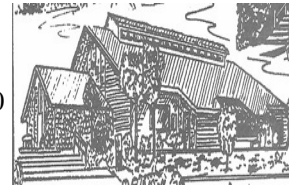




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SACRAMENT CELEBRATIONS

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Celebrations:
 Saturday - 4:00 PM Little Church
 Sunday - 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM &
 5:30 PM Big Church
 Tues. - Friday, Mass - 8:15 AM Big Church

RECONCILIATION

Anytime by Appointment
 Communal Celebrations during Advent & Lent

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Annually at the Easter Vigil.
 Adults or children aged seven or older
 interested in discerning the Catholic faith or
 completing the Sacraments of Initiation, please
 call the Catechetical Ministry Office or
 e-mail: createdre@aol.com

BAPTISM OF INFANTS

Ordinarily Baptism is celebrated on the
 Third Sunday of the month at Mass. New or
 expectant parents should contact the parish
 office to schedule an appointment with the
 pastor. Infant Baptism is celebrated
 following a Baptism preparation session.

CONFIRMATION FOR TEENS

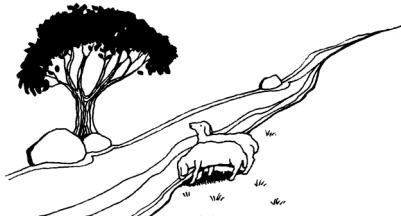
Celebrated every other year in the Easter Season.
 Candidates for this Sacrament should call the
 Catechetical Office at 997-4808

ANOINTING & CARE OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is preparing for
 surgery, received a recent serious medical
 diagnosis, or is experiencing the burden of
 years, please call the parish office for Anointing
 of the Sick. Communion can be brought to
 anyone who is ill or homebound through our
 Pastoral Care Ministers. A communal anointing
 occurs at Mass annually on/or near the
 Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Feb. 11.

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the parish upon their
 Engagement and usually 6 months prior to the
 desired date of the Wedding Ceremony.



**Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 26, 2017**

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
— Psalm 23:1

**Mass Intentions
For The Week** 

MARCH 25th & 26th, 2017

Saturday 4:00 PM Rose Accardi (RIP)
Sunday 8:30 AM Beverly Gasperin (RIP)
Sunday 10:30 AM Norton Coco (RIP)
Sunday 5:30 PM Parishioners

WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2017

Tuesday 8:15 AM Katie Hsu (SI)
Wednesday 8:15 AM Rahul Pinto (SI)
Thursday 8:15 AM Kassawara Family (SI)
Friday 8:15 AM Albert Ciampoli (RIP)

APRIL 1st & 2nd, 2017

Saturday 4:00 PM Lynda Fitch (RIP)
Sunday 8:30 AM Theresa Courtney (RIP)
Sunday 10:30 AM Carmela Salinas (RIP)
Sunday 5:30 PM Parishioners

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45 (3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45)

Sunday Stewardship

Trackable Donations for: 3/12/17 = 73
3/19/17 = 82

Stewardship - 3/12/17 (includes Online Giving).....\$3,899.00

Stewardship - 3/19/17 (includes Online Giving).....\$4,089.00

Catholic Relief Services.....\$781.00

YTD Stewardship..... \$235,721.00



Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping "Jesus in disguise." Your contributions will 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 and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

Meetings This Week:

Sunday, March 26th: 6:30 p.m., X-STATiC Youth Ministry (McKean Church)

Monday, March 27th: 11:00 a.m., Knitting Circle (McKean Church)
6:30 p.m., SALT (Teens) (Holy Family Room)

Tuesday, March 28th: 8:15 a.m., Morning Mass (McKean Church)
9:30 a.m., ARISE (Saint Joseph Room)
4:00 p.m., CREATE Classes (McKean Church)
4:00 p.m., ARISE (Our Lady of Guadalupe Room)
5:15 p.m., Children's Choir (McKean Church)
6:30 p.m., Pastoral Council Meeting (Our Lady of Guadalupe Room)
7:00 p.m., 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice (McKean Church)

Wednesday, March 29th: 8:15 a.m., Morning Mass (McKean Church)
6:00 p.m., "The Light Is On For You" (McKean Church)
6:30 p.m., 5:30 Choir Practice (McKean Church)
7:15 p.m., ARISE (Saint Joseph Room)

