PASTOR'S MESSAGE

During the first week of Ordinary time, the church proclaimed the Old Testament reading of First Samuel. Samuel's mother mourned and prayed for his conception, dedicated him to the Lord, raised with the priest Eli in the temple, whose boyhood waking response was, "Here I am Lord, you called me . . . Speak, for your servant is listening." Sam-

uel matured to be a wise, old prophet of the Lord. Among the people of Judah and Israel, prophets of the Lord were God's messengers; how the chosen people were to govern their lives. But due to sin, arrogance and pride, the people would not listen and thwarted God's providence and they would suffer all kinds of calamities because of it, even defeats of great wars with outside kingdoms. Israel then insisted they have their own king, not God, to protect them. God told Samuel, "Grant the people's every request. It is not you they reject, they are rejecting me as their king."

Rejecting God as their king. Again history repeats itself, the people making a name for themselves as gods, as when they tried building the Tower of Babble. They would have a king who would govern them rather than God's word, God's commands, as when God freed them from Pharaoh, the Egyptian King, and led them into the Promised Land. The people would no longer trust in God, but choose a man to lead and protect them, another Golden Calf. God would then have the people choose and the prophet would anoint them their king. But then, because kings suffer from humanity's human weakness, there would be good kings and bad kings and the people would be no better off.

This is what happens when the man elevates his own human efforts above God. Man becomes his own god. God makes good out of these situations, by anointing a king as in King David, and other governors, prime ministers and presidents in our day as tools to govern wisely, the will of God. It is God who gives the authority to man to govern rightly. And each man, to whom much is given, much is required of him, for there will be a time of reckoning. Jesus said, "Give unto Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and give to God what belongs to

In the world, God legitimizes his authority to man for righteousness and justice sake only. Therefore, for believers, kingdoms and nations need to remember God's power and authority is always providential over the created world. This is why the consciousness of a nation must always safeguard and promote *Religious Freedom*, to prevent our kingdoms and our nations from elevating man as his own god. Pray that men and women have their rights to worship and pray anywhere and anyhow for peace in our schools, seats of government, public squares, and between nations; especially now in this divided nation and across borders. Religious Freedom is fundamental to safeguarding the sacredness of human life. Is it no wonder men and women of faith are the heroes for the Walk For Life Rallies, in the defense of the unborn. Join us next Saturday in San Francisco to stand-up for the voiceless in the womb. Let us pray for the men and women to not fear but, to reach out to those who would help them choose life.

Prayerfully in Christ, Your Pastor,

Fr. Jeffrey Wilson

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN Did

You Know? This Tuesday, January 22, the Church in the United States observes the annual "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children." We are called to



observe this day through prayer and penance. respectlife.org/January-22

NOTE: PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY 1/20/20 to observe Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. There will be daily Mass.

PARISH GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Pastoral Care Givers Prayer Meeting—Monday at 9:00am in the All Saints' Parish Hall

Parish Pantry—1st, 2nd, 4th, & 5th Tuesdays, 10am to 11:45am. ATCAA Food Bank—3rd Tuesday 10:00—Noon. Both are located in Cottage #3 at All Saints' Church.

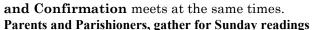
All Saints' Ladies Guild - Meets every other month on the 3rd Tuesday at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. NO meetings during Winter.

Pastoral Council - every 3rd Wednesday 6pm monthly Choir Practice—Tuesdays at 5:00pm at All Saints. Order of Franciscan Seculars / Blessed Giles of Assisi First Saturdays at 10:30am at All Saints' Church. Every First Sundays is Coffee "clatch" in Parish Hall. St. Joseph's Guild general monthly meeting—First Sunday after Mass at St. Joseph's Church. St. Joseph's Coffee Sundays—Third Sunday of the month.

Turning Point Fellowship of AA meets Tues., 7:00pm in Cottage #4. Keep it Simple Group of NA meets Wed., 6:30pm in Cottage #4.

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Religious Education Classes for Kindergarten through sixth grade is on-going Sunday mornings starting at 9:30am to 10:45am. Youth Group



before Mass from 9:45 to 10:45 each Sunday. For more information or to register please contact Noli Farwell at (209) 586-3161 or email her at nfarwell@sbcglobal.net.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN

Adult Falth INITIATION FOR ADULTS Curious? If you are Catholic and have never received your First Communion or Confirmation, we can help you prepare for the

reception of those sacraments. If you are not Catholic and are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, we can answer your questions and guide you on your journey. The RCIA team is ready to serve you. Meets for optional supper at 6:00 pm and class starts at 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Contact Gloria Hofer at 408-802-1232.

