

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



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Sat 5:00 pm
Sun 9:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sat 4:30 pm

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The GOOD News

... in Our Parish

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King November 22, 2015

*Jesus Christ is the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth.*

— Revelation 1:5



THE
SON OF MAN
WILL
SIT UPON
HIS
GLORIOUS
THRONE

"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. 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. God bless.

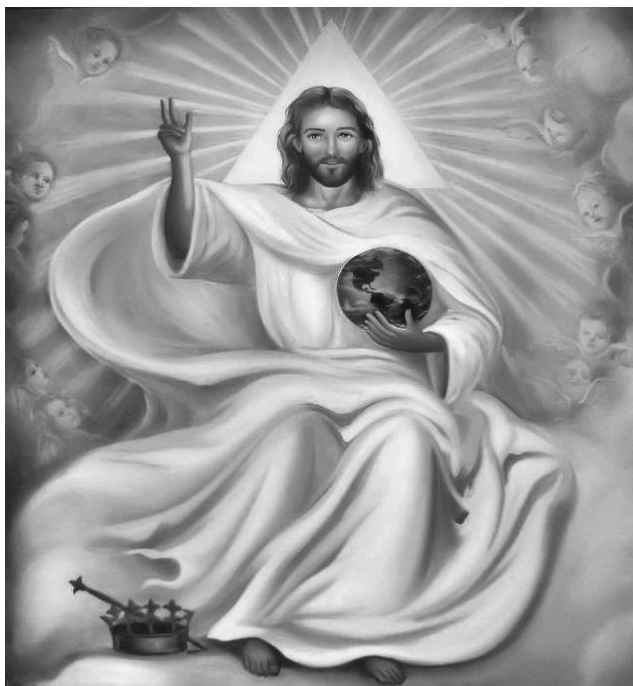
In Christ, Fr. Sam West, Parish Administrator



Father Sam's Message

On behalf of our entire parish family, I want to sincerely thank everyone who made last week's Christmas Festival a great success. As a result of your generosity and the hard work of many people, the parish collected \$15,387! We are still finalizing the expenses, including the cash prizes as part of the Grand Prize raffle, but it looks like we are going to clear over \$12,000. First of all, I would like to thank all of you who attended this special event. I was very impressed and appreciative of how much work many of our fellow parishioners undertook to plan, prepare, and run the festival. To set up the hall, which ended up being packed with hundreds of donated items, took two full days alone. This does not include the many hours it takes to catalogue and price all the donated items. A number of parishioners sacrificed a Saturday helping run the booths, some staying at the event all day. In addition to the financial benefits to the parish, events such as the Christmas Festival help bring us closer together as a parish. When I was there on Saturday, I felt a positive energy and was blessed to have met a number of new people. For next year's festival, I would like to invite even more of our parishioners to actively participate. Again, for those of you who donated, planned, set up, worked, and took down our Christmas Festival, I want to express my gratitude for your generosity. Thank you and may God continue to bless you!

This Sunday, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. We give praise, honor, and thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus, who is truly our King. As Americans, we do not



easily relate to the experience of being governed by a monarchy. Our nation was founded, at least partly, on the idea that a monarchy, being ruled by only one person, as a form of government is a bad idea. As a result of our rejecting the rule of a king, we have distrust of this form of authority. In some ways, these suspicions are justified because throughout human history we have seen many examples of corrupt, cruel, and oppressive kings. However, we should remember that not every monarchy is bad, just as not every democracy is good. Although a monarchy is not the only way to order human society, it is a vivid reflection of how the entire cosmos is ultimately governed by the supreme authority of One. Of course, the supreme authority is God.

This Solemnity of acknowledging Jesus as our King may not have as much significance to us if we don't understand or have the experience of what it means to be ruled by a king. In the past, the king was the one and only person whom everyone, from the poorest to the richest, looked to for security, justice, and keeping of the social order to meet the needs of all. Because of the indispensable role of the king, the greatest honor, respect, and obedience was owed to the monarch. In fact, everything depended upon him or her. Without the king, this single person, the whole social order would fall apart, descending into anarchy and chaos. This feast reminds us if we fail to acknowledge the reverence and honor owed to our Lord and King, Jesus Christ and do not remain faithful to His commandments, the order of our lives will fall apart. The honor, reverence, and obedience we owe to Jesus is exhibited in how we listen to Him, who is Truth. He tells in the Gospel of John, "*You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.*" We faithfully belong to His kingdom, a kingdom of eternal peace, justice, and joy, when we listen to His "voice." We hear the voice of our King, the voice of Truth, when we listen and follow the teachings of the Church. If we do not obey the Church's teachings, which are Christ the King's teachings, then we disrespect and dishonor our King and our lives will slide into chaos and darkness.

