Daily Masses
Monday - Friday
7:00 am
12:10 pm
Saturday
7:00 am
Sunday Masses:
Vigil 5:15 pm (Sat.)
7:30 am (quiet)
9:00 am
10:30 am (French)
12:15 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Before each weekday Mass
Every Saturday from 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

A Ministry of the Marist Priests and Brothers

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A WORTHLESS WOMAN

The Gospel Reading tells the story of a woman who is worthless by the standards of Jewish society at that time. Jesus has sent his disciples off for food, and he is sitting at a well when she comes to draw water. There is every reason why he shouldn’t talk to her at all. First, she is a woman. It is only the disciples’ awe of Jesus that keeps them from asking him what he thought he was doing when they return and find him talking to her without even a chaperone by her. Secondly, she is a Samaritan. As she herself points out to him, Jews don’t talk to Samaritans. Samaritans are self-made outcasts from the Jewish point of view, and self-respecting Jews stay away from them. And, thirdly, this Samaritan has the sort of history that makes women pariahs even in their home communities.

Jesus knows her status, and he lets her know he does. She has had five husbands—five husbands! —and she is currently living with a man to whom she is not married. Even by the lax standards of our own day, this sort of history would make women look askance at her. In her village she is undoubtedly a shamed person. So, take it all and all, she’s a worthless person, isn’t she? What Jew or Samaritan would want to invite her to lunch? But you might be thinking, the savior of the world could certainly spare a crumb even for a shamed Samaritan woman. He could preach to her that her sins are forgiven, you might be supposing, or he could offer her some other kind of pastoral help. But he doesn’t, does he?

No, he asks her to help him. He opens the conversation with her by asking her to give him a drink. And then look at how this story ends: she brings belief in Jesus to her village, and the villagers come to Jesus because of her. She isn’t worthless then, is she? No, then she takes her rightful place among the apostles. The evangelization of her village is her accomplishment. And so when Jesus asks her to care for him, he starts a process that brings her from being worthless to being the apostle to her village. The remedy of love for human worthlessness is modeled for us here, isn’t it?

Eleonore Stump

FROM OUR SCHOOL

Parishioners,

As many of you know, our beloved PE Coach and Athletic director, Dimitrios Tsokas passed away last week after a long battle with cancer.

Mr. Tsokas was a devoted husband and father, loyal friend, and dedicated teacher who we will all miss dearly. This loss is tragic and we are blessed to have such a strong community in which to support one another as we grieve and heal. Thank you for the outpouring of love, support, and prayers during this difficult time in our parish community and for the Tsokas family.

God Bless,
Sarah Currier, Principal

Comfort for Grieving Hearts

FRENCH CORNER

« Donne-moi à boire » dit Jésus.

Nous ignorons le nom de cette femme qu’on appelle la Samaritaine et à qui Jésus demande à boire quand il la rencontre près du puits de Jacob. Elle-même avait bu à bien des sources, cherché son bonheur avec de nombreux hommes, mais elle était restée sur sa soif jusqu’au jour où cet inconnu offrit de lui donner une eau merveilleuse qui étancherait sa soif spirituelle.

À notre tour, sachons écouter la voix du Seigneur qui nous parle : n’étiez-vous pas trop tournés vers les choses matérielles ? N’avez-vous pas vos petits idoles qui vous détournent du vrai Dieu ? Si Jésus ne condamne pas cette femme pour sa conduite, au moins il l’invite à reconnaître en lui le Messie, si elle accepte son invitation à croire en lui. Elle va même en informer les gens de son village.

Qu’en est-il pour nous aujourd’hui ? Jésus nous demande encore à boire car il a besoin de nous pour réaliser son Royaume, afin que d’autres découvrent qu’on peut leur apporter l’EAU VIVE, celle qui abreuve nos soirs les plus profondes.

Fr. Etienne Siffert, S.M.