YEAR ROUND SUNDAY SCRIPTURE PREPARATION

Meets Mondays 11am St. Joseph & Tuesdays 4pm All Saints. For more information, please contact John Dunlap at 928-3477.

STUDY GROUP contact: Dan Garcia 209-840-2644.

NEWMAN BOOK CIRCLE meets monthly. Contact Preston or Suzanne Patterson at 965-4260 for meeting times.



Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, 9 Days for Life, Tuesday, January 21— Wednesday, January 29. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at www.9daysforlife.com!

Walk for Life West Coast 2020: Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 16th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 25, 2020. the Walk down Market Street begins at 1:30PM. Last year's Walk drew 50,000+ people. Visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

All Saints Catholic Church in Twain Harte and Saint Joseph Mission Church in Tuolumne, responds to the Universal Call to Holiness in celebration of the Eucharist and is committed to a community of fellowship with the help of the Holy Spirit offering gifts, time, and talent to the people of God.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS **FOR JANUARY 2020**

That Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Please pray for the Sick in our Parish, and their family members.

Dorothy Handel Joe Freitas **Bob Combs** Frank Scully Ralph Webster **Chris Karels** Fr. John Fitzgerald Sandy Kopp Barbara Volpi **Auggie Soares Pauline Beltran Leon Heinen** Theresa Haire

To add or remove a name from the list, please contact Diane Prill at 586-5461 and leave a message with your contact number and name of person to be put on the prayer list.

Pray for the repose of the souls of the following: Recently Deceased:

Pray for in Memoriam: Fr. George Lacey, Msgr. Thomas Hayes, Fr. Eshai Joseph, Fr. E. Donohoe, Dcn. Eddie Zoma, Don & Trudy Brenon, Bishop Steven E. Blaire

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL the ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander the earth seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Daily Mass Intentions Week of January 19th - January 25th SUNDAY: Fr. John Fitzgerald Bob Volpi 🕂 MONDAY: Andrea Caldwell TUESDAY: Andrea Caldwell WEDNESDAY: Andrea Caldwell THURSDAY: FRIDAY: SATURDAY! Bob Volpi

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon is an invitation extended to All Saints & St. Joseph! Sunday, February 9th after our 11am Mass. come with your whole family to St. Patrick's Parish Hall and enjoy a nice lunch with all the volunteers from the many ministries at St. Patrick's and All Saints parishes. Please R.S.V.P. by Feb. 3rd to the All Saints Parish Office if you plan to attend.



~REGULAR SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES~

4:30pm Vigil Saturday All Saints Sunday 9:00am St. Joseph Sunday 11:00am All Saints

~WEEK DAY MASSES~

Monday – Thursday 8:30am All Saints 8:30am Friday St Joseph First Friday 8:30am St. Joseph 8:30am First Saturday All Saints

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:15pm at All Saints Sunday: 8:45am at St Joseph 1st Saturdays following 8:30am Mass at All Saints

Office Hours: Monday -- Friday ~ 9:30am to 4:00pm Phone 586-3161, Fax—586-3161



THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION Every Friday at 5:00pm All Saints Church

To arrange a visit for shut-in members of our community, please contact the Parish office.

Marriages & Baptisms by appointment 6 months notice for marriage.

Contact the Diocesan Respect Life Office at 1-800-396-8777 and Foothill Pregnancy Center at 536-9262 for support before and after childbirth.

Project Rachel -1-800-396-8777 offers grief counseling and retreats for the loss of unborn children.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION: If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit **HopeAfterAbortion.org**

TRANSPORTATION FOR OLDER ADULTS assistance: Call Dial-a-Ride (209) 532-0404

By Appt. & 24-hour advance notice required. Fixed Regular Rate \$2, Senior rate \$1 per ride. *Includes transportation for disabled.*



PARISH OFFERTORY Weekend of Jan. 12th	2020 Offertory	2ND COLLECTION MAINTENANCE FUND	2019 Offertory
All Saints	\$2,984	\$1,008	\$2,999.66
St. Joseph	\$945	\$95	\$685

Next week's 2nd Collection is for Church in Latin America.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION(FINAL): All Saints \$9,188 St. Joseph\$808

PARISH PANTRY is currently in need of the following items canned vegetables (peas, corn, diced tomatoes, pasta sauce and beans), chili, canned meals, tuna, jelly, boxed Helpers and soups.