



st. cecilia church
lagunitas

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT February 18, 2018

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 the parish. A number of parishioners are going in surgery or recovering, keep them in your daily prayers.

Congratulations to **Dave O'Connor**, celebrating his 90th birthday yesterday.


Padre Pio Mass, this Saturday, Feb. 24th, 10 a.m. at St. Cecilia's. Devotions & rosary follow.

Lenten 8-hour Adoration, March 29th, Holy Thursday, at St. Cecilia's.

Lenten Bible Study. Father is looking to form the session with at least 6 people interested. Let Father know and your date/time preference.

Parish Trip to **California Missions** Santa Ynez & Santa Barbara, this Tuesday - Friday.

St. Patrick's Party, Saturday, March 3rd.

 Boylans & Team will be organizing the event. Come & join the Irish fun, share your talents or just sit back and enjoy.

Palm Sunday Brunch, March 25th, a major fund raiser for St. Mary's – If you have donations for raffle prizes or items for silent auction, let Margaret know.

Fr. O' is taking on additional assignment as the administrator of **Church of the Assumption** Tomales, from Feb. to end of Apr. (tentatively).

Meals for Homeless Women, remaining dates for this winter season are covered. If you would like to help cooking or serving in the future, let Cia Donahue know.

Respect Life Mass with Archbishop, Sunday, February 25th, 11 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral, San Francisco.

Last Sunday's Collections:

St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas	\$ 470.00
St. Mary's, Nicasio	\$ 422.00
Total:		<u>\$ 892.00</u>



"Birds of a feather flock together."

Mark your Calendar

- Feb 20 –23 ...Parish Trip to California Missions
- Mar 3 ... St. Pat's Party
- t-b-d ... Lenten Bible Study
- Mar 25 ... Palm Sunday Brunch
HOLY WEEK
- Mar 29 ... Holy Thursday - 8 Hour Adoration
- Mar.30 ... Good Friday
- Mar. 31 ... Easter Vigil
- April 1 ... EASTER SUNDAY

Pope Francis Those who have material, political, or spiritual power, may they use it in service of God.

Catholic Education [part 5 of 5]

Catholic Education prepares its students for this world and the next world. In this world to be a people with a conscience, morals and social justice. The common good. Faith, spirituality, sacraments, prayer and the body Christ prepare us for Heaven. The darker the culture around us gets the brighter Christ's light shines. To teach the truths of faith is the charisma of Catholic schools.

Dreamers. Countdown to deportation?

If Congress takes no action, 800,000 undocumented immigrants could be deported to countries they do not know. It is unclear if Congress will be able to pass legislation to protect them. These are young men and women who are studying, working, have families, have a mortgage, pay taxes, but now their lives can be torn apart.

Did you know \$63 billion is spent on Valentine's Day in the U.S.

2018 Archbishop Annual Appeal (AAA)

Assessment

St. Cecilia	\$5,818
St. Mary	\$4,666

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. (M-W-F)
		at St. Mary's	8 a.m. (Th.)
Confessions	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9 to 9:25 a.m.

Mark 1 : 12 - 15

40 is a number filled with meaning in the Bible often representing a period of preparation or trial. 40 days of the flood. Exodus – 40 years – Moses. Mt. Sinai, 40 days – Moses receives the 10 Commandments. Jesus Christ – 40 days in the desert. Lent lasts for 40 days. 40 always has tumultuous events surrounding 40.



Lent is a time to take stock of the status of our souls and to reflect on the opportunities to make our lives more spiritual. Lent is a time where we want to hear what the Lord has to say to us. Lent is an opportunity to focus on what means most. The theme is to say no to Satan and his multitudinous temptation and say yes to God and his Grace.



Thank you Margaret & St. Mary's Ladies for the Ash Wednesday Soup Meal



Ramon & Laura celebrate their wedding anniv. on Valentine's Day

<u>Mass Intentions:</u>	Week of February 18, 2018		
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	...	Barbara Key
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	...	Parishioners Intentions
Monday	8:00 a.m.	...	Michael deRutte
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	...	DVM