

Saint Raphael Church

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Parish Office

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Masses

Monday to Friday/Lunes a Viernes: 8:00 am
Wednesday and Friday/Miércoles y Viernes: 12:05 pm
Saturdays/Sábados: 5:30 pm Vigil
Sundays/Domingos: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am,
12:30 pm Español; 5:30 pm Life Teen Mass

Holy Days/Special Observances

Schedule of Holy Days varies.

Confessions

Saturdays/Sábados: 4:00-5:00 pm

Exposition

First Friday of every month, 24 Hours.
Primer viernes del mes, 24 horas.

LifeTeen & Confirmation

John Vasellina	Youth Minister	964-3466 x1
Claudia Renteria	Assoc Youth Minister	964-3466 x2

Fourth Sunday of Lent

For God So Loved the World

Today's Gospel contains the best known and most often quoted passage in the New Testament. Who has not seen John 3:16 at a televised sporting event? Who has not heard and read the familiar and comforting words?

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Like an old song or a soft blanket, the words comfort us.

The Rest of the Story

But the rest of the Gospel verses are not so familiar — or so comforting: "Whoever does not believe has already been condemned" (*John 3:18*). Do my doubts condemn me? Just how strong is my faith? "People preferred darkness to light because their works were evil" (*John 3:19*). Can I justify my lifestyle when the world's children are starving? "For everyone who does wicked things hates the light" (*John 3:20*). What have I done that I don't want others to know about? Why do I look the other way when people or governments act unethically or immorally?

The image of Moses holding up the bronze serpent is a stark reminder of the purpose of the Crucifixion. The Son of Man will be "lifted up" — but first he will suffer a painful death on the cross. We are saved through his suffering love — if we will let him love us. "Whoever lives the truth comes to the light" (*John 3:21*). To "live the truth" is to accept ourselves as we are — good, bad, and ugly. Love can only enter when our defenses are down. Jesus does not condemn; we condemn ourselves by our non-belief in our own essential goodness. It's an internal condemnation removed only by his gift — the gift of love. Jesus is love. We are saved by love. We save others through love. Love is the only thing worth living — or dying — for.

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Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny
 Monday: St. Toribio de Mogrovejo
 Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord
 Friday: Abstinence

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent.
 English (5:30 pm) and Spanish at
 7:00 pm, in the church.



Communal Responsibility

The people of God forgot the covenant and flouted God's laws. They did not listen to the prophets among them, who spoke for God in warning them. Prophets are sent from God to remind us why we are here, but they are often, even in our own time, mocked, disregarded, and mistreated, rather than thanked and listened to.

The book of Chronicles tells the results of these sins: the destruction of the Temple and all of Jerusalem, murder, mayhem, and finally exile to a foreign land. Why are these stories in the Bible? Just to inform us of what happened to our ancient forebears? What good would that be unless there were a message and a warning for us as well? Are we people who follow the teachings of God, who obey the words of Christ in the second covenant in his blood? Or do we continue to wreak works of darkness and violence? We are reminded by these readings that we will be judged as a people, not just as individuals.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people (*2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23*) or *1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a*.

Psalms — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (*Psalms 137*) or *Psalms 23*.

Second Reading — Though dead in your transgressions, by grace you have been saved (*Ephesians 2:4-10*) or *Ephesians 5:8-14*.

Gospel — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (*John 3:14-21*) or *John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]*.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Parish Community News

~ Parish Lenten Penitential Service ~

Monday, **March 23**, 7:00 pm
in the church
We will have several visiting priests

Please Note — There will be **NO** Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on Saturday, **March 28**

Fifth Sunday Collection Next Weekend — St. Vincent de Paul Society members will be accepting your donations at the Fifth Sunday Collection after all Masses on Saturday **March 28** and Sunday, **March 29**. All of your contributions will help the needy in our community. Thank you!

Lenten Fish Fry's — Knights of Columbus Council 5300 will be hosting Lenten Fish Fry's on **each** of the six **Friday** evenings during Lent (no Fish Fry on Good Friday). Serving begins at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Take-out meals are available. Cost is only \$9. Children under 12 only \$3. Enjoy one of the best fish dinners you can get in Southern California! Proceeds support the charitable works of the Council.

St. Raphael Preschool: Fall 2009 — We welcome parishioners with children ages 2.9 to 5 years of age for Fall of 2009. For more information about this program, please call Jo Bittner at **967-4435**.

