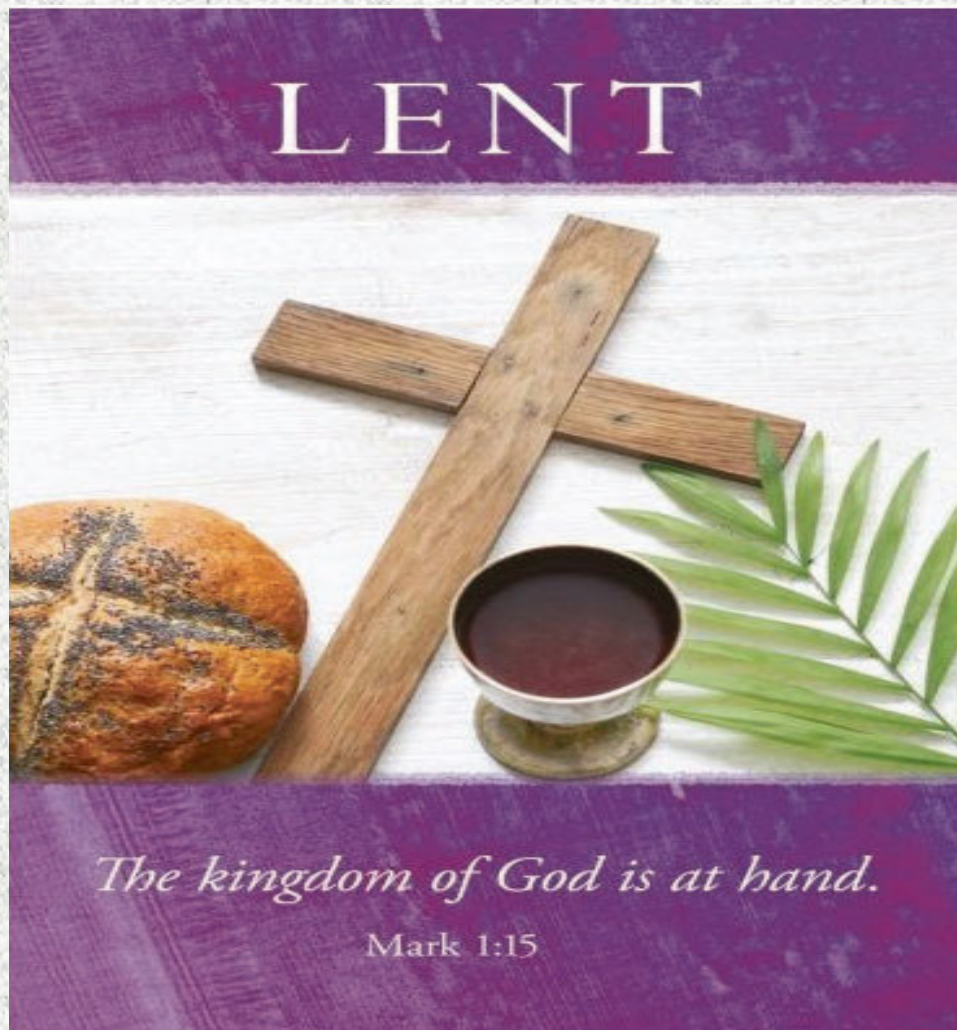


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St. Francis de Sales ~ Pray for Us

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New parishioners registration or to update your existing information, please complete this form & place it directly in the Collection Basket, hand-it to an Usher, mail-it to or drop-it off at the Parish Center. You may also call with updates, so we may keep your records current.

Or you may Register on-line at our website: sfdsparish.com

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If you use the envelopes in the pews, please make sure that you
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Thank you.

