



Catechists Needed

St. Sebastian Church is looking for a catechist and catechist assistant for the next school year that will begin in late August. If you have felt in your heart the call to come and serve within your parish, this may be your opportunity. To learn more about how you can be a catechist or what requirements are needed, you can contact the parish office directly or, you can speak with Father Mario after mass for more information. Thank you in advance, and may God bless you.



Se Buscan Catequistas

La iglesia de St. Sebastian esta buscando catequista y asistente de catequista para el próximo ciclo escolar que comenzara en agosto. Si tu has sentido en tu corazón el llamado de venir y servir dentro de tu parroquia, esta puede ser tu oportunidad. Para conocer mas sobre como puedes ser un catequista, o que requisitos se necesitan puedes comunicarte directamente a la oficina parroquial o bien, puedes hablar con el Padre Mario después de misa para obtener mas información. De antemano gracias, y que Dios te bendiga.



Recollection day with the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, August 4th following the 9:00 AM mass. Benediction at 8:00pm. All are invited to spend some quality time with our Lord. For more information or to sign up for this recollection day please contact Debbie at dkobler@me.com

Dia de Recogimiento con el Santísimo

Viernes 4 de agosto después de misa de 9:00. Hora Santa Comunitaria a las 7:00pm a cargo del grupo de oración, Familias Unidas en el Espíritu Santo. Bendición con el Santísimo a las 8:00pm. Todos estamos invitados a pasar algún tiempo de calidad con Nuestro Señor.

12 y 13 de Agosto, 2023
PRIMER RETIRO DE PAREJAS, INVITA
Iglesia San Sebastian y Familias
Unidas en el Espíritu Santo

8 A.M- 5 P.M

Tendremos hora santa

PATY Y TONY BERRIOS

Monica Ramirez

Alex Medina

PADRE ARMANDO LOPEZ

Donación \$50 por pareja los dos días
 7983 Covert Ln Sebastopol CA 95472

No cuidado de niños
 venta de comida económica
 Saul 707 5418153 Alma Arroyo 707 3327376
 Monika 707 2283988 Jesus 707 331-3033

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LA MISA

Sat, Aug. 5

5pm: Joe, Joey & Beverly Padilla+

7pm: Mass for the People

Sun, Aug. 6

9am: Leticia Velazquez+

12pm: Mass for the People

Tues, Aug. 8

12pm: Joe Silveira+

Wed, Aug. 9

9am: Terri Revetria+

Thurs, Aug. 10

12pm: John Gonnella+

Fri, Aug. 11

9am: Sonia Castillo

Sat, Aug. 12

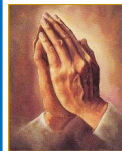
5pm: William & Maria Turner+

7pm: Mass for the People

Sun, Aug. 13

9am: Ricky Silveira

12pm: Mass for the People



Pray for the recovery of those who are ill and Homebound
Oremos por el bienestar de los enfermos y desvalidos.

Irma Ortiz, Carol Ortega, Natalie Miller, Mark and Debbie Tanterelle, Estevan Millan, Anthony Haugen, Marsha Trauman, Pete Trauman, Emily McKnight, Steve Miller, Patricia Hansen, Melissa Becali, Mark Francesi, Christopher Francesi, Marcela Jobson, Maureen Francis, Porter McKnight, Sally Burgardt, Carmen Shideler, Dan Poirier, Jess Rice, Glen Giveheart, Refugio Millan, Edwin Shideler

If you would like us to pray for your ill family member, please call the office to add them to our prayer list. Si desea que oremos por su familiar enfermo, llame a la oficina para

Weekly Collections: July 30, 2023

Collection will be reported in our next bulletin.
La colecta será reportada en nuestro próximo boletín.

Thank you for your continue support to our parish. God bless you! Gracias por su continuo apoyo para nuestra iglesia. Dios los bendiga!



