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Mass Intentions

1/5 @ 5:00 +Andrea Wong
1/6 @ 8:00 +Alberto Zepeda
1/6 @10:00 +Bill Kogelschatz
1/6 @12:00 +Norma Dulay
1/8 @ 8:00 Communal Service
1/9 @ 8:00 Communal Service
1/10 @ 8:00 Communal Service
1/11 @10:00 Communal Service

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 5-6: Second Collection is for our Building Fund.

Jan. 7: Charismatic Prayer @ 6:30PM in the Parish Hall; all are welcome.

Jan. 8-11: Father Mervin is away from the Parish – There will be a Communal Service led by Deacon Bill each morning.

Jan 9: No Faith Formation

Jan. 13: PANCAKE BREAKFAST: After the 3 Masses, hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Parish Directories will be available for all parishioners who had their picture taken.

Jan. 14: Charismatic Prayer @6:30PM in the Parish Hall; all are welcome.

Jan. 16: FAITH FORMATION

Jan. 21: Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Parish Office will be closed.

Jan. 21: Charismatic Prayer @ 6:30PM

Jan. 23: FAITH FORMATION

Mar. 6: ASH WEDNESDAY

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Sunday Collection \$ 4,073.00
Christmas (New Total) \$ 7,168.00

AMAZON LINK

Our charity link is:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/45-3851348>

If you use Amazon, please remember us!

CATHOLIC TRADITION:

Blessing of Jordan water, chalk, and incense: There are fine texts for the blessing of homes from the Book of Blessings or Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers that explains the traditional method for blessing homes this day using incense, chalk (an incarnational image because it reminds us of the dust of the earth from which we were made), and “Jordan water.” The chalk is used to mark 20 + C + M + B + 19 over doorways. The numerals consecrate the New Year. The initials remind us of the legendary names of the magi—*Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar*—and also stand for the Latin motto *Christus mansionem benedicat* (“May Christ bless the house”). After Mass some parishes have a “visit” from the magi, who bless the main doors of the church in the customary way and then distribute the chalk and water as well as grains of incense—and some instructions, as necessary, about the custom.

CATECHESIS AND COMMUNICATION:

Today begins National Migration Week. Sample prayers and parish activities may be obtained by contacting the USCCB’s Department of Migration and Refugee Services: usccb.org/mrs

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Deacon Bill Bolduc

Fr. William K. Walsh, Pastor Emeritus

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:00AM

12:00PM (en Español/in Spanish)

Weekdays: Tues. – Fri. @ 8:00AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sat. 4:00PM – 4:45PM or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Janet Campbell, Secretary

(707) 374-2155

Mon. - Fri. 9:30AM-3:00PM

(CLOSED for lunch 12:30PM-1:30PM)

stjosephoffice@comcast.net

PARISH HALL

Please contact the office (707) 374-2155 for keys/information concerning the Hall.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

3rd Tuesday of the Month,

Linda Correia, Chair

FINANCE COUNCIL

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Mike Pine, Chair

BAPTISMS

2nd & 4th Saturday of each month at 11:00am. Preparation class for parents & Godparents on the 1st Thursday in the Parish Hall at 5:30PM. Must be scheduled first. Call the office to schedule.

FAITH FORMATION

Suzette Sutton, CRE

Classes – Wednesdays 2:00-4:00

stjosephcatechism@comcast.net

(707) 374-2607

Office Hours: Wed. 9-4, Thurs. 9-12

YOUTH GROUP

Dan Mahoney, Leader

Sunday at 7:00PM in Parish Hall

High School Students

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

FOR ADULTS

Please contact the office for information

“FIRST FRIDAYS”

Mass @ 8:00 AM, Exposition & Adoration of the Eucharist 8:30 – 3:00; Benediction @ 3:00PM

CHOIR PRACTICE

Every Thursday, Lee Muller, Director

BIBLE STUDY

To be announced.

ST. VINCENT dePAUL – For assistance:

(707) 374-3426 Monday – Friday

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

1st Tuesday of the Month

YOUNG LADIES INSTITUTE

3rd Wednesday of the Month

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake breakfast after all three Masses on Sunday, January 13th. If you haven't gone to a Parish Breakfast before, now is a good time to start.

PARISH DIRECTORIES

If you had your picture taken, there is a directory reserved for you. You can collect it in the Parish Office during working hours. The directories will also be available at the Pancake Breakfast; yet another reason to attend.

WALK FOR LIFE

January 26, 2019 will mark the 15th Anniversary of the Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco. The Walk for Life West Coast is the fastest growing pro-life movement on the West Coast. There were 7,000 participants the first year and over 50,000 last year. The Rally starts at Civic Center Plaza, walking down Market Street, (2 miles). The walk ends at Embarcadero Plaza/Ferry Building. There are BART Stations at both locations and ample parking.

