March : Month of St. Joseph

Tempted, Tried, Triumphant
Matthew 4:1-11

Weekday Masses—Mon-Fri 8:00 am
Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 5:15pm
Sunday 9:00 am &11:00am (Bilingual)
Liturgy of the Hours, Morning Prayer
Mon-Fri 7:30 am
Parish Office: Monday — Thursday 10:00 am to Noon; 1:00 to 4:00 pm — Friday 9:30 am to Noon

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Deacon
Reverend Mr. Victor Leach
Deacon
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Mary Narverud
Parish Bookkeeper

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Women's Club:
Nancy Nabrynski

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Jod'l Cruz
Hispanic Ministry
Ana Castro

A New Beginning
Coming Soon, With Your Support and Prayers

Let's Build It!
March 1st, 2020

My Dear Family of God, we give thanks to God for yet another month. We owe much gratitude to God for His gracious assistance. We had a successful Ash Wednesday celebration, which sets the tone for the Lenten season. We had three services to serve the community and in between the services ashes were also provided for the busy souls.

With the Coronavirus hovering all around us, Communion will not be given under both species, no kiss of peace, no hugging in Church and Communion will be given only on the palm of our hands. Please, take note of these precautions for your own safety and protection.

I will be going to the Holy Land with some parishioners and other faithful and committed Catholics for pilgrimage and also to thank the Lord on behalf of Holy Family Catholic Church here in American Canyon, CA for helping us to successfully erect such beautiful edifice for our worship. To Him be glory and honor. I wish all those on board the pilgrimage a safe flight and a happy stay in the Holy Land. Please, “avoid anything CORONA for now”. The Knights of Columbus organized a casino trip to Jackson Rancheria and on May 9, 2020, they would be organizing a Dinner Dance at the community gym on 100 Benton Way.

We are making preparations for the ribbon cutting and the dedication of our New Church “IN SUO LOCO”. Until then I will keep you updated and all of you in my prayers whilst in the “Terra Santa”. Please, continue to assist us with generous donations. God bless you all.

Frederick K.A. Kutubebi

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The Holy Family Prayer
May God Bless each family present.
And bless our entire Holy Family Parish.
Make it like the family of your Son.
May our moments of sorrow, give way to the seasons of joy.
May the memory of harsh words fade before the warmth of a loving touch.
May the tears of sorrow be replaced by the music of laughter. May resentment be banished from our families, and may forgiveness reign in our hearts.
Today and everyday. Amen!

Question for the Month of March
March 17th celebrates the feast of St. Patrick, patron saint of Ireland. Is it true that he drove the snakes out of Ireland - or is that just a legend? For the answer, see page 6.

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February 29 & March 1 (First Sunday of Lent)

First - Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7: God made man and woman, and they were tempted by the serpent in the garden.
Psalm 51: Be merciful, O God, for we have sinned.
Second - Romans 5:12-19: Sin and death came through man, but they were overcome by the obedience of Jesus Christ.

March 7 & 8 (Second Sunday of Lent)

First - Genesis 12:1-4: Abraham was sent forth by the Lord to a new land to make a great nation.
Psalm 33: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.
Second - 2 Timothy 1:8-10: The appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ has destroyed death and brought everlasting life.

March 14 & 15 (Third Sunday of Lent)

First - Exodus 17:3-7: When the Israelites grumbled against Moses, the Lord provided water for all to drink.
Psalm 95: If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.
Second - Romans 5:1-2, 5-8: God has proven His love for us. We hope in Jesus who died for us.
Gospel - John 4:5-42: The story of the Samaritan woman at the well, how she accepts Jesus as the Messiah, and Convinces the townfolk that He is the Savior.

March 21 & 22 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)

First - 1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13: Samuel overlooks the seven oldest sons of Jesse and anoints the youngest, David, to be the future king.
Psalm 23: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Second - Ephesians 5:8-14: Avoid the darkness. Look to the visible, Christ will give you the light.
Gospel - John 9:1-41: Jesus heals the man blind from birth who accepts Jesus as the Son of Man.

