



St. Peter + Prince of Apostles

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, 2019

I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

-- Philippians 3:8

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Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
12:00 p.m. (Spanish), Stratford- 8:30 a.m.

— Weekday Mass Schedule —

Mon. 8:05 a.m.-Spanish, Tues. 5:30 p.m.,
Wed. 8:15 a.m., Thurs-Fri 8:05a.m.

— Confessions —

Friday's: 5:30 p.m. & Saturday's 8:30 a.m.

— Marriage or Baptism —

Contact the church office for more info.: 559/924-2562

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Holy Family Chapel) Mon., Wed., & Thurs, 8am—8pm; and
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Calendar

Monday
 APRIL 8
Lenten Weekday
 Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or
 Dn 13:41c-62
 Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday
 APRIL 9
Lenten Weekday
 Nm 21:4-9
 Jn 8:21-50

Wednesday
 APRIL 10
Lenten Weekday
 Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
 Jn 8:31-42

Thursday
 APRIL 11
Lenten Weekday
 Gn 17:3-9
 Jn 8:51-59

Friday
 APRIL 12
Lenten Weekday
 Jer 20:10-13
 Jn 10:31-42

Saturday
 APRIL 13
Lenten Weekday
 Ez 37:21-28
 Jn 11:45-56

Sunday
 APRIL 14
Palm Sunday
of the Lord's Passion
 Lk 19:28-40
 Is 50:4-7
 Phil 2:6-11
 Lk 22: 14-23:56
 or Lk 23:1-49

Dear Padre,

Incense in church irritates my eyes. Is it really needed?

Some churches, for example, limit incensation to only the sanctuary to minimize discomfort by those with allergies in the congregation. Although incense is optional at Mass (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 276), and therefore isn't "needed" per se, the question of its occasional use is more than a mere necessity issue.

The US Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy writes, "Since worship engages Christians fully, in every aspect of their being, they worship God with their bodies and feelings as well as their minds and spirits, with their hands and feet as well as their eyes and ears. The non-verbal elements of the Liturgy can express what cannot be articulated in words and, at times, can reinforce the spoken word" (*Introduction to the Order of the Mass*, 27).

Incense is a powerful, solemn expression of prayer, purification, and reverence that reinforces the spoken word in worship and praise. It "suggests both the otherness of the transcendent God and the cloud that symbolized God's glory and presence in the midst of the Israelites" (*Introduction to the*

Order of Mass, 58). The fragrance is intended to awaken our senses and the rising swirl of smoke represents our lifted hearts in prayer. "The smoke of the incense along with the prayers of the holy ones went up before God from the hand of the angel" (Revelation 8:4).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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A Word from Pope Francis

Jesus...taught that the true battlefield, where violence and peace meet, is the human heart...When he stopped her accusers from stoning the woman caught in adultery, and when, on the night before he died, he told Peter to put away his sword, Jesus marked out the path of nonviolence.

—World Day of Peace, January 1, 2017



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— Weekly Reflection/Reflexión Semanal—

EASTER SCHEDULE

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE (CONFESSIONS)

- i. *Immaculate Heart of Mary* April 10th at 6pm
- ii. *St. Brigid's* April 15th at 630pm
- iii. **St. Peter's Parish** April 16th at 630pm

HOLY WEEK

- i. **Holy Thursday** April 18th service 7pm (*Bilingual*)
- ii. **Good Friday Service & Stations of the Cross** April 19th 3pm (*English*)
7pm (*Bilingual*)
- iii. **Easter Vigil** Saturday April 20th 8pm (*Bilingual*)
- iv. **Easter Sunday** April 21st-*Regular Sunday Schedule*

— Prayers Intentions/Oraciones de los Fieles—

Prayers for the Sick / Oraciones para los enfermos

We pray for Karlene Quintana, Lizabet Reya, Mila Pryor, Joe Healy, Jorge Rocha, Ken Dudley, Norman H. Martin Shean Crose, Chris Rodrigues, Mike Wlaschin, Mary Beth Delaney, MaryBeth Murray, Jessie Solis, Adriana Soto, Debbie Voss, Vanessa Mendoza, Stella Chavez, Lorenzo Lopez, Maria Mendoza, Carmen Flores, Irma Flores, Pete Mendoza, Robert Linarez, Brandon Valenzuela, Frances Leal, Jessie Andrada, Teresa Carrillo, Fr. Eric Swearingen, Ed Collins, and all who are sick. May they feel the healing powers of our prayers.

