

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 24, 2018</b>
5:00 P.M.	Barbara Bryant – RIP JoAnn Eagleton – RIP Cidney Corpuz – Birthday Blessings Ciriacio Peralta – RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 25, 2018</b>
8:00 A.M.	Gonzalo Diaz – RIP
9:30 A.M.	Tricia and Denis Turner – RIP, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary Edward T. Arviso – RIP
11:00 A.M.	Ignacio Cruz San Juan – RIP
11:30 A.M.	Shirley and John Wienberger - 63 <sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary
<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 26, 2018</b>
8:00 A.M.	Barbara Bryant – RIP
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>February 27, 2018</b>
8:00 A.M.	Clarity for our Clergy
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 28, 2018</b>
8:00 A.M.	John Admire – Birthday Blessings Maria Suarez – RIP
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>March 1, 2018</b>
8:00 AM	End to Abortion
<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 2, 2018</b>
8:00 A.M.	Bernard Family Intentions

### Return to Me

\*Return to me with all your heart [Joel 2:12] and show a spirit of repentance with fasting, weeping and mourning [Joel 2:12]; so that while you fast now, later you may be satisfied, while you weep now, later you may laugh, while you mourn now, you may someday enjoy consolation [cf Luke 6:21; Matthew 5:4]. It is customary for those in sorrow or adversity to tear their garments. The gospel records that the high priest did this to exaggerate the charge against our Lord and Savior; and we read that Paul and Barnabas did so when they heard words of blasphemy. I bid you not to tear your garments but rather to *rend your hearts* [Joel 2:13] which are laden with sin. Like wine skins, unless they have been cut open, they will burst of their own accord. After you have done this, return to the Lord your God, from whom you had been alienated by your sins. Do not despair of his mercy, no matter how great your sins, for great mercy will take away great sins [cf Luke 7:41-47].

For the Lord is *gracious and merciful* [Joel 2:13] and prefers the conversion of a sinner rather than his death. Patient and generous in his mercy, he does not give in to human impatience but is willing to wait a long time for our repentance. So extraordinary is the Lord's mercy in the face of evil, that if we do penance for our sins, he regrets his own threat and does not carry out against us the sanctions he had threatened. So by the changing of our attitude, he himself is changed. But in this passage we should interpret "evil" to mean, not the opposite of virtue, but affliction, as we read in another place: *Sufficient for the day are its own evils* [cf Matthew 6:34]. *Who knows whether he will not turn and repent and leave behind him a blessing?* [Joel 2:14]. In other words, he says: "I exhort you to repentance, because it is my duty, and I

know that God is inexhaustibly merciful, as David says: *Have mercy on me, God, according to your great mercy, and in the depths of your compassion, blot out all my iniquities* [cf Psalm 51:1]. But since we cannot know the depth of the riches and of the wisdom and knowledge of God, I will temper my statement, expressing a wish rather than taking anything for granted, and I will say: *Who knows whether he will not turn and repent?* [cf Joel 2:14]. Since he says, *who*, it must be understood that it is impossible or difficult to know for sure.

To these words the prophet adds: *Offerings and libations for the Lord our God* [cf Joel 2:14]. What he is saying to us in other words is that, God having blessed us and forgiven us our sins, we will then be able to offer sacrifice to God.

### Vuélvanse a Mí

*Vuelvan a mí con todo Corazón* (Joel 2:12) y muestren un espíritu de arrepentimiento, *con ayuno, con llantos y con lamentos* (Joel 2:12); para que mientras ayunan ahora, después puedan estar satisfechos, mientras lloran ahora, después estarán riendo, mientras se lamentan ahora, puedan algún día disfrutar el consuelo (Lucas 6:21; Mateo 5:4). Es costumbre para aquellos que están sufriendo o se enfrentan con la adversidad rasgar sus vestiduras. El evangelio cuenta que el gran sacerdote hacia esto para exagerar el cargo en contra de Nuestro Señor y Salvador; y leemos que San Pablo y Banabas hicieron lo mismo cuando escuchaban palabras de blasfemias. Les pido que no rasguen sus vestidos *sino sus corazones* (Joel 2:13) los cuales están cargados de pecados. Igual que las bolsas de vino, a menos que se abran, no se derramaran por su propia cuenta. Después de hacer esto, vuélvanse al Señor su Dios, del cual ustedes se han alejado debido a sus pecados. No desesperen por su misericordia, no importa que tan grande sean sus pecados, pues la gran misericordia borrará grandes pecados (Lucas 7:41-47).

