

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, February 27th, 2017.**

6:00 p.m. †David Herrera by Aurora Herrera

**Tuesday, February 28th 2017.**

8:00 a.m. †Pedro Trujillo (9th Ann.) by Esquibel Family

**Wednesday, March 1st, 2017 - Ash Wednesday**

12:10 p.m. Int. of Emily Brito (Happy B-Day) by Colfita Sanchez

5:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass - Valencia

6:30 p.m. Int. of Sebastin Talamante (Happy B-Day)  
By Dad & Mom

**Thursday, March 2nd, 2017.**

8:00 a.m. Int. of Parishioners

**Friday, March 3rd, 2017.**

8:00 a.m. **1ST FRIDAY MASS - FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Deceased Members of †M/M Castulo Moya Sr. Family by Fam.  
Deceased Members †Dennis Baca Family by Mary Lee Charlton  
†Lupe Taylor (Happy B-Day) by Cecilia & Alvie

**Saturday, March 4th, 2017.**

5:00 p.m. †Isabel Sandoval by Emily Brito  
†Gloria Torrez by Husband

**Sunday, March 5th 2017.**

8:00 a.m. †Leonardo Archuleta by M/M Roberto Archuleta  
†Sylvia Palacio Aragon (Happy B-Day) Betheny & Pete  
Special Intention by Roberto & Melecita Archuleta

9:30 a.m. †Theresa Cable Lowry by Albert & Coby Sanchez  
Int. of Connelly/Gonzales Family by Dad & Mom

Int. of Elias Maez (For Health & Wellness) by Family  
11:15 a.m. †Anna Mae Baca by Legion of Mary Members  
Int. of Legion of Mary Members & Their Fam. by Legion of Mary

**COLLECTION REPORT:**

February 19th, 2017  
Our Lady of Guadalupe - \$6,309.00    Sangre de Cristo - \$1,584.60  
St. Vincent de Paul - \$2,102.30

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Are requested to register at the parish office.

**CONFESSIONS - SATURDAY FROM 3:30 to 4:30 P.M. OR BY APPOINTMENT**

**MARRIAGES**

Arrangements must be made with the parish priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date. For policy go to [www.archdiocesasantafe.org](http://www.archdiocesasantafe.org).

**INFANT BAPTISMS**

Parents must make arrangements for the Baptism of their child in advance, at the parish office. All necessary paperwork must be completed by the 1st week of the month. Parents and Sponsors must attend **ONE** instruction class in preparation for Baptism. Sponsors **MUST** be registered for (3) months prior to Baptism and active in the parish; married in the Catholic Church; and be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church. Class instruction is on the **1ST MONDAY** of the month - 6:30 p.m. in the parish office. Baptisms take place on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BLUE ARMY:** Rosary every Monday - 10:00 a.m. Any parishioner who would like to have the statue of the Blessed Mother in your home and join us in praying the rosary, you are asked to please call Rebecca Cordova - 869-2863.

**LEGION OF MARY:** Meets every Thursday, at 10:00 a.m., in the parish hall. We welcome new members.

**3RD ORDER SERVANTS OF MARY:** Meet on the last Sunday of the month to pray the rosary at 12:15 p.m. A meeting will take place following the rosary in the parish hall.

**COLUMBIAN SQUIRES TRAVELING VOCATIONS**

**CHALICE:** We invite all parishioners to sign up to take the chalice into their homes and to pray for vocations. Prayers are included with the chalice, but we encourage you to also include your own. If you have any questions, or are interested in having the chalice in your home, please call Elias Maez at 550-7817.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY @ OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PAID BY CASIAS & MCKAY FAMILIES FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY CANCER.**

**BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY @ SANGRE DE CRISTO, PAID BY PATSY MAEZ FOR ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF MAEZ & SANCHEZ FAMILY .**

**PLEASE NOTE:** All are invited to the Norbertine Community of Santa Maria de la Vid Abbey for a Holy Hour and Reconciliation Service on the first Friday of Lent, March 3, 2017 at 7:30 pm. This service will provide opportunities for prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament and the sacrament of Reconciliation during the Lenten season. Join us!



**"Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they?" - Mt 6:26**

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION STATEMENT:** In sharing with others our faith, experience, and earthly goods, we grow in faith and are living the missionary call by Our Lord Jesus Christ that goes out to all believers. Our pastor, Fr. Hoi Tran, our ministers, and all our parishioners extend our arms in welcome to all others not in our worshipping community to worship with us and to assist us with your prayers and charitable works as we walk our spiritual journey together.

