

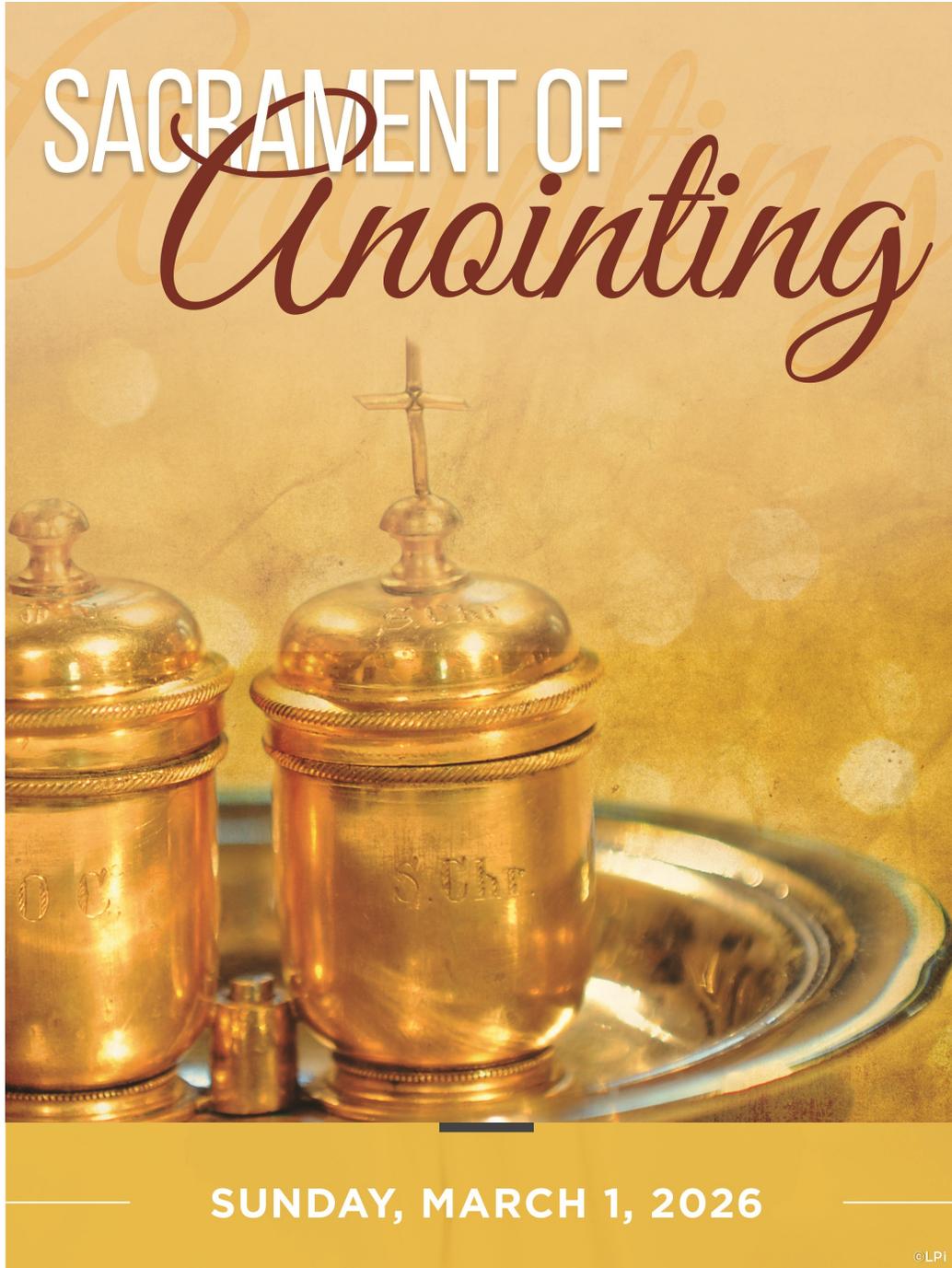


PARISH COMMUNITY  
Santa Clara, California

*The Second Sunday of  
Lent*

*March 1, 2026*

*Segundo Domingo de  
Cuaresma*



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## **Saint Clare Parish Has Been Named a Pilgrimage Site during the Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi**

*[The following is adapted from the Diocese of Raleigh, North Carolina]*

Pope Leo XIV has announced a special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis, running from January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027. This proclamation comes as the world prepares to honor the 800th anniversary of the passing of Saint Francis of Assisi (October 3, 1226) and brings renewed attention to this “Little Poor Man – *Il Poverello*” whose message of peace and simplicity still speaks powerfully today.

