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PRAYER LINE

 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
MAY 7, 2023
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Alleluia, alleluia.
 I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord;
 no one comes to the Father, except through me.
Alleluia, alleluia.



SUMMER FAITH CAMP
June 19th - 23rd 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
 Registration underway!
 Your children will go out of this world for this STELLAR adventure. Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar will rocket kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun.
 Summer Faith Camp will run from June 19th - 23rd from 9:00 AM -12:30 PM.
 Registration: \$55.00 per child; T-shirt, CD & snacks included.
 Register by June 1st. Click below to access registration forms.
<https://stpatrickgrassvalley.org/summer-faith-camp-1>



Communal First Saturday
 Sat May 6th, 7:45 am
 St Patrick's Church Joins us for guided Fatima prayers, Rosary, Mass and 15 minutes of meditation.

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 Fr. James McKnight, Pastor Emeritus

Mass Schedule
 Weekday (M-F) 7:30 AM
 Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM
 Sunday 9:00 AM
 Immaculate Conception Church 11:30 AM

Mass Live-Stream
 Sunday 11:00 AM from St Patrick Church

Confession
 Friday 8:00 AM
 Saturday 4:00 PM (or by appt)

Eucharistic Adoration
 Fri 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
Rosary
 Wednesday 8:00 AM

LITURGICAL MINISTERS				
May 13-14, 2023	Ushers	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat 5:30 pm	John Delgado, Jeff Hebert	Aidynn Salter	Meghan Salter	Christine Strohm & Judy McBride
Sun 9:00 am	Jake Dabis, Steve Baker		Diana Garbin	Lillian Glaeser & Karen McDonald

✠ ALTAR LINENS ✠	
Thank you Ladies Guild!	
April 30th & May 7th	Christine Strohm
May 14th & May 21st	Lillian Glaeser

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,

This past Monday we received an email from our Bishop asking us to join in an ancient tradition of the Church called "Rogation Days." The name "Rogation" comes from the Latin word "rogare" which means to ask or to beg. These days are traditionally associated with the feast of the Ascension and were marked with prayers and processions asking the Lord for the protection of fields and crops and an abundant blessing. As life became more urban and focused on industry and less on farming and country living the Rogation Processions became less and less a practice.

At the height of their observance was a practice called "beating the bounds" which involved a procession which followed the parish boundaries and a beating down the grass and bushes to create a visible marking of the boundaries. Soon these processions became simple observances and eventually discontinued in the life of many parishes. As spring soon yields to summer, once more we find ourselves finding drought and the increased danger of wildfires. Our dependence on the elements reminds us that no matter how advanced technology may become we are still dependent on God's grace and mercy.

What better way to express that dependence than observing this ancient tradition of the Church? Rogation days are typically penitential days; purple vestments were worn in the sacred liturgy and fasting, and abstinence were kept. Fr. (Jossy) and I will soon determine how these days are going to be observed in our parish, I urge us all to make some sacrifices on these days and to participate however you can in these devotions.

As we take up this aspect of the Church's life we implore God's mercy but also express our trust and confidence in Him and His goodness. We turn to our God in prayer because we know that He is slow to anger and rich in compassion. (Ps 103) Our Lord in the gospel tells us "If you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children: how much more will your Father who is in heaven, give good things to them that ask him?" (Matthew 7:11)

These Rogation Days help us remember that it is God's goodness and mercy that are the source of the blessings we enjoy in our lives and that we are not the source of these things. These days of penance during the Easter Season also serve to remind us that even during the joyous days of our Easter celebration we are called to continual and deepening conversion. The practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, which are the dominant themes of Lent, are also meant to be a part of our lives during the course of the liturgical year.

We can all agree that our world is in urgent need of this campaign of prayer that will be marked by the coming Rogation Days. Let us unite under the banner of faith, with the weapons of prayer and fasting and so combat both our temporal needs and the many evils of our day.

Your Father in Christ, Father Estrella

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Our Return to God

Last week Reg collection \$ 4,252
Interfaith Food Ministries \$ 1,454



Upcoming Collections

May 6-7 No 2nd collection
May 13-14 Catholic Communications

Readings for the Upcoming Week

Mon	Acts 14:5-18	Jn 14:21-26 (285)
Tues	Acts 14:19-28	Jn 14:27-31a (286)
Wed	Acts 15:1-6	Jn 15:1-8 (287)
Thurs	Acts 15:7-21	Jn 15:9-11 (288)
Fri	Acts 15:22-31	Jn 15:12-17 (289)
Sat	Acts 16:1-10	Jn 15:18-21 (290)
Sun	Acts 8:5-8 1 Pt 3:15-18	Jn 14:15-21 (55)

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PRIESTS + SEMINARIANS
ANNUAL BASKETBALL GAME

Tuesday, June 20, 2023
Doors open 6:30pm • Tipoff 7pm

Christian Brothers High School Gym
4315 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95820

• \$15 Adults
• \$60 Group of 6 Adults (Save \$30!)
• \$5 Students (K-College)

Buy tickets: www.scd.org/basketball

All proceeds from the game benefit seminarian formation.
Questions? Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations at (916) 723-0258 or msmith@scd.org
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Parish Book Club Gathering

Monday, May 15, 2023

All Parishioners are invited to a meeting of the St. Patrick and St. Canice Book Club on Monday, May 15, 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 Hand of God*, by Bernard Nathanson. The book deals with abortion. 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.



