

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 14, 2010



Congratulations to the following children who received the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this week. May they continue to grow through the grace of God's forgiving Love.

Adam Komjathy
Alexandria Ortiz
Allyson McCullagh
Amy Wurst
Andrea Pelayo
Andrew Chang
Angie Contreras
Anne Burns
Anthony Norkus
Azul Heck
Brianna Layseca
Camryn Steele
Cheyenne Garcia
Cheyenne Morrissey
Christina Keogh
Colin Carr-Carranceja
Coreen Santos
Daniel Dermody
Daniella Bueno
Daron Wee
David Januzik
Diana Sanchez
Diego Cisneros
Elise Bauer
Emma Savona

Erik Schirmeister-Perry
Gabriella Celi
Genova Cisneros
Isabella Doom
Isabella Figueroa
Jacob Cook
Jacqueline Ramirez
James Lee
Jared Garcia
Jayka Munsayac
Jennifer Wurst
Jesse Peraza
Jocelyn Rounds
Jonathon Killeen
Julia Lavarro
Julia Pearson
Karlie Vincer
Katherine Morrisroe
Katie Goldsmith
Kayla Garcia
Kevin McCollum
Kristen Schirmeister-Perry
Kylie Cook
Lainy Ann Dickson
Lara Rivera

Lauren Kosco
Leah Abramson
Leann Chua
Liesel Reyes
Matthew Regan
Max Nelson
Merin Padayatty
Michael Gonzalez
Mikaela Verador
Narineh Killeen
Nathan Heller
Nicholas Gaona
Nicholas Zamora
Nick Goldsmith
Nicole Johnson
Paisley Baldwin
Rae Lynn Toyon
Ricardo Sosa
Ronnie Velez
Samantha Moore
Sean Metz
Sierra Conroy
Sinead Martin
Sophie Garcia
Veronica Hunstable



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MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Eucharistic Adoration: First Fridays, after Daily Mass.—11:45 a.m.

Benediction at Noon

Holy Days: Please contact Parish Office

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Holy Days: Please contact the Parish Office

BAPTISMS: Please contact the Parish Office

BAPTISM CLASSES: Please contact the Parish Office

MARRIAGES: By appt., 6 months in advance. Please make arrangements directly with the Pastor.

Our Twinned Parish, St. James the Less is located at 4651 Dunsmore Ave., La Crescenta, CA 91214

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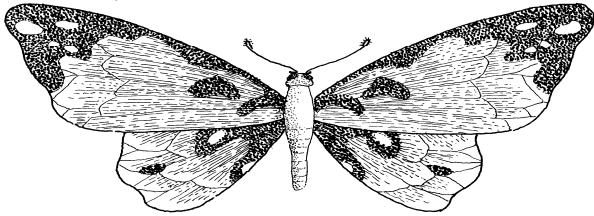
MASSES: Sat. Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Weekdays: T, Th, Sat. at 8:00 a.m.

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Whoever is in Christ is a new creation:
 The old things have passed away;
 Behold, new things have come.
 — 2 Corinthians 5:17

PARISH NEWS

LENTEN SOUP NIGHTS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS CONTINUE AT ST. JAMES
 Please join us at St. James the Less for the last two Fridays in Lent. Enjoy a simple **Lenten Meal 6:30-7:30 p.m.** in the parish hall, followed by Stations of the Cross at **7:30 p.m.** in the Church.

Schedule/Location:

Mar. 19th at St. James (Divine Mercy Prayer Group)
 Mar. 26th at St. James (Living Stations of the Cross)

Note: Stations of the Cross will also be hosted by HR School on the following days, and all are most welcome to attend:
 Wednesday, March 17
 Tuesday, March 23
 Wednesday, March 31

HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2010

Palm Sunday, March 28th

Palms will be blessed before each Mass
Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 1st

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30 p.m.
 at St. James the Less
 Followed by Compline (Night Prayer)
 Until 11:30 p.m.

