holy Week, Triduum and Easter Mailing

If all goes as planned, our Easter mailing will be in your hands by time you read this. Additional copies are available in English and Spanish in the vestibule of the church. We truly hope you will be able to celebrate our “high holy days” with the rest of our parish. Bring your family members and friends. All are welcome!

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 Catechumens, 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. This weekend, will celebrate the **Third Scrutiny** at the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Lent, hearing Scripture readings that highlight the raising of Lazarus (John 11).

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.

We will celebrate bilingual (English and Spanish) Stations of the Cross, this Friday evening, at 7:00 pm. This will be our last such celebration this Lent

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

Next 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.

If you have been filling your **Rice Bowls** from **Catholic Relief Services** (CRS), we ask you to bring them to Mass next weekend, as we celebrate Palm Sunday.



Weather permitting, our Palm Sunday Masses will begin in the Grotto area, where we will distribute and bless the palms. Unless you cannot do so because of mobility issues, we ask all to gather at the Grotto. Masses will begin on-time, so as not to impede the following Masses.



PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The Pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the people of God still living in this land where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

Youth Ministry

Thank you for all your prayers last weekend. From messy games to Reconciliation, our retreat was a great success with over 80 candidates and more than 110 people in total on retreat. Check out some of the photos we had of our group!

DYR Registrations are coming out soon. Save the date for June 10-14, 2024 for a week in Lake Tahoe with hundreds of other youth from our diocese.

The Youth Center will **NOT** be open this week due to meetings. Check next week for more times.

If you are a youth and looking to be more familiar with the Bible, join us at our Tuesday Bible Studies from 7:30pm-8:30pm in the Youth Center. We will begin again on Tuesday, March 26th and will continue with more dates that will be posted soon.



Saint Clare School

VIP Day celebrations took place on Friday, March 15th. Students were joined by grandparents, parents, aunts and uncles, cousins, and close family friends. Fr. Victor even participated in the event as a VIP for one of our littlest Wild-cats.

The day began with Mass, joining students, VIPs, and families in community, prayer, and the celebration of the Eucharist. A reception in the beautiful rectory garden followed. VIPs were then escorted to classrooms for fun and excitement with the children important in their lives.

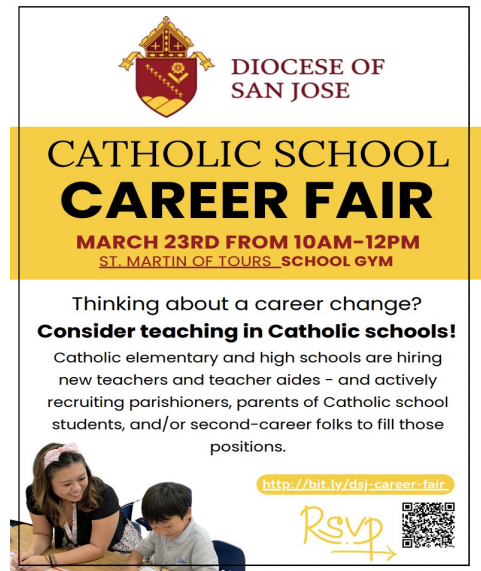
We would like to thank Msgr. Fran and Fr. Victor for their concelebration of this very special Mass and for all they do for Saint Clare School.

NOW ENROLLING TK-8TH GRADE FOR 2023-2024

Saint Clare School prepares students to become ethical and moral servant leaders. Visit <https://www.stclare.school/admissions-2> to learn more.

ENROLLING TK-8TH GRADE: Schedule a tour: <https://www.stclare.school/schedule-a-tour>. You may also call Cherell Rizzo, Recruitment, Retention, and Marketing Manager at: 408-246-6797 or email cherell.rizzo@dsj.org

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



Creation Care Tips

March 22nd is World Water Day. The average household in the United States uses more than 333 gallons of water a day, 70 percent for indoor use. This week, decrease your water usage. Reduce your shower length. Water indoor plants using collected rainwater. If possible, use a dishwasher and minimize rinsing/washing by hand. Don't wash clothing more frequently than necessary, and fill it instead of running half loads. If there is a dripping faucet in your house, call a plumber or take some time to fix the leak this week.



