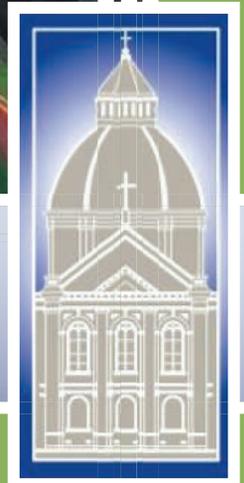




# Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

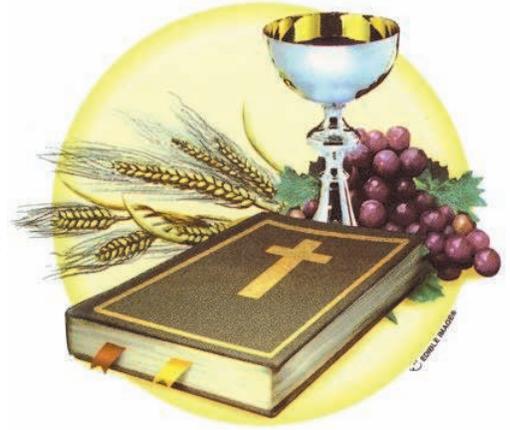
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# Pastor's Corner

It's a beautiful morning as I write this, and I have just completed celebrating nine infant baptisms. Its always a special experience for me as I see the new life through birth enriched by the new life through baptism. I see that this life upon life continues throughout our living. God's great grace continually showers this life, His life, upon us. The "March-for-Life" walk that many of us will be a part of this weekend isn't simply about an end to abortion. As important as it is to stop abortions and pray for their end, our pro-life stance is about promoting that this endless cycle of life is at the center of God's embrace. We are a people of life and all that we say and do should reveal this beautiful light.



Now, of course, we are a people who die as well. We recognize that just as there is life upon life upon life, so too, there is death upon death upon death. The need to die to the things that are not of God is as necessary an element of our faith as the need to live in the things that are of God. Many deaths, and there are endless forms of death, are graced-filled moments that lead us to life. There can be no resurrection without first dying. Life and death are both offered through the grace of God, and many times it is difficult to distinguish the two. The most important point to remember is that God is Life, and that Life always has the last Word.

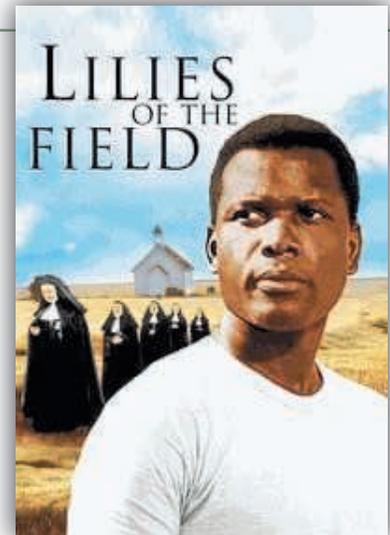
Finally, we remember that both life and death are offered through the authority of God. No human can be in charge of such a mysterious reality. To believe that we are in control is to usurp the proper role of God and therefore destroy both life and death. Without God in charge, we simply exist without either living or dying. We create a world, lost and directionless. We can no longer see the grace that comes through dying nor the love that comes through new life. To walk for life, is to walk for the life of everyone of us. May we see that we ourselves are the victims of all forms of human assisted death.

Father Michael



These days, it's hard to find wholesome and enlightening entertainment in a sea of choices. Movie Night at the Cathedral Ministry will feature a monthly review of some of the best movies ever made, that have a strong Christian message, suitable for everyone in the family!

your pronunciation. That's right, a new Catholic Church! Sydney Poitier stars in, *Lilies of the Field*, a clever and endearing Academy award winning movie from 1963. It, in fact, was the first time an African-American would win the Award for best actor, breaking a barrier in cinema.



Austrian actress, Lilia Skala, is authentic in her performance as German nun, Mother Maria, as well as the rest of the cast who all seem to complement each other. The story begins when Poitier's character, Homer Schmidt, comes into contact with Mother Maria and her group of nuns who happen to have all been exiled from Germany during World War II. Homer's car breaks down in the Arizona desert and after seeking the nun's help, and receiving it, he finds himself slowly drawn into their desert mission of building a new chapel, by the somewhat shrewd tactics of Mother Maria.



Homer, at first, struggles as he finds himself considering whether it is God's purpose for him at the time.