This special year invites us all to discern the grace of the indulgence associated with the Jubilee. It is an opportunity to learn more about Saint Francis and understand why, even after 800 years, he remains one of the Church’s most beloved saints.

*“The Eucharistic Prayers for Various Needs talk about the hope of our earthly pilgrimage leading to an eternal dwelling, . . . Franciscans celebrate the death of Saint Francis (of which this is the 800th anniversary) as his Transitus, that is, passing from earthly life into eternal life. Perhaps a specific pilgrimage can be a chance to reflect on how we might live our entire lives as a journey to the ultimate encounter with God.”*

### **How to Share in the Graces of the Jubilee Year**

Along with this celebration, the Vatican is offering a plenary indulgence—not as a “spiritual shortcut,” but as a heartfelt invitation to come home to God’s mercy.

The path to the indulgence follows the traditional steps of confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the Pope’s intentions.

However, the heart of this Jubilee lies in Franciscan action. The Vatican encourages the faithful to:

- Visit Franciscan churches on pilgrimage. Parishes in the Diocese of San José that have a Franciscan heritage or presence include Saint Francis of Assisi Parish in San José, Our Lady of the Assumption Croatian Mission in San José (served by Croatian Franciscans) and Saint Clare Parish in Santa Clara (owing to the close spiritual relationship between Saint Clare and Saint Francis).
- Spend time in quiet meditation on Franciscan Spirituality.
- Practice “concrete acts” of charity, humility, and simplicity.

In a recent conversation with Vatican Media, Bishop Krzysztof Nykiel, Regent of the Apostolic Penitentiary, was careful to clear up common misconceptions. He explained that an indulgence is not a “vending machine for grace” or a religious transaction. Instead, it is meant to be a genuine, personal encounter with God. “The Year of Saint Francis should not just be about ‘special effects’ or big events,” Bishop Nykiel shared. Instead, he hopes the year marks a “quiet journey from excitement to maturity—moving from big celebrations to the simple, daily imitation of Francis’s life.”

### **Why Saint Francis Still Matters**

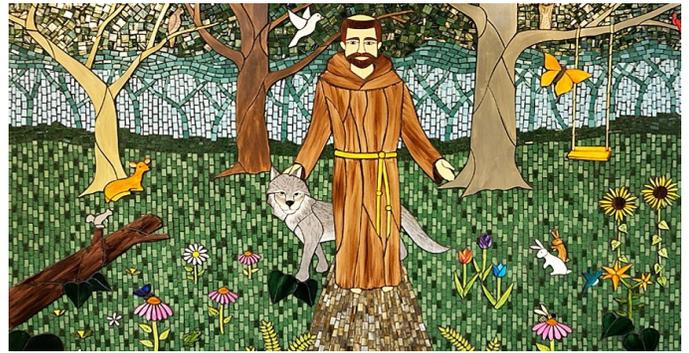
“In a world still scarred by war, poverty, and the marginalization of the vulnerable, this Jubilee Year invites us to honor Saint Francis by embracing his spirit of compassion and service,” said Ellen Ferrone, OFS, Regional Minister, Brothers and Sisters of Saint Francis. “We are called to look beyond ourselves and become instruments of peace and hope for others.”

We thank Bishop Cantú for extending this honor and privilege to our parish.

## La Parroquia Santa Clara ha sido designada como sitio de peregrinación durante el Año Jubilar de San Francisco de Asís

*El mosaico de San Francis y el lobo de Gubbio, realizado por el artista de Raleigh Luke Vandergriff, en la Diócesis de Raleigh, Carolina del Norte.*

*[Lo siguiente es una adaptación de la Diócesis de Raleigh, Carolina del Norte]*



El Papa León XIV ha anunciado un Año Jubilar especial de San Francisco, que se celebrará del 10 de enero de 2026 al 10 de enero de 2027. Esta proclamación llega mientras el mundo se prepara para conmemorar el 800.º aniversario del fallecimiento de San Francisco de Asís (3 de octubre de 1226) y renueva la atención sobre este “Pobrecillo — Il Poverello”, cuyo mensaje de paz y sencillez sigue resonando con fuerza hoy en día.

