

MISSION BASILICA SAN DIEGO DE ALCALA

MARCH 1, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY
OF LENT

¡Siempre Adelante!



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PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASS

Masses at Mission Church unless noted
SFC - Saint Francis Chapel

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

~SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT~

5:30 PM SAT †Bob Crosette

7:30 AM Intention of the Priest

9:00 AM †Kay Danikas-Raymond

9:00 AM (SFC) †Raymond O'Donovan

10:30 AM †Raymond Altmeyer

10:30 AM (SFC) For the People of the Parish

12:00 PM †Tony and †Jack McGuire

5:30 PM (SFC) †Shirley Shevlin

MONDAY, MARCH 2

~Lenten Weekday~

7:00 AM Lisa Burner

5:30 PM †Christine Torres

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

~St Katharine Drexel, Virgin (USA)~

7:00 AM †Sime Coric

5:30 PM Kevin Hofgen

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

~Lenten Weekday~

7:00 AM Intention of the Priest

5:30 PM †Eduardo Hernandez

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

~Lenten Weekday~

7:00 AM †Cristina Deperio

5:30 PM †John Gobiecki

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

~Lenten Weekday~

7:00 AM Rita Corder

5:30 PM For Priestly Vocations

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

~Lenten Weekday~

8:00 AM †Terry Powers

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

~THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT~

5:30 PM SAT Laurie Hoffart

7:30 AM Gayle Forbes

9:00 AM †Robert Howard Jerd

9:00 AM (SFC) †Eddy and †Marie Mello

10:30 AM †Bob Lowder

10:30 AM (SFC) †Jorge M. Pineda

12:00 PM For the People of the Parish

5:30 PM (SFC) †Steve Haine



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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tel: (619) 283-7319

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BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office

MARRIAGES

Preparation with priest at least
9 months in advance.
Please call the Parish Office

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Principal: Annalisa Burgos
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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

5:30 PM Saturday - Mission Church

7:30 AM Sunday - Mission Church

9:00 AM St. Francis Chapel
(Contemporary Music
Group every other week)
and Mission Church

10:30 AM St. Francis Chapel
(Spanish) and Mission Church

12:00 PM Mission Church
(Mission Choir)

5:30 PM St. Francis Chapel

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday, 7:00 am & 5:30 pm
in the Mission Church

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

8:00 am in the Mission Church

HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS

See bulletin

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm
in the Mission Church or by appointment.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month, 7:30 to 11:35 am
and 6:00 to 6:35 pm in the Mission Church

¡Siempre Adelante! is inspired by our founder, St. Junipero Serra, whose desire to serve was expressed in his motto: Always Forward!

Bulletin submissions must be requested a week or more prior to the desired Sunday. Please send requests via email to **Anthony Tarantino** at atarantino@missionsandiego.org. All submissions are subject to approval.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Online: <https://bible.usccb.org>

Take the Risk of Faith

BY ALICE CAMILLE



Salvation history properly begins in chapter 12 of Genesis. The proto-history of the earlier chapters supplies an artful presentation of the downward spiral of human moral disintegration. From the perfect joy of paradise we move through original disobedience to murder in one generation. Alienation from God and each other is complete after the deliberate construction of a tower meant to bridge the gap. The irony of Babel has a theological twist: We can't get there from here, not through our own devices. Having forfeited communion with the Creator, we now must wait on God to construct the bridge.

Alert to the movement of Incarnation, we're not surprised when God chooses to begin that construction in human flesh. A fellow named Abram gets a seven-fold blessing from a God he doesn't know, apparently for no good reason whatsoever. Abram is

a fallible soul, a gambler enticed by the thrill of an unseen and uninsured promise. So long as the promise is matched by prosperity, he's content to follow through as God's man.