The film develops and moves into lightly touching upon some important social and religious issues, e.g. racism, opposing Catholic and protestant beliefs and struggles with faith and it does this without ever becoming heavy-handed. We as the viewers see pride as the driving force among the main characters when struggling with the issues previously mentioned, but Poitier manages to make these struggles interesting and very human with his performance among the cast.

A relevant ecumenical lesson is demonstrated very well in the movie, that being, that good will towards others, despite different religious beliefs, when taken in gradual steps, can indeed lead to God's will being done for the betterment of society. This delightful dramatic comedy, *Lilies of the Field*, points us back to a simpler time when we were less coarse in discourse, more patient with those with opposing beliefs and hopeful towards the future. This movie moves us to ask the question, "How can God's will be done, together?"

Submitted by Reggie King and Brian Perez

# Neil deGrasse Tyson concurs: Catholicism is the science-friendly religion

By Matthew Becklo | Aleteia.org

On a recent episode of *The Late Show*, host Stephen Colbert and frequent visitor Neil deGrasse Tyson joked about the astronomical insignificance of New Year's Day.

Before long, Tyson was talking about the role the Catholic Church played in creating the calendar as we know it. "The world's calendar is the Gregorian calendar after Pope Gregory," Tyson explains. "Put that into place in 1582, because the previous Julian calendar was messing up in the year. It was off by ten days. And the pope said, 'We got to fix this...'. There's a Vatican Observatory to this day. At the time, before telescopes were invented, these Jesuit priests were put into the service of figuring out why the calendar was shifting in the year."

Colbert, known for his openness about his Catholic faith, then asks Tyson if it's true that a Catholic priest formulated the Big Bang Theory. "Yes," Tyson responds. "Georges Lemaître. Using Einstein's equations ... he deduces that the history of the universe must've started with a bang. So Catholics have been in there in multiple places."

This little exchange might have seemed uninteresting in another era, but not today. The rise in the new atheism and Biblical literalism have made it a commonplace that science and religion are in conflict, and young people are absorbing the idea as axiomatic. In her recent book *iGen*, about the least religious generation in U.S. history, Dr. Jean Twenge quotes one young person as saying: "I knew from church that I couldn't believe in both science and God, so that was it. I didn't believe in God anymore."

That may be true in some churches, but not the Catholic Church – and it's worth repeating just as often as the opportunity allows. In Catholicism, belief in science and God are compatible. In fact, Tyson and Colbert's conversation is a glaring reminder that many Catholic priests and believers have been leading scientists themselves. There are theological and historical reasons for this, but the bottom line is this: Catholicism is a science-friendly religion, and it's enshrined in the Catholic Catechism.

Even at the peak of the new atheism and its mockery of all things religious in the 2000s, one man seemed to draw the respect and attention of people like Richard Dawkins and Bill Maher: Fr. George Coyne, a priest and astrophysicist who ran the Vatican Observatory outside of Tucson. His very existence was a challenge to the view



that religion "poisons" rational, scientific thinking. Like Drummond at the end of *Inherit the Wind*, who marched out of the courtroom with both the Bible and *On the Origin of Species* in his hands, Coyne represented an intriguing third option outside of the fray.

The new atheists have largely faded, and affable agnostics like Tyson have filled the vacuum. He may not be an unwavering fan of religion (the first episode of his TV series *Cosmos* painted 16th-century Catholic clerics as anti-science), but he is committed first and foremost to advancing knowledge, not denigrating religion. This is a welcome turn of events, one that has resulted in more positive encounters like the one with Colbert.

And they really only scratched the surface. Catholic scientists were not only behind the formation of the calendar and the formulation of the Big Bang Theory: they were behind groundbreaking discoveries about the size of the earth (Fr. Jean-Félix Picard), pasteurization (Louis Pasteur), and genetics (Gregor Mendel). In fact, one of the first people to correctly explain rainbows was a 13th-century Dominican friar! There's Roger Bacon, Pascal, Descartes – the list goes on and on. The Church's unfortunate treatment of Galileo (whether the actual events, or the mythical spin on the events lodged in our collective consciousness) was, at worst, a brief spat in a long and respectful friendship. And Copernicus and Galileo, let's not forget, were both Catholics themselves.

At the end of the interview Colbert asks what "mystery" of the universe keeps Tyson up at night. His response reveals a deep humility about the observable universe. In the future, dark energy will render the universe so large that all of the galaxies – the source of "everything we know about the history of the universe" – will be "ripped" from view. Then he wonders: was some previous chapter of the universe ripped away from us? "Here we are touching the elephant, not knowing that in fact there's an elephant standing there. Or maybe there's the shadow of the elephant and the elephant has been moved. We don't know what we don't know."

