

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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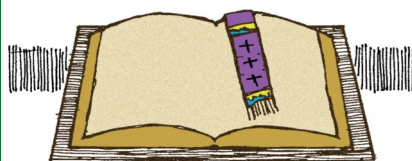
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St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Sonora, California

The GOOD News

... in Our Parish



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 30, 2015

*Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in
you and is able to save your souls.*

— James 1:21b

Catholic Men's Fellowship 2015 Retreat Attendees



*Led by Father Mike Wiesner, men from all parts of
California gathered together to meet the Holy Spirit.*

"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

In the Gospel this week, we see a familiar scene in which Jesus is challenged by the religious leaders of His time. The Pharisees notice Jesus' disciples eating without first washing their hands. They confront Jesus for permitting His disciples to do something that is forbidden by a long-standing custom. We hear, "The Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands." Jesus responds by citing a prophecy from Isaiah to show His critics "their hearts are far from" Him. Jesus is telling them they have not interiorized what He has revealed. These religious leaders are blinded because of their insistence on having things their own way or, as the Gospel says, because they "disregard God's commandments but cling to human tradition."

The Pharisees are often criticized for their strict adherence to the numerous laws of Jewish tradition. I propose their real obstacle to accepting Jesus' teaching is not their observance of the laws but has to do with their inability to be open to God's will, their unwillingness to see Jesus as God and obey Him. We can become hardened in our own ideas and opinions. In other words, we can "cling to human tradition" and "disregard" what God is asking of us. To avoid this fixation on our own thoughts, we desire to remain teachable. We continue to ask our Lord for the grace to humbly obey what He is asking of us as faithfully revealed in

the teachings of the Church. The Church does have our Lord Jesus' Word, and we want Him, through His Word, to penetrate ever more deeply into our hearts. To truly worship Him in our hearts, we need to keep our hearts pure as Christ admonishes us. He reminds us that from hearts that are fixed upon themselves and not God "come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly." We do not want to be like these Pharisees, whom Jesus judges as only paying "lip service" to God, but we want the humility and willingness to obey His Commandments in order to have Him close to us.

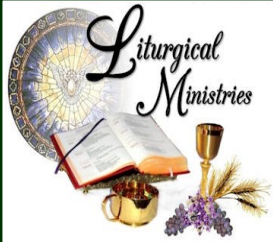
I had the honor and joy of spending time with the men who attended the retreat this weekend. I sincerely thank the Catholic Men's Fellowship for putting on this wonderful opportunity for our brothers to grow in their relationship with God, particularly through the working of the Holy Spirit. We need the Holy Spirit to be able to truly understand, humbly accept, and faithfully apply in our daily lives Christ's teaching. Through the intercession of our Mother Mary, let us remain docile to the Holy Spirit allowing Jesus' Word to fill us. We want to always be obedient to God's commandments so to have Him and His love in our hearts.

God bless, Fr. Sam West

World Youth Day Pilgrim Profile

My name is Angela Cordes, and I am an eighteen year old college student, working toward a degree in Allied Health, and hoping to one day become a nurse. I want to be a nurse because I love caring for people, especially young children and it is my desire to bring kindness and love to sick and lonely people. I have been a parishioner at Saint Patrick's for a little over two years now, during which I spent my first year serving as a member of the Core Team for Saint Patrick's Youth Group and my second year volunteering at Foothill Pregnancy Center. I am one of eleven children, in a practicing Catholic family. I have a great love for music, singing, and dancing. I am a devout Catholic with a strong faith in Jesus Christ and a great love and devotion to his Holy Mother Mary. I want to go to World Youth Day in Poland because I know this pilgrimage will have a tremendous impact on me both personally and spiritually. I hope by going to Poland and attending WYD, my love for God and my understanding of Him will be deepened, strengthened and intensified.





**Attention all Lectors,
Extraordinary Ministers
of Holy Communion,
Altar Servers,
and Ushers**

If there are any dates you know you will NOT be available to minister during the fourth quarter (October, November, December), please let Sandra Betti know by September 10th. The Q4 Schedule will be finalized by September 17th.