SATURDAY – VIGIL, March 14th
5:15 pm Tomas & Marian Finucane †

SUNDAY March 15th
7:30 am Tomas & Mariam Finucane †
9:00 am Victims of Coronavirus
10:30 am For the People of the Parish
12:15 pm Fatalities of Gun Violence †

MONDAY March 16th
7:00 am For Single Parents
12:10 pm For the Hungry

TUESDAY March 17th
7:00 am Barbara Foster †
12:10 pm Bernardino Rojas Sanchez †

WEDNESDAY March 18th
7:00 am For the Incarcerated
12:10 pm Jean-Baptiste & Juliette Puts †

THURSDAY March 19th
7:00 am John Currier †
12:10 pm Raymond Anater †

FRIDAY March 20th
7:00 am Intentions of Pope Francis
12:10 pm Missionaries

SATURDAY March 21st
7:00 am Gezahenge Gebrewold †

WE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Agapito Bien, Elizabeth Desta, Patty Espiritu, Zachary Espiritu, Benjamin Haller, Georges Handras, Lupita Herrera, Cármen López, Maria Manley, Membere Mariam, Grant Melton, Mary Jo Onopa, Roberta Renzi, Vinod and Cynthia Sheth, and Rosie Zedamoi.

WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED


WE REMEMBER OUR SICK AND DECEASED: Please note starting next week we will automatically remove anyone who has been on this list over a year unless we are notified not to remove. Thank you for your understanding.
Each Friday during Lent, you are invited to come to the church and pray the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross are a 14-step Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ’s last day on Earth as a man. The 14 devotions, or stations, focus on specific events of His last day, beginning with His condemnation. The stations are commonly used as a mini pilgrimage as the individual moves from station to station. The prayer service begins at 11:40 a.m. (prior to the 12:10 p.m. Mass).

**RCIA** is for those who are seeking a better relationship with God, who are looking for more information about Catholic Christianity, or who are seeking to grow in their spiritual or Sacramental life. The RCIA process welcomes the unbaptized person to the family of Jesus Christ. Sessions are informal and comfortable opportunities to explore the Catholic faith with presentations, discussions, and fellowship. Explore the faith without obligation. For more info, please contact Fr. Juan at gonza@ndvsf.org.

**THE ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL** enables the Archdiocese to continue offering many vital ministries, programs, and services to the people of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Through the AAA, the over ninety parishes in our Archdiocese unite as one body. Together, we demonstrate our active faith by supporting such critical needs as youth and young adults, parish schools and students, social ministries, ecumenical efforts, and the greater Church. The Appeal is integral to our mission and ministry. On behalf of everyone who needs and depends on the ministries and services of the Archdiocese, please prayerfully consider supporting the 2020 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. Our support will help change the lives of those who need and depend on the programs and services of the Archdiocese. Our parish goal for this year’s Annual Appeal is $30,000. Every dollar we raise in excess of our goal comes back to us.

**OUR STEWARDSHIP MISSION**
Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian Disciple who recognizes, receives and cultivates God’s gifts and generously shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**: Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ’s love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

**PARISHIONER REGISTRATION UPDATE**: Parishioners are asked to fill out a Registration Update Form. We are in the process of renewing our Parish Membership Roster. If you are interested in joining the parish or if you are presently a member, we ask that all fill out a form so that we are able to make necessary changes. Forms are located at the entrance of the church. Thanks for your cooperation.

**ON-LINE GIVING**: Our parish now offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at ndvsf.org and select the Online Giving link. Click on Create New Account and follow directions to set up your account. Thank you.

**M ASS INTENTIONS**: If you would like to request a Mass for a specific intention, please call the Parish Office at 415.397.0113 and speak to our secretary Mertenesh. The Mass Book for 2020 is available to reserve a Mass Intention. Per the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the offering for a Mass request is $10.00. If paying by check, please make the check payable to the order of: MARIST FATHERS.

**SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK**
March 15, 2020 – March 22, 2020

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