

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 10, 2013

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" "Here I am, "I said, "send me!"

— Isaiah 6:8

#### GOD'S SUMMONS

Confronted with God's power and majesty, the first response of the prophet Isaiah was to acknowledge his sinfulness. "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips," he said aloud. Likewise, with his empty fishing nets dramatically filled at Jesus' instruction, Peter fell to his knees and cried out, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man."

Next, Peter got up. He docked his boats then left to follow Jesus. Isaiah also had a dramatic change of heart. When he heard the Lord say, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" Isaiah answered, "Here I am, send me."

We are summoned daily by the Risen Lord. We are reminded of the saving power of the gospel and know in our heart of hearts that, as St. Paul wrote, believing in anything else won't lead to anything.

What will it take for you to move past your sinfulness? What will it take for you to get off your knees? What will it take for you to bring to dock what is unimportant and to accept your call to be God's messenger?

Questions for Reflection on the Gospel

For Adults: When have you felt inadequate to a task or role you were given? How did you respond? For Children: What is a way that you can follow Jesus?

#### **Peninsula Catholic Young Adults**

Are you a young adult (22-40) who is looking to enrich your faith in a social setting? The PCYA is a ministry based at St. Gregory's in San Mateo for those young adults in the mid-peninsula who are seeking something new from church. Check us out on Facebook or our website! We will be gathering on Tuesday, Feb 19th.

FB: facebook.com/peninsulacya Email: peninsulacya@gmail.com https://sites.google.com/site/peninsulacya



## **Sunday Collection Parish Education**

\$11,272.68 \$2,471.10

Thank you! Your generous contributions help to make our ministries possible.

# WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS

**Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone** Principal Celebrant

Saturday, February 23 at Noon

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption 1111 Gough Street at Geary, San Francisco

A "special time of prayer and sharing, of offering one's suffering for the good of the Church and of reminding everyone to see in his sick brother or sister the face of Christ who, by suffering, dying and rising, achieved the salvation of mankind." John Paul II

FILIPINO CHOIR MASS
Next Sunday, February 17th at noon
Everyone is welcome!

# **Forward In Faith Series**

During Lent, the Archdiocese of San Francisco is once again presenting the Forward in Faith series for Catholics who wish to deepen their faith in God and the life of the Church. In our area, the parishes of St. Mark's and St. Dunstan's are hosting evenings for the series. If you are interested in a flier with a registration form and more information including dates, times, all the locations and topics of this program, stop by or call St. Gregory's parish office at 345-8506.

Please join us following 9am Mass THIS Sunday in the Vanos gym



Anna Ramacciotti is the Parish Council contact member for the month of February. Call her at 345-6138 with questions or suggestions.



# Mass Schedule Wednesday, February 13th

6:30 and 8:30 am 12:00 noon and 7:30 pm

Ashes will be distributed during each Mass

#### **Daily Lenten Masses**

Beginning Thursday, February 14th Mass will be at 8:30 am only There will be no Noon Mass during Lent Monday through Friday



#### **ABSTINENCE**

# Ash Wednesday Fridays of Lent & Good Friday

Everyone aged 14 and older No meat allowed

#### **FAST**

### Ash Wednesday and Good Friday

Everyone aged 18 to 59 Only one full meal a day Other food may be taken,

so long as this does not constitute another full meal.

Drinking liquids is permitted.

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Many Catholics who are not active in the Church will still seek out ashes this Wednesday. Likewise, many Jews who are not otherwise observant will follow the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur, with great exactness, fasting and refraining from work and entertainment. People customarily dress in white as a symbol of purity and a reminder of God's promise that our sins will be made white as snow. While the overture to Ash Wednesday for Christians may be a festive Mardi Gras celebration, for Jews it is the New Year feast of Rosh Hashanah. Ten days before the Day of Atonement to God, people are expected to repair breaks in human life. These are days for offering forgiveness and seeking to repair harmed relationships with family, friends, or coworkers. Everyone is expected to seek out someone and "clear the air" by asking for understanding for any mean words or thoughtless deeds in the

Perhaps the ashes you receive will be invested with deeper meaning if you follow a similar plan. This year, Rosh Hashanah will be September 5, and Yom Kippur September 14. A conversation with some Jewish friends or neighbors about their experience of a season of repentance may be a blessing on your Lent.

# Mass Intentions (



# FEBRUARY 9 TO FEBRUARY 17

Saturday	5:00 †	Jose and Maria Silva
Sunday	9:00 † 10:30 12:00 †	Dorothy Bellone Rose Fazio St. Gregory Parishioners Alvera Germano Thomas Carroll
Monday	8:30	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday	8:30 †	Ramona Mary Henderson
Wednesday	8:30 † 12:00 †	Vladimir and George Mensik Marcelle White Marcelle White Jerry McCarthy
Thursday	8:30 †	Paula Marcheschi
Friday	8:30	Niall Hannick
Saturday	8:30 † 5:00	Zoe Inciong Joseph and Mary Mulat
Sunday	9:00 10:30 12:00†	Msgr. James O'Malley John Schneider St. Gregory Parishioners Veronica Pierce Thomas Carroll



#### **DID YOU KNOW about Vatican II...?**

The document at Vatican II that defined the Church as a "Mystery imbued with the hidden presence of God" passed by a final vote of 2151 - 5!

# Here I am; send me!



#### LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS

The Little Black Books for your daily Lenten meditations are available at the church exits. One per person, please! Also pick up the flyer listing our parish Lenten liturgies and other activities also at the church exits

# Book of James: A Roadmap for Christians

St. Gregory Bible Study
Begins THIS Tuesday, Feb 12th
Through March 26, 2013
7:00-8:30PM

Worner Center @ St. Gregory Church

This infrequently read book can be understood as our roadmap for the Christian journey. The unifying theme of the Book of James is:
"Be doers of the word, not hearers." (James 1:22)

Whether you are a beginner or an experienced scripture reader, consider joining us to learn and grow in faith.

There is a \$10 fee to cover the cost of the book. Call the Main Office at 345-8506 to register.

**Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. Our next program in the San Francisco area starts with a weekend April 19-21.

For confidential info, call 415.893.1005 or email: **SF@RetroCA.com** or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com

## ITEMS NEEDED FOR SCHOOL AUCTION-The

auction committee is asking for your help. They would like some families to donate any items or any parties. A few examples from the past include: Time Shares, Condos, Progressive Parties, Bunko Nights, Oscar Events, Poker Nights and Giants' Games to name just a few. If you have an item that you can donate or are a group of parents that would like to host an event or party it would be graciously appreciated. Please contact the office@stgregs-sanmateo.org for a sponsor form. Thank you very much for any and all of your support.

#### 2013 Men's Faith Study Group

For those wishing to deepen their knowledge of our Catholic faith, please join us Saturday mornings at 7:00am as we reflect on the book "Rediscover Catholicism". It's a great way to help you to be the spiritual leader of your family and get to know other men in the parish.

All are welcome.

For more information contact Dave at (650) 333-7338