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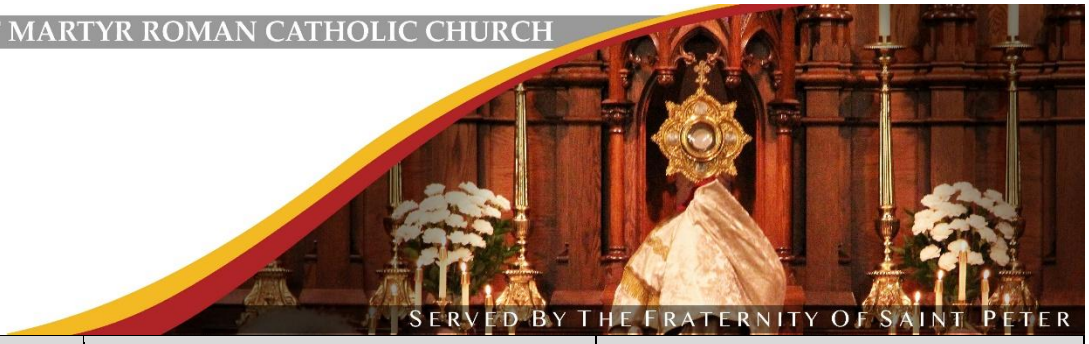

SACRAMENTS

MASS SCHEDULE

Sun	7 am, 8:30 am, 10 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm (*Sung*), 6 pm
Mon - Fri	7 am, 12 pm, 6 pm
Sat	7 am, 8:30 am, 12 pm
Holy Day	Check bulletin.

CONFESSIONS

We have confessions **every weekday**, starting one half hour before the beginning of Mass. There are also limited times on Sunday for confessions.

Sun	6:30 am & 5:30 pm
Mon - Fri	6:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:30 pm
Sat	6:30 am, 8 am, 11:30 am

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Contact the Parish Office. Baptisms should be within the first two weeks after birth; marriages generally require six months of preparation.

SICK CALLS

Call the Parish Office to schedule a home visit for the Sacraments.

If someone is dying, outside of office hours, dial **916-455-5114**, then press **1**. You will be transferred immediately to the priest-on-call.

THE FSSP

St. Stephen the First Martyr is a personal parish of the Diocese of Sacramento. It is served by priests of **the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter**.

PARISH INFORMATION

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FAQ, bulletins, news, events, sermons, becoming Catholic, and much more.

PARISH SIGNAL GROUPS

Visit the bookstore for information.

DEVOTIONS

THE DIVINE OFFICE

Tu - Fr	8:50 am, *Terce* 11:20 am, *Sext* 5 pm, *Vespers*
Sat	11:20 am, *Sext* 5 pm, *Vespers & Compline*

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

Thurs 1 pm - 6 pm

THE HOLY ROSARY

Sun	6:30 am & 7 pm
Last Sat	After the 8:30 am (*15 decades*)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tues After the 6 pm

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Wed After all Masses

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Sun	After the 1 pm
Thurs	After all Masses

SAINT MONICA SODALITY

1st Th After the 6 pm Mass

THE SACRED HEART

1st Fri After all Masses

FATIMA PROCESSION

The 13th of the month, May to Oct.

DONATIONS

ST. BERNADETTE FUND

Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.

ONLINE GIVING

Available at the parish website.
firstmartyr.com

Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

22 Mar	**Sun**	**Passion Sunday**, *I*
	7 am	+ Holy Souls
	8:30 am	Joey
	10 am	Michael Keekley
	11:30 am	+ Remedios Mascarinas Mortensen
	1 pm	*Pro populo*
	6 pm	+ Julieta Glorioso Little
23 Mar	**Mon**	**Feria**, *III*
	7 am	Jesse Petzold
	12 pm	Fr. Curtis
	6 pm	+ Goring & Bienvenida Ando
24 Mar	**Tues**	**Feria**, *III*
	7 am	Pat Butchy
	12 pm	+ Holy Souls
	6 pm	+ Singhua Sy & family
25 Mar	**Wed**	**Annunciation of the BVM**, *I*
	7 am	Maria Valencia & family
	12 pm	+ Andrew Keeler
	6 pm	Alvin G. Dela Paz
26 Mar	**Thurs**	**Feria**, *III*
	7 am	+ Santiago Bernal
	12 pm	+ Sonia G. Dela Paz
	6 pm	+ Bill Warren
27 Mar	**Fri**	**Feria**, *III*
	7 am	DeoVolente family
	12 pm	+ Daniele Mahoney
	6 pm	+ Acosta Isaura Jora
28 Mar	**Sat**	**Feria**, *III*
	7 am	Pat Butchy
	8:30 am	+ Toshio Kamiunten
	12 pm	Brooke Nicholas