Este año especial nos invita a todos a discernir la gracia de la indulgencia asociada con el Jubileo. Es una oportunidad para conocer más profundamente a San Francisco y comprender por qué, incluso después de 800 años, sigue siendo uno de los santos más amados de la Iglesia.

“Las Plegarias Eucarísticas para diversas necesidades hablan de la esperanza de que nuestra peregrinación terrena nos conduzca a una morada eterna... Los franciscanos celebran la muerte de San Francisco (cuyo 800.º aniversario conmemoramos) como su Transitus, es decir, su paso de la vida terrena a la vida eterna. Tal vez una peregrinación concreta pueda ser una ocasión para reflexionar sobre cómo podemos vivir toda nuestra vida como un camino hacia el encuentro definitivo con Dios.”

### **Cómo compartir las gracias del Año Jubilar**

Junto con esta celebración, el Vaticano ofrece una indulgencia plenaria, no como un “atajo espiritual”, sino como una invitación sincera a volver al hogar de la misericordia de Dios.

El camino para obtener la indulgencia sigue los pasos tradicionales: confesión sacramental, Sagrada Comunión y oración por las intenciones del Papa.

Sin embargo, el corazón de este Jubileo se encuentra en la acción franciscana. El Vaticano anima a los fieles a:

- Visitar iglesias franciscanas en peregrinación. Las parroquias en la Diócesis de San José con herencia o presencia franciscana incluyen la Parroquia San Francisco de Asís en San José, la Misión Croata Nuestra Señora de la Asunción en San José (atendida por franciscanos croatas) y la Parroquia Santa Clara en Santa Clara (debido a la estrecha relación espiritual entre Santa Clara de Asís y San Francisco).
- Dedicar tiempo a la meditación en silencio sobre la espiritualidad franciscana.
- Practicar “actos concretos” de caridad, humildad y sencillez.

En una reciente conversación con Vatican Media, el obispo Krzysztof Nykiel, Regente de la Penitenciaría Apostólica, aclaró algunos conceptos erróneos comunes. Explicó que una indulgencia no es una “máquina expendedora de gracia” ni una transacción religiosa. Más bien, está destinada a ser un encuentro genuino y personal con Dios.

“El Año de San Francisco no debería centrarse solo en ‘efectos especiales’ o grandes eventos”, compartió el obispo Nykiel. Más bien, espera que este año marque “un camino silencioso del entusiasmo a la madurez—pasando de grandes celebraciones a la sencilla imitación diaria de la vida de Francisco”.

### **Por qué San Francisco sigue siendo relevante**

“En un mundo aún marcado por la guerra, la pobreza y la marginación de los más vulnerables, este Año Jubilar nos invita a honrar a San Francisco abrazando su espíritu de compasión y servicio”, dijo Ellen Ferrone, OFS, Ministra Regional de los Hermanos y Hermanas de San Francisco. “Estamos llamados a mirar más allá de nosotros mismos y convertirnos en instrumentos de paz y esperanza para los demás.”

Agradecemos al obispo Cantú por extender este honor y privilegio a nuestra parroquia.

## From Monsignor Fran

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The Transfiguration of Jesus offered the Lord encouragement as He faced the inevitability of His coming Passion and Death. It was a foretaste of the glory to come.

As it offered Jesus hope, so we are called to the same hope, most especially in the dark days, those times when we experience weakness that comes with illness and advanced age.

God promised Abram and Sarai that, though childless, they would be transformed into “a great nation.” In the same way, the Lord can change our despair to hope.

As we celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at Mass this weekend, we pray for healing that is truly transformative, in body or spirit, or even in both. The Anointing is an antidote to the isolation experienced by the ill: In the Lord, as members of His Body and of the Church, we are never alone. We support one another in prayer.

May this “holy anointing” assure the ill and elderly of the abiding presence of the Lord in their lives.

## Soup and Stations

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Our first **Soup and Stations** was a great success. Bring a meatless soup to share, along with bowls and utensils for your family, beginning at 6:00 this Friday and until the Friday before Palm Sunday. The parish supplies bread, butter, water and juice. In the Small Hall.

We celebrate the Way of the Cross (“Stations”) at 7:00 in the church. This prayer is bilingual (English and Spanish).

