

St. Patrick's Church

127 Jackson St., Sonora, CA



Mass Times:

M-F 8:00 am
Sat 5:00 pm
Sun 7:30 am
9:00 am
11:00 am
5:00 pm
Spanish

Reconciliation

Sat 4:00 pm
Wed 6:30 pm
Or by appt.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Mission Church

11700 Catholic Cemetery Rd.
Big Oak Flat, CA



Mass Times:

Sat 5:00 pm
Sun 9:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sat 4:30 pm

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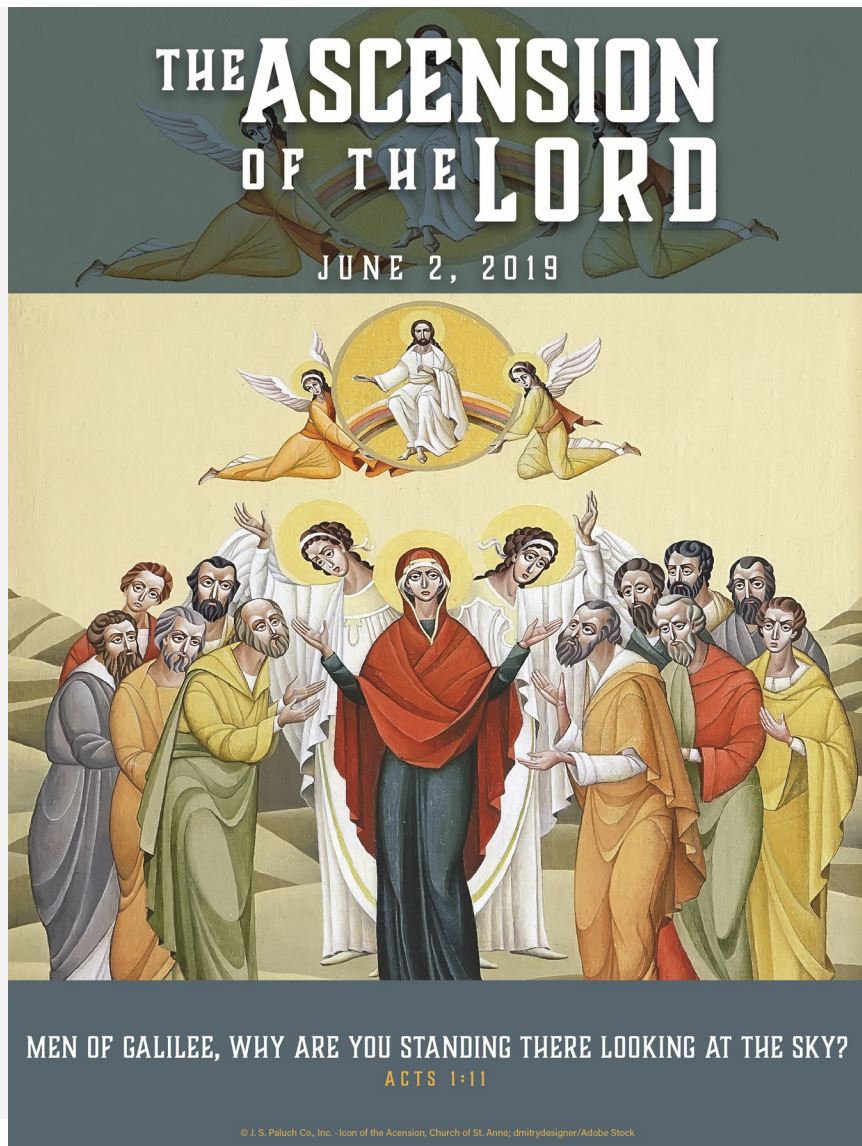
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St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Sonora, California

The GOOD News

... in Our Parish



"The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with all of you."

On behalf of St. Patrick's Parish, I joyfully welcome you. Our hope is all who come to St. Patrick's will know the love of Christ. By God's mercy, and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our patron St. Patrick, you will truly encounter the risen Lord and experience the Joy of the Gospel.

