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**IMPORTANT NOTICE: IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD(REN) ARE GETTING ANY KIND OF SACRAMENT THIS EASTER VIGIL, YOU HAVE UNTIL MARCH 11 TO GET EVERYTHING SQUARED AWAY IN THE PARISH OFFICE. IF YOUR PAPERWORK, ETC., IS NOT ALL IN BY MARCH 11 YOU OR THEY ARE NOT GETTING YOUR SACRAMENT(S) THIS YEAR. AFTER SO MANY REPEATED PLEADINGS, THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE.**

Dear Friends,

I have to confess what is perhaps my most painful source of frustration as a priest: seeing parental neglect of the spiritual and sacramental welfare of their children.

We have over 30 children needing baptism in our CCD program. In the beginning of the year, we informed the parents of all the requirements in this regard. We sent out again in November all the paperwork and information. We did this AGAIN in January.

So far, only 1 family (out of the 30+ in question) has done everything.

As discussed on so many occasions with the parents in question, these are the things that need to happen for a child to be baptized: 1) all the paperwork is filled out and turned into the office, including the affidavits of both God parents signed by their parish priest, 2) the parents have to meet with the priest (that's me!), calling in to the office and scheduling an individual appointment, and 3) they have to attend the baptism class.

As I mentioned, only 1 of 30+ families in question have done this so far.

It breaks my heart that such grave neglect continues, despite repeated letters and repeated attempts throughout the entire year encouraging parents to take seriously their children's eternal salvation and to do everything they need to in order get ready for the baptism of their child this Easter Vigil.

**This is your last chance. If all the paper work is not in by Friday, March 11 your child will have to wait another year to receive their sacraments.**

**March 12 @ 1pm here in the school (for only those who have turned in all the paperwork, including the paperwork for the godparents) will be the last chance to do the required baptism class. Otherwise your child has to wait another year.**

**If you have not had your appointment with me by Wed. March 23, your child is not getting baptized this year.**

I apologize for the tone of all this. This applies to only a very few people here in the parish. So many of you are doing so awesome in your faith and in this sacred time. The stations of the cross, etc., everything for Lent here is off to such a good start and is going so well.

But it is just so sad and so frustrating to me when parents neglect the spiritual wellbeing of their children.

Please get everything done so that your child can be baptized this Easter Vigil. If you are not sure, call into the office and speak with Carlos or Lora or myself.

God bless you! Don't forget the devil wants more than anything to keep you from the sacraments. Don't let him. Do what you need to do in order to bring your child(ren) to the saving power of Christ in the sacraments. There is nothing better or more important that you could do for them.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr Simon



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come Join us!!!!

Every Friday evening during Lent

At 6:30 p.m.

As we meditate on the Lord's passion.

Join us for a meatless dinner

Immediately following in the parish hall.



### Adult Bible Study

Every Wednesday morning, starts at 9AM sharp. We are starting a new series. We will be doing the great Bible Timeline, a journey through the whole Bible. Please come join us in this awesome journey! This is an incredible way to grow in your faith and to learn about the whole Bible. Please do not miss this opportunity! Everyone is welcome!

### Adult Faith Formation

Every Wednesday evening starting at 6:00 p.m. located in the school building. Come and learn more about our Catholic faith. All are welcome! We will also be doing the Bible Timeline adventure through the whole Bible, on Wednesday night too.

### Catholic Women's Bible Study

*with play group for kids too!*

Meets every Tuesday morning at 9:30 am. Here in the gym. Call Keelin Cromar for more information at (240) 401-8236.

## ALTAR SOCIETY

**Come join us for our monthly meeting on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 6:00 pm. We will begin with reciting the Holy Rosary followed by our monthly meeting. Everyone is welcome!**



### ONLINE GIVING

You can now go into our website: [www.sacredheartclovis.com](http://www.sacredheartclovis.com) and make your tithing through our website and click on Donate. From there you can choose to make a one-time donation or you can choose to make a recurring donation which will be taken automatically through your bank account or credit/debit card without having to remember. Its that easy!!!!



Distribution will be held every Saturday of the month.