TAX STATEMENTS

We will issue tax statements to those the parishioners who made taxable donations in 2018. Please note that registrations fees, or dinner tickets are not tax deductible and will not appear on your statement. These statements will be mailed before the end of January 2019.

DONATIONS

Effective January 1, 2019 a check made payable to St. Joseph Catholic Church with a note in the memo line, "St. Vincent de Paul" or "Rio Vista Food Pantry" will be deposited into our account and at the end of the year will appear on your parish statement. We will issue a single check to these organizations for the total of the donations, (usually monthly). Any checks we receive made payable to St. Vincent De Paul or Rio Vista Food Pantry will be given directly to the organization and it will not appear on your parish statement. Please call the office if you have any questions.

DONATION ENVELOPES

If you want to receive Sunday donation envelopes, please call the office. We will be happy to order them for you. On the other hand, if you are receiving them and don't wish to, let us know and we will cancel the envelopes immediately. If the information on the envelope is incorrect; we can get it fixed.

NEW YEAR/NEW BEGINNINGS

Please call the office and let us know if you are planning on moving, changing your telephone number, dropping or adding an e-mail. It is important for us to have up-to-date information so that we can serve the parish efficiently using the Parish funds wisely. We have some parishioners on our data base without any telephone number at all.

DESAYUNO DE PANQUEQUES

Los Caballeros de Colón organizarán un desayuno de panqueques después de las tres Misas el domingo, 13 de enero. Si no ha ido a un desayuno parroquial, esta es una buena oportunidad para comenzar.

DIRECTORIOS PARROQUIALES

Si se tomó una foto, hay un directorio reservado para usted. Puede recogerlo en la oficina parroquial durante las horas de trabajo o en el Desayuno de Panqueques.

CAMINATA POR LA VIDA

El 26 de enero marca el 15 aniversario de la Caminata Por La Vida de la Costa Oeste en San Francisco. La Caminata Por La Vida es el movimiento pro-vida de crecimiento más rápido en la costa oeste. El Rally comienza en Civic Center Plaza, caminando por Market Street y termina en la Plaza Embarcadero. Hay estaciones de BART en ambos lugares y amplio estacionamiento.

CARTAS DE DONACIONES

Enviaremos cartas con el resumen de sus donaciones. Tenga en cuenta que las tarifas de inscripción o el costo para las cenas no son deducibles y no aparecerán en su carta de donaciones. Las cartas se enviarán por correo antes del fin de enero 2019.

DONACIONES

A partir del 1º de enero de 2019, un cheque a nombre de la Iglesia Católica de San José con una nota en la línea de memo, "St. Vincent de Paul" o "Rio Vista Food Pantry" se depositará en nuestra cuenta y al final del año aparecerá en su carta de donaciones. Emitiremos un solo cheque a estas organizaciones por el total de las donaciones (generalmente, mensualmente). Todos los cheques que recibamos a nombre de St. Vincent De Paul o Rio Vista Food Pantry se

entregarán directamente a la organización y no aparecerán en su declaración parroquial. Por favor llame a la oficina si tiene alguna pregunta.

SOBRES PARA DONACIONES

Si desea recibir sobres de donación para los domingos, llame a la oficina. Estaremos encantados de pedirlos para usted. Por otro lado, si los está recibiendo y no desea hacerlo, háganoslo saber y cancelaremos los sobres de inmediato. Si la información en el sobre es incorrecta; podemos corregirlo.

AÑO NUEVO / COMIENZOS NUEVOS

Llame a la oficina y háganos saber si planea mudarse, cambiar su número de teléfono, o cancelar o agregar un correo electrónico. Es importante tener información actualizada para que podamos servir a la parroquia de manera eficiente. Hay algunos en nuestra base de datos sin ningún número de teléfono.

TRADICIÓN CATÓLICA

Bendición del agua de Jordania, tiza e incienso. Hay excelentes textos del Libro de las Bendiciones o de las Bendiciones y Oraciones Católicas de los Hogares que explica el método tradicional para bendecir las casas usando incienso, tiza (una imagen encarnada porque nos recuerda del polvo de la tierra del cual nos hicimos) y "agua de Jordania". La tiza se usa para marcar 20 + C + M + B + 19 sobre las puertas. Los numerales consagran el año nuevo. Las iniciales nos recuerdan de los nombres legendarios de los magos, *Caspar, Melchior y Balthasar*, y también representan el lema en latín *Christus mansionem benedicat* ("Que Cristo bendiga la casa"). Después de la Misa, algunas parroquias reciben una "visita" de los magos, que bendicen las puertas principales de la iglesia de la manera habitual y luego distribuyen la tiza y el agua, así como los granos de incienso, y algunas instrucciones, según sea necesario, sobre la costumbre.