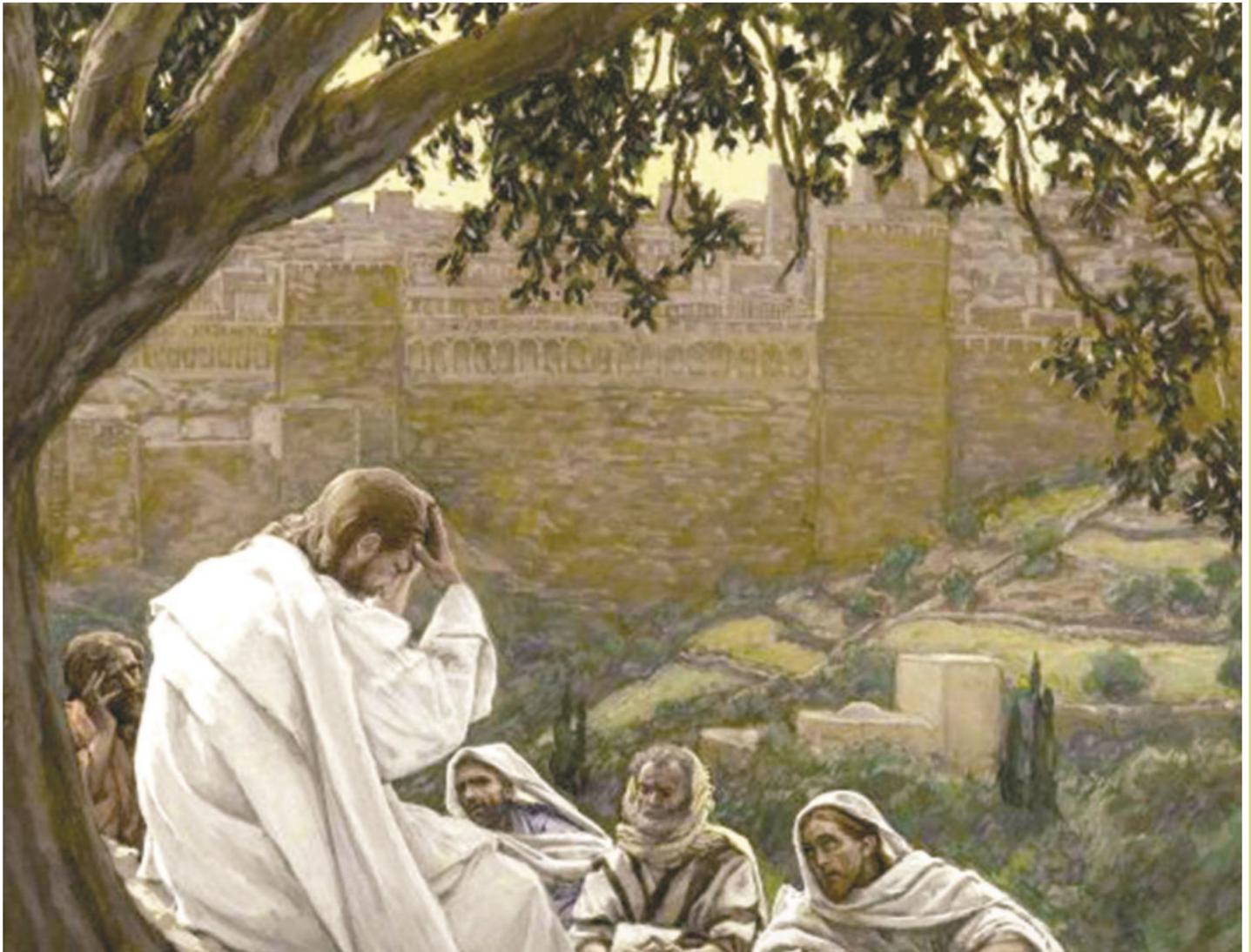




ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Catholic Church

NOVEMBER 13, 2022



33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.” - Lk 21:13-15

Sacraments

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:30 am
	6:00 pm

1st Sunday Spanish 1:30 pm

Daily Mass Times

Mon. - Fri.	6:30 am
	8:15 am

Holy Day Mass Times

6:30 am
8:15 am
12:00 pm
7:00 pm

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

Mon.- Fri. 8:30 am- 4:30 pm
307 Montrose Drive, Folsom
Phone: 916-985-2065

Website:

FolsomCatholic.org

Social Media:

@FolsomCatholic

Bulletin

FolsomCatholic.org/bulletin

Bulletin Date Ads Due by 5pm

Nov 20	Nov 8
Nov 27	Nov 14
Dec 4	Nov 21
Dec 11	Nov 30

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

Mal 3:19-20a / Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 / 2 Thes 3:7-12 / Lk 21:5-19

"The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice."

(Ps 98)

Gospel Meditation

Many make it their life's ambition to determine precisely when the world will end. By reading the signs of the times, consulting scripture, or looking to prophetic predictions that are sometimes centuries old, they claim a certain credibility in being able to do so. Is all that necessary to know? Even when his disciples pointedly ask him this question, Jesus does not directly answer. While the end will inevitably come, Jesus points out that there is a lot we need to do first: remain faithful, face persecution, endure suffering, face wars and insurrections, and give testimony. Human beings tend to focus their energies on the wrong kingdom. Consumed with all of the things we have built and seeking to preserve them, we forget that we belong to a different kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

All of the "stuff" we have constructed will be taken away. All that will remain is God's kingdom. Which kingdom do we prefer? We answer that question by honestly looking at where we invest most of our time and energy. What matters to us as we embrace a new moment or day in our lives? If our relationship with God, the strength and integrity of our souls, and the steadfastness of our character are of utmost importance, then it matters little when the physical end will come. We will have what we need to persevere, endure, and confront whatever comes our way. Jesus cautions that we do not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed or overly terrified by the agonies and disappointments of the world. Although we may be apprehensive and uncertain when faced with complex challenges, God is with us. We will receive the inspiration we need to forge ahead.

God is a God of salvation and new beginnings. Whether we consider the daily unfolding of our earthly lives or our eternal ones to come, God never leaves us with dead ends. There is always hope, and there is always something new to come. As Julian of Norwich reminds us, "God made us, God loves us and God keeps us." This wisdom holds true whether life is stable and profitable or challenging and uncertain. If we remember this simple truth, we will be ready regardless of the day or the hour.

Scripture Reflections

First Reading

The prophet Malachi speaks of God's judgment at the end of time and the importance of fearing the Lord. What do you think it means to "fear" the Lord?

Second Reading

Paul talks about himself (and Silvanus and Timothy) as a "model" on how to behave for the believers in Thessalonica. Who are some family members that you think model the faith well?

Gospel

Jesus forewarned his disciples that because of their faith in him, they would be persecuted, even "handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends ... hated by all because of my name." How would you react if your family and friends hated you because of your belief in Jesus



Grace Quilters Craft Fair

November 19, 5-6:30pm
(before and after Mass)
November 20, Sunday
7:30am-1:00
Garden Room
Contact: Catherine
831-402-4681

Come check out our craft fair. We have quilts, table runners, aprons, cookbooks, etc. Also some great gift baskets with wine will be available for purchase. Proceeds help our Grace Quilters Ministry.

Parish Thanksgiving Dinner

**The Knights of Columbus in partnership with
The Family Fellowship Ministry**
November 19, Saturday
Gallagher Hall
Doors open at 3:00, Dinner Served at 4:00
No Host Bar
Contact: John Boehm, 916-933-5154
Dan Kimbell, 916-990-8824

We will be hosting a Parish Thanksgiving Dinner. Come get to know your Parish family (meet someone new) and enjoy early Thanksgiving Dinner with them. It will be served with all the traditional fixings. There will be no cost to those attending.

Please let us know that you are coming so we can make sure there is enough food for everyone.

If you are stuck at home and can't make it to the dinner and would like a Thanksgiving dinner delivered to you, please call and let us know and we will deliver it to you.

All donations received will be divided to support the Knights of Columbus Charities for Ukraine and Florida hurricane recovery.



