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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:
4:00 pm Vigil

Sunday:
9:00 am
11:00 am en Español

Mon, Tues, Thurs:
8:00 am

Wednesday 6:00 pm Español &
Friday 6:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday:
8:30 am to 9:30 am

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - 5:30 pm
(closed 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm)

Friday:
8:30 am - 12:00 noon

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Rev. Julius Kayiwa

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Deacon Francis Staab

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SUNDAY, March 10th, 2024



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

"Todo aquel que hace el mal, aborrece la luz y no se acerca a ella, para que sus obras no se descubran. En cambio, el que obra el bien conforme a la verdad, se acerca a la luz, para que se vea que sus obras están hechas según Dios". - Jn 3, 20-21

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Parish Mission Statement:

We the people of St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Called by God,
Approach the Father in Word and Sacrament, Live relationship with Jesus in Catholic
Community, Seek the Called in the Love of the Holy Spirit

MASS INTENTIONS, DAILY GOSPEL



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2024

Year B

Sat. Mar. 9 <i>St. Frances of Rome, Religious</i>	Jn. 9:1-41	4:00 p.m.		Seigworth Family (Chris Seigworth)
Sun. Mar. 10 <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	Jn. 9:1-41	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+	People of the Parish Albert (Norma Hongslo)
Mon. Mar. 11	Jn. 4:43-54	8:00 a.m.	+	Chris Cocking (Chris Seigworth)
Tues. Mar. 12	Jn. 5:1-16	8:00 a.m.	+	Barbara Lorentzen (Glen Tompson)
Wed. Mar. 13	Jn. 5:17-30	6:00 p.m.	+	Margaret Powell (Patty Stager)
Thurs. Mar. 14	Jn. 5:31-47	8:00 a.m.		Becky Zumwalt (Carol Spawn)
Fri. Mar. 15	Jn. 7:1-2, 10, 25-30	6:00 p.m.		Liz & Michel DeGraff (Carol Spawn)
Sat. Mar. 16	Jn. 11:1-45	4:00 p.m.	+	Trinidad Noli (David Acuña)
Sun. Mar. 17 <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	Jn. 11:1-45	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.		People of the Parish Mr. & Mrs. N. B. Camacho (Anonymous)

Reflection for the Fourth Sunday of Lent Time: Year B
Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 10, 2024
Rev. Mark Hellinger

Readings: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6–7, 10–13a • Ps 23: 1–3a, 3b–4, 5, 6 • Eph 5:8–14 • Jn 9:1–41
bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031024-YearA.cfm

I recall being in fifth grade when my teacher told my parents that I was having some problems reading what was written on the blackboard. My perceptive teacher, Mrs. Joy Agresto, noticed my squinting and my struggling to write down what was on the blackboard in that venerable grammar school, which is now known as Saint Joseph the Worker Catholic Academy. This would have been in 1982, a very long time ago.

My parents took me out to a Cohen's Fashion Optical and I had my eyes tested. About a week later, my father took me out to the eyeglass store and I tried my glasses on the first time. I vividly recall being able to see so much better; it was like a new world of details was opened before me which I had not realized was there.

As time went on, especially as I got into my teenage years, I tried to not wear my glasses and, as one could imagine, the results were what you would expect — not really seeing what was in front of me, as I would wear my glasses at home but not at Cathedral Prep in Elmhurst, where I went for high school. By my sophomore year, at the strong suggestion of my principal, one of the kindest priests I have ever known (and if I had to put forward a saint whom I know, it would be he), Msgr. Phillip J. Reilly, I began to wear my glasses, which I needed to wear daily. Sure, I tried contact lens as a newly ordained priest, but I found myself lost without my glasses. To this date, with slightly over fifty years of life on Earth, the first thing I do in the morning when I rise to is grab my glasses. I often think back to the very first time I tried on my first pair of glasses, a little boy's brown plastic aviator frame, I felt like I could not only see, but actually perceive.

