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First Sunday of Lent ~ February 22, 2026



He said in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." (Matt. 4:4)

Parish Gift Shop hours: After Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses.

Divine Mercy Chaplet : The chaplet is prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass every day.

Daily Rosary: 7:15 a.m. lead by the members of the Altar & Rosary Society.

St. Anthony Devotion: Every Tuesday after Mass.

Mother of Perpetual Help Group: Meets every first Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 p.m. in the Church with Mass at 6:00 p.m.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Devotion: Every Wednesday after Mass.

St. Paul's Bible Study: Every Thursday after 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Library.

1st Fridays & Saturdays of every month we have Adoration, prayer and Benediction after morning Mass. **(w/ Anointing every 1st Saturday)**

2nd Friday—Divine Mercy Mass: Every Second Friday we have a Divine Mercy Mass at 8:00 am, followed with Adoration, prayer and Benediction.

St. Paul's MI Mary's Village: 2nd Saturday of the Month from 9-10am in the Pezo Library in Mathias Hall.

The St. Maximilian Kolbe Council of the Knights of Columbus will be holding the 4th **Knights of Columbus® Annual Mel Ormonde Crab Feed**

on **Saturday, March 7, 2026.** +Mel Ormonde, former Grand Knight for the Council, provided leadership for the Knights and contributed greatly to the Church and Community.

Crab will be served in the Parish Hall from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. This all-you-can-eat event is dine-in only. Doors open at 4:30 pm. **\$75.00** per ticket. Pre-sale tickets will be offered at Masses beginning February 1, 2026

For **ticket information**, please contact Bob Perrault at 805-668-7131.

Holy Mass:

Mon.—Sat. 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil:

5:30 p.m.
(Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation:

Mon.-Sat. 7:15 a.m.-7:55 a.m. Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Baptisms: 2nd Saturday of the Month 10:30 am **Baptism Prep.:** By appointment

Funerals: Fridays at 11:00 a.m.

Marriages: 6 months in advance

Communion for the Sick: Please call the office.

Adoration: Thursdays, 1:00 p.m.— 6:45 p.m.

Office Hours:

Monday: 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Knights of Columbus® Annual Mel Ormonde Crab Feed

From the Pastor's Desk

Peace and all God's blessings.

We are familiar with the story, and the temptations. *Turn these stones into loaves of bread.* Why, to feed himself? But one stone into one loaf would have been enough for him. May the temptation have been, rather, to give the people what they want: give them bread? Is that what we are up to with Lenten charities and almsgiving— *giving them bread?*

Desiring to share in our human condition, Jesus was tempted but overcame all temptations by the power and grace bestowed by the heavenly Father. "Jesus is divine," we might reply, but as St Paul says, he humbled himself and took on the form of a servant, to more fully partake of our condition and then raise our fallen nature to share in God's life, forever.

The Evangelists tell us that Jesus was "*led by the Holy Spirit*" into the wilderness, to spend forty days and nights in prayer and fasting. The Spirit did not lead Jesus into temptation, though, but was the sustaining power with Jesus during temptation.

During this time of Lent, as we reflect on almsgiving and respond to the opportunity provided by CRS Rice Bowl and other charities, we recognize that development aid must be given in ways that do more than permit survival. The giving that empowers life must respect and foster human dignity and promote and strengthen human community. We can be grateful that Catholic Relief Services (which distributes the income raised through CRS Rice Bowl), deliberately concentrates on community-based projects: projects requested by communities, run by communities, for the direct benefit of communities.

We move now into the Eucharist, where Jesus comes to us sacramentally as bread and wine. He is not present to nourish us simply as individuals, but to shape us into community. We share the Eucharist together. We remember how, at the Last Supper, he took the bread and gave it to his disciples, and said: *Take this, all of you, and eat it.... Then he took the cup, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take this, all of you, and drink from it.* The whole thrust of Jesus' redemptive action, his turning around of the power of

sin, is to call individuals beyond themselves into community, and to make us, together, his Body, as he draws us into the powerful dynamic of his own love.

In Christ we gain the victory over Satan, we become co-heirs of Christ's resurrected life, which cannot be taken away, unless we so choose by our carelessness.

May we be vigilant and reject all that is contrary to the Gospel, by the power of the Holy Spirit working in our lives!

Pax et Bonum.

Fr. James Phan, OFM Conv.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 22, 2026

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9;3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6,12-13,17/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12,17-19/Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2,11-18/Ps 19:8-10,15/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-7,16-19/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4,12-13,18-19/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12,14-16,23-25/Ps 138:1-3,7-8/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-8/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4/Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22/2 Tm 1:8-10/
Mt 17:1-9

Lenten Mission Opportunity



From February 18 to March 29, participants are invited to engage in a peaceful prayer vigil for one hour per week during Lent. The vigil will take place on the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 743 Pismo Street SLO. This initiative offers an opportunity for you to reflect and pray for the well-being of unborn children and their parents.

