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SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

(We offer the Mass propers in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear Faithful,

On this First Sunday of Lent, let us heed the advice of Canon Talarico in his letter at the beginning of the month of March:

“Just as a loving mother wakes her child early to ensure he is ready for school on time, Holy Mother Church gives us the season of Septuagesima to prepare for Lent. She knows that we, her children, are often sluggish and resistant to the sacrifices required for spiritual growth. If we neglect this time of preparation, we risk entering Lent unprepared, with hardened hearts that cannot fully receive the grace God wants to give us.”

Lent is now upon us. It is time to rise promptly to works of penance, and to implore the Sacred Heart of Jesus for a renewed courage and vigor in God’s service! An eternal reward awaits His faithful servants.

This Sunday is the Second Sunday of the month. Come down to Fr. Kozina Hall after the 7 am Mass for **coffee, donuts** and time well-spent with your fellow Mass-goers. We have to develop the strength of our Institute of Christ the King family!

Thank you for welcoming Canon Josseaume during my absence last week. I think he enjoyed his first time in California! Hopefully it will not be his last.

Commemorative cards have been put out in church for you to take. They are for **Abbé Charles Outtier**, who, as we sadly remember, departed from this life last January 15 in an accident at the Institute’s international seminary in Italy. Please keep this good and zealous soul in your prayers! Let us confidently hope that he now intercedes for us before Our Heavenly Father.

This Lent, our Institute is asking you to consider making a sacrifice of \$80, just two dollars a day during these 40 days to help the Institute of Christ the King continue its work for the **salvation of souls**. **This Sunday, March 9**, the Institute is **making this appeal** to help its growth in the United States. This Lent, you can make a difference in the Church today by donating to the people and the places that work to restore Catholic life and culture in America. **Thank you for your generous support!** May Christ our King reward you eternally.

Please be sure to check Flocknote for the **corrected Lenten Schedule** of devotions, including of course Stations of the Cross. Please note in particular that the weekly Adoration is moved to Wednesdays after the 6 pm Mass during Lent.

The weekly **First Communion Class**, which will be on Zoom, starts **this Wednesday, March 12** at 4 pm. Contact Canon Norman to enroll your children. The First Communions will be on Sunday, May 4 at 12:30 pm.

The monthly dinner for our Apostolate's Men's Group, the **Men of St. Joseph**, is this Wednesday, **March 12** at 7:15 pm in Fr. Kozina Hall. Join us for a brief talk on bearing witness to the Catholic Faith courageously in the modern world, Q&A, and a delicious catered dinner. We hope to see you there! RSVP to Felipe Vázquez: MANofStJoseph@gmail.com or: 510-432-8995.

The monthly training for the **Corps of Altar Servers** will take place next



The Temptation of Christ, Ludwig Ferdinand Schnorr von Carolsfeld, 19th Century

Saturday, **March 15** at 11:30. To honor Our Lord as He deserves, His knights of the altar must be duly prepared by repeated training. Contact Canon Norman for more information or to RSVP.

The **Cardinal Kung Foundation**, in honor of the heroic Chinese prelate who withstood Communist persecution, is inviting us to pray for the late cardinal’s soul and for the persecuted Catholic Church in China. Next Saturday, **March 15** at 10:30 am, His Grace Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone will offer a **Pontifical Requiem Mass (Ordinary Form)** at Star of the Sea Church in San Francisco (4420 Geary Blvd.) for the repose of the soul of Cardinal Kung. This will be the 25th anniversary of his death. His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke will preside and preach. (See event flier in Flocknote.)

Save the Date! We celebrate the **20th Anniversary** of the Oakland Apostolate this year, which began with the first Mass offered by Canon Michael Wiener on January 23, 2005. Join us on Saturday, **July 12** at the Rossmoor Event Center in Walnut Creek (1021 Stanley Dollar Dr.) for a celebratory dinner, **“Twenty Years of Grace.”** Featuring great food, a lovely setting, music and dancing, and a special guest speaker, it’s going to be a night to remember. Ticket sales begin on Laetare Sunday, **March 30**. **RSVP already** by contacting Canon Norman. This event is open to the entire parish, all are invited!

