



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Catholic Church

MARCH 28, 2021



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

Sacraments

Masses

Mass is currently celebrated in the church. 6ft social distancing and a mask is required and must be worn at all times. Please sign in for contact tracing purposes.

Weekend Mass Times

Sat: 5:00pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sun: 7:30am, 9:00am,
11:15am & 6:00pm

Daily Mass Times

Mon-Fri: 8:15am

Reconciliation / Confession

Saturday 3 - 4:30 pm
& by appointment

All Other Sacraments

Please call the office for information.

Clergy

Fr. Renier Siva
Pastor

Fr. Cleetus Karakkat
Parochial Vicar

William Goeke
Jim McFadden
Deacons

Fr. Ignatius Haran
Pastor Emeritus

Parish Office

The office is closed until further notice. Please call and leave a message.

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FolsomCatholic.org

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Bulletin

FolsomCatholic.org/bulletin

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Welcome to

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

We are a community where we welcome all as members of the Body of Christ.

We are welcoming, faithful, passionate, joyful, authentic,
sacramental, loving and charitable.

Today's Readings

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7 / Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a] /
Phil 2:6-11 / Mk 14:1-15:47

"My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"
(Ps 22)

Gospel Meditation

Many struggle with Jesus. Some who consider themselves faithful hail him in their churches but still struggle to figure out what to do with him on our streets. The message is somehow more palatable when it echoes pious renderings and sentiments and involves singing hosannas during worship. It becomes a bit trickier when it gets to the part about changing the way we conduct the business of our lives, becoming more sensitive to the disadvantaged, poor, and marginalized, and living as servants of our Loving Creator. Ultimately, it is a struggle between wanting to be God ourselves and letting God be God as God is. That's why it's so easy to become hypocritical. We, like those who hailed Christ as he arrived in Jerusalem and sent Christ to the cross to die, also talk out of both sides of our mouths. We entertain what suits us at the time and walk away from the rest.

Many neglect God's beautiful creation because they prefer what humans have made instead. Progress isn't seen in preserving and enhancing what God has made but replacing it with something we believe is better and more useful. The earth, flowers, and animals are all expendable if they stand in the way of the "more" we want to achieve. We seek to remove as many obstacles and hurdles as possible in search of the easiest, quickest, and most efficient path we can find. We have created drugs and laws that preserve our free choice, even though it may mean setting aside God's vision and example. Why suffer when we can easily be put to rest? Why endure insult or injury when we can retaliate, eliminate or subdue? Why accept life when it is acceptable to choose otherwise? We want to be God and resist accepting the fact that our real Creator has already given us the blueprints for the life we need to live in the Beatitudes and in the example of his Passion. We don't like being stewards and managers and really want the power to do as we wish and desire. We want to create our own way.

Where has the true, effective Christian voice been through all of the wars and violence, prejudice and unjust conquests, abuse of human beings and attempted extinctions of nationalities, the establishments of procedures and protocols that serve only a few and not the many and all of the injustices and exploitations that are a part of our human history? A few courageous prophets have stood up and out throughout all of the comings and goings of our human journey with many receiving the same fate as the Crucified One we hail this week. Some still walk among us as shining stars showing us how it really can be. How would Jesus' journey have ended if he lived life as we do? Unless we encounter the good with the bad, the just with the unjust, the grace with the sin, the glory with the cross, the death with the life we most certainly risk rendering God obsolete. After all, haven't we already convinced ourselves that we can do better?

Scripture Reflections

First Reading

The prophet Isaiah reflects on his obedience to God's call regardless of personal suffering that he endured. Isaiah found strength in his faith and fidelity to God. How does your faith help frame your suffering?

Second Reading

Paul speaks of Jesus' humility as central to his divine identity. What does this teach us about God's nature?

Gospel

We hear today Mark's account of the Passion of our Lord. What parts of the passion narrative are you drawn to?



At St. John the Baptist Parish,
we welcome all
as members of
the Body of Christ.

Sign Ups for Mass Servers

We are in need of EMs, lectors and altar servers for the Easter Masses. A signup sheet is available in the vestibule.

