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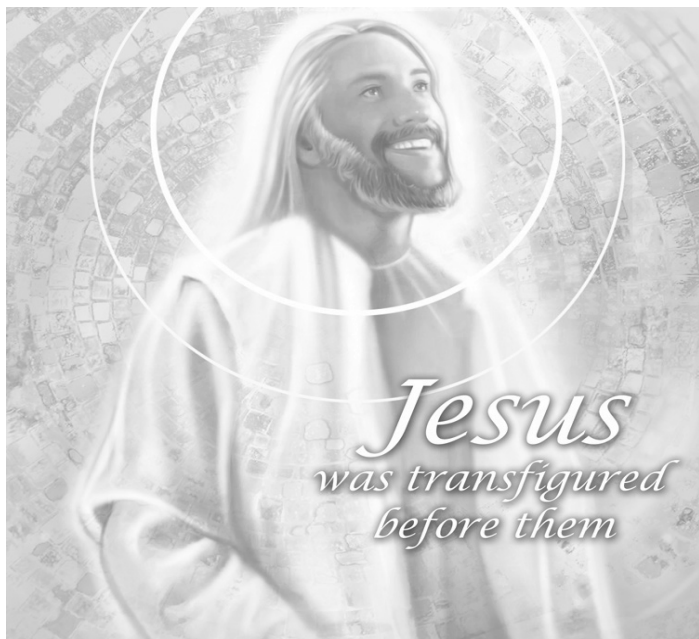
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Second Sunday of Lent February 25, 2018

Eucharistic Liturgy Schedule (Mass)

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m.

Sundays: 7:45, 9:00, 10:30 a.m.,
12:15p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays:

Monday and Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturdays: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Eve of Holy Days: 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Marriages:

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

Baptisms:

Required pre-baptismal classes for parents and godparents. Please call the office two months prior to anticipated baptism date.

Sponsors (Godparents) must be practicing Catholics.

Matrimonios:

Los arreglos deben hacerse con seis meses de antelación.

Bautismos:

Se requiere clases pre-bautismales para padres y padrinos. Por favor llame a la oficina dos meses antes de la fecha prevista para el bautismo.

Los padrinos (padrinos) deben ser católicos practicantes.

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February 25, 2018**

If God is for us, who can
be against us?

— *Romans 8:31b*



THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith (Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18).

Psalm — I walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — God did not spare his own Son (Romans 8:31b-34).

Gospel — This is my beloved Son (Mark 9:2-10).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;

Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

**Safeguard the Children
Parish Committee Chair
Ron Clouse-529-1397**

DID YOU KNOW?

Helping children problem solve through communication. Often the easiest response to complicated conversations about sensitive issues is a generic one, but these moments can be opportunities to help children grow. For example, if a child comes to you and tells you that a friend is being left out of social activities, you might respond with a question: "Do you think there is anything you can do help him/her feel more included?" Or if your child comes to you for money for social activities, instead of just giving them the cash or suggesting how they might get the money, you might prompt them to consider ways that they could earn money or fundraise on their own. In this way, you are not only helping a child find a solution to an immediate situation, but also helping them to grow in wisdom and prudence. For complete VIRTUS® article name and more communication tips, visit www.archla.org/protecting.

¿SABÍA USTED?

Ayudando a los niños a resolver problemas a través de la comunicación

A menudo, la respuesta más fácil a conversaciones complicadas sobre temas delicados es genérica, pero estos momentos pueden ser oportunidades para ayudar a los niños a crecer. Por ejemplo, si un niño acude a usted y le dice que un amigo está siendo excluido de las actividades sociales, puede responder con una pregunta: "¿Crees que hay algo que puedas hacer para ayudarlo a sentirse más incluido?" O si su hijo acude a usted para pedirle dinero para actividades sociales, en lugar de sólo darle el dinero en efectivo o sugerirle cómo puede obtener el dinero, puede animarle a que considere formas en que podría ganar dinero o recaudar fondos por su propia cuenta. De esta manera, no sólo está ayudando a un niño a encontrar una solución a una situación inmediata, sino también está ayudándolo a crecer en sabiduría y prudencia. Para obtener el nombre completo del artículo VIRTUS® y más consejos de comunicación, visite www.archla.org/protecting.

