

MASS INTENTIONS

OPEN

Please say "Thank you, Lord" by offering a Mass for your intentions – especially for the gift of your life and all the blessings you receive.

THE 11:30AM MASS IN SPANISH IS FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Joseph Dondero, Loretta Filipelli, Agnes Gogna, Peter Krasinsti, Monte Leoni, Adam Manzo, Alfred Mikelich, Dolores Molini, Cindy Navarro, Joe & Dorothy Nomellini, Pearl Raggio, Vivian Ratto, Andrea Rodriguez, Gary Bailey, Johnnie Vaccarezza, Richard Dondero, Delia Reyes, Margarita Aguado, Irene Camarena, Esperanza Reyes, Louis Solari, Connie J. Jenison, and Eldon Kuntz,

*"Are there any who are sick among you?
Let them send for the priests of the Church"*
... James 5:14-15

*In an EMERGENCY to attend to the sick, please call:
Fr. Alex @ (209) 614-9633*

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY!"

- Apr. 25th** Benjamin Hoskins, Ashley Solis, Lance Dami
- Apr. 26th** Guadalupe Silva, Maria Mendez, Shani Rios, Faith Glisson, Daniel Peron, Yessica Lizbeth Oseguera, Joanne Dondero, Joe Luis
- Apr. 27th** Sabreina Ann kuntz, Edward Reyes, Natalie Miller, Robert James Guadagnolo, Alma lindi May, Lorri Mattes
- Apr. 28th** David Martinez, Kaitlin Lagorio, Johnny Vaccarezza, May beth Ugalde, Fr. Alex's Ordination Day
- Apr. 29th** Lamberto Ramirez, Ariana Lopez, Eteoe Giannecchini, Edmund Dondero Jr.
- Apr. 30th** Justin Giannecchini, Oscar Munoz, Janet Zavala, Veronica Sorio, Ernesto Zambrano, William Shawver Jr, Rogelio Velasco, Jessica Phillips
- May 1st** Lisa Dondero Lacostic, Daniel Almanza, Fernanda Ibarra, Ryan Penland

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – STOCKTON DIOCESE

GENERAL LEDGER, PAYROLL, ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE and heavy reconciliation experience required to work in our Finance Department. An Associate's Degree with general accounting courses is desired. This position supports four separate legal entities' databases.

Send resume to Human Resources -- Accountant, 1005 North Lincoln Street, Stockton, CA 95203 or e-mail: ldillen@stocktondiocese.org

April 2009 Offering

04/19-20/09	\$1,805.25	\$1,521.24
	[Last Year]	[This Year]
Second Collection:	\$473.88	
Children's Collection:	\$77.93	

Thank you for supporting your parish.

"Give and it shall be given back to you. For the measure you use will be measured back to you."
Luke 6:38

BLESS YOUR FAMILY

There is a long tradition of the Church to bless the home and family during the Easter season.

This Tradition goes back to the people of Israel who were blessed with the blood of lamb before they left Egypt and crossed the Red Sea to come to the Promised Land, Exodus 12:22.

Jesus is the new Moses to bring us to eternal life.

If you are interested in blessing your household, please contact Fr. Alex at the church office-(209) 887-3341.



CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS

APRIL is national CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION Month.

It is most appropriate that Child Abuse Prevention Month is held during the Easter season. There is no better time than Easter to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God – our children.

Watch the Bulletin for more information during April regarding this essential matter of concern.

For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, please call: Linda Dillen, Diocese of Stockton @ (209) 466.0636



QUIET MOMENT

If you do a good job for others, you heal yourself at the same time; because a dose of joy is a spiritual cure.

It transcends all barriers.

ED SULLIVAN
American Entertainment
Writer and Television Host, 20th century

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

"JOY OF THE FAITH"

Let's rendezvous at HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH for a lesson on the Ten Commandments. Meetings will be held for two hours on the first and third WEDNESDAY night of each month from 6-8pm. Located in **Room 2**.

SEE YOU THERE!

Questions? Call Sharon Allen, R.C.I.A. Assistant @ 887-9546.

Please be prepared to leave a msg

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That's the Best Way to Thank Them for your Bulletin.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
ABOUT THE BIBLÉ

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A "CATHOLIC BIBLE" AND A "PROTESTANT BIBLE"?

Catholic and Protestant Bibles both include 27 books in the New Testament. Protestant Bibles have only 39 books in the Old Testament, however, while Catholic Bibles have 46. The seven books included in Catholic Bibles are Tobit, Judith, 1 and 2 Maccabees, Wisdom, Sirach, and Baruch. Catholic Bibles also include sections in the Books of Esther and Daniel which are not found in Protestant Bibles. These books are called the **deuterocanonical books**. The Catholic Church considers these books to be inspired by the Holy Spirit.

DO WE READ FROM THE BIBLE AT MASS?

Readings from Scripture are part of every Mass. At least two readings, one always from the Gospels, (3 on Sundays and **solemnities**) make up the Liturgy of the Word. In addition, a psalm or **canticle** is sung.

These readings are typically read from a **Lectionary**, not a Bible, though the Lectionary is taken from the Bible.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A BIBLE AND A LECTIONARY?

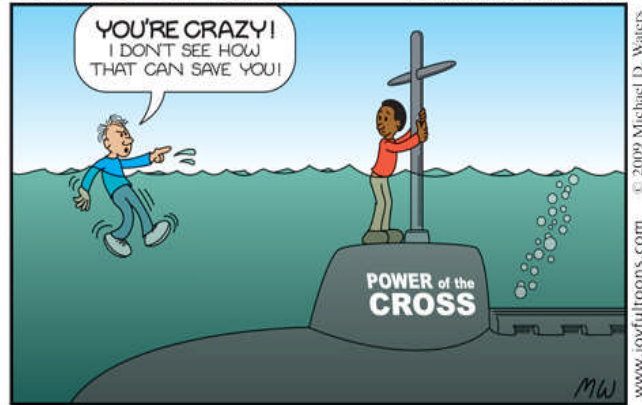
A Lectionary is composed of the readings and the **responsorial psalm** assigned for each Mass of the year (Sundays, weekdays, and special occasions). The readings are divided by the day or the theme (baptism, marriage, vocations, etc.) rather than according to the books of the Bible. Introductions and conclusions have been added to each reading. Not all of the Bible is included in the Lectionary.

Individual readings in the Lectionary are called **pericopes**, from a Greek word meaning a "section" or "cutting." Because the Mass readings are only portions of a book or chapter, introductory phrases, called **incipits**, are often added to begin the Lectionary reading, for example, "In those days," "Jesus said to his disciples," etc.



POWER OF THE CROSS

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

- 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18 NIV

Do you have an announcement that needs to go into the Bulletin?
ALL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS MUST BE TURNED IN – FAXED OR E-MAILED –
TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY TUESDAY, 12:00 NOON
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL PAT @ 941-2268