The Third Sunday in Lent
8:00, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday, March 3, 2024

Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.

If this is your first time here, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card found on the Welcome Table in the courtyard.
The Word Of God

Prelude (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)
Fantasia super 'Jesu, meine Freude,' BWV 713
Jesus, My Joy

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Hymn At The Procession (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)
Praise to the Living God
The people stand.

Hymnal, #372

Opening Acclamation
Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures forever.

Opening Sentence
If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Confession Of Sin
Let us confess our sins to God.
The people kneel, as able, saying together.

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.
Absolution

*The Celebrant stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Trisagion (8:00 a.m.)

*The people stand.*

Said three times.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

*Have mercy on us.*

Kyrie (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

*The people stand.*

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The Collect Of The Day
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.
Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson
A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

Then God spoke all these words:
I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.
You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.
You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.
Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.
Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The 9:00 a.m. service continues on page 7 with the Children’s Choir Anthem.

Gradual Psalm (8:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

Psalm 19

at 8:00 a.m., the following is said by all, seated
at 11:00 a.m., the following is chanted by all, seated

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)

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1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
   and the firmament shows his handiwork.

2 One day tells its tale to an-other, *
   and one night imparts knowledge to an-other.

3 Although they have no words or language, *
   and their voices are not heard.

4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
   and their message to the ends of the world.

5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
   it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
   it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
   and runs about to the end of it a-gain; *
   nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offence.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, * O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

The Second Lesson (8:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."
Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children’s Choir Anthem (9:00 a.m.)
When Jesus Wept

William Billings (1746-1800)

Sung by St. Mary’s Children’s Choir
When Jesus wept, the falling tear, in mercy flowed beyond all bound,
When Jesus groaned a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

Trad. American

Gospel Acclamation (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)
The people sing the antiphon as directed, standing, as able.

Cantor, then all repeat:
Praise to you, Lord | Jesus | Christ,
King of | Endless | Glo-ry!

Cantor:
Repent, says the Lord;
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

All repeat antiphon.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!” His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily (8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.)

The Rev. David Erickson

The Children’s Homily (9:00 a.m.)

Megan Pickett

The people are seated.

Children’s Offertory Collection (9:00 a.m.)

The children’s offertory collection supports The Middle East Children’s Alliance (MECA), a nonprofit organization working for the rights and the well-being of children in the Middle East.

Doxology (9:00 a.m.)

sung to the tune Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.
Prayers Of The People

The people stand.

Compassionate God of all mercies, look favorably upon the prayers of your people. Hear our prayers for the whole church, leaders and ministers who share the faith of Abraham and all the holy people of God. Lead us in the way of love. In your goodness, renew us.

Hear our prayers for the people of the world as we lament the travesties of conflicts and wars of weapons and wars of words. Guide all peacemakers and healers of conflict. In your faithfulness, strengthen us.

Hear our prayers for the world’s shelterless and for those who are subjected to forced displacement. You crossed the boundaries of heaven and earth to be among your people. In your righteousness, restore us.

Hear our prayers for those who are hurting in mind, body or spirit, especially (N.) and others you may now name. We pray for those suffering from illness, hopelessness and anxiety. In your compassion, heal us.

Hear our prayers for those who have died and have entered into your abiding peace, especially for those on our prayer list including (N.) and others you may now name. Comfort those who loved them and wipe away their every tear. In your mercy, transform us.

Hear our prayers for all of us gathered together today and thanksgiving for the many blessings of our lives. In your graciousness, revive us.

The Celebrant closes the prayer with the following collect

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, the prince of peace. Amen.
The Peace

*All stand.*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

*And also with you.*

*The Ministers and the People share the peace of Christ with one another.*

Greeting And Announcements

*The people are seated.*

The Holy Communion

**Offertory Sentence**

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  *Ephesians 5:2*

**Anthem At The Offertory (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

*at 9:00*

Lead Me, Lord  
*Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)*

*Sung by St. Mary’s Youth Choir*

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;  
make thy way plain before my face.  
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only,  
that maketh me dwell in safety.

