

St. Joachim
Catholic Church



Iglesia Católica
de San Joaquín

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March 5
2017

First Sunday of Lent

“The Lord, your God, shall you worship
and him alone shall you serve.”



MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday Mass in English

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM & 12:15 PM

Daily Mass

7 & 8:30 AM (Saturday 8:30 AM)

Reconciliation

Saturday 3-4:00 PM

Misas Dominicales en Español

Sábado 6 PM, Domingo 2 & 6 PM

Misas en Español

Miércoles 7 PM

Reconciliación

Miércoles 6-7 PM, Sábado 3-4:00 PM

United in faith and guided by the Holy Spirit



From the Pastor's Desk:

In Greek

mythology, the Sirens are creatures with the heads of beautiful women and the bodies of attractive birds. They lived on an island (*Sirenum scopuli*; three small rocky islands) and, with the irresistible charm of their song, they lured mariners to their destruction on the rocks

surrounding their island (Homer's *Odyssey* XII, 39-54, 158-200; Virgil's *Aeneid* V, 42-44; Ovid's *Metamorphoses* XIV, 88-89). They sang so sweetly that all who sailed near their home in the sea were fascinated and drawn to the shore only to be destroyed. When Odysseus, the hero in the *Odyssey*, passed that enchanted spot he had himself tied to the mast and put wax in the ears of his comrades, so that they might not hear the luring and bewitching strains. But King Tharsius chose a better way. He took the great Greek singer and lyrist Orpheus along with him. Orpheus took out his lyre and sang a song so clear and ringing that it drowned the sound of those lovely, fatal voices of sirens. The best way to break the charm of this world's alluring voices during Lent is not trying to shut out the music by plugging our ears, but to have our hearts and lives filled with the sweeter music of prayer, penance, the word of God, self-control, and acts of charity. Then temptations will have no power over us.

The Church was packed with the faithful eager to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday. Pat, Father Kelly's sacristan, offered to help. "OK," said Father, "now these are the words you say: 'Remember, man, you are dust, and unto dust you shall return.'" Pat prepared to start at the opposite end of the communion rail. (This was in the old days, as you can realize.) But Pat came hurrying over to Father: "Father, what are those words again?" Father told him, Pat went back to his station, but in a moment he was back, asking for the words, which Father repeated. When Pat came back the third time Father exploded: "You are a dummy and you'll always be a dummy." Pat didn't come back but when the padre and the sacristan came close to each other at the middle the priest was dumbfounded to hear the words Pat was saying: "You are a dummy and you'll always be a dummy"

A comical, but illustrative, story shows us how adept we are at rationalizing our actions: A very overweight man decided that it was time to shed a few pounds. He went on a new diet and took it seriously. He even changed his usual driving route to the office in order to avoid his favorite bakery. One morning, however, he arrived at the office carrying a large, sugar-coated coffee cake. His office mates roundly chided him, but he only smiled, shrugged his shoulders and said, "What could I do? This is a very special cake. This morning, from force of habit, I accidentally drove by my favorite bakery. There in the window were trays of the most delicious goodies. I felt that it was no accident that I happened to pass by, so I prayed, 'Lord, if you really want me to have one of these delicious coffee cakes, let me find a parking place in front of the bakery.' Sure enough, on the ninth trip around the block, there it was!"

Nota de nuestro pastor:

En la mitología griega, las sirenas son criaturas con la cabeza de mujeres hermosas

