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# ✠ FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

## February 26, 2012

### Mission Statement of St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's

To be Nurtured by Christ's Word, Supported by a Faith Loving Community, and to Serve the Needs of Others as Called to Minister.

+ St. Joseph Church, Magdalena, Colombia (sister parish) +



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Mass	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9:30 a.m.
		at St. Mary's	11:15 a.m.
	Weekdays	at St. Cecilia's	8 a.m. (Mon. Wed. Fri.)
		at St. Mary's	8 a.m. (Thur.)
Confessions	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9 to 9:25 a.m.

February 26, 2012 –  
Day of Prayer for the  
General Needs of  
Humankind

Mark 1: 12 - 15

It seems Jesus experienced temptations as all human beings do. Temptations in the end will define who we are. Do we master that which can destroy us or out of life's destructive vices do we define ourselves. It is clear Jesus determined His path despite temptations.

*Thanks St. Mary's Ladies  
for preparing the Soups on Ash Wednesday*



**Mass Intentions:** Week of February 26, 2012

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	... Trinkle & Family
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	... Spike Drady
Monday	8 a.m.	... James Robb
Friday	8 a.m.	... Walter & Sophie Wiltanger

\*\* No Mass Wednesday & Thursday.

### From the Pew

February 26<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. Mass at St. Cecilia's. Our Annual **Town Hall Meeting** after Mass. This is our one time opportunity each year to share our ideas as to how well our parish is doing in meeting the communities needs.

**St. Patrick's Parish Party** is Sat., March 10<sup>th</sup>. Cocktails 6 p.m. Dinner 7 p.m. Entertainment 7:45 p.m. I hope to see you there as this is one of our six community events. Our Chef this year is Mike Stephens. Glory be to God.

Wednesday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, St. Cecilia will be preparing meals for the **Homeless Women**. Thanks Cia and all the volunteers.

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SGVCC hosting a community forum/discussion for Questions & Concerns about Alcohol & Substance Abuse in Family. Wed. 2/29, 3-4:30p.m. For info, 488-8888 ext.224.

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Parish Catechesis Communion in the hand was the norm in the church up to 9<sup>th</sup> Century. Then it was restricted to the tongue until in 1969 Pope Paul VI returned the practice of reception back to the hand. Both hands, cup form, should be a part of receiving Holy Communion.

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### Last Sunday's Collections:

St. Cecilia's	....	\$ 634.26
St. Mary's	....	\$ 474.00
Total:	....	<u>\$ 1,108.26</u>



"When one door closes, another opens, but we often look upon the closed door and fail to see the new door opened to us." ... Alexander Bell

### Upcoming Parish Events

- ✦ Sun. 2/26 ... St. Cecilia/St. Mary TOWN HALL MEETING @11am
- ✦ Sat. 3/10 ... St. Patrick's Party
- ✦ 3/14 - 16 ... Trip to Vina Monastery
- ✦ Thur. 3/22 ... 24-Hour Adoration
- ✦ Sat. 3/24 ... Parish Retreat
- ✦ Sun. 3/25 ... Marin Hunger Walk with St. Mary Catechism Class
- ✦ Thu. 3/29 ... Lenten Presentation

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### National Catholic News:

Catholic priests are the lowest paid religious leaders in the United States. The salary stats reveal per year:

- ♦ Rabbis \$ 146,582
- ♦ Protestant Ministers \$ 40,000
- ♦ Catholic Priests \$ 25,000

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National Politics The 2012 Election is beginning to define itself, the question of what the role of government should play in people's lives. Both parties differ in their perspectives. One advocates a government as a provider of benefits to society, the other government as a provider of opportunity. The Catholic Church is making clear that it will not subscribe to being a secularized religion and it will continue to speak openly on social and political matters independent of parties.