Good Friday, April 2nd

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
 12nn and 7:30 p.m. at Holy Redeemer
 12nn and 7:30 p.m. at St. James the Less

Holy Saturday, April 3rd

Easter Vigil Service and Mass: 8:00 p.m.
 at Holy Redeemer

Easter Sunday, April 4th

Sunrise Service 6:00 a.m. (Location TBD)
 Mass: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
 at Holy Redeemer
 Mass: 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. at St. James the Less

HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday of Holy Week is a very precious day. This first day of the Paschal Triduum is called Holy Thursday. In certain diocese, especially in small diocese, the Chrism Mass is celebrated on Thursday morning at the Cathedral. This Mass is concelebrated by the Bishop and the local clergy as a sign of their unity in the priestly service of God's people. At this Mass, the Bishop and his priests renew their Ordination Commitment. The Bishop also blesses the oils that will be used for the year:

The Oil of Catechumans is used in the Sacrament of
 Baptism

The Oil of Chrism is used in the Sacrament of
 Confirmation

The Oil of the Sick is used in the Sacrament of the
 Anointing of the Sick

These Holy Oils are brought to the individual parishes for Sacramental use.

In our Archdiocese, the Mass of Chrism is usually transferred to an earlier day within Holy Week, so it is easier for the clergy and the people to assemble with the Cardinal during an evening celebration. This Mass will take place at the Cathedral of our Lady of the Angels, 555 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, on Monday, March 29th at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

The Easter Triduum begins with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. At this time the Holy Oils blessed by the Bishop are solemnly received by the celebrant. The evening Mass commemorates the Institution of the Holy Eucharist; the Institution of the ministerial priesthood, and the prayer of Christian charity, symbolized in the washing of the feet. At this solemn Mass, enough hosts are consecrated for the people's reception of Holy Communion for this Mass, and for Communion on Good Friday—when in honor of the death of Jesus, we do not celebrate Mass. At the conclusion of the evening Mass, the Blessed Sacrament is borne in procession to the Altar of Reposition for solemn adoration until 11:30 p.m.

On Holy Thursday, the Catholic communities of Holy Redeemer and St. James the Less are invited to assemble in prayer at 7:30 p.m. at St. James. As our two parishes are joined together, the Easter Vigil will be held only at Holy Redeemer, and the Mass of the Lord's Supper will be held only at St. James.

Although Holy Thursday is not a Holy Day of Obligation, if there is a day to attend Mass; this is the day—as we celebrate who we are, and we thank God for the gift of the Eucharist. As God's people, gathered in faith, we bring healing and unity to the Body of Christ, and in keeping with the "mandatum", the washing of the feet—we bring hope and compassion to our world searching for justice and peace.

OUR PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

What percentage of Catholic secondary school students graduate? How many go on to college?

A: 99% graduation rate, 97% go to college
Public School is an Entitlement.

Parochial School is a Choice.

NOW IS THE TIME TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD IN CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

HOLY REDEEMER MIDDLE SCHOOL
2010-2011

(Gr. 5-8) Co-Principal, Susan Fite

For registration information contact HRS @
(818) 541-9005

ST. JAMES THE LESS PRIMARY SCHOOL
(Gr. K- 4) Co-Principal, Susan Romero
(818) 248-7778

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please Note: School Sponsored Stations of the Cross originally scheduled for Friday, 3/19, have been re-scheduled to Wednesday, March 17th.

Thursday, March 18th: Talent Show Healy Hall
12:30pm

Friday, March 19th: **NO SCHOOL** (Religious Education Congress/Teachers)

Wednesday, March 24 **OPEN HOUSES** at Holy Redeemer and St. James the Less campuses, 5:30 p.m.– 7:30 p.m. This will make it easy for parents to visit both schools.

Prayers:

Please remember Mr. Jim Rought, father of Mrs. Cathi Garcia, in your prayers. Mr. Rought has undergone a major open heart surgery this past week and we pray for a successful recovery.

BOOK DISCUSSION—COME JOIN THE FUN!

Next meeting is Friday, March 26th at 7:00 p.m. in Healy Hall Conference Room. The book we will be discussing is: Guernsey Literacy and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer. For a heads up, our April date is April 30th. The book to be discussed is Still Alice by Lisa Genova. Any questions contact Roxane Cornelius **(818) 398-7673**.

St. Joseph's Table

Holy Redeemer's 4th Annual **St. Joseph's Table Celebration** is almost here. Please reserve next Sunday, March 21st for our celebration in Healy Hall.

