



st. cecilia church  
lagunitas

# 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT March 4, 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

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

### John 2 : 13 - 25

A parishioner asked me. How could the father allow his son to be sacrificed on a cross, this kind of suffering he endured, how could he permit this? My only answer was, love is sacrifice. Love always sacrifices. But this is cruel, unacceptable and horrendous, all true and tells us how decrepid the human condition can go to. But it also tells us how deep love can reach. The greater the sacrifice the deeper love is.



### Mass Intentions: Week of March 4, 2018

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|-----------|------------------|-----|-------------------------|
| Sunday    | 9:30 a.m.        | ... | Art Garcia              |
| Sunday    | 11:15 a.m.       | ... | John F. Hayden          |
| Monday    | 8 a.m.           | ... | Linda deRutte           |
| Tuesday   | 8 a.m. (Nicasio) | ... | Stromberg Intentions    |
| Wednesday | 8 a.m.           | ... | Parishioners Intentions |

**Almsgiving**

Almsgiving, the idea of offering monetary assistance to the poor and vulnerable is that we are saying no to other uses for that money which would benefit ourselves. Out of love we are putting that money to good use, as a means to provide the basics of life to those who otherwise do without.



Happy Birthday, Patricia!

### From the Pew

Pray for the sick of the parish. Please keep them in your daily prayers.

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

**St. Patrick's Party**, many thanks to the Boylans, the Donahues, all the volunteers and everybody who came and supported the parish function.

**Palm Sunday Brunch**, Sun., March 25<sup>th</sup>, a major fund raiser for St. Mary's. Brunch serves at Druid's Hall from 10 AM to 1PM. Enjoy a hearty country breakfast, no host bar – fizzes, Champagne. Raffle & Silent Auction. Email us if you did not receive the mailing or raffle tickets.

**Bonnie & Peter deRutte** celebrate their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations!



**Chrism Mass**, Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> 5:30 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral, San Francisco. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

The Annual Archdiocesan Appeal (AAA) has begun. This is our financial obligation to the Archdiocese 2018. St. Cecilia, \$5,818 St. Mary \$4,666. I hope to conclude this by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the end of the fiscal year.



Welcome to our Faith Family Charles & August Andrews, baptized at St. Cecilia last Sunday (Photo: Ginny Kerbs)

### Last Sunday's Collections:

|                          |      |                    |
|--------------------------|------|--------------------|
| St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas | .... | \$ 545.00          |
| St. Mary's, Nicasio      | .... | \$ 465.00          |
| Total:                   |      | <u>\$ 1,010.00</u> |



"Wash your hands and say your prayers because Jesus and germs are everywhere."

### Mark your Calendar

- 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

Visit <http://www.stcecilia-lagunitas.org>.

**Pope Francis** Christ's life is not about building walls, hemming people in, keeping people out. Christ's spirit is about tearing walls down so that we can be one in spirit.

At a Confirmation Class in Boston, the Bishop asked the teens what questions they had for him. 1<sup>st</sup> they asked, why did you want to be a bishop. 2<sup>nd</sup> question, why does the Church hate gay people. The Bishop realized we do not hate gay people, we have priests who are gay, we do not believe businesses should discriminate against gays in the market place. The Bishop realized we are completely failing in getting our message across if this is what our youth of the Church think. The Church stands for marriage and does not shy away from its teachings. But it is not prejudiced against gay people or teaches people bigotry against anyone.

The Opioid crisis in the U.S. has become alarming. In 2016, 63,000 lives were lost to overdoses. That is more that the U.S. combats deaths, 58,000 during the Vietnam War. 2017 is expected to have more deaths until a stronger response confronts the crisis.

**Did you know**  
The most common password is 123456.



Next Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup> Day Light Saving