March 28 & 29 (Fifth Sunday of Lent)

First - Ezekiel 37:12-14: The Lord puts His spirit in the people and raises them from the dead.
Psalm 130: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.
Second - Romans 8:8-11: You are in the Spirit which dwells with you; your mortal bodies will live in that Spirit which raised Jesus from the dead.
**March Financial Report**

Report for December 21, 2019 to February 18, 2020

- Mass offertory collections = $40,910
- Expenses paid out = $56,489
- Construction Fund donations = $60,850

Thank you all for your ongoing generosity.

Would anyone like to get involved in discussing the finances of the parish and helping to make fiscal decisions as we go forward into our “new” church? The Finance Council (which meets this month on March 7th at 9:00 am in the parish office) is looking to expand its membership and new members are being sought. The council meets once a month on a Saturday morning. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, plan to come to the next meeting or talk to Father Fred or one of the deacons about it.

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**Be Grateful for Gratitude!**

The website kindness.org claims that more kindness means more happiness. Counting our blessings increases well-being. Writing down what you are grateful for each week creates more life satisfaction and optimism for the week ahead. Here are three small acts with big impacts to help you practice gratitude daily:

1. **Handwritten notes.** Get a pack of note cards. Send at least a note a week. Keep it positive; include at least one reason why you are grateful for the connection with the person with whom you’re corresponding.

2. **Small acts of kindness.** Buy coffee for a co-worker or donuts for the office. Invite a friend to lunch. Be a genuine listener. Look for opportunities to fill a need.

3. **Daily gratitude check-ins.** Take a daily walk and reflect on what you’re grateful for. Write three things you’re grateful for each day in a gratitude journal. Update your journal at the end of each week.

If you think it’s too late to make a New Years Resolution, then how about a March Resolution? Track your happiness and gratitude for a month - and for this month, you get 31 days!

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**Gospel of John Study**

Join us at Holy Family Church for an 8-week study of the Gospel of St. John. The title of the bible study is “Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John.” It will be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings during March from 10:00 am to noon at the church. The first session will be on Tuesday, March 10th, and follow on successive Thursdays and Tuesdays. All are invited to join. Even if you miss one or more sessions, the classes will be flexible, so plan to attend as, as a parish, we grow closer to Christ together.

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**Lenten Reminders**

† All Fridays in Lent are Days of Abstinence (no meat for those over fourteen years of age except for medical requirements).
† Good Friday will also be a Day of Fasting (one full meal only for those over eighteen years of age up through those who have turned sixty years of age).
† All Catholics are to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent and are encouraged to receive the Holy Eucharist frequently during Lent.
† Prayer, good works, penance, and alms giving should be automatic accomplishments during Lent for all.
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**Weekday Mass/Communion Service/Prayer Service**

- Monday-Friday: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon, 5:00 pm
- Saturday: 5:15 pm
- Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am (Bilingual)

**Confessions**

- Monday-Friday: 9:00 am - Noon
- Saturday: 4:00 pm
- Sunday: 8:00 am

**Holy Family Office Hours**

- Monday-Thursday: 10:00 am - Noon, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Friday: 9:00 am - Noon

**Catholic Relief Service**

- Second Sunday of Lent: Bilingual Mass, 9:00 am

**Weekend Office Hours**

- Saturday: 8:30 am - Noon

**H.F. Office Hours**

- 8:00 am - Noon
- 12:00 noon
- 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
- 10:00 pm - 12:00 midnight

**Further Information**

- Catholic Relief Service second collection
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**March Lector Schedule**

If you are unable to fulfill an assignment, please arrange a substitute and make a note of the change on the posted schedule in the back of the church. Call Rose if you need a copy of the reading for your Mass: 707-208-6853 - or - Check the scripture readings elsewhere in the bulletin for your date.