A spaghetti dinner including Italian sausage, salad and bread will be served following the 10:00 am mass and will continue until 7:00 p.m. Donations for the dinner will be accepted at the door. There will be raffles, baked goods and beverages for sale. Some of our raffle items include 2 tickets to the All-Star game in Anaheim and 4 reserve seats to a Dodger game and a Brighton watch.

We still need volunteers to help with various duties on the day of the event. If anyone would like to participate by volunteering their time, donating baked goods or raffle items, please contact Jan or Nancy Detanna at 818-957-1976 (day) or 818-957-4192 (evening) or e-mail creativelink@sbcglobal.net.

We look forward to another memorable St. Joseph's Table this year. Please set aside this date on your calendar. It's a wonderful day to spend with family and friends.

Thank you,

The St. Joseph's Table Committee

THE HEART OF CONVERSION

Today's scriptures bring us to the heart of the meaning of the Christian journey of conversion. Saint Paul sums it up beautifully: "Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The Gospel passage, the parable of the prodigal son, shows us just what this new creation is like. It is all about reconciliation. Just as God removes the yoke of slavery from the shoulders of the Israelites—see today's first reading—so, too, does the father in the Gospel remove the yoke of guilt and shame from the shoulders of his wayward son. That son first needed to turn away from his sin and seek out and ask forgiveness of his father. That is precisely what we have been doing during this season of repentance. We can only begin to imagine the kind of reconciliation feast that awaits us when we are embraced by our forgiving God.

LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR EASTER! RECONCILIATION SERVICES WILL BE HELD

Holy Redeemer: Tuesday, March 23 at 7:30 p.m.

St. James the Less: Monday, March 22 at 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes: Wednesday, March 24, 7:30 p.m.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Geraldine De Vera, Tom Passafiume, Larson Family, Risa Gilbert, Gerry Mitchell, Heather Eyraud, Maria Stieritz, Henny Schreefel, Jacob (age 3), Carol Friesen, Kathryn Ausburn, Larry Lewis, Albert Guthrie, Edward Pilgrim, Rebecca Cole, Rosemary Hegenbart, Carmel Richardson, Anne McPherson, Janice Klein, Colleen MacIntosh, Maria Bonino-Britsch, Sela Patterson, Bill McNerny, Kay Kates, Michael Franco, Angie Escobal, Robert Delaney, Margaret Sinatra, Jolene Neal, Kathleen Robertson, Virginia Brennan, Eleanor Birney, Stacy Toyon, Judy Silva, Wendy Wayne, John Paluka, Jeanie Fjelstad, Teresa Rocha, Ed Gillin, Kerrigan Madden, Betty Myers, Mamata Pramanik, Bernadeen Sullivan, Katie Heydorff, Gil Bernal, Adam Voelker, Gregory Voelker, Teresita V. Bautista, Letty Gutierrez, Calixto Gutierrez, Ana Velez, Remedios Stanlee, Arcenia Go, Sarah Novak, Paula Sulit, Victoria Robman, Will Romo, Brian Cole, Rev. Magee, O.S.A., Joanie Walsh, James Pope, Esther Mimiaga, Pat Miller, Albert Mellican, Marion Marvin, Marie Castle, Robin Klesges, Ken Lau, Nancy Wheeler, Baby Ian Palamattam, Vincent McElwee, Evelyn McElwee, Florence Cannella, Teresa Zuniga Lau, Teresa Newlin, Eleana Zuniga, Mary Louisa Zuniga, Francis O'Neil, Marge & Tom Gilroy, Carol Mutchnik, Patricia Hausmann, Tom English, Millie Urso, Eithne Foley, Cora McConnell, Louise Lewis, Nikolas Haas, Jane O'Neil, and all others.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Lt. Colonel, Vince O'Donoghue, U.S. Army, Daniel Molina, USMC, Israel Navarro, Capt., U.S. Marine Corps, Alexander Farnsworth, U.S. Army, Dan Cortes, USMC Gunnery Sergeant, Jeffrey Salvador, U.S. Army National Guard, Christopher Falzone USMC, Brendon Terry USMC, Michael Richards, USMC, Jessica Pena, serving in Iraq, Lance Corporal Zac Garcia, USMC, Brian Henderson, Capt. Michelle Sharp U.S. Army, serving in Korea, Staff Sgt. Erica Thill, Staff Sgt. John Stedman, Kyle Jesse Marquez, Cesar Nader, Justin Hughes, Capt. Bryan Bogardus, Christopher Villagracia, Brian Joseph Joo, Specialist, Brandon Buys, Carlos Brown, Christopher Skee-han, Abraham Miranda, Mike McDonald, Michael & Kim Rufner, Raul Acevedo, Doug Zembeic, Byron Pangburn, Grant McGregory, Capt. Brian McDermott, U.S. Army. *To add a name please call 249-2008, ext. 441.*