Prayers for the Deceased / Oraciones para los difuntos

We pray Carolyn Smith, Natalie Aceves, Alice Leichti, Jessie Escobedo, Salvador Harguindeguy, Florence Mendes, Maria Martins, Abigail Guerrero, Anita Alvarado, Mathew Ignacio, Huvaldo Magnia, Fernando Marquez, Joseph Henderson, Deborah Ann Lee, and all the faithful departed. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

— Prayers for the Military/Oraciones para los Militares—

Please pray for:

- Omar Yacsavilca-US Navy
- Alexis Arevalo-US Airforce
- Isaak Tafolla-US Navy
- CPL Daniel Talob-US Marine
- Gabriela Pena- US Army
- PFC Christian Durr-US Army
- Sr. Air Man Brandon L. Smith-USAF
- Patrick J. Miguel-US Navy
- Jose J. Salazar-US Airforce
- Antonio Guadron- US Navy
- Jonathon Costa-US Marine
- Joseph Franckhauser-US Air Force
- Victoria Selkirk-US Navy
- Carlos Lopez- US Navy
- Dave Breier -US Navy

-Mass Intentions/Intenciones de Misa-

Saturday, April. 6:

5:30 p.m. Arnold Avila † by M/M Texeira

Sunday, April. 7:

7:00 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

8:30 a.m. (Strfd) Joao Oliveira

10:00 a.m. Pawny Rainey by Albert Buenrostro
Vivencio Banta† by Marietta Banta & Family
Ann Marie Dowd† by Roxie Martin

12:00 p.m. (Sp) Luis Mireles Maya de sus Hijos

Monday, April. 8:

8:05 a.m. Fred Fonseca † by Geri Pi,mentel

Tuesday, April. 9:

5:30 p.m. Patrick Ponder by Ben & Devon Wattam

Wednesday, April. 10:

8:15 a.m. Danny Garcia † by Earl & Clara Stacy

Thursday, April. 11:

8:05 a.m. Lucille Dufur † by Family
Ron Nunes † By Verissimo Family

Friday, April. 12:

8:05 a.m. Manuel Luis † by Alvin & Arlene Menezes
Greg & Audrey Stanton by Joan & Greg Stanton

Saturday, April. 13:

5:30 p.m. Florence Mendes † By Lemoore Trinity

Sunday, April. 14:

7:00 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

8:30 a.m. (Strfd) Joao Oliveira

10:00 a.m. Mo Silva Sr. † by Johnny Silva
Rodolfo Olano by Rebecca Olano + Children
Felipe Balunan † by Family

12:00 p.m. (Sp) Maria Fabiola Lopez de sus Padres

-Stewardship Corner/Co-responsabilidad-

March 30 & 231, 2019

1st Collection: \$9,949.50

2nd Collection: \$ 3,089.35

Thank you for your generosity/Gracias por su generosidad

**Second Collection Today/ 2da Colecta hoy:
Parish Improvement Fund/ Fondo de Mejoras
Parroquiales**

**Second Collection Next Week/
2da Colecta la próxima semana:
MIQ School/ Escuela MIQ**



MIQ Parents Association presents
10th Annual Golf Tournament
Monday, April 8th, 2019
Kings Country Club Hanford
3529 12th Ave., Hanford CA 93230
Registration: 9:00 a.m.
Shotgun: 10:30 a.m.
Mary Immaculate Queen School

TICKETS SOLD AT THE CHURCH OFFICE



PARROQUIA DE SAN PEDRO PRÍNCIPE DE LOS APÓSTOLES
Presenta

**Gran Concierto
Priscila Angel**

(Ex Vocalista de Priscila y sus balas de Plata)

Ramon Ochoa

May 24, 2019 7:00pm

Lemoore Trinity Association Hall
470 Champion St. Lemoore, CA. 93245

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**Concierto Catolico
Priscila Angel**

Ramon Ochoa

May 24, 2019

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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559-515-0795 for the info below



Santa Teresita Youth Conference Center

CATHOLIC YOUTH MUSIC CAMP

JULY 8-12, 2019
Ages 12-19

Early Bird Price:
Register before
May 1st at \$310
After May 1st \$360

Small things with great love

"Where words fail, music speaks."
-H.C. Andersen

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BILINGUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS ARE ON FRIDAYS AT 6PM AT THE MAIN CHURCH.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Convinced

Why Would Anyone Become Catholic?



