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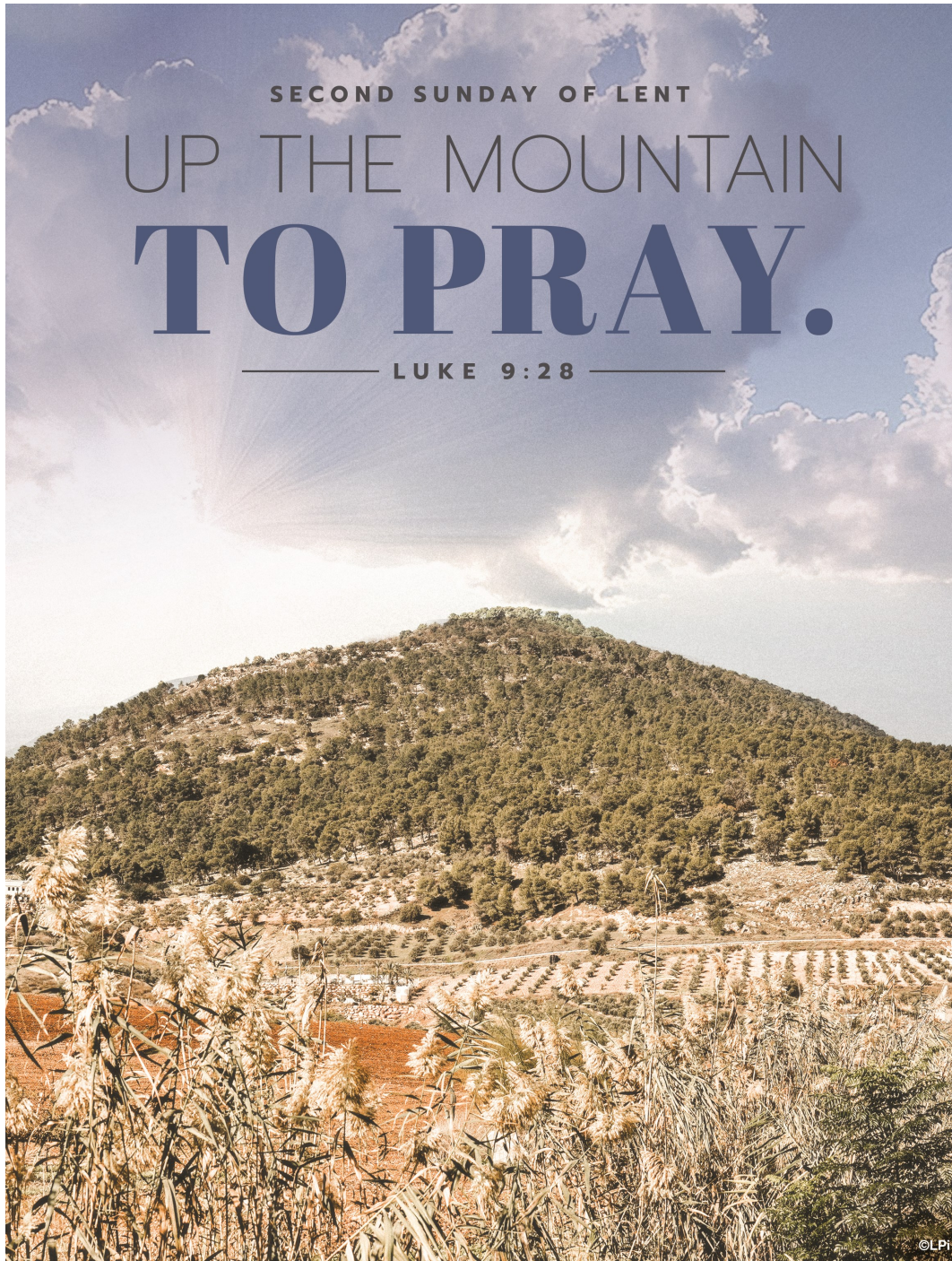
Santa Clara, California

*Second Sunday of Lent*

*March 16, 2025*

*Segundo Domingo de*

*Cuaresma*



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## From Monsignor Fran Cilia

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Writing to the Church at Philippi, Saint Paul offered this hope:

He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord.

On this Second Sunday of Lent, we hear an account of the Lord's Transfiguration. It gave His companions, Peter, James and John, a foreshadowing of Jesus' ultimate triumph over sin and death, which they did not understand, as they did not yet comprehend what it would be to rise from the dead.