**Feb 29:**
5:15 1st: Shirlese Hayes
2nd: Alma Arcega

**Mar 1:**
9:00 1st: Bill Walton
2nd: Tracy Hogland
11:00 1st: Numer Tamoro
2nd: (Spanish) Francisco Jimenez

**Mar 7:**
5:15 1st: Missionary Families of Christ
2nd: Missionary Families of Christ

**Mar 8:**
9:00 1st: John Fahey
2nd: Kevin Kain
11:00 1st: Cynthia Cruz
2nd: (Spanish) Kevin Belton

**Mar 14:**
5:15 1st: Shirlese Hayes
2nd: Alma Arcega

**Mar 15:**
9:00 1st: Carmen Scott
2nd: Rosalie Liave
11:00 1st: KCs
2nd: (Spanish) KCs

**Mar 21:**
5:15 1st: John Collins
2nd: Melita Negranza

**Mar 22:**
9:00 1st: Davet Mohammed
2nd: Marie Walton
11:00 1st: Bernie Borges
2nd: (Spanish) Marina Maldonado

**Mar 28:**
5:15 1st: Rolando Negranza
2nd: Leslie Gaffney

**Mar 29:**
9:00 1st: Bill Walton
2nd: Ernie Zambrano
11:00 1st: Eunice DeLeon
2nd: (Spanish) Marco Pomatz

**March Eucharistic Minister Schedule**

Special Notification: Until further notice, only 2 Eucharistic Ministers will be assigned to each Mass as Communion will only be offered with the host. If Ministers of the Cup are needed in the near future, Mass captains will contact you on the spot. Thanks for your ongoing service as a Eucharistic Minister.

**Feb 29:**
5:15  Leslie Gaffney, Sonia Lumpampao

**Mar 1:**
9:00  John Fahey, Nina Tolentino
11:00  Jod’l Cruz, Cynthia Cruz

**Mar 7:**
5:15  Missionary Families of Christ (6)

**Mar 8:**
9:00  Elizabeth & Harvey Weil
11:00  Rose & Numer Tamoro

**Mar 14:**
5:15  Rachel & Lawrence Valdez

**Mar 15:**
9:00  Ralph Andino, Betty Lorenz
11:00  Knights of Columbus (2)

**Mar 21:**
5:15  Frank & Bannie Lee

**Mar 22:**
9:00  Maria Leach, Salvador Cariño
11:00  Marnel Yturralde, Suzette Yturralde

**Mar 28:**
5:15  Mary Weir, Jack Goodwin

**Mar 29:**
9:00  Rona & Rolly Yacob
11:00  Percy Barcelon, Danilo Barcelon

**Monthly Cleaning Schedule March 2020**

1st Week: Ana Castro Group, Angelica Castro, Maria Mosqueda
2nd Week: Sonia Lumpampao, Meriam Walton, Daisy Kalu, Nenita Goroza, Letty Elayda
3rd Week: Rona Yacob, Bannie & Frank Lee, Maria Teresa Leach
4th Week: Teresa Vargas, Julie Collins, Esther Valentin

Sub: Melissa Benjamin (679-8140) Volunteers are still needed. Please contact Erika Myers @ 707
March 17th Quiz Answer

Saint Patrick was a fifth-century British Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland. His birth and death dates cannot be fixed with certainty. According to his own writings, when he was around 16 years old, he was captured by Irish pirates from his home in Britain and taken as a slave to Ireland. He lived there for six years, escaped, and returned home to his family. He became a cleric, was ordained and returned to Ireland to serve as a missionary, and eventually became a bishop, although his exact ministry locations in Ireland are unknown. His feast day is observed on March 17th, the supposed date of his death, and he is revered as both the “Apostle of Ireland,” and the primary Patron Saint of Ireland.

As far as driving the snakes out of Ireland, historians have recorded as early as the third century that there were no snakes on the island of Ireland, hence Patrick’s banishment of snakes from Ireland has developed as a legend. This tradition originated in the thirteenth century, possibly based on the biblical story of Moses and Aaron’s staffs turning into snakes to defeat the Pharaoh’s sorcerers. A more likely accuracy is that Patrick banished not snakes - but as a metaphor, banished the pagan Druids, driving them out of Ireland in favor of Christianity.

Another legendary metaphor tells that Patrick would teach the Irish about the doctrine of the Holy Trinity by showing people the shamrock, a three-leafed plant, to illustrate the three Persons in one God. But this story doesn't appear until the eighteenth century, when the shamrock became a central symbol for St. Patrick’s Day. More likely, Patrick may have used the shamrock to challenge the pagan Druids who believed in triple deities, displacing the significance of the three-leaves and the Druids belief in the deities of the earth, water, and sky, in favor of recasting the shamrock in the Christian context of one God and the regenerative powers of nature.

Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early 17th century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion (especially the Church of Ireland), the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Lutheran Church. The day celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general, and the strength of Christianity in Ireland in particular. So Happy March 17th!

