

Second Sunday of Lent February 24, 2013

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?

— Psalm 27:1

St. Gregory's 9 Alive Family Mass Next Sunday March 3rd 9:00 o'clock Mass

God is always willing to give us another chance



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

DRAMATIC PRESENTATION OF ST. PETER

Sunday, March 24th at 2:00 pm in the church

Mark Price presents a 50 minute one man, Bible-based, theatrical presentation of Simon Peter. This will prove to be not only enjoyable, but thought provoking. Good for the entire family.



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 26th and Saturday, Feb 23rd.

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



Sunday Collection \$9,808.35 Mercy Beyond Borders \$2,760.00

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

Lenten Soup Nights

Bring the whole family to share together a simple soup supper.

Wednesdays, Feb 27th, March 6th, 13th and 20th Vanos Gym, 6:00-7:00pm

Bring your own bowls and utensils. Donations collected will support the Argentinian Mission of Sister Deborah Watson, a Sister of Mercy.

After dinner at 7 PM please shift over to the Worner Center for our Lenten Series. This week we will watch a video from the Barron Catholicism Series.

Daily Lenten Masses

8:30 am Mon thru Sat No Noon Mass this year

Stations of the Cross in the Church

Fridays of Lent 7:00 pm March 1, 8, 15, & 22 Following Stations, confessions will be available from 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Friday, March 1st. The deceased of St. Gregory's Scholarship Society will be remembered in prayer at the 12:00 noon Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

On Friday, March 1st, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 am to 11:45 am. We invite you to come and take a few moments from your morning to spend some time before the Lord in adoration.



Next Sunday, March 3rd

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

MERCY BEYOND BORDERS

Education for a Brighter Future

Each Lent Saint Gregory's Global Poverty Action Group chooses a project that addresses extreme poverty. The World Bank defines extreme poverty as living on less than \$1.50 per day. These people cannot meet the basic needs for food, water, shelter, sanitation, and health care. This is poverty that kills. The World Bank estimates that 1.4 billion people currently live under these conditions.

In September 2000, at the United Nations Millennium Summit, world leaders agreed to a set of time-bound and measurable goals and targets for combating poverty, hunger, disease, illiteracy, environmental degradation and discrimination against women. Placed at the heart of the global agenda are the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs):

Goal 1: Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger Goal 2: Achieve universal primary education

Goal 3: Promote gender equality and empower women

Goal 4: Reduce child mortality Goal 5: Improve maternal health

Goal 6: Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases

Goal 7: Ensure environmental sustainability

Goal 8: Develop a global partnership for development

We embrace the Millennium Development Goals as a framework for action and as a guide to choosing our Lenten projects. Since the education of girls has proven to be the single most effective long-term means of escaping extreme poverty, we have chosen to partner with Mercy Beyond Borders this year to fund their all-girls' primary school in Gros Morne, Haiti. Our Lenten project will help provide all the funds required to operate the school for the year including scholarships for 92 impoverished girls.

Any amount that you feel able to contribute to the cause is very much appreciated. Envelopes will be available in the pews and will be sent home with St. Gregory's RE children. Envelopes may be returned in the Sunday collection basket, at the Parish Office, in Religious Education class or to the School. Please join us as we fight to end extreme poverty!



Youth Mass This Sunday February 24th at 5:30 pm

Followed by dinner and Youth Ministry meeting
in the catacombs
All parish high school students
and their friends are welcome!

There will be a special collection next weekend for our

Parish Education Fund

which supports our Parish School and our Parish Religious Education Program



FEBRUARY 23 TO MARCH 3

Saturday	5:00 †	Hilda Lam
Sunday	,	Thomas Carroll John Schneider
		St. Gregory Parishioners
	12:00†	Karen Doherty
	5:30 †	Katherine Blum
Monday	8:30 †	Ireene Williams
Tuesday	8:30 †	John Gertz
Wednesday	8:30 †	Elaine Hanley
Thursday	8:30 †	Joe McCarthy
Friday	8:30 †	Women's Guild
	12:00†	Scholarship Society
Saturday	8:30 †	Mary Augusburger
	5:00 †	Susan McGuire
Sunday	7:30 †	Michael Bellone
	9:00 †	Rose Fazio
	10:30	St. Gregory Parishioners
	12:00†	Jose and Maria Silva
	5:30 †	Anto and Maria Biosic
		and Family



DID YOU KNOW about Vatican II...?

The Pope opened a "coffee bar" in St. Peter's to provide comfort and rest for the bishops.

The seats on which they sat weren't too comfortable!

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of The Second Vatican Council St. Pius Parish invites us to their Monthly Speaker Series

The Next Speaker is Fr. David Pettingill Former Pastor, Professor & Retreat Director on Thursday, February 28th at 7:00 - 8:30 His topic is **Liturgy and Sacraments**

Homer Crouse Hall 1100 Woodside Road, Redwood City laura@pius.org or 650-361-1411

FIRST SATURDAY MASS AND ROSARY

Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 2nd, followed by devotions to Mary. All are welcome

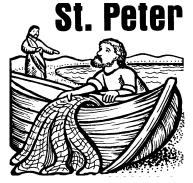
As we know, this Thursday (11:00 AM PST), Pope Benedict XVI will step down as the Bishop of Rome. As many of you have personally experienced, retirement and growing advance in years is not always easy. While this is an important moment in the history of the Church, it is also an important event in the life of a fellow human being. Just as we would pray for our family and friends who enter retirement, we pray for the Holy Father as he ends his time spent walking in the "shoes of the fisherman."

Prayer for Pope Benedict XVI

O God, true shepherd of all the faithful, look with kindness on your servant Pope Benedict XVI, whom you set as head and shepherd of Your Church. We give you thanks for your grace at work in him as he has led us by word and example: in his teaching, in his prayer and in his great love. Grant him your strength in frailty, comfort in sorrow and serenity

amid the trials of this world; and guide your Church, built on the rock of Peter, with the power of your Spirit as we continue on the path that leads to you.





The Gregorian Seniors

All parishioners 55 and over are invited to become members of the Gregorian Seniors. Members will attend Mass at 12:00 noon on **Friday, March 1st** followed by a buffet luncheon in the **Worner Center.** After lunch we will be entertained by St. Gregory's Irish Dancers.

Membership forms will be available at the meeting. Annual dues are \$10. There is a lunch fee of \$6.00 per person. Non-members are welcome but will be charged \$10 for lunch. Correct change will be greatly appreciated. It is important to call Irene Bluth at 345-8028 to make a reservation for lunch by Tuesday, Feb 26th so that there will be space at the table for you.

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.

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