On the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent, the Church celebrates penitential rites, known as Scrutinies, with the Elect, who are preparing for Baptism Confirmation and Eucharist.

## Preparing the Elect for the Sacraments of Initiation

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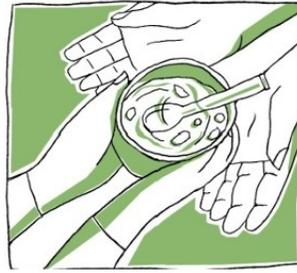
The Scrutinies help to prepare the Elect, during the time of formation known as the Period of Purification and Enlightenment, in the weeks prior to Easter. This is a more intense time of examination and preparation for the Elect, and hopefully, also, for those of us already living the Catholic faith. Though they are meant for the Elect, the Scrutinies can help all who are seeking to live a life of continuous conversion.

The purpose of the Scrutinies is “to reveal what is weak, sick, and sinful. . .so that they can be healed” and “[to reveal] what is honorable, strong and holy, so that it can be strengthened.” (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, paragraph 141).

All three of the Scrutinies will be celebrated at the 5:00 Mass on the next three Saturday evenings, March 7, 14 and 21.

## Weekly Creative Care Tips

During the Lenten season, we traditionally focus on three aspects of our faith: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Consider how these could be oriented toward care for creation. Pray for those impacted by pollution, drought, and other negative impacts on the environment. Fast from some behaviors that contribute to these kinds of impacts. Give alms to an organization that works for the care of the environment or serves those in need because of environmental changes.



## Weekly Justice Challenges

Sometimes we think about making big plans for Lenten sacrificing, only to fall behind with work, family, and other responsibilities. We find ourselves in the Second Week of Lent with no commitment to better prayer lives, doing good deeds, or practicing acts of self-denial. But it is never too late. Catholic Relief Services offers a great resource to parishes and families for praying, fasting and charitable giving—all in one simple project. What is so great about this project, known as Operation Rice Bowl (ORB), is that it makes all the right connections. When you put the money you would have spent on a CD or that mocha latte you crave into your Rice Bowl box, you participate in Jesus' sacrifice. CRS provides prayers to accompany your giving. And it uses the money you would have spent on yourself to help people in need across the world. Participating in ORB is an act of solidarity—standing with your brothers and sisters as one human family. Your challenge this week is to adopt Operation Rice Bowl (go to CRSR iceBowl.org if you parish doesn't do ORB). Give up the extra energy drink, candy bar, movie, or trip to the mall. Put the money in your Rice Bowl, knowing it will be sent to CRS. You will be walking with Jesus while making a difference in the lives of others.



## Youth Ministry



Jun 8- 12 Save the Date! Diocesan Youth Retreat! Calling all high school youth for five days, in the beautiful setting of South Lake Tahoe, the teens from incoming 9th graders to graduated 12th graders! Join us this summer for our Diocesan Youth Retreat, where we'll grow in faith, build lasting friendships, and encounter Christ in a powerful way in one of the most beautiful locations Zephyr Cove | South Lake Tahoe! Visit [www.dsj.org/DYR](http://www.dsj.org/DYR). Registration Opens March 7, 2026 at 10:00AM.



## 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)*

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## Message of Pope Leo XIV For The 34th World Day Of the Sick 2026

(Continued)

3. *Always driven by love for God, to encounter ourselves and our neighbor*

In the double commandment, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself” ( *Lk* 10:27), we recognize the primacy of love for God and its direct consequences for every dimension of human love and relationship. “Love for our neighbor is tangible proof of the authenticity of our love for God, as the Apostle John attests: ‘No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us... God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them’ ( *1 Jn* 4:12, 16).” Although the object of this love differs – God, neighbor and oneself – and can be understood as distinct expressions of love, they remain fundamentally inseparable. The primacy of divine love implies that human action is carried out not for self-interest or reward, but as a manifestation of a love that transcends ritual norms and find expression in authentic worship. To serve one’s neighbor is to love God through deeds.

This perspective also allows us to grasp the true meaning of loving ourselves. It means setting aside any attempt to base our self-esteem or sense of dignity on worldly stereotypes – such as success, career, status or family background – and recovering our proper place before God and neighbor. Benedict XVI observed, “as a spiritual being, the human creature is defined through interpersonal relations. The more authentically he or she lives these relations, the more his or her own personal identity matures. It is not by isolation that man establishes his worth, but by placing himself in relation with others and with God.”

