

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday - March 21 - 6:30 AM
Joaquin F. Cabrera, Jr. & Family
Saturday - March 21 - 5:00 PM
+Arthur Foltz --- Req. by the Gomez Family
Sunday - March 22 - 8:30 AM
+Timothy Curtin --- Req. by Maggie Curtin
Sunday - March 22 - 10:30 AM
Socrates Alamilla, Sr. --- Req. by Family
Sunday - March 22 - 12:30 PM
Missa Pro Populo
Sunday - March 22 - 2:30 PM
+Maria Hendershot & +Carmen Miron, Anniversary of Death --- Req. by Family
Sunday - March 22 - 5:00 PM
Gilbert Montana & Family
Monday - March 23 - 6:30 AM
Holy Souls in Purgatory
Monday - March 23 - 8:00 AM
+Karen Maas
Monday - March 23 - 7:00 PM
All Unborn Babies --- Req. by the Pallagao Family
Tuesday - March 24 - 6:30 AM
Hector Snyder
Tuesday - March 24 - 8:00 AM
Holy Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday - March 24 - 7:00 PM
+Karen Maas
Wednesday - March 25 - 6:30 AM
+Josie Snyder
Wednesday - March 25 - 8:00 AM
Miguel Montilla
Wednesday - March 25 - 7:00 PM
Alma Zendejas, Thanksgiving & Birthday
Thursday - March 26 - 6:30 AM
+Doris Anderson
Thursday - March 26 - 8:00 AM
Lanny Herradura, Birthday
Thursday - March 26 - 7:00 PM
+Amelia Gonzales
Friday - March 27 - 6:30 AM
Jocelyn Villegas & Family
Friday - March 27 - 8:00 AM
Villa C. Miranda
Friday - March 27 - 7:00 PM
+Karen Maas

Saturday - March 28 - 6:30 AM
Josephine Zendejas, Birthday & Thanksgiving
Saturday - March 28 - 5:00 PM
+Albert R. Sanchez --- Req. by the Gomez Family

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5th ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE – April 18th – 19th
All proceeds will go towards our 100th Anniversary Celebration in October. Join us for a weekend of music, food, fun and fellowship! If you would like to donate your gently used items, drop them off at the Knights table after Mass or during Parish Office Hours.

**INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK**

Maria Hale, Frank & Yvonne Batista, Marilou Topacio, Sylvia Todd, Mary Quinn, Phyllis Schabow, Ruben Pimental, Judy Nevarez, Victor Briceno, Fr. John Gunningham, Hector Snyder, Gilbert Montana, Charles Richardunn, Norman Arredondo, John Estevez, April Rodriguez, Arturo Gonzalez, Fred Minook, Gordon P. Curtis, Alfonso Martinez, Baby Peter Rodriguez, Norbert Aripez, Joe Guerrero, Connie Smith, Luis Demetrio Figueroa, Ramona Moreno, Steve Grabor, Jeannette Vagnozzi

**INTENTIONS FOR THE DECEASED**

Fr. Louis Marx, Pope Francis, CJ Hixson, Lisa Von Sydow, Dwight Gelford, Fernando Montenez, Art Foltz, Manuela Cabrera, Roseanna Ruiz, Perfecta Flores, Gustavo Marquez, Frenky Casas, Samuel Avila, Lourdes Villamil, Sarah Von Sydow, Karen Pimentel, Nada Soraya, Anita Gonzalez, Jose Maria Zendejas, Alex Galvan, Rita Moore, Ernesto Estrada, Vincent Gonzalez, Larry Trujillo

**CHOOSE LIFE – Pregnancy Hot Line (909) 398-4838**

“There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life... Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those ‘brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves’... We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (The Gospel of Life 86).

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN – Feb. 18th – March 29th**

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. This Lenten season come pray at the Vigil Site (918 W. Foothill Blvd. Upland, 91786) from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM. Special Prayer Vigils at 11:00 AM: March 28th Victory Celebration Rally. Sign up for a vigil hour at 40daysforlife.com/upland.

**EUCARISTIC MONTHLY ADORATION TIME CHANGE**

Due to our Eucharistic Monthly Adoration falling on Holy Thursday, we will be stopping our adoration early at 12:00 Midnight.

**COMMUNION OF REPARATION POSTPONED – April 10th**

Since First Friday falls on Good Friday, our Communion of Reparation will be postponed until Friday, April 10th.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

On March 27th, we will be having our last Stations of the Cross inside of the church at 6:00 PM followed by Mass at 7:00 PM.

**LENTEN MEATLESS FRIDAY DINNER**

Join us for our LAST Lenten Meatless dinner on Friday, March 27th. Dinner will be served at 5:00 PM and after the 7:00 PM Mass. Plate price will be determined by market price. All proceeds will go towards our Knights of Columbus and our 100th fund!

**PARISHIONERS IN THE ARMED FORCES DISPLAY**

If any of our parishioners or their immediate family members are actively serving in our armed forces we would love to add their portrait to our display. Please bring your photo with their branch of military and rank to the Parish Office during office hours. The deadline to submit the photos is Saturday, March 28th. Thank you.