Change in Mass Schedule

Beginning April 11, 2021

Please note the weekend following Easter Sunday our Sunday Mass times will change to the following schedule:

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am and 6:00pm

Catholic High School Scholarships

April 30, 2021

Contact: Dick Phelan
dickphelan@comcast.net

The Knights of Columbus Bishop Gallegos Council 6197 is pleased to announce that Catholic high school scholarship applications are now available. To request an application, email Professor Dick Phelan. Completed applications with accompanying documents must be submitted no later than April 30, 2021.

Mother Daughter 2021 Program

April 10, Saturday

Contact Jackelin Aguilar
916-733- 0156, Jaguilar@scd.org
www.scd.org/motherdaughter

The Mother-Daughter Programs explore God’s special gift of human fertility and the beauty and wonder of God’s plan for growing up and becoming a woman. The Teen and Tween Programs cover similar subject matter while differing in depth and scope. All presentations are pure, light-hearted and affirming!

Tweens (Ages 10*-12): 9am - Noon *

Girls younger than 10 who are already developing and showing signs of puberty are welcome to attend.

Teens (Ages 13-16): 2pm - 6pm.

For more information, visit the Diocese’s website or contact Jackelin.

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday: The Lord’s Supper

(No Morning Mass)

7pm - Mass

Adoration in Gallagher Hall after Mass overnight till Noon on Good Friday

Good Friday: The Passion of the Lord

(No Morning Mass)

Noon - Liturgy of the Word

3pm & 7pm - Stations of the Cross

Easter: The Resurrection of the Lord

Saturday

(No Morning Mass or Confession)

8:15pm - Easter Vigil

Sunday

(No 6pm Mass)

Church: 7:30am, 9am & 11am

Gallagher Hall: 9:15am & 11:15am

Inspiration for the Week

What an ironic twist of events! Jesus is hailed with palm branches as he comes down a street one minute and faces agonizing suffering and death on a cross the next. Does any of this make any sense? They shouted, “hosanna to our King,” out of one side of their mouths and, “crucify him,” out of the other. At first glance it seems like such hypocrisy. Yet, when we step back there may be more truth to the story than we care to admit. We struggle with Jesus. We hail him in our churches but struggle to figure out what to do with him on our streets. We are fine when we hear pious renderings of his messages and preaching but wince when it gets to the part about changing the way we conduct business and becoming more sensitive to the disadvantaged, poor and marginalized. We invoke God’s name when we want victory and keep silence when it comes to global solidarity. We talk out of both sides of our mouths too, looking only to what works or suits us at the time and leaving the rest. There exists in each one of us a person who hails our King with hosannas and a person who is all too willing to choose Jesus over Barabbas for the cross. Something to think about this Holy Week!



At St. John the Baptist Parish,
time in conversation with our
Lord is at the center of
our lives.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 28th

Jaime Reyes†
Jairo & Rosario Moncada (40th anniversary)
Luz Villamil-Hoyt†
People of the Parish

Monday, March 29th

Alfredito Penman†

Tuesday, March 30th

Virginia Reyes†

Wednesday, March 31st

Jose Rojas†

Thursday, April 1st

People of the Parish

Friday, April 2nd

Saturday, April 3rd

People of the Parish

Pray for the Confirmandi of Our Parish

The past two weeks a total of 110 students from our RE Program and SJND received the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the sacrament of Confirmation. May these gifts they receive aid them as they grow in today's world and guide them to spiritual maturity. May they remain true to the Holy Spirit and be strengthened and enlightened in their faith. May the Holy Spirit help them continue to grow in faith, hope and love, so they may know peace, truth, and goodness.

Observances

We Celebrate This Week

Thu: Holy Thursday

Fri: Good Friday

Sat: Holy Saturday

March is Dedicated to: St. Joseph

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for March Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

Intercessory Prayers

Prayers for the Sick

*We pray for our sick parishioners, family and friends,
and those in need of healing of the body and soul.*

Adelina Zendejas	Margarita Garcia
Christopher Kovarik	Maria Garcia
Dharmo Dhillon	Marites Brooks
Elfega Larsen	Mark Penman
Eusebio Santos	Marilyn Dorr
Jocelyn Patio	Norma Aley
Jody Park	Robert Coughlin
Joe Bierek	Silda Galang
Kimanh Davis	Zachary Whiten
Lance Costa	