When his own security is on the line, however, Abram is just as quick to trade his beloved wife to ensure his freedom—or sleep with the maid if it simplifies his objectives. Abram's character is brilliantly disclosed in his famous debate with God over Sodom's fate. He's humble, courteous, even fawning as he makes his case—and he pushes the argument to surprising limits with all the aggressiveness of a skilled lawyer.

The thing to remember here is that God likes Abram, really delights in him as a partner in the foundational chapters of humanity's salvation. God appreciates Abram just as Jesus later speaks highly of the unjust steward, and in recognition of the same rare quality: genuine pluck. Abram becomes Abraham, father of nations, because he has the guts to do it, to take the risk. God in turn

accepts this stunning faith in the unseen and credits it back to him as righteousness. It's almost comic that future believers will focus on storing up righteousness because they imagine it keeps them safe and dry from risk. Yet as the story goes, God can manufacture righteousness from stones if need be. What God looks for in a partnership is rare and wonderful nerve.

Later key partners will demonstrate this trait: Moses marching Abraham's cantankerous children across the desert landscape or Elijah staring down 400 prophets of Baal on Mt. Carmel. No wonder when Jesus is revealed as the Divine Son he's standing in the company of these noteworthy gamblers, who risked life and limb to unroll the great work of salvation. If we want to join their partnership, the one thing we can't do is play it safe.

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Alice Camille is a religious educator, Scripture commentator, and author of many books including **This Transforming Word** and other titles found at alicecamille.com.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed communally on the Fridays of Lent in the Mission Church at 6:15 pm, except on the first Friday when they follow Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Terry Baltes • Erin Dalton

James Flynn • Mike Gallivan

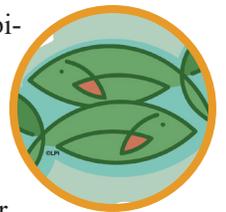
Barry Nunns • Baby Banks Griffin Ricci

Gil • Susan Redelings • Mark Turner • Joey Umali

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting the parish office at (619) 283-7319.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS

The Knights of Columbus and Columbiettes will again offer Friday fish dinners during the Lenten season. Dinner tickets for adults are \$20.00, youth (under 11) \$10.00. Adult beverages of wine and beer tickets are \$5.00. Clam chowder is available for \$5.00. Dinner is served between 6:00 and 7:30 pm in the California Room on Fridays through **Mar 27**.



HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist, a Homebound Minister can bring the Eucharist to you. Email Carmen Falcon at crmnlcn2920@gmail.com.

UPCOMING ROSARIES

Make praying the rosary a part of your daily life.

- The Rosary is prayed immediately after the 7:00 am Mass, Mon - Fri, in the Mission Church.
- A Rosary for the Eucharistic Revival is prayed on the first Wed of each month in La Sala following the 5:30 pm Mass. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, next rosary is **Mar 4**.
- A Pro-Life Rosary is prayed every first Thurs in the Mission Church at 5:00 pm. Next rosary: **Mar 5**.
- A Rosary for Peace is prayed every third Sat of the month at 9:00 am. Join fellow parishioners at Nazareth School's Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto to seek the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Peace. Next rosary: **Mar 21**.



AROUND THE DIOCESE

• **Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary Free Lent Morning of Reflection** will take place on **Sat, Mar 7**, at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Point Loma. Refreshments and social start at 8:30 am with the program from 9:00 -11:00am. The Theme is "The Mysteries of Lent: A Journey with Mary." Our speakers will be Cathy Sperrazzo and Mattie Scull. For more info call or text Laurie Mikolaycik at (619) 820-5028.

AN ALTERNATIVE TO OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The Mission San Diego offers an easy-to-use contribution system for both one-time and recurring gifts. Powered by WeShare, electronic giving is safe, secure, and convenient. To learn more and get started, please scan the QR code or visit our website missionsandiego.org and select the "Donate Now" link.

PARISH SUPPORT

Feb 12-18, 2025

Plate:	\$6,448.31
Envelope:	\$8,182.00
Online:	\$5,674.77
Total:	\$20,305.08

Thank you for your support of our parish!

