



st. cecilia church lagunitas

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 26, 2017

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) ✦



st. mary church nicasio

From the Pew

Pray for the Sick of our parish.

Catholic Relief Service is today's 2nd collection, "Putting our faith into action to help the world's poorest create lasting change".

Parish Council, Thur. March 30th, 7:15p.m.

LENTEN

- ✦ **Lenten 9-Hour Adoration**, this Thursday, 8 - 5
- ✦ **Parish Trip to Sonoma Mission**, this Friday.
- ✦ **Palm Sunday**, April 9th. All Masses at St. Mary's (9:30 & 11:15). Palm Brunch, Druids, 10 - 1 Holy Week
- ✦ **Holy Thursday**, April 13th ... 7:15 pm St. Cecilia
- ✦ **Good Friday**, April 14th ... 5:30 pm St. Mary
- ✦ **Easter Vigil**, April 15th ... 7:15 pm St. Cecilia
- ✦ **EASTER**, April 16th



Palm Sunday Brunch, Sunday, April 9th, 10 to 1 at Druid's. Country Breakfast, Champagne, Fizzes, Raffles & Silent Auction. Major annual fund-raiser for St. Mary's operating cost. To donate prizes, contact Grace 415-662-2077. St. Mary's parishioners, check info from Terri Carlson on what to bring.

2017 AAA assessment for St. Cecilia's is \$5,724 and St. Mary's is \$4,571.

To host a **benefit dinner** for St. Mary's Preservation, call Craig Carlson. Upcoming dinner:

- Sat. 4/22 at **Dan & Sue Curran's** (2 spaces left)

Parish book of the year, "Another day in the death of America", by Gary Younge.

Last Week's Collections:

St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas	\$ 363.00
St. Mary's, Nicasio	<u>\$ 448.00</u>
Total:		<u>\$ 811.00</u>



"I have not abandoned my country, my country has abandoned me." Douglas Scranton (Vietnam War)

Mark your Calendar

SAVE THE DATE - 2017 Parish events:

- 3/25 (Sat) ... Lenten Retreat, 1 p.m. @SC
- 3/30 (Thu.) ... Lenten 9-Hour Adoration
- 3/31 (Fri.) ... Parish Trip to Sonoma Mission
- 4/9 (Sun.) ... St. Mary's Palm Sunday Brunch
- 4/10-4/15 ... Holy Week (Holy Thur., Good Fri, Easter Vigil)
- 4/16 (Sun) ... EASTER

Pope Francis We need to defend ourselves from illusions.



Our Sacred Space

(Part 11 of 14)

Easter Candle or (Paschal): During Easter Season it is in the Sanctuary. Largest candle in Catholic churches, symbolizing the deepest doctrine of the Church, "Christ is Risen" and Christ is the Light of the world. At Baptisms, the small Baptismal candle is lit from the Paschal Candle representing the passing on of the Faith to the child by parents, God-parents, and the community.

Culture & Truth The Constitution states "We hold these truths" etc. This implies objective truths and a common obedience too. Yet many see truth as something I create rather than I inherit or discover. I have my views you have your views, sometimes not subject to empirical verification (facts) but ideological sentiments. This leads to chaos, disunity, disorganized and incompetent. No wonder we live in troubled times.

By the Percent How will Obama Presidency go down in history?

Outstanding 18%	Below Average	.. 17%
Above Average	.. 29%	Poor 18%
Average 18%		

Did you know \$2 billion trade everyday between the U.S. and Mexico.

John 9 : 1 - 41

This story tells of a man who is not going to be pushed around or cave into threats. Jesus did something good to him, gave him sight and he will never deny what this man did, instead began to understand, behind his powers must lie Divinity.



The Capital Campaign is beginning to wind down its fundraising for the works to be done May, June on St. Mary's Church. Some pledges have yet to be received and I hope they will be honored. We are now two months away from beginning the works.

Mass Intentions: Week of March 26, 2017

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	... Martin McGuinness, R.I.P.
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	... Margaret McClernon
Monday	8 a.m.	... Sean DeRutte
Thursday *	8 a.m.	... Paul Sloan

* Thursday Mass at St. Cecilia's. Lenten Adoration follows, 8-5.
** No Mass Friday. Parish trip to Sonoma Mission.

