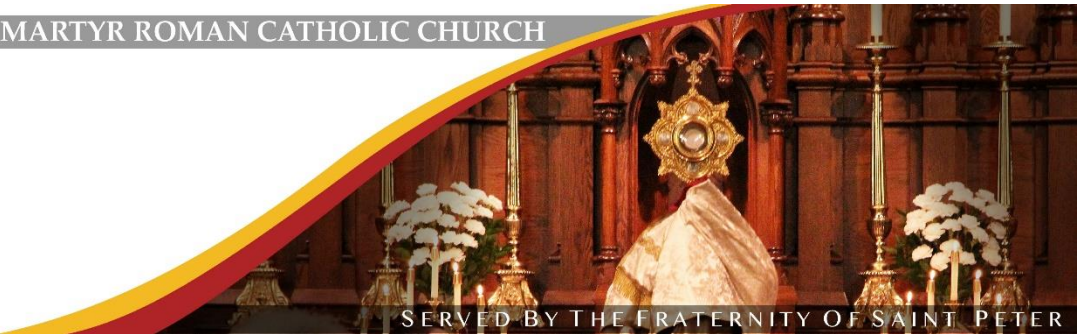



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<p>Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.</p>		

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**

<b>27 Oct</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Feast of Christ the King, I</b> 7 am + Fernanda Trifillo 8:30 am + Celso Boholst 10 am + Marie Mooney 11:30 am + Alma Giles 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm + Maria Tho Thi Tran
<b>28 Oct</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Sts. Simon and Jude, II</b> 7 am + Alma Giles 12 pm + Corazon G Estabaya 6 pm Edna Lanuze
<b>29 Oct</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b> 7 am + John Alvarez 12 pm Kelly Briggs & family 6 pm + Guadalupe Moreno
<b>30 Oct</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b> 7 am Phero Luong Van Tran 12 pm Phero Luong Van Tran 6 pm + Bonifacio Fontanilla
<b>31 Dec</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b> 7 am + Marietta Abelgas 12 pm + Virginia Tacey 6 pm + Dominico Oanh Van Tran
<b>1 Nov</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>All Saints Day, I</b> 7 am Aurelia Quines 8:30am + Elizabeth Molina 12 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm + Carlito Adriano
<b>2 Nov</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Commemoration of All Souls,</b> 7 am All Souls Novena 8:30 am All Souls Novena 12 pm All Souls Novena

**PRAYER LIST**

Ron Mantsch, Esther Jimenez, Daniel Huynh, Avianna Ramirez, Catherine Durant, Ed Schneider, Paula Belen, Vanessa Jimenez, Ralph Clark, Michelle DiGiovani, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, Judy Bennett, Jasinkas, Debbie Vilar, Dominick Damore, Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Nancy Tostenson, Karen Rich, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, Don Varley, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Barbara Graichen, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties

*Please keep all of the sick and homebound of the parish in your daily prayers, as well as our adult catechumens and candidates.*

**IN MEMORIAM**

Bob Crocker, Kathleen Scarry, Bill Sneeringer, Marion Nicholas, Vincent DiCarlo, Estelle McKnerney, Alfred Solorio, Fr. James Buckley, Rudy Nagel, Paul Graff, Pietro Lopresti, John Hymes, Teodosio Dino, Barbara Chu, Nellie Reyes, Albert Treskon, Violet Corr, Mary Hayes, Derald Goyette, Bonnie Williams, Frank Bowa, Ramon Daley, Eileen Morrison, Richard & Louise Szabo, Cesar Oliva, Joseph Damore, Ken Taylor, Joseph Menezes, Edgardo Mercado, Barbara Jeong, Jean Haun, Rene Iway, Richard Seifert, Fiona Silverio

**PARISH GROUPS**

<b>Choir &amp; Music Classes</b> .....	<b>Keven Smith</b> <i>Youth &amp; Adults, Sunday &amp; Thursday</i> .....ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
<b>Altar Guild &amp; Altar Guild Minor</b> .....	<b>Mike Solton</b> <i>Boys 7 – 18, Third Saturday</i> ..... 916-832-2859
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<b>Chesterton Society</b> .....	<b>Spencer Roundtree</b> <i>Adults, Second Tuesday</i> ..... sac.chesterton@gmail.com
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<b>Coffee &amp; Donuts</b> .....	<b>Nicole Peacock</b> <i>Sunday</i> ..... 408-506-1382; mrs99@protonmail.com

**PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

**Fr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP;  
Sr. MaryAnne Regina, CM; Sr. Kiana Nava**

*Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.*

**PASTOR'S COLUMN**

**BLESSING THE HOUR**

St. John Vianney, the holy Curé of Ars, had a habit of praying constantly even from his early childhood. A beautiful devotion recounted in his biography is his habit of "Blessing the Hour." Every time he heard the bells strike the hour (think Big Ben in London), he would stop what he was doing, pray a Hail Mary, then say the following prayer:

*"Blessed be God! Courage my soul! Time passes, eternity approaches. Let me live as I hope to die. Blessed be the Holy and Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God!"*

This is an excellent practice to follow. If you struggle with wasting time, this might be a good way to redeem that lost time. If you remind yourself every hour of those eternal truths, how much trouble can you get yourself in before the next hour comes? If you have a bit more time, this practice might give you a good excuse to continue praying and perhaps get in a Rosary or two.

There are other devotions we can do at various times throughout the day. The Angelus is prayed at 6am, Noon, and 6pm. 3pm is a special hour dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord.

In the words of St. Paul: "Pray without ceasing!"

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Oct 20	Confraternity of St. Peter Enrollments
Oct 26	Pancake Breakfast (8 am - 12 pm)
Oct 31	All Saints Party (Thursday)
Nov 1	All Saints ( <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i> )
Nov 2	All Souls
Nov 9	Women's Day of Recollection
Dec 14	Rorate Mass
Jan 4	Christmas Party
Jan 12	First Holy Communion catechism begins

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Sunday*

**Envelopes** for faithful departed to be included in the nine Mass novena in early November are now available in the vestibule.

**Registrations for the Women's Day of Recollection** are now available in the parish bookstore. (*Details below.*)

**Registrations for First Holy Communion catechism** are now available in the parish bookstore. Children should be

seven years old by May, 2025 in order to register for the classes, which will begin on Sun, Jan 12. First Holy Communion will be given on the first and second Saturdays of May.

**Coffee & Donuts** after the 7, 8:30, & 10 am Masses.

*This Week*

**Fr. Curtis** will be away on retreat until Thurs, Oct 31.

**40 Days for Life.** His Excellency, Bishop Jaime Soto encourages the faithful to participate in 40 Days for Life, which runs until Sat, Nov 2.

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/vigil-search.aspx>

*Looking Ahead*

**All Hallow's Eve Party.** Thus, Oct 31. Opens in the church at 4:00 pm with the Litany of the Saints, followed by the Parade of Saints in the parish hall. Vespers and other activities for the children until 5:45 pm Benediction and 6 pm Mass. Dinner and games will follow until 9 pm clean-up. *Children are invited to attend in costume of a favorite saint.*

**All Souls.** Sat, Nov 2. Masses at 6:30, 7, & 7:30 am; at 8, 8:30, & 9 am; and at 11, 11:30 am, & 12 pm noon. **Holy Communion will be distributed at the 7 am, 8:30 am, and noon Masses only.** The noon Mass will be sung.

**The girls groups** will still be meeting on Nov 2.

**Feast of All Saints.** Fri, Nov 1. **Holy Day of Obligation.** Masses at 7 am, 8:30 am, noon (sung), and 6 pm.

**Women's Day of Recollection.** Sat, Nov 9. Registration forms for the recollection are available in the parish bookstore and office. Registration due Sun, Nov 3. Schedule:

- 8:30 am Holy Mass
- 9:30 am Refreshments in the Parish Hall
- 10 am First Conference in the Church
- 11 am Second Conference in the Church
- 12 pm Lunch in the Parish Hall
- 1 pm Holy Rosary
- 1:30 pm Third Conference in the Church
- 2:30 pm Holy Hour & Confessions
- 3:30 pm Benediction & Dismissal

**Industrious Family Films** (a traditional Catholic youth production company) is announcing their new film, *Fabiola*. Details: <https://www.industriousfamily.com/fabiola.html>.



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