The shadow side of the material universe – past, present, and future – is baffling indeed. But what we do know is this: when it comes to putting the tools of observation and the light of reason to good use, science has an ally in the Catholic Church.

# Readings

**Sunday:** Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9, [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

## 28

**Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20

## 29

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30--19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43

## 30

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6

## 31

**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13

## 01

**Friday:** Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

## 02

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-34

## 03

**Next Sunday:** Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

## 04

COVER PHOTO: Volunteers prepare food to sell at the Pro-Life Fundraiser last weekend. Thanks to all that volunteered and attended, the event raised the needed \$2,300 to pay for the confirmation kids' bus going to the Walk for Life march and rally in San Francisco yesterday (January 27). It also paid for t-shirts, bus parking, and to help those with financial needs.

Photo by Veronica Gonzalez.

# CATHEDRAL PARISH NEWS

**Flu Season is here! Though the California Department of Public Health has not issued a warning that influenza-like illnesses (ILIs) have exceeded the epidemic threshold, we urge parishioners to be vigilant about their own health and the health of others.**

**Please, if you are not feeling well, you should abstain from the cup and avoid shaking hands at the kiss of peace. Remember that "since Christ is sacramentally present under each of the species, communion under the species of *bread alone* makes it possible to receive all the fruit of Eucharistic grace." [Catechism, 1390].**



**Retired? Or do you have an extra 2 hours,** one morning a week on your hands that you could serve God by helping the least of our brethren? Perhaps God is calling you to help with the Cathedral **Brown Bag Lunch** (BBL) Ministry in its distribution of lunches to the homeless! We need your help to continue this

important and rewarding work of God and ask that you take it to prayer.

We are especially looking for MEN strong in character and stature, with a calm, peaceful demeanor to provide lunch distribution direction. God bless all who donate their time, talent or treasure to our BBL program!

Interested? Email [jerrirush@comcast.net](mailto:jerrirush@comcast.net). You won't regret it!

**40 Days, 40 Ways: A New Look at Lent**  
**February 9, 2018** at Christ the King Retreat Center,  
6520 Van Maren Lane, Citrus Heights, CA, 95621

In this talk, based on his best-selling book by the same name, Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, aka "Dr. Italy" will introduce the audience to a brand-new Lent experience. After giving deeper insight into where Lent came from and what it means, the talk present positive, proactive ways to approach the season instead of the same old "giving something up." The result will be a spiritual transformation and a closer walk with Christ — not only during Lent but throughout the year.



- 6:00 am:** Confession
- 6:30 am:** Morning Mass
- 7:00 am:** Breakfast / Networking
- 7:30 am:** Talk by Dr. Italy

\$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Visit [sac Catholicsatwork.org](http://sac Catholicsatwork.org) register and for more information.

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**CATHOLIC DOCTORS NEEDED:** Since 1959, Mission Doctors Association has trained, sent and supported Catholic doctors and their families who come from across the United States to serve people of all faiths in some of the most under-served areas of the world. This mission of healing provides direct patient care and training for local professionals striving toward the goal of sustainable health care. Mission Doctors is offering a **Retreat/Seminar** at Loyola Marymount University, in Los Angeles, March 9-11 for Catholic Doctors, Dentists, Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners, and their spouses, who are considering serving for one month at Catholic Missions in Africa and Latin America.

The weekend provides the opportunity to reflect on the call to serve, hear about the specific locations currently seeking medical professionals, hear from doctors and their spouses who have served at these locations, and includes presentations on the Theology of Mission, common medical issues faced, and the practical aspects of service related to visas and licensing. Those interested are invited to [www.missiondoctors.org](http://www.missiondoctors.org), complete an application, and register for the weekend. If you have any questions, please contact [efrederick@missiondoctors.org](mailto:efrederick@missiondoctors.org) or 213-368-1875.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE:** Come and help women who may be dealing with a crisis pregnancy and help save the lives of babies! Let us successfully live out the gospel of life! Opening Mass, celebrated by Father Art Wehr, is Monday, February 12 at 8:00 am, at St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church, 3235 Arden Way, Sacramento.

The sidewalk vigil begins Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at FPA Women's Health Clinic, 2322 Butano Drive, Sacramento, Monday to Friday, from 8am to 6pm. Sign up for hours at [40daysforlife.com/sacramento](http://40daysforlife.com/sacramento). Call Susan Money at 530-320-1614 or [susanalive@gmail.com](mailto:susanalive@gmail.com).

**Q:**

Luke's Gospel is the only one to mention the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. What is Luke trying to communicate here and what connection does it have with Mary?