Folsom Pack 94 Pancake Breakfast

November 13, 8-11am
Parish Hall
Contact: Lydia Fediw
757-305-2487

Please join us after Mass for an all you can eat Pancake Breakfast. Tickets are \$5 each, and all proceeds go to support Folsom Cub Scout Pack 94.

Eyes On Your Own Paper

“Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place.”

Looking at these words, I have to wonder. Am I reading the Bible or today's newspaper headline?

It's never easier to despair than when you glance up and take a good look at what's going on in the world: disasters, natural and contrived, wars, resentments, rivalries, and divisions. It is almost too much sometimes, isn't it? The twenty-four-hour news cycle doesn't help. Add social media and it's enough to push anyone into a nervous breakdown.

When you find yourself in this place of despair, remember Paul's admonishment in his letter to the Thessalonians. Work quietly and eat your own food.

It's not so different from the old "keep-your-eyes-on-your-own-paper" rule of the classroom. Poking our noses into other people's business, we may think we are getting a shortcut to the right answer, but we're really just getting distracted. When we become too preoccupied with events that we cannot control — whether they are happening in our neighborhood or half-a-world away — we are tempted to leave off the very specific work God has given us in our own lives. We are easily lured into anger, bitterness, and anxiety.

What is the work that God has called you to? Is it your career? Your family? Your community? What is your food — what nourishes you, sustains you, connects you to something real, powerful, and life-giving? This is what you should be concerned with. This is where your thoughts and your efforts should be.

Work quietly and eat your own food.

~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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we welcome all
as members of
the Body of Christ.



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Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 13th

7:30am Angeles Montemayor (healing)
9:00am Purificacion Siruno+
11:30am Ruth Martinez+
6:00pm People of the Parish

Monday, November 14th

6:30am
8:15am Minda Fuentes (birthday)
Carol Meyer (healing)

Tuesday, November 15th

6:30am Rosario Ravelo+
8:15am Anges & Marshall Rowe+

Wednesday, November 16th

6:30am Angeles Montemayor (healing)
8:15am Margaret Carroll+

Thursday, November 17th

6:30am
8:15am Oanh Dao (healing)

Friday, November 18th

6:30am
8:15am Randall Gomez+

Saturday, November 19th

5:00pm Velma Gand+
Joseph Siruno+

Observances We Celebrate This Week

Sunday

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Tuesday

St. Albert the Great

Wednesday

St. Margaret of Scotland

St. Gertrude

Thursday

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Friday

The Dedication of the Basilicas of

Sts. Peter and Paul

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

November is Dedicated to: The Holy Souls in Purgatory

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for November For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering,
especially those who are homeless, orphans,
and victims of war; may they be guaranteed
access to education and the opportunity to
experience family affection.

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.*

Angeles Montemayor	Kelly Redding
Barbara Stelter	Kimanh Davis
Britney Seeney	Kyle Pasterksi
Chris Gohs	Leo Reyes
Chris Nhan	Margie Reilly
Cora Gonzales	Marissa Javier
Duane Nelson	Maryangela Criner
Herminia Cullado	Patricia Chewier
Janine Martin	Robert Lustan
Jim Reed	Teresa Wahl
Jonathan Pacheco	Tess Beltran
Joy Bryla	

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 recently died,
our family members, friends, and parishioners.
May they rest in peace.*



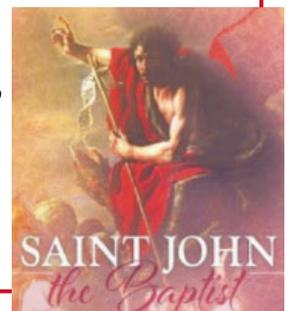
Ana Bracamonte	Joe LaTorre
Carmelo Infantino	LaVerna Reid
Carol Flack	Patrick Warholic
Crispina Parinas	Richard Schmidt
Elaine Sharp	Rita Swingle
Fr. Thomas Maguire	Vince Matranga

Prayer Requests

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

O God,
You raised up St. John the Baptist to prepare a
perfect people for Christ. Fill Your people with
the joy of possessing His grace, and direct the
minds of all the faithful in the way of peace
and salvation.