Dear brothers and sisters, “the true remedy for humanity’s wounds is a style of life based on fraternal love, which has its root in love of God.” I genuinely hope that our Christian lifestyle will always reflect this fraternal, “Samaritan” spirit – one that is welcoming, courageous, committed and supportive, rooted in our union with God and our faith in Jesus Christ. Enkindled by this divine love, we will surely be able to give of ourselves for the good of all who suffer, especially our brothers and sisters who are sick, elderly or afflicted.

Let us raise our prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Health of the Sick, asking her to assist all who suffer and are in need of compassion, consolation and a listening ear. Let us seek her intercession with this ancient prayer, that has been invoked in families for those living with illness and pain:

Sweet Mother, do not part from me.  
Turn not your eyes away from me.  
Walk with me at every moment  
and never leave me alone.  
You who always protect me  
as a true Mother,  
obtain for me the blessing of the Father,  
Son and Holy Spirit.

I cordially impart my Apostolic Blessing to all who are sick, to their families and to those who care for them – healthcare workers and pastoral workers alike – and in a special way to all participating in this World Day of the Sick.

- LEO PP. XIV



**Boletim Paroquial Português**  
**1 de março de 2026 – II Domingo da Quaresma**  
**Reflexão por: João Pereira Arruda**

A caminhada do Tempo Quaresmal, depois de Jesus nos demonstrar como vencer as tentações, revela-nos a Sua divindade na Sua Transfiguração. A Transfiguração de Jesus Cristo mostra-nos que vale a pena fazer a vontade do Pai, mesmo na dor e na humilhação. Para Cristo e para nós, a Transfiguração é o prenúncio de que o triunfo nasce da Cruz.

Já Abraão havia deixado um legado de vida de obediência total a Deus, e o próprio Deus o premiou com uma terra e uma numerosa descendência, iniciada já na sua velhice. Nem sempre é fácil fazer a vontade de Deus, mas aquilo que se alcança é imensamente superior aos resultados que advêm de resistir ou de não cumprir a vontade do Pai.

Recordamos também o caso do profeta Jonas, que, recusando pregar em Nínive, foi lançado ao mar durante uma grande tempestade e, engolido por um grande peixe, acabou por ser lançado na terra onde deveria ter ido anunciar a Palavra de Deus.

Não foi fácil para Abraão sair da sua terra e dirigir-se para um lugar desconhecido; porém, a sua fé alimentava a confiança total em obedecer e seguir a vontade de Deus. Para Jesus também não foi fácil sofrer uma morte ignominiosa na cruz, no meio de dois condenados. Mas foi precisamente por essa morte na Cruz que veio a salvação da Humanidade e a redenção do pecado.

**Na sua carta a Timóteo, São Paulo diz-nos:**

“A graça que nos foi dada por Deus em Jesus Cristo, desde toda a eternidade, manifestou-se agora pela aparição de Cristo Jesus, nosso Salvador, que destruiu a morte e fez brilhar a vida e a imortalidade por meio do Evangelho.”

Assim caminhamos neste Tempo Quaresmal, no qual a Igreja nos sugere e oferece meios para intensificarmos a oração, a penitência e a caridade.

**Avisos Paroquiais - Tempo da Quaresma:**

A nossa paróquia está a oferecer os “livros pretos”, nas versões em inglês e espanhol. Estes ajudam-nos a rezar melhor e convidam-nos à meditação durante todo o tempo quaresmal. Também estarão à disposição os cartões das “Tigelas de Arroz”. Estas servem para recolher os sacrifícios feitos durante a Quaresma: a quantia que seria utilizada numa refeição mais elaborada pode ser substituída por uma mais simples, e a diferença será colocada na tigela. No boletim paroquial serão Publicadas as datas para a Celebração Penitencial.

**Via-Sacra às sextas-feiras:**

Todas as sextas-feiras, o nosso programa quaresmal começa às 18h00 com uma refeição simples de sopa; em seguida, às 19h00, realiza-se a devoção da Via-Sacra na igreja. Outros programas e atividades serão anunciados oportunamente.