**A:**

February 2 is exactly forty days after December 25, the nativity of Jesus. Jewish law (Ex 13:2, 12) dictated that Jesus, as the firstborn, be consecrated to God. This was done by the parents as they presented their Son in the Temple.

Jewish law further specified (Lv 12:2-8) that a mother was ritually impure after giving birth, and that she had to wait a set period of time (forty days for a boy) before she was to offer a sacrifice to the Lord for purification.

The convergence of these two Jewish regulations occasions Luke's account of both the Presentation of the Lord and the Purification of Mary. These days the liturgical emphasis is more on the Presentation of Jesus. Luke highlights the role of Simeon and Anna, two righteous Jews who recognized Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah and praised God for being able to see and experience such a marvel in their lifetimes.

Simeon's prayer concerning the special role of Jesus states that Jesus is "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." This phrase eventually originated the custom of blessing candles on this day which were to be used in the ceremonies, rituals, and processions throughout the church year. Thus, February 2 is also known as Candlemas Day. This day is indeed a rich feast to be savored.

# Mass Intentions and Activities



# Cathedral Kids

Read the Gospel and Color

Date	Mass / Intentions	Activities
Saturday January 27	5:00 pm / Leo, Anne, Donald Purseglove+	10:00am CCD classes
Sunday January 28	7:30 am / Charles & Genevieve Fagan + 9:00 am / Stan Devereux S.I. 11:00 am*/ Scott Rush + Rush Family S.I. 1:00 pm Spanish / Caroline Santiago S.I. 3:00 pm Chinese / Mei & Family S.I. 5:00 pm / Souls in Purgatory 7:00 pm Spanish / Claire Miller + John Kral +  *Liturgy of the Word for Children	9:00am RCIA for Children & Teens  9:30am RCIA Breaking of the Word  11:00am CCD Spanish Classes Spanish Speaking Adult Education
Monday January 29	12:10 pm / Damiana Tabaniag + 5:10 pm / Nestor Purugganan +	6:30pm RCIA Evening Prayer  7:00pm RCIA Class
Tuesday January 30	12:10 pm / William James Shorey + 5:10 pm / Rosario Purugganan +	6:00pm Spanish Choir for the 7pm Mass 7:00pm Teen Confirmation Class
Wednesday January 31	12:10 pm / Ramona Martinez S.I. 5:10 pm / Souls in Purgatory	7:15pm Spanish Choir for the 1pm Mass 7:15pm Communion & Liberation
Thursday February 1	12:10 pm / Randy Leong + 5:10 pm / Pearl Jaramillo +	7:00pm English Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Bible Timeline
Friday February 2	12:10 pm / Consuelo Parra +	



Sharing the Gospel - Grass stains. Tomato sauce. Brightly colored fruit drinks. When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil spirit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, he cleaned that evil spirit right out.

Prayer - God, you are much stronger than evil. Nothing is too hard for you to clean.

Mission for the Week - Make a new label for your family's stain pre-treatment bottle. Trace around the bottle, write Mark 1:21-28 in big letters, and decorate your label with a picture of Jesus. Tape your new label to the bottle so you and your parents remember how strong Jesus is.

To request a Special Intention, call the Rectory Office at 916-444-3071.

## Please Remember in your Prayers



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| Carlos Palacios Family | Alvin Sul                | Louis Metzinger         |
| Haylee Flory & Family  | Anyrani Gonzalez         | The Brown Family        |
| Alma Mosquera          | Erin Nicole Tam          | Yenecia Gutierrez       |
| Luis Romo              | Riley Hana               | Dennis Studebaker S.I.  |
| Deacon Don DeHaven     | Lee McClure              | Lawrence Afamasanga     |
| Emma Valdez            | Noah Anthony Hernandez   | Vailoauta Lopa          |
| Eugenia Roque          | Giang Tran               | Guy Cook                |
| Alfredo Rivera         | Joel and Cesar           | Andrea                  |
| Adolfo Espinoza        | Miguel and Family        | Anastasia Main & Family |
| Raymundo Guerrero      | Michael Jose Mejia       |                         |
| Natalia Galan          | Luis Gutierrez, Jr.      |                         |
| Salomon Galan          | Luis Gutierrez, Sr.      |                         |
| Tomasita Rodriguez     | Cynthia Belarma          |                         |
| Rosa Carrillo          | Stephen and Julie        |                         |
| Felix Nunez Claver     | Miles Jedlinsky Flanagan |                         |

## Puzzle

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

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| teaching | Jesus    | shout |
| amazed   | Holy One | obey  |

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**MUSIC MINISTRY:** Do you have musical talent and would like to share it with our parish community? Sister Jenny is looking for music ministry volunteers for the Faith Formation Program at the Cathedral. You would be needed on Saturday mornings and during special events.

