

## St. Patrick's Church

127 Jackson St., Sonora, CA



### Mass Times:

M-F 8:00 am  
Sat 5:00 pm  
Sun 7:30 am  
9:00 am  
11:00 am  
5:00 pm  
Spanish

### Reconciliation

Sat 4:00 pm  
Wed 6:30 pm  
Or by appt.

## Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Mission Church

11700 Catholic Cemetery Rd.  
Big Oak Flat, CA



### Mass Times:

Sat 5:00 pm  
Sun 9:00 am

### Reconciliation:

Sat 4:30 pm

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## St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Sonora, California

# The GOOD News

... in Our Parish

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*October 25, 2015*



*Although they go forth weeping,  
carrying the seed to be sown,  
they shall come back rejoicing,  
carrying their sheaves.*

Psalm 126:6

### ***"The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with all of you."***

On behalf of St. Patrick's Parish, I joyfully welcome you. Our hope is all who come to St. Patrick's will know the love of Christ. By God's mercy, and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our patron St. Patrick, you will truly encounter the risen Lord and experience the Joy of the Gospel.

If you would like more information about our parish, please visit our website at [www.StPatsSonora.org](http://www.StPatsSonora.org). If you are new to the area, we encourage you to request a new member packet. I would like to meet all of you. I am available for appointments. Please call me at (209) 532-7139 ext. 112 or email [frsam@stpatssonora.org](mailto:frsam@stpatssonora.org). God bless.

In Christ, Fr. Sam West, Parish Administrator



## Father Sam's Message

In this week's Gospel, we hear of a blind man named Bartimaeus, who had his sight restored in his encounter with our Lord Jesus. When he heard Jesus was passing by, he cried out, "*Jesus, son of David, have pity on me*" even though "*many rebuked him, telling him to be silent.*" This man knew what he wanted; he desperately wanted to see and was not deterred in his desire to be healed. He had faith in Jesus to heal him, and because he did not give up, the man received the gift of his sight.

What we learn from Bartimaeus' healing is it takes perseverance to accept and receive the healing power of Jesus. God does want to restore our sight in order to see Him clearly and be able to follow Him. There are many hurdles that we will face in our own encounter with God's healing power. The obstacles will be from within ourselves and from outside of ourselves. We may have fears or regrets, as a result from our past sins, which hold us back from accepting God's grace. In pursuing a greater relationship with Jesus, we may even face opposition from our own family and friends. To have our sight restored, to see God's love and power in our daily lives, we need to persevere and continuously call out for God's mercy.



Like Bartimaeus, let us, in spite of any and all obstacles, always cry out to our Lord to have pity on us. Taking the time in daily prayer and frequent participation in the Sacraments, the Eucharist and Confession, are ways we keep "calling out" to our Merciful Lord Jesus. We then trust God will hear us and give us the gift to clearly see the beauty of His love for us and fully live out the eternal life we have received.

*God bless, Fr. Sam West*

### FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

**MARRIED COUPLES:** Marriage Encounter is a positive, simple common sense, private experience between you and your spouse, that revitalizes marriage by helping you to see again those loving qualities in each other that you may be taking for granted. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is **February 12-14, 2016 in Modesto, CA.**

Early registration is highly recommended.

For more information visit our website at:

<http://www.stocktonwwme.org>  
or contact **John & Angelica at**  
[applications@stocktonwwme.org](mailto:applications@stocktonwwme.org) or  
**209-691-0603**

### World Youth Day Pilgrim Profile



Hello my name is Julian Torres.

I have been a student at Columbia College and a member of the young adults group for about 1 year.

My major at Columbia College is Culinary. I am studying to be a Pastry Chef.



**October 24 thru  
November 1**

Please bring new or clean, gently used blankets of any size to donate to the needy in our community.

A box for your donations will be at the front of the church or you may bring them to the parish office.

**SAVE THE DATE**

To celebrate the Year of Consecrated Life, the Sisters of the Diocese of Stockton and Bishop Stephen Blaire invite you to an evening of prayer.

**November 5, 2015, 7:00 pm,**

**St. Anthony's Church in Manteca.**

The Sisters will renew their Vows publicly and receive a blessing from the assembly for the work they do. A reception will follow in the cafeteria. Please join us as we proclaim our dedication and our commitment to the people of God and to the Diocese of Stockton in particular.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

In the tangled but fascinating history of penance in the Church, the Irish "tariff" system helped us survive the collapse of the old system of public canonical penance and prepared the way for a new system that emerged in the twelfth century. The old form was unrepeatable, public, dealt with serious community matters, and regulated by the bishops as chief reconcilers. The new form had a more intimate setting of penitent and confessor, was extremely repeatable, and applied to everyone. The old canonical form was closed to children, who were hardly capable of the very grown-up sins listed, or their demanding remedies. The old form was likewise closed to clerics, who were protected in a sense by the very nature of the discipline.