CATHOLIC Q&A

QUESTION

What is the Christian attitude towards violent conflicts?

ANSWER

In the Beatitudes, Jesus teaches us "Blessed are the peacemakers" and to "love your enemies." All human beings are made in God's image and likeness. We are one human family — brothers and sisters despite what divides us. Christians have the obligation to prioritize peaceful means to resolve conflicts. War wreaks a toll on a nation. Civilians bear a disproportionate burden of this cost during the war itself and as the nation rebuilds. However, those in authority have the obligation to protect the innocent.

During the gradual fall of the Roman Empire, theologians began to theorize that war could be just if it was a defensive measure of last resort. The "Just War Theory" was later expanded by St. Thomas Aquinas, who also included moral obligations during the war itself, including the protection of civilians. Those in public authority have the obligation to carefully examine their motives, agendas, and rationale for violent force. Should a cause be just, those who fight and defend under such circumstances must be valued and honored. They deserve our support both during and after the war.

Congratulations to those from our Parish in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) being sent to the

RITE OF ELECTION FOR CATECHUMENS AND OF CALLING THE CANDIDATES TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

at USD's Jenny Craig Pavillion, Sunday afternoon

Catechumens

Louis Alexandre Barreau, Ezra Cruz-Reyes, Madison DaSilva, Quinn Fogel, Santiago Jacobo, John Ledesma, Emily Marty, Mateo Marty, Olivia Padilla, Aiden Peterson, Chloe Pruitt

Candidates Completing Christian Initiation

Reyna Basabe, Johnny Harbort

Candidates Making a Profession of Faith and Completing Christian Initiation

Jessica Bolinger, Brandon Fraley, Cameron Pruitt, Adam Salas

Our prayers are with you all on this journey of faith and discipleship!

BAPTISMS

Welcome to the Christian Family!

Elina Velasquez
Joaquin Mateo Tinio

Baptized on Mar 1

"You have become a new creation and clothed yourself in Christ..."

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

All Hallows	Sun, Mar 8	4:00 pm
St. Columba	Tues, Mar 10	6:00 pm
Our Mother of Confidence	Tues, Mar 10	7:00 pm
Ascension	Thurs, Mar 12	6:00 pm
Mary, Star of the Sea	Sun, Mar 15	4:00 pm
St. Catherine Labouré	Mon, Mar 16	7:00 pm
Mission San Diego de Alcalá	Wed, Mar 18	7:00 pm
St. Brigid	Mon, Mar 23	7:00 pm
The Immaculata	Mon, Mar 23	7:00 pm
St. Mary Magdalene	Tues, Mar 24	7:00 pm
St. Thérèse of Carmel	Wed, Mar 25	7:00 pm

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT AND FIRST SATURDAY MASS

MISSION CHURCH

FRI, MAR 6

First Friday Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament (MBS)

7:00 am Mass followed by Exposition of the MBS

7:30 - 11:30 am Exposition of the MBS

11:35 am Benediction of the MBS
with Nazareth School students

5:30 pm Mass for Vocations followed by Exposition of the MBS

6:00 - 6:30 pm Exposition of the MBS

6:35 pm Benediction of the MBS

SAT, MAR 7

8:00 am First Saturday Mass

NAZARETH SCHOOL EVENTS

Nazareth School is fundraising with three upcoming golf events: Family Day at the Loma Club on **Mon, Apr 6**; Ball Drop on **Thu, May 7**; and a Golf Scramble on **Fri, May 8** (see below). For more info on participating, email jerrycolihan@gmail.com.