Altar Server Training

The Parish is offering Altar Server training for those interested. The criterion is from ages 10 to 13 and in the fifth through eighth grades. Interested parents should contact Deacon Michael Kromm via email at dnmikekromm@holycross-moorpark.org, to set an appointment.



LORD'S TABLE NEEDS YOUR HELP

Every Tuesday evening at 6:00 p.m., we serve a hot meal to those in need at the Holy Cross Chapel located on the corner of Everett and Magnolia. This is a great opportunity for small church groups, Scouts, etc. to lend a helping hand. Contact Chris Johnson at (805) 402-0506 to reserve your Tuesday.



Pray for ...

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Yves Fournier	Mary Jane Mitchell	Maria Guadalupe Vargas
Frank Gelfuso	Ritchie Moore	Justin Warn
Roger Gonzales	Julie Mora	Lori Wesdell
Juan Gonzalez	Christina Morelli	Pat Withers
Lupe Gonzalez	Ryan Morris	Vivian (Dee) Womack
Manuel Gonzalez	Jim Nuciforo	Janet Yandle
Richard Gonzalez	John O'Green	
Regina Hepp	Ramona Patterson	

RELIGIOUS GIFT STORE
 Our Religious Gift Store will be open the first and third weekend of each month. Come in and shop for your gifts! If you do not see what you are looking for our volunteer staff will be happy to assist you.

MAGNIFICAT - A Ministry to Catholic Women Prayer Meal
Saturday, March 10 @ 10AM
 Odyssey Restaurant, 15600 Odyssey Dr., Granada Hills, CA

Guest speaker, LaChita Calloway – Modern Day “St. Monica”, mother of Fr. Don Calloway, MIC the “surfer priest”. Hope for families in distress.

LaChita Calloway will be making her first solo speaking engagement in California on March 10 at Magnificat. Recognized as a “modern day St. Monica”, LaChita bore the sufferings of seeing her son, now priest, Fr. Don Calloway, go through drug addiction, incarceration and ultimately to a miraculous conversion. Hear her message of God’s Divine Mercy, hope and healing for families.

Mail “Magnificat” check for \$29 to Magnificat, P.O. Box 4057, West Hills, CA 91308. After February 28 \$31. Questions? Teri Thompson 805-527-3745. On-line reservations www.magnificatsfv.org



YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS
 For more info., call Danny at 529-0641 or email dcleary@holycross-moorpark.org
[Facebook.com/holycrosshighschoolyouthministry](https://www.facebook.com/holycrosshighschoolyouthministry)

Lenten Penance Service
 Monday **February 26, 2018** at 7:00 PM
 St. Jude, Westlake Village

Monday **March 12, 2018** at 7:00 PM
 St. Julie Billiart, Newbury Park

Tuesday **March 13, 2018** at 7:00 PM
 St. Paschal Baylon, Thousand Oaks

Monday **March 19, 2018** at 7:00 PM
 Holy Cross, Moorpark

Tuesday **March 20, 2018** at 7:00 PM
 St. Maximilian Kolbe, Westlake Village

Wednesday **March 21, 2018** at 7:00 PM
 St. Peter Claver, Simi Valley

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday, March 2nd is the First Friday of the month. Mass will be celebrated in English at 8:00 a.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration continues until recitation of the Rosary prior to Mass (Spanish) at 7:00 PM. Plan to spend an hour in prayer for vocations before the Blessed Sacrament. The sign-up sheet is in the vestibule of the Church. Please make sure all the hours are covered and write down the hours you have signed up for as a reminder.

Dedication of the Statue of Mary
Sunday, February 25 at 2:00 p.m.

BULLETIN BOARD

Moorpark Pantry Plus/Catholic Charities
Non-Perishable Donations are desperately needed.
Most Used Items:

Breakfast Cereal 15 oz.	Pinto Beans 2 lb.
Peanut Butter 12 oz.	Ketchup 16 oz.
Jelly 12 oz.	Mayonnaise 32 oz.
Sugar 4 lb.	Diapers Size 4, 5, 6
Cooking Oil 32 oz. or less	Shampoo 15 oz.
Jell-O 5 oz.	Bar Soap
Canned Tuna 7 oz.	Laundry Detergent
Canned Fruit 15 oz.	Toothpaste
Spaghetti Sauce 15 oz.	Toilet Paper
Spaghetti Paste 15 oz.	
Tomato Sauce 15 Oz.	All food donations are
White Rice 2 lb.	welcome.