2nd Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2024

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-16

Psalms 116: 10, 15, 16, 17, 18-19

Romans 8:31b-34

Mark 9:2-10

MASS Times

Daily: 8:15 AM, Monday thru Friday

Saturday: 8:15 AM and 5:00 PM→Vigil

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12-Noon

Confessions: 4:00 PM on Saturday's

Baptisms and Weddings:

Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY	February 24
8:15 AM	<i>In Memories of the De Leon Family</i>
5:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Eleanor Cawley</i>
SUNDAY	February 25
8:00 AM	<i>In Memory of Jason Lowart</i>
10:00 AM	<i>In Memory of Adrienne Dunn</i>
12:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Mona Thornton</i>
MONDAY	February 26
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Evelyn Lucero</i>
TUESDAY	February 27
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Edith Murra</i>
WEDNESDAY	February 28
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Mary Benavidades</i>
THURSDAY	February 29
8:15 AM	<i>For the Intentions of St. Mark</i>
FRIDAY	March 01
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Ghada Deeb</i>
SATURDAY	March 02
8:15 AM	<i>For the Intentions of Marc De Castro</i>
5:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Steven Ford</i>

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, 02/25	<i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>
Tuesday, 02/27	<i>St. Gregory of Narek, Abbott and Doctor of the Church</i>

CONTRIBUTIONS to the CHURCH

Week of 02/14 - 02/20 Collections

Ash Wednesday:	\$ 5,096.00
Collections:	\$ 6,916.00
Faith Direct:	\$ 3,625.00
Total:	\$15,637.00

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The Dead**



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Did You Know?

Understanding "Sexting"

"Sexting" is the sending of sexually explicit messages or images via text. Sexting commonly happens in conversations between teens and tweens, and usually involves nude "selfies." When these images are shared or distributed on social media platforms like TikTok, Instagram, and Snapchat, the problem is made worse. Some states have laws against sexting that could have criminal ramifications for teens.

To learn more, read the VIRTUS® article
"Responding to the Crime of Child Sexual Abuse Materials"
at: lacatholics.org/did-you-know/

Lenten Devotions

- Daily Mass is the daily devotion *par excellence*. Our daily Mass is at 8:15 AM
- The Stations of the Cross is a meditation on the Passion and Death of the Lord Jesus. We pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM, the Friday evenings of Lent.
- The Rosary, the Liturgy of the Hours, **reading the Bible** are also excellent Lenten practices.
- Sunday Mass is the saving action which is essential for our Catholic lives; it is God gathering us as God's holy people, renewing the one perfect sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary, making present for us that one perfect sacrifice and inviting us to unite ourselves to Jesus in Jesus' life-giving death and glorious resurrection. It is our weekly supper as God's family at which the Lord speaks to us in the scriptures and then nourishes us with the Bread of Heaven.
- Practice the Corporal Works of Mercy: To feed the hungry; To give drink to the thirsty; To clothe the naked; To shelter the homeless; To visit the sick; To visit the prisoner; To **bury** the dead. (Matthew 25)
- Practice the Spiritual Works of Mercy: To instruct the **ignorant**; To counsel the **doubtful**; To **admonish** sinners; To bear wrongs patiently; To forgive offences willingly; To comfort the afflicted; To **pray** for the living and the **dead**. (Isaiah 58, Hebrew 13)

As God's people, together we enter into the time-honored Biblical disciplines of prayer, fasting and works of charity. While each of us will practice these three ancient disciplines in our own way, the desire is the same:

1. To help us recapture the awareness that we depend upon God for everything.
2. To remind us to share some of what we have with those less fortunate.
3. To share in the daily hunger for food that so many in the world feel every day and to grow in the awareness that we are not alone, that we are members of God's family.

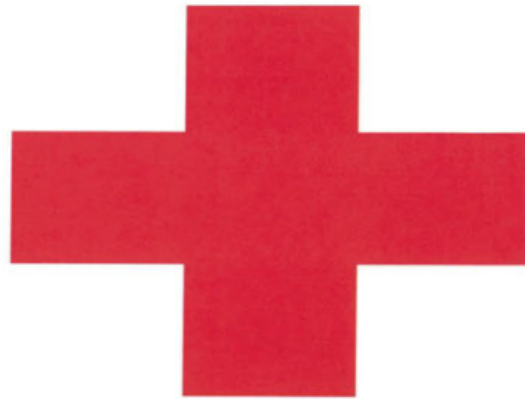
Here are some suggested online resources to assist us during Lent.