CULTURE OF LIFE



When the "right to choose" isn't.

60 % of women who have had abortions report that they felt some level of pressure to abort, usually from their boyfriend, husband or parents. Here is a tragic example from the recent 40 Days for Life Campaign of a woman having no choice.

On Day 28 of the campaign vigil participants in Los Angeles learned of their first "save". The campaign reported they had rescued an abortion-bound homeless mother from both an abortion and life on the streets. They arranged for the mother to stay at a maternity home where she would get the help she needed to get back on her feet. Unfortunately, the woman's pimp found out and was pressuring her to have the abortion. She indicated that, "He needs to know that she is no longer pregnant or her family will be in danger." The terrorized woman left the maternity home and blocked the phone number of the manager.

One must wonder who really benefits from the abortion of children. Irresponsible men? Rapists? Human traffickers?

YOU'RE INVITED TO A BABY SHOWER



ALL LADIES OF ST. CANICE CHURCH ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND A SHOWER TO ASSIST CLIENTS OF "LIVING WELL MEDICAL CLINIC" WITH GIFTS OF BABY CLOTHING AND SUPPLIES.

ST. CANICE LADIES GUILD INVITES YOU TO ENJOY A SALAD LUNCH AND CAKE, VIEWING OF GIFTS AND A PRESENTATION FROM LIVING WELL. (NO GAMES) THURSDAY, MAY 11TH AT 10:30AM AT ST. CANICE CENTER. THIS IS A FUN AND GREATLY APPRECIATED EVENT. YOUR GIFT WILL HELP A STRUGGLING MOTHER PROVIDE FOR HER NEW-BORN.

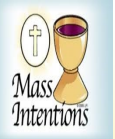
FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF REQUESTED ITEMS YOU CAN GO TO LIVINGWELLMEDICALCLINIC.COM

SCROLL DOWN TO DONATE MATERIAL GIFTS OR CLICK ON DONATE TO MAKE A MONETARY GIFT OR, ASK A MEMBER OF THE LADIES GUILD FOR INFORMATION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THE ST. CANICE LADIES GUILD AND THE ST. CANICE /ST. PATRICK CULTURE OF LIFE MINISTRIES.

Mass Intentions

Mon.	05/08/23	7:30 am	Ada Dittli (SI)
Tues.	05/09/23	7:30 am	Donna Glaeser (SI)
Wed.	05/10/23	7:30 am	Mary Rennie (SI)
Thurs.	05/11/23	7:30 am	Vivian Nguyen (SI)
Fri.	05/12/23	7:30 am	Regina Bayer (SI)
Sat.	05/13/23	5:30 pm	Frank Cartoscelli (D)
Sun.	05/14/23	9:00 am	Jordyn Rose Gonzalaz (SI)



Reflecting on the Gospel



"Do not let your hearts be troubled." Jesus's decree comes on the heels of what any observer would call a troubling time for the disciples. Jesus just told the Twelve that he is to die and that his death will be brought about in part by the betrayal of one of them. Life is about to change drastically for the disciples. Grief looms on the horizon. Jesus knows the challenges to come and still he declares, "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Jesus assures the disciples and in turn, each of us that the divine dwells with us always. We need not fear. We need not hold all the answers. We need only to believe in God's great love and power to bring light into the darkest places.

Does such a belief mean our hearts will never feel troubled again? Most likely not. Our world is hurting. People on the planet are suffering under the weights of individual and structural sin and misfortune.

It is natural to feel pain ourselves and to feel the pains of our neighbors. This is empathy. Jesus is not suggesting that we disavow ourselves of the world's troubles. Rather, he is encouraging us to bring the stirrings of our hearts to God. He is inviting us to trust that he is indeed "the way, the truth, and the life." He is inviting us to trust that all will be made well once more when the kingdom finally comes. Until then, we are to claim our royal priesthood and announce the praises of our God.

WALK FOR HOPE



LivingWell Medical Clinic's Walk for Hope is Saturday, May 20 at 9:30 am at Condon Park, 660 Minnie St., Grass Valley. Be a sponsored Walker and help raise funds to provide hope to those with unexpected pregnancies. For additional information, contact LivingWell at 530-272-6800 or www.livingwellmedicalclinic.com/walk.

Our retreat for May 20th is being postponed.

This Event is Postponed

The retreat is geared for families and we have heard that May is a challenging time for families. We will reschedule in the fall in the hope that many of our parish families will be able to attend. Thanks to all who signed up and those who volunteered to help.