Why would intelligent, successful people give up careers, alienate friends, and cause havoc in their families...to become Catholic? As he was considering his own move into the Church, Donald Johnson traveled around the country to get answers from some of today's most prolific Catholic converts.

Log into FORMED for free using parish code J7QNH4

Watch on formed.org

FISH FRY

Msgr. John J Friel's Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting their annual Fish Fry.

Event Date : April 12, 2019

Where: O' Doherty Hall MIQ School
884 Lemoore Ave Lemoore, CA 93245

Time: 5:00 -6:30 Take Out Orders 7:00 Dine in
Dinner Price: \$10.00 per Ticket

Multicultural Festival

St. Peter's Annual Multicultural Festival will be on April 28th from 11 am to 3pm at MIQ School. Please join us for a fun time with a variety of food stands and performances!

SOUP SUPPER

All are invited to a Lenten Soup Supper every Friday evening directly after Stations of the Cross at O'Doherty Hall, next to MIQ School. No charge but donations are welcomed.

ADORATION MINISTRY

Lent is a great time to see if a weekly Holy Hour is what's missing from your life; may be just the extra blessing you need. Will one of these days/times fit your schedule? Mon. 11 am, 6 pm & 7pm; Wed. 1 pm; Thurs. 5 pm; Fri. 10am, 1pm, 3pm & 4pm. Call Lucy Jones at 903-9924 for info.

Ministry News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration follows morning mass Mon., Wed., Thurs. & Friday & begins at 8am on Tues. Adoration is a Ministry where you come to pray, rest and meditate. You will be blessed spending a weekly Holy Hour with Jesus. Call Lucy Jones at 903-9924 for more information.

St. Peter's Mom Bible Study

Mothers of children 0-18 please join our bible study! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month from 9am - 11am at the convent located next to MIQ School. Childcare is available. Please contact Juli Polder at (916) 284-6753 if interested.

Women's Bible Study

WBS is every Thurs. from 10-1130a.m. in the convent. Please join us & all are welcome! Call Carol Wood 924-4907.

Prayer Quilt Ministry

Prayer Quilt will meet on Apr. 8th 1:30-3pm at the convent. Any donations for supplies are appreciated and can be dropped off at the church office. FMI please call Patti 707 9822 or Diane Howder 707-4470.

Formación Bíblica

Te invitamos a tener una formación bíblica y a conocer mas de la palabra de Dios, El Señor te espera. Sacia tu sed porque el es agua viva! Para mas información contacte a Rosa Reeder 559-707-0361.

Grief Ministry

"Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted"

A caring presence and living reminder of God's love, care and support to those in grief

We welcome all to come to St Agnes Rm. the 2nd Sunday/mo. at 3pm Please call 718-7191

Reading 1

IS 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD, who opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters, who leads out chariots and horsemen, a powerful army, till they lie prostrate together, never to rise, snuffed out and quenched like a wick. Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new! Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? In the desert I make a way, in the wasteland, rivers. Wild beasts honor me, jackals and ostriches, for I put water in the desert and rivers in the wasteland for my chosen people to drink, the people whom I formed for myself, that they might announce my praise.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

R. (3) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion, we were like men dreaming. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with rejoicing.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad indeed.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the torrents in the southern desert. Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown, They shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading

PHIL 3:8-14

Brothers and sisters:

I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having any righteousness of my own based on the law but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. It is not that I have already taken hold of it or have already attained perfect maturity, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ Jesus. Brothers and sisters, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

Acclamation Before the Gospel

Even now, says the Lord,
return to me with your whole heart;
for I am gracious and merciful.