PRAYER LIST

Irene Guzman, Julius Cozzatti, Judy Schuchmann, Michael & Kathleen DeSantis, Ana Rosa Phomsopha, Mother Regina, Donna Hopkins, Chuck Teixera, Carol Cummings, Ron Mantsch, Daniel Huynh, Avianna Ramirez, Ed Schneider, Paula Belen, Ralph Clark, Michelle DiGiovani, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, Debbie Vilar, Dominick Damore, Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Karen Rich, Stephanie Reali, Theresa Reali, Don Varley, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Barbara Graichen, Darryl Gallagher, Barbara Cogan, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties

Please keep all the sick and homebound of the parish in your daily prayers, as well as the loved ones of fellow parishioners, and our adult catechumens and candidates.

IN MEMORIAM

Billy June Hinojos, Josephine Cuellar, Judy Roberts, Jim Gallagher, Geoff Pyka, Jim Kasak, Anthony Correa, Helen DiCarlo, Daniel Nguyen, Fr. Salgado, Jazmin Orozco, Peter Luong Van Tran, Anne Marie Ternes, Bob Crocker, Kathleen Scarry, Bill Sneeringer, Marion Nicholas, Vincent DiCarlo, Estelle McKnerney, Alfred Solorio, Fr. James Buckley, Rudy Nagel, Paul Graff, Pietro Lopresti, John Hymes, Teodosio Dino, Barbara Chu, Nellie Reyes, Albert Treskon, Violet Corr, Mary Hayes, Derald Goyette, Bonnie Williams, Frank Bowa, Ramon Daley, Eileen Morrison, Richard & Louise Szabo, Cesar Oliva, Joseph Damore, Ken Taylor

PARISH SOCIETIES

Choir & Music Classes & Organ Society ..... **Keven Smith**
Youth & Adults, Sunday & Thursday .... ksmith_writer@yahoo.com

Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor ..... **Mike Solton**
Boys 7 – 18, Third Saturday 916-832-2859

Troops of Saint George (Scouting)
Boys 6 – 18 ..... CPT@tsgtroop750.org

Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary ..... **Amy Rutschow**
Girls 14 – 18, First Saturday 916-340-5782

Rosa Mystica ..... **Hannah Fauci**
Girls 9 – 13, First Saturday 323-590-8003

Little Flowers ..... **Katie Scarry**
Girls 5 – 8, First Saturday 530-945-6947

Youth Group ..... **Liz Hernandez**
Ages 14 – 18, Second & Fourth Friday 916-396-4062

OLSW Co-op ..... **Inocencio Rangel**
Ages 14 – 18, Tuesday & Thursday 916-804-6359

CCM Co-op ..... **Blanca Pimentel**
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Veritas (Young Adult Group) ..... **Kyle Watson**
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Adult Catechism ..... **Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP**
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Chesterton Society ..... **Spencer Roundtree**
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Ushers ..... **Roger Soto**
Adult men, Sundays & Holy Days 209-610-1163

Security ..... **Federico Serrano**
Adult Men, Sundays & Parish Events 916-907-4001

Altar Linen & Flowers Society ..... **Tomoko McDonough**
Adult women, Third Saturday ..... mcdonoughmommy6@gmail

Church Flowers ..... **Hannah Fauci**
Friday or Saturday 323-590-8003

Church Cleaning ..... **Eli Gonzalez**
Wednesday 916-395-7408

Collection Count Crew ..... **Kelly Manstch**
Monday ..... *Parish Office* 916-451-5114

Brown Bag Lunch Program ..... **Maureen Olguin**
Sunday ..... jmolguin5960@att.net