For Jesus, the Transfiguration, coming as it does after the first prediction of His Passion, offers consolation and the continued assurance that the Father did not abandon Him.

As we celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at Masses this weekend, the Lord offers the same hope, which He and the apostles received on the Mount of Transfiguration, to our sisters and brothers who suffer from illness or the frailty of age. Whether or not the Sacrament effects physical healing, it offers the hope of a healing of spirit, a remedy to the isolation that is the experience of many who are ill and often isolated.

In this Sacrament, the entire community of faith stands with those who come forward to be anointed. We pray for them and offer the support of those prayers to assure our weaker brothers and sisters that they are not alone.

The formula that is recited by the priest as each person is anointed gives an insight into the purpose of the anointing:

*Through this holy anointing, may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up. Amen*

## Annual Diocesan Appeal: Week 6

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You continue to get us closer to our combined goal of \$200,000 ! Thank you. This past week has seen a few larger gifts, which helped propel us over our diocesan goal (\$112,063). As of Sunday evening, we were at almost \$130,000, from 185 donors.

Many thanks to all who have contributed – according to your means.

We still need more to come forward, with the realization that whatever is raised above our diocesan goal will help the parish in the budgeting process for the coming fiscal year (July 2025-June 2026). Every bit helps.

As we have said in the past, we are not asking for **equal gifts**, but for **equal sacrifice**. Until every household does its fair part of this effort, it will not be a success, for success is not counted only on the amount raised, but by the extent to which we all pitch in to make this possible.

That less than 200 families and households have taken part from the more than 900 that are registered is a sad commentary. We cannot let “them” do the work that belongs to “all of us.”

Please do whatever you can so that we can complete this year's ADA long before we enter Holy Week – Palm Sunday is April 13. Thank you, all.

## LENT AT SAINT CLARE PARISH

### Friday Evenings at Saint Clare

Throughout Lent, we are joining together for Soup Supper and Stations of the Cross. Join us for both or just one of these offerings.



Soup Supper is in the Parish Hall, at 6:30 pm. Bring your own meatless soup, along with the bowls and silverware. If you want, you can bring extra for others to enjoy your culinary talents. The parish will provide bread, butter and simple beverages.

Stations of the Cross (*Via Crucis*) will follow in the church at 7:30 pm, in English and Spanish.

While Lenten prayer and activities are graced in themselves, we are doubly-graced when shared with one another. We look forward to your being with us.

We have scheduled two parish Communal Celebrations of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, at the following times:

Saturday, April 12, at 3:00 pm  
Tuesday, April 15, at 7:00 pm

*Confessions will be available in English, Spanish, Portuguese and a number of other languages.*

### Saint Vincent de Paul Collection: Next Weekend

Although next weekend is only the fourth weekend of the month, we will take up the “Fifth Sunday” collection next weekend, due to the annual Catholic Relief Services collection that is schedule the weekend after next.

Your ongoing gifts toward the work of Saint Vincent de Paul assists our friends who are challenged by current circumstances. Your support of this collection offers invaluable support to many who contact us on a daily basis. Thank you and may God bless you.



PARISH COMMUNITY

## Mass Schedule

### *Weekend Masses*

#### **Saturday Evening Vigil**

5:00 p.m. (*English*)  
*Livestreamed*

#### **Sunday**

7:30 a.m. (*English*)  
9:00 a.m. (*Portuguesa*)  
10:30 a.m. (*English*)  
12:00 p.m. (*Español*)  
*Livestreamed*

*Liturgy of the Word  
for Children during  
10:30 a.m. Mass (English)*

*Liturgia de la Palabra  
para Niños  
durante Misa de  
12:00 p.m. (Español)*

### *Weekday Masses*

Monday-Saturday  
8:00 a.m.  
Holidays - 9:00 am

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays  
3:00 p.m.– 3:30 p.m.  
*(In the church)*

## Parish Staff

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### **Main Office Number**

(408) 248-7786

### **Emergencies (for sick & dying):**

408-248-7786 Follow the prompt,  
then press 9



## Youth Ministry News

Our Confirmation retreat was a great success! Through testimonies, an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass, activities, trust walks, messy games, and so much more, our youth took another step in their journey towards Confirmation and a deeper relationship with God. Please continue to pray for them in their formation.



**Bible study is every week on Tuesday at 8:00pm** in the youth center basement.

Save the Date, June 9-13, for DYR 2025! Registrations coming soon!