In today's readings from the Old Testament book of First Samuel and in the Holy Gospel according to Saint John, we read not only about seeing, but perhaps more importantly about perceiving. The great Roman Catholic apologist Bishop Robert E. Barron, in his masterpiece *And Now I See: A Theology of Transformation* (1998) states: "Christianity is, above all else, a way of seeing. Everything else in Christian life flows from and circles around the transformation of vision. Christians see differently, and that is why their prayer, their worship, their action, their whole way of being in the world have a distinctive accent and flavor." (ix)

In the first reading taken from the First Book of the Prophet Samuel, we are placed in the midst of this drama to find a new king for the people of Israel. Recall that the Lord God did not want Israel to ever have a king, because he was the King of Israel. However, Israel wanted to have a king whom they could see, like the kings of other nations. The Lord God, again and again, stated that he did not want a visible king for Israel, because he is their king. In order to remind them of this fact, the Lord God set up prophets, whose main role was to remind Israel that God and God alone is king.

Yes, the nation of Israel wanted a king whom they could see and the Lord God reminded them, time and again, that he is King and, if they choose earthly kings, things would go awry for them. Still, the nation of Israel persisted and they had a king: Saul, who has some serious emotional problems, to say the least.

Into the picture comes the great prophet Samuel, who has to anoint a new king of Israel at the Lord's command. The only problem is that the Lord God has not told Samuel which of the sons of Jesse whom he should anoint.

As Jesse examines each son, he, as might we all in his case, sees some healthy, happy, holy young men, any of whom could easily be the next king of Israel. However, until he perceives, going beyond his mere sight, pushing beyond what is immediately presented in front of his sight, does he move beyond seeing and truly perceive who is really standing in front of him.

To the average eye, David is meek, small, and young. He is the "runt of the litter" and will win no "Mr. Universe" contests. David is a shepherd, a kid who takes care of the literal "kids," the sheep. In the eyes of the world, he has little value, compared to his heroic and confident brothers. And yet, in the eyes of the Lord, with which the Prophet Samuel is functioning, David is seen as he is — a human being created in God's image and likeness, one who, despite the presence of original sin, is still fundamentally good. Samuel is able to go beyond merely seeing, but actually to the level of perceiving who is really in front of him, namely the king of Israel.

In our lives, perhaps each of us needs to ask a simple question this Lent- do we see or do we perceive? Can we look at every single woman and man, every human person, whom we encounter and see them as they truly are — a beautifully created human being made in the image and likeness of God himself? Are we able to see each person whom we come across in our daily lives are fundamentally good and worthy of God's love, God's mercy, and God's forgiveness? And turning to the eyes of our Christian perception inwardly, are we able to see, no, truly perceive, the image and likeness of God, our loving Father and creator in ourselves?

This week, let us ask for the grace to not only see but to perceive who it is that is really in front of us. With each soul whom we encounter, we meet someone created in the image and likeness of Christ, and someone who is fundamentally good, despite the presence of original sin (which is washed away in the Sacrament of Baptism). Let's pray for the eyes of Samuel the Prophet, the eyes of Christ the healer, so that we can see the world as it truly is — the handiwork of God — and each woman and man as the masterpiece of God's creation.

Sharing our Gifts

What We Gave Back to God

March 3, 2024

Attendance: 684

Needed to meet weekly expenses	\$ 8,000.00
Plate Collection	\$ 9,754.21
Online Giving	\$ 576.36
Building Fund	\$ 145.00

February 2024

Monthly Operating Expense	\$24,817.07
Monthly Plate Collection	\$37,112.97
Deficit or Gain	+\$12,295.90

Our Daily Bread

Thank you for your continued support of Our Daily Bread ministry. We have made and distributed 18,171 sandwiches year to date, and 343,656 since inception (September 2013).

WE ARE IN NEED OF MONEY DONATIONS, FOR LICENSE, APRONS, HAIRNETS. You may drop your donation off at the Parish Center.

WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF A CAPTAIN FOR TUESDAYS SANDWICH MAKING!



If you are interested, please contact David Hunter at 714-726-6130. Thank you,

Donate your Change

Be sure to pick up a special offering box or can at the back of the church. Write that it's for the building fund, your name and phone number on it before you turn it in.

