

# First Sunday of Lent

## TODAY'S MESSAGE

Upcoming Changes in the Roman Missal

As many of you are aware, this Advent will introduce some changes in the "call and response" dialogue during the Mass.

Here is one example of the 'what' and the 'why.'

"The Lord be with you." "And with your spirit."

1. Why is the response from the original Latin "et cum spiritu tuo" now being translated as "and with your spirit" instead of "and also with you"?

The retranslation was necessary because it is a more correct rendering of "et cum spiritu tuo." Recent scholarship has recognized the need for a more precise translation capable of expressing the full meaning of the Latin text.

2. Why does the priest mean when he says "The Lord be with you"?

By greeting the people with the words "The Lord be with you," the priest expresses his desire that the dynamic activity of God's spirit be given to the people of God, enabling them to do the work of transforming the world that God has entrusted to them.

3. What do the people mean when they respond "and with your spirit"?

The expression "et cum spiritu tuo" is only addressed to an ordained minister. Some scholars have suggested that "spiritu" refers to the gift of the spirit he received at ordination. In their response, the people assure the priest of the same divine assistance of God's spirit and, more specifically, help for the priest to use the charismatic gifts given to him in ordination and in so doing to fulfill his prophetic function in the Church.

## RCIA

The RCIA Rite of Calling the Already-Baptized candidates To Continuing Conversion

Today three of our adult candidates celebrate this Rite at the 9:00am Mass at SAGC.

Victoria Liu, Judy Decker and Alex Nguyen Are seeking Confirmation and/or Reception into the Catholic Church. At the Easter Vigil they will Celebrate and complete their Christian initiation, they have found grace in our community's prayers, support, and example, and desire to participate fully in the sacramental Life of the Church.



### Please Pray



**FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND** — Nicholas Humy, Msgr. William Lenane, Fr. Thierry Geris, Frank Briggs Sr., Tom Halderman, Diane Zscheile, Kelly Vitorino, Quirico Japlit, Rev. John Butcher, Juliana Crozier, Bishop McGrath, Mary Lee Hagen, Sr. Jeannette Donnelly

**FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED** — Betty Schauer, Edna Kansora, Betty Hofstetter, Patricia Jacobsen, Gerald Kosmala, Sybil Ann Pfluke, Jerry Martin, Ursula Esteotto, Margaret Grace Shea

Pray For Lists guidelines: • Have permission from the person to be listed. • Go through the Pastoral Home Ministry to list the names. • Names will be on the list for 3 months and then be removed. • Can request names to be continued after 3 months. Contact the Pastoral Home Ministry 650-494-2496 x22 or [fongmt@hotmail.com](mailto:fongmt@hotmail.com)

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 13:

10:30 am OLR . . Terrence James Donohoe †

10:30 am STA . . Margaret Turkington †

Readings: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51; Rom 5:12-19

[12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11

Monday, March 14:

8:30 am OLR . . . . . Berty Jussen †

12:15 pm STA . . . . . Christopher Walker

(special intention)

Readings: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday, March 15:

12:15 pm STA . . . . . Patricia Jacobsen †

Readings: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday, March 16:

Readings: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday, March 17: St. Patrick

12:15 pm STA . . William McInerny

(special intention)

Readings: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

Friday, March 18: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

12:15 pm STA . . Elizabeth Schauer †

Readings: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday, March 19: St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 pm SAG . . . . . Jean DeFino †

Readings: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

## PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

Saturday & Sunday Mar 19 & 20, 2011

St. Albert the Great

Sat 5:00 pm . . . . . Fr. Stanley

Sun 9:00 am . . . . . Fr. Stanley

Sun 11:00 am . . . . . Fr. Hernandez

St. Thomas Aquinas

Sun 7:30 am . . . . . Fr. Hester

Sun 8:45 am . . . . . Fr. Marini

Sun 10:30 am . . . . . Fr. Valenton

Sun 12 noon . . . . . TBA

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sun 9:00 am . . . . . Fr. Gammad

Sun 10:30 am . . . . . Fr. Seimas

Please note our email address:  
[bulletin@paloaltocatholic.org](mailto:bulletin@paloaltocatholic.org)

BULLETIN . . . . . ARTICLE DUE  
Mar 27 . . **Thu** Mar 17 noon  
Apr 3 . . . **Thu** Mar 24 noon



### Our Weekly Offering

February 6 . . . . . \$ 11,262.68  
thank you for your continued generosity

### Year To Date

Actual YTD . . \$ 314,764.21  
Budget YTD . . \$ 321,859.71  
Variance . . . . . - 2.2%

# St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

## THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

Sunday, March 13: First Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins; RCIA — Rite of Sending to Election, Rite of Calling to Continuing Conversion

9:15, 10:15 am .. Rel. Ed. (ISP/SESS)

8:30 am ..... Hospitality Sundays (OLRH)

11:30 am ..... Byzantines (SAGH)

5:00 pm ..... STAY, Youth Mass Dinner (OLRH)

Monday, March 14:

6:00 pm ..... Hospital Training (OLRH)

7:00 pm ..... Sp. Catechist Mtg. (PC)

7:30 pm ..... RCIA (PC)

Tuesday, March 15:

7:00 pm ..... Spirituality Tuesdays (SAGH)

7:00 pm ..... Sp. Prayer Group (OLRH)

7:30 pm ..... Human Concerns (OLRH)

Wednesday, March 16:

12:00 pm ..... STAY Advisory (PC)

6:00 pm ..... SOUP (OLRH)

7:30 pm ..... STA Remodeling (SAGH)

Thursday, March 17:

Friday, March 18: Abstinence

7:00 pm ..... Sp. Young Adults (OLRH)

Saturday, March 19:

6:00 pm ..... St. Patrick's Event (SESA)

## LENTEN SOUP!

The SOUP Program continues in the new year of 2011. Following are the scheduled dates, including the season of Lent, when we have SOUP each Wednesday 6 pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Hall instead of the regular first and third Wednesdays.