**Attention: All Current and Future Liturgical Ministers  
Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers  
and Hospitality Ministers  
Training and Updating ~ March 22 ~ 9:30 am to 12 Noon**

This session is for you if you have been serving at Saint Clare in any liturgical ministry or if you have recently signed up to begin a new ministry or to come back to an old one.

Father Jeff Fernandez, diocesan Director of Liturgy, will be with us for a morning of formation, renewal and preparation to serve our parish liturgical assemblies. As we continue our efforts to be a welcoming parish community, it is a good time to come together so that we are all “on the same page.” We will conclude with some practical training for each ministry.

We will gather in the church at 9:15 am on Saturday, March 22, for a little hospitality in the vestibule of the church, and begin the session promptly at 9:30. Please let Lucy Silva ([dlsilva@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dlsilva@sbcglobal.net)) know that you will be with us.

**Boletim Paroquial Português**  
**16 de Março de 2025; Domingo II da Quaresma**  
**Reflexão Por: João Pereira Arruda**

A Transfiguração de Jesus é um momento de comunhão entre Ele e Deus. No Tabor, a transfiguração revela o mistério da sua crucificação e glorificação futura, mostrando a manifestação de Deus. A presença de Moisés e Elias juntamente com Jesus, representa a totalidade da revelação do Antigo Testamento com a Lei e os Profetas. Tanto Elias como Moisés tiveram enquanto vivos encontros com Deus no Monte do Sinai e agora com Jesus como mensageiro de Deus. Assim como o Tabor marcou os corações de Pedro, Tiago e João, também somos convidado a experimentar a beleza e a alegria da transfiguração de Jesus. A transfiguração mostra-nos que a vida da cruz conduz-nos à glória, e que a visão de Cristo transfigurado revela, não apenas a Sua divindade mas também o esplendor final de cada crente redimido na cruz de Cristo. A transfiguração de Jesus aponta para a ressurreição como o fim do nosso caminho, uma antecipação da Páscoa. Assim como os Apóstolos viram a glória de Jesus, somos chamados a aceitar a cruz diariamente e a seguir-Lo até ao fim. Não se chega à glória sem passar pela cruz. A voz do Pai celeste valida Jesus como o Seu Filho amado, motivando-nos a seguir o caminho cristão, fé e generosidade. A Voz do Pai proclama Jesus como a Palavra a ser ouvida. É essencial escutar Jesus para viver para viver a Sua mensagem de salvação. Ao seguir-Lo, seguimos o caminho da verdade que leva a vida eterna.

**Continuando com o historial do quinquagésimo aniversário da Comunidade Paroquial Portuguesa na paróquia de Saint Clare's e depois do padre Meira regressar a Portugal, João Arruda recebeu instruções de fazer o planeamento desta devoção. Por este tempo já se fazia as estações nas línguas: inglês, Português, Espanhol e mandarim. Criou-se um sistema rotativo para cada estação ser feita nesta quatro línguas, por ser muito longa mudou-se para um sistema de todas as estações serem feitas em inglês e numa outra das restantes três línguas. Ainda no tempo do padre Meira a Sociedade Filarmónica União Portuguesa de Santa Clara começou a dar mais dignidade com a sua música apropriada para as procissões do Senhor dos Passos ou as do Enterro do Senhor que se faziam nos Açores o que ainda acrescentava mais gente a esta procissão. Também com a vida do último pastor jesuíta padre John Martin que autorizou que o Crucifixo grande saísse em procissão. Esta intervenção do pastor foi muito bem aceite pela multidão que era monitorizada por leigos da nossa comunidade que zelosamente os que a carregavam essa cruz num andor especialmente feita para essa cruz eram mudados em cada estação. Infelizmente por queixas feitas por residentes no giro do caminho que envolve a Mission Library tivemos que criar espaço para que esta devoção continua a ser feita todas as Sextas Feiras Santas. Certo é que através de todos esses anos a nossa comunidade Paroquial tem estado activamente na promoção desta devoção e tem se adaptado às instruções de cada pastor que vem servir a nossa paróquia porque o essencial é dar continuidade a esta devoção muito apropriada do Tríduo Pascal e muito querida da nossa comunidade que vê nesta devoção um meio de acompanhar Jesus na sua paixão e no Seu caminhar com a cruz às costas. Essa devoção dá a cada um de nós de ponderar o imenso amor de Jesus Cristo por cada um de nós que sofreu e teve morte de cruz para nos remir do pecado. (Mais em próximos boletins)**