- **Immaculate Heart Radio – Relevant Radio – 930 on your AM dial.**
Immaculate Heart Radio airs Roman Catholic religious programming.
The network provides 24-hour a day schedule consisting of call-in talk shows, interviews and broadcasts of the Mass.
- **IgnatianSpirituality.com** – online retreats, prayers, articles
- **Textweek.com** – lectionary, scripture study
- **Catholic.org** – saints, prayers, background for Ash Wednesday and Lent
- **USCCB.org/lent** – many Lenten resources
- **Hallow** – The #1 Catholic Meditation, Prayer & Sleep App
Hallow is an American Catholic meditation and prayer app owned by Hallow, Inc.
Hallow app provides audio-guided Bible stories, prayers, meditations, sleep, and Christian music.
Other features include community challenges and daily prayers, such as the Catholic practice of *Lectio Divina*, curated music, pray lists, and options to set prayer routines.
Hallow's subscription is available in two tiers: monthly and yearly
For more information or for free trial subscription, go to Hallow website: **<https://hallow.com>**
- **Formed.org** – entry to Catholic books, videos, sacramental preparation and much more.
Follow these easy steps to access Formed.org:
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 - B. To Register, Click on this link: **<https://formed.org/signup>**
 - C. In the "find your parish" search box, type in parish zip code: **91423**
 - D. A drop down list may show several parishes. Click on **Sherman Oaks, CA** listing
 - E. Proceed to enter account information and you should be ready to go

Lent Reconciliation Service Calendar — 2024

Parish	Day & Date	Time
St. John Eudes, Chatsworth	Wednesday, March 6	7:00 PM
St. Bridget of Sweden, Lake Balboa	Friday, March 8	6:30 PM
Our Lady of Lourdes, Northridge	Tuesday, March 12	7:00 PM
St. Euphrasia @ St. John Baptist De La Salle, Granada Hills	Wednesday, March 13	7:00 PM
St. Catherine of Siena, Reseda	Monday, March 18	7:00 PM
Our Lady of the Valley, Canoga Park	Tuesday, March 19	7:00 PM
St. Francis De Sales @ St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Encino	Wednesday, March 20	7:00 PM
St. Joseph the Worker, Winnetka	Friday, March 22	7:00 PM
St. Bernardine of Siena, Woodland Hills	Tuesday, March 26	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Grace, Encino	No Penance Service	
St. Mel's, Woodland Hills	No Penance Service	

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St. Francis de Sales School News:

REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

2024 - 2025 SCHOOL YEAR

We are now accepting APPLICATIONS for ENROLLMENT in Grades K thru 8th for Fall 2024.

APPLICATIONS are available in the School Office or on the School website.

Please inquire in the School Office, Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM for an Admissions Packet.

You may also go online to: <http://saintfrancisdesaleschool.com> to download an application or request a tour.

If you have any questions, please call the **Admissions Office** at **(818) 784-9573** or Email: admissions@stfrancisds.org

KINDERGARTEN APPLICANTS: *Archdiocesan Policy requires that the age of Kindergarten applicants, must be five years old on or before September 1st.*

Note to current school families: Please bring your applications in ASAP!

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To apply: www.thomasaquinas.edu/summerprogram

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The Life-Giving Wounds Retreat is a special weekend for adult children of divorced or separated parents. The Retreat Team accompanies the participants through their feelings of loneliness and loss and guides them in the process of finding lasting healing and love.

March 1 -3, 2024, Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside; \$325 Single Occupancy, \$375 Double Occupancy includes meals & materials. Registration: <https://rcbo.org/acod>.

Partial scholarships are available through Divorced and Separated Ministry for participants from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. For more information, E-mail: jmonell@la-archdiocese.org



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Vigil Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily

Local contact: Patti Flores

Phone: **(818) 307-4332** or Email: PFlores4Life@aol.com

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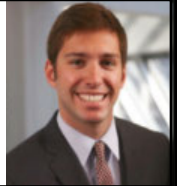
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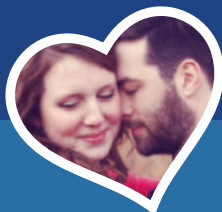
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