

February 3, 2008  
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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## Question of the Week

“What must we do to live the beatitudes?”

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School Web Site - [www.presentationsschool.net](http://www.presentationsschool.net)

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**I Am Who Am... Delighting in the River of Grace**

**Presentation Women's Retreat Feb 15-17, 2008**

Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center

Gift yourself with this sacred time to rest and be spiritually renewed through liturgy and prayer, silence and solitude, conversation and contemplation, sacrament and song. Call Linda 370-6908 or Kelly 397-7905

*Intentions  
For the Week*

**Mon, Feb 4, 2008**

**6:30am**

Msgr. Patrick Nolan (D) Tim Duran

**8:00am**

Anthony McCann () Mary Frey

**Tue, Feb 5, 2008**

**6:30am**

Joanne Malory (D) Tim Durnan

**Wed, Feb 6, 2008**

**6:30 am**

John Vincent & Maggie Lemmon (D) Tim Durnan

**8:15am**

Lynn Lewes (D) Tim Durnan

**Thu, Feb 7, 2008**

**6:30am**

Ethel & Maureen Verbout () Tim Durnan

**8:00am**

Jackie Lemmon (D) Tim Durnan

**Fri, Feb 8, 2008**

**6:30am**

Tom Nuxoll (D) Max & Marie Schwarz

**8:00am**

Bernard (Buck) McHale (D) Barney McHale

**Sat, Feb 9, 2008**

**8:30am**

Teri Schiavo (D) Tim Durnan

**5:30pm**

Antul Fam (D) Jean Serfain

**Sun, Feb 10, 2008**

**8:00am**

Teresa Cabrero, Ryan & Hilayna Brooks (L) Grandma Bertha

**10:30am**

Tilly & Ted Storelli - John & Family

**4:30pm**

Hal & Bill Cates (D) Cates Fam.

**Weekly Offering**

**January 27, 2008**

**\$6,346.19**

**School \$1,346.00**

**Thank you very much**

**What's Going On**

*...Lent Announcements*

**Additional Mass** at 5:30pm Mon-Thu through Lent

**Stations of the Cross** each Fri at 6pm followed by "Lenten Soup & Bread" at Nano Nagle at 6:45, Call Paul Fredricks 359-5062 for more info.

**Ash Wednesday Masses** 6:30, 8:15am (school) and 6:30pm

**Fat Tuesday Breakfast & Cookies** indulgence between morning Masses Tue Feb 5

**"Black Books"** Lent daily meditations. Donation \$1.

*...in the Parish*

**The 2008 Catholic Appeal** re-scheduled to the weekend of Feb 9/10.

**Woman of the Year**

We are pleased to announce that Presentation's 2008 Woman of the Year is Jan (Cobb) Lee. Jan has been a parishioner for 40 plus years. She is involved in many activities in the parish. She teaches the CCD second grade class, carefully preparing them during the school year for their first Holy Communion. She transports those of our parish who have no way to get to weekend mass. She is a chairperson of one bereavement committees.

Though she is retired, her connection with the County Sheriff's Dept., was instrumental in getting the Sheriff's crew to maintain our grounds, church and buildings, on a monthly basis.

Jan is a Eucharistic Minister, has gone through Lay Ministry Classes, helped at our School and has been a key player in nearly all of our parish events. She is friendly, helpful, and generous with her time and many talents. What better example could anyone have than Jan who loves and serves her neighbor as God commanded.

**Congratulations Jan!!!**

**The Parish Council is chronicling the history of our parish.**

We are asking for pictures, memorabilia, anecdotes, and stories that will be displayed in the Nano Nagle Center, where visitors can add whatever memories they have. We will begin by building a display in the community room of Nano Nagle. For more information, to contribute, or if you are interested in helping, please contact either Gerry ([cathdad@surewest.net](mailto:cathdad@surewest.net)) or Marianne ([mcteachsacto@aol.com](mailto:mcteachsacto@aol.com))

*...Respect Life*

**"40 Days of Life"** the nationwide time of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb 6<sup>th</sup>. Our parish has the privilege of having a full day of prayer on Fri Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>. See details and sign-up at the back of the church.

