



st. cecilia church  
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March 13, 2022

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

MASS	Sunday **	St. Cecilia	9:30 a.m.
		St. Mary	11:15 a.m.
		** Children Liturgy, last Sunday of the month	
	Monday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
	Wednesday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m.
	Thursday	St. Mary	8 a.m.
	Friday	St. Mary (1 <sup>st</sup> Fri.)	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
Reconciliation	Saturday	St. Cecilia	4 to 4:30 p.m.
		St. Mary (except last Sat.)	8:30 to 9:15 a.m.
		St. Cecilia (last Sat.)	8 a.m. Padre Pio & Rosary Devotion
Religious Education Confirmation Prep.	Monday	St. Cecilia	3:45 to 4:45 p.m. (1 <sup>st</sup> thru 6 <sup>th</sup> graders)
	Wednesday	St. Cecilia	6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**SEE # 813 IN MUSIC BOOK FOR READINGS**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C**

*Gn 15:5...18; Ps 27; Phil 3:17...4:1; Lk 9:28-36*

Last week, we entered the first Sunday of Lent with the story of the Temptation of the Lord – which assures us of the human nature of Jesus; he endures hunger and thirst and temptation as we all do. With human nature, Jesus knows and understands our struggles in life due to hunger, sickness, and our human weakness.

This week, we begin the second Sunday of Lent with the story of the Transfiguration of the Lord – which reveals to us the divine nature of Jesus. As the Gospel tells us, Jesus took Peter, James, and John up the mountain and let them see the glory of God through his transfiguration. “While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white.” Experiencing this awesome event of the transfiguration of the Lord, the disciples eventually came to firmly believe in Jesus: true God and true Man.

In the Church calendar, every year, we celebrate the Feast of Transfiguration of the Lord on August 6. Interestingly, we always have this same Gospel story on the second Sunday of Lent. We may wonder why this coincidence. What is the purpose of this? What is the application of the transfiguration of the Lord for us?

Indeed, the transfiguration of Jesus is a promise of our future glory: that is the purpose of our life. Why are we created to be in this world? We live in this world to know God, to love God, to do the will of God, and finally to be with God in heaven. We hope that by the end, we will see God face to face; we will be transformed as he is. St. Paul reassures us that promise of our future glory in the second reading today: “our citizenship is in heaven.” This world is not

our true home but our true home is in heaven. We don't know when God will call us, but be ready and be alert, because God will call us. And St. Paul tells us that God “will change our lowly bodies to conform to his glorified body.” We will be transfigured, too.

The highlight of the transfiguration is the voice of God coming from the cloud, identifying Jesus as God's chosen Son, and then urging the disciples: “listen to him.”

Listen to God's voice. Understand God's will. Do God's commands. This mandate God gave to our ancestor Abraham. He listened to God's voice and obeyed his will. So, God blessed Abraham abundantly and made him our father of faith – and his descendants would be as countless as the stars of the sky. God then gave this same command to the disciples Peter, James, and John; and now he gives it to all of us in our everyday life: “listen to him.”

As we commemorate the transfiguration of the Lord, especially during Lenten Season, God invites us to listen to his voice: to know him, to love him, to do his will, and finally to be with him in heavenly glory...

My brothers and sisters, God calls you and me to listen to him, so he can change us, he can make our lives better. It is a call to conversion as we sing in one of the Lenten songs: “Change our hearts this time: your word says it can be. Change our minds this time, your life could make us free. We are the people your call set apart, Lord, this time, change our hearts.”

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Thank you for your generous giving** to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, especially thanks to those who have made the pledge for this year. Please continue mailing your pledged envelope to the Archdiocese, or to the parish, or you can drop your pledged envelope in the collection basket on Sundays. Please include a note “AAA 2022” on the check.
- Living Lent:** Lenten season calls us to “return to the Lord with your whole heart” by practicing of fasting, prayers, and almsgiving. **For almsgiving this Lent,** each household is to take home a **Poor Box.** You are asked to give your change every day to the little piggy bank. We will collect them by the end of Lent, to be given to St. Vincent de Paul.
- Friday Home Visit & Rosary:** We begin this new ministry in our parish. Please join the prayer group to visit and pray the Rosary at parishioners' homes on Friday. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin boards, or please contact Daphne Massucco (415) 488-4833 to register and know more details. This Friday will be at Grace Farley's home in Nicasio ..... at 5 pm.
- St Mary's Annual Palm Sunday Celebration:** We have changed things up this year... Please join the parishioners of St. Mary's in Nicasio for our annual Palm Sunday Celebration... Sunday, April 10, 2022 from 1:00 pm thru 3:00 pm... Druid's Hall – “On the Square” – Nicasio, CA... BBQ of Tri-tip and Bibs with Three Sides and Dessert... Beer & Wine Garden... Tickets \$35.00 (ticket includes one beverage of your choice)... Silent Auction...

**MASS INTENTIONS:** from Sunday, March 13 to Saturday, March 19

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	SC	... Peter Hoa (repose)
	11:15 a.m.	SM	... Linh-Muc Thanh (repose)
Monday	8 a.m.	SC	... Pray for Peace in Ukraine
Tuesday	No Mass		
Wednesday	8 a.m.	SC	... Mamita Emiliana Taaca/Family (thanksgiving)
Thursday	8 a.m.	SM	... Adam S. Watchorn (repose/anniversary)
Friday	8 a.m.	SC	... Fr. Joseph R. Walsh (birthday)
Saturday	8 a.m.	SM	... Joseph Lee Phan (repose/2 <sup>nd</sup> anniversary)

<b><u>Last Week Collections</u></b>	
<b><u>St. Cecilia</u></b>	
Offertory	\$ 425.00
Maintenance	\$ 340.00
AAA	\$ 430.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,195.00</b>
<b><u>St. Mary</u></b>	
Offertory	\$ 711.00
Preservat'n	\$ 00.00
AAA	\$ 25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 736.00</b>