March 16 (during Lent, SOUP convenes weekly)

March 23 and 30

April 6 and 13 (Lenten SOUP ends)

May 3 and 18 (final SOUP of the year)

Please join us. Simply bring a bowl and spoon, perhaps something to share, and contribute what you might pay for an evening meal to the Charity Box. You and your family are welcome.

## AFTERNOON OF SONG AND FUN

This afternoon, March 13, 2011, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in St. Albert the Great Church, as part of our 50th Anniversary celebration of St. Albert the Great Church, we are planning a parish afternoon of music and fun, at which time talented parish music groups and individuals will perform.

We look forward to an afternoon of group and individual performances, some sing-alongs, and perhaps even some topical, parish humor. Our well-voiced clergy might even be cajoled into an aria (or ditty)! Please join us!

## SPIRITUALITY TUESDAYS

March 15th — "The Way of the Cross" Join Father Matt as he leads us through one of the most popular of Catholic devotions: The Stations of the Cross. We are pilgrims, in spirit, as we witness, and pray, at the scene of Christ's passion in Jerusalem. Father Matt will also share with us some familiar and not so familiar Catholic Lenten traditions. Take this opportunity to begin the Lenten season with a prayer tradition which dates back to the time of Constantine. This special evening will be in Saint Albert the Great Church; 7 pm.

Adult Spirituality is looking for input on our fall Spirituality Tuesday Assembly series. Please send your ideas to Father Matt: [mstanley@dsj.org](mailto:mstanley@dsj.org)

## LIVE THE TRADITION: THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENT

Ready to dance the buckles off of your shoes? Attend the annual St. Patrick's Day event, now into its 6th decade. Irish music, dancing, food, song, and hospitality -- organized and priced for seniors and young families. A safe night out! Become part of the traditions, but at inflation-resistant prices: \$15 - adults, \$5 - children under 12. St. Elizabeth Seton School Auditorium, 6:00 > 8:00-ish. See you there! Volunteers always welcome. Contact Joe Kinsella 364-3705. Tickets on sale after all Masses and at the Pastoral Center during the week -- until they're all gone, which may happen soon!

## ITALIAN PILGRIMAGE THIS FALL

Please join Father Matt for our next pilgrimage! We will be traveling to Italy to see some of the great cities and monuments including Venice, Florence, Padua, Verona, Pisa, Sienna, Assisi and of course Rome where we will also enjoy a papal audience, visit the Catacombs, see the Trevi Fountain and the Coliseum. We also have an extension trip planned for Sicily immediately following the greater Italian pilgrimage. We will be leaving the states on October 31 and returning on either Nov. 11 or Nov. 15 depending on whether you take the Sicily Tour.

If you are interested, please send Fr. Matt an email at [mstanley@dsj.org](mailto:mstanley@dsj.org) or call him at the Pastoral Center 494-2496.

## ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from eating meat. All who 14 years of age and above are bound by this law, and there is no upper age limit. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are also days of fast. This law binds those who are 18 to 59 years of age.

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## MASS FOR VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE

Violence hits all communities, all income and age groups, and it also tests our faith. We have a responsibility to respond. Please help us reach out to those individuals and families who have experienced the pain and hurt of losing a loved one through a violent act. The Catholic community cannot ignore the moral and human costs of so much violence in our midst.

A special Mass will be held on Sunday, April 10, at 2:30 pm at Queen of Apostles Church, 4911 Moorpark, San Jose. Bishop Patrick J. McGrath will be the presider. This is a way for all who have been touched by violence to gather in prayer and remembrance. There will be a reception after Mass.

If you would like a specific victim/survivor of violence to be remembered by name in this liturgy, please send the name to Sister Maryann Cantion, 1150 North 1st St, San Jose, 95110.

*Human Concerns Committee*

## SETON SCHOOL NEWS UPDATE

The Seton Spring Social & Pre-K Fundraiser is Wednesday, March 30, featuring renowned author Mark Salzman. Please join us from 6 - 8:30 p.m. in the school auditorium to hear Seton alumni speak and learn about the capitol campaign to build an early learning center to provide a Pre-K and full-day Kindergarten. The evening will conclude with Mark Salzman's heart-warming and entertaining presentation. Invitations are in the back of the churches and attached to the ebulletin. Contact the Seton School Development Office to R.S.V.P. 650-326-1258 or email [development@stelizabethseton.com](mailto:development@stelizabethseton.com)

## YOUNG ADULT CIRCLE

Monthly Dinner Social, Tues. March 15th at 7:30PM, The Rose and Crown Pub, 547 Emerson Avenue, Palo Alto. The Young Adult Circle meets for its monthly social gathering. Please confirm your attendance on our Facebook group or contact Noah, [noah.s.clemons@gmail.com](mailto:noah.s.clemons@gmail.com).

Young Adult Mass, Tues. March 29th at 7:30PM, St. Simon Church, 1860 Grant Rd, Los Altos. The Young Adult Circle will be gathering for Mass in the Small Chapel at St. Simon Church in Los Altos. Celebrate the Eucharist with young adults (20's and 30's, single or married) from this and neighboring parishes with fellowship to follow. If you have questions or would like more information on the mass, please contact Andie, [anutt@dsj.org](mailto:anutt@dsj.org)

Young Adult Bible Study, Tues. April 5th and April 12th, 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of the Rosary. The Young Adult group meets to continue its study "The Bible and the Mass".