**Readings for the Week of February 26, 2017**  
**Sunday:** Is 49:14-15/Ps 62:2-3, 6-9/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34  
**Monday:** Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 10:17-27  
**Tuesday:** Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23/Mk 10:28-31  
**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25  
**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15  
**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32  
**Next Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17/Rom 5:12-19

# PARISH NEWS

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you are interested in running for Pastoral Council, please call the parish office. Three - 3 year terms will become vacant in May. For information, please call the parish office.

**NINE CONSECUTIVE MONDAY'S - NOVENA:** Sponsored by the Secular Order of Servites, will continue ( thru Monday, April 17th). This novena is for all those who are sick in the parish, and especially those who suffer from cancer. Everyone is invited to attend and bring along a friend.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

**ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST:** Our Mass schedule is as follows: 12:10 (noontime) - Peralta; 5:00 p.m. - Valencia; and 6:30 p.m. - Peralta.

Stations of the Cross will take place on all Friday's of Lent at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe.

**Mark your calendar!! PARISH LENTEN CONFESSIONS:** Will take place on Monday, March 13th at 6:30 p.m. with (4) Confessors.

**LENTEN REGULATIONS ON FAST AND ABSTINENCE:** Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. The following fasting and abstinence regulations are observed: Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and ALL Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years of age and older. Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 years of age. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast and abstinence are observed on Good Friday. On these days, Christians prepare themselves by these disciplines in anticipation of the renewal of their baptismal commitment on Easter. From its earliest days, the Church has urged the baptized and the catechumens to observe the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving, and prayer as a preparation for the celebration of Easter. Failure to observe individual days of penance is not considered serious, but failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of such days must be considered serious. During Lent, the Church encourages attendance at daily Mass, self-imposed times of fasting, and generosity to local, national, and worldwide programs of sharing.

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**Q. WHY DO WE SAY THERE ARE 40 DAYS OF LENT? IF YOU COUNT ALL THE DAYS FROM ASH WEDNESDAY THROUGH HOLY SATURDAY, THERE ARE 46.**

**A.** It is more accurate to say there is the "40 day fast within Lent." Historically, Lent has varied from a week to three weeks to the present configuration of 46 days. The forty day fast, however, has been more stable. The Sundays of Lent are certainly part of the Time of Lent, but they are not prescribed days of fast and abstinence. Catholics have traditionally chosen additional penitential practices for the whole Time of Lent. These practices are disciplinary in nature and often more effective if they are continuous, i.e., kept on the Sunday's as well. That being said, such practices are not regulated by the Church, but by individual conscience.

**Q** I read in the catechism that marriage is indissoluble. Why then does the church issue an annulment?

**A** The description of marriage as indissoluble is found in several places in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. Described as required by spousal love (#1644) and as foundational to the union of marriage (#1646), this quality of marriage draws its meaning from the fidelity of Jesus to his church (#1647). Love is not a "give then take away" gift. Spouses give themselves once and forever to each other, forming a sacramental bond that binds them as one. Indissolubility presumes and depends upon the sacramental bond between spouses.

An annulment does not destroy the bond. Instead, it shows that a sacramental bond never took place because at the time of the vows, something was either present or absent that made the consent invalid. The ceremony itself does not bring about a sacrament, but rather the full, free, and able consent of a man and woman, one to the other. The husband and wife are the ministers of the sacrament to each other because they give the gift of themselves to one another. The priest is the official witness. Therefore, if the gift of self is not given, or is held back for any reason, no sacrament takes place.

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**FEBRUARY 26, 2017 - 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**

"Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span?" No, indeed we can't. But evidence does suggest that worrying can subtract time from our life span! Clearly, we are not meant to worry. It's not healthy and it's not useful. But for many of us, it's quite difficult not to be anxious and concerned about matters that are important to us. So what is the secret to letting go of this unnecessary anxiety? Jesus gives us an answer in today's Gospel. "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides." In other words, our focus should be on being faithful followers of God. When we put our trust in the providence of the One who "clothes the grass of the field," and stop trying to rely on our own (meager) powers, then things will be taken care of: "Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all." Part of the secret here, of course, is coming to accept God's will for us, even when it doesn't perfectly match what we may have been envisioning. There is a kind of surrender involved that puts God's plan first. Instead of getting worked up that things aren't going our way, this kind of reliance upon God enables us to relax and accept the way things are going. The great spiritual writer, Jean-Pierre de Caussade, put in well in his work, *Abandonment to Divine Providence*, when he said, "To escape the distress caused by regret for the past or fear about the future, this is the rule to follow: leave the past to the infinite mercy of God, the future to His good Providence, give the present wholly to His love by being faithful to His grace." God takes care of the birds, the flowers, even the grass! He will also take care of us.