**Um Santo e Alegre Domingo para todos!!**



PARISH COMMUNITY

**Parish Organizations**  
**Organizaciones Parroquiales**

**Parish Pastoral Council**

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## Stewardship Report

### Collection:

March 8th and 9th

Goal: \$10,100.00

Actual: \$23,068.90

**Black and Indian Home Missions:**

\$1,482.00

**Thank You Very Much!**

### SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Scan one of the QR codes for direct and safe way to donate.



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

### Daily Mass Readings



#### Sunday:

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1; Luke 9:28b-36

#### Monday:

Daniel 9:4b-10; Luke 6:36-38

#### Tuesday:

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12

#### Wednesday:

2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a

#### Thursday:

Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31

#### Friday:

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

#### Saturday:

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

#### Next Sunday:

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12; Luke 13:1-9



## Parish Mission Statement

*Founded in 1777, Saint Clare Parish is an ethnically diverse Catholic community of faith, united in worship, discipleship and service. In welcoming immigrants, newcomers and strangers, we strive to live the virtues of justice and love, so as to be the face of Christ in the world, becoming in Him a sign of unity and an instrument of God's peace.*

### Mass Intentions

March 15-22, 2025

Sat	5:00 pm	Benito and Aurora Galam †
Sun	7:30 am	Saint Clare Parishioners
	9:00 am	Manuel and Cristina Jeronimo † Jose and Vidalia Gaspar Rocha † Manuel Sardinha † Ernesto Gonsalves † João Silva † Balbina and Jose Silveira † Jose Mendonça † Mildred Golis † João Rita Fontes † João Viera Bettencourt † Anibal Coelho † In honor of Saint Joseph
	10:30 am	Paul Dean Fulhorst †
	12:00 pm	Ida López– Salud Claudia Luera– Salud y Trabajo Emmett Gutierrez– Intencion Ana Victoria Jaramillo †
Mon	8:00 am	Rogelio Abragan †
Tues	8:00 am	Linda Austin †
Wed	8:00 am	Ariel C. Tungol †
Thu	8:00 am	The Peters Family
Fri	8:00 am	The Brady Family
Sat	8:00 am	Maria Adelina and Jose Furtado Pereira Sr †





# Saint Clare School

Our diocesan schools are in the midst of one of our busiest times of the year. Catholic high school admissions decisions will be released on Friday. Saint Clare School's 8th grade students are waiting expectantly for the results of their applications. With exceedingly few exceptions, Saint Clare can proudly say that those who apply will be accepted by at least one Catholic high school. Whether attending one of our strong public schools or our rigorous Catholic high schools, Saint Clare students leave us ready for the next phase of their academic journey. The faculty and staff are proud of each and every one of them.

April 8th is Transitional Kindergarten through 2nd grade information night. In order to qualify for TK, your young one must be at least 4 years old by September 1st. Please join our teachers and administrators to learn more about the foundational years at Saint Clare School. Our instruction in these primary grades focuses on the whole child, helping them learn and grow socially, emotionally, academically, and in faith. The foundational skills developed in grades TK-2 are the cornerstone of development going forward.



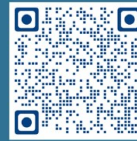
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- Community

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# SAINT CLARE PARISH Catechists Needed!

Calling all potential Catechist  
and Catechetical Assistants.

For more information contact:  
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MARCH 22ND FROM 10AM-12PM  
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**Consider teaching in Catholic schools!**

Catholic elementary and high schools are hiring  
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recruiting parishioners, parents of Catholic school  
students, and/or second-career folks to fill those  
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They are available both in English  
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I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name on it that you slide under the door.

I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights.

I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.

These cards are available to citizens and noncitizens alike.



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# 40 HOURS FOR THE LORD

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS  
Will you spend an hour with Jesus?