Thursday, March 30th: 8:15 a.m., Morning Mass (McKean Church)
7:00 p.m., Liturgy Board (Our Lady of Guadalupe Room)

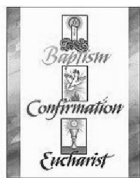
Friday, March 31st: **Parish Office Closed**
6:15 a.m., ARISE (McKean Church)
8:15 a.m., Morning Mass (McKean Church)
7:00 p.m., Lenten Devotion – Taize Prayer (McKean Church)

Saturday, April 1st: 8:30 a.m., Blood Drive (McKean Church Parking Lot)
9:00 a.m., First Communion Activity Day (McKean Church)

Upcoming Events:

Wednesdays, April 5 & 12: from 6 – 8 p.m., "The Light Is On For You", Reconciliation at McKean Church
Holy Week Schedule: Holy Thursday, April 13th @ 7:30 p.m.
Good Friday, April 14th @ 7:30 p.m.
Easter Vigil, April 15th @ 8:15 p.m.
Easter, April 16th @ 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

CATECHETICAL MINISTRY AND UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS



The Sacraments of Initiation

The rites of Christian initiation into the Catholic Church are the three Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

We receive Baptism and Confirmation once, but we are able to receive the Eucharist every Sunday or even daily. Since we receive Eucharist so often, it may not seem to be a rite of initiation but rather a sustaining rite of the Church.

In reality, all three are required for full reception into the Catholic Church.

Through these three sacraments we are initiated into the life of full Christian discipleship. In Baptism, we are born as a new creation. Through Confirmation we are strengthened to live out our faith. In the Eucharist, we continue to receive spiritual nourishment week after week.

We pray for our Catechumen, **Jessica Sheehan**, as she journeys toward full initiation into the life of the Catholic faith. Take a look at the bulletin board in the vestibule for more information about Jessica and what brought her to this faith journey. Come to Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 15th and be part of this special celebration.



eXtreme Saint Anthony Teens in Christ
(Open to all High School students)

Join us for XSTATIC tonight as we partake in the **2017 XTATIC Olympics!**

Which country will reign over the rest?!

and

Next week, we continue our series on vocations, talking about the priesthood and religious life!



Mark your calendars, our next BLAST is **Tuesday, April 4th!**

We will be joined by a few teens from XSTATIC who will share what a typical night looks like for this high school ministry



Encounter Community

We encounter Maria in Mexico where a community of hardworking women share joys, sorrows and fellowship while growing economic opportunity at a greenhouse. How have your communities helped you encounter Christ anew this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Saint Anthony Prayer Box

Giving a voice to your silent intentions. For any other intentions you wish to offer...have you heard those words in Mass and thought "*I wish I could say this out loud but I just can't*" and then the moment passes and you are disappointed. We understand that feeling and have an idea we believe will help that moment feel more fulfilling for you. In the Vestibule is a prayer box and some note cards. You are invited to write your anonymous prayer intentions on a card and place it into the box. During Mass the box will be brought forward and blessed. The prayers will not be read out loud and they will be shredded after Mass. May those intentions you keep in the silence of your hearts feel heard and blessed in a new and supportive way.

Catholic Tech Corner...



A 3D Catholic (Free) iOS and Android App, developed by the University of Notre Dame's Institute for Church Life. This 3D Catholic app is designed to promote three traditional Catholic practices of **prayer, fasting and almsgiving (Works of Mercy)** - practices traditionally connected to the season of Lent. But the developers hope users go beyond a one-shot attempt, so they programmed in unique features designed to help the user develop a "*daily habit*" of engaging these practices and cultivating a life-long practice. This is achieved by joining a community connected through this app and by setting daily reminders for prayer, fasting and almsgiving (including works of mercy).

From the Developers: "Join other Catholics in your area praying the Angelus every day at noon, abstaining from meat on Fridays throughout the year and performing at least one corporal work of mercy weekly. View the real-time map to see where others are practicing the 3 devotions. Upload prayers to the prayer intention stream and take other users' petitions into prayer while you are engaged in the practices of the 3D Catholic community."