Prayers for Our Troops

*We pray for our military personnel abroad
and at home, and for their families.*

Michael Dalupan

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

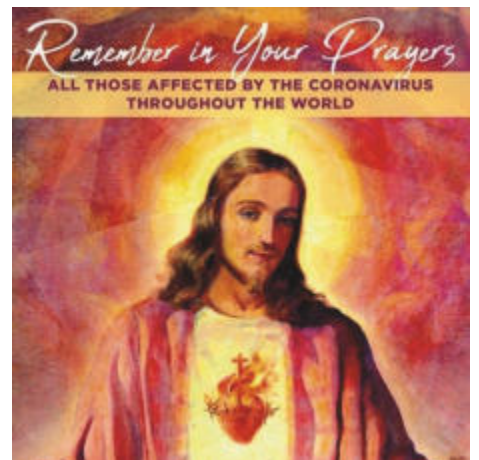
*We pray for the souls of all who have died,
our family members, friends, and parishioners.
May they rest in peace.*



Anita Rivera	Lorenza Mejia
Beatrice Iddamalgotda	Maryann Manzitto
Caridad Montemayor	Oliver Nash
Charlotte Hughes	Paul DuPont
Clifford W. Kinney	Prabasheeni
Diana Dahm	Iddamalgotda
Elena Aquino	Purificacion Siruno
Eli Marquez	Romeo Vasquez
Fernanda Castelo	Sonny Lasoya
Herminia Villacorte	Steve Beneto
Hilarion Aspera	Thomas Lazore
Joan McArdle	
Jose Alfredo Aspera	

Prayer Requests

Prayer requests for the sick, military or recently deceased may be made by calling our Parish Office. Names will appear for four months.





The Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel is closed until further notice
Adoration has been moved to the Church

A link to an Adoration Video (50mins) is located on our website.

Scroll down to midpage and click on "Spend Time..."

A YouTube video will pop up to play the video.

Another Adoration Video (30mins) is also posted and pinned on our Facebook page.

A Facebook account is not necessary to view.

Once on our Facebook page click on the Monstrance picture to start the video.

www.facebook.com/FolsomCatholic

Live Stream Mass

scd.org/coronavirus/livestream-mass

Please visit the Diocesan page. It lists Parishes which are currently live streaming Sunday and Daily Masses.

Church Hours

Monday - Friday

The church will remain open for those who would like to pray before the Blessed Sacrament from 8am-4:30pm.

Saturday - Sunday

On the weekends, the church will be open from 7am-6pm.

Please wear a mask and keep in mind your minimum 6ft social distancing

Confession

**Saturdays: 3 - 4:30 pm
and by appointment**

Please note confessions at this time will still be offered but not in the confessional. We will be doing a face to face format in a larger setting in order to maintain the social distancing of 6ft.



The Stillness of Holy Saturday

Holy Thursday brings us the Last Supper. On Good Friday, we exalt the cross and commemorate the death of

Jesus. On Easter Sunday, we celebrate! But what about the day in between? Between death and life, the time holds its breath. For the first disciples, Holy Saturday was a day of silence, sorrow, and waiting. But redemption is already beginning! Jesus descends to the dead and frees righteous souls awaiting eternal life. On our own Holy Saturdays, we too wait in silence. But it is not the silence of disappointment and confusion. It is the silence of anticipation. Soon and very soon, dawn will alight on the horizon, and the stone will be rolled back. Until then, we wait in stillness.

40 Days for Life Campaign

Contact: Joanne 916-607-2228 or
Sue 916-337-6237

www.40daysforlife.com/sacramento

Together, we can change the course of history. Sign up online or join us for St. Johns carpool on Thursdays leaving at 10:30am and returning at 1:30pm including drive time. Bring a folding chair and pray! Former abortion workers have said that up to 75% of parents that see people praying choose life!

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Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8am-6pm
Wed 11am-6pm, Sat 11am-12pm



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At St. John the Baptist Parish, we foster a commitment to lifelong spiritual growth.