Please either email your information to sandra@stpatssonora.org or call the office. Sandra's extension is 109. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE

In September:

Tuesday, Sept. 8 ~ 2:15 pm ~ Unit 7 Mass

Saturday, Sept. 12, 5:00 pm ~

Mass at Pine Mountain Lake

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 11:00 am ~ Skyline Place Mass

Sunday, Sept. 20 ~ Catechetical Sunday ~

11:00 am ~ catechists commissioned

Saturday, Sept. 26 ~ 10:00 am ~

Blessing of the Animals (front of church)

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

Sunday, Oct. 18 ~ White Mass ~9:00 & 11:00 am

Blessings for those involved in Medical Positions

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 11:00 am ~ Skyline Place Mass

In November:

Saturday, Nov. 14 ~ Parish Christmas Festival

Save a date for an appointment for a portrait

setting from November 18 thru 22

and/or again December 2 thru 6 for the

new Parish Directory.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Our sincere sympathies

to the family of

Bryce Sanguinetti

May his soul and the souls

of all the faithful departed,

through the mercy of God,

rest in peace.



Offerings

Weekly Goal \$ 10,000	8-2-15 Week 1	8-9-15 Week 2	8-16-15 Week 3	8-23-15 Week 4	Month Totals
<i>General Offerings</i>					
St. Pat's	\$8,070	\$5,929	\$5,398	\$5,194	\$24,591
OLMC	\$1,469	\$1,159	\$1,309	\$1,391	\$5,328
E-giving	\$635	\$380	\$530	\$565	\$2,110
Total	\$10,174	\$7,468	\$7,237	\$7,150	\$32,029
LAST YEAR	\$8,732	\$7,590	\$5,716	\$6,724	\$28,762
<i>Maintenance Offerings</i>					
St. Pat's	\$529	\$227	\$101	\$168	\$1,025
OLMC	\$90	0	0	\$25	\$115
Total	\$619	\$227	\$101	\$193	\$1,140
Parish Services: St. Pat's \$495.50 + OLMC \$188 = \$683.50					
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: St. Pat's \$800 + OLMC \$85 = \$885					
Thank you for your generosity & continued support!					

Bulletin Notice

Beginning the week after Labor Day (September 7), J. S. Paluch will be printing and folding St. Patrick's bulletin. This means that for items to go into the bulletin, they must be submitted by **Friday** of the previous week. Example: the deadline for the September 20th bulletin will be September 11. That is **ten days** before the bulletin date. The deadline will require planning ahead. Many other parishes rely on J.S. Paluch to print and deliver their bulletins. I am sure we as a parish can rise to the challenge. Ministries, please check your schedules to have plenty of time for announcements.

Thank you, Sandy Pasby

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 Kathy Casas ext. 110 or email kathy@stpatssonora.org

Confirmation Information Meeting ~ Confirmation Candidate Parent Meeting

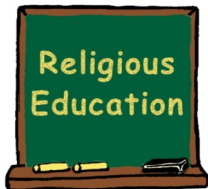
7th grade thru high school ~ Wednesday Sept 9th 6:30 pm

Please bring your teens' calendars (sports, dance, 4-H, music, etc.). We will design class sessions around what works best for our young people. That means we need your in-put and theirs.

Religious Education Classes ~ Kindergarten-6th grade

Opening Night ~ Wednesday, September 30th ~ 6:30 -7:30 pm

Registration forms are available in the church entrance and at the parish office. They may be placed in the designated box after weekend Masses (located in the sacristy where the priests and altar servers vest). We encourage you to leave a message that you will be attending if you are not yet able to register, so we can order the correct number of textbooks and supplies (grade levels and last name).



Contact Kathy Casas 770-5987 or kathy@stpatssonora.org or 532-7139 ext. 110.

Mass at Pine Mountain Lake Marina

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will be hosting "Mass at Pine Mountain Lake Marina" followed by a potluck supper, Saturday, September 12th at 5:00 pm. If you have ever been to one of these Masses, you won't want to miss it. If you have never been, MARK IT ON YOUR CALENDAR!!!!!!

Please bring chairs, a potluck dish to share with 12 and your own table service.

Set up time is 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm. I can use some helpers. Please call Louise Turney [\(209\) 484-9822](tel:2094849822).

OLMC Parish Services

Parish Services provides financial aid, physical aid and information to those in need in our community.