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Knights of Columbus: Crab Report – March 17, 2024



On February 24, 2024, we brought seafood back to St Clare's parish. So how was that crab? The 2024 Knight's of Columbus: Drive Thru Crab Feed event was a huge success! As promised, we joined together as a family to eat a delicious meal and give back to the parish at the same time. As a result of everyone's participation the Knights will donate 100% of the profit back to the parish totaling: \$4,178.14.

CRAB REPORT

\$14,176.00 – Gross Ticket Sales plus all Donations
\$ 9,997.86 – Total Expenses
\$ 4,178.14 – Net Profit



This event was everyone's success! Overall we sold 172 tickets total and that's a very good turnout for a drive thru event. Next year in 2025, we hope to resume our sit down crab feed in the parish hall. Read?

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets.

Thank you to all our cooks, crew, and volunteers.

Thank you to all who made cash and supply donations.

Until we eat again!

Saint Clare Parish - Portuguese Council FUNDRAISER

Dinner: Goat Stew or Cod Fish
with side dishes & dessert

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM

Take out/Pick up: 4:00 – 5:30 PM

Music DJ: Deodato Constantino

Donation: \$40.00

Sanit Clare Parish Hall
(Next to the church)

Tickets Available at the Parish Office

725 Washington Street | Santa Clara, CA 95050

For more information: 650-420-9908 or 408-406-8676



SAINT CLARE YLI (YOUNG LADIES)

—RUMMAGE SALE—

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
SATURDAY, APRIL 13th

Sanit Clare Parish Hall
(Next to the church)



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then press 9

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Always Near

Loving Father,
you who answer when I call,
who continue to love me,
even when I fall,
you are ever present and merciful.
May I be a mirror of your promises.
Never let me stray too far
from your gaze.
May your hand never be far
from mine.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, March 17, 2024
Covenant of Love



Today's readings: Jeremiah 31:31–34; Psalm 51:3–4, 12–13, 14–15, (12a); Hebrews 5:7–9; John 12:20–33. On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, the readings begin by recalling the covenant God made with the chosen people. The Lord tells the prophet Jeremiah, “I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people.” In the covenant that God keeps with us today, he offers us eternal life. Jesus refers to that life in the Gospel reading, saying, “Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life.”

The first reading explains that all shall know God, for he “will forgive their evil-doing and remember their sin no more.” In the second cove-

nant, Jesus lays down his life for us on the cross, erasing our sins and reconciling us with God. The Letter to the Hebrews explains that Christ “became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.”

To obey God, to have a place for him in our hearts, we seek a pure heart, praying from Psalm 51, “Create a clean heart in me, O God.” In this psalm, we ask not only that our souls be cleansed of sin but for a steadfast and willing spirit. How will you carry this psalm with you through this week so that you can be true to the love God offers? How can this psalm turn you to God’s presence so that you might be a walking testimony of his love?

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.

Daily Readings



5th Sunday of Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Hebrews 5:7-9

John 12:20-33

Scrutiny: Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7,17,20-27,33b-45

Monday

Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or

13:41c-62

John 8:1-11

Tuesday

2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a or

Luke 2:41-51a

Wednesday

Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95

John 8:31-42

Thursday

Genesis 17:3-9

John 8:51-59

Friday

Jerimiah 20:10-13

John 10:31-42

Saturday

Ezekiel 37:21-28

John 11:45-56

Next Sunday (Palm Sunday)

Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16

Isaiah 50:4-7

Philippians 2:6-11

Mark 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-3

Stewardship Report

Sunday Collection:
March 9th & 10th

Goal: \$9,000.00

Actual: \$10,889.50

Catholic Relief Services: \$2,670.00

Thank you!