LENT 2021 Reflect. Repent. Restore.			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p>March 28</p> <p>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</p> <p>In one week, we will celebrate Easter Sunday. Pray that the Lord allow you to accompany him serenely during these Easter mysteries and you may emerge from them renewed in faith, hope and charity.</p>	<p>March 29</p> <p>Holy Week is here. How have you grown throughout your Lenten journey?</p>	<p>March 30</p> <p>Take time this week to go to confession. Before celebrating the Sacrament of Penance, prepare yourself with an examination of conscience, which involves reflecting prayerfully on one's thoughts, words, and deeds in order to identify any sins.</p>	<p>March 31</p> <p>Lent officially ends tomorrow as the Mass of the Lord's Supper begins. Contact your parish to learn more about how you can participate in the moving liturgies of the Triduum.</p>
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p>April 1</p> <p>Holy Thursday</p> <p>"If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, / you ought to wash one another's feet." (Jn 13: 14, <i>Lectionary</i>)</p>	<p>April 2</p> <p>Good Friday</p> <p>As we mark the day on which Jesus was crucified, pray the Stations of the Cross to reflect on Christ's Passion.</p>	<p>April 3</p> <p>Holy Saturday</p> <p>As you prepare for Easter, reflect on your Lenten journey and think about how you can continue to grow throughout the Easter season.</p>	<p>April 4</p> <p>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</p> <p>"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." (Ps 118:24, <i>Lectionary</i>)</p>

Source: www.usccb.org/resources/len-2021-calendar-english

Lent is a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully.

Divine Mercy Novena

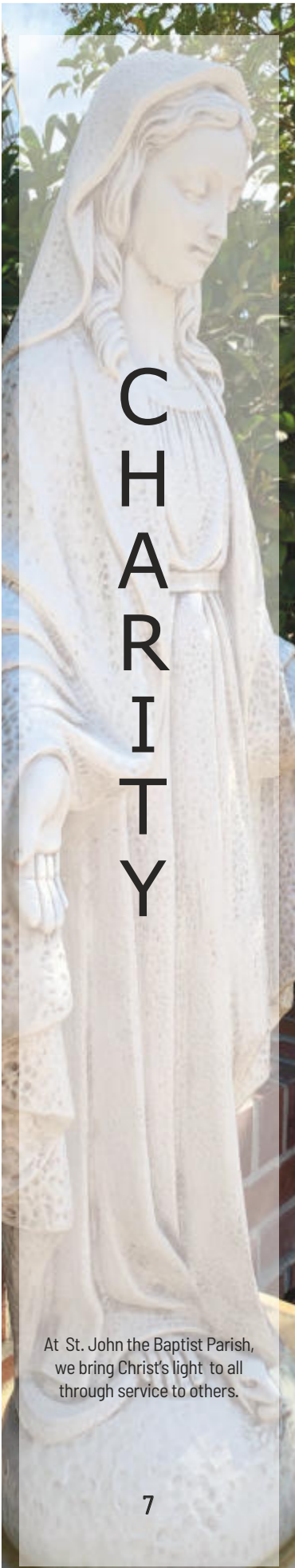
All are invited to join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet as a family in Christ here at St. John the Baptist. The Novena starts on Good Friday, April 2, 2021 at 5pm.

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. He told St. Faustina "On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy....On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces of these souls."

We will meet the majority of the 9 evenings before the Feast of the Divine Mercy Sunday at 5pm in the church. On Saturday, April 3 and Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021, we will meet via Zoom (time TBD). We will start each evening with a prayer and view an episode or two of, "Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told." Come and watch how Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC combines history, Scripture, prophecy and the lives of the saints to show God's merciful love for the whole world. Immediately following the video we will pray the Novena and Chaplet. We should be done around 6:30pm. Due to Covid restrictions, we will not be having a potluck or social gathering after the prayers.

Saturday, April 10, the Divine Mercy Vigil will be at 4pm (prior to the 5pm Mass). There will also be opportunity for confessions. The Chaplet will be prayed 20 minutes prior to all Masses on Divine Mercy Sunday.

For more information please contact
 Zoeanne Tafolla, ztafolla@gmail.com, (707) 333-7359



At St. John the Baptist Parish, we bring Christ's light to all through service to others.