Research supports the positive impact of prayer and maintaining a prayerful, peaceful presence. For more information please contact Kirt or Katie Collins at 805-801-5680 to reserve your hour. 40daysforlife.com

JANUARY 2026: PLATE COLLECTIONS

SUNDAY: \$ 26,638.90

HOLY DAYS: \$ 2,471.00

PARISH MAINTENANCE: \$ 1,824.00

GENERAL DONATIONS: \$ 1,307.50

THANK YOU!!!



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 21st

8:00 am †Antonio Vieira (Mary Vieira)
5:30 pm †Maria Das Neves Farao (Farao Family)

Sunday, February 22nd

8:00 am Living & deceased Parishioners
10:30 am †Pauline Galasso (Vince & Michele Marzo)
5:30 pm ††Manuela & Linda Armijo (Monson Family)

Monday, February 23rd

8:00 am †Lawrence J. Goulart (Mary Goulart)

Tuesday, February 24th

8:00 am Special int. of the members of Militia Immaculata (M.I.)

Wednesday, February 25th

8:00 am †Donald Hosier (Tammy Hosier)

Thursday, February 26th

8:00 am Healing for Mary Nunes (Phil & Jennifer Hanf)

Friday, February 27th

8:00 am †Wincie Stoleson (Diane Bagwell)

Saturday, February 28th

8:00 am David Lee Hanf - Birthday blessings (Phil & Jennifer Hanf)
5:30 pm †William Boerger—the peaceful repose of his soul (Anna Boerger)

Sunday, March 1st

8:00 am †Mabel Avila (Dorothy Avila)
10:30 am †Pauline Azaret (Tom & Susan Davies)
5:30 pm Living & deceased Parishioners



Prayer List (continued)

SICK / RECOVERY: , Vincent Deparini & Family, Leo Shiffar, Nona Henn, Harold Crawford, Marie Ellen Ragusa, Joshua Vincent Ray, Olivia Catherine Ray, Kevin Wayne Outram, Sue Regusci, Eileen Wagner, Luis Ramirez, Joseph Henschel, Alexia Sandoval & Family, Manuel Garza, Emma Glifonea, Joseph Arranaga, Betty Burgin, Angel Columbus, Rafael Garza, Susie Madonna, Jim Snead, Leticia Ramirez, Frank Perez, Paula Sarkar, Yvonne Rouleau , David Williams and Family, Greg Cordova, Patrick Lind, Dennis Arranaga, Deidra Hughes, Joseph Boerger, Regina Narvaez, Dolores Ortiz Anderson, JoAnn Farmer, Johnny Peña, Angelica Chavez, Dolores Benson, Rosie Nunes

+RECENTLY DEC: +Linda Carroll, +Bert Heredia, +Rosemary Olmedo, +Dr. Joseph Castro, +Magdalena Corona, +Beverly Lloyd, +Beverly Lloyd, +Patricia C. Stearns, +Joseph Reeves, +Marie C. Dias, +Margaret Young



A Day With Father Alphonse!

The Knights of Columbus are organizing a special Day with Father Alphonse!

Tentative Date: **March 21, 2026.**



* We are looking for 40 more participants to fill a 54-passenger bus for a memorable visit with Father Alphonse in Los Angeles.

* \$80.00 per person (Lunch not included.)

* Please RSVP by: **March 14th**

Questions? Or, to **RSVP**, please **call** (805) 448-8537 OR **email:** andysilvia@gmail.com.

MILITIA IMMACULATA:

St. Paul the Apostle Church: "Mary's Village"

*Meetings are the **2nd Saturday** of every Month at **9:00 am** in the **Hall Library**



February 2026 M. I. Intention: *O Immaculata, please intercede...* That the commitment to daily conversion may make us witnesses of the Gospel to those who are indifferent or remain distant.

Prayer List

MILITARY: Lieutenant Colonel Chris Valine USAF, Lieutenant Ashley Valine, USCG, MSgt. Robert James Gassman, II 101st US Army, Capt. Chris Mount USMC, Maj. Grace Anderson USAF, CPO Nicholas M. Cabansag USN, LT. Jason Walsh USN, AA. (SN) Nicholas Garza, USN

SICK / RECOVERY: Annie Delgado, Frank Spane, Pauline Leon Moreno, Cynthia Toscas, Dorothy Avila, Richard Como, Judy Hughes, Paul Mahlmann & Family,





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