In the new Irish form the penitent directly named sins, or answered direct questions by the priest. Sometimes, the penitent would recite a long formula accusing him- or herself in a general way of all sorts of sins, even from the distant past. Next, priest and penitent together would lie prostrate before the altar and recite several of the psalms with penitential themes. Finally, the priest would pronounce a judgment, deciding what form and duration the penance should take, normally insisting that the person return for reconciliation once the penances were completed.—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**Events you Don't Want to Miss**

**November** 

**Sunday, Nov. 1 ~ All Saints Day**

**Monday, Nov. 2 ~ All Souls Day**

Mass ~ 12:00 noon at Mountain View Cemetery

**Wednesday, Nov. 11 ~ Veterans Day**

Mass ~ at Mountain View Cemetery (time TBA)

**Saturday, Nov. 14 ~ Parish Christmas Festival**

**November 18 thru 22 ~**

(we are not taking reservations until November)

Appointments available for a portrait setting

for the new Parish Directory.

**Thursday, Nov. 26 ~ Thanksgiving**



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**December 2 thru 6 ~**

(we are not taking reservations until November)

Appointments available for a portrait setting

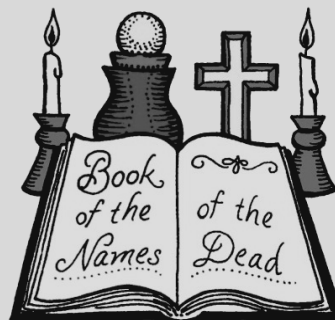
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**POSSIBILITIES**

*All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.*

—St. Lawrence

During the month of November, you may bring in framed photos of your deceased loved ones to put on the window ledges in the church. Please be sure you have your name and phone number on the back of the picture so we can contact you if you forget to collect the picture at the end of the month.



The Book of the Dead will be in the church vestibule, before and after Mass, for you to enter the names of your deceased loved ones.

### We Need Your Culinary Masterpieces!

Calling all bakers out there. Please start thinking about what you will bake for the Christmas Festival Bake Sale Booth. Large cakes, small cakes, cookies, muffins, bars, savory pastries, scones, breads, fruit pies, tarts, flans, fancy sweet pastries, candy, fudge. We are also looking for preserves, jams, jellies, chutney, pickles..... What a stunning array of choices for you to have fun making and baking!! We look forward to receiving all your goodies on Friday 13th of November in the parish hall from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm.

Please identify in writing what you are donating.

For more information or help please call:

Ruth Garretson 533-3566 or email [ruthyin@goldrush.com](mailto:ruthyin@goldrush.com) or Rita Bettencourt 536-9214 or email [rbettenc1942@yahoo.com](mailto:rbettenc1942@yahoo.com)



### Christmas Festival Grand Prize Raffle



Look for your tickets in the mail or stop by the office to purchase them. Don't miss the opportunity to be a big winner and support your parish.

#### Prizes are

- 1st Prize ~ 42 inch High-Definition Television
- 2nd Prize ~ two nights stay in Pacific Grove CA one -bedroom bungalow
- Cash prizes of \$500, \$200 and \$50
- Drawing is at 6:30 pm Saturday, November 14, St. Patrick's Parish Hall 127 W. Jackson St., Sonora
- You do not need to be present to win.
- Tickets are one for \$5, five tickets for \$20 and ten tickets for \$35.

### Christmas Festival Baskets



PLEASE return your basket with the items you wish to donate as soon as possible. You may drop them off at the office on 116 Bradford St., Sonora. The festival is getting closer, and the committee needs to prepare them. Thank you.

### TA4C ~ Teen Apostles 4 Christ & Young Adults Ministries

Both groups are meeting (separately) on Mondays at 6:30 pm in the Steinmetz House.

For more information, contact, [youngadults@stpatssonora.org](mailto:youngadults@stpatssonora.org) and [teens@stpatssonora.org](mailto:teens@stpatssonora.org).

