

### St. Pius Roman Catholic Church

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### **3rd Sunday of Lent**

### March 12, 2023



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Judy Giacometti Parish Operations Manager

#### **Mass Times**

Monday - Friday:8:00 amin person onlySaturday Vigil:5:00 pmin person onlySunday Schedule:8:00 amin person only

9:30 am in person & livestreamed 11:30 am (Spanish) in person & livestreamed

5:00 pm in person only

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm

**Adoration Chapel:** 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

#### **For all Sacraments**

Family must be registered in the parish for at least 6 months and attend Mass regularly.

Contact the Parish Center at least **one month** in advance for Baptism and **six months** in advance for Marriage.

#### **Anointing of the Sick & Viaticum**

For those who are scheduled for surgery or seriously ill, please contact the Parish Center. For those in the hospital, please contact the hospital chaplain.

### March 11 - 18, 2023

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11	Saturday 5:00 pm	St. John Ogilvie Mass & Teen Club Activity	15	6:00 pm	y St. Louise de Marillac OCIA (C1-Conf Rm)				
12	<b>Sunday</b> 9:30 am 4:00 pm	3rd Sunday of Lent Sacramental Preparation Mass & Class Confirmation Class (Parish Youth)		6:30 pm 6:30 pm	Confirmation Rehearsal/Parent Meeting Men's Club General Meeting (HC)				
	4.00 pm	(HC Sr Rm)	16	Thursday 5:00 pm	<b>St. Clement Mary Hofbauer</b> Finance Council Meeting (C1-Conf Rm)				
13	Monday 7:00 pm	St. Leander of Seville Grief Support Group (C2-PC Tiled Rm)		6:00 pm	Athletic Board Meeting (FC Comm Rm)				
	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Women's Club Board Meeting (HC) YLI Meeting (HC Sr Rm)	17	Friday 8:30 am	Solemnity of St. Patrick Stations of the Cross & Quiet Prayer until 10 am (Church)				
14	<b>Tuesday</b> 5:30 pm 6:00 pm	St. Maximilian Pastoral Council Meeting (HC Sr Rm) Lenten Soup Supper (HC)		10:00 am 5:00 pm	Senior's Meeting (HC Sr Rm) Confirmation (Church)				
	6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Lenten Night of Reflection (HC) Reconciliation (HC Sr Rm) St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (C1-Conf Rm)	18	Saturday 3:30 pm	St. Cyril of Jerusalem Individual Reconciliation (Church)				

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## from the pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Francis, in his *Angelus* address on Sunday, March 23, 2014 in St. Peter's Square, offered this beautiful reflection on the Gospel of John's account of the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan Woman at Jacob's Well.

The Holy Father wrote, "Today's Gospel presents Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman in Sychar, near an old well where the woman went to draw water daily. That day, she found Jesus seated, 'wearied as he was with his journey.' He immediately says to her, 'Give me a drink.' In this way he overcomes the barriers of hostility that existed between Jews and Samaritans and breaks the mold of prejudice against women. This simple request from Jesus is the start of a frank dialogue, through which he enters with great delicacy into the interior world of a person to whom, according to social norms, he should not have spoken. But Jesus does! Jesus is not afraid. When Jesus sees a person he goes ahead, because he loves. He loves us all. He never hesitates before a person out of prejudice. Jesus sets her own situation before her, not by judging her but by making her feel worthy, acknowledged, and thus arousing in her the desire to go beyond the daily routine.

Jesus' thirst was not so much for water, but for the encounter with a parched soul. Jesus needed to encounter the Samaritan woman in order to open her heart: he asks for a drink so as to bring to light her own thirst. The woman is moved by this encounter: she asks Jesus several profound questions that we all carry within but often ignore. We, too, have many questions to ask, but we don't have the courage to ask Jesus! Lent, dear brothers and sisters is the opportune time to look within ourselves, to understand our truest spiritual needs, and to ask the Lord's help in prayer. The example of the Samaritan woman invites us to exclaim: 'Jesus, give me a drink that will quench my thirst forever.'"

