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March 15, 2026

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,

11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation

8:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM

Confession

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Or by appointment

Adoration

First Fridays

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Fourth Tuesdays

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Infant Mary Chapel

Monday - Saturday

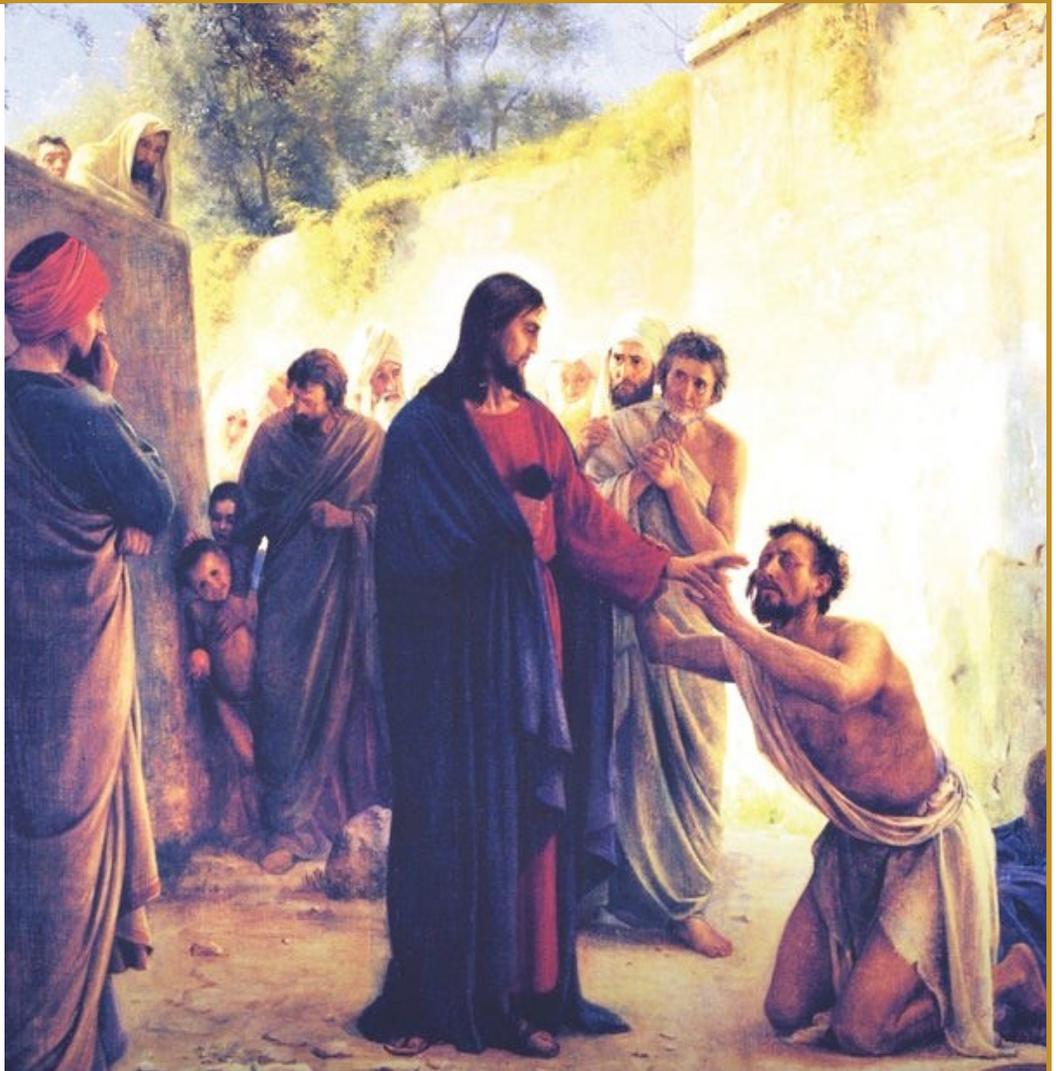
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out,
he found him and said, "Do you believe in the
Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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Sacrament + Formation Info

Infant Baptism: Baptism Preparation process: 1. Pick up the Baptism Registration Packet from the Parish Office during normal business hours. 2. Turn in completed paperwork to the Parish Office. 3. Attend Baptism Class (parents & godparents). 4. Schedule Baptism.