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS CORNER

Want to be part of the fun? Like the results?
Want to become a Knight? The Knights wish
to offer any man in Holy Cross Parish who is

18 years of age or older the opportunity to learn how to become a Knight and understand the joy of giving to our Parish, our Community and our Lord. Our Holy Cross council participates in many activities, so there are several ways you can become involved. Upcoming activities include:

Let us not forget all our neighbors whose lives have been affected by the wildfires and the mudslides. The recovery efforts are expected to take a very long time. Remember everyone in your prayers and look to be of assistance where possible.

Don't Miss This!: The annual World Famous KOC Lenten Fish Fry's are underway! The six-week run began on Friday February 16th and will end on March 23rd. If you missed the first two there are 4 more! All profits generated by this terrific event are for the various Parish Ministries and our many charities. Plan on joining your fellow Parishioners for some great food, fun and fellowship.

Less than a month until St. Patty's Day! Mark your calendars for the annual KOC St. Patty's day party. It will be held on Saturday March 17th in the Cosgrove Center. Tickets will be on sale at all the Fish Fry's and in the vestibule of the church approximately two weeks prior to the event.

Do not hesitate to call upon "The Friends of St. Raphael." This KOC Ministry is available for ALL our fellow Parishioners who are ill and would like a visit from one or more of our Brother Knights. If you would like additional information or a visit from a Brother Knight, please contact **Leonard Cruz @ 805-889-1620 (leonardcruz386@yahoo.com)** or **Kenny Rodriguez @ 805-298-4223 (gabrielkenneth@gmail.com)** or our **Grand Knight (contact info below).**

For more information contact our Grand Knight, Mike LoCollo @ 805-231-6168 (MikeLoCollo@roadrunner.com) or Membership Director Andy Willrodt @ 805-298-2999 (Awillrodt@fuscoe.com) or any member of the Knights.

University Series News This Week at Holy Cross

Why Doesn't God Answer My Prayers? Am I praying the right way? Does God hear me? Fr. Gregorio Hidalgo will show us different kinds of prayer found in the Bible, and how Jesus talked about prayer. Learn its Biblical foundation and how to strengthen your own prayer experience. Fr. Hidalgo will join us on Wednesday, February 28th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Cosgrove Center.

Does it seem like nothing is going right? Having a hard time finding your way in daily life, in your family life, in your community? Sister Edith Prendergast has a way forward, a way of Living with Hope in Difficult Times. Learn to journey in hope and courage, to deepen our everyday discipleship, and to reach out to others in need. You can hear Sister Prendergast on Thursday, March 1st at 7:30 p.m. in the church

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Easter Sunday because it's a weekend full of fresh love, rebirth and new beginnings. All married couples deserve a richer, fuller life together! Let God be the strength of your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in Simi Valley Apr 27-29 or in Palmdale July 27-29. For more information contact Ed and Jo Lara at 818-848-6729 or go online at www.twocanlove.org We help make good marriages better.

STATEMENT OF DONATIONS

We do not automatically send out yearly statements of donations. If you use your printed donation envelopes, loose checks or supplementary envelopes with name and address, they are recorded to your parish family number.

You may request a statement of your 2017 donations for income tax purposes by calling the parish Office at 529-1397.

THE RESILIENT TEEN

Join us at La Reina High School & Middle School for a complimentary presentation on *The Resilient Teen -Preparing Your Teen for Life's Current and Future Challenges* on March 8th from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

Is your teen ready for high school...college...moving away from home? Will they be able to handle the stress? Are you helping them develop the skills they need to survive the next big challenge in their life?