Grant that as
St. John was martyred
for truth and justice, so
we may energetically
profess our Faith in
You, and lead others to
the Way, the Truth,
and Eternal Life.
Amen.





The Adoration Chapel

Chapel hours are: Mon-Thu 9am - 8pm,
Sat 9am - 5pm and Sun 7am -11am

Every Friday Eucharistic Adoration is in the church:
9am to 7pm

The Adoration Ministry has immediate need for dedicated adorers for these hours

Monday:	9 - 10 am	10-11 am	12 - 1 pm	4 - 5pm	5 - 6 pm	6 - 7 pm	7 - 8 pm
Tuesday:	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	4 - 5 pm	5 - 6 pm			
Wednesday:	11 - 12 pm	4 - 5 pm	5 - 6 pm	6 - 7 pm	7 - 8 pm		
Thursday:	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	3 - 4 pm	5 - 6 pm	6 - 7 pm		
Friday:	9 - 10 am	11-12 pm	6 - 7 pm				
Saturday:	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	12 - 1 pm	1-2 pm	2 - 3 pm	3 - 4 pm	4 - 5 pm

To sign up please contact Veronica Thomas at thomas_vera@yahoo.com

Confession

Saturdays: 3 - 4:30 pm & by appointment

Confessions at this time are offered outside of the confessional. We will continue a face to face format in a larger setting.

Respect Life Ministry

40 Days for Life

September 28-November 6

Monday-Saturday, 8am-5pm

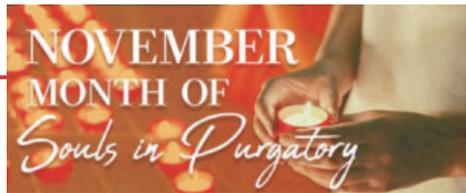
Planned Parenthood Abortion Business

201 29th St, Sacramento

Contact: Joanne Dudgeon

916-607-2228

You are invited to peacefully pray for an hour or two to be the hands and feet of our Lord Jesus Christ in helping to save the lives of unborn babies. There have been 7 babies' moms who changed their minds at this location during the 40 days campaign so far. Nobody is beyond the reach of God's grace. Sometimes, all it takes is somebody standing in front of an abortion facility to offer hope. You can be an instrument of the Lord's inexhaustible mercy. Sign up for hour(s) at 40daysfor-life.com/sacramento. Contact Wynette, 916-955-1577. Carpools from St. Johns on Wednesdays or Thursdays, contact Joanne.



Prayer for the most forgotten soul in purgatory

Some souls in purgatory don't have anyone to pray for them. Whatever the case may be, in our charity, we can also direct our prayers to souls most forgotten by those on earth, asking God's mercy to be showered upon them. Here is a prayer from the *Raccolta* that directs our prayers to that soul in most need of our prayers.

*O Lord God Almighty,
I pray Thee, by the Precious Blood which
Thy Divine Son Jesus shed in the garden,
deliver the souls in purgatory, and
especially that soul amongst them all who
is most destitute of spiritual aid;
and vouchsafe to bring it to Thy glory,
there to praise and bless Thee for ever.*

Amen.

Source - aleteia.org

Remembrance Envelopes

The Church encourages us to remember the deceased members of our families in a special way. Remembrance envelopes will be available in the vestibule, and parish office throughout the month of November.

List the names of those you would like to be remembered in the November Masses. Completed envelopes may be put in the collection basket or returned to the parish office. They will be placed on the altar during November.



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SPIRITUAL GROWTH

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

The Gospel According to Luke

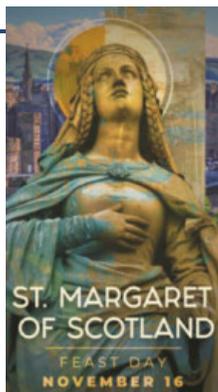
Session 8: The Resurrection Narrative

Tuesday, November 15, 7pm, via Zoom

Contact: Theresa Grant

tgrant@talkpathlive.com

Contact Theresa to register. See our website or monitors for session details.