All monies will go toward future building improvement projects in the parish campus.

Brick Garden

We are continuing to take brick orders. This is a wonderful way to pay honor to someone you love or to be remembered as part of St. Mary history for years to come. Bricks are \$50 for a 4x8 and \$100 for a 8x8. Call the Parish Office for an order form or to place your order.

The brick garden is growing — don't miss the opportunity to be a part of it.

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Readings for the week of March 10, 2024

Sunday:

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 *Scrutiny:* 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday:

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday:

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 *Scrutiny:* Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



Saint of the week

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque was a French nun who had visions of Jesus and his Sacred Heart. She devoted her life to promoting Eucharistic adoration and the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Her Thursday night holy hours are still a common practice among modern Catholics!

Prayer for Laetare Sunday

Dear Jesus,
We've been in this season of Lent for a few weeks now. I want to re-commit myself in this time — renew and strengthen my resolve. Help me to use these last few weeks to grow closer to you. Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The Uncomfortable Life in The Light

If you have ever been a woman over the age of 30 who stayed in a budget motel, you know the horror of awakening in a dark room, switching on the bathroom lights and screaming at the shriveled-up she-witch you find hiding there.

And you know the feeling of disappointment that blooms in the pit of your stomach as you realize the shriveled-up she-witch is your own reflection staring back at you beneath the merciless glare of overhead fluorescent lighting.

You may also know the relief of visiting a nice restaurant after dark and catching sight of yourself in the mirror. You lean forward, mesmerized by how different — how matte! How smooth! — the contours of your face look in what we call “forgiving light.” But this turn of phrase is simply not correct. It is not light, and it does not forgive. It is darkness, and it merely conceals.

But it feels so much better, doesn't it? Salvation can feel like condemnation, when being lost is all you know. Sometimes it is so much more comfortable to live lost in the shadows.

It is possible to yearn for darkness. Darkness gives cover to so many things. The light has a harshness that can almost seem demanding, exposing. Light can bleach. Light can burn.

“Is this really me?” you think in that budget hotel bathroom, examining acne scars you never saw before and crow's feet that seem to have developed overnight. The answer is yes. Yes, that is really you, all of it, every inch. There's nothing to be afraid of, just step into the light and own it.

“And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil.” — John 3:19

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What's the difference between priests and brothers, friars, etc.?

Answer:

The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it's important to begin by noting some basic distinctions:

The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities and who are committed to lives of prayer and service).

Priests: A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

Brothers: Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

Monks, Friars, and Canons: These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities.

Parish News and Events

Parish Events This Week

Monday, March 11

ODB	9:00am	Kitchen
JPC Mtg	5:30pm	Library
RCIA	6:30pm	Rm. 5,6,7

Tuesday, March 12

Psalms	10:00am	Rm. 5,6,7
Lenten Mission	4:00pm	Church
Women's Fellowship	6:00pm	Library

Wednesday, March 13

Rosary	10:00am	Library
Lenten Mission	4:00pm	Church
Sacramental Prep	5:00pm	Rm. 5,6,7
JPC	6:45pm	Library
CERS	6:45pm	Rm. 1
CERS-Youth	6:45pm	Rm. 5,6,7

Thursday, March 14

R.E.	5:30pm	All Rooms
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Friday, March 15

Cleaning of Chapel	9:00am	Chapel
Stations of the Cross	11:00am	Church
Choir-Spn	4:30pm	Church
Fish Fry	4:30pm	Rm. 5,6,7
JPC	7:00pm	Library
CERS	6:45pm	Rm. 5,6,7
		Kitchen

Saturday, March 16

Confessions	8:30am	Church
CERS	12Noon	Rm. 5,6,7



IN THE
PARISH HALL

DOORS OPEN AT 4:30pm till 6:30pm

**ADULT PLATES \$15.00 –
CHILDREN 12U \$8.00**

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

MARCH 15, & 22, 2024



First Saturday Devotion

Saturday,
April 6, 2024
2:30pm to 3:30pm
In the Chapel

Altar Flowers

Parishioners now have the opportunity to contribute to the altar flowers "in memory" or "in honor" of a loved one.