If you are interested, please do not hesitate to call Sister Jenny at (916) 444-5364 or email her at [jenny@cathedralsacramento.org](mailto:jenny@cathedralsacramento.org).



## LAS LECTURAS

**Domingo: Dt 18, 15-20/Sal 95, 1-2. 6-7. 7-9. [8]/1 Cor 7, 32-35/Mc 1, 21-28**

# 28

**Lunes: 2 Sm 15, 13-14. 30; 16, 5-13/Sal 3, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7 [8]/Mc 5, 1-20**

# 29

**Martes: 2 Sm 18, 9-10. 14. 24-25. 30--19, 3/Sal 86, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [1]/Mc 5, 21-43**

# 30

**Miércoles: 2 Sm 24, 2. 9-17/Sal 32, 1-2. 5. 6. 7 [cfr. 5]/Mc 6, 1-6**

# 31

**Jueves: 1 Re 2, 1-4. 10-12/1 Cr 29, 10. 11. 11-12. 12 [12]/Mc 6, 7-13**

# 01

**Viernes: Mal 3, 1-4/Sal 24, 7. 8. 9. 10 [10]/Heb 2, 14-18/Lc 2, 22-40 o 2, 22-32**

# 02

**Sábado: 1 Re 3, 4-13/Sal 119, 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14 [12]/Mc 6, 30-34**

# 03

**Domingo siguiente: Job 7, 1-4. 6-7/Sal 147, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [cfr. 3]/1 Cor 9, 16-19. 22-23/Mc 1, 29-39**

# 04

## Esquina del Pastor

En esta hermosa mañana en que escribo esto, apenas he concluido la celebración del bautismo de nueve bebés. Es siempre una experiencia especial para mí el contemplar una vida nueva enriquecida por la vida que se recibe en el bautismo. Veo como esta vida sigue recibiendo vida a través de nuestro vivir. La gracia de Dios continúa regando vida, Su vida, sobre nosotros.

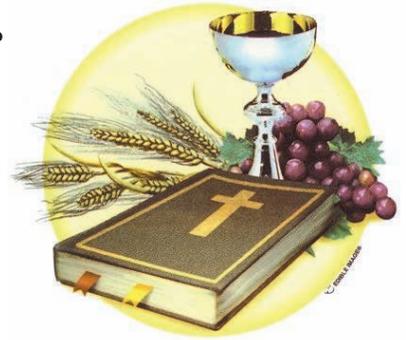
La "Marcha por la Vida" de la cual muchos de nosotros hemos sido parte este fin de semana no es simplemente por que el aborto no ocurra más. A pesar de la importancia que detener el aborto tiene y rezar por que esto se logre lo sea, nuestra postura pro-vida es la de promover que este interminable ciclo de vida esta al centro de abrazo de Dios. Somos personas por la vida y todo lo que decimos y hacemos debe revelar esta hermosa luz.

Por supuesto, somos personas que morimos también. Reconocemos que así como hay vida sobre vida sobre vida, también, hay muerte sobre muerte sobre muerte. La necesidad de morir a las cosas que no son de Dios es un elemento necesario de nuestra fe así como debemos de vivir en las cosas que son de Dios. Muchas muertes, y hay infinidad de maneras de morir, son momentos llenos de gracia que nos llevan a la vida. No puede haber resurrección sin primero morir. La vida y la muerte son ambos ofrecidos a través de la gracia de Dios, y muchas veces es difícil distinguir entre los dos. El punto más importante que debemos recordar es que Dios es Vida, y que la Vida siempre tiene la última Palabra.

Finalmente, recordemos que tanto la vida como la muerte son ofrecidas a través de la autoridad de Dios. Ningún ser humano puede estar a cargo de esta realidad tan misteriosa. El creer que nosotros estamos en control es pretender usurpar el papel de Dios y por lo tanto destruir tanto la vida como la muerte. Sin que Dios este a cargo, simplemente existimos sin vivir ni morir. Creamos un mundo perdido y sin dirección. Ya no podemos ver la gracia que viene a través de la muerte, o el amor que viene a través de la vida.

Caminar por la vida, es caminar por la vida de todos nosotros. Que nos demos cuenta que todos somos víctimas de todas las formas de muerte asistida.

