Don’t miss out on our Parish Mission starting next week!

Light your “Life on Fire” for Christ at twice-daily sessions and Masses with Fr. Stan Fortuna, CFR

From March 16-20, we’ll be starting our Parish Mission with great Masses, inspirational morning and evening sessions and, of course, delicious food at receptions following each session!

Bring a friend to any of the sessions to see how we can get fired up for our faith.

Details are available on the back page and on the parish website (www.SantaMariaOrinda.com)!
Mark your calendars:
Directory Photoshoot

Sign-ups will soon be available for professional photography by LifeTouch for our brand new, updated Parish Photo Directory! Photography dates are April 30-May 4, and all sessions will take place here at Santa Maria.

It’s Commitment Weekend for the Bishop’s Appeal!
This is our commitment weekend—we ask that you prayerfully consider your donation this year, and please be as generous as you are able!

Did you know...
...you can come sit with Christ at any time in the Church? Our doors are open during normal business hours for anyone to drop by for private prayer.

If you’re looking for something a little more special, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration and Benediction takes place every Tuesday from noon to 3pm in the Chapel on the top level of our parish property.

PARISH LIFE

Keep it burning: how can you feed a life on fire?

Don’t let the fire go out once it’s lit!

Wednesday, March 19 is the last day of our Parish Mission where we’ll be inspired to Keep the Fire Burning:
10:00am Morning Mass and Session
7:30pm Closing Session for Everybody

The full schedule can be found on the back page!

Join us March 16-20 for a week of powerful, inspirational sessions and Masses sure to set your “Life on Fire”!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 11
8:00am: Dick Cummings (D)

Tuesday, March 12
8:00am: (I) Ruth Harada

Wednesday, March 13
8:00am: Tom O’Brien (D)

Thursday, March 14
8:00am: (I) Peter Sumner

Friday, March 15
8:00am: Tom O’Brien (D)

Saturday, March 16
5:00pm: Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, March 17
8:30am: Don E. Harris (D)
10:30am: (I) Oscar & Imelda Jovel
5:00pm: Parishioners of Santa Maria

I=Intentions of [N.]; D=Deceased
To request a Mass Intention, please contact Mirna in the Parish Office or visit our website homepage section.

Sign up for FSGs this week—online!
Click the link on our website homepage section to sign up!

We’ll attend the Parish Mission together, and the following three weeks our groups will explore the Sunday readings with a video series during a trial of a video resource, “FORMED.”

K-5 FF is planning ahead! Can you help?
Even though it’s just March,
we’ve begun to plan for the 2019-2020 Faith Formation year! If you have been feeling called to offer your talents as a catechist for K-5th grade Faith formation, please contact Sr. Mary Margaret at srmmphan@smparish.org or 925-254-2426 x306.

Congratulations, CYO!
Santa Maria’s CYO Basketball teams won the 7th grade girls’ championship and 8th grade, too! Photo above.

AROUND THE DIOCESE
Meet the Lord in meditation
Br. Camillus Chavez, FSC, will be leading “Nine Meditations on Jesus” on Mondays at 7:45pm, at Saint Mary’s College beginning March 5. Connect personally to Christ this Lent through guided meditations on nine moments in Jesus’ life, plus one on Mary!

Brother asks for a $25 donation for individual sessions, or $75 to attend them all. Visit www.brothercamillus.com for more information.

OUTREACH
Food Collection
1st/2nd Weekends: St. Cornelius School 3rd/4th Weekends: St. Peter Martyr Church Pantry

LENTEN PRACTICES
Catholics aged 18-59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday—consuming one full meal a day and taking other smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes without snacking.
Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat (beef, veal, pork, and poultry) on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.

FAST. PRAY. GIVE UP ENVELOPES!
Help the Church of Santa Maria by giving up envelopes this Lent!
Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide the church with consistent support, and will simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season!
If you’d like to enroll in Faith Direct for regular financial partnership with your parish, visit www.faithdirect.net and securely enroll using our parish code CA891—or find a paper enrollment form in the Parish Office if you’d prefer.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!
If you have any questions, please contact Megan in the Parish Office by phone at 925-254-2426 x308 or by email at megan@smparish.org.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!
We encourage you to register in the parish so that you can receive regular communication via both email and regular mail. Registration information is essential for responding to request to be sponsors/godparents and other ministries.

Please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket, and we will mail you a Parish Registration Form!

Or register online at www.santamariaorinda.com/registration!

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**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

*For the Sick*
Mary Beth Alban, Joan Artmann, Shoaib Aryan, Edith Black, Kristy Blackey-Taylor, Cara Bradbury, Maria Carmen, Rosemary Catton, Delores Codde, Lorna Elliott, Nora Enriquez, Emidio Fonseca, Liam Foley, Patricia Fox, Bridget Gallagher, Noreen Gillham, Carol Hardy, Doris Hale, Brian Kelly, Mason Kelly, Aileen Kelly, Jerry Kirk, Lawrence Knapp, Carol Koupus, Rose Mary McPhee, Edward Millpointer, Arsi Orihuella, Deacon Jim Pearce, Kathleen Pelz, Ann Powell, Mark Ricci, Jim Ryan, Patrick Sheehy, Hector Santiago, Peter Sumner

*For the Deceased*
Patricia Newman

Would you like to add yourself or someone else to the prayer list? Please contact Mirna in the Parish Office at 925-254-2426 or mirnawong@smparish.org.

**TREASURE**

**March 3, 2019**

Plate: $4,441.00  
Faith Direct: $3,448.98  
Total: $7,889.98  
Goal: $10,350.00  
Negative: -$2,460.00

Faith Formation: $1,327.00

**Donuts and Coffee this weekend are hosted by:**

Vickie & Bev after the 8:30am Mass  
Gilmore Family after the 10:30am Mass

**WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

**Monday, March 11**
No Faith Formation or Children’s Choir  
Liturgy Coordinating Team Mtg - 7:00 pm

**Tuesday, March 12**
Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel 12-3pm  
R.C.I.A. - 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, March 13**
Bridge Marathon - 9:00 am  
Bible Reading & Communion Service  
Orinda Care Center - 11:00 am  
Knights of Columbus - 6:00 pm  
MSYG - 7:00 pm

**Thursday, March 14**

**Friday, March 15**

**Saturday, March 16**
Minister of the Word - 9:00 am  
Sacrament of Reconciliation - 4:00 pm  
Parish Mission Mass - 5:00 pm

**Sunday, March 17**
Parish Mission Youth Mass - 5:00 pm  
C1 and C2 - 6:15 - Parish Hall

**This Week’s Readings**

First Reading:  
Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Psalm  
91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15

Second Reading:  
Romans 10:8-13

Gospel:  
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with Father Stan Fortuna, CFR

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Saturday/Sunday: Ignite a Spark
Fr. Stan preaches all the Masses
6:00pm Sunday – Teen/Parent Session

Monday: Fan the Flames
10:00am – Morning Mass and General Session
7:00pm – Women’s Session

Tuesday: Blaze a Trail
10:00am – Morning Mass and General Session
7:00pm – Men’s Session

Wednesday: Keep the Fire Burning
10:00am – Morning Mass and General Session
7:00pm – Closing Session for Everyone

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