For more info see

[www.40daysoflife.com/Sacramento](http://www.40daysoflife.com/Sacramento)

*...Parish Religious Education*

*...RCIA*

Welcome our newest members to the parish in the **The Rite of Welcome and Acceptance**, let us remember them in our prayers.

**Candidates**

Jessica Daley, Dan Gabbrielli, Matteo Gabbrielli, Nathan Gabbrielli, Kerri Galia, Jill Mahurin, Haley Rundle, Samantha Rundle, Jeremy Turner

**Catechumens**

David Daley, Hafsa Mason, Marc Mason

*...Children's Church*

**Children's Church** For preschool and Kindergarten. Available from 10:30 while parents are in church

*...Vocations*

**Discernment Retreat** Feb 15-16, Mar 14-15 (Select one) Would you like to find out more about the will of God for you? Call Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations - 733-9258

*...Parish Pay - Automatic Donation*

**Parish Pay** To date 50+ parishioners have enrolled and are enjoying the convenience of automatic donations. Applications are available in the rear of the church or from the office. Or, register online at Parish Pay website. Thank you for your continuing support of our parish and School!

*...Save the Date*

**Feb 13 Respect Life Meeting** 7pm NN For more info, call Paula 485-7387

**Feb 15 Last day to register for Woman of the Year Luncheon**, contact Rose DiCapo 486-0348

**Feb 15-17 Parish Women's Retreat**  
**Feb 29 Full day of Prayer - Respect Life**

**Mar 15, Saint Patrick's Dinner & Dance**, more info to come.

**Feb 6 "40 Days of Life" Starts**

**Feb 10 Celtic Concert Benefit for the Needy** 3pm St Anthony 660 Florin Road, info Helen 444-3181

**Feb. 9-10 OLA Book Sale** 11<sup>th</sup> Annual used book sale Sat., 9-3, Sun. 9-2, Cottage and Walnut

**Thank you, Gracias, Dzie kuje, Mahalo to all sponsors, supporters, participants:**

We prayed for you on our trip to and from the San Francisco Walk for LIFE - west Coast. We had beautiful weather and wonderful speakers to instill Hope. More Later... Paula & Peggy

## Let's Talk: Heart to Heart

Lent is very early this year and starts this Wednesday. Being sealed by ashes at the Liturgy of Ash Wednesday, in the morning: 6:30 or 8:15 or at the evening 6:30pm Mass, we will begin the time of Stations of the Cross on Fridays, the time of fasting and abstinence, alms giving and intensive prayers, the time of regret and repentance finalized in the Sacrament of Confession. This is the time for penance and reconciliation. This is the time full of joy because we may be reborn through the Grace of Mercy, through our forgiveness, humility and sincere conversion.

From the Bishop's "Lenten Regulations and Admonitions", I'd like to pass on the significant information.

**Fast and Abstinence (self-denial).** To foster a spirit of penance and of reparation for sin, to encourage self-denial, and to guide us in the footsteps of Jesus, Church law requires the observance of fast and abstinence (CIC, 1249-1253).

**1. Abstinence:** All persons who have already celebrated their 14th birthday, are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent, **except Friday March 14**, the solemnity of St. Patrick, Co-patron of the Diocese.

**2. Fasting:** Everyone, from the celebration of their 18th birthday to their 59th birthday, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Voluntary fasting on other weekdays of Lent, especially on Wednesdays and Fridays, is highly recommended. Fasting is generally understood to mean eating one full meal each day. Two other partial meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken; but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. Other forms of "fasting," especially regarding alcoholic drink, needless television, video games, internet use, and social entertainment, is of true spiritual value and is strongly encouraged. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, neither the law of fasting nor the law of abstinence obliges. If in doubt, one's parish priest or confessor may be consulted. Airport workers, travelers, and others while on board ships or airplanes are dispensed from the laws of fast and abstinence for the duration of their journey (except on Good Friday). It is desirable that they perform some other pious act instead

**Day of Penance and prayer, Wednesday, March 12** "a day of penance for negative attitudes and discrimination toward people of differing cultures, ethnicity and race; and prayer for unity in our diversity, for equality, mutual respect and peace among all peoples," – the second Wednesday in March .... (Diocesan Statute #123, §3, c.)