Padre Michael



**Diócesis de Sacramento**

# ENCUENTRO HISPANO

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**24 de Febrero 2018 · 8:30am - 5:00pm**  
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Se darán a conocer los resultados del V Encuentro Diocesano y *Necesitamos tu Opinión*

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Compartiremos experiencias, alegrías, comida pero sobre todo la *Fe, Esperanza y el Amor*



Ven a ser una voz clara para tu comunidad en la Pastoral Hispana y discernir con el *Señor Obispo Jaime Soto* "cómo acompañar a los jóvenes para que reconozcan y acojan la llamada al amor y a la vida en plenitud".

Para inscribirse, favor de llamar a Julia Jimenez al 916-733-0177 o enviar correo a [jjjimenez@scd.org](mailto:jjjimenez@scd.org) (Nos ayuda a planear adecuadamente).

# Noticias

## Le gustaría ayudarnos a dar el tour de la Catedral?

Si usted está interesado en aprender a dar el tour en español y ser guía voluntario por favor comuníquese con Leticia al leticia\_hilbert@hotmail.com (subject line: TOUR).

## POT LUCK DEL AMOR Y LA AMISTAD sábado, 10 de febrero

Venga y participe del "Pot luck" de los ministerios hispanos para celebrar nuestra amor y amistad fraternal entre parroquianos de Catedral. Todos somos miembros de un sólo cuerpo que es el de Cristo. Para más información sobre que platillo traer por favor comuníquese con Enrique al 916 281 4588. Estamos planeando cuidado de niños. Si usted quiere ayudar a organizar por favor comuníquese con Carmen al 916 283 1922.

## 28 de enero de 2018 4º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

### MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO - ALENTAR ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

Las personas están frecuentemente en nuestra sociedad engañando a otras por su poder al hablar, explotan y manipulan con su forma de expresión. ¿Cómo podemos discernir cuando uno que habla tiene el interés desde el corazón? La respuesta no es fácil de discernir, pero algunas indicaciones pueden ayudar para saber si el que comunica lo hace acertadamente. Que sus acciones vayan de acuerdo a sus palabras, cuando el cuidado y la compasión son evidentes y su forma de actuar es sencilla y honesta. Cuando el bienestar y punto principal de los otros es su preocupación. ¿Conoces personas que hablan con autoridad? ¿Son coherentes sus palabras y obras?

Veamos como Jesús convierte la sinagoga --un lugar de oración-- en un lugar de acción, realizando el milagro de sanar al endemoniado. La autenticidad y la autoridad de Jesús fue inmediatamente discernible, no había equivocación, su actuar y hacer fue claramente entendible y respetado al mostrar la necesidad de la situación humana de la persona. El siempre actúa en beneficio del otro. Pero, ¿cuál es el reto para nosotros? ¿Cuándo hablamos con autoridad? La autoridad y el respeto muchas veces son usados para causar mal y miedo. La invitación es ser auténticos y actuar así. Estar en sintonía con los demás implica sencillamente que las palabras vayan de acuerdo con los actos que realizamos en nuestra vida diaria. En la sociedad actual, existen muchas personas poseídas por la ambición, la mentira, el orgullo, la infidelidad, el poder y mucho más. Pidamos a Jesús que diga con autoridad, "¡Cállate y sal de él!" (Mc 1, 26). Recuerda, la autoridad se adquiere con la oración y el diálogo.

### LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA - RECONOCER A DIOS EN LOS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS - La corresponsabilidad diaria

Cuando reflexiono sobre mi vida, me doy cuenta de que mucha gente fue importante en mi desarrollo como persona, estudiante y cristiano. A través del agradecimiento y la generosidad, fui capaz de vencer los retos y las dificultades hasta llegar a ser más fuerte al final. Ellos me animaron para que fuera mejor de lo que era y me ayudaron a lo que realmente llegaría a ser. Sin su entrega, no estoy seguro dónde estaría hoy en día.

Porque los otros fueron buenos siervos de los dones y talentos que Dios les dio, ahora yo lucho por usar sabiamente lo que se me ha dado. Sí, paso mucho tiempo hablando en iglesias sobre el servicio y escribo libros y artículos sobre esta forma de vida, pero mi gran deseo es impactar a los que me rodean. Quiero que mis hijos vean cómo estoy creciendo en esta vida y ser un ejemplo para ellos. Quiero que mi esposa y yo crezcamos en generosidad juntos.



Mi esperanza es que mis amigos vean la luz en mí y se pregunten cómo y por qué está allí. Sobre todo, quiero vivir con agradecimiento y hospitalidad que otros sean bienvenidos.