There is so much to unpack in this Gospel and it is worthy of our reflection as we continue our Lenten journey. Be aware that the encounter between Jesus and the woman took place within the context of a very ordinary day in the midst of routine, there was no dramatic flair or noise to introduce their coming together. This is important to note as so often we expect that such an encounter with God requires requisite drama or life-altering action. Set your imagination on the scene: place yourself on that hot day going about your routine. You have chores to complete, expecting nothing out of the ordinary when you encounter someone who - by culture, religion and custom - is not supposed to speak to you. You are stunned, perhaps startled. Why is this person speaking to me? Don't they know who I am? You challenge them, and yet a conversation ensues which is life-changing and transformative. After wrestling with this idea for a while, step back. Reflect on this point: Isn't this precisely the way we encounter Jesus in our lives? Jesus approaches us, speaks to us, engages us, often in the ordinary, routine circumstances of our lives.

Incredulous that Jesus would dare and be so bold to "lower himself" as a Jew to speak to her as a Samaritan, a woman, and alone at the village center, she asks why he would ask her for a drink? How often have we been moved by the Spirit when we know the Lord is asking or requiring something of us and we responded in much the same manner as the woman at the well? Aware of our own suffering and propensity to fall, we are overcome with a sense of unworthiness, as if to ask with that interior voice, "Why would God speak to me?" Yet, Jesus does speak to us, and in that encounter transforms and changes us. In asking for a drink, Jesus is leading the woman to the discovery where she will never have to come "back to well" to quench a thirst which will hereafter be satisfied in knowing Jesus.

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Queridos hermanos y hermanas, El Papa Francisco, en su discurso del Ángelus del domingo 23 de marzo de 2014 en la Plaza de San Pedro, ofreció esta hermosa reflexión sobre el relato del Evangelio de Juan sobre el encuentro entre Jesús y la Samaritana en el Pozo de Jacob.

El Santo Padre escribió: "El Evangelio de hoy presenta el encuentro de Jesús con la mujer samaritana en Sychar, cerca de un antiguo pozo donde la mujer iba a sacar agua todos los días. Ese día, encuentra a Jesús sentado, 'cansado como estaba del camino'. Inmediatamente le dice: 'Dame de beber'. De esta manera, supera las barreras de hostilidad que existían entre judíos y samaritanos y rompe el molde de prejuicio contra la mujer. Esta sencilla petición de Jesús es el inicio de un diálogo franco, a través del cual entra con gran delicadeza en el mundo interior de una persona a la que, según las normas sociales, no le debería de haber hablado. ¡Pero Jesús sí! Jesús no tiene miedo. Cuando Jesús ve a una persona se adelanta, porque la ama. El nos ama a todos. Nunca dudes ante una persona por prejuicio. Jesús le presenta su propia situación, no juzgando sino haciéndola sentir digna, reconocida, suscitando así en ella el deseo de ir más allá de la rutina diaria.

La sed de Jesús no era tanto de agua, sino del encuentro de un alma con sed. Jesús necesitaba encontrarse con la mujer samaritana para abrirle el corazón: le pide de beber para sacar a la luz su propia sed. La mujer se conmueve con este encuentro: le hace a Jesús varias preguntas profundas que todos llevamos dentro pero que muchas veces ignoramos. ¡Nosotros también tenemos muchas preguntas que hacer, pero no tenemos el coraje de preguntarle a Jesús! La Cuaresma, queridos hermanos y hermanas, es el momento oportuno para mirar dentro de nosotros mismos, comprender nuestras más verdaderas necesidades espirituales y pedir la ayuda del Señor en la oración. El ejemplo de la mujer samaritana nos invita a exclamar: 'Jesús, dame de beber agua que sacie mi sed para siempre".