Mass Intentions

March 16th - 23rd, 2024

Sat	5:00 pm	Josephine & Carmen Lembo †
Sun	7:30 am	Saint Clare Parishioners
	9:00 am	Constantina Silva †
		Zulmira Goulart Lourenco †
		Andre Sardinha †
		Maria Lucia Cardosa †
		Dora de Oliveira †
		Ernesto Gonsalves †
		Maria G. Amaral †
		Vidalia Gaspar Silva †
		Alberto Sanches †
		Maria Mello †
		Mary Arias †
		Jose Mendonça †
		Souls in Purgatory
		Thanksgiving - Saints Patrick & Anthony
	10:30 am	Rogelio Abragan †
	12:00 pm	Ana Victoria Jaramillo †
		Ida López - Health
		Alicia Suárez - Health
Mon	9:00 am	The Bautista Family
Tues	8:00 am	David Vincent Feliciano †
Wed	8:00 am	Marciano Balce de Valez †
Thu	8:00 am	SCU Jesuit Community
Fri	8:00 am	Maria Adelina & Jose Furtado Pereira, Sr. †
Sat	8:00 am	Living & deceased members of the Irmandade Family





PARISH COMMUNITY

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Boletim Paroquial Português

17 de Março de 2024 – Domingo V da Quaresma -B

Reflexão Por: João Pereira Arruda

Estamos a celebrar neste Quinto Domingo da Quaresma o penúltimo Domingo da nossa preparação para a Festa da Páscoa. As leituras que iremos escutar nos convidam a meditar sobre o tema da aliança. As propriedades do sacramento matrimonial que a Santa Igreja nos ensina são: unidade e indissolubilidade. O sacramento matrimonial é a celebração e o compromisso de amor entre um homem e uma mulher, com o objectivo de estarem unidos e formarem família cristã. No Antigo Testamento, Deus fez uma Aliança com o seu povo. Esta aliança expressa que Des será sempre fiel a seu povo e vice-versa. No Novo Testamento, a Aliança se realiza em Cristo com a sua Igreja. Concede aos esposos a graça de se amarem com o mesmo amor com que Cristo amou a sua Igreja. A graça do Sacramento leva à perfeição o amor humano dos esposos, consolida sua unidade indissolúvel tal como o que Deus uniu o homem não separa. Aqui a palavra Testamento, significa acordo, aliança, pacto ou promessa. O Antigo Testamento no apresenta tr alianças que Deus fez com a humanidade: a Aliança que Deus fez com Abraão, com Noé e com Moisés. Na Segunda Leitura S. Paulo nos apresenta Jesus Cristo, o Sumo Sacerdote da Nova Aliança. Com um coração transformado, o homem é capaz de: pensar, decidir e agir segundo os esquemas e instruções de Deus, no qual é necessário ser fiel a esta nova aliança, em obediência aos mandamentos, no respeito às leis, e no amor a Deus. Daí resulta um relacionamento pessoal de proximidade, de intimidade, precisamente, um relacionamento de maneira mais familiar. Deus anuncia o perdão pelas faltas do seu povo, um perdão total e sem reservas. Este é um dos resultados deste novo relacionamento que será estabelecido entre Deus e seu povo.. Antes de morrer, Jesus instituiu um memorial desta Nova Aliança com seus discípulos na última ceia, que é a Eucaristia. Nmais pelo sangue de um cordeiro ou de um bode mas o do próprio Filho de Deus. Assim, sempre ouvimos as palavras repetidas pelo sacerdote na hora da consagração ‘tomai e bebei este é o cálice de Meu sangue, o sangue da nova e eterna aliança’; professamos a nossa fidelidade à Nova Aliança de Deus conosco.

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. Nesta altura da campanha foram colhidas promessas no valor de \$145,572.00. Monsenhor Cília agradece.*
- 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 Inglês e Espanhol.*
- 6. Romaria Quaresmal, A Irmandade Familiar do Espírito Santo levará a efeito uma romaria ao estilo micalense, fazendo oração nas igrejas da cidade de Santa Clara no próximo Sábado dia 23 de Março. Todos são convidados a participar.*

Um Santo e Alegre Domingo para todos!!!

De Monseñor Fran Cilia

En “Señor, nos gustaría ver a Jesús” fue el pedido que le hicieron a Felipe.

Esta misma petición ha sido hecha durante dos milenios, tanto por investigadores como por creyentes. Es a la vez el primer paso hacia la fe y la profundización de la fe en aquellos que ya comparten ese don.

En el relato del Evangelio de este domingo, Jesús responde a quienes quieren verlo con la cruda realidad de su destino: “Si el grano de trigo no cae en la tierra y muere, queda solo un grano; pero si muere, produce mucho fruto”. Sin embargo, también está la advertencia y la invitación a los creyentes: “El que ama su vida, la perderá, y el que aborrece su vida en este mundo, para vida eterna la conservará. El que me sirve debe seguirme, y donde yo esté, allí también estará mi siervo”.