2nd Collection

Thank you for your generous support of last weekend's collection for The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping Jesus in disguise. Your contributions make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information on how to give. Together we collected \$ 989.00

On Good Friday, April 2, 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 also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. 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.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

Next weekend our 2nd collection is for our RE Program and SJND.

15th Annual Benefit for the Poor Raffle Tickets

Contact: Mercy Knight
916-402-4104, mk4177@sbcglobal.net

You have an opportunity to support St. Vincent de Paul by purchasing raffle tickets again this year. The tickets are \$10 each for a trip to Hawaii. The trip is for 6 days/5 nights at the Sheraton Maui Resort and Spa. The prize includes air fare for two, a \$400 car rental voucher and a \$500 American Express Gift Card. Drawing will be held on June 15th. Winner does not have to be present to win. To arrange for purchase of tickets, please contact Mercy. Thank you for your support.

Stewardship of Treasure the Lord Has Entrusted to Us

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00
Weekly Offerings:

March 20/21 \$14,380.46

Walk Every Step with Christ

Holy Week is a week for being mindful. We must set loose the baggage of Lent, and not be deterred by the dazzling sunrise of Easter morning beckoning in the distance.

It's okay for us to be excited for Easter. We've waited so long, after all. In my opinion it's one of the best feelings there is: the yearning we have in our hearts for the Resurrection as we embark on Palm Sunday. And in a purely logical sense, many of us have Easter celebrations for which we are preparing, and practical considerations to contend with. It's going to be a busy week, one likely full of happy distractions.

But my friends, we simply must keep our feet on the ground. Let's not "skip" Holy Week. Resist the urge to flip to the last page of the book, to fast-forward to the final scene of the movie. Don't rob yourself of the journey. This week is a blessed opportunity. It is this week that teaches us who we are. In the span of the Triduum, we have the birthday of the priesthood, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrifice on Calvary and so many other vivid and meaningful scenes.

It may sound strange, to advise someone to savor the moments of Holy Week. There are so many violent and heartrending moments, after all. But this is the valley of tears, remember — we are not in Heaven yet. And here, in our fallen, sin-filled world, it is the heartrending moments that seem to matter the most.

These are the moments that define us as Catholics. Live them. Cherish them. Be present for each one.

~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Sharing the Gospel

Your mom tells you, "Grandma should be here any minute." You watch out your window for her little red car to come down your street. After she parks her car, you run out to meet her. You are so happy she came to visit! The people in today's Gospel were waiting for a king to come. This king would ride into Jerusalem, not in a little red car, but on a donkey. When the people saw Jesus riding on the donkey, they knew he was the king that they were waiting for. They ran out to meet him and waved palm branches in the air. They were so happy he came.

✝️ Mission for the Week

Invite your Grandma over to visit. Ask her to read Mk 14:1-15:47 to you.

🙏 Prayer

God, I am so happy you sent Jesus to be my king.

🖍️ Read the Gospel and Color

Mk 14:1-15:47



🧩 Puzzle

Find and circle ten things that are different.



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Our parish is enriched with many ministries, please consider learning about and engaging in one or more of our ministries. Call the contact listed or see a Minister of Hospitality after Mass.

Welcoming Ministries

Communications Ministry

Loreen McMahon, 916-933-1330

Ministers of Hospitality

Shannon Bleeker, 916-200-8059

New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry

Lori Hopper, 916-337-0139

Ushers

Stanley Posis, 916-705-9192

Prayer Ministries

Companioned Prayer

Bill Stobbe, 916-505-3800

Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacle

Zoanne Tafolla, 707-333-7359

-*Chaplet/Rosary/Morning Prayer*

-*Divine Mercy Chaplet/Mass*

-*Cenacle* - Zoanne Tafolla, 707-333-7359

-*Cenacle-Spanish* - Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

Eucharistic Adoration

Veronica Thomas, thomas_vera@yahoo.com

Perpetual Adoration—1st Fri 9am - Sat 4pm

Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle)