Hay mucho que desglosar en este Evangelio y es digno de nuestra reflexión mientras continuamos nuestro viaje de Cuaresma. Es instructivo notar que el encuentro entre Jesús y la mujer se dio en el contexto de un día muy común en medio de la rutina. No hubo estilo dramático ni ruido para presentar su reunión. Es importante notar esto, ya que a menudo esperamos que tal encuentro con Dios requiera el drama necesario o una acción que altere la vida. Pon tu imaginación en escena: colócate en ese día caluroso haciendo tu rutina. Tiene tareas que completar, sin esperar nada fuera de lo común. Te encuentras con alguien que, por cultura, religión y costumbres, se supone que no debe hablar contigo. Estás aturdido, tal vez sobresaltado. ¿Por qué esta persona me habla? ¿No sabe quién soy? Los desafías y, sin embargo, se produce una conversación que cambia la vida y es transformadora. Después de luchar con esta idea por un tiempo, da un paso atrás. Reflexiona sobre este punto: ¿No es precisamente así como nos encontramos con Jesús en nuestra vida? Jesús se acerca a nosotros, nos habla, nos involucra, a menudo en las circunstancias ordinarias y rutinarias de nuestras vidas.

Incrédula de que Jesús se atreviera y fuera tan audaz a "rebajarse" como judío para hablarle a una samaritana, una mujer, y sola en el centro del pueblo, ella le pregunta por qué le pide de beber. ¿Cuántas veces hemos sido movidos por el Espíritu cuando sabemos que el Señor nos está pidiendo o requiriendo algo de nosotros y respondemos de la misma manera que la mujer junto al pozo? Conscientes de nuestro propio sufrimiento y propensión a caer, nos invade una sensación de indignidad, como si nos preguntamos con esa voz interior: "¿Por qué me hablaría Dios?" Sin embargo, Jesús nos habla, y en ese encuentro nos transforma y nos cambia. Al pedir de beber, Jesús está conduciendo a la mujer al descubrimiento de que nunca tendrá que "volver al pozo" para saciar una sed que en lo sucesivo será satisfecha conociendo a Jesús.

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## prayer and worship

## Mass Intentions

(**†**=deceased; INT=special intention)

Saturday, March 11	5:00 pm	Jennifer Copeland 🕆
Sunday, March 12	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:30 am 5:00 pm	George Soriano † People of St. Pius James Cardenas † Eileen Philpott †
Monday March 13	8:00 am	David Patrick 骨

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Tuesday, March 14 8:00 am Anne Callaghan (INT)

Wednesday, March 15 8:00 am Loretta Loeffler 🕏

Thursday, March 16 8:00 am Albert Tomalino &

Friday, March 17 8:00 am Lee Savasta 🕏

### **This Sunday's Readings**

Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42





# Please pray for our faithful departed

Francisco Contreras Jose Navarrete



Please keep in your prayers the youth of our parish who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, March 17th.

God's blessings to each of them.

### Please pray for our sick, that Jesus be a source of strength and comfort for them.

Names are automatically removed after 30 days; please call the Parish Center to add a name to this list.

Bob Beggs Joe Cornish Agnes Fogl John Helman John Hernandez George Maher Anita Martin Perry Martinez Fr. Bill McCain Rich Morton Dorothy Rollins Lisa Sawyer Fe Segura Peter Welsh Lorraine Wright



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#### **Lenten Soup Suppers**

Join us in Homer Crouse every Tuesday at 6:00 pm through March 28th





Thank you to the following Parish Groups who are cooking up the soup:

St. Pius School Faculty & Staff - March 14
St. Pius Men's Club with St. Joseph's Table by ICF - March 21
Altar Society & Environment Committee - March 28

Followed by "The Chosen" Faith Discussion Series on March 21 & 28

Donations gladly accepted.

