

ST STEPHEN MARTYR

CATHOLIC CHURCH



Emails. Carpools. Shopping lists. Home repairs. It can seem like we move so quickly from one thing to the next. Our news comes in sound bites and headlines. How often do we take time for silence, for prayer, for reflection, for wisdom? Jesus warns us of stumbling through life without an adequate sense of where we're going. "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit?" This Sunday's Gospel isn't about fumbling along but offers a self-check on our own motivations.

"Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" Without adequate self-reflection, it's easy to become blind to our own faults. We go through life's motions as our bad habits linger or even increase. We may become increasingly impatient, we may avoid important tasks, we may neglect the emotional needs of our spouse. Perhaps, in the process, we find fault with those around us. In the words of Jesus, "remove the wooden beam from your own eye first."

So how do we know? How can we notice the hidden faults in our lives? "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of store of evil produces evil." Do you notice certain relationships that have become strained, or situations where you know you don't act your best? Perhaps this is an area where you are acting out of sin, rather than virtue. The truth is, all of us are a mixture of light and dark, vice and virtue. We can't pretend we're perfect! But we also need to take time to pause and prayerfully examine the fruit we're bearing.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM
(English)
Sunday 7:00 AM (English)
9:00 AM (Spanish)
11:00 AM (English)
2:00 PM (Indonesian)
Mon.-Sat. Daily Mass:
8:30 AM
Perpetual Help Novena Mass
Wednesday 6:30 PM
Friday 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Reconciliation
Fridays 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturdays 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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ASH WEDNESDAY

MARCH 6

8:30 AM

Mass with distribution of ashes

12:00 PM

Liturgy of the Word with
distribution of ashes

3:00 PM

Liturgy of the Word with
distribution of ashes

7:00 PM

Bilingual Mass with distribution of ashes

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VIRTUS Training and Fingerprinting March 16, 2019

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles asks parishes to verify that volunteers (who serve as Choir, Altar Servers, EMs, Ushers, Religious Education and Teen Confirmation catechists and members) have taken VIRTUS Training for Adults on Protecting God's Children. Our church has scheduled a VIRTUS Training and a Fingerprinting Session on Saturday, March 16. VIRTUS Training will be held in the Parish Hall from 9am to noon. Fingerprinting Session will be conducted in Room 1 from 10am to 5pm. Please sign up in the Main Vestibule after each Sunday mass on March 3. Please refer to the flyer in the Main Vestibule for more information.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Closed for lunch
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Saturday
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday
8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Nos estamos acercando a la Cuaresma, el próximo domingo la iniciaremos. Pero, antes debemos de pasar por el Miércoles de Ceniza. Al ser marcados en la frente con la cruz de la ceniza escucharemos las palabras del Evangelio que dicen, "Conviértete y cree en el Evangelio". En el lenguaje del Antiguo Testamento la palabra convertirse significaba darse vuelta, girar. Veamos el siguiente ejemplo. Cuando manejas por largo rato sin dirección y de pronto te das cuenta de que te has perdido, inmediatamente te detienes y reflexionas: ¿Hacia dónde voy? ¿Qué rumbo tomare? ¿Cuál es el camino correcto? El Miércoles de Ceniza es eso precisamente, detenerte para girar el corazón hacia Dios.

Jesús, lo explicaba de esta forma: "¿Puede un ciego guiar a otro ciego? Ciertamente caerán ambos en algún hoyo." (Lucas 6:39). Hoy se trata de fijarnos bien hacia donde queremos llegar; Sin falsedades, ni hipocresías. Si somos de parte del pueblo fiel, de los católicos comprometidos que dan frutos buenos, hay que demostrarlo con palabras y hechos. Tres cosas se invitan a practicar durante Cuaresma: oración, limosna y ayuno. Ojalá que en la oración el centro sea Dios, en la limosna el necesitado y en el ayuno el dominio de uno mismo. La Iglesia en su sabiduría nos da este tiempo de misericordia para sacar todo lo bueno de la persona, para abrir el corazón a la humildad y la sencillez. No vaya ha ser que en la confusión del egoísmo el Señor diga, ¿"Por qué me llaman: ¡Señor! ¡Señor!, y no hacen lo que digo?" (Lucas 6:46).



6 de marzo

Horario de Servicios

8:30 AM

Misa con distribución de cenizas

12:00 PM

Liturgia de la Palabra con la distribución de cenizas

3:00 PM

Liturgia de la Palabra con la distribución de cenizas

7:00 PM

Misa Bilingüe con distribución de cenizas



Los invita a orar, alabar, **glorificar** al Señor y darle gracias por todos Los beneficios recibidos cada día de nuestra vida. Nos reunimos los Miercoles de 7pm a 9pm en el salon parroquial de nuestra Iglesia San Esteban Martir.

Todos son bienvenidos.



Entrenamiento de VIRTUS y Toma de Huella Dactilares 16 de marzo de 2019

El Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles le esta pidiendo a las parroquias que verifiquen que los voluntarios (que sirven en el coro, monagillos, ministros eucarísticos, ,

catequistas y miembros de educación religiosa y confirmación de adolescentes) hallan tomado la Capacitación VIRTUS para Adultos sobre la Protección de los Niños de Dios. Nuestra iglesia ha programado una capacitación VIRTUS y una sesión de toma de huellas dactilares el sábado 16 de marzo. La capacitación VIRTUS se llevará a cabo en el Salón Parroquial de 9 am a mediodía. La sesión de toma de huellas dactilares se llevará a cabo en la sala 1 de 10 a 5 pm Regístrese en el vestíbulo principal después de cada misa de domingo el 3 de marzo. Consulte el folleto en el vestíbulo principal para obtener más información.



La Exposición del Santísimo y la Adoración Nocturna se llevarán a cabo el primer viernes de cada mes.

Horas de adoración serán de 9:00 am hasta las 12:00 am

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