TWO NEW NAMES ON OUR LIST

Daniel Molina, USMC 19 years old, will be deployed to Afghanistan in three weeks. His family asks for our prayers.

Lt. Col. Thomas O'Donoghue, U.S. Army, will be deployed to Afghanistan. His family appreciates our prayers for his safety and the safety of all serving there.

Character

A simple judge of my character is how I treat a person who can do absolutely nothing for me.



AMAZING GRACE

After apartheid was abolished in South Africa, special hearings were held to allow victims a voice, and to establish justice and peace. One day an elderly black woman and a white police officer faced each other across a courtroom. The officer, a Mr. van der Broek, had just been found guilty of murdering the woman's son and her husband. He had come to her home a number of years earlier, shot her son, and burned the body while he and his cronies reveled in the act. Later, he returned and took her husband. For two years, she heard nothing about him. Then van der Broek came and led the woman to a river bank, where she saw her husband bound and beaten on a pile of wood. The last words she heard him say were, "Father, forgive them," as the officers poured gasoline over him and set him on fire. Justice caught up with Mr. van der Broek. He was found guilty, and it was now time for sentencing. The judge asked the woman, "What should be done to this man who so brutally destroyed your family?" She replied, "I want three things. First, I want to be taken to where my husband's body was burned so that I can gather up the dust and give him decent burial. My husband and son were my only family, so I want, second, for Mr. van der Broek to become my son. I would like him to come twice a month to the ghetto and spend a day with me so that I can pour on him whatever love I still have within me. Third," she said, "I would like Mr. van der Broek to know that I forgive him because Jesus Christ died to forgive me." She walked across the courtroom and embraced him. The policeman fainted, overwhelmed by her response. Then quietly, friends, family, and neighbors—all victims of similar oppression and injustice—began to sing, "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound."

Living Stewardship Now

Who in your life has injured you, angered you, or hurt you? Don't wait for their change of heart. Change yours, and run out to meet them on the road of forgiveness.

LADIES OF THE PARISH

Are you stressed out? Do you long for a time of peace and quiet, in a beautiful setting? Do you wish to draw closer to the Lord, and have time for rest and renewal of spirit? If so, you are invited to attend the Women's Retreat scheduled for April 9th—11th at Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra. The Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles is a religious congregation dedicated to a life of prayer and union with God, a deep love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and devotion to our Blessed Mother. Their retreat apostolate flows from their charism and has as its mission to promote a deeper spiritual life among those with whom and for whom they serve. For more information on this beautiful weekend experience, please call Marie Baker (818) 790-0767.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sun., Mar. 14** **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT; Daylight Savings Time Begins**
8:00 a.m. **Barbara Christian (d)** Bill Christian
Traci Kalaba (I) Vic & Roseanne
Krystine Amurao (d) Mom & Dad
Luciano Maturan (d)
10:00 a.m. **Christina Rosario (I)** The Gaetos Family
Ricky, Heather, Zoe Eyraud (I)
 Mom & Dad
Seaton Francis DeZell (d)
 The Morreale Family
5:30 p.m. **People's Mass**
- Mon., Mar. 15** **Lenten Weekday**
8:00 a.m. **William Giroux (d)** Luz Barbosa
Joefa Dacumos (d) Rolet & Susan
- Tue., Mar. 16** **Lenten Weekday**
8:00 a.m. (Mass at St. James the Less)
- Wed., Mar. 17** **Lenten Weekday**
8:00 a.m. **Saint Patrick, bishop**
Ms. Gocke (I) The 3rd Grade Class
Anne Pestano (I) The Gaetos Family
Doris Spiegel (d) The Stafford Family
- Thur., Mar. 18** **Lenten Weekday**
8:00 a.m. **Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop and doctor of the Church**
 (Mass at St. James the Less)
- Fri., Mar. 19** **St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Abstinence**
8:00 a.m. **People's Mass**
- Sat., Mar. 20** **Lenten Weekday**
5:30 p.m. **James, Jonathan, Timothy, Thomas, Allison (I)** Grandma Jean
Kevin McCarthy (d) Parker & Otereo Families