Saint Margaret was born in exile around 1045, in what is now Hungary. She is the daughter of Princess Agatha of Hungary and Edward the Atheling the Anglo-Saxon heir to the throne of England.

The family returned to England, but Edward died soon after their arrival, making Margaret's brother Edgar the presumptive heir. However, the Norman Conquest would turn their world upside down. Agatha and her children fled the country. They likely intended to go back to Hungary, but they were shipwrecked off the coast of Scotland. King Malcolm Canmore III took the exiles under his wing, and he fell in love with the beautiful and gracious Margaret. Although she initially rebuffed his proposals, the couple were married in 1070 at castle of Dunfermline. Margaret and Malcolm had eight children, six sons and two daughters. Margaret brought culture to the Scottish court and used her influence to soften her rough husband. The saint led a life of austerity, aiding Church reform, promoting Easter communion, and founding churches and monasteries. She instituted the Queen's Ferry to the shrine of St. Andrew and founded pilgrimage hostels. Saint Margaret, Queen of Scotland, died on November 16, 1093, four days after her husband and eldest son were killed in the battle of Alnwick. She was canonized by Pope Innocent IV in 1250 and named patron of Scotland in 1673.

Rachel Vineyard Retreat

November 18-20, 2022

Contact: Silvia Andrade-Reyes

916.733.0161, projectrachel@scd.org

Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful abortion emotions and begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing.

11-Day Catholic Pilgrimage to Italy

Join Fr. Jovito Rata & Fr. Renier Siva

May 29 - June 8, 2023

\$3,995

Including: Assisi, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant'Angelo, Pietrelcina, Rome & the Vatican.

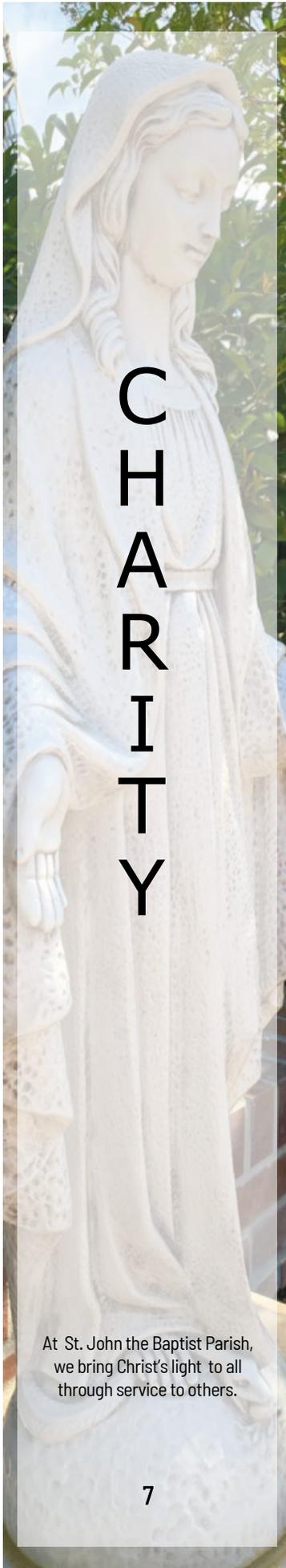
All-inclusive from San Francisco, CA
Daily Mass at the holy sites. Deposit due ASAP - seats are limited!

Registration Deadline: November 15, 2022.

A detailed brochure with registration form and itinerary is available for pickup in the Parish Office.

Inspiration of the Week

Jesus assures us that the world, as we know it, will one day come to an end. When will this be? In one sense, having an answer to that question really does not matter. Faith is faith and either we have it or we do not. Secure in that faith, we know that when one thing ends, another begins. In the meantime, we are asked to persevere and remain strong through all of life's inevitable challenges and obstacles. What we see and experience as we journey to the day when all is one in Christ, may cause our faith to be shaken and tested. Trust and endurance are what are needed as world events unfold. Even though life can be uncertain and terrifying at times, faithful people will be protected. It does not matter what day or hour the end will come. We must remain ready and vigilant anyway.