Lenten Night of Reflection with Father Kevin Kennedy Tuesday, March 14 6:30 pm Homer Crouse



### Do you want to fast this Lent? In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words. Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

## Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation "The Light Is On For You"

Tuesdays 7:00 pm in Homer Crouse Sr Room Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm in Church (and by appointment)





Save the date! Lenten Fish Fry Friday, March 24 6:00 pm



#### Via Crucis Cada Viernes de Cuaresma

6:30 pm en la Iglesia (ninguno el 17 de Marzo)



#### Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent in Church after 8:00 am Mass (Church remains open until 10:00 am)

School led Stations on March 24 & 31

from the pastor (continued)

In an almost tender and longing manner, the woman tells Jesus: "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? In that instant of unbelief, her eyes which can only see limitation give way to a new vision...a new insight given to her by Jesus. "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water. The woman, citing the significance of Jacob, the second-born son of Isaac and Rebecca, moves from the motif of the Old Testament into the transformation of the Good News, where Jesus himself heals and reconciles, who fulfills the law by instilling a foundational element of love and mercy. Jesus, the living embodiment of the Good News, knows everything about this woman, even her five marriages and current relationship of living with a man not her husband. Deeming Jesus to be a prophet, she separates "our ancestors" the Samaritans, from Jesus and the Jews "you people."

Jesus smashes that chasm and separation by teaching the woman that the Messiah, who is here, will not be worshiped so much in a geographic space - an ancient mountain or in Jerusalem - but in their hearts. "But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshippers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." Jesus tells her, who anticipates the coming of the Christ, the Messiah, that she has met him! The woman left her jar, a powerful metaphor for leaving behind a former life of longing and thirsting and went to the Samaritans who themselves came to believe that they themselves had indeed met the Messiah.

On the Thursday after Ash Wednesday, I had the opportunity to have dinner with and share a Lenten reflection with a group of women who are transforming their lives. They are rebuilding their self-esteem, their very selves after experiencing setbacks and heart-breaking challenges. As I had the opportunity to literally break bread with these women, I was so struck by their kindness, optimism and profound humility.

There was a realization of thanksgiving and gratitude of having been delivered from darkness and brokenness to a place where they are loved unconditionally, supported and being given the tools to build healthy and strong lives. They are heroic on so many levels. They are coming to discover the love of Jesus through men and women who do not judge what they have done but embrace what they can become. I felt a profound sense of grace and joy in that chance encounter. Being with them reminded me of why the story of the Samaritan woman at Jacob's Well is one of the most meaningful Gospel accounts to me. It offers context to why a relationship with Jesus Christ is so important to us disciples and pilgrims of The Way.

Each day, we walk to the well in the hopes of having our deepest longings satisfied and quenched. The Lenten season invites us to that decisive act of leaving our jars at the well, bearing our sins and being honest and sincerely humble, and walking away to proclaim to others all that the Good Lord has done for us.

De manera casi tierna y anhelante, la mujer le dice a Jesús: "Señor, no tienes ni un balde y la cisterna es profunda; ¿Dónde, pues, podrás conseguir esta agua viva? En ese instante de incredulidad, sus ojos, que sólo pueden ver la limitación, dan paso a una nueva visión... una nueva percepción que Jesús le ha dado. "Señor, dame esta agua, para que no tenga sed ni tenga que seguir viniendo aquí a sacar agua. La mujer, citando el significado de Jacob, el segundo hijo de Isaac y Rebeca, pasa del motivo del Antiguo Testamento a la transformación de la Buena Noticia, donde el mismo Jesús sana y reconcilia, que cumple la ley inculcando un fundamental elemento de amor y misericordia. Jesús, la encarnación viviente de la Buena Nueva, sabe todo acerca de esta mujer, incluso sus cinco matrimonios y la relación actual de vivir con un hombre que no es su esposo. Al considerar a Jesús como un profeta, separa a "nuestros antepasados", los samaritanos, de Jesús y los judíos, "ustedes".