CFF: Catholic youth are formed through the Catholic Faith Formation program (CFF). Please contact Monica Saldana for info.

Marriage: Contact the Parish Office 6 months prior to desired wedding date to begin marriage preparation.

RCIA: Process for adults and children (7+) who are interested in joining the Catholic Church, and baptized Catholics wanting to complete their Sacraments of Initiation. Please contact Michelle Mills at (916) 806-6876.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.

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PARISH NEWS

This Week at St. Mary Parish

SUNDAY

@LIFED 12:15 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room
Stella Maris YA Sunday Dinner..... 6:30 pm
Location: Giovanni Hall

MONDAY

Prayer Request Group 6:30 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

TUESDAY

Stella Maris YA Prayer & Bible Study 6:30 pm
Location: Chapel/Holy Spouses Room
Bible Study 7:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

WEDNESDAY

Altar Society..... 10:00 am
Location: Holy Spouses Room
CFF Stations of the Cross..... 6:00 pm
Location: Church
Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Holy Spouses Room

THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm
Location: Church

FRIDAY

Lenten Soup Meal 6:00 pm
Location: Giovanni Hall
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
Location: Church

SATURDAY

Confession..... 3:30 pm
Location: Church

Parish Life & Safety

Our parish is blessed because of the generous hearts who serve. We are currently inviting those who feel called to volunteer their time and talents in service to our church community.

Whether you can help with hospitality, outreach, liturgical ministry, youth support or behind-the-scenes tasks, there is a place for you. Every act of service -big or small- helps strengthen our parish and reflects Christ's love in action.

In light of recent events, we are expanding our Usher Ministry to include Safety Observers. These individuals will assist by monitoring parish entrances during Mass and assist with monitoring the interior of our church as well, to ensure the safety and well-being of our parish community. We are seeking adult volunteers who are willing to serve in this important role. Please watch upcoming bulletins for additional details on how to participate.



If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please inquire with the ministry contacts listed in the bulletins or feel free to call the parish office. We would love to have you join us in service.

Together, let us build a stronger, more connected parish through service and faith.

Daily Mass Lectors

The parish is in need of daily lectors at some of our 8am Masses. If you attend Mass on Monday or Wednesday, and would like to be a lector, please contact the parish office.

Looking Ahead

Be sure to mark your calendars for these important upcoming parish events and dates!

- **March 24:** Lenten Penance Service
- **April 11:** St Vincent de Paul Paper Shredding event

2025 Year End Contributions

We are emailing contribution statements ONLY upon request, You can request yours by emailing Gina Matista at stmary95819@gmail.com. Please provide your full name, envelope number (if applicable), and phone number.

Chrism Mass

Bishop Jaime Soto will preside at the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral on Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 6pm.

Bishop Soto and the priests of the diocese will pray for God's continued blessings on the local church of Sacramento. The priests will renew their priestly promises.

The Chrism Mass is one of our most important Diocesan celebrations where Bishop Soto will bless the Holy Oils that are used in sacramental celebrations in all the parishes of the Diocese throughout the coming year.

NEWS & EVENTS

FORMED

We are 1/2 way through Lent, and some can feel like ‘wow Lent isn’t working for me this year.’ But take heart, this is not a sign of failure. It is difficult in our busy lives to set aside time to pray as a family, or pray the Rosary. That’s why St. Mary Parish is striving to provide you with ‘Pray nudges’ every week in our bulletin, via social media, our Parish App and on our website.

We hope you will take a minute to use these to form some of your prayer for the week. And if you are looking for more, remember that our parish has a subscription to Formed, the premier Catholic streaming service. IT’S FREE for you to take advantage of all of the beautiful and faithful Catholic content, award-winning studies, inspiring audio content, movies and family-friendly kits’ programs.