Thank You — On behalf of the Saint Raphael Guadalupanos Group, we want to thank our pastor, Father Bruce Correio, our Associate Pastor, Father Mark Strader, and the Parish Staff for all their support. We also want to thank the Parish community for their loyal support, especially with our BBQs. Financially, the Guadalupanos are in good shape and we are going to give back some of your support to areas of the Parish community that we feel need it the most. We are going to donate \$ 2,000 to the Building Fund. We are going to donate \$1,500.00 to the St. Raphael Chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help out people that are going through hard times. We are also going to donate \$500 to the St. Raphael Youth Ministry programs to continue evangelizing the youth of our Parish. By donating these funds that you helped to raise, we derive more energy to continue working harder on our upcoming events. On **April 19** and **June 7**, starting at 9:00 am, we will have our famous chicken and tri-tip BBQs. The Guadalupanos will keep you up-to-date on future events and we look forward to your loyal support! Thank you again. [Carlos C. Valenzuela, President, Los Guadalupanos]

More Parish Community News on Page Four!

This Week at St. Raphael Church

Sunday, March 22

Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

Monday, March 23

Lenten Penitential Service, Church, 7:00 pm
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, Conf. Rm., 2:00 pm
Confirmation "Spirit Night", Parish Hall, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, March 24

Spanish Bible Study, PC, Multipurp. Rm., 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 25

Adult Bible Study, PC, Rm. A/B, 10:00 am
Religious Education (English), 6:00 pm
St. Joseph's Men's Prayer Group, Church, 6:30 pm
Praise & Worship Group, Conf. Rm., 7:30 pm
Lenten Bible Study, Parish Hall, 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 26

Rosary & Divine Mercy Prayer Group, Church,
8:30 am

Friday, March 27

Bereavement Group, PC, Rm. B, 10:00 am
Stations of the Cross, Church, 5:30 pm (English)
and 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Fish Fry, Parish Hall, 6:00 pm
Grupo de Oración, PC, Rm. A/B, 7:00 pm
Adult Confirmation, Parish Library, 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 28

No Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) today
SVDP Fifth Sunday Collection, after all Masses
Religious Education (Bilingual), 9:00 am

Sunday, March 29

SVDP Fifth Sunday Collection, after all Masses
Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

PC=Parish Center

Easter Food Drive

The St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Raphael Chapter, will be collecting food for the needy during all the Masses on **April 4** and **5**. There will also be food collection on Monday, **April 6** and Tuesday, **April 7** in the **Parish Office** from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. We accept all foods and perishable items. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you!

Parish Community News

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Bereavement — We have been wanting to begin anew with a bereavement group. And a very special thank you to several people who came forward with materials, helpful and constructive discussions, guidance, and history as we made our way through the ideas and planning stages. We are now ready to begin!

We are very happy to announce a new bereavement workshop beginning this month. The workshop will be 9 meetings happening over a span of 12 weeks. Our first series of workshops will be co-facilitated by Gabriela Dodson from Hospice of Santa Barbara, and Noël Fuentes, who will continue the program with new workshops thereafter.

The dynamic format of these workshops will be prayerful, filled with the rich traditions of our Catholic faith, and the wisdom of the Archdiocesan Bereavement program along with some other very fine resources. Activities, sharing, and support will provide an atmosphere where people can learn about their grief and hopefully gain some tools to take with them into their future.

This **first series** of workshops will be on **Fridays** from 10:00 am to 11:30 am in the Parish Center, Room B. We will meet on **March 27, April 3, April 10, May 1, May 8, May 15, June 5, June 12, and June 19**. The ideal number of people per workshop will be 8 to 12 participants. Please contact Noël at **683-9090 x7** to hold your place.

Lay Preaching — We have finally received clarification regarding lay preaching regulations (Canon Law 766) for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles from Cardinal Roger Mahony. In the Cardinal's memo addressed to Pastors, Administrators, Parish Life Directors, Pastoral Associates, and University Chaplains, Cardinal Mahony clearly stated, "...the lay person may offer words of reflection on the Scripture readings at a time other than the time reserved for the homily, most probably after Communion." We regret any confusion in the past that lay preaching may have caused and are very happy to have this clear guideline going forward.