*at 11:00*

Ave Verum Corpus  
*William Byrd (1543-1623)*

*Sung by St. Mary’s Parish Choir*

Hail, true Body, born  
of the Virgin Mary,  
truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,  
from whose pierced side  
water and blood flowed:  
Be for us a foretaste of the Heavenly banquet  
in the trial of death!  
O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,  
O Jesus, son of Mary,  
have mercy on me. Amen.

Hymn At The Presentation (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)
My God, Thy Table Now is Spread
The people stand.

The Great Thanksgiving (8:00 a.m.)
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Great Thanksgiving (9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.)

Celebrant

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

**Sanctus & Benedictus (8:00 a.m.)**

*The following is said by all:*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

**Sanctus & Benedictus (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)**

*The people kneel or stand, as able. In the season of Lent, kneeling is encouraged as a sign of penitence.*
Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

_Celebrant and People_

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

_The Celebrant continues_

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN
The Lord’s Prayer
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant
Our Father, who art in heaven,
    hallowed be thy Name,
    thy kingdom come,
    thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
    as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
    but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
    and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)
Invitation

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

All who desire to know God better are invited to receive the consecrated Bread and Wine. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. You may drink from a common chalice, or you may intinct the Bread into the Wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please simply cross your arms over your chest.

The people are seated.
Communion Hymn (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)

O Mighty King, How Marvelous Thy Glory

Bach

Choral

1. O mighty King, how marvelous Thy glory! How
can our faltering tongues proclaim Thy story? No
human heart can ev'ryrightly
show Thee how much we owe Thee.

2. With feeble power unworthy hymns we
with to praise Thy mercy and compassion. Thou
wart and art the source of every
blessthat we're possessing.

Ach größer König, groß zu allen Zeiten, wie
cann ich gnügsam diese Treue ausbreiten? Keins
Menschen Herz mag in des aus-
den Thee how much we owe Thee.

Ich kann's mit meinen Sinnen nicht erreichen, wo
mit doch dein Erbarmen zu vergleichen. Wie
kann ich dir denn die lieben
ken, was dir zu schenken.

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Post-Communion Prayer
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, standing

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Prayer Over The People
Bow your head down before God.

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their
whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your
loving providence, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending Of The Eucharistic Visitor (When Needed)
In the name of this parish family, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts. Together
we share in the body and blood of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body because we share one heavenly feast.

Closing Hymn (9:00 & 11:00 a.m.)
O God of Earth and Altar
at 9:00: verses 1-2 are sung before the homily; verse 3 after.

The Homily (9:00 a.m.)
The people are seated.

Dismissal
Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Postlude
Elegy

William Walton (1902-1983)
Thank you for wrapping your prayer with ours today. We welcome all that seek the Holy. St. Mary’s prays, celebrates, and serves our community and our neighbors as we strive to live as the body of Christ in the world. Check out the announcements at the back of the service bulletin for more ways to connect with us or email office@smvsf.org and we will stay in touch with you. We look forward to traveling this journey of faith with you.

The Very Rev. Eric Metoyer Joins Us as a Sabbatical Priest
We are incredibly excited to announce that the Very Rev. Eric Metoyer will be serving as a part time sabbatical priest while Rev. David is away. Eric will be with us two days a week, Tuesdays and Sundays, primarily focusing on Sunday worship. Eric has a long and loving history with St. Mary’s and it is a delight to have him serve alongside us.

The Very Rev. Eric Metoyer is currently a regional dean on behalf of the Episcopal Bishop of California, focusing on congregation and community issues. In addition, he serves as a deputy to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church (four terms) and is a member of the Advisory Group on Church Planting and Redevelopment for The Episcopal Church. Rev Metoyer is a featured speaker on Church Planting, Multi-Cultural and Ecumenical Relations in The Episcopal Church, and has also served as interim vicar and rector of parishes in the Diocese of California. His family joined St Mary’s in 1993 and he was ordained from this parish.