Pues el Señor *está lleno de gracia y misericordia* (Joel 2:13) y prefiere la conversión de un pecador en vez de su muerte. Paciente y generosa en su misericordia, Él no se rinde ante la impaciencia humana sino que está dispuesto a esperar un largo tiempo por nuestro arrepentimiento. Tan extraordinario es la misericordia del Señor en la faz del mal, que si hacemos penitencia por nuestros pecados, él se arrepiente de sus propias amenazas y no lleva a cabo sus sanciones en contra de nosotros con las cuales había amenazado. Pues por el cambio de nuestra actitud, El mismo cambia. Pero en este pasaje debemos interpretar la palabra "mal" que significa, no lo opuesto de virtud, sino aflicción, así como leemos en otro lugar: *Suficiente para el día de hoy son sus propios problemas* {Mateo 6:34}. *Quién sabe si*

*Él se echará para atrás y nos perdonará y hará producir de nuevo a nuestros campos* (Joel 2:14) En otras palabras, él dice: "Los exhorto a que se arrepientan, porque es mi deber, y sé que Dios es inmensamente misericordioso, como David dice: *Ten piedad de mí, oh Dios, en tu bondad, por tu gran corazón, borra mi falta. Que mi alma quede limpia de malicia, purifícame de mi pecado.*" (Salmo 51:1). Pero puesto que no conocemos la profundidad de las riquezas y de la sabiduría y conocimiento de Dios, yo templare mi declaración, expresando un deseo en vez de tomar algo a la ligera, y diré: *¿Quién sabe si Él se echará para atrás y se arrepentirá?* (Joel 2:14). Puesto que él dice, quien, debiera ser entendido que sea imposible o difícil de saber con seguridad.

A estas palabras el profeta agrega: *Ofrendas y libaciones para el Señor nuestro Dios* (Joel 2:14). Lo que nos está diciendo en otras palabras es que, Dios una vez que nos ha bendecido y perdonado nuestros pecados, nosotros seremos capaces de ofrecer sacrificios a Dios.

**Let us, therefore, forsake the vanity of the crowd and their false teachings, and turn back to the word delivered to us from the beginning. – Saint Polycarp (February 23)**

**The Second Sunday of Lent**



Dora Lopez, Rosie Arivzu, Johnny Martin, Sean McGinny, Michael Norris, Heidi Pazinske, Jill Anderson, James Ruiz, Rolfe Scofield, Bob Franklin, Colleen Wilson, Sherry Schollenberger, Gail Mulford, Richard Brazil, Cindy, Griffin Cramer, Manuela Sanger, Kathryn Nelson, Judith Withers Paquin, Stella Hnatiuk, Magie and Carol Reed, Ed Reed, Frank Guinto, Mark Norris, Lenet Inglett, Joe Carey, Cheryl Bryant, Mary Jo Reed, Jesus Ayala, Beverly Lugo, Blaze Anthony, Georgiana Viveros, Aswut Toscano, Virgil Yazzie, John David Admire, Emily Mazzetti, Kathleen and John Admire. **Also, please remember those who have died: Herminio Gestelum, Mario Garcia, Ramona Pelayo, Michael Raney, Michael Pavlovich, Mayela Muñoz, Julia Cruz, Claire Kiempisty, Marcellus Lopez, and James Brittan**

Do you know anyone who would like to be listed for prayer? Please Call the Office at 760-742-3317 or Mike Kerrigan at 951-805-3872

**Ground the Mission – February**

**Baptism** – AshLynn Amber Weiss, Anthony Russell Weiss II, Natalie Alice Weiss, Gilbert Madera, III, Viviana Madera, Melody Ambrice, and James Pagett

**Funeral** – **Judy Magee** – Rosary, Thursday, February 23, 2018, 7:00PM, Pala Chapel; 10:00AM, Mass, February 24, 2018, Pala; Interment, following at Fallbrook Cemetery.