**MAY 16-18, 2025**

St. Martin Parish, Sunnyvale

## PARISHES PARTICIPATING

### MAY 16, FRIDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:00 PM - ST. CYPRIAN
- 10:00 PM - SANTA TERESA
- 11:00 PM - ST. JOHN VIANNEY

### MAY 18, SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 12:00 AM - ST. MARIA GORETTI & HOLY KOREAN MARTYRS
- 1:00 AM - ST. FRANCES CABBINI & SAN JOSE CHINESE CATHOLIC MISSION
- 2:00 AM - ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO & BROTHER ALBERT POLISH MISSION
- 3:00 AM - ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
- 4:00 AM - ST. CHRISTOPHER & ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
- 5:00 AM - ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
- 6:00 AM - ST. JULIE BILLIART
- 7:00 AM - ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - LOS GATOS
- 8:00 AM - ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
- 9:00 AM - MOST HOLY TRINITY
- 10:00 AM - CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION
- 11:00 AM - OUR LADY OF REFUGE

### OPENING MASS

With Fr. Eric Piczon  
Friday, May 16, 7:00 pm  
followed by a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament

### CLOSING MASS

with Bishop Oscar Cantú  
Sunday, May 18, 12:00 pm



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### MAY 17, SATURDAY SCHEDULE

- 12:00 AM - OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
- 1:00 AM - SACRED HEART OF JESUS
- 2:00 AM - OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
- 3:00 AM - ST. MARTIN, SUNNYVALE
- 4:00 AM - HOLY CROSS & ST. ELIZABETH
- 5:00 AM - OUR LADY OF LA VANG
- 6:00 AM - OUR LADY OF PEACE
- 7:00 AM - ST. THOMAS AQUINAS, OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY & ST. ALBERT THE GREAT
- 8:00 AM - ST. NICHOLAS & ST. WILLIAM
- 9:00 AM - ST. ATHANASIUS & ST. MARY, GILROY
- 10:00 AM - ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA
- 11:00 AM - ST. LAWRENCE THE MARTYR
- 12:00 PM - ST. SIMON & CHRIST THE KING
- 1:00 PM - CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
- 2:00 PM - CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. JOSEPH & ST. LEO
- 3:00 PM - ST. JUSTIN
- 4:00 PM - ST. CLARE & CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION
- 5:00 PM - ST. LUCY & FIVE WOUNDS
- 6:00 PM - HOLY FAMILY
- 7:00 PM - HOLY SPIRIT & QUEEN OF APOSTLES
- 8:00 PM - SACRED HEART, SARATOGA
- 9:00 PM - ST. JOSEPH, MOUNTAIN VIEW
- 10:00 PM - ST. THOMAS CANTERBURY & ST. ANTHONY
- 11:00 PM - ST. VICTOR

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# DYR

## DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREAT

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JUNE 9-13, 2025

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Este Sabado 22 de Marzo del 2025  
de 6:30 pm. A 10:00 pm.

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Santa Clara ca. 95050



Ven y acompaña a Jesús Eucaristía.  
El te Espera para que le entregues tus cargas. No faltes 6-30 pm

Tendremos adoracion cada  
4to. Sabado de cada mes.

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760 557-9149

Roselia Pineda  
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Lina Velasquez  
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## De Monseñor Fran Cilia

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Escribiendo a la Iglesia de Filipos, San Pablo ofreció esta esperanza:

Él transformará nuestro cuerpo de humillación en un cuerpo glorioso suyo, mediante el poder que le permite también someter todas las cosas a sí mismo.

Por tanto, hermanos míos, a quienes amo y anhelo, mi alegría y mi corona, permanezcan así firmes en el Señor.

En este segundo domingo de Cuaresma, escuchamos el relato de la Transfiguración del Señor. Esta brindó a sus compañeros, Pedro, Santiago y Juan, un anticipo del triunfo definitivo de Jesús sobre el pecado y la muerte, algo que no entendían, pues aún no comprendían lo que sería resucitar de entre los muertos.

Para Jesús, la Transfiguración, al ocurrir después de la primera predicción de su Pasión, ofrece consuelo y la certeza constante de que el Padre no lo abandonó.

Al celebrar el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos en las Misas de este fin de semana, el Señor ofrece la misma esperanza que Él y los apóstoles recibieron en el Monte de la Transfiguración a nuestros hermanos y hermanas que sufren enfermedades o la fragilidad de la edad. Independientemente de si el Sacramento produce sanación física o no, ofrece la esperanza de una sanación espiritual, un remedio al aislamiento que experimentan muchos enfermos y a menudo aislados.

En este Sacramento, toda la comunidad de fe acompaña a quienes se acercan para ser ungidos. Oramos por ellos y ofrecemos el apoyo de esas oraciones para asegurarles a nuestros hermanos y hermanas más débiles que no están solos.