With the help of our Queen Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary, let us continue to listen to our one and only Supreme Ruler, our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

God bless, Fr. Sam West

Grand Raffle Prizes and Winners

42" High-definition Sanyo TV ~ *Jane Gookin*
 Two Nights at Pacific Grove one-bedroom
 Cottage ~ *Val Anderson*, \$500 ~ *Luis Ramirez*,
 \$100 ~ *Elaine Erickson*, \$50 ~ *Gloria Volpetti*

Raffle Prizes and Winners

- * The Willow - \$50.00 gift certificate
 ~ *Emma Lackey*
- * Wine Rack with four glasses and
 a bottle of wine ~ *Marge Nath*
- * Season Pass at Dodge Ridge
 ~ *Angela Vandergrift*
- * Round of golf for four with cart at Saddle
 Creek, Copperopolis ~ *Emma Lackey*
- * Round of golf for four with cart at
 Pine Mountain Lake ~ *Hernandez*
- * Round of golf for four with cart at
 Del Rio - Modesto ~ *Joan Holland*
- * Seal-A-Meal with Handmade Pig Cutting
 Board ~ *Linda White*
- * Our Lady of Guadalupe Picture
 ~ *Walter Pineda*
- * \$25 Bears Florist Gift Certificate
 ~ *Joan Madsen*
- * Burl Wood Clock ~ *Diane Goodspeed*
- * City Hotel – Gift Certificate ~ *Matt Peller*
- * Four Tickets to Rail Town &
 Tuolumne Monopoly ~ *Ruth Garretson*
- * Stainless Steel Chafing Dish & Center Piece
 ~ *Lenore*
- * New York Times Front Page Book
 (1851-2008) ~ *Steve Stroud*
- * Handmade – Electric Wooden Wine Bottle
 Waterfall ~ *Kathryn Cruz*
- * Thomas Kincaid Porcelain Plate
 Changeable Calendar ~ *Sue Zunio*
- * Disney & Kona Coffees ~ *Dragun Family*
- * Religious Handmade Tapestry
 ~ *Bruce Patrick*
- * Kennedy Meadows Breakfast-Lunch or
 Dinner for two ~ *Cookie Boone*
- * Kennedy Meadows Choice of 4 ¼ hr.
 Horseback or 2 ½ day Guided Trip
 ~ *Judy Delbon*
- * Gianelli Vineyard two Bottles of Wine –
 Bianca & Grenache ~ *Dragun Family*

Save the Date

November 

Wednesday, Nov. 25 ~ 5:00 pm
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Thanksgiving Mass

Thursday, Nov. 26 ~ 9:00 am
St. Patrick's Thanksgiving Mass
Please bring a food item to be blessed for your dinner

December

December 2 thru 6 ~ Appointments available for a
 portrait setting for the new Parish Directory.
Please call the office to set-up your appointment.

Feast Of Immaculate Conception ~ Holy Day

Monday, Dec 7 ~ 5:00 pm
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Vigil Mass

Tuesday, Dec 8 ~
St. Patrick Masses ~ 8:00 am & 6:30 pm

Sunday, Dec. 13 ~ St. Patrick's
 Our Lady of Guadalupe, procession,
3:00 pm Mass, potluck to follow

Tuesday, Dec. 15 ~ 6:30 pm
St. Patrick's Advent Penance Service

Thursday, Dec. 24 ~ Christmas Eve
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass ~ 5:00 pm
St. Patrick Masses ~ 4:30 pm & 6:30 pm
 Family/children's Masses ~ (a short play on Christmas
 will be performed by our Faith Formation students
 15 minutes before the start of the above Masses)

A musical interlude at 11:00 pm with
Mass at Midnight

Friday, December 25 ~ Christmas Day **Mass Schedule**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel ~ 9:00 am
St. Patrick's ~ 10:00 am
St. Anne's ~ 12:00 noon



WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christmas Festival always takes a lot of work. Everyone should be congratulated for our success. If you boxed up stuff to give or priced the items in the garage or put together the ingredients for one of the baskets or put together the flyers and posters advertising the event or baked yummy cakes and cookies or set up the booths in the hall, your efforts made this festival very special. Thank you to all those who helped in any way.

So many things were donated from our parishioners. From the wonderful prizes and gift certificates to the incredible array of items for our booths. Baked goodies, crafts, Christmas items, religious articles, books, treasures of all kinds and beautiful baskets filled the hall. It really brought in a trove of people to get some early shopping done and enjoy our wonderful community.

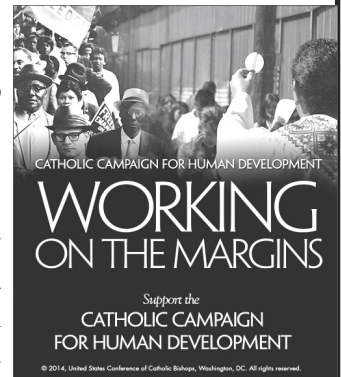
The Knights of Columbus hosted a delicious quiche breakfast followed by our fantastic Hispanic group's famous burritos, tostadas and quesadillas.

St. Patrick's can surely boast that we know how to put on a Christmas Festival.