**Adora Bojovquez**, Rosary, 9:30 AM, Tuesday, February 6; Funeral Mass, 10:00 AM, February 6, Pala

**First Year Anniversary** – Kyle Cagey Toscano, February 10, Pala at 10:00 AM.

**Weddings**– Yasmin and Raul Duran  
Veronica Mendoza and Nathan Lewis

**Wedding Anniversary:** Socorro and Juan Muñoz

**What does the Catechism say about...**

What are the essential elements of the sacrament of Reconciliation?

The essential elements are two: the acts of the penitent who comes to repentance through the action of the Holy Spirit, and the absolution of the priest who in the name of Christ grants forgiveness and determines the ways of making satisfaction.

**303. What are the acts of the penitent?**

They are: a careful *examination of conscience*; *contrition* (or repentance), which is perfect when it is motivated by love of God and imperfect if it rests on other motives and which includes the determination not to sin again; *confession*, which consists in the telling of one's sins to the priest; and *satisfaction* or the carrying out of certain acts of penance which the confessor imposes upon the penitent to repair the damage caused by sin.

**CCD Corner**

Important Reminder: **February 25<sup>th</sup>** there will be a special CCD Children's Mass at 8:00 AM. All CCD children are requested to attend. Mass will be followed by regular CCD classes as usual. However; a mandatory **parent meeting** for **First Communion parents** (and their children) will be held immediately following Mass in the cafeteria.

**Knight Lines**

*Mother Teresa, a great friend of the knights of Columbus, once said, "when I hear all the pain and suffering caused by mean remarks and unkindness, I think of our Lord who told the people they should throw a stone at the sinful woman only if they were without sin. When we are tempted to speak, unkindly or to bring up someone's past failures, remember Jesus' words." This is a great practice for Lent!*

*Dates to remember: March 10 – Pancake Breakfast*

*March 25 – Taco Sale*

*January 31 – Knights Submit Dues*

**2018 Annual Catholic Appeal**

Thank you for your support of our 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal at our kick-off weekend, last week. We collected \$2180.00 of our \$9000.00 assessment. What a great start! Remember this collection supports and enables the diocese to carry out these critical ministries:

- ✓ Catholic Charities
- ✓ Prison Ministry
- ✓ Young Adult Ministry
- ✓ Seminarian Support
- ✓ Retired Priests subsidies

And every dollar collected over our assessment comes back to the Mission for our projects and ministries. Please take an envelope, found in the pews, home and give prayerful consideration to your donation. Through the Diocesan Annual Appeal you share your gifts from God and you touch people's hearts. Thank you for your generosity and support!



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Mark your calendars for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent **at 7:00pm** in the **San Juan Diego Center**.

**Stations of the Cross are scheduled in Rincon on Wednesdays at 6:00pm.**

Everyone is invited to participate as we pray and remember Jesus' suffering, and associate His suffering with our lives today.



**Fatima First Saturday Devotions**

On March 3, the First Saturday Marian Devotions will be celebrated after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. The Marian devotion follows the mass with the Rosary and Fatima First Saturday Devotions. Come and join us to honor Our Blessed Mother as Our Lady of Fatima and fulfill what she has asked of us!



**Welcome**

If you are visiting or are joining us for the first time, we are pleased you have come! If you are ready to join our parish, we encourage you to fill out a Registration Form found in the Gift Store after Mass. If you are interested in participating in any ministry, please contact the office.

Let your understanding strengthen your patience. In serenity look forward to the joy that follows sadness.

– Saint Peter Damian (February 21)