Jesús rompe ese abismo y separación enseñándole a la mujer que el Mesías, que está aquí, no será adorado tanto en un espacio geográfico -una montaña antigua o en Jerusalén- sino en sus corazones. "Pero se acerca la hora, y ya está aquí, cuando los verdaderos adoradores adorarán al Padre en espíritu y en verdad; y ciertamente el Padre busca a tales personas para que lo adoren. Dios es Espíritu, y los que le adoran, en Espíritu y en verdad es necesario que adoren". Jesús le dice a ella, que anticipa la venida de Cristo, el Mesías, que ella lo ha encontrado! La mujer dejó su cántaro, una poderosa metáfora para dejar atrás una vida anterior de anhelo y sed, y se dirigió a los samaritanos, quienes llegaron a creer que ellos mismos habían encontrado al Mesías.

El jueves posterior al Miércoles de Ceniza tuve la oportunidad de cenar y compartir una reflexión cuaresmal con un grupo de mujeres que están transformando sus vidas. Están reconstruyendo su autoestima, ellas mismas después de experimentar reveses y desafíos desgarradores. Cuando tuve la oportunidad de literalmente partir el pan con estas mujeres, me impresionó mucho su amabilidad, optimismo y profunda humildad.

Hubo una comprensión de la acción de gracias y la gratitud de haber sido liberados de la oscuridad y el quebrantamiento a un lugar donde son amados incondicionalmente, apoyados y reciben las herramientas para construir vidas sanas y fuertes. Son heroicas en muchos niveles. Vienen a descubrir el amor de Jesús a través de hombres y mujeres que no juzgan lo que han hecho sino que abrazan lo que pueden llegar a ser. Sentí una profunda sensación de gracia y alegría en ese encuentro casual. Estar con ellos me recordó por qué la historia de la mujer samaritana en el pozo de Jacob es uno de los relatos del Evangelio más significativos para mí. Ofrece un contexto de por qué una relación con Jesucristo es tan importante para nosotros, discípulos y peregrinos de El Camino.

Cada día, caminamos hacia el pozo con la esperanza de ver satisfechos y logrados nuestros anhelos más profundos. El tiempo de Cuaresma nos invita a ese acto decisivo de dejar nuestras tinajas junto al pozo, cargar con nuestros pecados y ser honestos y sinceramente

humildes, e irnos a proclamar a los demás todo lo que el Buen Dios ha hecho por nosotros.

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### **Sunday Collections**

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023 (annual goal)	\$505,000.00		
July 1, 2022 - March 5, 2023 (goal to date)	\$353,500.00	2023 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Campaign	\$122,646.00
July 1, 2022 - March 5, 2023 (actual rec'd*)	\$294,728.03	2023 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (received)	\$ 2,105.00
Sunday Collection - March 5, 2023		Campaign Goal less payments received	\$120,541.00

\$ 6,062.00

Second Collection - March 5, 2023

\$ 3,629.00 Easter Flowers

#### Catholic Relief Services Collection

Across the globe, war, natural disasters, political strife, extreme poverty and human trafficking combine to affect families in ways often unimaginable.

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#### 2023 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

"Your World is a Lamp for my feet, a light for my path." ~Psalm 119:105

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- Office of Worship
- Marriage & Family Life
- Teacher Incentive Grants
- Child & Youth Protection

St. Pius' assessment this year is \$122,646.

#### Ways to Give:

- Visit <u>sfarch.org/AAA</u> to give a one-time or pledged gift
- Mail your check to the Chancery
- Drop your check to the Parish Center



Collection for our Parish

<sup>\*</sup>includes electronic contributions to January 31, 2023

## community life



## St. Pius Men's Club Past President's/Ralph Lucchesi Awards Dinner!

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 6:00 pm in Homer Crouse

Come honor our Men's Club Past Presidents and this year's recipient of the Ralph Lucchesi award for their dedication to our Parish and Men's Club. Going back 60 years, these men have been leaders in title, influence, service, example, heart and friendship with us all, coming together to make and keep St. Pius a special place.