This is a simple, yet serious attempt to help users cultivate a life-long habit of prayer, fasting and engaging in works of mercy.

DIOCESAN NEWS, CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING & MORE PARISH EVENTS



Services for Cal Ford

Cal Ford, who was a member of our own Saint Anthony's Seniors (SAS) lost his short fight against non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma on March 10, 2017.

A **Memorial Mass** will be held at Saint Anthony Church (McKean Road) on **Tuesday, March 28th at 11 a.m.**



Saint Anthony Pastoral Council

Saint Anthony Pastoral Council is currently seeking parishioners interested in being considered for a position on the Pastoral Council.

Our mission is to develop, organize and lead the spiritual and strategic direction of the parish. Please contact **Patti Rottjakob** at psrottjakob@gmail.com with questions regarding time, commitment and service.



If you would like to add the name of your loved ones to the Prayer List, please contact the Parish Office. We will publish them here in the Bulletin for a month from the date of the request, and pass their names onto the Parish Prayer group.

Thank you and God Bless!

**Kay Banchemo, Mary Hogg,
Katie Hsu, Memecio Jungel,
Louella Matthews,
Josephine Montanaro,
Anita O'Neill, Harris Rea,
Dennis Ryan, Bill Slack,
Doreen Smith, Jessica Votaw**



The people and families of those on the Prayer Request List would like to give a big "Thank You" to those who

continuously lift them up in prayer. They greatly appreciate all of your thoughts. The power of prayer does great things!

SAS (Saint Anthony Seniors) HAPPENINGS

The results of our Events Committee Survey was presented at the March 10th meeting, along with initial plans for the "Almost Famous Meatloaf Dinner," **Friday April 21, at the Julian Street Inn**. Please plan to attend our meeting on **Monday, April 10th**, to finalized those plans and start preparing for our **Annual Mother's Day Bake Sale!**

UPCOMING EVENTS/OUTINGS

- **Friday, April 21st** - "Almost Famous Meatloaf Dinner" at **LifeMoves/Julian Street Inn**
- **Sunday, May 7th** - **Fortino Winery, Gilroy** - Tasting and Picnic Lunch
- **Friday, May 12th** - **SAS Meeting, 7 p.m. @ McKean Church**
- **May 13-14th** - **Annual Mother's Day Bake Sale** - After all Masses


All parishioners (55 and older) are welcome to join SAS, please come to a meeting or call an officer (**Tom Victorine, Jeanne Schwab or Cheryl Buiano**) for more information.

APRIL 1

This is the day upon which we are reminded of what we are on the other three hundred and sixty-four. —Mark Twain

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Is 65:17-21;
Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b;
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 106:19-23;
Jn 5:31-47
- Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22;
Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20;
Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12;
Jn 7:40-53
- Sunday:** Ez 37:12-14;
Ps 130:1-8;
Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

 Without our generous advertisers, Saint Anthony Parish would not have a weekly bulletin. **Thank you** from the bottom of our hearts.

Volunteers Needed!



Want to help but short on time? We need volunteers to assist with "**The Light**

Is On For You" series. **Two** volunteers are needed per evening, from **5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the McKean Church**.

The volunteer will be a ministry host/hostess throughout the evening. It is easy and gratifying!

If you can volunteer for this one-time event (or you can help out many times during Lent), please email **Mollie Tobias** at mrcake6@gmail.com or call **408-410-4222**.



The Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross are typically prayed during Lent. Many churches sponsor the Stations on Friday's during Lent, either at noon-time, following a daily Mass or as a Lenten activity in the evening. But if coming to church doesn't fit into your busy life, the USCCB website has an intriguing and insightful "**Scriptural Way of the Cross for Lent**" online. Everything is right there--the prayers, scripture, reflection and some thought provoking questions! Once a week, spend your Lenten prayer time, reading and reflecting on the Way of the Cross.

<http://www.usccb.org/about/justice-peace-and-human-development/upload/cchd-scriptural-way-of-the-cross.pdf>

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:



In the first week of Lent we re-introduced the diocesan wide Lenten initiative **"The Light is On For You."** Each church in our diocese is open on Wednesday nights during Lent from 6 – 8 pm for those who wish to participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation, Confession or Penance, whichever words resonates in you.