y los cuerpos de aves atractivas. Vivían en una isla (*Sirenum scopuli*; tres pequeñas islas rocosas) y, con el irresistible encanto de su canción, atraían a los marineros hacia su destrucción en las rocas alrededor de su isla (Odisea de Homero XII, 39-54, 158-200; Aeneid V de Virgilio, 42-44; Metamorfosis de Ovid XIV, 88-89). Cantaban tan dulcemente que todos los que navegaban cerca de su casa en el mar quedaban fascinados y eran atraídos hacia la costa sólo para ser destruidos. Cuando Odysseus, el héroe en la *Odisea*, pasó ese punto encantado, él se ató al mástil y puso cera en los oídos de sus compañeros para que no pudieran oír los cantos atractivos y fascinantes. Pero el Rey Tharsius escogió una mejor manera. Llevó al gran cantante griego y compositor Orfeo con él. Orfeo tomó su lira y cantó una canción tan clara que ahogó el sonido de esas voces encantadoras y fatales de las sirenas. La mejor manera de romper el encanto de voces seductoras de este mundo durante la Cuaresma no es de tratar de ahogar la música tapando nuestros oídos, sino que llenar nuestros corazones y vidas con la más dulce música de oración, penitencia, la Palabra de Dios, autocontrol y actos de caridad. Entonces las tentaciones no tendrán ningún poder sobre nosotros.

La Iglesia estaba llena de fieles deseosos de recibir las cenizas el Miércoles de Ceniza. Pat, el Sacristán del padre Kelly, se ofreció a ayudar. "Bien," dijo padre, "ahora estas son las palabras que dices: 'recuerda, hombre, polvo eres y polvo volverás a ser.'" Pat se preparó para comenzar en el extremo opuesto del comulgatorio. (Esto era en los viejos tiempos, como usted puede darse cuenta). Pero Pat vino apresurándose hacia el Padre: "Padre, ¿cuáles son esas palabras otra vez?" el Padre le dijo. Pat regresó a su estación, pero en un momento él regresó pidiendo las palabras, y el Padre se las repitió. Cuando Pat volvió la tercera vez, el Padre explotó: "eres un tonto y siempre vas a ser un tonto". Pat no volvió, pero cuando el Padre y el Sacristán se acercaron el uno al otro en el centro, el Sacerdote estaba estupefacto al escuchar las palabras de Pat que estaba diciendo: "eres un tonto y siempre vas a ser un tonto"

Una historia cómica, pero ilustrativa, nos muestra que tan apto somos para racionalizar nuestras acciones: un hombre de mucho sobrepeso decidió que era tiempo para quitarse unas pocas libras. Comenzó una dieta nueva y la tomó en serio. Incluso cambió su ruta habitual para conducir a la oficina y evitar su panadería favorita. Una mañana, sin embargo, él llegó a la oficina con un pastel de café grande, recubierto de azúcar. Sus compañeros de oficina le reprendieron enérgicamente, pero él sólo sonrió, encogió de hombros y dijo, "¿Qué puedo hacer? Este es un pastel muy especial. Esta mañana, por fuerza de costumbre, yo accidentalmente conduje por mi panadería favorita. Ahí en la ventana había bandejas de las golosinas más deliciosas. No me pareció coincidencia de que se me ocurriera pasar por, así que oré, 'Señor, si realmente quieres que tenga una de estas deliciosas tortas de café, déjame encontrar un espacio de estacionamiento en frente de la panadería.' Efectivamente, en el noveno viaje alrededor de la cuadra, allí estaba!"

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week
of March 5, 2017

Sun/Dom:

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17/
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Mon/Lunes:

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8-10, 15/
Mt 25:31-46

Tues/Martes:

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-7, 16-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wed/Mier:

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/
Lk 11:29-32

Thurs/Juev:

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8/
Mt 7:7-12

Fri/Vier:

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-8/Mt 5:20-26

Sat/Sab:

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/
Mt 5:43-48

Next Sun/Dom:

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/
2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday March 6th

Liturgy Meeting —

The Liturgy Committee will meet at 7 PM
in the Fireside Room—all members are
encouraged to attend.

Friday March 10th

Bilingual Stations of the Cross —

7:00 PM in the Church
- followed by Soup Supper in the Hall

Friday March 10th

Soup Supper — in the Hall

After the stations of the Cross — The
groups responsible for bringing soup this
week are: **St. Joachim School**,
St. Joachim CYO, Cub Scouts and Girl
Scouts, Altar Servers (English and
Spanish), 10:30 AM Sunday Mass

OFFICE INFORMATION

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Bilingual available T,W,F 4-7:30 PM
Saturday 10 AM-4 PM
Bilingual available 10 AM-4 PM
Sunday 9 AM-4 PM
Bilingual available 12 PM-4 PM