Together In Mission 2009 — Together in Mission provides substantial financial support to 35 parishes and 48 schools in our Archdiocese. These parishes and schools provide education, ministry and a Catholic presence for tens of thousands of people. Together in Mission provides an opportunity to show our concern for those served by the parishes and schools that need your financial support. Our 2009 goal is \$84,097.69. As always, what you give should be given in gratitude for what God has given to you. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

Mass Intentions

March 21, 2009 — March 27, 2009

Mar 21 Sat	Vigil 5:30 pm	Our Parish Community
Mar 22 Sun	7:30 am	Socorro Galan Cedillo (D)
	9:30 am	Robert & Rita Duley (L)
	11:00 am	Ray Manning (D)
	12:30 pm	Dolores Nungaray (D)
	5:30 pm	Bob Nilsson (D)
Mar 23 Mon	8:00 am	Katie Lynn MacDonald (D)
Mar 24 Tues	8:00 am	Maria Wong (D)
Mar 25 Wed	8:00 am	Maria A. Martinez (D)
	12:05 pm	Mario Quevedo (D)
Mar 26 Thu	8:00 am	John Vasellina, Sr. (L)
Mar 27 Fri	8:00 am	Peace—especially in the Middle East
	12:05 pm	Joel Wenzinger (D)

Devotions

Circle of St. Therese Women's Apostolate —

Monthly fellowship and prayer. Contact Lisa at **967-2152**.

Disalced Carmelites Secular Order —

Usually meets 2nd Saturday of the month at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, 9:30 am. Call Reid or Nancy at **681-7150**.

Divine Mercy Group —

Meets monthly at 7:00 pm in the church. Next meeting is **Tuesday, April 21**. Please note: the meeting will be on Monday instead of Tuesday in May. Contact Martha at **964-4945**.

Grupo de Oración —

Fridays in the Parish Center, Rm. B, 7:00 pm.

"Intercessors of the Lamb" Prayer Group —

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center Lounge. Contact Cecilia Marks at **968-6008** for more information.

Lay Apostle Prayer Group — Monthly "Hour of Holiness" (silence and rosary). Contact Cindy at **967-4511**.

Praise & Worship — Wednesdays in the Conference Room, 7:30 pm.

Rosary Group — Thursdays in the Crying Room, after 8:00 am Mass.

St. Joseph Men's Prayer Group — Wednesdays, in the church, 6:30 pm.

Sister Mina's Bible Study

We are studying the Gospel According to John. Class usually meets on Wednesdays (except the third Wednesday of the month), 10:00 am to 11:30 am in Room A/B of the Parish Center. The next meeting is **March 25**. New members welcome.

Saint Raphael School
"From The Principal's Desk"

Lenten Activities

Students sacrifice with monetary donations to Holy Childhood Association for underprivileged children.

Live Stations of the Cross narrated and performed by the 8th grade in the Church at 1:15 pm on the following Fridays: **March 27** and **April 3**.

On Thursday, **April 9**, at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall, our 7th grade students will reenact the Last Supper

Outdoor Camp — Our 6th graders will be attending Outdoor Camp **March 30**.

Science Fair — Our school science fair will take place on Monday, **April 6** in the Parish Hall and the KK-3 classrooms. The event begins at 6:00 pm. All grades will be participating.

Protecting Our Children

Report Inappropriate or Illegal Content on the Internet

One of the main reasons that children do not report the inappropriate content they find online is fear of punishment from parents. If you let them know that it is not their fault if they come across an inappropriate site, they will be more willing to come to you when it happens. If your children ever show you a site that contains illegal behavior, such as pornographic images of children, contact your Internet service provider and the CyberTipline at www.cybertipline.com.

For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at **(213) 637-7650**.

Food Items Needed by Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities provides supplemental food **all year long** to those in need. You can help by donating items that will provide "Healthy Staple Foods": Canned peas, corn, string beans, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, peaches. Rice, dried pinto beans, canned pinto beans, boxed macaroni and cheese, bran cereal, bran flake cereal, oatmeal, low-sugar juices i.e. apple, cranberry etc., peanut butter (creamy), light tuna (in water), Top Ramen™, Cup of Noodles™, pasta, sauce.

Thank You!



Sociable Seniors

There will be no Sociable Seniors meeting in March. Our next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, **April 15**. Check upcoming bulletins

for details. Questions? Call Bea at **964-2431**.

The Senior Travelers

Upcoming Trips

PCPA Santa Maria:

April 22: Les Miserables. Bus/show/dinner. \$69 pp, (needed to be paid in full by March 10).

July 29: Music Man. Pay in full by June 10.

Make checks payable to *St. Raphael Sociable Seniors*.

Branson. September 1-9. 25 people required. Call Joan for more information.

Important! — Two waivers per person are required for all participants on trips. This is an Archdiocesan requirement. **These waivers must be submitted at the time of payment.** No checks or reservations will be accepted unless the two signed waivers are included.

