



SANTA CRUZ ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS



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Sixth Sunday  
IN ORDINARY TIME

Brothers and sisters,  
whether you eat or drink,  
or whatever you do,  
do everything for the

**GLORY OF GOD.**

1 Corinthians 10:31

*A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with compassion, he stretched out his hand, touched him and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." Mark 1:40-41*

Moved with compassion, Jesus touched the leper and healed him. This was probably the first time the leper had ever been touched. February 11 is World Day of the Sick. It was designated as such by St. Pope John Paul II in 1992. It is providential that it occurs on this Sunday when the Gospel proclamation is about Jesus curing the leper. Jesus relates to the leper as a human being, someone whose distressful sickness elicits his compassion and tenderness. I have often witnessed the kindness and goodness of our parishioners towards the sick, especially those elderly and infirm lovingly cared for at home. The way the leper in the Gospel story implores Jesus for a cure is remarkable for its directness. "If you so will, you can make me clean." And Jesus replies with equal directness. "I do will it. Be cleansed." The Greek verb for "You can do (it)" could be rendered, "You have the power." It is the same Greek word from which the word dynamic is derived. Jesus is dynamic. He has the power. But His power is put into motion, so to speak, by his compassion. It is important for us to realize that Jesus has shared his power with us. We are baptized into Christ and that means we share his power, his dynamism. Yes, we too can be moved by compassion and touch others with our tenderness and kindness like Jesus. Do you will it? Let our answer be, "I do will it. I have the power."

#### SANTA CRUZ PARISH FAMILY OF THE YEAR

Last year, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the parish, I chose a family for special recognition as the FAMILY OF THE YEAR. The Andy and Linda Cancino family were recognized at a parish social event concluding the centenary celebration of the parish which was held on February 16, 2020. Due to the pandemic, we are not able to gather to celebrate the anniversary (birthday) of the Santa Cruz Parish.

Nevertheless, I still want to recognize a family as the FAMILY OF THE YEAR. I hope this will become a tradition to be observed in conjunction with the anniversary of the parish. (The church was consecrated on February 9, the parish was canonically erected on February 12). The 2021 FAMILY OF THE YEAR is the Marco and Lourdes Leon family.

Marco and Lourdes served for four years as co-directors of Elijah's Knights, Santa Cruz Youth Group. Lourdes is also involved in music ministry and Marco serves as a lector and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. During this time, Marco and Lourdes also pursued adoption and adopted twins - Suzanna and Isaiah. Most parents have nine months to prepare a house for a newborn. They had only 7 days to get their house ready for the four-year-old twins.

This past year, which will always be remembered for the way our worship was affected by the pandemic, the Leon family has been a big part of the live-stream Mass every Sunday. If you have followed it at home, you know what a beautiful family they are, Dad reading at Mass and Mom singing with her daughter Suzanna, and Isaiah serving. Next week we will give you a fuller account of this family.

*~ Fr. Stephen F. Watson, O.C.D.*



This week, Catholics across the diocese are being asked to make a commitment to support the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. Ministries supported by the appeal have a direct impact on the administration and evangelization efforts at our parish – and all parishes, missions, and communities of our diocese.

Your generous support and participation is critical to the success of the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. Help move us forward in hope as we seek to better embody the Gospel message in our lives. Thank you for your prayers, support and participation!

**Text ACA to 41444 ~ OR ~ visit [www.cathfnd.org/donate](http://www.cathfnd.org/donate)**

Esta semana, los católicos de toda la diócesis responden al llamado a comprometerse para contribuir a la Campaña Católica Anual 2021. Los ministerios que se sustentan de las donaciones que la Campaña recibe tienen un impacto directo en la administración y evangelización de nuestra parroquia y de todas las parroquias, misiones y comunidades de la diócesis.

Su generoso aporte y participación son esenciales para el éxito de la Campaña Católica Anual 2021. Ayúdenos a seguir adelante con esperanza para lograr el propósito de encarnar fielmente el mensaje del Evangelio en nuestra vida.

**Para donar, envíe un mensaje de texto a ACA al 41444 ~ O ~ visite [www.cathfnd.org/donate](http://www.cathfnd.org/donate)**

#### Stations of the Cross

You are invited to join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6:00pm in the church.

#### Villa crucis

Los invitamos a que nos acompañen al villa crucis todos los viernes durante la cuaresma a las 6:00pm en la iglesia.



# Ash

## Wednesday

### Ash Wednesday Schedule 2021

#### Horario Para El Miércoles de Ceniza 2021

\*Ashes will be distributed at all Masses and Liturgies.  
\*La ceniza será distribuida en todas las misas y liturgias.

#### Mass/Misa

*In the church patio*

9:00 am

*School Field*

6:00 pm (English / Español)

Liturgy of the Word / Liturgia de la Palabra

12:00 pm

3:00 pm

*(Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation)*

## Mass Intentions

In Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Ramon A. Mendibles/R.I.P.

Santa Cruz Parishioners  
Special Int./All Bishops  
Special Int./Margaret Unker  
Oscar & Frank Leon/R.I.P.  
Special Int./Ed Predinger

In Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Special Int./Ruby Smith

In Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Special Int./Marri Herzenog

George Arakaki/R.I.P.  
Ignacio & Hilda Vega & Walter Vega/R.I.P.

Sister Barbara, O.C.D./R.I.P.  
Special Int./Cynthia Miley

Special Int./Vincent Dolan  
Conrad & Rosemary Yrigolla/  
45th Wedding Anniversary

FROM THE APOSTOLIC LETTER  
PATRIS CORDE  
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS

*A creatively courageous father*

If the first stage of all true interior healing is to accept our personal history and embrace even the things in life that we did not choose, we must now add another important element: creative courage. This emerges especially in the way we deal with difficulties. In the face of difficulty, we can either give up and walk away, or somehow engage with it. At times, difficulties bring out resources we did not even think we had.

**Parish Collection February 7th, 2021**  
**Collection: \$ 4,681.10**

*Thank you and God bless your generosity!  
¡Gracias y que Dios bendiga su generosidad!*

## Thanking You for Your Service to Our Parish

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger  
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**Business Hours** Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

**Closed for lunch** 12:45pm - 1:45pm

Pastor: Rev. Stephen Watson, O.C.D.  
In Residence: Rev. Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D.  
In Residence: Rev. David Costello, O.C.D.

#### **New Parishioners: Always welcome!**

Please register by using our forms available in our parish office.

~ Masses ~ Note these are suspended during COVID-19

**Sun. 6:30 am, 8 am (Spanish), 10 am, 12 noon, & 6 pm**

Mon. - Fri. 6:30 am & 8:00 am Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)

**Confession:** Sat. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

**Baptisms:** 2nd Sunday of the Month (English) / 4° Domingo del Mes (Español)

**Matrimony:** Please call at least six months in advance.

*Por favor de llamar con seis meses de anticipación.*

Parish Administrative Assistant: Hada Reyes (520) 623-3833  
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