CHARITY

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

The Knights of Columbus
"Coats For Kids" and "Food for Families"
Saturday, Oct 22 - Sunday, Jan 8, 2023
Contact: SK Percy Park
916-936-6145, dbk576@aol.com
SK Hugo Schmidt
916-813-0843, hugoschmidt@gmail.com

Neighbors Helping Neighbors. . .

How You Can Help

You can donate "new" or "gently used" children's winter coats. Please wash all "gently used" coats prior to donating. Winter accessories like gloves, mittens, scarves, beanies, hats, heavy socks and sleeping bags are also accepted.

We also accept coats, jackets, winter accessories and sleeping bags for teens and adults.

What are the most requested food items?

- Canned meats: tuna, chicken, turkey, ham, stew & chili
- Canned vegetables
- Pasta & pasta sauce
- Canned Beans, Rice
- Healthy cereals, Peanut Butter
- Baby food & baby formula
- A whole Turkey and/or Ham with all of the "fixings" for the Fall & Winter Holidays

Drop Off Locations

A Knights of Columbus Cart located in front of the Church doors or Vestibule before, during and after "all" Masses. St. Vincent De Paul located at 311 Montrose Drive on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 am to 12 Noon.

St. Vincent de Paul
Thanksgiving Dinner Collection
Contact: Mercy Knight
916-985-4630 or 916-402-4104

Donations of turkeys, hams, and/or the sides (*boxed stuffing mix, boxed mashed potatoes, turkey gravy jars or packets, canned yams, canned cranberry sauce, rolls and pies*) will be appreciated. They can be brought to St. Vincent de Paul on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9 to noon, and the Knights of Columbus also have a food cart in front of the church doors, which can be used for the donations. If you need another option for your donations, please call Mercy. Again, we are so grateful for your continued support.

**Stewardship of Treasure the Lord
Has Entrusted to Us**

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00
Weekly Offerings:

October 29/30	\$ 12,552
Fifth Sunday SVDP Collection	\$ 2,578
November 5/6	\$ 27,900.50

2nd Collection

This weekend our second is for our Building & Maintenance Fund.

Thank you for your contributions to last weekend's second collection for our RE Program & SJND. Together we collected \$ 2,552.

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), next weekend. This collection will provide the Gospel, the sacraments and other forms of spiritual support to the men and women of the United States armed forces wherever they serve, no matter the circumstances. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.

Divine Mercy Ministry
Loaves and Fishes Breakfast Feeding
November 23, Wednesday
Contacts: Greta Tecson, 916-337-2014
Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

The Divine Mercy Ministry continues to be grateful for the generous response received in the collection of food for the homeless. You are truly sharing God's love with others less fortunate with your contributions. The collection cart remains in the church vestibule for dropping off your donations. Items most requested:

- cup-of-soups, raisins
- peanut butter & cheese crackers, peanuts
- hot chocolate packets, fruit juices
- oatmeal packets, bottled water
- nutritious granola bars, fruit cups
- creamy peanut butter, disposable bowls

Fresh fruits are welcome and should be dropped off Tuesday, November 22nd during church open hours. Bibles, holy cards, rosaries and religious reading materials are also appreciated. Thanking you in advance for your generous sharing this month. We are also collecting: hats, scarfs and sweat shirts and blankets.

Are you interested in driving or helping serve? Please call Greta or Catherine.



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



Lk 21:5-19

Sometimes this world can be a scary place in which to live. Fighting, sickness, and storms can kill a lot of people. Jesus says that when those things happen around you, do not be afraid. Even when you die, you can still live forever with God.

You have heaven to look forward to. When scary things happen around you, tell the people you love about Jesus. Tell them they can live forever with Jesus, too, so they don't need to be afraid.

 Mission for the Week

Write down three things that scare you. Tell God about them. Ask God to help you.

 Prayer

Dear God, help me to be brave and tell other people about you.