About a year ago, a cartoon in the Holy Family bulletin showed a small church with the sign in front declaring, “The Friendliest Little Parish in the Valley,” and a sign next to it decrying, “Keep Off the Grass!” Holy Family declares itself to be the friendliest little parish in the Napa Valley, which we hope is true. The real challenging question is: Are we also the most Christlike Parish in the Valley? What can we do individually and collectively to make sure that this is the case?
Pray for Our Sick

Merlie Abran, Nicholas Arenas, Rosalina Alba, Isaías Bautista, Lita Bautista, al Milan Bautista, Joan Bennett, Janet Birkholz, Josephina Botello, Enrique Campos, Milena Cancilla, Deacon Chuck Cancilla, Lamar Carter, Virgilita Castillo, Tony Castor, Fe Celones, William Chua, Richard Corona, José & Esther Corpuz, Charito Dela Cueva, Toni Durante, Zachery Fahey, Lino Fernandez, Douglas Fong, David Garcia, Natalie Grody, Aurora Guiriba, Tess Guison, Elmo Irish, Dahlia Johnson, Dae Hee Kim, Pacita Lacerna, Gene Lacson, Francisca Lagiosa, Geraldo Lagua, Rosalyn Mendoza, Elma Mercado, Lita & Ernie Morales, Steve Myers, Antonio Neria, Azucena Neria, Ildefonso Neria, Jaime Neria, Judy Ong, Dorothy Pendergast, Leah Pereira, Candy Peterson, Earline Poirer, Arcel Rodriguez, Benjamin Rufo, Ariel Ruiz, Juan Salas, Ruben San Pedro, Amy San Pedro, Pacita Sarabia, Carmen Scott, Tom Scott, Joyce Shields, Kathleen Silva, Ann Simmons, Sylvia Sistena, Jesseele Inacay Superticioso, Edwin Tichangco, Sheila Urick, the Vega Family, Pacita Villaluz, Vilma Wakin, Brenda Wheeler, Chet Wilkerson, Rolly Yacob, Raymond Young, Cheryl Zimmerman, John Zimmerman. To add a loved one to our prayer list or to remove someone, e-mail: holyfamily.amcan@gmail.com

Special Prayer

This prayer, written by Isabella Boquiren, a cousin of Arlene Collins, was chosen by the National Association of Catholic Chaplains to be used as a prayer for the World Day of the Sick:

God of wholeness, of space, time and light, Your presence peers in all and over all events and experiences of life. I come to pray for the most vulnerable among us – the broken in mind, body and spirit. For them you have come to be most near. They are among your chosen ones, to manifest Your healing and saving powers – of mercy, patience, and faithful endurance.

As on the Cross, through this, our humanity You took on, in love, for love. Touch and make holy their sufferings. Breathe in them Your Spirit. Immerse and wash through old cells, Your precious blood and water. Hide and make as Your own, their wounds. Hear them when they cry out, “Jesus remember me.” They bend, like bruised reeds, but not broken. Like the good thief Dismas, not spurned. For in all . . . who is like You, O God of compassion?

“Your will be done.” A new morning is birthed. Amen.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving Our Country

Don Appel, Jorden Appel, Jenny Bartlett, Joseph Bloom-See, Alexander Bombita, Brandon Bridges, George Buen-viaje, Scott Harris, Angelica Hinojosa, Jared Holmes, Jeremy Holmes, Josh Holmes, Chris Hurst, Jen James, Jerome Latona, Trevor Logan, Angela O’Brien, Chad Oliver, Christopher Oliver, Andrew Mariano, Kiara Mendiola (RIP), Christopher Paradeza, Jennifer Phillips Plante, Alwin Respicio, Alex Rubang, Jr., Patricia Samson, Sebastian Zablan. To add a friend, family member or loved one to our military service list, please call Carol Harris at 310-4792 or e-mail her at: crlhar@aol.com

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Hawaiian Dinner-Dance party on Saturday, May 9th, from 4:00 to 10:00 pm at the Community Gym (100 Benton Way). Tickets will be $40 per person with proceeds benefiting Council 15750 and the Construction Fund. It’s a win-win event and more information will be forthcoming about ticket purchases, attire, and entertainment. Stay tuned.