I like the word reconciliation meaning that we want to reconcile ourselves, first in our hearts, second with others and always reconcile with God who holds us in such high esteem.

Each of us learned about and celebrated the sacrament of reconciliation at an early age, maybe at an age too young to fully appreciate the power of this healing sacrament. When we were seven or eight years old, our sins were minor, e.g., disobeying our parents, saying bad words, hitting our brothers and sisters, and once in a great while missing Mass. We were introduced to the sacrament to know Jesus Christ is always there for us. Jesus is a like a light illumining our paths and showing us the way to come home.

Tuesday of the 2nd week of Lent; Isaiah the prophet speaking for God, challenges the people to *"put away your misdeeds before my eyes, cease doing evil."* This is a precursor to the sacrament of reconciliation, turning away from sin and turning towards God. The prophet goes on, *"learn to do the good. Make justice your aim: redress the wronged, hear the orphan's plea, and defend the widow."*

In other words turning back to God is saying more than "I'm sorry" or as we often say *"sorry."* Turning back to God means that we are open to receiving his restorative, healing grace that wipes away our sin, so that even *"though your sins may be like scarlet, they may become white as snow."* When we admit our sins to God through the priest in the sacrament of reconciliation, we are forgiven, restored, made whole so that we, as Matthew Kelly says, can *"be the best version of ourselves"* with God's grace and love. We make a firm purpose of amendment not to sin and then hear the power of the words of absolution as the priest prays ... *"I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy Spirit."*

When we put our selfishness aside and consider the needs of others, doing good for others, helping the poor through Operation Rice Bowl. We are becoming new people in Christ.

When we take the risk of coming before Christ in the sacrament of reconciliation, we find a new sense of peace in our hearts. We can re-discover the healing power of God's merciful love. As a result, there is new meaning and purpose in our lives.

The light is on for you to experience God's healing, abiding merciful love through confession. Don't wait until the last minute to avail yourself of this precious sacrament. Welcome Home! Welcome to receive God's healing mercies! **If you weren't able to make the parish communal Reconciliation Service on Saturday morning, March 25th**, there is still time for the sacrament of reconciliation on Wednesday evening March 29th, April 5th or 12th or you can go to one of our neighboring parishes on a Wednesday. Happy Lent!

Lenten Blessings,

Father Larry



The Light is On for You

Our Lord Jesus is zealous for you. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is where the Lord heals, strengthens, forgives, and enlightens your heart. On **Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m.**, visit Saint Anthony Church on McKean Road and experience the mercy, freedom, healing and light of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We encourage you to invite another to the sacrament, especially those who have not been to the sacrament for some time. To find guides to confession and confession times at other parishes, visit: www.dsj.org/light



SAINT ANTHONY PARISH CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING COMMITTEE

Quotes for Reflection

"Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy."

Pope Francis

Thank You! From The Episcopal Church in Almaden

The Episcopal Church in Almaden would like to thank all those Saint Anthony Parishioners who volunteered for the **Village House Warming Center** in January and February. Over 18 churches were involved in caring for homeless women during those cold months. In Rev. Shelley Denney's letter to Father Larry, she says; *"Our hearts are full of love and gratitude for the work we were given the privilege of doing. We hope you experienced blessings as well. I hope we can continue to work engaging in ministry together in our community."*



April Fool's Blood Drive

There is still time to secure a spot for the Saint Anthony Lenten Blood Drive; don't miss out on this terrific opportunity to give back to your community. The **Stanford Blood Center** will be in the Saint Anthony parking lot on **Saturday, April 1, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** Walk-ins are always welcome. Contact: **Corinne Jarrett** at **(408) 892-3152** or grammycmj@gmail.com to sign up. Thank you all for your continued support!

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Our Annual Diocesan Appeal fundraising drive has reached **\$72,667**. As of today, **61%** of our parishioners have contributed. We need each of you to get involved if we are to reach our goal of **\$74,857** for the Parish. Please make your pledge today. A follow-up mailing will be sent this week to all those who have yet to make their pledge to the ADA. Pledge envelopes and brochures can be found in the vestibule area of the church or make your pledge online via the Diocese website at: www.dsj.org