La fórmula que recita el sacerdote al ungir a cada persona da una idea del propósito de la unción:

*Por esta santa unción y por su bondadosa misericordia,  
te ayude el Señor con la gracia del Espíritu Santo. Amén.*

*Para que, libre de tus pecados  
te conceda la consolación y te conforte in tu enfermedad. Amén.*

### Campaña Anual Diocesana : Semana #6

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¡Seguimos acercándonos a nuestra meta combinada de \$200,000! Gracias. La semana pasada recibimos algunas donaciones mayores, lo que nos ayudó a superar nuestra meta diocesana (\$112,063). Hasta el domingo por la noche, habíamos alcanzado casi \$130,000, provenientes de 185 donantes.

Muchas gracias a todos los que han contribuido, según sus posibilidades.

Aún necesitamos más donaciones, conscientes de que lo que se recaude por encima de nuestra meta diocesana ayudará a la parroquia en el proceso de presupuesto para el próximo año fiscal (julio de 2025 a junio de 2026). Toda contribución cuenta.

Como ya hemos dicho, no pedimos **donaciones iguales**, sino **sacrificios iguales**. Hasta que cada hogar no haga su parte justa en este esfuerzo, no será un éxito, ya que el éxito no se mide solo por la cantidad recaudada, sino por la medida en que todos contribuyamos para hacerlo posible.

Es triste que hayan participado menos de 200 familias y hogares de los más de 900 registrados. No podemos dejar que "ellos" hagan el trabajo que nos corresponde a "todos".

Por favor, hagan todo lo posible para que podamos completar la ADA de este año mucho antes de que entremos en Semana Santa, el Domingo de Ramos es el 13 de abril. Gracias a todos.

# CUARESMA EN LA PARROQUIA DE SAINT CLARE

## Viernes por la noche en Santa Clara

Durante la Cuaresma, nos reuniremos para la Cena de Sopa y el Vía Crucis. Únase a nosotros para ambas o solo una de estas ofrendas.

La Cena de Sopa se llevará a cabo en el Salón Parroquial, a las 6:30 p. m. Traiga su propia sopa sin carne, junto con sus tazones y los cubiertos. Si lo desea, puede traer mas sopa para que otros disfruten de sus talentos culinarios. La parroquia proporcionará pan, mantequilla y bebidas sencillas.



El Vía Crucis se llevará a cabo en la iglesia a las 7:30 p. m., en inglés y español.

Si bien la oración y las actividades de Cuaresma son una gracia en sí mismas, somos doblemente agradecidos cuando las compartimos unos con otros. Esperamos contar con su presencia.

Hemos programado dos **Celebraciones Comunitarias del Sacramento de la Reconciliación** en la parroquia, en los siguientes horarios:

Sábado 12 de abril, a las 3:00 pm

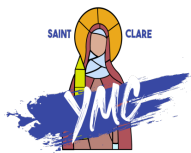
Martes 15 de abril, a las 7:00 pm

*Las confesiones estarán disponibles en inglés, español, portugués y en varios otros idiomas.*

## Colecta de San Vicente de Paúl: Próximo Fin de Semana

Aunque el próximo fin de semana es solo el cuarto fin de semana del mes, realizaremos la colecta del "Quinto Domingo" el próximo fin de semana, debido a la colecta anual de *Catholic Relief Services* programada para el fin de semana siguiente.

Sus constantes donaciones a la obra de San Vicente de Paúl ayudan a nuestros amigos que enfrentan dificultades debido a las circunstancias actuales. Su apoyo a esta colecta es un apoyo invaluable para quienes nos contactan a diario. Gracias y que Dios los bendiga.



## Noticias de Ministerio de Adolescentes

¡Nuestro retiro de Confirmación fue todo un éxito! Gracias a los testimonios, la oportunidad de recibir el Sacramento de la Reconciliación, la Misa, actividades, caminatas de confianza, juegos y mucho más, nuestros jóvenes dieron un paso más en su camino hacia la Confirmación y una relación más profunda con Dios. Por favor, sigan orando por ellos en su formación.

El estudio bíblico se realiza todos los martes a las 8:00 p. m. en el sótano del centro juvenil.

¡Reserven la fecha del 9 al 13 de junio para el Retiro Juvenil Diocesano 2025! ¡Las inscripciones estarán disponibles próximamente!



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Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

*Nuestra más cordial bienvenida a todos los que están celebrando con nosotros, ya sea que han estado por largo tiempo o estén recién llegados a la parroquia. Damos gracias a Dios por ustedes. Si aún no está registrado, por favor, llene este formulario y póngalo en la canasta de la coleta o mándelo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.*

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