The Gabriel Project ..... **Catarina Hinojos**
On call 415-286-6228

Senior's Lunch (55+) ..... **Janice Marston**
Third Thursday 916-459-9056

Coffee & Donuts ..... **Nicole**
Sunday ..... mrs99@pm.me

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Fr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP; **Sr. MaryAnne Regina, CM**; **Sr. Maria Dolorosa, FLM**; **Sr. Leonie, OSB**; **Sr. Rebekah Kasak (OSB)**

Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

PASSIONTIDE VEILS

On behalf of the whole parish, I wish to express my deepest gratitude to all of the women who worked many hours to sew the new veils, to Mike Cao – who volunteered his design and workshop teams for the pulley system, and to Tom Scarry, who built much of the other hardware and contributed in many other ways.

BOOK SALE & NEW NURSING ROOM

This Sunday (and next), we will be selling used books from the "Amazon" room, behind the classroom office. *We have closed the Amazon storefront and will no longer be receiving used books*. In place of the book storage, we will be installing a comfortable area for mothers to nurse their infant children in privacy. A concept is available below. We have already secured a contractor and a detailed plan for the work.

HOLY WEEK (MARCH 29 - APRIL 4)

1. **Palm Sunday** - *Normal schedule*. Procession at 1 pm.
2. **Monday to Tuesday** - *Normal schedule*.
3. **Wednesday** –
   - 7 am & noon: Mass (*confessions beforehand as usual*)
   - 5 pm - 5:45 pm: Confessions
   - 6 pm: Tenebrae
4. **Holy Thursday** –
   - 7 am - 8:30 am: Confessions
   - 9 am: Mass of the Last Supper
   - *Adoration at the Altar of Repose overnight*
   - 5 pm - 5:45 pm: Confessions
   - 6 pm: Tenebrae
5. **Good Friday** –
   - 7 am - 8:30 am: Confessions
   - 9 am: Mass of the Presanctified
   - 3 pm: Stations of the Cross
   - 5 pm - 5:45 pm: Confessions
   - 6 pm: Tenebrae
6. **Holy Saturday** - Vigil Mass at 4 pm.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mar 22	Baby bottles collected
Apr 5	Easter Sunday. *Normal Sunday schedule*.
May 2	Confirmations, 2 pm
May 3	May Crowning
May 9	Italian Dinner
May 16-17	Booth for hand-crafted items from Holy Land
May 30	First Holy Communion, noon Mass
Jun 14-20	2026, Camp Sacred Heart
Jun 20-26	2026, Camp Immaculate Heart
Jul 11	Father/Daughter Dance (contact: Da Silva)
Jul 19	Mission Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday

Donations for the FLM (Filiae Laboris Mariae) sisters are being collected by the Sodality of the BVM, in the courtyard.

Baby bottles for the Sacramento Life Center are being collected in the courtyard today.

Clearance sale on used books. Please visit the "Amazon" room, behind the classroom office. All books are for sale at 50% off, *or best offer*.

This Week

DK Iron is installing a fence around the shed area to protect children from the utilities in that area and keep them from behind the shed area where it is difficult to supervise them, on Mon, Mar 23. The fence around the gas lines has been delayed until we figure out the picnic area landscaping.

The Annunciation. Sung Mass at 6 pm on Wed, Mar 25.

Youth Group meets on Fri, Mar 27 at 7 pm.

Stations of the Cross. After the noon and 6 pm Masses on Fridays in Lent.

Lenten Soup Dinners. Fridays of Lent following the 6 pm Mass and Stations of the Cross. All parishioners are welcome to attend and bring a meatless soup, bread, or water to share on Lenten Fridays. For details, contact Edward Biasi at 707-590-4366 or ebiasi470@gmail.com.

Rosary for Priests. Join us praying fifteen decades for the sanctication of priests after the 8:30 am Mass on Sat, Mar 28.

Passion Play. Sacramento Catholic Theatre Company will bring their traveling production based on the Stations of the Cross to St. Stephens on Sat, Marh 28, in the parish hall after the noon Mass.

Looking Ahead

Egg Hunt for the children of the parish on Easter Sunday after the 1 pm High Mass in the field.

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