Donation is \$50, there are two bouquets for the altar. It is your choice of donating for one or two. The names will be published in the bulletin.

INTO THE FOLD

Thank you to all who participated in last weekend's
Into The Fold Reception.

A special thank you to Amelia Kent, Ministries/
Groups representatives and the ladies of the Into
The Fold Ministry.

You guys rock!
Our next reception: TBA

Catholic Charities DIGNITY Diversion is an intensive education-based program for women who have been arrested for prostitution. Our program provides the opportunity to avoid jail time and divert women from reoffending.

Help support Catholic Charities DIGNITY Diversion Program by donating these items:

- Lotion
- Shampoo (for all hair types)
- Body wash
- Body scrubbers/loofahs
- Sports bras
- Hoodies (all sizes)
- Razors



To learn more about DIGNITY Diversion or to donate, call 1-602-258-2785 or visit us at CatholicCharitiesAZ.org
"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" Matthew 25:40

Parish News and Events

REQUIREMENTS PRIOR TO THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD

In order to baptize your child in our parish, parent (s) please come to the Parish Office to obtain an outline, describing the necessary requirements — PRIOR to both the parents and godparents being scheduled to attend a required pre-baptism class:



Parents

1. Must be registered parishioner in our parish
2. Parent (s) must be baptized and submit a copy of their Confirmation certificate.
3. If the parents are married, provide a copy of their Catholic marriage
4. Parent(s) must provide a copy of their child's birth certificate.

Godparent (s) At Least One:

1. Must be a practicing Catholic, following the teachings of the Catholic faith.
2. The godparent must be baptized and submit a copy of their Confirmation (certificate is required).
3. The godparent, if married must provide a copy of their Catholic marriage certificate.

Only after receiving the required documentation, must the parent(s) and godparents (s) have attended the pre-baptism class, can the baptism of your child be scheduled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call the Parish Center Office (928) 377-3435.

PSALMS: THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER

The Holy Spirit inspired them, Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. At the heart of the Bible are the Psalms, prayers from God that help us to pray. In PSALMS: THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER, we discover how these sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us.

In this 11 week course we will show you how to establish a deeply personal dialogue with God, through the Psalms. Learn how to meditate fruitfully on the captivating words of the Psalms using lectio divina and study the many ways the Psalms tell the life and mission of Jesus.

Come join us on Tuesday Mornings, twice a month with video presentations from Jeff Calvin's, Tim Gray, and Sarah Christmyer along with exciting conversations to explore ways into a personal encounter with God.

Classes are only one and half hour long and will begin in October, the first Tuesday, October 3 at 10 A.M. in the Parish Center. Plus, please go to ascensionpress.com to order your workbook (Psalms, the School of Prayer)

If interested, please contact Grace McNair at grace.mcnair@mail.com to sign up.

Here's to praying the words that Jesus prayed! See you there.



Dates – Times – Location

Study starts: January 9, 2024

Study group meets the 2nd and 4th
Tuesday of each month

Meeting time: 5pm-6:30 in the church
library

Cost – Registration

FREE!

For More Information

Contact Liz at 928.530.9442

Events & News



Please pray for all who are sick or infirmed:



*Robert Comstock, Linda Pinnick, Carol Kreft, Diane Schatz, Ray Martin, Rita Cownie,
Mark Kucharek, Fr. Charlie Urnick, James Cleary, Angie Huizenga, Sandra Lyons,
James Driscoll, Michael Barrett, Diane Seiler, Frankie Daiber, Fermin Esquibel, Joseph Matthews,
Richard Potts, Mary Woodward, Toni Grzechowika, Ron Tuohey Sr., Richard Fernandez, Anthony Fernandez,
Susan & Steve Richards, Ventura Villalobos, Jaime Fernandez, Susan Regino, Ellsie Taylor, Ryan Smith,
Olivia Sanchez, Ann Peterson, Helena Hall, Gabriel Esquivel, Helaine MacPhal, Caitlin Amburgue, Peyton
Mann, Jaime O'Niell, Art Penfold, Jerrod Wetzel, Teresa Stafford, Fernando Galvan Jr, Gary Gallant, Rocco
DiConza, Rick Maiero, Alex Freiday, Jimmy Gifford, Josh Lazarski, Patrick & Jennifer Weinmiester,
Katherine Tyler, Con Sanchez, Don & Pam Weinmiester, Bob Lucero, Susan Cowin, Carmen & Robert
Clemente, Andrew Colton, Lupe Natividad, Jean Marie Hunt, Bill Glass, O'Niell Family, Jim Gunton, Joseph
Matthews, Manuel Hernandez, Sabrey Byrd, Michele deLany, Larry Dye, Juan Acuña, Ernestine Stein, Patty
George, Gary Arivzo, Alan Rodberg, Dylan Short, Ginny Carter, Marcheta Keller, Mert Glancy,
Patricia Tellman, Vicky & Nestor Sanchez, Gloria Gallegos, Arturo Zamora*



Altar Flowers

No altar flowers during Lent

Please donate altar flowers
so that we can
purchase Easter Lilys



Please pray for all those who have died, especially;

Joe O'Neill
Sandy Kinsinger
Douglas Scroggins
Josefina Williams, Danielle Torrance

Youth Bible Study



Hey you! We are inviting all the youth ages 13-18 to join us on Wednesdays, from 7pm-8:15pm for our Youth Bible Study! Come and join us to learn more about your faith and the Word of God! Be sure to bring a bible and a notebook! For more information contact Mariela Balderrama @ (928) 279-4411.

¡Atención jóvenes de edades 13-18! Te invitamos a que vengas a nuestro curso bíblico para jóvenes los miércoles de 7pm-8:15pm. ¡Acompáñanos para aprender más de la fe y de la Palabra de Dios! ¡No olviden su biblia y cuaderno! Para más información contacta a Mariela Balderrama @ (928) 279-4411.



Rosary Group

Wednesday, at 10:00am
in
Parish Center: Library

Come join and pray the rosary and
social with fellow parishioners.

Catholic Charities MANA (Marines, Army, Navy, Air Force) House provides transitional housing for veterans. We provide a foundation for veterans currently or at-risk of experiencing homelessness, providing each one the opportunity to reclaim a life of self-sufficiency.

Help support our veterans in our transitional housing program, MANA House by donating these items:

- Hygiene items (shampoo, body wash, razors, shaving cream, deodorant)
- Pillows
- Twin Sheet Sets (pillow, fitted sheet, and flat cover)
- Twin Size Blankets

From Catholic Charities to all veterans,
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!



To learn more about MANA House or to donate, call 602.254.6785 or visit us at CatholicCharitiesAZ.org
"Open your mouth, judge justly, defend the needy and the poor." Proverbs 31:9

ST. MARY CATHOLIC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Invites all women 18 years old and up! **REVELATION – THE KINGDOM YET TO COME**

****Bible Study Begins Tuesday, September 5th @6:00PM-7:30PM****

This Bible Study, through Ascension Press, is presented by video by Jeff Cavins. The workbook may be ordered through ascensionpress.com (\$29.95, includes online access for one year). Please bring a Bible with you to our sessions. Our Fellowship meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month in the Parish Center Library.

ST. MARY CATHOLIC WOMEN'S...

Faith – staying steadfast in our faith – no matter the adversities

Evangelize – the Good News about Jesus Christ to all

Love – Christian Love for one another – We are all made in the image of God.

Learn – Always learn something new about our faith. – There's so much to learn.

Offer up our troubles/worries to the Lord. – Trust in His infinite Mercy.

Worship our Lord through the sacrifice of the Mass and at Adoration.