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,

Canon Norman

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun. 3/9	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	First Sunday of Lent <i>1st Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Souls in Purgatory
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Thanh Cong Nguyen
Mon. 3/10	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Lenten Feria <i>3rd Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Azriel Guadalupe Mills†
Tue. 3/11	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Lenten Feria <i>3rd Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Nguyen Van Ky†
Wed. 3/12	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Ember Wednesday of Lent <i>2nd Class / Violet</i> <i>Adoration after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Souls in Purgatory
Thurs. 3/13	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Lenten Feria <i>3rd Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Rosa Marquez
Fri. 3/14	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Ember Friday of Lent <i>2nd Class / Violet</i> <i>Stations of the Cross after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Alexandre Silva
Sat. 3/15	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Ember Saturday of Lent <i>2nd Class / Violet</i> <i>Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Ngoc Bach Nguyen
Sun. 3/16	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Second Sunday of Lent <i>1st Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Joe Shanley†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Rosa Marquez

SACRAMENTS

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass, and also during the Adoration after the 6 pm Mass each Friday.

Please contact Canon Norman if you are in need of or have questions regarding reception of any of the Sacraments.

CATECHISM CLASSES

Weekly catechism classes online: Please contact Canon Norman to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class: Tuesdays at 4:00 pm

Adult Class: Saturdays, at 2:30 pm

Prospective Catholics: contact Canon

Catechism book *My Catholic Faith* is available for purchase.

Flocknote: Sign up at ickspoakland.flocknote.com or text "ICKSPOakland" to 84576

PRAYER LISTS *

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Gigi Cunningham	Peter Trong Nguyen
Lianne Claver	Msgr. David Link	Steve Farinaro
Marianne Martinez	Angie Gonzalez	Eurydice Buenger
Sylvia Duenas	Catherine Willis	Fil Marquez
Joshua Nascimento	Rick Pawek	Catherine Duenas
Lillian Jimenez	Diana Henriksson	Noe Perez
Tim Irving	Monica Roberts	LesleeRose Thomas
Ana Maria Sandoval	Jonah Kung	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Alan Wong	Carole Jenkins
Mrs. Frances Heidenreich	Fr. Alexander Snyder
Paulann Dymond	Mrs. Sandra Weaver
Msgr. Luciano Giovanetti	Miguel Muñoz Ruiz
Allen Kuhl	Barbara Smith
Bp Emeritus John Cummins	Professor William P. Mahrt
Abbé Charles Outtier	Mrs. Josiane Danton
André Aldias	<i>Requiescant in pace.</i>

***Prayer lists:** If you wish to add a name or revise an entry on the prayer lists, please send an email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org. A longer list of the Apostolate's faithful departed is attached to the weekly Flocknote. *Thank you!*

UPCOMING EVENTS AND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

March 12—Men's Group Dinner, 7:15 pm in Fr. Kozina Hall, RSVP to Felipe Vázquez: MANofStJoseph@gmail.com or 510-432-8995

March 15—Altar Servers Training, 11:30 am. Contact Canon Norman for more information or to RSVP.

March 19—St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

March 21—St. Benedict, Institute Patronal Feast

March 22—Society of the Sacred Heart spiritual conference followed by a luncheon, 11:30 – 1:30. Contact Canon Norman to RSVP.

March 25—Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

LENTEN SCHEDULE

- Stations of the Cross after the 6 pm Mass on Fridays of Lent.
- Adoration after the 6 pm Mass on Wednesdays of Lent, beginning Wednesday, March 12. (No Adoration on Wednesday, April 2.)
- First Friday of April (April 4): Confessions at 4:15 pm, Stations of the Cross in private, and First Friday Devotions after the 6 pm Mass.
- Good Friday (April 18): Stations of the Cross in private, Good Friday Liturgy at 5:30 pm.

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Special Lenten Provincial Appeal:

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