Cuanto más conocemos a Jesús, más real es el desafío de unirnos a Él en “perder” la vida para poder “preservarla” para la vida eterna. Estas dos últimas semanas de Cuaresma nos invitan a renovarnos como discípulos del Señor; que nuestra solemne conmemoración de Su muerte y resurrección profundice nuestra participación en el misterio del amor que Dios tiene por nosotros, el mismo amor que tenemos el privilegio de tener unos por otros.

Tercer Escrutinio

Celebramos el Tercer Escrutinio (examen penitencial) con nuestros Elegidos en la Misa de las 5:00 pm este sábado. Las lecturas de esa Misa difieren de las demás. La lectura del Evangelio (Juan 11) cuenta la historia de Lázaro, el amigo de Jesús a quien el Señor resucitó de entre los muertos. Este es el tercero de los grandes temas bautismales que escuchamos estos tres domingos. Hace dos semanas, Jesús se reveló a la mujer samaritana junto al pozo como “Agua Viva”. El domingo pasado escuchamos en la Misa de las 10:30 la historia del hombre que nació ciego mientras celebramos a Jesús como la Luz del mundo y Luz de nuestras vidas. Estos tres temas bautismales (agua, luz y vida) ayudan a preparar a nuestros Elegidos para los Sacramentos Pascuales. La invitación se extiende también a nosotros, que ya estamos bautizados, a profundizar nuestra participación en estos mismos dones que nos ha dado el Señor, a profundizar nuestra participación en su vida.

Flores de Pascua para la Iglesia y el Altar de Reposo

Una vez más, lo invitamos a ayudar a preparar la iglesia para la Pascua trayendo lirios de Pascua y otras plantas con flores de primavera (como azaleas, etc.) para nuestras celebraciones de Pascua y toda la temporada de Pascua, que finaliza el 19 de mayo.

También damos la bienvenida a Cala Lilies para decorar el Altar del Reposo en la carpa, después de la Misa Vespertina de la Cena del Señor del Jueves Santo. ¿Quizás tengas algo creciendo en tu jardín? Le agradeceríamos que pudiera compartirlos con la parroquia.



Informe n.º 6 - Campaña Anual Diocesana

Gracias a muchos de nuestros feligreses, continuamos avanzando hacia nuestra meta de \$175,000. A partir de jueves, hemos recibido 216 promesas y obsequios, por un total de \$145,572. Todavía nos quedan \$29,428 para alcanzar nuestra meta. La buena noticia es que hemos superado con creces nuestra meta diocesana asignada de \$98,700 y que todo lo que recaudemos ahora regresará a Saint Clare para ayudar a equilibrar nuestro presupuesto ante gastos inesperados y pérdida de ingresos por alquiler, aproximadamente \$6500 por mes.



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

Consejos para el Cuidado de la Creación

El 22 de marzo es el Día Mundial del Agua. El hogar promedio en los Estados Unidos usa más de 333 galones de agua al día, el 70 por ciento para uso interior. Esta semana, disminuye tu consumo de agua. Reduce la duración de tu ducha. Riega las plantas del interior con agua de lluvia recolectada. Si es posible, utiliza un lavavajillas y minimiza el enjuague/lavado a mano. No laves la ropa con más frecuencia de la necesaria y lava una carga de lavado completa en lugar de usar media carga. Si hay una llave de agua que gotea en tu casa, llama a un plomero o tómate un tiempo para reparar la pérdida de agua esta semana.



Este jueves

Padre Víctor y Mons. Fran estará fuera de la oficina el jueves por la tarde para que puedan participar en el Día de Oración previo a la Misa Crismal. Gracias por su comprensión.

ENVÍO DE SEMANA SANTA, TRIDUO Y PASCUA

Si todo va según lo planeado, nuestro correo de Pascua estará en sus manos cuando lea esto. Copias adicionales están disponibles en inglés y español en el vestíbulo de la iglesia. Realmente esperamos que pueda celebrar nuestros “días santos” con el resto de nuestra parroquia. Traiga a sus familiares y amigos. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

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. Este fin de semana, celebraremos el Tercer Escrutinio en la Misa de Vigilia del Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma a las 5:00 pm, escuchando lecturas de las Escrituras que resaltan la resurrección de Lázaro (Juan 11).