Gospel

JN 8:1-11

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So to them Jesus addressed this parable: "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers.'" So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'"

Primera lectura

Is 43, 16-21

Esto dice el Señor, que abrió un camino en el mar y un sendero en las aguas impetuosas, el que hizo salir a la batalla a un formidable ejército de carros y caballos, que cayeron y no se levantaron, y se apagaron como una mecha que se extingue: "No recuerden lo pasado ni piensen en lo antiguo; yo voy a realizar algo nuevo. Ya está brotando. ¿No lo notan? Voy a abrir caminos en el desierto y haré que corran los ríos en la tierra árida. Me darán gloria las bestias salvajes, los chacales y las avestruces, porque haré correr agua en el desierto, y ríos en el yermo, para apagar la sed de mi pueblo escogido. Entonces el pueblo que me he formado proclamará mis alabanzas".

Salmo Responsorial

Salmo 125, 1-2ab. 2cd-3. 4-5. 6

R. (3) Grandes cosas ha hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Cuando el Señor nos hizo volver del cautiverio creíamos soñar:

entonces no cesaba de reír nuestra boca ni se cansaba entonces la lengua de cantar.

R. Grandes cosas ha hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Aun los mismo paganos con asombro decían: "¡Grandes cosas ha hecho por ellos el Señor!" Y estábamos alegres, pues ha hecho grandes cosas por su pueblo el Señor.

R. Grandes cosas ha hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Como cambian los ríos la suerte del desierto, cambia también ahora nuestra suerte, Señor, y entre gritos de júbilo cosecharán aquellos que siembran con dolor.

R. Grandes cosas ha hecho por nosotros, Señor.

Al ir, iban llorando, cargando la semilla; al regresar, cantando vendrán con sus gavillas.

R. Grandes cosas ha hecho por nosotros, Señor.Segunda Lectura

Fil 3, 8-14

Hermanos: Todo lo que era valioso para mí, lo consideré sin valor a causa de Cristo. Más aún pienso que nada vale la pena en comparación con el bien supremo, que consiste en conocer a Cristo Jesús, mi Señor, por cuyo amor he renunciado a todo, y todo lo considero como basura, con tal de ganar a Cristo y de estar unido a él, no porque haya obtenido la justificación que proviene de la ley, sino la que procede de la fe en Cristo Jesús, con la que Dios hace justos a los que creen. Y todo esto, para conocer a Cristo, experimentar la fuerza de su resurrección, compartir sus sufrimientos y asemejarme a él en su muerte, con la esperanza de resucitar con él de entre los muertos. No quiero decir que haya logrado ya ese ideal o que sea ya perfecto, pero me esfuerzo en conquistarlo, porque Cristo Jesús me ha conquistado.

No, hermanos, considero que todavía no lo he logrado. Pero eso sí, olvido lo que he dejado atrás, y me lanzo hacia adelante, en busca de la meta y del trofeo al que Dios, por medio de Cristo Jesús, nos llama desde el cielo.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio.

R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

Todavía es tiempo, dice el Señor.

Arrepiéntanse de todo corazón y vuélvanse a mí, que soy compasivo y misericordioso.

R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

Evangelio

Jn 8, 1-11

En aquel tiempo, Jesús se retiró al monte de los Olivos y al amanecer se presentó de nuevo en el templo, donde la multitud se le acercaba; y él, sentado entre ellos, les enseñaba.

Entonces los escribas y fariseos le llevaron a una mujer sorprendida en adulterio, y poniéndola frente a él, le dijeron: "Maestro, esta mujer ha sido sorprendida en flagrante adulterio. Moisés nos manda en la ley apedrear a estas mujeres. ¿Tú que dices?"

Le preguntaban esto para ponerle una trampa y poder acusarlo. Pero Jesús se agachó y se puso a escribir en el suelo con el dedo. Como insistían en su pregunta, se incorporó y les dijo: "Aquel de ustedes que no tenga pecado, que le tire la primera piedra". Se volvió a agachar y siguió escribiendo en el suelo.

Al oír aquellas palabras, los acusadores comenzaron a escabullirse uno tras otro, empezando por los más viejos, hasta que dejaron solos a Jesús y a la mujer, que estaba de pie, junto a él.

Entonces Jesús se enderezó y le preguntó: "Mujer, ¿dónde están los que te acusaban? ¿Nadie te ha condenado?" Ella le contestó: "Nadie, Señor". Y Jesús le dijo: "Tampoco yo te condeno. Vete y ya no vuelvas a pecar".

