

st. cecilia church lagunitas

† PRESENTATION OF THE LORD February 2, 2014

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.

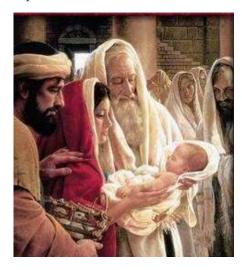


+ St. Joseph Church, Magdalena, Colombia (sister parish) +

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.

Luke 2:22 - 40

The Jewish people believed that the gift of life cannot be taken for granted. Therefore gifts for life must be returned to its creator in recognition of sacred blessings given. Christians do this at Baptism. What has been given to us by God is returned to Him in the Sacrament of Baptism.



Mass Intentions: Week of February 2, 2014

Sunday 9:30 a.m. ... Collin Dallara

Sunday 11:15 a.m. ... Maria Guadalupe Ramirez Monday 8:00 a.m. ... Theresa Malorey

Wednesday 8:00 a.m. ... John Lawson

Friday 8:00 a.m. ... S.D.M.

** No Mass Thursday.



From the Pew:

2014 Parish Upcoming Event Calendar for the next six months is posted at the bulletin board. Save the dates.

Welcome **Ralph Patrick Walker** and **Annabella Rose Marie Griegorian**, baptized into the Catholic Faith last Sun. at St. Mary's.

Parish overnight trip to **Cache Creek Resort**, this Wednesday – Thursday.

Maria Guadalupe Ramirez, Ramon's mother, passed away last week, at the age of 95. Today's Mass intention at St. Mary's to celebrate the life and in memory of Mrs. Ramirez.

Parish is having a dinner event at **Hannah's Restaurant**, San Rafael, on Friday, February 21st, 6:30 p.m. Interest, call Fr. O', 488-9799.

Any parishioners with the **Flu**, there is no obligation to attend Mass. If one does, they should not participate in the peace sign, drink from the chalice or minister at any of the liturgical activities. This is a courtesy to other parishioners.

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Walk For Life West Coast took place in San Francisco last Saturday. Bonnie & Peter were visiting their daughter Rose in Colorado at the time. They were watching the event on TV. Throughout thousands of marchers, they thought they would never see anyone they knew. Just then who came marching by? Daphne, Ken, Cecilia, and Mary Kate. They called Kate on her cell and told her just what they all were wearing.

Last Week's Collections:

St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas \$ 610.00 St. Mary's, Nicasio \$ 604.00

Total: <u>\$ 1,214.00</u>

Upcoming Parish Events

February

- → to-be-determined ... Annual Town Hall Meeting
- → 2/5 ... Cache Creek overnight parish outing
- → 2/21 ... Dinner @ Hannah's Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.
- → 2/23 ... St. Mary's Annual Meeting, 12:30 p.m.

For events & updates, visit http://www.stcecilia-laqunitas.org.

The biggest challenge for the American Catholic Church in 2014 will be religious freedom. The Church wisely recognizes Religious Freedom is not simply freedom to worship. It is also our constitutional right to practice our Faith in the public square without interference from government agencies. In Canada, beliefs are tolerated but only if they are kept private. What kind of free speech is this? A Catholic hospital forced by law to provide abortions is not free or pro-life. The faithful forced to practice against their conscience is not freedom. There is no state religion and the state has no right to interfere in religious matters. Catholics should inform themselves well as to what rights belong to the state, and what rights belong to religion, and who, why, and when crosses this line.

> Did you know? 612,000 homeless in the United States.

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One in five Christians lives in countries where Christians are likely to be persecuted. Christianity is the most persecuted religion in the world today.

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By the Percent – U.S. Catholics View on Divorce

76% ... Acceptable in some cases7% ... Not acceptable in any cases

17% ... Acceptable in all cases



"Anyone who does not pray to the Lord, pray to the Devil."