To request assistance, call 209 532-7139, Ext 111; this number is also on the front page of the church bulletin. The phone line is monitored by our Core Group: Ralph & Barbara Gaarde, Charlotte Morgan, Pat Pesh, Jeanne Ridgley, Maggie Rogers, Pete Stevenson and Louise Turney.

During the fiscal year, which ended June 30, 2015, we collected \$1,516.75 from our monthly collections. Thank you for your donations. We distributed \$900.00 to those in need and provided other services as requested.

We would like one or two more volunteers in our Core Group. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer, please call the number above and a member will return your call.

If you would be available to prepare food for sick or funerals, light home repairs, light yard work or social visits, please fill out a form which is at the back of the church and place it in the Parish Services Box.

Thank you for your past and continued support.

Art and Environment Committee

We invite all interested parishioners to join the Art and Environment Committee. Many different skills are needed, you only need one. Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 2, at 6:00 pm in room 1 (downstairs in the parish hall).

Please join us and be part of this dynamic and interesting ministry.

St. Patrick's Christmas Festival News

There will be a meeting and potluck on Wednesday, Sept. 9th at 6:00 pm for the festival. A representative from each booth should be there with their outline of workers and other details.

Donations are Appreciated

Your donations for the **St. Patrick's Christmas Festival** will be greatly appreciated.

If you have ~ knickknacks ❖ jewelry ❖ crafts ❖ books ❖ religious articles ❖ working small household appliances ❖ Christmas decorations ❖ dishes ❖ serving platters ❖ other kitchen utensils ❖ gently used tablecloths and napkins ❖ other miscellaneous items that can be sold ~ please bring them to the Parish Office between 8:30 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Thursday.

Thank you.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 29 thru Sunday, September 6, 2015

Saturday	5:00 pm	OLMC	Hardoin Family †
	5:00 pm	St. Pat	Jerry Kahl †
Sunday	7:30 am		All Parishioners Pat Dean †
	9:00 am		Flora Guzman †
	11:00 am		Marie Schneider † Soledad Balbuena, <i>Safe Travels</i>
	5:00 pm		<i>No Intentions</i>
Please join us to say the rosary after all the 8:00 am weekday Masses.			
Monday	8:00 am		Pat Dean Girard †
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		Emily Galli † Gertrude F. Anderson †
Saturday	5:00 pm		<i>No Intentions</i>
Sunday	7:30 am		All Parishioners
	9:00 am		Hezzy Arellano †
	11:00 am		Health for Ralston Tower Rosary
	5:00 pm		Raul & Manuel Gamboa † Olga Argentina De Awners †

Readings

Monday, Aug. 31 thru Sunday, Sept. 6, 2015

Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Thursday:	St. Gregory the Great
Friday:	First Friday
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

*The parish website is being updated.
Please be patient during the transition.
Soon we will have a new improved website.*

This Week at St. Patrick's

Saturday, Aug. 29 thru Sunday, Sept. 6, 2015

- Sun 8/30** ~ Meet & Greet ~ Altar Society
- Mon 8/31** ~ 5:30 pm ~ Catholic Men's Fellowship
5:30 pm ~ Ladies Faith & Friendship ~ room 6
6:30 pm ~ Young Adults ~ Teen Center
- Tues 9/1** ~ 6:30 am ~ Matthew 25 Breakfast
5:00 pm ~ Combined Choir Practice ~ hall
6:00 pm ~ Hispanic Choir Practice ~ rooms 3 & 4
- Wed 9/2** ~ 5:15 pm ~ Lay Apostles ~ church
5:45 pm ~ Family Rosary ~ church
6:00 pm ~ Art & Environment meeting. ~ room 1
6:30 pm ~ Reconciliation ~ church
6:30 pm ~ Youth Ministry ~ Teen Center
- Thurs 9/3** ~ 6:30 am ~ Matthew 25 Breakfast
- Fri 9/4** ~ 1:00 pm ~ Ladies Faith & Friendship ~ rm 1
7:00 pm ~ Spanish Prayer Group
- Sat 9/5** ~ Altar Duty ~ Janet Hart & Rose Agerter
- Sun 9/6** ~ Meet & Greet hosted by
Ministers to the Sick ~ Parish Services Collection

Prayers

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

Those needing your continued prayers:

Violet Baran, Louise Bergesen, 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, Lovey Macdonald, 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, 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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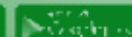
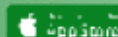
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