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 Know someone who needs a prayer, or maybe you need a prayer? Call the St. Canice Prayer Lines - Margie Wagner at 273-4397 or Patti Favetti at 432-0665. We're praying for you!

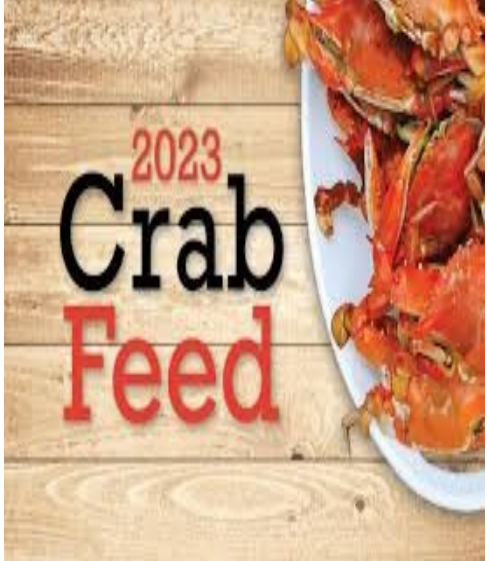
**St. Canice Catholic Church**  
**JANUARY 8, 2023**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**



Alleluia, alleluia.  
 We saw His star at its rising  
 and have come to do Him homage.  
 Alleluia, alleluia.

**MEN'S GUILD 12TH ANNUAL CRAB FEED**

**RESERVATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED**  
**Saturday, January 14th.**



See flyer in the vestibule in the church for more information or contact Jeff Hebert at 530-265-9510 or email [jkjhebert@comcast.net](mailto:jkjhebert@comcast.net) for further questions.

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<b>Mass Schedule</b>		<b>Confession</b>	
Weekday (M-F)	7:30 AM	Friday 8:00 AM	
Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM	Saturday 4:00 PM (or by appt)	
Sunday	9:00 AM	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	
Immaculate Conception Church 11:30 AM		Fri 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	
<b>Mass Live-Stream</b>		<b>Rosary</b>	
Sunday 11:00 AM from St Patrick Church		Wednesday 8:00 AM	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS				
01/15/2023	Ushers	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat 5:30 pm	John Delgado, Jeff Hebert	Aidynn Salter	Meghan Salter	Christine Strohm Patti Favetti
Sun 9:00 am	Tom Seck, Terry Vanetten		Michelle McIntosh (or Doug McDon- ald)	Lillian Glaeser, Karen McDonald

✠ ALTAR LINENS ✠	
Thank you Ladies Guild!	
Jan 8th & Jan 15th	Barbara LaPlante
Jan 22nd & Jan 29	Judy Steffens

Our Mission, as the Parish of Saint Canice Catholic Church, is to proclaim the teaching and wisdom of Jesus Christ throughout our entire Community, by our life and participation in the Sacraments and Traditions of His Holy Catholic Church.

Dear Family,

As many know, Fr. Borlang spent Christmas with us here in Grass Valley and was a great help in both parishes during this busy season of Christmas. He's also a great cook, was a loyal friend and brother during the days we were without power and he is an avid reader. I always enjoy that aspect of his visit because it reminds me how important continual study is. As we discussed what we were reading, I recommended a book to him, Wellspring of Worship, a book I need to revisit since it has been a decade since I read it. This book was part of our foundation of theological study in the seminary.

I often wonder how the difference between the Mass and other rituals of the Church, and even non-Catholic services are understood. The Sacred Liturgy, the 7 Sacraments and the Liturgy of the Hours, comprise Divine worship. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the central act of worship and satellite that the other Sacraments and the Liturgy of the Hours revolve around. These acts of worship flow out of and return to the Holy Mass.

What makes the Sacred Liturgy stand apart from all other acts of devotion is that through the ministry of the ordained, especially bishops and priests through the celebration of the Mass, Christ's own prayer is extended into time and space and throughout history. By virtue of our Baptism, we are not only united into this prayer but inserted into His act of Redemption and His very life through sanctifying grace. In the celebration of the Sacraments our prayers are united to the prayer of Christ, the very Sacrifice of Christ and presented to the Father! In turn, we are given a share in the fruits of His relationship with God.

