

St. Patrick's Church



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.

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St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Sonora, California

The GOOD News

... in Our Parish

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 26, 2015

*The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
and you give them their food in due season.*

— Psalm 145:15



Today

Celebrating the Feast of St. Anne and St. Joachim
Sunday, July 26 at 8:00 am, a special Mass will be held
at historic St. Anne's in Columbia ~

Bishop Stephen Blaire will celebrate this special Mass.
A catered brunch will follow immediately after Mass at Angelo's
Hall in Columbia. Please join us for this special Mass.

"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](tel:2095327139) or email frsam@stpatssonora.org. God bless.

In Christ, Fr. Sam West, Parish Administrator

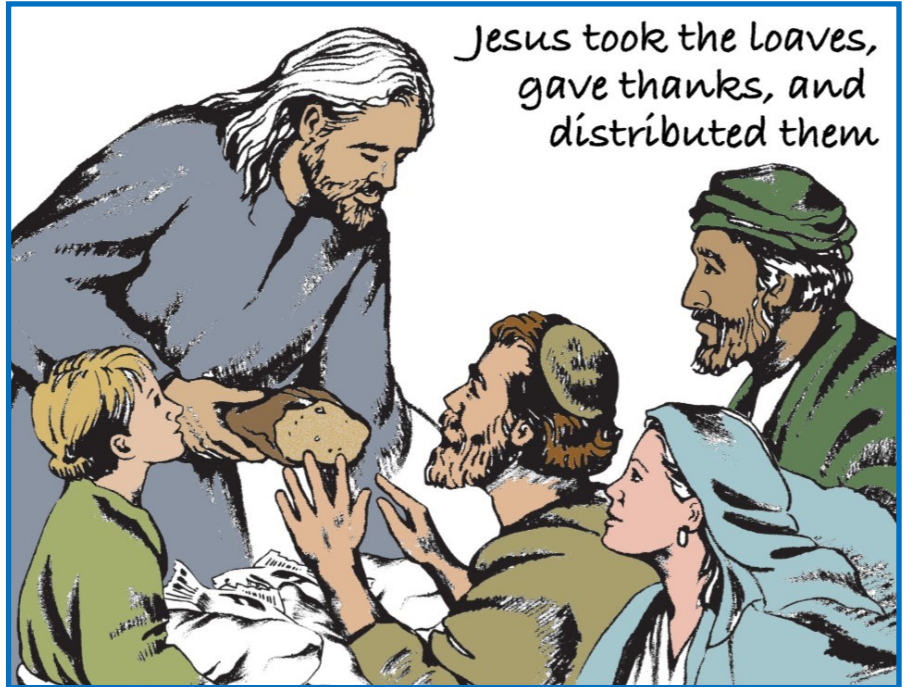


Father Sam's Message



tarting this Sunday, we will be hearing a series of Gospel readings from what is referred to as the "Bread of Life Discourse." Taken from the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John, these 50 or so Scripture verses are the most clear and direct teaching of our Jesus on the mystery of the Eucharist, the Bread of Life. The discourse is appropriately heralded by the miracle we hear about today - a multiplication of loaves and fish at which our Lord Jesus feeds "about five thousand" with only "five barley loaves and two fish." In this miracle, we are reminded of our Lord's concern, love, and care for each of us, His sheep. The large crowd came to a place where there was no food to seek out Jesus and be with Him. Because they sought Him and forgot their own concerns, they received the reward of God feeding them and bringing them together as one. Because food is necessary to sustain and grow, it is a symbol for life. The feeding of the vast crowd by our Lord shows us the new life God desires for us. We have already received a share in God's life in our baptism, and we continue to grow in it through the Sacrament of the Eucharist. In addition to representing life, the food shared among all who received it at our Lord's miracle also shows unity. But real unity is more than simply eating together in the same place or even at the same table. Unity is a sharing in the Truth, the experience of God's love for us. So, those who received at that deserted place were united not because they ate food together, but because they shared in the Truth of Christ's love for them. This unity is the same for us when we share God's love in the Eucharist united with all the members of the Body of Christ, the Church, who share in the one Truth.