**Igreja Nacional Portuguesa das Cinco Chagas:**

Está a organizar um retiro espiritual sob o tema:

“O Coração de Jesus na Mensagem da Virgem de Fátima e o apelo à conversão.”  
O retiro será realizado em duas localidades, com início na sexta-feira, dia 13 de março, e término no domingo, dia 15.

Manuel Madruga tem os formulários de inscrição e todas as informações para quem desejar participar nesta oportunidade de retiro neste tempo da Quaresma.

**Convívio do Café:**

Após esta Missa, teremos o convívio do café no salão pequeno.

**Grupo do Terço:**

Na próxima sexta-feira, dia 6, o grupo do Terço reunir-se-á às 18h00 na capela da reitoria. Todos são convidados a participar.

**Jantar de Cabrito ou Bacalhau:**

Marquem na vossa agenda o sábado, dia 11 de abril, para participar numa atividade de angariação de fundos promovida pelo Conselho Paroquial: um jantar de cabrito ou bacalhau. Mais detalhes serão divulgados em breve.

**Um santo e alegre domingo para todos!**



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## Parish Mission Statement

*Tracing its roots to the founding of Mission Santa Clara 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*

### Mass Intentions

**February 28 - March 7, 2026**

- Sat** 5:00 pm Saint Clare Parishioners
- Sun** 7:30 am Madeline Borges †
- 9:00 am João Silva †  
Deolinda A. Rodrigues †  
Maria Antonieta Cabral †  
Antonio Machado †  
Zita F. Silveira †  
Carlos e Rosa Machado †  
Bernadete Oliveira †  
Amelia Oliveira †  
Trinidad de Jesus †  
Honorio V. Borba †  
Jose Manuel S. Escobar †  
Manuel Santos †  
Julio Silva Jr. †  
Tony Elias †  
Veriato Vidal †
- 10:30 am Joe Sebastian †
- 12:00 pm Urbano Amaya †  
Tomas Perez †  
Humberto Guzman Martinez †  
Senen Giraldo Herrera †  
Ida López - Salud
- Mon** 9:00 am Jan Asensi - Health
- Tues** 8:00 am Jim Pacelli †
- Wed** 8:00 am Tony and Mimi Avelar - Special Intention
- Thu** 8:00 am Birdie Pacelli - Special Intention
- Fri** 8:00 am Maria Simas Mello †
- Sat** 8:00 am Mary Anne Dunn †



## Stewardship Report

### Collection:

**February 21st and 22nd**

**Goal: \$10,400.00**

**Actual: \$7,855.93**

**Central & Eastern Europe: \$2,611**

**Black & Indian Missions: \$1,053**

**Thank You**

### SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Scan one of the QR codes for direct and safe way to donate.



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

## Daily Mass Readings



### Sunday:

Genesis 12:1-4a / Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 /  
2 Timothy 1:8b-10 or / Matthew 17:1-9

### Monday:

Daniel 9:4b-10 / Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 /  
Luke 6:36-38

### Tuesday:

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20 / Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 /  
Matthew 23:1-12

### Wednesday:

Jeremiah 18:18-20 / Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 /  
Matthew 20:17-28

### Thursday:

Jeremiah 17:5-10 / Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 /  
Luke 16:19-31

### Friday:

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28 /  
Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 / Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

### Saturday:

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20 / Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 /  
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

### Next Sunday:

Exodus 17:3-7 / Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 / Romans 5:1-2,  
5-8 / John 4:5-42 (or John 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42)



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# CRAB FEED

**DONATIONS BENEFIT SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE!**

**March 14, 2026 | Doors Open 5:00 PM | Dinner Served 6:30 PM**

**Located in St. Clare Parish Hall (810 Lafayette Street, Santa Clara, CA)**

**Cost: \$100 per person**

*We're Now Accepting*  
**RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS!**

Help us by donating raffle items!

Email Michael Adams at [MJAdams99ND@gmail.com](mailto:MJAdams99ND@gmail.com) with questions or to see what items are eligible!

All you can eat crab

Served with pasta, salad, garlic bread, & dessert

Wine & beverages included

Cash bar available

Raffle & Silent Auction!