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**Grief shared is grief diminished**

We offer comfort and hope to those suffering a loss. We meet the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 7 p.m. in the conference room of Healy Hall. Please contact Ed Diaz (818) 667-1184, or Marie Baker (818) 790-0767.

GOOD GRIEF

Is there such a thing as 'Good Grief' and how do I know I'm experiencing it when I'm bereaved? Is it possible to experience bereavement and not grieve? Please join us for this 6-week series if you have suffered the loss of a loved one through death. Sessions include: Moving Through Grief, Coping with Loneliness and Depression, What is Good Grief and Bad Grief, Stress Management, Learning to Life Alone, Learning to Let Go. Begins Tues., April 20 and meets for 6 Tuesdays. 7-8:30 p.m. St. Bede the Venerable, 215 Foothill Blvd., La Canada. For registration and info call (818) 949-4300. All are welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

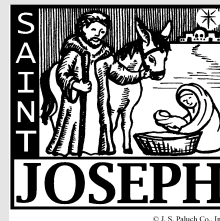
- Sat., Mar. 20** 5:30 p.m. B. McAndrew #1,
 J.M. & J.C. # 2/3, M. Robman #4,
 L. McKim #5, A. Calabrese #6,
 T. Robert #7
- Sun., Mar. 21** 8:00 a.m. J.C.W. #1, J. Espe #2,
 D. Kerrebrock #3, K. Judson #4,
 A. Mann #5, M. Blackmun #6,
 L. Walsh #7
 10:00 a.m. F. & S. Cantos #1/2,
 C. Redfern #3/4, M. Baker #5,
 M. Villasenor #6, B. Hamilton #7
 5:30 p.m. T. & J. LeBon #1/2,
 L. Sovich #3, A. Frazee #4, B. Allard #5,
 J. Grimaldi #6, E. Urrutia #7

LECTORS

- Sat., Mar. 20** 5:30 p.m. S. Nuno, M. Thomas
Sun., Mar. 21 8:00 a.m. J. Clevin, M. Powers
 10:00 a.m. G. Pruitt, K. Tom
 5:30 p.m. J. & E. Madden

ALTAR SERVERS

- Sat., Mar. 20** 5:30 p.m. K. Carrillo, M. Martinez,
 N. Carter, H. Brancheau
Sun., Mar. 21 8:00 a.m. C. & T. Attwood, M. Bosveld,
 H. Gunski
 10:00 a.m. C. Venneri, T. Hancock,
 E. Tan, C. Rizzo
 5:30 p.m. L. & B. Chua, N. & I. Zamora



SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
March 19

Joseph, someone once joked, was indeed the perfect husband: the only major character in Jesus' story who never utters a word! But the Gospel recounts and the liturgy celebrates his silent witness of faith-filled deeds: "With a husband's love he cherished Mary, the Virgin Mother of God; with fatherly care he watched over Jesus" (Preface of Saint Joseph, *Sacramentary*). Catholic devotion, therefore, hails him as Patron-protector of the universal Church. Some cultures set a festive "Saint Joseph's Table," welcoming the poor and strangers to feast with family and friends. Tradition keeps today as the anniversary of his death, which we presume was the anniversary of his death, with Jesus and Mary present. Thus, Catholics invoke Joseph as "patron of a happy death." Descended from David's house, which God finished "building" through Joseph's provision of a home for Mary and Jesus, he was, fittingly, a carpenter by trade; thus, patron of workers. Spring, nature's rebirth, begins between his feast and Annunciation (March 25), appropriately, since Joseph's silent obedience and Mary's "Let it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38) usher in humanity's spiritual rebirth.

Please plan to join us in Healy Hall next Sunday, March 21 for our own Holy Redeemer parish tradition of "Saint Joseph's Table". Details can be found in the related article on page 3 of this bulletin.