Rev Metoyer was raised in the NorthEast Kingdom of Vermont, attending schools and college in New England. He moved to San Francisco in 1990 for love and also to begin his career in corporate accounting. Many years later, he answered a call to ministry in the Episcopal Church, being ordained to Holy Orders in 2011. He is a member of the Union of Black Episcopalians, the Sovereign Order of St John of Jerusalem, Knights Hospitaller. He is a member of several nonprofit boards, including Episcopal Community Services, Cathedral School for Boys and Book Club of California. He is married to Jessica Metoyer, JD, and they have a son, former SMV chorister Victor Metoyer IV, USMCR. He looks forward to returning to St Mary the Virgin!

Sunday School Update
We’re trying something old timey with the younger kids. We found a tiny, working record player and a set of great LP Bible stories and accompanying cartoon books. We’ll use those treasures to review a few classic Old Testament Bible stories.

Meanwhile, the older kids will have a puzzle and game day after they’ve put in a little time thinking about a few Lenten themes. What, for instance would be some good habits to work on?
Monday Night Lenten Series:
Telling Stories
Continues through Lenten Season
Humans are story-telling creatures. Stories are how we make sense of our lives and our world. While the Bible is a collection of stories of how God has moved in the world in the past, we also believe that God is active in our lives and in the world. This Lent, join us in the Great Hall on Mondays from February 26th through March 18th from 6:00-8 p.m. to experience spiritual stories from St. Mary’s parishioners and clergy and hear what difference a relationship with God has made in their lives. A light supper of soup and bread will be served from 6-6:30, and the programming will begin at 6:30 p.m. For any questions or interest in helping set-up or clean-up, please contact Rev’d Kira (kira@smvsf.org).

The Bishop's Ranch Tournament Begins March 1
You have the opportunity to help St. Mary the Virgin save 75% on their next visit to The Bishop's Ranch by becoming a sustaining member for only $25/month! Join the Ranch’s Annual Fund 2024 - Connecting through Beauty and Rest - and help both organizations. The first group to have 40 wins "The Bishop’s Ranch Tournament". The tournament ends at midnight on March 31. To become a sustaining member please visit bishopsranch.org/donate-bishopsranchtournament

Spread the Love this Lent! Share Your Church Experience on Yelp and Google!
As we journey through the season of Lent, take a moment to reflect on the blessings we've received from being a part of St. Mary’s. Your positive experiences and heartfelt moments at our church could inspire others to join our loving community and find solace in their spiritual journey.

This Lent, we invite you to spread the love by writing a 5-star review on Yelp and Google. Your kind words could be the beacon guiding someone in search of a welcoming sanctuary. Whether it’s the uplifting sermons, the supportive community, or the sense of belonging you’ve found, your review could make a world of difference to someone seeking spiritual fulfillment.

Let's come together as a community and shine a light on the positivity and joy St. Mary’s brings to people's lives. Together, let's make this Lenten season a time of sharing, love, and encouragement. Write your review today and help us spread the message of hope and faith!

The Practice of Sabbatical
Today, Sunday, March 3
And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Genesis 2:2-3
From the beginning of time God instituted the Holy practice of resting. It often feels like our world has forgotten this primal aspect of what it means to be human, and what it means to honor God. Join Rev. David Erickson today, Sunday March 3 at 10:15 a.m. in the Great Room, as he discusses the biblical and theological foundations of the practice of Sabbath, hear about his upcoming sabbatical, and explore how you, and St. Mary’s, may enter a period of rest, refreshment, and renewal as well.

An Episcopal Priest Goes to Burning Man
Sunday, March 10
This past summer, St. Mary’s Associate Rector, the Rev’d Kira Austin-Young, went to Burning Man as part of her continuing education. Join us in the Great Hall at 10:15 a.m. on March 10th to find out what she learned about living out our Christian faith in an extremely spiritual-but-not-religious context, the relationship between the 10 Principles, and how she eventually escaped the mud.