 Puzzle

Unscramble words from today's Gospel

temple	starve	wisdom
stones	trial	betrayed
attack	faith	saved

- tmepel t e m p l e
- fitha _____
- stneso _____
- widoms _____
- atackt _____
- btrayede _____
- sarvet _____
- sveda _____
- tialr _____



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

Welcoming Ministries

New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry

Joyce Starosciak, 916-740-4628

Greeter Ministry

Lori Hopper, 916-337-0139

Ushers

Stanley Posis, 916-705-9192

Prayer Ministries

Companioned Prayer

Dcn. Bill Goeke, 916-673-7996

Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacle

Leilani Badley, 703-855-6241

-*Chaplet/Rosary/Morning Prayer*

-*Divine Mercy Chaplet/Mass*

-*Cenacle* - Leilani Badley, 703-855-6241

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Veronica Thomas, thomas_vera@yahoo.com

1st Friday of the Month - 9am - 7pm (church),

Sign Up for adorers is in the vestibule

Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle)

-*English* - 1st Saturday of the month

Sally Gomez, 916-693-2411

-*Spanish* - Every Saturday

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

David Brauer, dabrauer@hotmail.com

Religious Education

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

Theology on Tap

Aaron Santos, 916-985-2065

WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

Youth/Young Adults Ministries

Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org

Parish Committees/Councils

Finance Council

Joyce Starosciak, 916-740-4628

Liturgy Committee

Barbara Bowden, 916-984-9476

Pastoral Council

Shannon Frazier, 916-761-2912

Outreach/Charity Ministries

Bereavement Hospitality/Receptions

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

Catholics for Life

Kathy Baxter, 916-337-6824

Gabriel Project

Debbie Sultan, 916-337-5786

Grace Quilters Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

Grupo Pastoral Hispano

Rommel Hernández, 530-387-1009

Knights of Columbus

Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541

Pastoral Care Ministry

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 (311 Montrose Dr.)

Mercy 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

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

Family Fellowship

Rachel Marsh, 916-945-6992

Gift Shop

Connie Aley, 916-984-9284

Women's Game Day

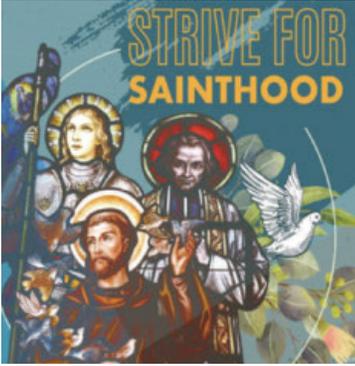
Every Wednesday, Garden Room, 11am - 4:30pm.

Roberta Puzio, 916-933-2561

MINISTRIES

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

How does a person become a canonized saint?



It is important to remember that all the saints are people, real people who lived just as we do! The first saints of the Church were martyrs or theologians known for a holy life. Over time, the Church has established a set process to investigate the causes of saints.

After a holy person's death, the bishop of their diocese initiates the canonization process with the Vatican. Typically, they must wait five years to ensure any false enthusiasm has lessened. With Vatican approval, the process begins and the person receives the title "Servant of God." The first phase involves collecting information about the person's life and scrutinizing it carefully.

One person has the specific role of raising doubts — this is the origin of the phrase "devil's advocate!" When it is clear the person truly lived a heroically holy life according to Church teaching, they are declared "Venerable."

If the person is a martyr for the faith, they will also be declared "Blessed." If the person is not a martyr, they must be credited with a miracle. This is also closely examined for authenticity. Once the miracle is authenticated as truly a miracle performed by God through the person or through their intercession, they are beatified. An additional authenticated miracle is required before canonization, and we can call them "Saint."



Henriette DeLille bravely committed her life to the instruction of free and enslaved children and adults in New Orleans, founding the Sisters of the Holy Family. She is the first native-born African American whose cause for canonization has been officially opened by the Catholic Church!

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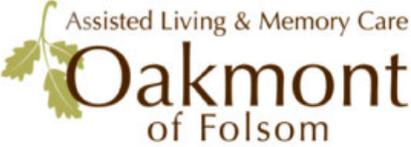


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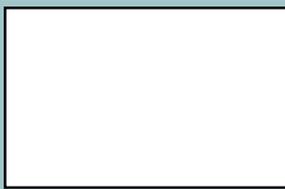


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