Purchase tickets online or at the school office



Questions? Email Michael Adams, Grand Knight at [MJAdams99ND@gmail.com](mailto:MJAdams99ND@gmail.com) or the school at [giuseppi.tanzi@dsj.org](mailto:giuseppi.tanzi@dsj.org)

Santa Clara Women's League presents

# SHOWTIME

an old fashioned melodrama entitled

## The Dastardly Disaster

**Fri. Mar. 6 • 7pm**  
(doors open at 5:30pm)

**Sat. Mar. 7 • 7pm**  
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## De Monseñor Fran

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La Transfiguración de Jesús ofreció al Señor ánimo al enfrentar la inevitabilidad de su próxima Pasión y Muerte. Fue un anticipo de la gloria que había de venir.

Así como le ofreció esperanza a Jesús, también nosotros estamos llamados a esa misma esperanza, especialmente en los días oscuros — esos momentos en que experimentamos la debilidad que llega con la enfermedad y la edad avanzada.

Dios prometió a Abram y a Sarai que, aunque no tenían hijos, serían transformados en “una gran nación”. De la misma manera, el Señor puede transformar nuestra desesperación en esperanza.

Al celebrar este fin de semana el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos en la Misa, pedimos una sanación verdaderamente transformadora — en el cuerpo, en el espíritu o incluso en ambos. La Unción es un antídoto contra el aislamiento que experimentan los enfermos: en el Señor, como miembros de su Cuerpo y de la Iglesia, nunca estamos solos. Nos sostenemos unos a otros con la oración.

Que esta “santa unción” asegure a los enfermos y a los ancianos la presencia constante del Señor en sus vidas.

## Vía Crucis y Sopa

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Nuestra primera Sopa y Estaciones fue un gran éxito. Les invitamos a traer una sopa sin carne para compartir, junto con platos y utensilios para su familia, comenzando a las 6:00 p.m. este viernes y continuando cada viernes hasta el viernes antes del Domingo de Ramos. La parroquia proveerá pan, mantequilla, agua y jugo. Nos reunimos en el Salón Pequeño.

Celebramos el Vía Crucis a las 7:00 p.m. en la iglesia. Esta oración es bilingüe (inglés y español).

En el Tercer, Cuarto y Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma, la Iglesia celebra los ritos penitenciales conocidos como los Escrutinios con los Elegidos, quienes se preparan para recibir el Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Eucaristía.

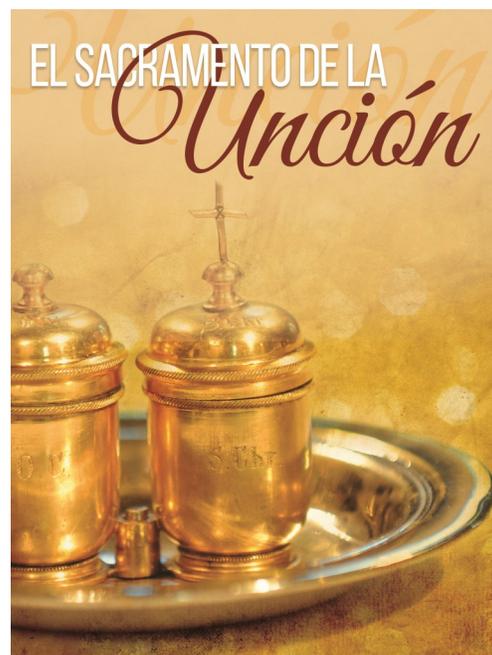
## Preparando a los Elegidos para los Sacramentos de Iniciación

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Los Escrutinios ayudan a preparar a los Elegidos durante este tiempo de formación conocido como el Período de Purificación e Iluminación, en las semanas previas a la Pascua. Este es un tiempo más intenso de examen y preparación para los Elegidos — y esperamos que también lo sea para quienes ya vivimos la fe católica. Aunque están dirigidos a los Elegidos, los Escrutinios pueden ayudarnos a todos los que buscamos vivir una conversión continua.

El propósito de los Escrutinios es “descubrir lo que es débil, enfermizo y pecaminoso... para que sea sanado” y “lo que es honorable, fuerte y santo, para que sea fortalecido” (*Orden de la Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos*, n. 141).

Los tres Escrutinios se celebrarán en la Misa de las 5:00 p.m. los próximos tres sábados por la tarde: 7, 14 y 21 de marzo.