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NAZARETH SCHOOL
Nazareth School Charity Golf Scramble
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EVENT AT A GLANCE

DATE: **Friday, May 8, 2026**
LOCATION: **Carlton Oaks Golf Club**

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ADULT FORMATION — STUDY IN FAITH

You are invited to a study **The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation**. Join us as we explore the sweeping narrative of God's plan of salvation, from Creation, to Christ, to the Church today. This engaging Bible study provides a clear, accessible, and prayerful walk through the entire story of Scripture. Whether you are new to Bible study or continuing your faith journey, this series will help you see the unity of God's Word and deepen your love of Christ. Purchase a workbook (Cost \$39.95) at ascensionpress.com/collections/the-bible-timeline-the-story-of-salvation-2025. Also a Catholic translation of the Bible. The six-week course takes place on Tuesdays (**Jan 13 - Feb 17; Apr 14 - May 19; Aug 11 - Sept 15; Oct 13 - Nov 17**) from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the California Room. There is no cost to attend, just your time! To register, contact: Lissa Hutcheson, M.A. Lissahutcheson@outlook.com or call (619) 804-8950.



ADULT CONFIRMATION

The Mission San Diego de Alcalá is offering an opportunity for baptized adult Catholics who have yet to be confirmed to complete their full initiation into the Catholic Church.

Adult Confirmation Preparation is intended for persons who are already baptized Catholics, have received First Eucharist, are at least 18 years old, and are already committed to the practice of their Catholic faith. Open to registered parishioners of the Mission San Diego (or parishioners of other parishes with the written permission of their pastor). Please inquire with Fr. Dan Holgren by **Mar 3**. Weekly catechetical meetings are on Tuesdays and continue for eight weeks.

Confirmation will be celebrated on **Tue, May 26**. For more info, contact Fr. Dan Holgren at dholgren@missionsandiego.org.



DISCERNMENT GROUP FOR WOMEN

Ever wonder if God is calling you? Would you like to walk alongside other women also discerning? Contact Sister Katia Chavez, SJS at (760) 562-2727 if you are interested.

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Are you looking for a special gift? Look no further than our own Visitor Center and Gift Shop complete with religious articles, t-shirts, hats, mugs, and more! Gift certificates are also available. Open daily from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Self-guided tours of the Mission grounds begin there as well.

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O.C.I.A.

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EXPLORER DAY LEARNING ABOUT THE PRIESTHOOD

An informational session for men interested in exploring a possible vocation to the priesthood will be hosted by the Director of Priestly Vocations, Fr. Marc Gandolfo, at St. Francis Center for Priestly Formation on the campus of the University of San Diego, on **Sat, Mar 28**, 8:30 am – 4:15 pm. If living a life of service for Christ and the people of God is attractive to you, take advantage of this invitation. To register, contact Fr. Peter or Fr. Dan in the parish office or via the parish website. Or call the St. Francis Center at (858) 490-8389.



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Are you interested in participating in a health program that includes free exercise classes at Mission San Diego de Alcalá?

SDSU is also conducting research on health and physical activity and need study participants.



Scan the QR Code to see if you are eligible to participate in the study portion of Faith in Action.

ibach.faithinaction@sdsu.edu

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Diocese of San Diego is seeking a compassionate Registered Nurse to serve as a Clergy Care Manager, supporting the health and well-being of our priests. This role collaborates closely with clergy and diocesan leadership to coordinate healthcare needs, provide guidance on medical planning, and connect priests with appropriate resources. Ideal candidates will have an active California RN license, strong care-coordination experience, and a heart for service within the Church. For more info or to apply, please visit www.sdatholic.org, or apply directly by visiting tinyurl.com/2smumvrd.

CHILD / YOUTH PROTECTION

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy, parish employee, or volunteer can be made by calling (858) 490-8353 or by sending an email to misconduct@sdatholic.org. Go to safeinourdiocese.org to read about efforts in the Diocese of San Diego to protect children, assist victims, and promote healing.

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2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our Diocesan-assigned goal is: \$94,000

Brochures are available in the Mission Church, St. Francis Chapel, and the parish office.

Or, go to the ACA link on missionsandiego.org

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