If you would like more information about our parish, please visit our website at www.StPatsSonora.org. If you are new to the area, we encourage you to request a new member packet. I would like to meet all of you. I am available for appointments. Please call me at (209) 532-7139 ext. 112 or email frsam@stpatssonora.org. God bless.

In Christ, Fr. Sam West, Pastor



Father Joseph's Message

Ascension of Jesus

Every year, pastors in a number of dioceses get asked the same question: "Father, is Ascension celebrated on Thursday or next Sunday?" The reason why we are asked this question is because, traditionally, the Ascension is celebrated on a Thursday. Why Thursday? This is because St. Luke tells us in the Acts the Apostles that the Ascension happened forty days after the resurrection. Forty days after Easter means this celebration lands on a Thursday. A number of dioceses, however, celebrate the Ascension on the 7th Sunday of Easter given how many people work on Thursdays.

Celebrating the Ascension on a Sunday allows more parishioners the opportunity to reflect on the importance of the Ascension in our faith tradition.

St. Luke ends his first book, the *Gospel according to St. Luke*, saying "Then He led them out as far as Bethany, raised His hands, and blessed them. As He blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did Him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God." (Luke 24:50-53)

St. Luke begins his second book, the *Acts of the Apostles*, saying "In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instruction through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen." (Acts. 1:1-2)

The disciples who completed Puccini's opera *Turandot*

The Italian composer Giacomo Puccini wrote *La Boheme*, *Madama Butterfly* and *Tosca*. It was during his battle with terminal cancer in 1922 that he began to write *Turandot*, which many now consider his best work. He worked on the score day and night, despite his friends' and disciples' advice to rest, and to save his energy. When his sickness worsened, Puccini said to his disciples, "If I don't finish *Turandot*, I want you to finish it." He died in 1924, leaving the work unfinished.

His disciples gathered all that was written of *Turandot*, studied it in great detail, and then proceeded to write the remainder of the opera. The world premier was performed in La Scala Opera House in Milan in 1926, and Toscanini, Puccini's favorite student, conducted it. The opera went beautifully. When Toscanini came to the end of the part written by Puccini, he stopped the music, put down the baton, turned to the audience, and announced, "Thus far the master wrote, but he died."

There was a long pause; no one moved.

Then Toscanini picked up the baton, turned to the audience and, with tears in his eyes, announced, "**But his disciples finished his work.**" And he continued. The opera closed to thunderous applause, and to a permanent place in the annals of great works.

Jesus instructs us in His Ascension message to finish His work of saving mankind by proclaiming His *Good News* by words and deeds. We are to **preach** with words, but are to **proclaim** with our very lives. We as disciples of the Master, with gladness to participate in His Mission. "Go ... to all people everywhere and make them My disciples and I will be with you always." (Matthew 28: 19-20)

HAPPY ASCENSION DAY!

In Christ, Fr. Joseph Lawrence



MATTHEW 25 FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Breakfast is served in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6:30 am to 8:00 am for the hungry, homeless, and anyone in need in our community.

Our guests at Matthew 25 breakfasts receive nourishment and friendship, delivered with compassion and respect for their dignity and value as children of God. If you would like to volunteer to work at the breakfast for an hour or two, or donate a needed food item on a regular basis, please call the Parish Office, 209-532-7139, with your name and phone number.

JUNE 2, 2019

This Week in our Parish

Saturday 6/1 & Sunday 6/2 ~ Parish Services
Sunday 6/2 ~ Meet & Greet: Ministers to the Sick
Monday 6/3 ~ Encounter, 6:30 - 7:45 pm St. Patrick's
Thursday 6/6 ~ Religious Study, OLMC (Big Oak Flat) 4:00 - 5:30 pm, Parish House
Saturday 6/8 ~ Altar Duty: Faustina Coleman Kathleen Kahl
Saturday 6/8 ~ Pentecost Vigil Mass, St. Patrick's
Sunday 6/9 ~ Meet & Greet: YLI



Pentecost Vigil **Come, catch the Fire!**

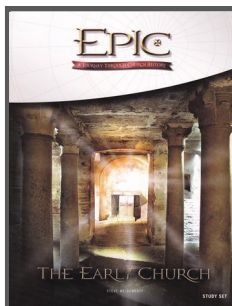
Please join us as we celebrate the **Pentecost Vigil**, using the extended form of the Mass.