## Desafíos semanales de justicia

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A veces pensamos en hacer grandes planes para la Cuaresma, sacrificándonos, solo para luego atrasarnos con el trabajo, la familia y otras responsabilidades. Nos encontramos en la Segunda Semana de Cuaresma sin un compromiso para mejorar nuestra vida de oración, hacer buenas obras o practicar actos de abnegación. Pero nunca es tarde. Catholic Relief Services (CRS por sus siglas en inglés, Servicios Católicos de Ayuda) ofrece un gran recurso a parroquias y a familias para orar, ayunar y hacer obras de caridad, todo en un solo proyecto sencillo. Lo mejor de este proyecto, conocido como Operación Plato de Arroz (OPA), es que establece las conexiones correctas. Cuando contribuyes con el dinero que habrías gastado en música o en ese café moca que tanto te gustaría y lo depositas en tu caja del Plato de Arroz, participas en el sacrificio de Jesús. CRS ofrece oraciones para acompañar tus donaciones. Ellos utilizan el dinero que habrías gastado en ti mismo para ayudar a personas necesitadas en todo el mundo. Participar en OPA es un acto de solidaridad: te unes a tus hermanos y hermanas como una sola familia humana. Tu desafío esta semana es adoptar la Operación Plato de Arroz (visita [CRSRiceBowl.org/es](http://CRSRiceBowl.org/es) si tu parroquia no participa en este proyecto). Renuncia a algo adicional que te agrada, ya sea la bebida energética, la barra de chocolate, la película o la visita al centro comercial. Deposita el dinero que estás dejando de gastar en tu Plato de Arroz, sabiendo que se en



## Cuidado de la Creación

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Durante la Cuaresma, tradicionalmente nos centramos en tres aspectos de nuestra fe: la oración, el ayuno y la limosna. Considera cómo estos aspectos podrían orientarse hacia el cuidado de la creación. Oremos por quienes se ven afectados por la contaminación, la sequía y otros impactos negativos del medio ambiente. Dejemos a un lado algunos comportamientos que contribuyen a este tipo de impactos. Haz una donación de dinero a una organización que trabaje por el cuidado del medio ambiente, o que ayude a los necesitados que se vean afectados por los cambios ambientales.



## Minestra De Jovenes

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¡8-12 de junio! ¡Aparta la fecha! ¡Retiro Juvenil Diocesano! Llamando a todos los jóvenes de secundaria para **cinco días** en el hermoso entorno de **South Lake Tahoe**, desde los adolescentes que ingresan a 9.º grado hasta los que ya se graduaron de 12.º grado.

¡Únete este verano a nuestro Retiro Juvenil Diocesano, donde creceremos en la fe, construiremos amistades duraderas y encontraremos a Cristo de manera poderosa en uno de los lugares más hermosos: Zephyr Cove | South Lake Tahoe!

Visita [www.dsj.org/DYR](http://www.dsj.org/DYR). Las inscripciones abren el 7 de marzo de 2026 a las 10:00 AM.



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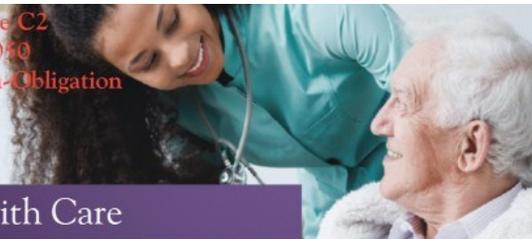
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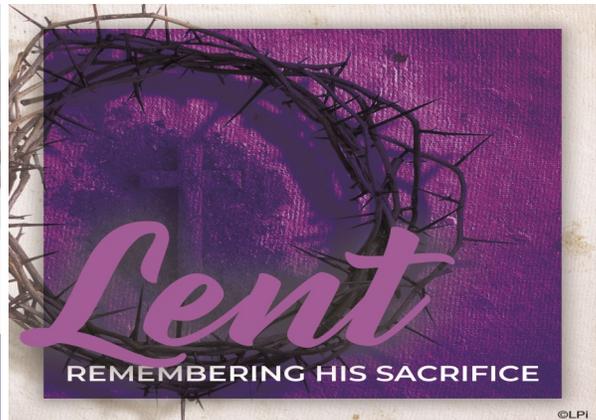
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## Welcome! ¡Bienvenido!

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

*Nuestra más cordial bienvenida a todos los que están celebrando con nosotros, ya sea que han estado por largo tiempo o estén recién llegados a la parroquia. Damos gracias a Dios por ustedes. Si aún no está registrado, por favor, llene este formulario y póngalo en la canasta de la coleta o mándelo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.*

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