Register for Bishop-Elect Rios’ Ordination and Consecration
If you are interested in attending Bishop-Elect Rios’ Ordination and Consecration on May 4th you will need to register by visiting diocalphishopsearch.org/registration. Space is limited, so please register early.

Youth Mission Trip to Eureka
This year's Youth Mission Trip will be to Northern California, visiting the city of Eureka and it’s neighboring towns. We will serve with local organizations working to address rural poverty, seeing and serving God’s children in whatever ways we are needed. Plus we will have lots of fun: beaches, hikes, redwoods, and river rafting!

Who: current 8th graders - 12th graders (invite friends: they are always welcome!)
Dates: June 17-25, 2024
Cost: $600/person
If you would like to go, please fill out this Google Form found on our website at smvsf.org.

Have a Heart for Gubbio
For the second year, the Sunday school’s annual Lenten Outreach Project will benefit the Gubbio Project in the Mission District, and with Ash Wednesday and Valentine’s Day both occurring on February 14th, we invite you to pick a Valentine, signed and decorated by a Sunday school student, from the Have a Heart for Gubbio Garland in the narthex during Lent.

Just this past Advent, St. Mary’s provided dozens of warm jackets and stacks of cozy blankets for the unhoused men, women, and children who find respite and support at Gubbio. With spring coming, their pressing need is for basic supplies like socks, hygiene, supplies, underwear, soup and peanut butter. Each Valentine includes a request for an item or two from the list above. Throughout the weeks of Lent, we’ll
have a heart-festooned collection basket in the narthex where you can drop off items.

Thank you in advance for "having a heart for Gubbio" and the unhoused population of our city!

**Bach's St. John Passion**

**Sunday, March 10**

St. Mary's Parish Choir & Chamber Orchestra, along with the Schola Cantorum of St. Dominic's Catholic Church, come together to perform Bach's monumental *Passion According to St. John*. This work invites the listener into the narrative of Christ's arrest, trial, and crucifixion. While this work has found a comfortable home in the concert hall as one of the great oratorios in our repertoire, we will be performing it in the spirit of its original context: in the vernacular, and with congregational singing. Please join us on Sunday, 10 March at 5:00 p.m.

**St. John Passion Hymns**

Bach's St. John Passion is a grand collection of arias, recitative (story telling), choruses (composed pieces for the choir to sing), and chorales (congregational hymns). Many of the hymns in the St. John Passion are tunes that are familiar to us, while some are unfamiliar. We will be "learning" the hymns over the course of the next couple of weeks in preparation for the performance of this great work on March 10th. Some of the pieces are in comfortable ranges, and some of them go quite high. Do not be discouraged! Feel free to sing in a lower octave (the same notes, but in a lower part of your voice), or if you are particularly musically keen, have a go at singing the alto, tenor, or bass parts.

**Register for Episcopal Summer Camps at Bishops Ranch and St. Dorothy’s Rest**

Registration is now open for Episcopal Summer Camps at Bishop’s Ranch and St. Dorothy’s. To register please visit bishopsranch.org/events/camps and stdorothysrest.org/camp

**Youth Group Adventure Night at Presidio Bowl**

Our March Adventure Night will be from 6-8pm on Sunday, March 3 at Presidio Bowl. Prizes go to anyone who can beat Mike’s score. Bring $10 to help defray costs, plus other money for snacks. Friends are always welcome! See you there!

**Ongoing Weekly Offerings**

*Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel*

Please join us Tuesdays at 10 a.m. in the Chapel for a time to time to breathe, center yourself, and feel God’s presence while silently being one in community. For those unfamiliar with Centering Prayer, our time will include a Breathing Meditation, 15-20 minutes of silent prayer, followed by an opportunity for prayer requests and thanksgivings, and close with the Lord’s Prayer. Those who wish may remain for a time of sharing. Please feel free to contact Debbie Veatch at veatchdl@gmail.com or 415-244-3515 with any questions.
*Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Library*
Join Rev’d Kira in the library on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. as we look at the scriptures that we’ll hear in church the following Sunday. Gain a new appreciation for the Bible and get more out of Sunday’s sermons as we learn together. BYOBible, though we will have extras! Contact Rev’d Kira (kira@smvsf.org) with any questions.