Participation in God's life means being united with God, the Most Holy Trinity, and with one another. Besides being true food for eternal life, the Holy Eucharist is both a sign and means of unity with God and one another. For the life and unity of the Eucharist to be real and active in our daily lives, we want to heed the urgings of St. Paul in today's Second Reading to "*live in a manner worthy of the call you have received.*" We live the life of God we have received, and in which we are lovingly sustained, by remaining faithful to God's holy will and following His Commandments. Our sins



and the sins of others break "the bond of peace," and, therefore, break unity with God and among ourselves. Our "one God and Father of all" desires all of us to be united with Him and with all others. When we are living by the teachings of the Church and worthy of receiving the Holy Eucharist, we are actively living out the unity of our "one faith" and living out the calling of our "one baptism."

Through our attitudes, words, and actions, we want to always show others the joy and beauty of the life we have received in God. St. Paul encourages us, "*with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love.*" At times, it can be difficult to "bear with one another through love," especially when others angrily oppose us or obstinately resist living in conformity to the Truth as revealed by God. To love as we are called to love does not mean we endorse or accept the sinful actions or behaviors of others, but we always need to show kindness and gentleness in every circumstance. We should be patient and never be harsh or mean with anyone because these reactions do not serve to build up unity. Through the intercession of our Blessed Mother and St. Patrick, we give thanks to Almighty God for the grace we receive in the Bread of Life, the Holy Eucharist, to help us be continually transformed into the image of Jesus Christ, and thus grow in real unity with God and one another. We become what we eat!

God bless, Fr. Sam West

Vacation Bible School

St. Patrick's children had a wonderful week at VBS where they learned skills to become champions for Christ! Thank you to all who attended and everyone who made it happen.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Are you thinking of becoming a Catechist? St. Patrick's Religious Education needs volunteer Catechists and Aides for the upcoming year. This is a wonderful way to grow yourselves and help young children grow in their love and faith of Christ.

Please stop by the office for more information or contact Katie McClintock at katie@stpatssonora.org.

Why should we sing during Mass?

"Singing gives added flavor and meaning to the words that are said and heard. It lends to the spoken word its full strength of expression and communion. Singing unites those who sing."

Fr. Joseph Gelineau

SAVE THE DATE

In August:

Saturday, Aug. 15, 9:00 am ~

Feast of the Assumption Mass

Friday, Aug. 21 through Sunday, Aug. 23, 2015

~ Men's Fellowship Retreat

Saturday, Aug. 29, 10:00 am ~

~ Training for Lectors and Ushers

In September:

Saturday, Sept. 12, 4:30 pm ~

Mass at Pine Mountain Lake

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 11:00 am ~

Skyline Place Mass

In October:

Friday, Oct. 2 through Sunday Oct. 4, 2015

~ St. Patrick's Women's Retreat

Saturday, Oct. 10, 11:00 am ~

Bunco/Luncheon in Parish Hall

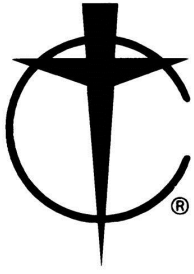
Tuesday, Oct. 20, 11:00 am ~

Skyline Place Mass

In November:

Saturday, Nov. 14 ~ Parish Christmas Festival

English Cursillo Retreat Weekends



Do you feel GOD is calling you to a deeper relationship with Him? If so, the English Cursillo Movement will be hosting retreats on the following dates:

- Men's Cursillo Retreat Weekend
September 3 – 6, 2015
- Women's Cursillo Retreat Weekend
September 24 – 27, 2015

Both retreats will be held at the Madonna of Peace Renewal Center in Copperopolis.

For additional information, please contact
Gilbert Somera (209) 401-7143 or
Irene Quismonda (209) 531-7469.

FEEDING THE WORLD

With today's two accounts of feeding miracles and the psalm response about the Lord's hand feeding us, it is easy to gloss over the marvelous hymn in Ephesians. It is built around the most potent biblical numbers: one, three, and seven. The core of it is the word "one" expressed seven times. Three of these describe the church: one body, one Spirit, one hope; the next three are the foundations of the church: one Lord [Jesus], one faith, one baptism. All of these are bound up together in the one Father of all. While we might feel daunted by the prospect of duplicating the wonders worked by Elisha and Jesus in the feeding of multitudes, Ephesians gives us a more realistic way to live and "feed" others as the church: by living in humility and gentleness, by acting with patience, bearing with each other in love, and always seeking and striving to preserve unity through peace. Who among us cannot increase the way we "feed" the church and the world by living this way? We are always called upon to "feed" the world in the literal sense; but our mission as church tells us that others are also fed by the way we live and act each moment of each day.