**Almsgiving.** The act of giving to the poor, in the most ancient tradition of the Church, is an expression of penance, a form of piety, a witness of fraternal charity and an expression of Lenten conversion. Therefore, all Catholics are urged to support generously the charitable works of the Church, including ordinary stewardship to their parish; generous response to the 18 *Annual Catholic Appeal*; the pledge redemption to the *Preserving Our Past, Building Our Future* campaign; and contribution to the *Diocesan Food Bowl*. People are also encouraged to assist the sick, the aged, the needy, the immigrant, and the imprisoned in other ways.

God Bless --Fr. Andrew

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### World Day of Prayer For the Consecrated Life

Today, the Universal Church prays in support and affirmation of the women and men who commit their lives to the ministry of God and the Community of Believers, by way of a religious vocation. Completing a rigorous formation and professing vows, these consecrated persons participate in a multiplicity of ministries, from teaching and nursing, to social justice and care for the poor. In the Sacramento Diocese there are some 44 Religious Orders presently ministering, some here for most of our 122 year diocesan history, others more recently arrived. Presentation has been faithfully served for nearly forty years, first by the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who staffed our parish school for upwards of thirty years and for the past decade by Sister of Mercy Julianna Clancy, RSM, who serves as our the Director of Religious Education. These religious vocations truly round out the mission and ministry of the Church. On this Day of Prayer For the Consecrated Life, we give thanks to God for the dedication of these men and women and the vocation of service they have chosen for the betterment of God's People. May many more Catholic-Christians in our parish and throughout the world, consider a calling to the Religious Life.....**Fr. Troy**



**Pray For the sick in our community, especially,**  
George Aguilar, Congetta Andreozzi, Leonard Bencken, Zita Benett, Lois Billings, Joy Bissell, Danielle Carpenter,

Kathleen Chibnik, Polly Cooper, Edith Costa, Sheila Cox, Michelle Devincenzi, Tom Dooley, DeAnn Dunnigan, Rose Flowers, Dan French, Bud Golsong, Laura Grombach, Lucille Gruenwald, Josephine Holman, Eleanor Johnson, Nancy Junglas, Kimberly Kaufman, Melissa Keis, Bryce Leach, Joe Lease, Jack Lee, Guy Leggett, David Lopez, Sal Lopez, Jeanette Marquardson, Jason Martinez, Janet McClean, Desiree Mendoza, Nancy Moniz, Coquie Otterbine, Marge Pandorf, Maryn Porter, Fr. Troy Powers, Edna and Robbie Proaps, Margaret Rahn, Celia Ramos, Marianne Redmond, John Rochon, Bruce Sauer, Barbara Scott, Dave Scott, Jean Serafin, Bob Shirley, Lila Smith, Jack Smith, Colin Soucy, Phyllis Steele, Benjamin Trickitt, Paul Van Coutren, Barry Whittlesey, and Katheryne Walton

... This week in the Parish

**Mon, Feb 4 Shrove Masses 6:30 and 8 am**  
5:30pm PPG  
6:30pm School of Faith  
7pm Charismatic Prayer Group

**Tue, Feb 5 Masses 6:30 and 8 am**  
7am "Fat Tuesday Breakfast & Cookies"  
5:30pm Legion of Mary  
6pm Habits (Youth)  
7:15pm Weekly Rosary

**Wed, Feb 6 Ash Wednesday Masses 6:30 and 8:15 am (school) 6:30pm**  
Lent Begins  
10am Helping Hands Meeting  
7pm RCIA

**Thu, Feb 7 Masses 6:30, 8 am & 5:30pm**  
8:30am- 5pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
5pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
6pm Habits (Youth)

**Fri, Feb 8 Masses 6:30, & 8 am**  
6pm Stations of the Cross  
6:45 pm Lenten Soup & Bread" (NN)

**Sat, Feb 9 Masses 8:30am & 5:30 pm**  
8am-1pm Feed the Hungry  
4:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Sun, Feb 10 Masses 8am, 10:30am (Family), 4:30pm (Youth)**  
9am Children's Religious Education classes  
10:30am Children's Church  
1pm 90th Birthday for Jean Serfin (NN)  
4:30pm Habits (Youth)

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