*Sundays at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary*
Join us for "The 5PM", a creative, casual worship service.

Immerse yourself in an atmosphere of inspiration and collaboration. From interactive discussions to creative liturgy, "The 5 PM" encourages open conversations and unique forms of worship expression.

No need to dress up – come as you are!

**Scam Alert:**
**Emails Impersonating Rev. David**
Recently, people affiliated with St. Mary's have received emails from various email addresses impersonating The Rev. David Erickson. Please note, the only email address David would use to contact you is david@smvsf.org. Rev. David will never ask you for money, gift cards, or favors, and we ask that you kindly ignore and delete any email that comes through asking for such. If you ever feel suspicious about an email or wonder if it's truly from Rev. David you can always reach out to the parish administrator, Ashley Ryan at ashley@smvsf.org.
We Pray For…

PARISHIONERS, RELATIVES and FRIENDS
David
Roulhac Austin
Joe Fare
Veronica Anderson
Martin G.
Ilia Smith
Mike McCarthy
Trenton
Keannette Shannon
Natasha Riveron
Margaret Rafferty
Theresa Burke
Dan Herling
Randy

IN DISCERNMENT
Michael Stafford

RECENTLY DECEASED
Marsha Maytum
Vicki Haggin
Aleksei Navalny
Alice Watts
Jared Ede
Fred Martin
Renate Mori
Giancarlo

CONTINUING PRAYERS
Please remember these individuals who have ongoing concerns in your personal prayers this week.
Deborah
Gordon Bellis
June
Kevin Teeney
The Community at the Heritage & St. Francis
Jane
Quinn Charles Fay
Erich
Simon
Phyllis Shepherd
Fred Martin
Shirlee Martin
Francis Kalani
Will Driscoll
The Crossley Family
Kevin Fisher Paulson
David Schade
Jeanne Lacy
Gloria & Everett Powell
Kim Stadtfeld Russell
Bill
Dani May
Sarah Ellwein
Yuming Kuo
Valerie Schneider
St. Mary’s Holy Week & Easter Day Schedule 2024

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday
Sunday, March 24, 2024
Holy Eucharist at 8:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
Holy Week begins with the blessing of the palms and the triumphant entry into Jerusalem followed by the solemnity in scripture and music foreshadowing the week ahead.

Maundy Thursday
Thursday, March 28, 2024
6:00 p.m. (begins in Great Room)
A light meal interspersed with scripture in the Great Room begins a solemn service that commemorates the institution of the Eucharist and servanthood.

Good Friday
Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday
Friday, March 29, 2024
12:00 noon
Honor the mystery of Jesus’ death and love for the world with the solemn liturgy of the day and the veneration of the cross.
Adams: Stabat Mater
Friday, March 29, 2024
7:00 p.m.
Ellen Leslie, soprano, premieres this new work as prayerful meditation on the most solemn day of the liturgical year. This work is part of the Candlelight Concert series and is sponsored by the Elizabeth Gillespie Women in Music Fund.

Great Vigil of Easter
Saturday, March 30, 2024
7:30 p.m. (Location in Golden Gate Park TBA)
Celebrate the first service of Easter in the plein air, informal setting of Golden Gate Park with a family-friendly Vigil Eucharist service including the traditional elements of the new fire, Exultant and Holy Eucharist.

Easter Day
Sunday, March 31, 2024
Festive Choral Eucharist
8:00, 9:30, and 11:15 a.m.
Festive Choral Eucharist celebrating Christ’s resurrection and a special late afternoon Easter Evening Eucharist.
Easter Evening Eucharist
5:00 p.m.
Thank you for Joining Us at St. Mary the Virgin

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