Rev. Joseph Antony Sebastian, SVD

Pastor
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday
10 AM to 12 PM
5 PM to 8 PM (*with appointment*)
lunes, martes, miércoles, y Viernes
10 AM a 12 PM
5 PM a 8 PM (*con cita*)

Rev. Stephen Ayisu, SVD

Parochial Vicar
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
5 PM to 8 PM (*with appointment*)
lunes, miércoles, jueves y Viernes
10:00 AM a 12:00 PM
5 PM a 8 PM (*con cita*)

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Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper

Plan to attend our Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper every Friday during Lent. We start at 7:00 PM with the STATIONS OF THE CROSS followed by a simple Soup Supper in the hall afterwards. The following groups will be in charge of the Soup Supper, They will bring soup, set up and clean up the hall.

The first group listed is the lead group and the group responsible to make sure everything is completed:

March 10th ~ St. Joachim School,
St. Joachim CYO, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts, Altar Servers (English and Spanish), 10:30 AM Sunday Mass,

March 17th ~ Pastoral Council

Senior Group, Hencrafters, Events Committee, 9:00AM Sunday Mass, Amigos de Cristo Our Lady of Perpetual Help Prayer Group, Apostleship of Prayer Group, Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial.

March 24th ~ Legion of Mary (English and Spanish),
Lectors (English and Spanish), Eucharistic Ministers (English and Spanish), Cursillo, St. Vincent de Paul Society, 12:15 PM Sunday Mass

March 31st Faith Formation Department

Catechists, Youth Ministry, Confirmation Candidates, RCIA Group, 2:00PM Sunday Spanish Mass and 6:00PM Sunday Spanish Mass

April 7th ~ Music Ministry,

Simbang Gabi, Santo Nino Group, Guadalupanos, Ministry to the Sick, Apostleship of Prayer, 6:00 PM Saturday Spanish Mass.



Thanks to all who participate



PRAY FOR

Diana Cajilog Chua
Teresa Castro
Cesar Gutierrez
Pilar Valenzuela
Isabel Burkfield
Jim Smith
Pelagia Limos
Anita Urbino
Geraldine Fabio-Abdon
Diego Trujillo
Paul Seishas
Laura Soffiotto
Illuminado Ramirez
Michelle Ann Cavagnuolo
Adam Pachkofsky
Terrence J. Hogan



DONATIONS

St Vincent de Paul
Food offering for next week:

Spaghetti, Sauce or
Macaroni & Cheese

Spaghetti, salsa para
spaghetti o
macarron con
queso



CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUCIONES

COLLECTION FOR WEEK

February 26th

The Plate Collection

\$ 9,386.00

EFT Collection

\$ 125.00

On Line Giving

\$ 331.00

TOTAL for the WEEK

\$ 9,842.00

VATICAN CORNER

Continued...Pope Francis saw first-hand the mafia side

of the Order of the Knights of Malta when in 2008 senior Knights made a failed attempt to remove him as Archbishop of Buenos Aires and replace him with a bishop who was the Knight's chaplain in Argentina. A similar removal action was attempted internally within the Knights of Malta in early December, 2016 to the figurehead of the German-speaking reformist Knights - Albrecht Freiherr von Boeselager, a harsh critic of Grand Master Festing and his chief rival. Festing, emboldened by American Cardinal Leo Burke undertook the removal action of Boeselager. Cardinal Burke is the same Cardinal Burke who has been the outspoken