Come join two adolescent and college mental health experts as they provide parents with tips on how to best prepare teenagers how to better handle life now and prepare for college and beyond. Drawing on the research and the presenter's experiences, this presentation will focus on the common qualities among those adolescents who are able to fall down, pick themselves up and keep going. Parents will also gain information about what they can be doing now and in the future to help their teen not just survive, but thrive in college. For more details and to RSVP please visit: www.lareina.com/ResilientTeen

**ACTIVIDADES HISPANAS
EN HOLY CROSS**

Domingos:

12:15 PM - Misa en Español

Lunes, Miércoles y Jueves:

6:00 – 8:30 PM Entrevistas Sacramentales

Tercero Domingo del mes:

1:30 PM - Clases Prebautismales-- en la iglesia

Primer Viernes del mes:

6:00 PM - Hora Santa

7:00 PM - Misa en Español

Primero y Tercer Sábado del mes:

10:00 AM - Bautismos en Español

Misas de Quince Años:

Por favor llame a la oficina al (805) 529-1397

Clases de Formación Continua Para Adultos

Cada primer lunes y tercer lunes del mes.

Información comunicarse al José Martínez (805) 312-1917/Dn. Eduardo (805) 501-1416.

Para solicitar entrevistas o información general en español favor de llamar al 529-1397.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Regresando a los tres pilares de la conversión, el ayuno es mucho más que el simple hecho de no comer, es aprender a negarme a mí mismo para que ya no sea yo quien vivo, sino Cristo que vive en mí. Es el negarme de ciertas cosas para dar vida a los demás.

El ayudar es poner en práctica la caridad y la justicia social. Es buscar el cargar con nuestra propia cruz y ayudar a los demás con la de ellos. En otras palabras, es practicar la misma generosidad de Dios quien hace caer la lluvia sobre los buenos y los malos, es amar sin distinción de personas.

Contemporáneamente, el orar es entrar en conversación con Dios, es recogerse para entrar en la presencia de Dios, con todo lo que uno es y todo lo que uno tiene, poniendo todo en las manos misericordiosas del Padre que nos ama.

Esta Cuaresma procuremos hacer lo que debemos hacer todo el año: ayunar, ayudar y orar. Es difícil, pero no nos desanimemos porque el Espíritu Santo viene a nuestro alcance porque donde somos más débiles, Cristo es nuestra fuerza.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

IMPRESIÓN

Cuando tratamos de impresionar, esa es la impresión que causamos.

—Anónimo

RETROSPECTIVA

La presencia de Dios no se discierne al momento en que está en nosotros, sino después, cuando miramos en retrospectiva.

—John Henry Newman

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

25 de febrero de 2018

Si Dios está a nuestro favor, ¿quién estará en contra nuestra?

— Romanos 8:31b



LA OBEDIENCIA DE ABRAHAM Y JESÚS

Dios puso a prueba a Abraham pidiéndole no un sacrificio ordinario, el cual requería que se quemara parcialmente la carne y se dividiera entre Dios y el pueblo y fuera consumido por los que hacían el sacrificio, sino que le pidió un holocausto, la quema completa del animal expiatorio. Este tipo de sacrificio consagraba la ofrenda solo a Dios. Esto es lo que Dios le pedía a Abraham en su ofrenda de su único hijo, Isaac. Cuando Abraham demostró su obediencia, fue suficiente. El relato de la Sagrada Escritura de hoy predice la finalización de los sacrificios de sangre de la vieja alianza en la nueva alianza: la sangre del Hijo de Dios, la cual se nos ofrece en la cruz y en la Eucaristía. La obediencia de Abraham prefigura la obediencia de Jesús a la promesa de salvación de Dios. La recompensa de la obediencia de Abraham yace en el nacimiento, por medio de Isaac, de muchas naciones. La recompensa de la obediencia de Jesús yace en la salvación de todas las personas por los siglos de los siglos.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El sacrificio de nuestro patriarca Abraham (Génesis 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18).

Salmo — Caminaré en presencia del Señor, en el país de la vida (Salmo 116 [115]).

Segunda lectura — Dios nos entregó a su propio Hijo (Romanos 8: 31-34).

Evangelio — Este es mi Hijo amado (Marcos 9: 2-10).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Dn 9:4b-10; Sal 79 (78):8, 9, 11, 13; Lc 6:36-38

Martes: Is 1:10, 16-20; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;

Mt 23:1-12

Miércoles: Jer 18:18-20; Sal 31 (30):5-6, 14-16;

Mt 20:17-28

Jueves: Jer 17:5-10; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 16:19-31

Viernes: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Sal 105 (104):16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Sábado: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 9-12; Lc 15:1-3, 11-32

Domingo: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Sal 19 (18):8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Lecturas alternativas (Año A): Ex 17:3-7;

Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]