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WORKING AND SAVING

Work hard and save your money so when you're old you will be able to buy the things only the young can enjoy.

—Anonymous

Offerings

Weekly Goal \$ 10,000	7-5-15 Week 1	7-12-15 Week 2	7-19-15 Week 3	Month Totals
General Offerings				
St. Pat's	\$7,573	\$7,156	\$4,907	\$19,636
OLMC	\$1,934	\$1,137	\$1,130	\$4,201
E-giving	\$670	\$530	\$255	\$1,455
Total	\$10,177	\$8,823	\$6,292	\$25,292
LAST YEAR	\$9,668	\$9,185	\$7,024	\$25,877
Maintenance Offerings				
St. Pat's	\$1,669	NA	\$279	\$1,948
OLMC	\$195	\$53	\$10	\$258
Total	\$1,864	\$53	\$289	\$2,206
Parish Services: St. Pat's \$483 + OLMC \$213 = \$696				
Carmelite Mission Appeal \$3,140				
Thank you for your generous donation.				
Thank you for your generosity & continued support!				

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Our sincere sympathies to the family of
Joe 'Crossfire' Martínez Chávez

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

With Sympathy

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 25 thru Sunday, August 2, 2015

Saturday	5:00 pm	<i>No Intentions</i>
Sunday	7:30 am	All Parishioners George Monk
	8:00 am	St. Anne's, Columbia, Rose Merel †
	9:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
	11:00 am	Joe Chavez †
	5:00 pm	Familia Cepeda, <i>Special intentions</i>

Please join us to say the rosary after all the 8:00 am weekday Masses.

Monday	8:00 am	Terri Schappek †
Tuesday	8:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
Saturday	5:00 pm	<i>No Intentions</i>
Sunday	7:30 am	All Parishioners
	9:00 am	<i>No Intentions</i>
	11:00 am	Betty Regelin † Rosalie Fish †
	5:00 pm	Luis & Raul Gamboa † Familia Diaz Tovalin, <i>Special intentions</i>

PRESSURE ~ *A diamond is a chunk of coal that has made good under pressure.* —Anonymous

Prayers

Please Pray for the Sick in our Parish, and their family members. New this week: Mary Kingsley, Bonnie Rodgers and Joyce Youngbar

Those needing your continued prayers:

Violet Baran, Ruth Callahan, Carole Canepa, David Todd Cardiff, David Brian Cardiff, Joyce Cardiff, Jill McClintock-Cole, Teresa Dennis, Carolyn Gregory, Irene Hatcher, Audrey (A. J.) Holmes, Dixie Huber, Lovey Macdonald, Helena Mayhan, Cari McQuinn, Bill Mierop, Joseph Murtagh, Carmella Peller, Carolyn Peterson, Judy Reiman, Bob Riede, Sue Slater, Marcie Sowa, Clay Sweeney, Richard Vandergrift, Judy Wilder, Cecilla Woosley

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!

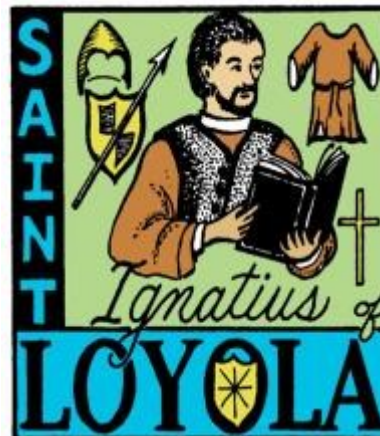


Readings

Monday, July 27 thru Sunday, August 2, 2015

Monday:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday:	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES



Sunday:
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:
St. Martha
Thursday:
St. Peter Chrysologus
Friday:
St. Ignatius of Loyola
Saturday:
St. Alphonsus Liguori;
First Saturday

Please see the parish website @www.stpatssonora.org for meetings and scheduled events.

This Week at St. Patrick's

Saturday, July 25 thru Sunday, August 2, 2015

Sunday 7/26 ~ **Cancelled** ~
Meet & Greet Today

Saturday 8/2 ~ **Altar Duty** ~
Barbara Kay & Rose Kutsch

Saturday 8/2 & Sunday 8/3 ~
Parish Services Collection after all Masses

Sunday 8/2 ~ **Meet & Greet hosted by Ministers to the Sick**



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