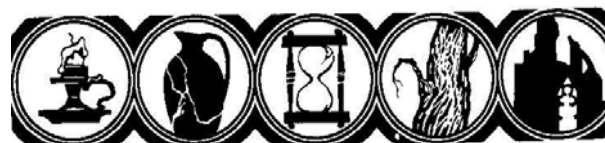
It is the Sociable Seniors policy to offer these trips to active members. Additional space, when available, can be offered to family members and friends.

If you have suggestions for trips, need info, or to request a newsletter, please call **Joan Magenheimer, 967-5444**. Leave your name and phone number; please speak slowly and clearly! Thank you.

Eucharistic Adoration

~Please Note Changes During Lent~

Please join us on **Friday, April 3** (and every first Friday of the month). The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at **9:00 pm** on Friday, **April 3** (later start time due to Stations of the Cross scheduled during Lent), until Solemn Benediction at 8:00 am on Saturday, April 4. If you sign up for a Holy Hour, it is important that you come at your committed time. For more information, please call **967-7391**.



Parish Office and Catholic Community News

Parish Staff and Office Hours — The Parish Staff is usually available to serve you during the following hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30-11:30 am/ 12:30-7:30 pm, Friday: 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-5:00 pm, Saturday: 9:00 am-2:00 pm; Sunday: 8:30 am-2:00 pm. After hours **emergency** pager: 897-6371.

Room Scheduling Procedure — Requests for room space at St. Raphael are accepted **in writing** on the forms available in the Parish Office. Requests are processed one day a week (on Mondays).

2008 Donation Statements

Many of you need your donation records for 2008 for tax purposes. We will be glad to help out. However, due to our current under-staffing, we will only be providing statements to those who request them. To request your statement, please call Maria in the Parish Office with your name and envelope number, if available. We will only be printing and mailing statements once a week, so it is important that you call as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience.

Building Fund for Saint Raphael Parish

A Building Fund was established in May 2008 to cover several parish improvement projects (new school roof, school fumigation, property line fence, and parking lot repairs), which will cost nearly \$300,000.

As of 2/28/09, we have collected **\$144,847.01**, which includes \$30,000 from the Saint Raphael School Development Committee. All money collected is considered restricted for these projects only and will remain at Saint Raphael's. In this economy, everything seems to be pulling at us from all directions. Please consider this important need and pray about how you may be able to help.

**** Please remember to use a yellow Building Fund envelope available in the vestibule of the church and to write "Building Fund" on the memo line of your check. ****

Thank you for your prayers and for your generosity.

Need help?

Call St. Vincent de Paul: **683-8535**.

"Praise and Worship Celebration" — Monday, **March 23**, 7:00 pm, at Holy Cross Parish Hall. St. Raphael's Praise and Worship Prayer Group and the Santa Barbara Area Catholic Prayer Groups invite you to this area-wide Charismatic Prayer Meeting. Guest speaker will be Sister Pauline of the Immaculate Heart Community. For more information contact, Phil/Chris Luna at **962-1438**. Love offering will be taken. Refreshments will be provided.

Silent Holy Week Retreat — The priests of Mile Christi are holding a 4-Day silent retreat for women **April 8 -12** at the Santa Barbara Mission Retreat Center. There will be ten talks on the "Spiritual Exercises" of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Cost includes all talks, room and meals. For more information, please contact Christine at **(209) 357-0128**.

Transition House Auxiliary's Mad Hatter Luncheon "Hattitude on Parade". Wednesday, **April 22**, 11:30 am at Fess Parker's Doubletree Resort, 633 E. Cabrillo Blvd. Fashion show, prizes (including a \$1,000 Nordstrom's Shopping Spree), silent auction, and more. Cost: \$90. For information, call Gayla at **682-6516**.

Sacred Heart Retreat Camp — Family Camp : **June 25-28** or **July 2-5**. Girl's Camp: **July 12-19** or **July 26-August 2**. Staffed by the Sacred Heart Sisters in Big Bear Lake. Call **(909) 866-5696** for brochure and registration forms. Spaces are limited! You can also sponsor a child or family.

Weekend College — The Weekend College at Mount St. Mary's College in downtown Los Angeles has information for people interested in completing their Bachelor's Degree. Visit www.weekendcollege.org. **(213) 477-2866**.

Marriage Encounter — For more info or to sign up, call **(805) 648-4244**, email info@wwme-la-north.org, or visit www.wwme-la-north.org.

