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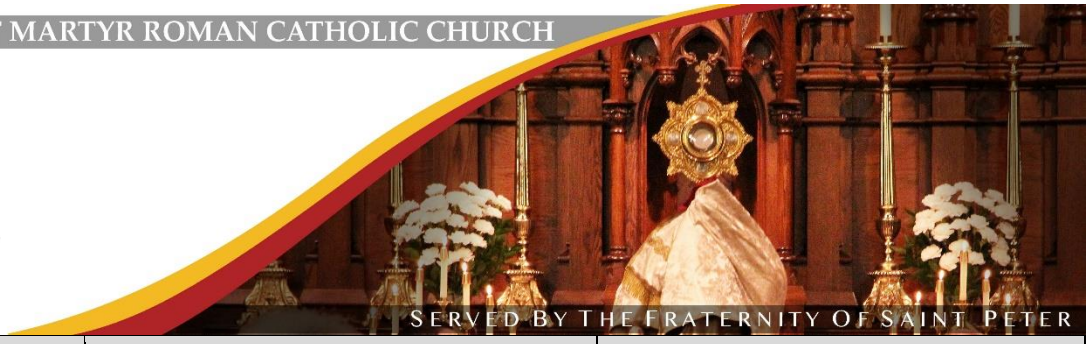

SACRAMENTS

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**.

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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

16 Aug	**Sun**	**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**, *II*
	7 am	+ Jim Gallagher
	8:30 am	+ Peter Luong Tran
	10 am	+ Anthony Correa
	11:30 am	Amy Fisher
	1 pm	*Pro populo*
	6 pm	Private intention
17 Aug	**Mon**	**St. Hyacinth**, *III*
	7 am	Fr. Evaristus
	12 pm	+ Fernando & Bienvenida Dela Paz
	6 pm	Pope Leo XIV
18 Aug	**Tues**	**St. Agapitus**, *IV*
	7 am	Francine Petzold & family
	12 pm	+ Teresa Alatorre
	6 pm	Stephen Paul McDonald
19 Aug	**Wed**	**St. John Eudes**, *III*
	7 am	Duong Tran
	12 pm	+ Jesus Alatorre
	6 pm	Mary Ann Narag
20 Aug	**Thurs**	**St. Bernard**, *III*
	7 am	+ Damaso Zapata
	12 pm	Julie Jeong
	6 pm	Confraternity of St. Peter
21 Aug	**Fri**	**St. Jane Frances de Chantal**, *III*
	7 am	Darryl Gallagher
	12 pm	+ Marie Marshall
	6 pm	+ Holy Souls
22 Aug	**Sat**	**Immaculate Heart of the BVM**, *II*
	7 am	Marilyn Cozad
	8:30 am	Raymond Alatorre & family
	12 pm	+ Tran family

PRAYER LIST

Paul Cogley, Irene Guzman, Julius Cozzatti, Judy Schuchmann, 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, 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

Michael DeSantis, Don Varley, 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 ..... **Megan Gury**
Girls 5 – 8, First Saturday 916-207-0498

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

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Adult men, Sundays & Holy Days 209-610-1163

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Altar Linen & Flowers Society ..... **Tomoko McDonough**
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Church Flowers ..... **Hannah Fauci**
Friday or Saturday 323-590-8003

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

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Coffee & Donuts ..... **Nicole**
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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 Arestless until it finds its rest in thee.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

SPOTLIGHTING SEVERAL UPCOMING EVENTS

As several of these were only recently announced, I want to call your attention particularly to them.

