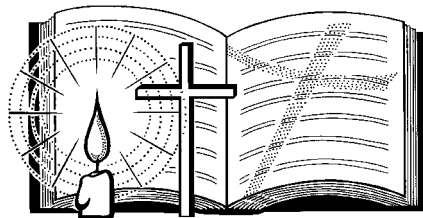


February 17, 2008  
Second Sunday in Lent



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### **Question of the Week**

“How have we allowed the true glory of God to shine forth in our life?”

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

Parish Pay Web Site - [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com)

*Intentions  
For the Week*

**Mon, Feb 18, 2008**  
**Tue, Feb 19, 2008**  
**Wed, Feb 20, 2008**  
**Thu, Feb 21, 2008**  
**8:00am**

Fran McKeon (d) Kathy Foley

**Fri, Feb 22, 2008**  
**8:00am**

John Sertic (D) Joann Sertic

**Sat, Feb 23, 2008**  
**8:30am**

Dwight Fiscus (D) Fiscus Fam

**5:30pm**

Carolyn Serafin (D) Jean Serfin

**Sun, Feb 24, 2008**  
**8:00am**

Phyllis Roughan (D) Wally  
Dondero

**10:30am**

Dennis Torres (D) Fech Fam

**4:30pm**

Kaley & Al Beck (D) Kate Beck

**February 10, 2008**

**\$6,338**

**Ash Wednesday**  
**\$907**

**Thank you very much**

*What's Going On*

*...Lent Announcements*

**Additional Mass** at 5:30pm  
Monday through Thursday 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.

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

*...in the Parish*

**Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament** every Thursday needs  
our support by our attendance.  
Please do not let the Most Holy  
Sacrament of the Altar be  
unattended.

**Support the Spiritual Needs of our  
Troops overseas!** We are collecting  
religious readings that will be sent  
to our troops in Iraq and  
Afghanistan. The collection box is  
in the Chapel!

**The Parish Council is chronicling  
the history of our parish.** 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 ([mcteachersacto@aol.com](mailto:mcteachersacto@aol.com))

**Support Presentation's Brownie  
Troops!** Cookies available after all

masses, Feb 23-24 and Mar 1-2.  
Donate cookies to our troops in  
IRAQ, using our special collection  
box at the sale! **THANK YOU!**

**Annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance**  
Tickets (\$25) available starting Feb  
16 after all masses. Donations  
needed, may be left at the Parish  
Office. Info? Contact Julie Novotny  
@ 283-4114

**Women of the Year Luncheon** will  
be held March 15, 11am (\$25 a  
ticket). Reservations Rose DiCapo  
486-9348

*...Respect Life*

**"40 Days of Life"** the nationwide  
time of prayer and fasting for an  
end to abortion, began on Ash  
Wednesday, Feb 6<sup>th</sup>. For more info  
see [www.40daysoflife.com/Sacramento](http://www.40daysoflife.com/Sacramento)

*...in the Diocese*

*...Vocations*

**Discernment Retreat** 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

*...Retreat Center Information*

**Santa Sabina Retreat Center (San  
Rafael, CA) 2008** program is  
available. For info 415-457-7727 or  
email at [info@santasabinacenter.org](mailto:info@santasabinacenter.org)

**Christ the King - Easter Triduum  
Retreat for Men and Women** Mar  
20 6:30 to Mar 23, Easter Brunch  
\$70 info Margaret 725-4720

**Catholic Women's Conference**  
**"On the Dignity and Vocation of  
Women"** Sun Mar 2, Noon to 4pm  
Diocesan Pastoral Center 2110  
Broadway. Info: 684-0182 or 392-  
2796

*...Positions Available*

**Part Time On Call Housekeepers,**  
call Christ the King Retreat Center  
**Clerical Support - Diocese of  
Sacramento, Dept of  
Evangelization and Catechesis,  
Pastoral Center - Full time. Info:  
call 733 0123**

*...Immaculate Heart Radio*

**Pledge Drive** for 1260AM (SF  
station) Feb 21&22 at CSUS. Call  
Debora 535-0500 to volunteer.

*...St. Patrick's Home for Children*

**Needed: Foster & Adoptive  
Parents** Info 421-1620 ask for  
Cynthia, Special Service Assistant

**Car Donation Program** Info Roger  
Abbot @428-1601.

*...Parish Religious Education*  
*... First Reconciliation*

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is  
scheduled for the children of the  
parish on Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup> after  
the 10:30 Mass

*...Confirmation*

The candidates preparing for  
Confirmation will receive  
Sacrament on Tuesday March 11<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30pm. Coadjutor Jamie Soto  
will preside. The rehearsal is  
scheduled for March 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

*...RCIA*

RCIA will continue to meet Wed at  
7:00 and Sunday during the 10:30  
Mass.