Catholic Counseling — Sliding scale fee based on family income. For more information, call **965-7045 x102** (English) and **extension 114** for Bilingual-Spanish.

Life Network — Pregnancy options, counseling, post-abortion support groups, parenting and adoption support. All info is free and confidential. Call **967-9096**.

Early Deadline for Easter Bulletin

The company that prints the Parish Bulletin will be giving time off to their employees during Easter Week. Please submit your items for the Easter (April 12) bulletin no later than Noon on **Monday, March 30**. Thank you!

Saint Raphael Youth Ministry

St. Raphael's "Teen" Confirmation Program

This program takes two years to complete. Both years, the candidates meet in small groups taught by adult and peer leaders. This approach teaches the candidates more about their faith while letting them explore their own spirituality. Classes meet monthly from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Candidates are also required to attend "Large Group Gathering" nights with their sponsor. These are held four times a year, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. For information, call John, **964-3466 x1**, or email: srym12@yahoo.com.



The Edge — 7th and 8th Grade Youth Ministry — Junior High students are perched on the edge of many changes in their lives. We want every Junior High student to have the opportunity to be "plugged-in" to a solid Catholic Church program that supports and fosters their spiritual, social and emotional growth. The Edge usually meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm. The EDGE starts in October and is open to all 7th and 8th grade students. Call **964-3466 x1**.

The Youth Ministry is looking for adult and young adult leaders to help with our Jr. High (7th and 8th grade) program, "The EDGE" which meets twice a month, typically on the first and third Thursday of the month from October to May. To volunteer, call John at **964-3466 x1**.

XLT — We are all searching for truth. We are all searching for love. We are all searching for Jesus! **XLT** is a powerful "praise experience" attended by high school teens and adults from parishes all around Santa Barbara. Encounter the living Christ through praise, fellowship, inspiring talks, and His True Presence in Eucharistic Adoration. Parish Center, Rm. A/B, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, after 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass. **Dates will be announced in advance.**

Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-26)

For info about the Young Adults Group, contact Phyllis at **692-1546**.



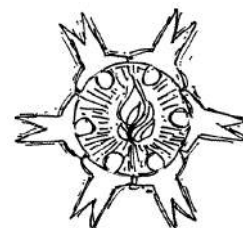
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

LIFE TEEN® Mass — All High School teens are invited to celebrate the Eucharist in this special Liturgy geared toward young people. The goal is to bring teens closer to Christ through Jesus in the Eucharist. People of all ages are invited to join us at 5:15 pm for Praise and Worship. LIFE TEEN® Mass is every Sunday evening, 5:30 pm. High School Life Night immediately follows.

Life Nights for High School Teens grades 9-12 — This group meets every Sunday evening, 7:15 pm to 9:00 pm after the LIFE TEEN® Mass. It gives teens an environment in which to explore their faith and nurture their relationship with God. A typical session includes ice-breaker games, activities, discussions centered on the night's topic, and prayer. For info, call John at the Youth Ministry Office, **964-3466 x1**, or email srym12@yahoo.com.

Please Pass the Mustard — The Sunday Night High School Life Night needs people to provide food for about 75 people. Please consider signing up for once a month or however often you can help! Food is eaten after the 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass, and meals can be very simple. Call John at **964-3466 x1** for more information. Thank you!

You Can Help Our Teens! — Friends of LIFE TEEN is a group of people who have become donors for the High School LIFE TEEN and Youth Ministry programs. These individuals have chosen our LIFE TEEN program as an organization worth donating to (above and beyond their regular contribution to the church). If you are interested in finding out more about Friends of LIFE TEEN or would like to become a donor, call Mike Murphy at **453-7242**.



¡Gracias!

Los Guadalupanos de San Rafael queremos agradecer a nuestro párroco Padre Bruce Correio, al Padre Mark Strader y a todos los que trabajan en la parroquia, por todo el apoyo que le han dado a los Guadalupanos en todos nuestros eventos. También queremos darle las Gracias a la comunidad de San Rafael por apoyarnos en nuestras barbacoas de pollo y tri tip. Económicamente Los Guadalupanos de San Rafael se encuentra bien y es por eso que en esta acacion queremos regresar a la comunidad de San Rafael una porción de su apoyo en donde mas se necesita.

Hace tiempo que hemos visto la necesidad de donar una cantidad al fondo de reparaciones de San Rafael y se han donado \$2,000 para ese fondo. San Vicente de Paul de San Rafael ayuda a muchos a los Hispanos y su fondo esta muy pobre y bamos a donar \$1,500 a ese fondo. Otro ministerio que ayuda mucho a los jóvenes es el Youth Minstre de San Rafael y para que sigan evangelizando a nuestros jóvenes de nuestra parroquia bamos a donar \$500 a ese fondo.