Creo que a través de la amabilidad y la existencia de la gracia, Dios puede tocar a otros, curarles y abrazarles. Estamos en las manos y los pies de Cristo. Ojalá que escuchemos hoy y todos los días su voz, y que no se endurezcan nuestros corazones.

### VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

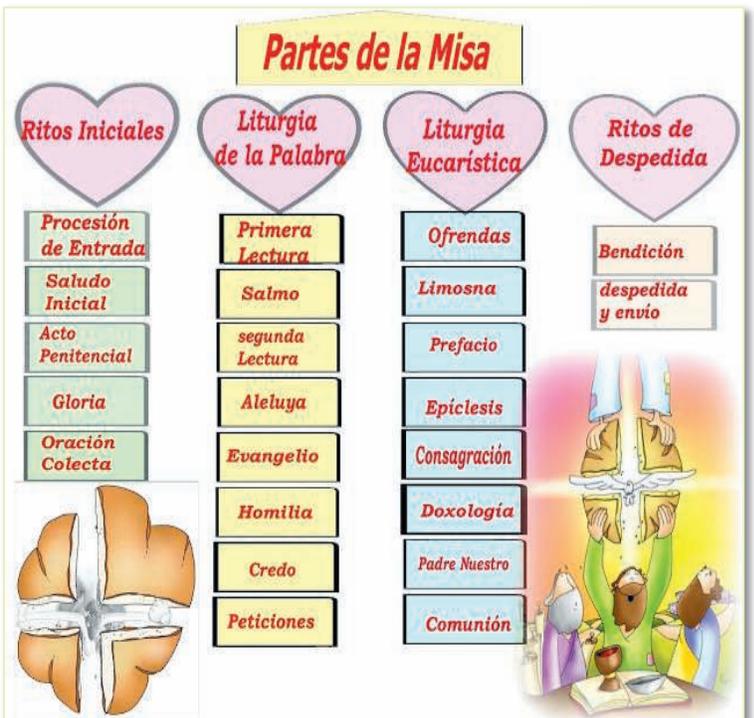
Jesús tenía una forma de asombrar a la gente. Había algo muy diferente no solo en lo que nos enseñó, sino también en cómo lo enseñó. El dio autoridad a lo que dijo y también credibilidad a lo que no se había experimentado en otro lugar. Sus palabras no eran solamente proféticas, pero proclamaban la experiencia de la verdad a la gente, especialmente a aquellos que eran pobres, marginados, que eran víctimas, que se encontraban perdidos y olvidados. ¿Te comunican las palabras de Jesús la verdad? El mensaje del Evangelio trasciende el tiempo y el espacio y tienen una profunda relevancia en cada generación. Jesús todavía está intentando mostrarnos la verdad y que veamos y aceptemos lo que somos. ¿Estamos dispuestos a escuchar esto? Se nos pide que traigamos credibilidad al mensaje del Evangelio a través de la forma en la que vivimos nuestras vidas.

**FOTO DE PORTADA:** los voluntarios preparan comida para vender en la recaudación de fondos Pro-Life el último fin de semana. Gracias a todos los que se ofrecieron como voluntarios y asistieron, el evento recaudó los \$2,300 necesarios para pagar el autobús de confirmación para niños que irá a la marcha y manifestación de Walk for Life en San Francisco ayer (27 de enero). También pagó camisetas, estacionamiento de autobuses y para ayudar a aquellos con necesidades financieras. Foto de Veronica Gonzalez.

### Serie: El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica

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-Semana con semana le traeremos un párrafo del Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica como una serie informativa de su fe. Si usted quiere comprar un catecismo, que es lo más recomendable, lo encuentra en cualquier librería católica o en la tiendita de Catedral en la planta baja.-





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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday to Friday	12:10 pm
Monday to Thursday	5:10 pm
Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:00 am
	1:00 pm en Español
	3:00 pm Chinese
	5:00 pm
	7:00 pm en Español
State Holidays	12:10 pm only

## SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Monday to Friday	11:30 am to 12:00 pm
Saturday	4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
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	6:30 pm a 7:00 pm

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Español - 2do jueves del mes, 7:00pm

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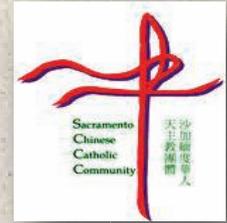
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# FEBRUARY 2018