Clases Pre-Bautismales

A todos los padres de familia interesados en bautizar a sus hijos en nuestra parroquia de St. Sebastian les avisamos que a partir del **viernes 25 de Agosto** comenzaremos a tener las plasticas pre-bautismales como requisito para el bautismo. Estas clases serán impartidas el 4to viernes de cada mes a las **7:00pm** en el salón #1. Por el momento, estas clases serán solo en español. Para registrarse a estas clases y para obtener información de los bautismos en ingles, por favor comunícate directamente a la oficina parroquial.



Grupo de Adolescentes Conectados con Jesús

Si tienes entre 13 y 17 años de edad y te gustaría conocer y convivir con otros jóvenes de tu misma edad, la Iglesia de St. Sebastian te invita a formar parte de su nuevo grupo de adolescentes **Conectados con Cristo** el 1ro y 3er Viernes de 6:30 a 8:30pm en el salón 4 de la escuela de St. Sebastian. Para mas información comunicarse con Pedro Neri al (707)978-9365

Lectors

Sat. Aug. 12 Nora Parker & Brother Mark

Sun. Aug. 13 Mary Lou Nicholls & Carmen Marroquin

Eucharist Ministers

5:00pm Maureen Aggio

9:00am George Nicholls, Erica Alsbury & Linda Sumner.

Lectores

Sab. Aug. 12 Maria Martínez & Armando Álvarez

Dom. Aug. 13 Ivonne Jarquin & Alma Arroyo

Ministros de Eucaristía 7:00pm: Uriel Martínez

12:00pm Maria Camacho, Rosario Cortez & Gonzalo J.





What is the Transfiguration?

The Transfiguration of Jesus is one of the key events in Jesus' life. He took three apostles – Peter, James, and John – up to a high mountain to pray. As they were praying, His appearance changed, and His clothes became “dazzling white.” At that point, Moses and Elijah appeared and spoke to the Lord about His upcoming death. A cloud overshadowed the group, and God the Father’s voice came from the cloud saying, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” The Church celebrates the Feast of the Transfiguration each year on August 6. According to St. Thomas Aquinas, the Transfiguration occurred because the divine glory which was Christ’s was allowed for a moment to shine through His human body. He did this so that they could taste for a short time the contemplation of eternal joy, in view of the persecutions they would suffer. “Let us ask God, through the intercession of Mary, Teacher of faith and contemplation, to enable us to receive within us the light that shines brightly on the face of Christ, so that we may reflect its image on everyone we meet.” – St. John Paul II

¿Qué es la Transfiguración?

La Transfiguración es uno de los episodios clave en la vida de Jesús. El Señor tomó a tres apóstoles –Pedro, Santiago y Juan- y subió con ellos a un monte a orar. Mientras rezaban, la apariencia de Jesús cambió y sus vestiduras se volvieron de una “blancura fulgurante”. En ese momento, se aparecieron Moisés y Elías y hablaban con el Señor sobre Su muerte inminente. Una nube cubrió a todos y se oyó la voz de Dios Padre que desde la nube decía: “Este es mi Hijo, mi Elegido; escuchadle”. La Iglesia celebra la Fiesta de la Transfiguración el día 6 de agosto. Según Santo Tomás de Aquino, la Transfiguración ocurrió porque la gloria divina de Cristo se traslució por un momento a través del cuerpo humano de Jesús. El Señor permitió eso para que los apóstoles pudieran gustar por un corto tiempo de la contemplación del gozo eterno, en vistas de las persecuciones que iban a sufrir. “Pidamos a Dios, por intercesión de María, Maestra de fe y de contemplación, la gracia de acoger en nosotros la luz que resplandece en el rostro de Cristo, de modo que reflejemos su imagen sobre cuantos se acerquen a nosotros.” – San Juan Pablo II

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You are Invited...to Make a Difference in a Senior's Life!

Everyone deserves support staying independent so they can thrive in their own home. Join our incredible team of Caring Rides volunteers at Catholic Charities who are helping seniors stay active by driving them to medical appointments and more. Volunteers and riders are uplifted by every ride! Please call Catholic Charities at (707) 308-4805 or email cstone@srcharities.org for more information about this volunteer opportunity.