**J.M.J. 5th SUNDAY IN LENT**

March 22, 2026

**Faith and flowers: Special rules keep God's house simply beautiful**

There are many traditions observed during the season of Lent, and one of the more visible is the stark change in church decor and a complete absence of flowers...

"Using flowers is absolutely forbidden" during the season of Lent, according to Micaela Soranzo, a professor and expert in liturgy and religious architecture..."The liturgy needs the language of flowers" because they complement "the immobility of the architecture" and church furnishings with their ability to appropriately represent different feast days and the changing cycle of seasons both in nature and the liturgy, she said.

"Flowers are meant to be an integral part of the liturgy," Soranzo said, "not filler."

In fact, when the true purpose of floral arrangements is misunderstood, churches run the risk either of being bereft of any gift of nature presented in homage to Christ or of being turned into a greenhouse "obstacle course" with pots and plants placed in every available space, she said.

The topic is so important that the General Instruction of the Roman Missal and bishops' conference guidelines include norms on the appropriate use of floral decoration, said Soranzo.

Like all adornments, flowers and plants must not ignore or detract from the symbolic and theological meaning of sacred spaces and furnishings, and they should highlight--not hide--the altar, the ambo and the baptismal font, said Soranzo.

The altar--the table of the Lord-- is Christ; the ambo--from where the word of God is proclaimed--is the visible image of Christ resurrected; and the baptismal font is where God's children are welcomed into the Church, she said...

The use of flowers also should reflect the hierarchy of what is most important in the church, she said; for example, "it is not right if there are more flowers adorning the statue of the patron saint than the altar."

The aim, she said, is to create a space where a person of faith or a visitor walks into church and says, "'How beautiful it is to be here.' It has to feel welcoming and flowers help do that."

---Excerpts by Carol Glatz for USCCB

Dear Parishioners,

Father James Lane has faithfully served as a supply Priest here at San Secondo for the last four years. We recently received word from Father James that he has chosen not to renew his faculties with the Diocese of San Bernardino. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Father James for all that he has done for our Parish. May God bless and guide his future endeavors.

Father Stanley Onwuegbule

**THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD – March 25th**

7:00 PM High Latin Mass

**APRIL BAPTISM CLASS DATE CHANGE - April 12th**

Due to the first Sunday of April falling on Easter Sunday, our baptism class has been moved to Sunday, April 12th. It will still be held at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, March 30th in observance of the Farm Workers holiday. We will also be closed on Friday, April 3rd and Monday, April 6th for Easter.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**MASSES**

Holy Thursday, April 2nd
4:00 PM Latin Mass and 7:00 PM Novus Ordo.
Remember to bring your bells for the Gloria.

Good Friday - Veneration of the Cross, April 3rd
12:00 Noon Novus Ordo and 7:00 PM Latin.

Easter Vigil, April 4th
5:00 PM Latin and 8:00 PM Novus Ordo.
Remember to bring your bells for the Gloria.

Easter Sunday, April 5th
8:30 AM, 10:30 AM (Latin), 12:30 PM and 2:30 PM (Latin). There will be NO 5:00 PM Mass.

**CONFESSION**

In addition to our usual confession schedule, we will also be having confessions at the following times:

Tuesday, March 31st: 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
Wednesday, April 1st: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA – April 3rd – April 12th**

Join us in celebrating the Feast of the Divine Mercy!

Novena Schedule:
April 3rd 3:00 PM, in the Church
April 4th & 5th 3:00 PM, in the Parish Hall
April 6th - 10th 5:00 PM, in the Parish Hall
April 11th 3:00 PM, in the Parish Hall

Divine Mercy Feast Day – Sunday, April 12th
12:00 PM Divine Mercy Procession, 12:30 PM Liturgy Celebration officiated by Fr. Stanley. Lunch buffet after Mass in the Parish Hall.

**2026 DDF CAMPAIGN**

Our next DDF appeal is April 11th – 12th!

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our 2026 DDF! Each and every person's gift is important, regardless of size. Simply fill out a pledge card and place it in the offertory basket or drop it in the mail. Thank you for your continued support!

Goal: \$48,200.00 Gifts Received: \$5,861.67

**Readings: Cycle 1, Weekday Readings; (Year A for Sundays)**

3/21/26 Jeremiah 11:18-20, John 7:40-53 (249)
3/22/26 Ezekiel 37:12-14, Romans 8:8-11, John 11:1-45 (34)
3/23/26 Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62, John 8:1-11 (251)
3/24/26 Numbers 21:4-9, John 8:21-30 (252)
3/25/26 Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10, Luke 1:26-38 (545) – the Annunciation of the Lord
3/26/26 Genesis 17:3-9, John 8:51-59 (254)
3/27/26 Jeremiah 20:10-13, John 10:31-42 (255)
3/28/26 Ezekiel 37:21-28, John 11:45-56 (256)

Intercessions for Life: May all mothers facing difficult pregnancies be lovingly accompanied as they prepare to encounter Christ anew through the gift of their children, We pray to the Lord.

Papal Intention for March: Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

To Report the Sexual Abuse of a Child by Clergy, Deacon, Employee or Volunteer, call the toll-free Sexual Misconduct Hotline at 1-888-206-9090.