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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**  
**October 29, 2023**  
**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**Alleluia, alleluia.**  
 Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,  
 and my Father will love him and we will come to him.  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**- St. Canice School of Religion Update -**  
 As our parish currently focuses on stewardship, it is a perfect time to consider the role faith formation is playing in our young parishioners' lives. Our entire life is a process of drawing closer to God, beginning at the earliest age possible. The children are the future of our church, and we LOVE seeing them at Mass each week. The home, rightly referred to as the "domestic church", is the first place where children learn about their faith through prayer, then their lifelong journey in faith continues to be supported at the parish level.  
 This year, due to the small number of young parishioners, our religious education program is combining with the St. Patrick faith formation. If you have a child who is ready to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation, please contact Father Estrella as soon as possible: [frestrella@stpatrickgrassvalley.org](mailto:frestrella@stpatrickgrassvalley.org) or (530)273-2347. If your child is in a non-Sacrament year, he or she should plan to attend faith formation classes at St. Patrick Church on Sundays from 10:30-11:45 a.m. Please contact Deacon Rick Soria to register: [faithformation@stpatrickgrassvalley.org](mailto:faithformation@stpatrickgrassvalley.org) or (530)273-2336, ext. 3201. This year provides a wonderful opportunity for the children of both parishes to get to know each other and to strengthen our Catholic community.  
 Please note that the monetary collections designated for St. Canice School of Religion continue to be earmarked for use for the children from St. Canice.

**HOLIDAY SEES CANDIES SALES 2023**  
 Each 1-lb box is \$27 on Pre-order Basis only.  
 Call Jeff Hebert @ (916) 508-5744 or (530) 265-9510 (leave msg.), or email @ [jkhebert@comcast.net](mailto:jkhebert@comcast.net)  
**Please order by: Sunday, November 26.**  
 Delivery date will be approximately December 5-9.  
**Thank you for your orders.** 100% of proceeds goes to the Men's Guild Scholarship Fund.

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

**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

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS				
Nov 4-5, 2023	Ushers	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat @ 5:30 pm	Jeff Hebert	Aidynn Salter	Meghan Salter	Kevin Foley, Judy McBride, Christine Strohm
Sun @ 9:00 am	Tom Seck Terry Vanetten		Michelle McIntosh	Bob & Lillian Glaeser and Karen McDonald

✠ ALTAR LINENS ✠	
Thank you Ladies Guild!	
Oct 29 & Nov 5	Christine Strohm
Nov 12 & Nov 19	Donna Roach

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.

## PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

Dear Parish Family,

As we encounter our annual Stewardship Renewal, I hope that you will share in my enthusiasm for this year's focus, a vital element of Christian life. Ongoing personal formation is vital to our growth as Disciples of Christ. When we commit to continuously pursue our faith, we become Formed in Christ.

During this Stewardship Renewal, I encourage you to consider how you can intentionally pursue your faith by making commitments in prayer, ministry, and offertory giving - or what we call time, talent, and treasure. Read and pray over the materials that you should have all received in the mail and choose what most attracts or challenges you at this time in your life. All commitment cards are confidential. We have separated the ministries by parish so that you can easily tell which parish a ministry is affiliated with; however, please feel free to get involved in any ministry regardless of your parish affiliation. If we continue to pursue God, He will enlighten our minds, convert our hearts, and help us live a stewardship way of life.

It is a blessing to be your pastor, and I thank you for your commitment to be Formed in Christ as we deepen our stewardship way of life at St Patrick and St Canice.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Estrella  
Pastor

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

### Our Return to God

Last week Reg collection \$ 2,049  
World Mission \$ 381

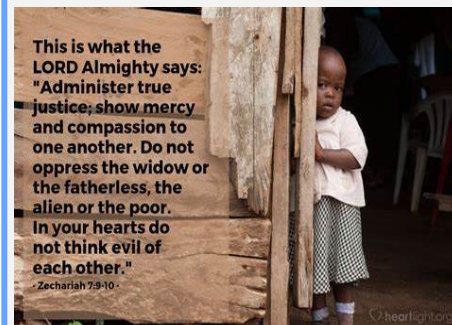


Thanks for Your Support!

### Upcoming Collections

Oct 29 Interfaith Food Ministry  
Nov 1 All Saints Day  
Nov 2 All Souls Day  
Nov 5 No 2nd Collection

## Reflecting on the Gospel



This is what the LORD Almighty says: "Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another. Do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, the alien or the poor. In your hearts do not think evil of each other."  
-Zechariah 7:9-10-

How are people of faith to act in the world? Today's set of readings offers clear practices by which to live. The first reading from Exodus tells people what not to do: do not oppress foreigners, do not wrong widows or orphans, do not extort neighbors in need. Knowing what practices to avoid helps build healthy

boundaries. It's like putting up a fence—the harmful practices stay on the outside. We are left with bountiful space inside the fence to do God's will. Today's gospel makes that crystal clear: first, love the Lord your God; second, love your neighbor as yourself.

These are two of the most well known commandments for people of faith, having first been part of Jewish law. By this point, we have a good idea of what it means to love our neighbors, even if we struggle to live it out at times. Concrete practices that show love for our neighbors include feeding those in need, visiting the sick and lonely, and advocating for just wages and good healthcare for all. The list goes on for ways we can love the people around us.