-*English* – 1st Saturday of the month

Sally Gomez, 916-693-2411

-*Spanish* – 2nd Wednesday of the month

Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

Our Lady of Fatima

Henry Altamirano, 925 - 899-7769

Spiritual Growth Ministries

Adult Scripture Study

Lee & Teresa Weider, 916-983-8065

Couples for Christ

Myrah Empleo, 661-993-4721

Praise & Worship

Sheila Fitzpatrick, 925-437-0798

Religious Education

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Debbie Duncan, 916-798-0201

Theology on Tap

Aaron Santos, 916-985-2065

WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Sue Collins, 916-337-6237

Youth/Young Adults Ministries

Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org

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Barbara Bowden, 916-984-9476

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Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

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Anna Haid, 916-956-1177

Knights of Columbus

Dick Phelan, 916-221-0596

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Dan Dunne, 916-817-1675; Sunday

Candice Ralston, 916-806-8090; Tuesday

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

Prison/Restorative Justice Ministry

-Folsom Prison - Fr. H. Gomez, 916-985-2561 x 4206

-CSP Sacramento - Greg Mellor,
Catholic Chaplain, 916-985-8610 x6425

School Ministry (St. John Notre Dame)

Keith Martin, Principal, 916-985-4129

Senior Visitation

Charlene Agles, 916-984-9602

St. Vincent de Paul (Helping Hands)

John Knight, 916-985-4630

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers

Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541

Children's Liturgy during Mass

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

Extraord. Ministers of Holy Communion

Steve & Maryanne Ashley, 916-479-2214

Lectors

Patti Midtlyng, 916-837-8322

Liturgical Environment

Arlette Peterson, 916-220-5968

Music - See choir director after Mass.

Additional Ministries

Children's Babysitting at Mass

Georgia Oatmeyer, 916-201-3193

Family Fellowship

Carol Stephenson, 916-952-6744

Gift Shop

Connie Aley, 916-984-9284

Women's Game Day

Roberta Puzio, 916-933-2561

Please send ministry updates and corrections to
Loreen McMahon, mcmahon510@comcast.net.

MINISTRIES

"Here am I, Lord;
I come to do your will."

Carry Your Cross



As Catholics, we talk a lot about “redemptive suffering” and “carrying your cross.” What does that mean practically in daily life?

When Jesus spoke these words, they would have sounded quite intense to his hearers. “Pick up your cross daily and follow me.” At the time, Jesus hadn’t yet been crucified. A cross was a Roman torture instrument. “Pick up the thing that tortures you the most,” Jesus seemed to say. Unfortunately, most of us have no real shortage of these in our life. To take up the cross isn’t to seek out new sufferings in our life. It’s to accept the life we have.

Of course, unjust or unhealthy circumstances should be rectified when possible. But there are always circumstances that remain out of our immediate control. It could be pain management, the defiance of our teenage child, or an unhealthy work environment ... but you need the paycheck to pay the bills. In difficult circumstances, it can be easier to blame, complain, or daydream our way out of it. None of these are real solutions, since none of them accept the reality of the situation at hand. Those options only add to our suffering, since they damage relationships, fixate on the problem, or set up unrealistic expectations.

Instead, Jesus invites us to take up our cross — to look at the uncomfortable situation square in the eyes, take a deep breath, and do our best to be present to God’s grace in the moment. To love those in our path. To take things one step at a time.

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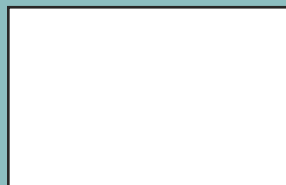
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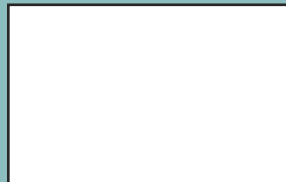
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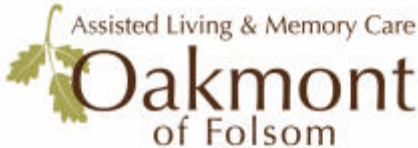
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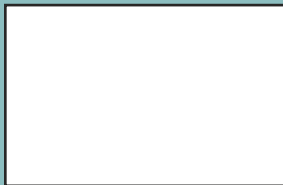
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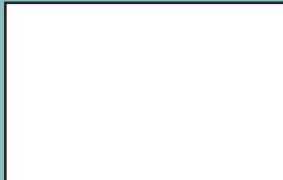
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