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ST MARY PARISH LENTEN SCHEDULE 2026

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 18th
Masses: 8:00am, 12 Noon,
7:00pm
Service: 4:00pm

SOUP & STATIONS

Every Friday 2/20-3/27
6:00pm Soup | 7:00pm Stations
**Soup Nights may get canceled if we're unable to get enough ministries to provide soup.*



LENTEN FISH FRY

March 6th
5:30pm Fish Fry | 7:00pm
Stations

PENANCE SERVICE

March 24th
6:30-8pm Confession and
Adoration

TENEBRAE SERVICE

March 30th
Service: 7:00pm
A solemn Holy Week prayer service of psalms, readings, and gradually extinguished candles, drawing us into Christ's suffering and the coming darkness of the tomb.

St. Mary Parish

SOUP AND

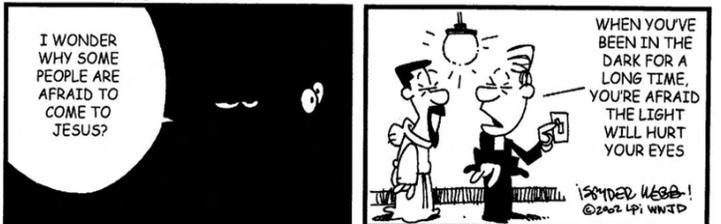


STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday March 14 - April 4

6:00 pm Soup
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross & Adoration

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



LITURGY & PRAYER

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, March 14

5:00 PM Maria & Marco Ferrarotti † (*Daughters*)

Sunday, March 15

8:00 AM Albert & Norma Maita † (*Jodie Maita*)

9:30 AM Eric Huit (Lillian & Nick Clifford)

11:00 AM For our parishioners (St. Mary Parish)

5:00 PM Bibin Babi (*Becker Family*)

Monday, March 16

8:00 AM Sarah Jennings McFarland (*Anne Marie Kolstad*)

The Bolinger Family (*Rena Zellers*)

Tuesday, March 17

8:00 AM Silvio Suine † (*Jodie Maita*)

The Suine Family † (*The DeNigris & Zellers Families*)

Wednesday, March 18

8:00 AM Dale & Joan Martfeld (*Daughters*)
Peter Steiner & Family (*Rena Zellers*)

Thursday, March 19

8:00 AM Dale & Joan Martfeld (*Daughters*)
Conrad Branson † (*Pedro A. Diaz*)

Friday, March 20

8:00 AM Gilberto Lara † (*Dora Lara*)
Gerald Konrad † (*Marjorie Wade*)

Saturday, March 21

8:00 AM Sarah Jennings McFarland (*Anne Marie Kolstad*)

Online Worship Aid



Scan the QR code for access to this week's Worship Aid, that provides all of the liturgical content used for the Mass (readings, music, etc).

Weekly Readings

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Clergy Corner



Dear Members of St. Mary's Parish Family,

We have now journeyed three weeks through the sacred season of Lent. These past weeks have been a time to reflect on our prayer, our sacrifices, and our love for one another.

Perhaps some of us began Lent with strong resolutions—to pray more faithfully, to fast more seriously, or to be more generous in charity. For some, these practices may have gone well; for others, the journey may have been more difficult than expected. Yet the beauty of Lent is that God never measures us by perfection but by our willingness to return to Him again.

This Fourth Sunday of Lent reminds us that we are already halfway through our Lenten pilgrimage. The Church invites us today to pause and gently ask ourselves: *How have these past weeks shaped my heart? Have I allowed God to draw me closer to Him and closer to my family and neighbors?*

Lent is not only about personal sacrifice; it is also about healing relationships. It is a beautiful time for families to pray together, to forgive one another, to share meals with gratitude, and to support one another in faith. Our homes can become small places of grace where Christ's love is seen in patience, kindness, and understanding.

In these coming days, I encourage every family to spend a little more time with the Lord—perhaps reading the Gospel together, attending the Stations of the Cross, or offering simple acts of kindness and forgiveness at home. These small steps can prepare our hearts to truly rejoice in the light of Easter. May this Lenten season continue to transform our hearts, strengthen our families, and deepen our love for Christ.

With prayers for you and your families,
Fr. George Mathai CMI
Parochial Vicar

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