The true spirit in giving this award, born out of Ralph's extraordinary service, is to recognize a man, who without need or want of recognition, has given much of his "life" in service to the parish, and by doing so has made a meaningful impact on the "life" of St. Pius.



- Oven Roasted Prime Rib
- Twice Baked Potatoes
- Linguica, Mushroom & Garlic Appetizers
- A special Vino donation from a parishioner

Dinner Meetings are \$30 Seniors \$10 First Meeting is free.

Questions? Please contact mensclub@pius.org.

Thank you to the Cook Crew... mall the meals are great, but this is a special one and so much time and care is put in.

Save the Date! Fitzsimon's Golf Tourney Friday, May 19th



#### Volunteer at St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room!

St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room provides food boxes and hot meals to our less fortunate neighbors; no fees, no questions and no one is turned away.



St. Pius Parishioners volunteer every 3rd Saturday of the month to help prepare these food boxes and serve hot lunch. We begin with set up at 8:30 am - volunteers can come the entire time (usually until about 1:00 pm) or for either the food/donation preparation or the lunch distribution. Volunteers must

be fully vaccinated and show evidence upon request.

If you are interested in volunteering or have additional questions please contact Cam Dickinson at <u>camdickinson@icloud.com</u> or the Parish Center at (650) 361-1411.

Join the St. Pius TeenClub for Woodside High School's



Saturday, March 25th

Mass ~ Dinner ~ Theater RSVP at pius.org/teenclub \$10 per student for show tickets. Dinner and transportation to and from the theater provided.



Our own Teen Club members Tammy and Viola will be on stage!

### other events

"Rejoice, O Cross Guardian of the World" An Ecumenical Service of Salutations to the Holy Cross

Thursday, March 16, 2023 ● 7:00 pm Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Cross 900 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont

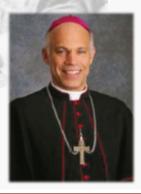
Commemorating 17 years of the Greek Orthodox Church (Holy Cross) and the Roman Catholic Church (IHM) both in Belmont joining together in Salutations and Veneration of the relic of the Holy Cross of our Lord.

His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos welcomes His Excellency Archbishop Cordileone as homilist.



Reception to follow.
Streaming live at goholycross.org







#### Life-Giving Wounds Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorce

Vallombrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park Friday, March 17 - Sunday, March 19, 2023

Dealing with our parents' divorce is not easy but confronting this wound with faith can allow us to find great healing. Attending the three-day retreat is a great way to start this journey of healing.

The weekend will include Holy Mass, opportunities for Confession and Adoration.

For more information and to register, please visit acdsf.info.



## The Mass: Essence & Foundation of Western Civilization



St. Patrick's Seminary & University Menlo Park Sunday, March 19, 2023, 5:00 pm

Join Archbishop Cordileone as he discusses how truth, beauty and goodness come together in the Mass to proclaim the good news of Christ and reveal to us a plan for our lives.

This lecture is part of the inaugural Public Lecture and Concert Series of the

Catholic Institute of Sacred Music.

Reception to follow. Live-streaming and archived viewing of the event are also available.

This event is free and open to the public.

<u>Click here</u> to RSVP RSVP appreciated but not required.



### 10th Annual St. Raymond Rummage Sale!

1211 Arbor Road, Menlo Park

Sat., March 18 8:00 am-3:00 pm Sun., March 19 11:00 am-3:00 pm

This HUGE sale is located in the school gym and is brimming with furniture, designer clothing and accessories, artwork, toys, sports equipment, housewares, antiques, collectibles and so much more.

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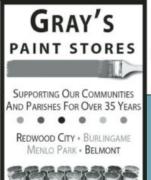
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