Al estar donando estos fondos que todos ustedes nos han ayudado a recaudar nos da mas energía para servir y para seguir trabajando con mas ganas en los eventos que se nos bien en ensima este año y esperamos que todos ustedes nos apoyen como asta ahora lo han hecho. Nuestros siguientes eventos son Pollo y Tri Tip a la parrilla al estilo de los Guadalupanos el **19 de abril** y el **7 de junio**. De antemano les damos las gracias por todo su apoyo y les estaremos comunicando de otros eventos importantes que tendremos este año.

El Presidente de los Guadalupanos, Carlos C. Valenzuela

Santos y Días Especiales de Observancia

domingo: Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma;
Segundo Escrutinio
lunes: Santo Toribio de Mogrovejo
miércoles: La Anunciación del Señor
viernes: Abstinencia

Adoración de la Eucaristía — Invitamos a todos ustedes a unirse a nosotros **el viernes 3 de abril (y el Primer Viernes de cada Mes)** para la Adoración de la Eucaristía. El Santísimo Sacramento estará expuesto ese día viernes **3 de abril**, empezando a las **9 de la noche** hasta la Bendición Solemne, a las 8 de la mañana del sábado 4 de abril.



¿Necesita Ayuda?

Recuerde llamar al **683-8535**, San Vicente de Paul.

Responsabilidad Comunal

El pueblo de Dios olvidó la alianza y se burló de las leyes de Dios. No escucharon a los profetas que había entre ellos, los cuales les advertían en nombre de Dios. Los profetas son enviados por Dios para recordarnos por qué estamos aquí, pero muchas veces, incluso en nuestra época, nos burlamos de ellos, los despreciamos y los maltratamos, en vez de escucharlos y agradecerles.

El libro de las Crónicas nos cuenta los resultados de estos pecados: la destrucción del Templo y de toda Jerusalén, asesinatos, caos y por último el exilio a una tierra desconocida. ¿Por qué hallamos estos relatos en la Biblia? ¿Están ahí sólo para informarnos lo que les sucedió a nuestros antepasados? ¿Qué bien nos puede traer eso a menos que también haya un mensaje y una advertencia para nosotros? ¿Somos personas que respetan las enseñanzas de Dios, que obedecen las palabras de Cristo en la segunda alianza en su sangre? ¿O continuamos sembrando obras de maldad y violencia? Estas lecturas nos recuerdan que seremos juzgados como pueblo, no sólo como individuos.

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Lecturas De Hoy

Primera lectura — La ira y la misericordia del Señor se manifestaron en el exilio y la liberación del pueblo (*2 Crónicas 36:14-16, 19-23*) o *1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a*.

Salmo — Que se me pegue la lengua al paladar si no me acuerdo de ti (*Salmo 137 [136]*) o *Salmo 23(22)*.

Segunda lectura — Dios, rico en misericordia y amor, nos dio vida con Cristo. (*Efesios 2:4-10*) o *Efesios 5:8-14*.

Evangelio — Dios nos dio su Hijo único, para que todo el que crea en Él tenga vida eterna (*Juan 3:14-21*) o *Juan 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]*.

Lecturas De La Semana

lunes: Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

martes: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

miércoles: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Sal 40 (39); Heb 10:4-10;
Lc 1:26-38

jueves: Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

viernes: Sab 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

sábado: Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

domingo: Jer 31:31-34; Sal 51 (50); Heb 5:7-9;

Jn 12:20-33

Noticias de la Parroquia

~ Servicio Penitencial ~

El Servicio Penitencial de Cuaresma de nuestra Parroquia, se llevará a efecto el lunes **23 de marzo**, a las 7 de la tarde, en la Iglesia

Varios sacerdotes visitantes estarán presentes

NO habrá confesiones este sábado 28 de marzo

Pescado Frito en Cuaresma — Los Caballeros de Colón, Consejo 5300, estarán ofreciendo "Pescado Frito" cada Viernes durante los seis viernes de Cuaresma (no habrá pescado frito el Viernes Santo). Se comenzará a servir a las 6:00 pm en el Salón de la Parroquia. También se ofrecerán porciones para llevar a casa. El costo es de \$9 y sólo \$3 para niños menores de 12 años. ¡Disfrute uno de los mejores platos de pescado frito que puede encontrar en el Sur de California!. Las ganancias irán en ayuda de los trabajos de caridad del Consejo.