critic and leader of the anti-Pope Francis crusade from the start. Burke was demoted by Francis from head of the Vatican's Supreme Court to the patron of the Order of the Knights of Malta in 2014. That new generally ceremonial job includes being the communication link between the Order and Pope Francis. Cardinal Burke while in his new job has continued to voice his concerns about the Church's leadership and in recent months has openly challenged Francis. With Cardinal Burke encouragement, Grand Master Festing began removal of Boeselager, his real irritant. Grounds for the removal were apparently manufactured and Boeselager claims his removal was only because he is a liberal Catholic. Boeselager refused to resign and was fired claiming it was an illegal and unconstitutional action. There was a false assertion that Pope Francis wanted Boeselager removed from office, which the Vatican denied several times. Pope Francis stepped in and asserted this authority over a "lay religious Order" and announced his decision to have an investigation conducted. A commission was formed to investigate the circumstances surrounding Boeselager's removal. Festing sent a message to Pope Francis that the removal was an internal matter, and that the investigation was unacceptable to the Order. There was a tense stand-off, but on January 24, 2017 when the investigation found serious dysfunction in the Order's leadership and that reform was needed, Pope Francis asked Festing to resign as Grand Master and he agreed to do so. Cardinal Burke met with Festing and tried in vain to persuade him to rescind his resignation. Pope Francis appointed an interim delegate who he said would strive to "renew the spirituality of the Order, specifically of those members who take vows." He added that the delegate would be "my sole spokesman..." thus ending Cardinal Burke's role at the Order for now. The actions of Pope Francis were considered by some to be a hostile takeover and probably resulted in the posters of the scowling Pope found on the walls in Rome. Pope Francis assured the Order of his respect for its sovereignty and Boeselager was reinstated, and the Knights said that their charitable programs, humanitarian and socio-medical work in 120 countries will continue despite the recent distractions in their internal government.

Sources: foxnews.com, knightsformalta.com, independent.co.uk, cruxnow.com

Everyday Stewardship

Can you believe Lent is here already? It seems like not that long ago I was decorating a Christmas tree! Time waits for no one and that is why it is important to make a mindful commitment now to not let this Lenten

season pass you by. It is a great time to focus on growing as an everyday steward. The temptations are always there to procrastinate or to give in to spiritual laziness, but the Church's observation of Lent offers us so many tools to help us get on track. Increased devotions such as Stations of the Cross, various parish missions, or Lenten-focused literature are all gifts that your parish may be offering to assist you in this season.

With the Passion being the focus of Lent, it is easy to contemplate the value of true generosity. How could someone give more than Jesus? He gave until his life was spent on a cross. When contemplating how we can increase our generosity in all aspects of our life, we only need to look to the cross. Of course, this also brings home to us that more may be asked of us than we bargained. The temptation is to not give too much, out of fear that we might face persecution or worse.

But we take solace in the fact that we are disciples of One who had the same temptations. He overcame those temptations. He rejected the easy way out. His love and generosity could not be contained. He gave it all so that you and I have the chance to do the same. This Lent, look to the greatest example of stewardship that ever lived. Jesus will show us the way to observe a Lent that will soon bring forth great Easter fruit.

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MASS INTENTIONS

March 4-11, 2017

Saturday 4:30 PM

Ramon Dijamco † (40th day)
Pelagia B. Limos † (40th day)
Bernard Fontanilla † (anniversary)
John & James Mallon †
David & Eileen Robinson †

Saturday 6:00 PM

Angel Perez (13th birthday)
Antonio Perez † (2nd aniversario)
Abigail Banuelos Rosas †
Animas del Purgatorio Francisco †
Francesca Espinoza (aniversario)

Sunday 7:30 AM

Luis Paramada †
Maria Luz Datayan †
Trinidad Parnada †

Sunday 9:00 AM

Ha Van Tro †
David, Stella & Terence Pereira †
Igmidro George Alonza † (anniversary)
Frances Tongsun Isaac †
Maria Luz Datayan †
Manuel Atienza Jr. †

Sunday 10:30 AM

Jun & Penny Mansalay
(47th Wedding anniversary)
Selena Castellanos (thanksgiving)
Rafael Valderrama (healing)
Pura Doria Viray †
Jocelyn A. Alcantra †
Marcela De La Cruz †
Remidios Paguaia † (3rd anniversary)

Sunday 12:15 PM

Madeline Tauscher †
Jose & Socorro Bufete †
Demetria B. Liwanag († birthday)

Sunday 2:00 PM

Emanuel Hernandez (cumpleanos)
Carolina & Karina Cruz (cumpleanos)
Joaquin & Ricardo Duenas
(intencion especial)