Saturday, June 8 ~ 5:00 pm
St. Patrick's Catholic Church

The Extended Vigil of Pentecost provides a ritual wherein the gathered assembly enters into the experience of waiting and preparing for the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Extended Vigil includes four Scripture readings from the Old Testament, each with an accompanying Psalm and prayer. However, the Extended Vigil is not merely an elongated Liturgy of the Word, but rather a time of reflection and meditation, and an opportunity to awaken in new ways our longing and yearning for the Lord's presence, and to express our surrender to His saving gifts.

Rev. Msgr. Rick Hilgartner, Archdiocese of Baltimore
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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Religious Study at OLMC **Discover the Roots of** **Our Catholic Faith**

"Epic: The Early Church" will lead you on a powerful, fast-paced journey through the first 500 years of Church history. You'll meet courageous saints, eloquent theologians, ruthless emperors and heroic martyrs. This dynamic 10-part program presents the origins of the Faith from a truly Catholic perspective! Understanding Church history is an important part of our faith journey as a Catholic. And yet, we might find it difficult to articulate those reasons to others. This study will give us information to more easily evangelize with confidence.

Thursday evenings, 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Parish House, OLMC (Big Oak Flat)

For more information, please contact Warren Belisle
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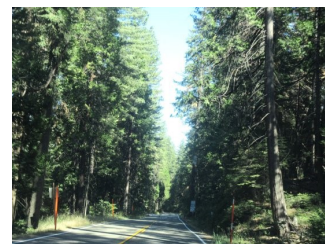


Are YOU prepared for Wildfire Season? **READY, SET, GO!**

Your Personal Wildfire Action Plan
Presentation by Emily Kilgore,
Fire Prevention Specialist from Cal Fire
6:30 pm ~ Tuesday June 11
St Patrick's Church Parish Hall

Please invite your friends and neighbors.

Let's all have a safe summer,
and keep our beautiful forests
and hillsides green!



Attention all Lectors, **EMHC, Altar Servers,** **and Ushers:**



If there are any dates you know you are NOT available to minister during the 3rd Quarter of 2019 (July, August, September), please let Sandra Betti know by Thursday, **June 14th**. Please call 532-7139, ext. 109, or email your information to sandra@stpatssonora.org, or leave a note in the office.

Thank you for your ministry!

WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



***Please Pray for the Sick in our Parish,
and their family members.***

***Al Biedrzycki
Jackie Boling
Jalen Bozzo
Angela Brown
Mary Brown
Anna Davison
Bernie Frost
Ed Hall***

***A. J. Holmes
Bill Kiesling
Kristine Kitamura
Judi Maguire
Juan Pulido
Clay Sweeney
Dan Ward
Mitch & Trish Woods***

To add or remove a name from this list, please contact the Parish Office at 209-532-7139.



The Power of Prayer

St. Patrick's prayer chain shares names of those needing prayer for health or other healing. Our community is dedicated to asking the Lord and His Blessed Mother to hear our prayers for one another. The list of people comprising our prayer chain is being revised. If you are already listed on the Prayer Chain or want to join, please contact Debby Cushman at (209) 533-2756.

Encounter

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Worship and Praise Music
Monday evenings 6:30-7:45 pm
St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Sonora



**Attn: St. Patrick's kids - you are welcome to
attend Vacation Bible Camp at
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Contact DRE, Noli Farwell at nfarwell@sbcglobal.net



All Saints Parish, Twain Harte



Sunday Mass at Pinecrest Lake

11:30 am,
Pinecrest
Amphitheater
Every Sunday during
the summer months.



Fr. Sam and the remaining members of St. Patrick's Pastoral Council extend their great appreciation to departing members: Wendell Cushman, Charlene Dambacher, Denise Nicolini and Jim Woosley.