These fruits are generously given to all who participate in the public worship of the Church and in a particular way. A priest offers Mass first to glorify God, for the whole Catholic Church and for the particular person for whom the Mass is offered. What a wondrous thing! In offering the Mass for an intention that prayer is offered to God the Father in union with the prayer of His Son!

Our own personal prayer, devotions, and spiritual gatherings flow out of the great cosmic prayer of Christ in the Holy Mass and are meant to flow back into the Sacraments. These other forms of prayer aren't divine worship but praise, the praise of hearts and souls offered to God for what He has done for us, in us and through us. Praise acceptable to God because of our divine adoption as His very sons and daughters. The union of worship and praise create the pattern which is our personal relationship with God. A relationship made possible because of our Baptism.

Tomorrow we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, where He sanctifies the waters of Baptism, today we hear the voice of the Father call us His beloved sons and daughters. Let us respond with hearts made pure and holy through the Sacraments. Let us extend this great gift into the world among us.

Your Father in Christ,  
Fr. Estrella

### Readings for the Upcoming Week

Mon	Is 42:1-4,6-7	Acts 10:34-38	Mt 3:13-17(21)
Tues	Heb 2:5-12		Mk 1:21-28(306)
Wed	Heb 2:14-18		Mk 1:29-39
Thurs	Heb 3:7-14		Mk 1:40-45(308)
Fri	Heb 4:1-5,11		Mk 2:1-12(309)
Sat	Heb 4:12-16		Mk 2:13-17(310)
Sun	Is 49:3, 5-6	1 Cor 1:1-3	Jn 1:29-34(64)

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

#### Our Return to God

Last week Reg collection \$2,933

#### Upcoming Collections

Jan 8 No 2nd collection

Jan 15 School of Religion

Jan 22 No 2nd collection



### Reflecting on the Gospel

Who is God calling you to be in this new year? The Epiphany story points to the many ways God calls each one of us. Like the magi, we may experience a major moment of clarity when God's calling shines as brightly as a star in the night sky.

More likely, we will experience God's callings in the midst of our everyday lives just as the magi did, in the fields of our homes, schools, and workplaces. How will you respond?



### Parish Book Club Gathering

#### Monday January 9, 2023

All parishioners are invited to a meeting of the St. Patrick and St. Canice Book Club on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 1:30 P.M. in the Angel's Nest. The Angel's Nest is located at the back of St. Patrick's Church and can be reached by walking along the outside right wall of the church.

We will be discussing *The Pilgrim's Story: The life and Spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola* by Brendan Comerford, SJ. The discussion, which will last about an hour and a half, will be led by Michael Moreland. The book is available at your favorite book store or online. In addition to stimulating conversation, coffee, tea and cookies will be served. Please bring a friend to the meeting and a suggestion for our next book.

### Mass Intentions



Mon	01/09/23 7:30 am	No intention
Tues	01/10/23 7:30 am	Andrea & Ben Beltran
Wed	01/11/23 7:30 am	No intention
Thurs	01/12/23 7:30 am	No intention
Fri	01/13/23 7:30 am	Chris & Carolina Weber
Sat	01/14/23 5:30 pm	No intention
Sun	01/15/23 9:00 am	No intention

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### CULTURE OF LIFE

#### Culture of Life Thank You Card Campaign

Please join us in our campaign of gratitude by helping us write thank you cards to individuals or groups in our community who uplift and care for the poor, marginalized, elderly, ill and disabled, babies, children and those who mourn. As St. John Paul II said, "All together, we must build a new culture of Life." We will provide stamped, blank Thank You cards after masses on January 14 and 15th.

**To whom to write?** In addition to the list given last week we have within our own parishes many examples of such individuals who volunteer with: Circle of Friends, Helping Hands, Senior Outreach, Widows Wisdom Circle, Eucharistic Ministers to homes and hospitals, Bereavement Ministry, Ladies Guide, Community Meal, Habitat for Humanity, Bill's Wheels, etc. The list of people is long and many would not necessarily consider their efforts as answering the call of St. John Paul II but they do and should be thanked for their positive contributions to our society.

#### What to say? An example...

Dear (individual or group),  
I (my family, my parish) would like to thank you for your work to uplift, care for and support people in challenging or even desperate situations. Your work upholds the dignity of life and I (we) would like to acknowledge your contribution to a loving and caring society. Thank you for all you do.

**Add or replace with a personal message.**