

**MARCH 9 & 10, 2024**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**



Today's Gospel reading is full of promises to "everyone who believes" in Jesus. They will have eternal life (**John 3:15**). They will not perish (**3:16**). They will not be condemned (**3:18**). But what does it mean to believe in him?

We might think that believing in Jesus means being convinced that he is who he says he is. And it does. We agree with the truth that he is the Messiah, the Son of God. We acknowledge his miracles and the wisdom of his teachings. But intellectual assent will get us only so far. As James says, "Even the demons believe that and tremble" (**2:19**).

The belief that Jesus is talking about here is an act of the will; it's a decision to place our trust in Someone whom we know and love. That kind of personal connection with the Lord can spark a deep faith that changes the way we think and behave. St. John Henry Newman talked about the importance of our relationship with Jesus when he said, "No man will be a martyr for a conclusion".

But even deeper, and at the heart of everything else, faith is a gift of grace from God. Our belief is more than intellectual assent or an act of the will. It's response to God's initiative. His grace opens our minds to the truth and moves us to place our lives in Jesus' hands. Belief isn't possible without God's initial intervention. The Catechism puts it succinctly: "In faith, the human intellect and will cooperate with divine grace" (**155**).

Today is a day overflowing with grace. So, turn to the Lord and affirm your faith. Tell Jesus that you believe he is who he says he is. Entrust your life to him. As you do, your faith will continue to grow, and you will trust even more deeply in Jesus' promise of eternal life. "**Jesus, I believe in you!**"

**SJSDR Catholic School News**

The students and families of SJSDR have been hard at work raising money to support our parish school this spring. Thank you to all the parishioners who supported us through our food sales this past weekend. We made \$1236 dollars which will help us meet our expenses for March!

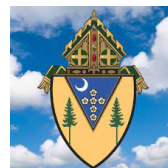
We still hear about families who do not know about our school. Help spread the word about the best school on the coast!

What our families are saying about SJSDR: "What do we like about SJSDR? It is faith based, small, there is more one-on-one time with the teacher, kids can get challenged academically, parent involvement, and field trips. My son always looks forward to going to school." said one SJSDR parent.

"We like everything, especially the love that our daughter feels for everything she's learning and how much she has learned about Mass." says Maria Carmen Cardona

**Upcoming events:**  
**Open enrollment grades K-5 –**  
**Save a seat today!**  
**Bingo Extravaganza! - April 20**  
**Yard Sale - June 1**

Check our website for more information: [sjdrcs.com](http://sjdrcs.com) Or contact our directress: Kathleen Kasperson 707-513-5672.



**ANNUAL MINISTRY APPEAL 2024**

If you have not already pledged to this year's Annual Ministry Appeal, please do so today. We are counting on you to respond generously and to give for the spiritual benefit of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Funds provided through the AMA help to bring Christ's love and comfort to others. Effectively continuing His mission requires a united effort by every Catholic throughout our Diocesan church. To date, \$1,470.00 has been pledged, bringing us to 14.7 % of our goal. Thank you! It is not too late to participate. Please use the envelopes available or give online at [www.srdioocese.org](http://www.srdioocese.org).

**ATTENTION**  
ON TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024 MASS WILL BE AT  
12:05PM INSTEAD OF 5:30PM.



EASTER IS COMING UP AND WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR DONATIONS OF PLASTIC EGGS AND CANDY FOR OLCG'S YEARLY EASTER EGG HUNT. YOU CAN BRING THEM TO THE PARISH OFFICE MONDAY-FRIDAY FROM 10AM – 2PM.



**KNIGHTS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS' EDUCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE. APPLICANTS MUST COME TO PICK UP. ALSO, THEY MUST BE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH. SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO THE KNIGHTS' POST OFFICE BOX BY APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>. FOR MORE INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT STEVE BEEMAN 707-480-4614.



**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL'S MINISTRY**

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul would like to express appreciation to the members of Our Lady of Good Counsel parish for the generous donation of blankets, sleeping bags and shoes. As of March 7<sup>th</sup>, we have collected 24 blankets, 4 sleeping bags and 1 box of shoes. We are working with the Food Bank in Fort Bragg to distribute these items to people in need.