Estás Invitado... a Marcar la Diferencia en La vida de una Persona Mayor!

Todos merecen apoyo para mantenerse independientes para que puedan prosperar en su propio hogar. Únase a nuestro increíble equipo de voluntarios de Caring Rides en Caridades Católicas que ayudan a las personas mayores a mantenerse activas llevándolos a citas médicas y más. ¡Los voluntarios y los pasajeros se sienten animados con cada viaje! Llame a Caridades Católicas al (707) 308-4805 o envíe un correo electrónico a cstone@srcharities.org para obtener más información sobre esta oportunidad de voluntariado.



Catechism Enrollment

We are now taking registration for the children who are ready to attend 1st Communion and Confirmation classes. Please call to the parish office at 707-823-2208 to get more information.

Registraziones para el Catecismo

Ya estamos tomando registraciones para los niños que están listos para hacer su 1ra Comunión o Confirmación. Si desea mas información por favor comuníquese a la oficina parroquial al 707-823-2208



The Economy of Salvation

By Fr. Mario Valencia

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Talking with some of my priest brothers, we agreed that every year at the end of the catechism year, and having received their First Communion and Confirmation, the attendance to the Holy Eucharist is neglected even by up to fifty percent less during the vacation months. As if we also took vacations from God or as if having received the sacraments were the graduation of our Faith. Sadly, it is also proven that many of those who attended their sacramental preparation we won't see them again until they need another sacrament, or because they will be godparents, etc., becoming a statistic that is growing more and more in our Church, as we say in Spanish, they become tamale Catholics, which means, they attend sacraments only when there is a party involved, or only when they feel it, and if they don't feel it or don't need it, they just simply forget about God. Only a small percentage will truly grow in their relationship with God, living his sacraments and growing in his Grace. I believe that this is not the result of lack of faith, but lack of knowledge of it. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church No. 1066, we are reminded that: “Such is the Mystery of Christ” (cf. Eph. 3,4), revealed and fulfilled in history according to the wisely ordered plan that St. Paul calls the “plan of the mystery”, and the patristic tradition will call the “economy of the Word incarnate” or the “economy of salvation”. We could understand it better by saying: God, in his Divine Providence and his infinite wisdom has arranged the means and elements by which he will dispense and provide his salvation to men of all times, of all languages, and social class. That is to say the mystery of the salvation of Christ that is perpetuated in our time. Just as the economy of a country understands and accounts for its resources, for the creation of wealth through its production and distribution to satisfy human needs, so also the economy of salvation, distributes and produces the wealth of salvation = Christ in our souls, through the means established by Him, namely the visible signs instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ who give us Divine life (cf. CCC #1113-1134). By understanding this, then we know that if in the ordinary of our lives we do not work, we simply do not produce, and if we do not produce, we do not satisfy our basic needs and we will have deficiencies and difficulties to sustain life which produces moments of anxiety and despair. It is precisely in these moments, when decisions can be made that impoverish and put our freedom or peace at risk, living in suffering and not enjoying life itself. And as a result, producing greater poverty with serious consequences not only economically speaking, but also in psychological situations that modify our well-being in the world. I think it is unnecessary to point out how we can currently witness this reality when walking through our streets and listening or watching the news since there are more and more homeless men and women without medical assistance, daily sustenance, or subject to drugs, addictions, and psychological issues, etc. it's worrying right? Let us then imagine the consequences of not living the economy of salvation in our lives and families. Not participating in the means and processes by which God, the author of our life, who gives us his presence and salvation through him. We know that, as human beings, we are not only body and blood, but what gives us life is the spirit. The breath of life that makes us who we are and without which we do not exist. This truth is powerful! and Jesus Christ came to reveal it to us. The spiritual life is a reality, and it is the one that even sustains our life in this material world. Therefore, not participating in this economy of salvation is also generating much greater poverty than material poverty. Well, you can lack material and economic goods, but with spiritual wealth by possessing the very author of our lives everything is located, valued, enjoyed, and gives meaning to our existence: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven” (Mt.5:3-11). *To be continued... From the NCC July/August*

