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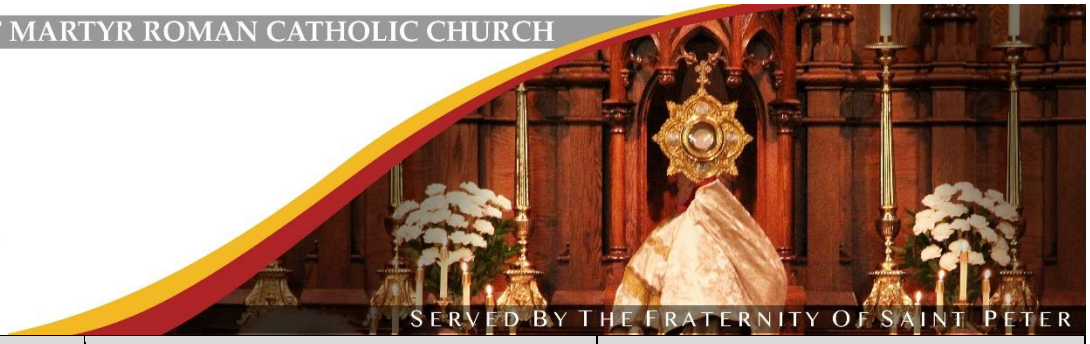

SACRAMENTS

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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WEBSITE

firstmartyr.com

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

4 Oct	**Sun**	**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**, *II*
	7 am	+ Remedios Reinares
	8:30 am	+ Daniel Huynh
	10 am	Juan Fernando Conde-Morales
	11:30 am	Nancy Butchy
	1 pm	*Pro populo*
	6 pm	+ Jose Prado
5 Oct	**Mon**	**St. Placid & Companions**, *IV*
	7 am	James & Emily Mantsch
	12 pm	Charles Keith
	6 pm	Arcelia Martin
6 Oct	**Tues**	**St. Bruno**, *III*
	7 am	Rich & Joan Vincent & family
	12 pm	+ Holy Souls
	6 pm	FSSP
7 Oct	**Wed**	**Our Lady of the Rosary**, *II*
	7 am	Christian & Lucy Cobo
	12 pm	Jim Risse
	6 pm	Alex & Kate Townsend
8 Oct	**Thurs**	**St. Bridget of Sweden**, *III*
	7 am	+ Holy Souls
	12 pm	+ Dorothy L. Wilson
	6 pm	Eva Tanner-Klaas
9 Oct	**Fri**	**St. John Leonardi**, *III*
	7 am	Mark Gallagher
	12 pm	+ Michele Annette Heon
	6 pm	Dee McDonough
10 Oct	**Sat**	**St. Francis Borgia**, *III*
	7 am	+ Holy Souls
	8:30 am	Daniel Reynoso
	12 pm	Jared Aranas

PRAYER LIST

Francisco Pineda, 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

CCM Co-op ..... **Blanca Pimentel**
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Veritas (Young Adult Group) ..... **Leslie Bernal**
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Adult Catechism ..... **Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP**
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Chesterton Society ..... **Spencer Roundtree**
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Men's Theology Group ..... **William Giovannetti**
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Knights Penitent ..... **Alex Townsend**
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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); Br. Ethan Munsill (OP)**

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

PASTOR'S COLUMN

INSTRUCTION ON MENTAL PRAYER

Mental prayer is considered essential to the development of our interior life by the saints. I have added two instructions on mental prayer to the website: one shorter, available on the *Catholic Prayers* page, and one longer, in the *Pastor's Column*. Links are available below:

Link to a shorter instruction on mental prayer by Fr. Lasance on the Catholic Prayers page

Link to a much longer instruction on mental prayer by Fr. Rodriguez, SJ in the Pastor's Column

The treatise by Fr. Rodriguez, SJ, is available in PDF, as well, so that it can be printed at home.

N.B. I also added the *Chaplet of St. Michael the Archangel* to the *Catholic Prayers* page.

IMPORTANT DATES

Oct 10	Chesterton Event
Oct 10	Public Rosary (*see below for details*)
Oct 12	Sr. Rebekah Kasak clothing
Oct 13	Fatima Procession (*after 6 pm Mass*)
Oct 18	First Holy Communion registration begins
Oct 24	Knights Penitent: Pancake Breakfast
Oct 31	All Hallow's Eve Party (*evening*)
Nov 14	Women's Day of Recollection
Dec 5	Rorate Mass (*6:30 am*)
Dec 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe Festival (*12 pm*)
Dec 12	Advent Market (*10 am - 2 pm*)
Dec 25	Christmas (*special Mass schedule*)
Jan 2	Christmas Party (*starts w/ 12 pm Mass*)
July 11-15	2027 Parish Retreat. Fr. Joseph Tucscon, OFM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday

Consecration of the North American Province of the FSSP to the Mother of God. *After all Masses today.*

Fr. Brian Thompson, a priest of the Diocese of Lake Charles and an old friend of Fr. Curtis, is visiting the parish. He will be saying the High Mass (*Ext. Sol. of the Holy Rosary*) today.

Second Collection for the **Building Fund**.

Chesterton Event tickets are on sale in the courtyard.

Chesterton Academy (Valley of the Sacred Heart) Open House. Sun, Oct 4 at 1 pm, and Thurs, Oct 8 at 6 pm, at 105 S. 2nd Str., Dixon, CA. Details at:

www.valleyofthesacredheart.com

Public Rosary sign-up booth in the courtyard. Details in *This Week*.

Envelopes for the **All Souls Mass Novena** are now available in the vestibule.

RSVP sign-up for the **Women's Day of Recollection** is available in the bookstore.

This Week

Chesterton Event Auction (Oct 10). Gift cards, jewelry, new or antique items, something very nice to add to the items that will be serve as prizes for both Christmas party and Chesterton Event. Contact: Mary Schaefer, 916-850-5555.

Fr. Evaristus will be away on pilgrimage from Oct 5 - 23. During that time, **Fr. Quirke** will be joining us from Tacoma to assist the other priests at the parish.

Adult Catechism meets on Thurs, Oct 8, at 7 pm.

Youth Group meets on Fri, Oct 9, at 7 pm.

Public Rosary in Elk Grove on Sat, Oct 10, at noon, in commemoration of the 109th anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun.

The **Chesterton Event** is this Sat, Oct 10, starting at 5 pm. (*Sun, Oct 4 is the last day to acquire tickets!*)

40 Days for Life is ongoing from Sept 23 to Nov 1. Details here: https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/sacramento.

Looking Ahead

Young Catholic Professionals are planning a courtyard booth on Sun, Oct 11.

Sr. Rebekah Kasak is being clothed at the Benedictine monastery in Ava, Missouri on Mon, Oct 12. Please keep her in your prayers!

Chesterton Academy (Sacramento) will be hosting a booth, as well, on Sun, Oct 18. They are also hosting an open house at their school on Sun, Oct 25. Details here:

www.sacramentochesterton.org

Advent Market. Sat, Dec 12, 10 am - 2 pm. Get some Christmas shopping done while supporting your fellow parishioners! Browse handmade crafts, baked goods, and gifts made right here in our parish community. *Vendors, contact Taylor Henson at jmjhenson@icloud.com*.

2027 FSSP Silent Retreat. Jul 11-15. Call Patrick Risse at 916-407-7930 for more information.

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