Co-chairs: Marge Nath, Teresa Sweeney, Debby Cushman

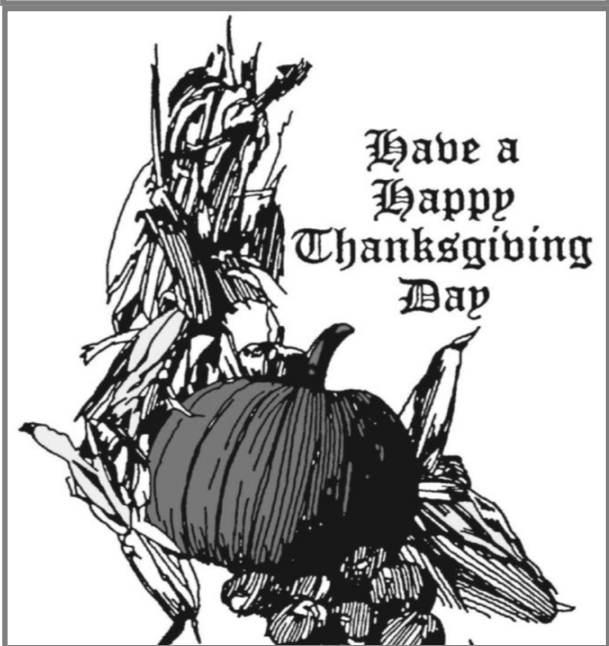
The collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

La colecta para la Campaña Católica para el Desarrollo Humano (CCHD) proporciona fondos para grupos que ocasionan cambios duraderos y ayudan y respaldan a los pobres en los Estados Unidos. Los donativos de CCHD mejoran la educación, financian el desarrollo económico y crean viviendas asequibles en vecindarios de bajos recursos. Ayúdenos a continuar defendiendo la dignidad humana y construir comunidades de solidaridad. Por favor, contribuya a la colecta.



Weekly Offering

The Parish Services Blanket Drive has been extended to Thanksgiving.



Weekly Goal \$ 10,000	11-1-15 Week 1	11-8-15 Week 2	11-15-15 Week 3	Month Totals
General Offerings				
St. Pat's	\$7,429	\$6,291	\$4,573	\$18,293
OLMC	\$937	\$1,794	\$1,116	\$3,847
E-giving	\$485	\$215	\$580	\$1,280
Total	\$8,851	\$8,300	\$6,269	\$23,420
LAST YEAR	\$8,953	\$8,249	\$7,125	\$24,327
Maintenance Offerings				
St. Pat's	\$744	\$388	\$166	\$1,298
OLMC	\$110	\$25	0	\$135
Total	\$854	\$413	\$166	\$1,433
All Souls': St. Patrick's \$2,936 + OLMC \$335 = Total \$3,271				
Parish Services: St. Patrick's \$478 + OLMC \$108 = Total \$586				
Thank you for your generosity & continued support!				

Mass Intentions for the week



Saturday, Nov. 21 ~ Sunday, Nov. 29, 2015

Saturday	5:00 pm	Debbie Tannhauser † Tang Paul Nguyen †
Sunday	7:30 am	All Parishioners
OLMC	9:00 am	Joe & Marge Fitzpatrick †
St. Pats	9:00 am	Joe & Marge Fitzpatrick †
	11:00 am	Joe & Marge Fitzpatrick † Maxine Menager Leonard †
	5:00 pm	<i>No Intentions</i>
<i>We say the rosary after each 8:00 am weekday Mass.</i>		
Monday	8:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Tuesday	8:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	Tang Paul Nguyen † Robert Betti, <i>good health</i>
Thursday	9:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Saturday	5:00 pm	Jack McCoy † Jack & LaVon Woodcock †
Sunday	7:30 am	All Parishioners
	9:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
	11:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
	5:00 pm	<i>No Intentions</i>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Nov. 23 thru Sunday, Nov. 29, 2015

Monday:	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28 Thanksgiving Day, Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday:	Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday:	Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Monday:	Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time; St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
Tuesday:	St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions
Wednesday:	St. Catherine of Alexandria
Thursday:	Thanksgiving Day
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

INTO YOUR HANDS, O LORD, we commend the souls of our recently departed, especially David Oberwager and Maxine Menager Leonard. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



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

Those needing your continued prayers:

Vi Baran, Ruth Callahan, Carole Canepa, David Todd Cardiff, David Brian Cardiff, Joyce Cardiff, Jill McClintock-Cole, Carolyn 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, Margaret Petersen, Jean Richardson, Bob Riede, Bonnie Rodgers, Sylvia Scott, Sue Slater, Marcie Sowa, Clay Sweeney, Richard Vandergrift, Rita Vigil, Harry Weiland, Joyce Youngbar



If you have a request to add a name to the bulletin and/or the prayer chain, please contact Sandy Pallante at 532-7625. If you have good news and would like a name removed, please call same number.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Saturday, Nov. 21 thru Sunday, Nov 29, 2015

Sat 11/21 & Sun 11/22 ~ Special Collection
Campaign for Human Development

Sun 11/22 ~ Meet & Greet hosted by
Knights of Columbus

Sat 11/28 ~ Altar Duty ~ Betty Loll & Barbara Sweeney

Sun 11/29 ~ Meet & Greet hosted by Altar Society

For regularly scheduled meetings, please check the Master Calendar. Go to 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 with your request.



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