Their participation has resulted in a number of ongoing and completed projects as well as in positive improvements to parish life. Council member Nathan Graveline has had to extend his resignation from the Council; his presence will be missed.

In May's meeting, Fr. Sam noted ongoing work on retrofitting the entrance to St. Patrick's Church, and developments in a Safety/Security plan which will include assigning ushers to patrol the exterior of the Church during services.

Upcoming areas of focus include improving the aesthetics of the facilities and grounds, development of a Facilities Master Plan to help in ensuring that maintenance needs fit within the expected budget, formation of a Welcome Team and ministry, engendering a Stewardship way of thinking, and the creation of a Communication Team.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, June 18th
6:30 p.m., Parish Hall Room 6**



SB 360, the bill which threatens the seal of confession, is now headed to the State Assembly after passing out of the Senate. We must continue to work to protect confession for all as the bill moves to the State Assembly. Please urge your State Assembly Member to vote 'no' on SB 360 to protect the seal of confession. Please do your part in protecting the seal of confession. Take Action Now: Send an email to our Assembly Member Frank Bigelow (District 5) opposing SB 360. Go to: www.assembly.ca.gov/assemblymembers Scroll down to Frank Bigelow, click on *Contact*. Or go to: www.cqrcengage.com/catholic/app/write-a-letter?0&engagementId=498306

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday June 1 ~ Sunday June 9

Saturday	5:00 pm	Jason Dunne † Danie Ward
Sunday	7:30 am	Roy Volpetti † Sandy Pallante †
	9:00 am	Sandy Pallante † Bessie Sharp (<i>Healing</i>)
	11:00 am	Carl Stephen King, Sr. † Albert Rose †
	5:00 pm	Alicia Sanchez † Lizbeth Gutierrez †

We say the rosary after each 8:00 am weekday Mass.

Monday	8:00 am	Clark Gomez † Raul Gamboa †
Tuesday	8:00 am	Bette Jacob † Greg Jacob †
Wednesday	8:00 am	Lena Fraguero † Joan Holland †
Thursday	8:00 am	Gary & Theresa Stevenson
Friday	8:00 am	No Intentions
Saturday	5:00 pm	Mary Ann Wideman † William Schrag †
Sunday	7:30 am	Roy Volpetti † Sandy Pallante †
	9:00 am	Tete Arellano † Joan Holland †
	11:00 am	Sandy Pallante † Fran Barberini
	5:00 pm	Alicia Sanchez † Jose Lopez †

Upcoming Events ~ Save the Date

Sunday 6/16 ~ Father's Day
Baby Bottle Boomerang ends
Sunday 6/23 ~ Corpus Christi
Thursday 7/4 ~ Independence Day
Tuesday 7/16 ~ Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Friday 7/26 ~ Feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne
Thursday 8/15 ~ The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Bulletin Deadline: Content must be received no later than Monday morning in order to appear in that weekend's Bulletin. The Bulletin editor reserves the right to edit content for space and aesthetics.

Email content to: Goodnews@stpatssonora.org
Please be sure all pertinent details are included.
Thank you!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday June 3 ~ Sunday June 9

Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday:	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9, Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b, Ez 37:1-14, Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday June 2 ~ Saturday June 8

Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord
Monday:	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions
Wednesday:	St. Boniface
Thursday:	St. Norbert; Julian Calendar Ascension
Friday:	First Friday



Weekly Offerings

Weekly Goal \$ 10,000	5-19-19 Week 20 Participation 28%	5-26-19 Week 21 Participation 28%	May Totals
General Offerings			
St. Pat's	\$5,125	\$5,444	\$23,300
OLMC	\$1,356	\$1,668	\$5,931
E-giving	\$423	\$410	\$3,494
Total	\$6,904	\$7,522	\$32,725
LAST YEAR	\$6,780	\$7,315	\$31,165
Maintenance Offering			
St. Pat's	\$135	\$40	\$1,202
OLMC	\$5	\$45	\$175
Total	\$140	\$85	\$1,377
<i>Thank you for your continued and generous offerings!</i>			

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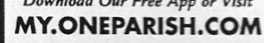
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