On February 17<sup>th</sup>, our St. Vincent DePaul parish conference hosted an orientation to the Society of St. Vincent DePaul. Father Pacheco celebrated Mass with our members and blessed our event. Thirteen members of the parish attended, potentially doubling the number of members of our conference. Attendees came from other parishes, as far away as Willows, CA. Our expanding membership will allow our conference to broaden our response to the needs of the hungry, impoverished and homeless populations in our community.



**MASS INTENTIONS  
MARCH 9 - 15, 2024**

Saturday (09)	5:00pm	Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba † Douglas Evans Lorenz †
	6:30pm	Mauricio Escobedo † Natalia Pérez † Pascual, Teodoro, Raúl & Romelia Gómez † Gerardo Escobedo (healing)
Sunday (10)	8:00am	Glynis & Adde Fernande
	10:00am	Missa pro populo
Monday (11)	12:05pm	NO MASS
Tuesday (12)	12:05pm	Antonio M. Sousa †
Wednesday (13)	12:05pm	Antonio & Maria Cabral †
Thursday (14)	12:05pm	Antonio M. Sousa †
Friday (15)	12:05pm	Joao & Maria Figueiredo †

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

MARCH 2 & 3, 2024...\$2,217.00  
LIABILITY INSURANCE....\$947.00

**THIS WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR  
MANITENANCE FUND**

**NEXT WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR  
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES & CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR  
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT & CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY!!**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Mauricia Campuzano, Bertha Valenzuela, Carole Shoptaw, Gina Pivrotto, Angie Gómez, Judy Halren, Rose Cortez, Fidela Jara, Felix Santillán, Martha Sánchez, Gerardo Escobedo, Angie Freitas, Russel Bryant, Derrick Heater, Ann Gallagher, Brianna Lopez, Margaret Milliken, Nick Quin, Mary Servis, Matty Walker, Ofelia Ybarra.

**LET'S PRAY FOR ALL OUR FAMILY MEMBERS  
AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY**

Jovany Baez, Justin Mertle, María de la Luz Ramírez, Rebeca Sánchez, José Araiza, Jr., Marina González, Alondra Jara, Sonia Jara, Matt Mills & Jared Schroeder.

## ~UPDATE YOUR RECORDS ~

Have you changed your address? Phone number? Email address? If so, please contact the parish office and let us know your changes so that we can update your parishioner record. Email changes to [olgcinfb@gmail.com](mailto:olgcinfb@gmail.com) or call at 707-964-0229 ext. 1.

## TEMPORARY TUESDAY MASS TIME

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, MASS WILL BE AT 5:30PM



### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

When a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized and would like Father Pacheco to pay them a visit to receive Holy Communion and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office at 707-964-0229 ext. 1 and after office hours, please call 707-813-4188.



IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH, ON THE SOUTHERN WALL IS A BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL TREE. ITS BRIGHT LEAVES REPRESENT PERMANENT MEMORIALS TO THE DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH. FOR THE SUM OF \$200.00, YOU CAN GIVE TO THE PARISH SECRETARY, THE CORRECT SPELLING AND DATES OF THE DEPARTED AND IN DUE TIME THE LEAF IS PRINTED AND ATTACHED TO THE TREE AS A PERMANENT REMINDER OF A LOVED ONE WHO IS GONE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 707-964-0229.



**WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT:  
Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish now provides  
"ParishSOFT Giving," an online giving software!**

To get started, you can go to [olgcinfb.org](http://olgcinfb.org).

*From this link you will be allowed to manage your own account online, set up gifts on a schedule that you choose or a one-time donation, and can be set up with a credit card, debit card, checking or savings account!*

*If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 964-0229.*



**EVERY THURSDAY @ 11:00AM,  
WE HAVE THE EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF  
THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,  
FOLLOWED BY MASS AT 12:05PM.**

## **NEW TO THE PARISH?**

If you are new to Our Lady of Good Counsel's Church, Welcome! We hope you find a spiritual home here. Please formally register in the parish and be a part of our family. Come to the Parish Office Mon - Fri, 10am – 2pm to register.

Registration forms are also available in the church vestibule.



## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

### **CONFIRMATION MASS:**

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024 AT 6PM

### **FIRST COMMUNION MASS:**

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 AT 10AM.



## **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT  
AT 12:45PM IN ENGLISH AND 6PM IN SPANISH.