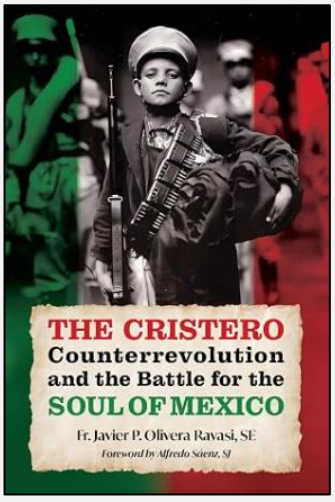
Parish Hall Chant Workshop

This Saturday! Join us on Saturday, August 22, from 9:30 am to noon, in the parish hall. Our parish music director, Keven Smith, will teach some of the ordinary chants and hymns of our Catholic patrimony so that you'll be better prepared to sing along at sung Masses. Keven will also help you read Gregorian notation and cover the basics of healthy singing technique. We will then sing the 12 pm Mass together for the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

I asked Keven to host this longer, one-day workshop as an alternative to the weekly Sunday workshops we tried last summer.

Cristeros Conference

On Saturday, August 29 (Spanish at 9:30 am; English at 10:45 am), Fr. Javier Olivera Ravasi will give a one hour conference on the Cristero War. Fr. Ravasi is an Argentine Catholic priest, historian, author, and international speaker. He holds doctorates in Philosophy and History, specializing in the Cristero War; his doctoral dissertation in History focused specifically on the Cristiada. He is the author of "La Contrarrevolución Cristera" and founder of the Catholic apostolate Que No Te La Cuenten. He will have his book available for purchase.



Fr. Ravasi came highly recommended by several FSSP priests and some of our parishioners, as well.

Classic Music Conference

On Sunday, September 20, after the High Mass, in the parish hall, Larissa Kuplack will give a cello performance, accompanied by Esther Roche on the piano. Musical pieces will be accompanied by instruction in music appreciation.

Larissa was recommended by an FSSP priest at another parish and is known by several parishioners. More details in the "Looking Ahead" section.

ADULT CATECHISM

Our class has started, but we can easily get people caught up if they are interested. Full schedule and registration are available at **https://firstmartyr.com/become-catholic**.

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug 16	Registrations due for Young Ladies Societies
Aug 22	Chant Workshop
Aug 29	Fr. Ravasi: Cristeros Conference
Aug 30	Confirmation registrations due
Sept 6	Confirmation classes begin
Sept 20	Classical music conference by L. Fedoryka
July 11-15	2027 Parish Retreat. Fr. Joseph Tucscon, OFM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday

OLSW Co-op Fundraiser. Sun, Aug 16, after the 8:30 am Mass until the late afternoon, in the courtyard. Flautas, nachos, ice cones and other beverages. Your support is greatly appreciated. We hope to see you there!

Registrations for the Young Lady Societies are available in the bookstore. ***They are due today, Sun, Aug 16***.

Registrations for the Confirmation catechism are available in the bookstore. *They will be due on Sun, Aug 30*. Classes will begin on Sun, Sept 6, at 2:45 pm, in Classrooms 2 & 3.

This Week

Traditional Dominican Rite High Mass. Fri, Aug 21, at 6 pm. (Feast of St. Jane Frances de Chantal.)

Parish Chant Workshop. Sat, Aug 22, 9:30 am to noon, in the parish hall. Available to all parishioners. Learn some of the ordinary chants and hymns of our Catholic patrimony. Sung Mass at noon.

Looking Ahead

Cristeros Conference. Sat, Aug 29. Spanish at 9:30 am; English at 10:45 am. Fr. Ravasi is an expert historian.

Classic Music Conference. Sun, Sept 20, after the High Mass, in the parish hall. Join Larissa Kuplack as she unveils the art of listening — where melodies transform into vivid imagery and music becomes a canvas for the imagination. This touring concert series combines live performance with interactive music education, featuring cello and piano performances of works by Bach, Bruch, Fauré, Saint-Saëns, Dvořák, Elgar, and Shostakovich.

2027 FSSP Silent Retreat. Jul 11-15. $1,000 (*higher cost reflects an additional day alongside projected price increase from the retreat center*). Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center, Citrus Heights. The highly recommended Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap., (frjosephtuscan.com). Register before Friday, Jun 25. Call 916-407-7930 for more information.

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