*...Children's Church*

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

*...Adult Education*

**Diocese Adult Faith Formation  
Opportunities** for Feb-Mar  
available on-line

**Rediscover the one you love!** Re-  
examine your married lifestyle and  
your priorities and rediscover the  
newly-weds you once were by  
attending a Worldwide Marriage  
Encounter Weekend. Weekends of  
Feb 15-17 and Apr 18-20 available  
in Sacramento, Apr 11-13 in Reno.  
Contact Raul & Gayla Ponce at 866-  
825-2046, email [srsregistrar@comcast.net](mailto:srsregistrar@comcast.net)

*...Save the Date*

**Feb 23 Sat 7pm Irish Concert** -  
Tom Kenny & Company Msgr.  
Kavanagh Center \$25 Info 421-1414  
**Feb 29 Full day of Prayer** - Respect  
Life (flyers at the church)

**Mar 2 Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
after the 10:30 Mass (Children and  
Parents of those receiving the  
Sacrament)

**Mar 2 Catholic Women's  
Conference** 12noon 4pm Diocesan  
Pastoral Center

**Mar 4 Sacramento of Confirmation**  
rehearsal 6:30pm

**Mar 11 Sacrament of Confirmation**  
Coadjutor Jamie Soto will preside.  
6:30pm

**Mar 14 Last day to sign-up for  
Ladies Table Setting Luncheon**

**Mar 15 Women of the Year  
Luncheon,** Dante Club, 11am

**Mar 15, Saint Patrick's Dinner &  
Dance**

**Mar 29 Mass for Single Adults 5pm  
Our Lady of Lourdes,** Potluck  
follows.

## Let's Talk: Heart to Heart

The time of Lent is supposed to be a time of restoration of our spirit to the joy that gives us strength and vigor matching our daily challenges of life. This renewed dynamism comes to us from the Grace of God, if we are giving our sins to our Savior, and being reconciled with God and with one another. Also if we work daily with self-denial and renouncement of unnecessary things we are being more freed from the slavery to self-focus and selfishness and we have spiritual strength to run as a young deer. We need our Savior and we need to fix not only our gaze on Him but to imbue our entire life with Him.

During Lent we have more options to attend daily Eucharist. We added evening Mass at 5:30 from Monday through Thursday. On Friday we are encouraged to come for the Stations of the Cross, which are powerful meditation upon our Salvation and our daily relationships with the suffering and crucified Jesus in our lives and in the life of others. This is not only a devotion or piety to enhance our feelings toward Jesus. This service is able to help us with daily conversions and restore our willingness to make an input in our world through our personal growth in holy life.

If we are able to make more effort to do Lenten practices, you may use "Black books" or other good Lenten meditation books for daily food for the soul, and through the Sacrament of Confession we could revive our Christian Faith, we could make our crosses lighter and we would be stronger.

The Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on every Thursday is a rewarding time with the abundance of unlimited Grace lavished down for everyone who is hungry and humble. Praising and adoring our Lord leads us to the courage in trust: He provides everything for us, becomes our Bread for eternal life.

**God Bless --Fr. Andrew**

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### RCIA's Season of Purification and Enlightenment

Two weeks ago we celebrated the Rite of Acceptance at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, with our current Catechumens and Candidates for Christian Initiation. They are now the "Elect", those readying for Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, and a Profession of Faith at the Easter Vigil. In the Rite of Christian Initiation Lent is known as the period of Purification and Enlightenment. The Elect undergo Scrutinies that exorcise them from sin. Like for all Catholic-Christians these 40 Days are a time to retreat, reflect and renew ourselves by focusing on our relationship with God and others as we answer the Call to Continuing Conversion.

Have you met our Catechumens and Candidates, the Elect for Christian Initiation? Parishioner Marilyn McCourt has made a wonderful bulletin board in the vestibule featuring a photographic introduction of each one of them. Take a few moments to check it out and then prepare to welcome them into our Community of Believers.....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, Jean & Paul Husman, Nancy Junglas, Kimberly Kaufman, Melissa Keis, Bryce Leach, Joe Lease, Guy Leggitt. David Lopez, Sal Lopez, 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, Lila Smith, Jack Smith, Colin Soucy, Phyllis Steele, Benjamin Trickitt, Paul Van Coutren, Barry Whittlesey, and Katherine Walton

*...Meetings this week in the Parish*

**Youth Group: Habits** Tues, Thu @ 6pm, Sun after 4:30 Mass  
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Washington's Bday  
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6:45pm "Lenten Soup and Bread"  
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8am-1pm Feed the Hungry  
4:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
**Sun, Feb 24 8am, 10:30am (Family), 4:30pm (Youth)**  
9am Children's Religious Education classes  
10:30am Children's Church

**Apr 24 – 6-9pm Society of St  
Vincent de Paul's Dinner** w/  
Bishop Garcia, Radison Hotel,  
info Frank 715-8666 or Bill 719-  
4168

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