Campana de Alimentos para Pascua — La Sociedad San Vicente de Paul, capitulo de San Rafael, estará recibiendo alimentos para los necesitados durante todas las Misa del **abril 4** y **abril 5**. También se recaudaran alimentos, el lunes **6de abril** y el martes **7 de abril** en la Oficina Parroquial, desde las 9 de la mañana hasta las 6 de la Tarde. Aceptamos toda clase de alimentos y también alimentos perecibles. Por favor sea lo mas generoso que pueda. ¡Gracias!

Informe de Donaciones 2008 — Al empezar este nuevo año 2009, nos damos cuenta que muchos de ustedes necesitarán el Informe de sus donaciones para la declaración de impuestos por el año 2008. Estaremos felices de ayudarlos. Sin embargo, debido a que actualmente no contamos con todo el personal que necesitamos, prepararemos los informes solamente para las personas que los soliciten. Para requerir su informe, por favor llame a Maria en la Oficina de la Parroquia y de su nombre y número de sobre. Los informes serán preparados y enviados por correo, una vez por semana, de tal manera que es muy importante que usted llame lo más pronto posible. Gracias por su paciencia.

Estaciones Del Vía Crucis

Cada viernes durante la Cuaresma

En el Iglesia

En Ingles: 5:30 pm

En Español: 7:00 pm



Unidos en Misión 2009 — Unidos en Misión provee un apoyo económico muy importante a 35 parroquias y 48 escuelas parroquiales en nuestra Arquidiócesis. Estas parroquias y escuelas proporcionan educación, ministerios y una presencia católica para decenas de miles de personas. El lema de la campaña es "Señor, Tú eres mi refugio" (*Salmo 32 (7)*). Unidos en Misión da una oportunidad para mostrar nuestro interés por quienes reciben los servicios de las parroquias y escuelas que necesitan ayuda económica.

Nuestra meta para el Programa "Unidos en Misión" es \$84, 097.69. Como siempre, lo que usted dé debe ser dado en agradecimiento por lo que Dios le ha dado a usted. Gracias por su consideración en oración a esta petición y por su generosa respuesta.

Grupo de Oración — Se juntan todo los viernes en el Centro Parroquial, Salón B, a las 7:00 de la noche. Todos están bienvenidos.

Anuncio — Grupo de estudio de Biblia. Se reúne todos los martes de 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm en el salón de usos múltiples. Nuevo curso incluye apologética, evangelización, consejería, compromiso y espiritualidad. Todos son bienvenidos.

Caridades Católicas — Los honorarios dependen de los ingresos de las familia. Para más información, llame al teléfono **(805) 965-7045 extensión 114**.

Red de Vida — Red de Vida ofrece: opciones para el embarazo, consejos, apoyo para crianza y adopción y grupos de apoyo posterior al aborto. **967-9096**. Toda la información es libre y confidencial.

Protegiendo a los Niños

Como Denunciar el Contenido Inadecuado o Ilegal en el Internet

Una de las razones principales que los niños no denuncian el contenido inadecuado que encuentran en el Internet es por miedo a recibir castigo de los padres. Si usted les hace saber a sus hijos que ellos no tienen la culpa si se cruzan con sitios inadecuados, ellos estarían mas dispuestos a comunicarle a usted cuando esto sucede. Si sus hijos le demuestran algún sitio que contenga comportamiento ilegal, tal como imágenes pornográficas de niños, comuníquese con su proveedor de su servicio de Internet y al CyberTipline: www.cybertipline.com.

Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Ayuda al **(213) 637-7650**.

Parish Directory

Directorio de la Parroquia

Adult Education (English):

Bible Study, Adult: Sr. Mina Riggs, 683-9090 x5
Confirmation: Fr. Mark Strader, 967-5641

Adult Education (Spanish):

Bible Study: Marina Rodriguez, 967-7432

Altar Servers: Deacon Wayne Rascati**Baptism:** Register at the Parish Office.**Bautismos en Español:** Regístrate en la oficina Parroquial.**Bereavement Committee:** Noël Fuentes, 683-9090x7**Catecismo Bilingüe:** Ana Cervantes, 967-1641 x4**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Nancy Panizzon, 964-5462**Comite de Liderazgo Hispano:** Jesus Lopez, 685-9427**Confirmation, Youth:** John Vasellina, 964-3466 x1**Early Childhood Education:** Cecilia Marks, 968-6008**Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration:** First Friday of every month, 24 hours. Margaret Priest, 967-7391**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Mass: Maureen Espinoza, 968-0915; email:
10s4menu@cox.net