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### Weekly Offering

Weekly Goal \$ 10,000	10-4-15 Week 1	10-11-15 Week 2	10-18-15 Week 3	Monthly Totals
<b>General Offerings</b>				
St. Pat's	\$6,931	\$6,327	\$6,368	\$19,626
OLMC	\$1,173	\$1,333	\$1,236	\$3,742
E-giving	\$485	\$530	NA	\$1,015
Total	\$8,589	\$8,190	\$7,604	\$24,383
LAST YEAR	\$12,384	\$7,591	\$9,085	\$29,060

#### Maintenance Offerings

St. Pat's	\$619	\$980	\$115	\$1,714
OLMC	\$150	\$25	0	\$175
Total	\$769	\$1,005	\$115	\$1,889

**Parish Services:** St. Pat \$512 + OLMC \$129 = \$641

**Respect Life:** St. Pat \$645 + OLMC \$36 = \$681

#### World Mission:

St. Pat \$711.60 + OLMC \$132.25 = \$843.85

**Thank you for your generosity & continued support!**

**Mass Intentions for the week**



**Saturday, Oct. 24 ~ Sunday, Nov. 1, 2015**

<b>Saturday</b>	5:00 pm	Justus & Joseph Latone Robert Higgins, <i>for good health</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 am	All Parishioners Julia Mlinar
	9:00 am	Paul Dreiling † Matthew & Kiri Latone
	11:00 am	Pearl & Roger Kitto † Janet Follett †
	5:00 pm	<i>No Intentions</i>
<i>We say the rosary after each 8:00 am weekday Masses.</i>		
Monday	8:00 am	Eric Mlinar
Tuesday	8:00 am	Robert Higgins, <i>for good health</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	Paula Wolf † Bill Crane †
Thursday	8:00 am	Peggy Dossi †
Friday	8:00 am	Jerry Kahl †
<b>Saturday</b>	5:00 pm	Vicente B. Vila † & Beatrice Vila †
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30 am	All Parishioners
	9:00 am	Tom Railton † Ida & Joseph Stroffolina †
	11:00 am	Robert Higgins, <i>for good health</i> Souls in Purgatory †
	5:00 pm	<i>No Intentions</i>

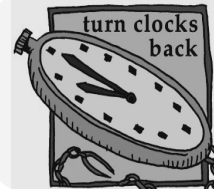
**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday, Oct. 26 thru Sunday, Nov. 1, 2015**

Monday:	Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday:	Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Thursday:	Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35
Friday:	Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday:	Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday:	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; World Youth Day
Wednesday:	St. Simon and St. Jude
Saturday:	Halloween; Blessed Virgin Mary



**November 1**  
**Daylight savings time ends,**  
**set clocks back one hour.**



**Saturday, Oct. 24 thru Sunday, Nov 1, 2015**

**Sun 10/25 ~ Meet & Greet** hosted by  
Knights of Columbus

**Sat 10/31 ~ Altar Duty ~**  
Faustina Coleman & Kathleen Kahl

**Sun 11/1 ~ All Saints Feast**  
Meet & Greet hosted by  
Ministers to the Sick

For regularly scheduled meetings, please check the Master Calendar. Go to [www.StPatssonora.org](http://www.StPatssonora.org) and click on the "View Website" link on the left side of the main page. It will take you directly to the Master Calendar.

If you have calendar requests or need to make changes to your current calendared items, please email [ron@stpatssonroa.org](mailto:ron@stpatssonroa.org) with your request.

We are in the process of researching a new website to meet the current needs of the parish. In the meantime, this is a temporary website that will allow access to our bulletins and master calendar.

**Please Pray for the Sick in our Parish, and their family members**

**New this week: Margaret Petersen**

**Those needing your continued prayers:**

Ruth Callahan, Carole Canepa, David Todd Cardiff, David Brian Cardiff, Joyce Cardiff, Jill McClintock-Cole, Phil Fish, Carolynn Gregory, Irene Hatcher, Audrey (A. J.) Holmes, Dixie Huber, Mary Kingsley, Dorothy McCargar, Helena Mayhan, Cari McQuinn, Bill Mierop, Joseph Murtagh, Carmella Peller, Carolyn Peterson, Judy Reiman, Jean Richardson, Bob Riede, Bonnie Rodgers, Sue Slater, Marcie Sowa, Clay Sweeney, Richard Vandergrift, Rita Vigil, Harry Weiland, Judy Wilder, Joyce Youngbar

You may ask your visiting minister to place your name on this list or call the office yourself with your request.

Please let Good News know when a name should be removed from the list. Thank you!





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