

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ MARCH 18, 2018

Saved By God's Love

Because the people broke the old covenant, God promised a new covenant, not in the blood of oxen and other animals, but in the blood of the Son, Jesus Christ. This new covenant, foreseen from afar by Jeremiah and the prophets, was not to be engraved on stone, or written on paper, but carved on our hearts, so that we might know God intimately. Not by keeping many laws are we to be saved, but by the love of God, living and real in our hearts through the sacrifice of Christ.

Our Eucharist is the pledge of that indwelling of Christ, and of our response of praise and thanksgiving to God for the mercy, love, and kindness shown to us in forgiving our sins and cleansing our hearts of everything evil. God issues this invitation to intimacy by offering us the chance to have our sufferings transformed into the perfect love of the Savior, who first loved us. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Saints and Special Observances

Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Tuesday: Spring Begins
 Friday: Abstinence; St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

Parish Offerings

Plate Collection (March 10/11): \$2,817.00
 Bishop's Overseas Appeal: \$1,042.00
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Next weekend we will celebrate Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. All Masses will begin outside with the blessing of palms (weather permitting).

Chrism Mass

The annual Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Mon., March 26th, at 11:00 am at Madonna del Sasso parish in Salinas. You are invited to attend this beautiful liturgy where the Holy Oils that will be used in our parish this year are blessed. If you are interested in carpooling, contact the parish office.

Easter Flowers

Donation envelopes for Easter Lilies are on the tables near the church entrance. The envelopes with the names of your loved ones, living and deceased, will remain on the altar throughout the Easter season. We also will need fresh-cut Calla Lilies from your garden for our Holy Thursday décor.



Praying the Rosary

St. Francis de Sales says *"The greatest method of praying is to say the rosary."* The rosary is prayed in our church at 8:30 am Monday-Friday, followed by a Mass or Communion Service at 9:00 am. Please join us when you can!

MASS INTENTIONS

(March 17-23)

Sat., 5:00 pm- +Adrian Gonzalez
 +Sardis Hickam
 Int. Harvey & Jennifer Smith
Sun., 9:00 am- +Jeanie Swift
 +Craig Marlo
 Int. Josephina Nunez
Sun., 6:00 pm- People of the Parish
Mon., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Tues., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Wed., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Thur., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Fri., 9:00 am- +Susie Glaudel
 Int. Carmelle Dowdle
 Int. Jeff Ridgway

In Need of Prayer...

Tommye Brennan, Alice Blankenship, John Pollock, Ryan Kelez, Gloria Villalvazo, Karen Gallagher, Toni Martinez, Nancy Green, Carol Bader, Irene Hammond, Brad Goforth, Althea Soto, Julie Victorino.

Lenten Friday- March 23



6:00 pm- Stations of the Cross
 6:30 pm- Lenten Meal of Soup, Salad and Bread
 7:00 pm- Stations of the Cross (Span.)
Join us as we journey to Calvary.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday (March 29)

Mass of the Lord's Supper- 7 pm

Good Friday (March 30)

Celebration of the Lord's Passion- 12 noon
 Stations of the Cross- 1 pm
 Stations of the Cross (Chapel)- 2 pm
(We will begin at the base of the Chapel and pray the Stations walking up the hill).

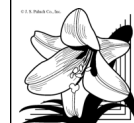
Holy Saturday (March 31)

NO confessions or 5 pm Mass
 Easter Vigil Mass- 8 pm

Easter (April 1)

Masses- 9 am &
 6 pm (Spanish)

Alleluia! Alleluia!



Decorating for Holy Week

Help decorate our worship spaces for Holy Week and Easter. Join us on Fri., March 23rd, at 9:30 am as we get ready for Palm Sunday. On Thurs., March 29th, 9:00 am we will prepare the church and hall for Holy Thursday Mass and Adoration, on Friday at 9:00 am for Good Friday services. Then on Saturday at 9:00 am we will meet to decorate the church for all of our Easter celebrations and visitors.

Men's Club

All men of the parish are invited to attend the next dinner meeting of the Men's Club on Tues., March 20th, at 6:00 pm in the hall. Please use the sign-up sheet near the church entrance if you plan to attend.