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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

5:30 p.m.	Saturday— Congregational Singing
7:00 a.m.	
8:00 a.m.	Congregational Singing
9:00 a.m.	Folk Music in St. Francis Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Congregational Singing (ASL interpreted)
11:00 a.m.	Congregational Singing
11:00 a.m.	Spanish in St. Francis Chapel
12:00 noon	Mission Choir
5.30 p.m.	Congregational Singing

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 & 6:30 p.m., or by appointment, please call the Parish Office.

ADORATION IN LA CAPILLA
First Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
First Saturday 7:30 a.m.-9:30a.m.
Call the Parish Office to volunteer.

BAPTISMS:
Please call the Parish Office at
(619) 283-7319

MARRIAGES: Preparation with priest/ deacon at least 9 months in advance.

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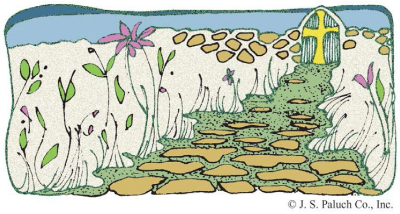


First Sunday of Lent
February 18, 2018

Your ways, O LORD,
make known to me;
teach me your paths.
— *Psalm 25:4*

Fridays Fish Dinners

The Knights of Columbus, Council 9498, will host Friday Fish dinners during Lent in the California Room. Early Bird Special starts at 4 p.m., and continues through the regular meal service at 6:30 p.m., following the Stations of the Cross, which follows the 5:30 p.m. Mass in the Mission Church. All are welcome. Adults $10, $5 youth (under 11 yrs). Visit our Mission web site for more details.

2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are most grateful for your generous response. If you have not yet made your commitment, brochures and pledge cards with envelopes are still available in the Mission Church, St. Francis Chapel, Parish Office and Gift Shop. Our ACA assessment for 2018 is $85,000. We are happy to receive your commitment either in the collection basket or by mailing it to the Parish Office, online at www.diocese-sdiego.org or thorough the Mission's website Home Page where there is a donation link. May the Lord continue to bless our sincere efforts.

LENTEN SEASON

Lent is a season of simple living, particularly through three practices: prayer, penance, and almsgiving. While these practices are part of an ongoing life of the Catholic Christian, they hold a special place for us during Lent.

FRIDAYS OF LENT—Fridays will have two opportunities to experience the Stations of the Cross; 12 noon, and again after the 5:30 p.m. Mass, both will be in the Mission Church. A Knights of Columbus **Fish Dinner** will follow the 6 pm Stations in the California Room.

ABSTINENCE—is a penitential practice consisting of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays during Lent are days of *abstinence.*

FASTING—In addition to abstinence, fasting is to be observed by all Catholics between the ages of 18-59 years (inclusive) on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition.

Parish Office will be closed
Monday, February 19,
in observance of the Presidents Day holiday.

There will be one Mass only at 9 a.m.
in the Mission Church.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION in LA CAPILLA

1st Friday, **March 2,** 9 am—5 pm

1st Saturday, **March 3,** 7:30—9:30 am

Jesus asked His Apostles, "Can you spend one hour with Me?" Is He asking you that question? **Call the Parish Office to volunteer.**

Benediction—Friday, March 2
5pm—Mission Church

Mission-Aires Luncheon

Tuesday, February 20
Meeting and Luncheon,
11 am in the California Room
$10 Members—$11 Non-Members

Join us in celebrating Mardi Gras. The menu for our catered lunch will be New Orleans food: fried chicken, jambalaya (chicken & sausage), potato salad, rolls and butter, a variety of beverages, and for dessert, pecan pie. Our entertainment will be Bingo with cash prizes . ***Please sign up and pay in the Gift Shop by 1:00 pm, Sunday, February 18.*** Looking forward to seeing you all, for fellowship, fun and a good meal!

Loose Change Collection
This Weekend, March 3/4
Benefits **Holy Family Food Bank**

Bereavement Ministry

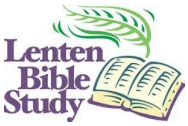
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."
Matthew 5:4

Seasons of Hope meets Wednesday, February 21 at 7pm in the Alcalá Room. Contact Dr. Roberta Flynn, (619) 980-9244 or drrflynn@hotmail.com for more information.

End-of-Year Contribution Statement

Registered Parishioners should contact Kay in the parish office at (619) 283-7319 or email bookkeeper@missionsandiego.org for a year-end statement of your 2017 contributions.

The Parish will offer **Confirmation Preparation for Adults** 18 and older on **Wednesdays, April 18—May 9** in the St. Francis Chapel from 7-8:00pm. If you **have been baptized** in the Catholic Church and have **received your First Holy Communion,** but for whatever reason never made your Confirmation, you may be interested in this formation process involving formal instruction and faith sharing. You should be a registered parishioner, attend weekly Sunday Mass at the Mission, and have a sense of commitment to your faith. Interested Adults should email Fr. Billy Zondler at frbilly@missionsandiego.org or call (619) 283-7319.



Bible Study at the Mission

The Mission Bible Study will start Tuesday, **February 13** at 7 pm in the California Room (lower level of the St. Francis Center). The focus this Lent will be the Gospel of Matthew, Chapters 21-28, the third year of Jesus' ministry as He and His disciples realized the opposition of the chief priests and Pharisees had reached dangerous intensity. Contact Virginia McCarron at (818) 519-1769 for more information.

Celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the Founding of Mission San Diego

Join your friends on a Pilgrimage May 14, 2019 of several of the Missions from San Diego to San Francisco. The tour is 5 nights/6 days including many meals, hotels and sightseeing. All admissions, baggage, handling, etc. If you are interested in this great Pilgrimage, call the Parish Office soon. There are only 40 spots, Price is $1499 per person double occupancy. Mark your calendar now—**May 14, 2019**!

Mission Young Adults

Join the Mission Young Adult Group and grow deeper in your faith and friendships! It's never too late to join the group. Check the Young Adults Facebook page for more details or the link on the Mission's website. Socials are posted there.

February 21 Open to All	Holy Hour/Adoration with Music in the Mission Church after the 5:30pm Mass	6:00pm
February 25	Pancake Brunch in the California Room	11:00-12 noon
February 28	Bible Study, a new Lenten formation series in the Fr. Serra Room	6:15—7:15pm

Youth of the Parish—Attention High School Candidates: We will **not** meet on February 18, but will return on February 25 at our regular time.
Any high school students interested in attending San Diego Youth Day on Saturday, April 7 or Steubenville San Diego July 27-29, please contact the Youth Office to sign up and register.

Senior Men's Group—The group meets for lunch the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Lunch takes place at various restaurants in the nearby area. If you would like to join this ministry, call **Pete Corrao at (619) 582-9386**. All senior men are welcome.

Mission Mothers of Faith—Moms of young children come make new friends while the kids play at our regular morning and afternoon Bible Study and Play dates. We also host an afternoon craft event on the first Tuesday of the month. For more information, please contact sdmissionmothers@gmail.com.

Saturday, March 3, the Diocese of San Diego is hosting an **Explorer Day** for those men who are interested in exploring a possible vocation to the priesthood. The day will be held at **St. Francis Center** on the campus of the **University of San Diego** from **8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m**. If living a life of service for Christ and the People of God is attractive to you, take advantage of this opportunity to learn more. For details, call **Fr. Lauro Minimo** at (858) 490-8385 **or** email Fr. Minimo at lminimo@sdcatholic.org

Due to the severity of the **Flu Season** this year, we would like to take some precautions during Mass here at Mission San Diego. During the Sign of Peace, we ask that you refrain from shaking hands, simply nod and smile or wave. Please refrain from holding hands during the Our Father as well. And if your are sick please stay home. Eucharistic Ministers will not drink from the cup at Communion time. All holy water fonts will remain empty until the Flu Season passes. We thank you for your cooperation.

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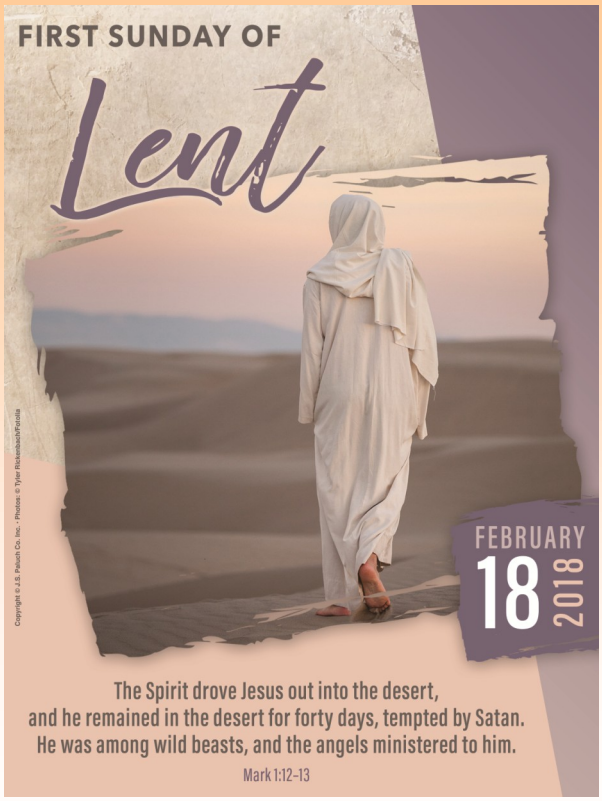
Bulletin Items . . . Please submit **one week in advance** of bulletin date to lindahewett@missionsandiego.org.

Help a Friend—If you have a friend who isn't volunteering, please let them know that volunteering can have a positive effect on health and wellbeing and that there are many opportunities here at the Mission. Best ones to start with are the Gift Shop and Docent program. Call Rhonda (619.281.8449) or Janet (858.560.9312) to get started today.



PEOPLE OF THE COVENANT

If there is one word that stands out in today's readings, it is "covenant." God's faithfulness and goodness serve as examples to us of how to live. Genesis tells the story of Noah and of God's covenant not only with all people, but with all of nature. Never will the cleansing waters of the flood bring their destructive power to all the earth again. The sign, the reminder to both God and nature, is the rainbow in the heavens.

The psalm reminds us of this compassion of God, and begs God to remember us, not because of our goodness, but because of God's goodness and fidelity to the promise. God shows us how to be good, not by decree, but by example.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Feb. 18	**Sunday, First Sunday of Lent**	Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15
Feb. 19	Monday, Presidents' Day	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Feb. 20	Tuesday	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Feb. 21	Wednesday, St. Peter Damian	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Feb. 22	Thursday, Chair of St. Peter the Apostle	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Feb. 23	Friday, St. Polycarp; Abstinence	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Feb. 24	Saturday	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Feb. 25	Sunday, Second Sunday of Lent	Gn22:1-2, 9a,10-13,15-18;Ps 116:10,15-19;Rom 8:31b-34;Mk 9:2-10