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Weekday Mass Schedule: Monday to Friday 12:10 pm Monday to Thursday 5:10 pm Unless otherwise indicated</p>				1 English Choir rehearsal 7:00pm Bible Timeline 7:00pm	2 Presentation of the Lord Mass 12:10pm Blessing of Candles	3 <b>BBLP Weekend</b> CCD Classes 10:00am
<p><b>BBLP Weekend</b> 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time → Mass 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am*, 5:00pm Spanish: 1:00pm, 7:00pm, Chinese: 3:00pm *Liturgy of the Word for Children at Mass 9:00am RCIA for Children and Teens 9:30am RCIA Breaking of the Word 11:00am CCD Spanish Classes Spanish Speaking Adult Education</p>	4 Chinese New Year Mass 3pm	5 RCIA: Evening Prayer 6:30pm, Class 7:00pm	6 Teen Confirmation Class 7:00pm Spanish 7pm Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm	7 Pro-Vida Meeting 7:00pm The Rosary Club 7:15pm Communion & Liberation 7:15pm Spanish 1pm Mass Choir Rehearsal 7:15pm	8 English Choir rehearsal 7:00pm Bible Timeline 7:00pm	9 CCD Classes 10:00am Pot luck del Amor y la Amistad 7:00pm
<p>Burning Palms after 11am &amp; 1pm 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time → Mass 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am*, 5:00pm Spanish: 1:00pm, 7:00pm, Chinese: 3:00pm *Liturgy of the Word for Children at Mass 9:00am RCIA for Children and Teens 9:30am RCIA Breaking of the Word 11:00am CCD Spanish Classes Spanish Speaking Adult Education</p>	11	12 RCIA: Evening Prayer 6:30pm, Class 7:00pm	13 Teen Confirmation Class 7:00pm Spanish 7pm Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm The Men's Group 7:15pm	14 Ash Wednesday Ashes: 10:00am, 3:00pm Mass: 12:10pm, 5:10pm, 7:00pm Spanish St. Valentine's Day	15-17 <b>LENT</b>	
18	19 <b>PRESIDENT'S DAY</b> 12:10pm Mass Only, No 5:10pm RCIA: Evening Prayer 6:30pm, Class 7:00pm	20 Teen Confirmation Class 7:00pm Spanish 7pm Mass Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm	21 The Rosary Club 7:15pm Communion & Liberation 7:15pm Spanish 1pm Mass Choir Rehearsal 7:15pm	22 English Choir rehearsal 7:00pm Bible Timeline 7:00pm	23 Stations of the Cross English 12:40pm Spanish 7:00pm	24 CCD Classes 10:00am World Marriage Day Mass 11:00am
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# Chinese Community News 華人團體消息



## 牧者的話

2月2日 - 獻主節 (慶日) [聖誕後40天]

根據梅瑟法律, 分娩後40天的母親按習俗被視為'不潔'。因此她們會帶同嬰孩和作祭品的一隻羊及一隻鴿子或兩隻鴿子進入聖殿, 並以祈禱作洗潔。獻主慶節始於四世紀的耶路撒冷, 並很快傳到羅馬。到中世紀時代, 慶日被稱為聖燭節, 並以祝福蠟燭和遊行作紀念。時至今日, 彌撒開始時信友可集合於聖堂外, 點燃手中蠟燭遊行進堂, 主祭祝福蠟燭, 而遊行進堂時唱進堂詠。

在獻主節的福音中, 西默盎認出耶穌為默西亞。

反思: 在我們的生活中可曾與主耶穌相遇呢?

## Priest's Corner

February 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord.

According to Mosaic law, a new mother was ritually 'unclean' for forty days after giving birth. She then entered the Temple with her child bringing an offering of either a lamb and a dove or pigeon, or two doves or pigeons, to be cleansed by prayers. The Feast of the Presentation began in the fourth-century Jerusalem and was soon celebrated in Rome. In the Middle Ages, the feast was called Candlemas and was celebrated with a candle blessing and procession. Today, Mass may be celebrated with a procession of the parishioners holding candles. The priest blesses the candles and Mass begins with procession and entrance hymn.

In the gospel of the Feast of the Presentation, Simeon recognized Jesus as the Messiah.

Ponder: Where are we able to recognize Jesus' presence in our lives?



每月一次的研經班本月與Davis的教友一同聚會 1.20.2018 (星期六)  
We gather with parishioners from Davis in our monthly Bible Study on 1.20.2018 (Sat)



本週沒有報告 (會長)  
No announcement this week (President)

預留時間:

新春祭祖彌撒及晚宴 2018年2月4日(星期日)下午3時至8時

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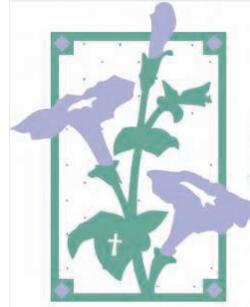


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