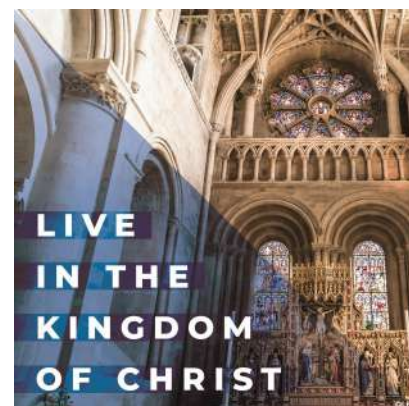
Spirit – Call on the Holy Spirit for guidance – in our thoughts, words, actions,

Holiness – Goal for all Christians for the graces towards holiness.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit to trust God, to do His will, to share our gifts for His glory and praise

Pray – Praying every day makes Jesus the center of our lives.

Come, join our Fellowship! – Email Rina, caterinar1986@gmail.com



Prayers for Ernesto Balderrama, Jr

We, the Balderrama family, (Ernesto, Sonia and children), would like to ask for your prayers for our son, Ernesto Balderrama, Jr...aka - Junior, 17 yrs. old. He has grown up in St. Mary. He received all his Sacraments of Initiation here. He was an altar server since 2015. He was a member of the CERS group since 2021 and more recently, was helping his sister, Mariela, with the Wednesday evening Youth Bible study group. He graduated from Lee Williams HS in May 2023 and has decided to dedicate some time to strengthen and learn more about his faith. He left on August 4, 2023, to join Christ of the Desert House of Formation, in Palmdale, CA. He will be on his formation journey for nine months, with other young adults, all of whom have chosen to live by the virtues of obedience, poverty, and chastity.

After the formation period, he will discern if he would like to make his promise to become a Missionary Servant of the Word for one year, serving in whatever mission he is sent to here in the United

States. We ask for prayers from our St. Mary community to help Junior stay strong and not feel lonely, as this is the first time he will be away from his family and community for so long. Prayers to help him stay focused during this formation period and guard against all temptation, not only for him, but for all the young people who are on the same journey as him, sacrificing a part of their young lives to follow Jesus. They have chosen to leave the many temptations of the secular world and follow Jesus out into the desert to pray and meditate on what God is calling them to do. Pray and make sacrifices as well for more teenagers and young adults to open their hearts and hear and answer God's calling. We are responsible for faith formation of the youth of our Church. Let us not abandon them in their time of spiritual needs. There is a spiritual warfare going on now and let us not lose our children to it.

Thank you so much and may God bless you all and guard you from all evil.

" Whomever has known God cannot be silent. " ~ Father Luigi Butera

"Quien ha conocido a Dios no puede callar."

Parish News and Events

Jail Ministry

Looking for volunteer to take over this ministry as Rita and I will no longer be able to do so. Contact Ray Martin at 251-233-9490 or Rita Martin at 928-404-3257 for more information. Thanks and God Bless.

Blessed Carlo Acutis



Blessed Carlo Acutis London, May 3, 1991 - Milan, October 12, 2006

Eucharistic Miracles Video Series

Produced by St. Mary's Church based on the work of Blessed Carlo Acutis' web pages.

Search on YouTube with:

@kevindavis3985

then click on the image of the Guadalupe angel to go to the full ever-expanding playlist of videos.



Our Lady of the Lake Gift Shop

Mon—Fri 9:00am to 12noon
Sat. 3:00pm to 6:00pm
Sunday 7:00am to 2:00pm



In the month of February, we helped 409 individuals making our total cost for Neighbor Assistance, (previously known as Client Services), \$16, 036.00!

We help with food, clothing, free lunches, laundry vouchers and household items. Please join us in serving those in need in our community. Thank you!

Expecting a child is life changing, and you're not the first person to question what to do now that you're pregnant. Catholic Charities Joining Hearts can help you during your unexpected pregnancy. YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

Help support pregnant mothers, adoptive families, and parents in need by donating items to Catholic Charities Joining Hearts Program:

- Bus Passes (monthly)
- Uber & Lyft gift cards
- TracFones—prepaid phones
- TracFone Prepaid Minutes
- Diapers
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