To the Sick/Homebound: Sister Mina Riggs, 683-9090x5

Eucharistic Ministry (Spanish):

Mass: Carlos Sanchez, 570-1838, or Estela Santos,
683-6542

To the Sick/Homebound: Carlos Sanchez, 570-1838 or
Anna Lopez, 689-5087

Evangelización: Maria Pacheco, 692-9220**Finance Council:** Ron Cortez, Gordon Durenberger,
Marie Mlodzik, Ralph Modugno, Glenn Scheel,
Terry Strickler, Tony Vallejo**Grupo de Oración:** Jesús Lopez, 685-9427**Guadalupanos:** Carlos Valenzuela, 967-6377**Jail Ministry (Restorative Justice):** Marciano Avila,
898-7008**JustFaith:** Melissa Colborn, 964-4570**Knights of Columbus:**

Grand Knight: Dan Knauss
4th Degree: Jack Turney

Lectors: Charles Kriech, 967-8886**Life Network:** 967-9096**Liturgia Dominical Para Niños:** Arcelia Hinojosa, 696-6525**Liturgy Ministry Committee:** Melissa Colborn, Maureen
Espinoza, Arcelia Hinojosa, Charles Kriech, Nancy
Kunze, Bernardo Lule, Jesús Lopez, Marie Lundfelt,
Nancy Panizzon, John Vasellina, Ray Zaida**Liturgy Planning:** Fr. Bruce Correio, Fr. Mark Strader,
Melissa Colburn, Noël Fuentes, Marie Lundfelt, Dorothy
Turner**Monaguillos:** Jesús Lopez, 685-9427 y Diácono Wayne
Rascati**Parish Council:** Sam Alfano, Peter Devoy, Mell Hueston,
Brian Klinge, Robert Marks, Manny Rey, Lars Schmidt,
Terry Strickler, Carlos Valenzuela, Mark Vampola, Tad
Varesio**Parish Office/Oficina de la Parroquia:** 967-5641. M-Th
8:30-11:30 am/12:30-7:30 pm, Fri 8:30-11:30 am /
12:30-5 pm, Sat 9:00 am-2:00 pm, Sun 8:30 am-2:00 pm**Pastoral Care:** Call the Parish Office, 967-5641**Praise & Worship:** Ray Lyra, 684-5373**Presentación de Niños a los Tres Años de Edad:** Los
segundos domingo después de la Misa de 12:30 pm**Preschool:** Jo Bittner, 967-4435**Quinceañeras:** Lupe Luna Martinez, 637-9280 (cell)**Religious Education (CCD):**

English Coordinator: Karen Froelicher, 967-1641 x3
Bilingual Coordinator: Ana Cervantes, 967-1641 x4

Respect for Life: Rita Duley, 964-0121**RCIA:** Parish Office, 967-5641**Rosary Makers:** Janet Fanucchi, 964-7288**Military Rosary Makers:** Janet Fanucchi, 964-7288**Safeguard the Children:** Lupe Luna Martinez, 637-9280**School:** Principal, Ellen Manning, 967-2115,
school email: sraph@sbceo.org.**School of Religion (CCD):** See *Religious Education***St. Raphael Bowling League:** Eleanor Paulazzo, 968-5240**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** 683-8535**Scouting:**

Boy Scouts: Glenn Schiferl, 964-6013,
www.goleta105.com

Girl Scouts/Brownies: Rebecca Aasted, 683-1064
Brownie Troop 204: Liz Ruelman, 740-1578

Cub Scouts: Mark Vampola, 968-9815
Venture Crew: Joe Bauer, 967-2211

Sociable Seniors: Bea Scheel, 964-2431**Spanish Liturgy Coordinator:** Dr. Roberto Pacheco,
687-1106**Ujieres/Hospitalidad:** Bernardo Lule, 964-9194**Ushers/Hospitality:** Ray Zaida, 968-4895**Women's Auxiliary:** Parish Office, 967-5641**Word and Life:** Alice MacDonald, 967-4013,
www.wordandlife.us**Youth Ministry:** John Vasellina, 964-3466x1,
email: srym12@yahoo.com**Changes? Incorrect? Add a number?** Contact the Parish
Office: **967-5641**

Parish Registration

Name (Mr., Mr. & Mrs., Mrs., Miss): _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Names and birth dates of children residing at home: _____

Would you like church envelopes? _____