Jose Angel Reyes † (aniversario)
Espiridion Calderon †
Aurora & Juvenal Torres †
Carmen & Jeronimo Gomez †
Maria de Jesus & Maurilio Carriedo †
Paula & David Cruz †

Sunday 6:00 PM

Maria Ines Alejo Velasquez
(† cumpleanos)
Ramon Chavez †
Animas del Purgatorio
Jesus Maciel Mendoza † (2nd aniversario)
Lucio Gomez Chavez † (aniversario)
Olivia Valencia Segura †
Graciano Castaneda Flores †

Monday 7:00 AM

The Community of St Joachim

Monday 8:30 AM

Maria Luz Datayan †
Frances Tongsun Isaac †

Tuesday 7:00 AM

Pura Doria Viray †
Aurelia Nevarez †

Tuesday 8:30 AM

Maria Luz Datayan † (40th day)
Frances Tongsun Isaac †

Wednesday 7:00 AM

The Community of St Joachim

Wednesday 8 :30 AM

Marylou Montilla Reyes (birthday)
Maria Luz Datayan †
Frances Tongsun Isaac †

Wednesday 7:00 PM

Paula & David Cruz †

Thursday 7:00 AM

The Community of St Joachim

Thursday 8:30 AM

Maria Luz Datayan †
Frances Tongsun Isaac †

Friday 7:00 AM

Jessie Cabrinha †

Friday 8:30 AM

Maria Luz Datayan †
Frances Tongsun Isaac †

Saturday 8:30 AM

Dorothy Antillon (birthday)
Mark Joo (birthday)
Maria Luz Datayan †
Frances Tongsun Isaac †

Thank You ~ ~ Gracias

We would like to thank Maria Silva and her Family of Bakers for making the Portuguese Donuts— “Filhos” for our parish community . They generously donated their talent and many hours of their time to make these tasty treats. With the sales of the donuts and the donations for the ingredients they were able to raise a little over **\$2,000** to donate to the church. This very generous donation to the church will allow us to purchase Holy Water fonts to be located at all the doors! Many thanks to Maria and her team — We love your donuts and love your generous heart to help out St Joachim Church — We are VERY THANKFUL --- Thanks Maria!!!!



“Vengan, vamos nosotros solos a descansar un poco en un lugar tranquilo...” Mc 6:31

No te pierdas el Retiro de Cuaresma de la Parroquia guiado por:

Padre Eduardo Fernández, SJ, STD



Además de dar clases de Teología hispana y pastoral en la Escuela Jesuita de Teología en la Universidad de Santa Clara, el Jesuita P. Eduardo Fernández se dedica a escribir, dar talleres y retiros y colaborar en algunas parroquias. También ha hecho pastoral con universitarios. Ha escrito varios libros, entre ellos una introducción a la Teología Hispana en los Estados Unidos llamada “La Cosecha” en versión castellana y Mexican-American Católicos.

***Cuando:* Sábado, 11 de Marzo 9:30am ~ 3pm**

***Donde:* Iglesia de San Joaquín**

***Trae:* Biblia, Diario/Cuaderno y Almuerzo**

***Costo:* Donación voluntaria**

Inscripciones en la Oficina de Formación de Fe o en la Rectoría
Espacio Limitado!

“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while...” Mk 6:31

Don't miss the Parish Lenten Retreat

led by Retreat Master ~ ***Fr. Jim Sullivan***



Fr. Jim Sullivan was ordained a Priest for the Diocese of Oakland, California, in 2006. He is currently the Parochial Vicar of St. Clement Church in Hayward, and the Chaplain of Bishop O'Dowd Catholic High School in Oakland. He is an expert in Old and New Testament Scriptures, the Blessed Mother, the Rosary, the afterlife, Lent, the Mass, the Priesthood, and on the topic of "Catholic Christianity is Bible Christianity."

***When:* Saturday, March 25 9am ~ 3pm**

***Where:* St. Joachim's Parish Hall**

***Bring:* Bible, Journal and Lunch**

***Cost:* Free will donation**

Register at the Faith Formation or Rectory Office...Space is limited!