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.

Celebraremos el **Vía Crucis** bilingüe (inglés y español) este viernes por la tarde a las 7:00 pm. Esta será nuestra última celebración de este tipo en esta Cuaresma.

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

El próximo Sábado 23 de marzo a las 3:00 pm
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Las confesiones estarán disponibles en inglés, español, portugués y varios idiomas más.

Si ha estado llenando sus **Platos de Arroz de Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**, le pedimos que los traiga a Misa el próximo fin de semana, mientras celebramos el Domingo de Ramos.



MISAS DEL DOMINGO DE RAMOS



Si el clima lo permite, nuestras Misas del Domingo de Ramos comenzarán en el área de la Gruta, donde distribuiremos y bendeciremos las palmas. A menos que no puedas hacerlo por problemas de movilidad, pedimos a todos que se reúnan en la Gruta. Las Misas comenzarán puntualmente, para no impedir las siguientes Misas.



COLECTA PONTIFICIAL del VIERNES SANTO

El Papa Francisco ha pedido a nuestra parroquia que apoye la Colecta Pontificia del Viernes Santo, que ayuda a los cristianos en Tierra Santa. Su apoyo ayuda a la iglesia a ministrar en las parroquias, proporcionar escuelas católicas y ofrecer educación religiosa. La Colecta Pontificia del Viernes Santo ayuda a preservar los santuarios sagrados.

La pandemia afectó especialmente a los cristianos de Tierra Santa. La mayoría de ellos dependen de las peregrinaciones para trabajar. En estos tiempos de crisis, la Colecta Pontificia del Viernes Santo es también necesaria para satisfacer las necesidades básicas del pueblo de Dios que aún vive en esta tierra donde nació la Iglesia.

Cuando contribuyes a la Colecta Pontificia del Viernes Santo, te conviertes en un instrumento de paz y te unes a los católicos de todo el mundo en solidaridad con la Iglesia en Tierra Santa.

QUINTO DOMINGO de CUARESMA



Siempre cerca

Padre amoroso,
tú que respondes mi llamado,
que sigues amándome,
aun cuando caigo,
siempre presente y piadoso.
Haz que sea espejo de tus promesas.
No dejas que me aleje demasiado
de tu mirar.
Que tu mano jamás se aleje de la mía.
Por Cristo nuestro Señor. Amén.

Domingo, 17 de marzo de 2024
Alianza de amor



Lecturas del día: Jeremías 31:31–34; Salmo 51:3–4, 12–13, 14–15, (12a); Hebreos 5:7–9; Juan 12:20–33. En este Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma, las lecturas empiezan evocando la alianza que Dios hizo con el pueblo elegido. El Señor dice al profeta Jeremías, “Meteré mi Ley en su pecho, la escribiré en su corazón, yo seré su Dios y ellos serán mi pueblo”. Con la alianza que Dios mantiene hoy con nosotros él nos ofrece vida eterna. Jesús se refiere a esa vida en la lectura del evangelio al decir: “El que se aferra a la vida la pierde, el que desprecia la vida en este mundo la conserva para una vida eterna”.

La primera lectura explica que conocerán a Dios, pues él perdonará las culpas y olvidará los pecados. En la segunda alianza, Jesús da su vida en la cruz por nos-

otros, por lo cual borra nuestros pecados y nos reconcilia con Dios. La Carta a los Hebreos explica que Cristo “llegó a ser para cuantos le obedecen causa de salvación eterna”.

Para obedecer a Dios, para hacerle un lugar en el corazón, hay que desear tener un corazón limpio, como nos indica el Salmo 51: “Crea en mí, oh Dios, un corazón puro”. En este salmo, además de pedir que nos limpie el alma de pecado, también pedimos un espíritu firme y listo. Esta semana, ¿cómo cumplirá usted este salmo de modo que le sea fiel al amor que Dios ofrece? ¿De qué forma este salmo lo llevará ante la presencia de Dios de modo que usted sea un testimonio andante del amor de él?

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