But the first and greatest commandment to love God with the fullness of our beings may not be as obvious. What does it look like to love God, in God's great vastness and mystery? How do we love something that is always present and often hard to see? What would it feel like to give all our hearts, souls, and minds the totality of our beings over to the love of God?

### SOCK DRIVE. SISTERS OF MERCY HELPING THOSE IN NEED



Sierra Roots reports that they are in need of socks. You have been so very generous in the past years, and we are asking for your support once again. Please place socks in the box provided in the vestibule of the church and accept our sincere gratitude for your kindness. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Mercy Associate member Kathleen Haider @ 530-615-4803.

Thank you for supporting our community!

## Mass Intentions



Mon.	10/30/23	7:30 am	No intention
Tues.	10/31/23	7:30 am	No intention
Wed.	11/01/23	7:30 am	Peter Collier (D)
Thurs.	11/02/23	7:30 am	Men's G Members Past & Present
Fri.	11/03/23	7:30 am	No Intention
Sat.	11/04/23	5:30 pm	Enso and Erna Pellegrini (D)
Sun.	11/05/23	9:00 am	AI Realten Ayers (D)

## Readings for the Upcoming Week

Mon,	10/30	Rom 8:12-17	Lk 13:10-17 (479)
Tues,	10/31	Rom 8-18-25	Lk 13-18-21 (480)
Wed,	11/01	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14	Mt 5:1-12a
Thurs,	11/02	Any readings from no 668	
Fri,	11/03	Rom 9:1-5	World Community Day
Sat,	11/04	Rom 11:1-2a	Lk 14:1 (484)
Sun,	11/05	Mal 1:14b	1 Thes 2:7b-9 (151)
		Daylight Saving Time Ends	

## CORNERSTONE MEN'S RETREAT NOVEMBER 10 TH and 11TH

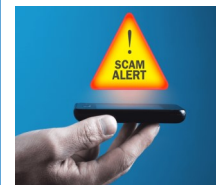


The Best 26 Hours You can spend this November.

As men there is always something we need to do, the next project, the next practice, the next meeting. Our schedules will always be there for us to get through, but we are only offered this one opportunity this year in our parish for men to come together to spend just over a day in the Presence of Our Lord.

Don't miss this opportunity. Come join us as we strive to grow as Catholic Men. Come join us as we strive to grow as Catholic Men. You can still register at <https://spcornerstone.org> or at the parish website. For more information contact Deacon Rick Soria @ 310-626-5673 or Mike Maples at 805-478-2264.

## SCAM ALERT



Once again, someone has sent out messages asking for a "favor" in Father Estrella's name. These messages are not from him please disregard that petition that might come via text or



It is getting to that time of year when the clocks will once again go back due to daylight saving time.

This will happen on November 5 at 2 a.m. local time. Although this means the morning and evenings get darker, we do gain an extra hour of sleep.

## CULTURE OF LIFE

### November 2<sup>nd</sup> is All Souls Day.



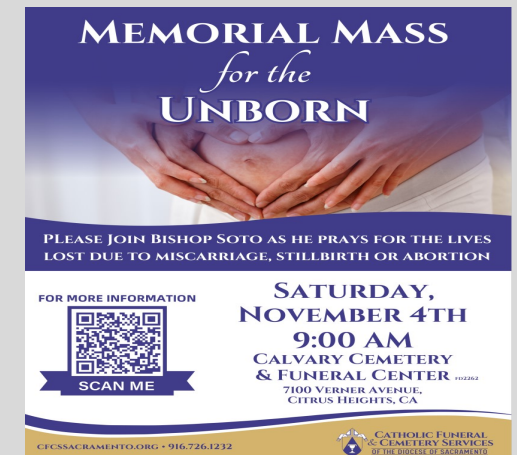
Gracious and merciful Jesus, we pray for the souls of the little ones who have died without the blessings and graces of Baptism. We ask that through your mercy and love you will again call these little children to you and declare that "the Kingdom of

Heaven belongs to such as these." In your name we pray, Amen

### Culture of Life Ministry on Monday, November 6th at 6:00pm in the Small Hall at St. Patrick's Church

Would you like to help build up the Culture of Life in our parish and community? Please join the Culture of Life Ministry on Monday, November 6th at 6:00pm in the Small Hall.

Please Join Us



### November 4 – Remembering the little children.

Bishop Soto will celebrate a Memorial Mass for children lost before birth, to miscarriage or abortion. The Mass will be held at 9:00 am at Calvary Cemetery, 7100 Verner Ave. in Citrus Heights.

If unable to attend the Mass but wishing to pray for the loss of these little children please stop by the St. Patrick Memorial for the Unborn located between the Rectory and the Hall on Saturday, November 4th. Printed prayers for the Victims of Abortion and Those Who Have Lost a Child to Abortion will be available at the benches near the statue of Mary and the memorial marker. Consider setting aside some time to remember and pray for the precious child you personally may have lost due to an abortion or miscarriage or for the ~1 million babies that die every year in America from abortion.

## MASS SCHEDULE

All Saint's Day  
Holy Day of Obligation Wednesday  
Nov. 1st 7:30 AM & 5:30 PM. There will be Mass at Downieville at noon.

All Soul's Day  
Thursday Nov. 2nd 7:30 AM & 4:00 PM Mass at the cemetery.