### **We are in need of volunteers to help!**

If you are interested, please call Rosie Buchan at (575) 309-5040 so she can give you further information and to inform you of a time to meet to help prepare for our distribution, or call the parish office and leave your name and phone number so that we may contact you. Please be mindful that you must have attended the Sexual Abuse Awareness Training through the Archdiocese of Santa Fe to be able to volunteer.

**Our next distribution will be March 5, 2016.**

### **The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:**

Tuna,  
Juice Boxes,  
Lunch snacks,  
Cereal,  
and Toiletries to include children's toothbrushes

### **WE ARE NO LONGER IN NEED OF EGG CARTONS.**

### **We are also taking donation for New or Gently Used:**

Coats,  
Jackets,  
Sweaters,  
Stuffed Animals (toys)  
Or Blankets

Any help will be greatly appreciated. You can place items in the baskets in the back of the church or bring them into the parish office. Thank you and may God Bless you.



### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Sacred Heart has a group of "Prayer Warriors" who will seek God's Intervention on your behalf. All it takes is a phone call to Jeanne Kriegshauser at (575) 762-9214 or Mary Shockley at (575) 763-0953, and they will set prayer in motion.



**My Parish App**

This a great tool that is available and everyone in encouraged to download this free app on your smart phone. This app has awesome features. It has a list of prayers that you have access to everywhere you go! Another feature is the “Examination of Conscience” to prepare yourself for Confession. There is the daily Mass readings, Calendar of events, Mass times, Confession times. The other great thing is you have instant notifications and reminders of special Mass times, a great feature for the upcoming Holy Week and Easter season.

Search for **myParish** on the App Store or Google Play to download our app today!



**Parish Report**

<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$ 36,000.00</b>
<b>Total Pledged</b>	<b>\$ 12,695.00</b>
<b>Total Paid</b>	<b>\$ 7,380.00</b>
<b>Anticipated Shortfall</b>	<b>\$ 23,305.00</b>

**Tithes & Offerings**

**February 14, 2016  
Regular Sunday Collection**

<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>\$ 6,371.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$ 2,188.69</b>
<b>Needy Fund</b>	<b>\$ 145.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,704.69</b>

**+ Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

**SATURDAY February 27, 2016**

**5:30 P.M.** † Dolores Flores

**SUNDAY February 28, 2016**

**8:30 A.M.** † Joel “Ovaldo” & † Sam Saiz, Sr.

**10:30 A.M.** For the people of the parish

**MONDAY February 29, 2016**

**5:30 P.M.** † Robert Cordova

**TUESDAY March 1, 2016**

**7:00 A.M.** † Robert Cordova

**WED March 2, 2016**

**12:10 P.M.** † Francis Leach

**THURSDAY March 3, 2016**

**7:00 A.M.** † The deceased Martinez family

**FRIDAY March 4, 2016**

**5:30 P.M.** † Mr. & Mrs. U.L. Elliott

**SATURDAY March 5, 2016**

**5:30 P.M.** For the people of the parish

**SUNDAY March 6, 2016**

**8:30 A.M.** † Amos Sena & † Manuel Sena

**10:30 A.M.** † Eliana Hita

*Third Sunday of Lent*

**MINISTERS – SATURDAY – March 5, 2016****SACRISTANS**

5:30 P.M. Katie Haynes-Burns  
Stephen Haynes

**USHERS**

5:30 P.M. Same Loyal & Faithful Bunch

**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:30 P.M. Not available at time of publication

**LECTORS**

5:30 P.M. Jack Palla  
Megan Palla

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

5:30 P.M. Lola Bryant - R  
Mario Trujillo - R  
Vivian Trujillo - L  
Fidel Madrid - L

**MINISTERS – SUNDAY – March 6, 2016****SACRISTANS**

8:30 A.M. Mike & Anna Nagro

10:30 A.M. Cliff Kuchta  
Fidel Madrid

**USHERS**

8:30 A.M. Eddie's Angels  
10:30 A.M. Same Loyal & Faithful Bunch

**ALTAR SERVERS**

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10:30 A.M. Not available at time of publication

**LECTORS**

8:30 A.M. Augustine Martinez  
Mary Maulsby  
10:30 A.M. Jason Hennessy  
Cliff Kuchta

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

8:30 A.M. Mary Shockley - R  
Lee Smith - R  
Robert Timmons - L  
Kellie Hemm - L  
10:30 A.M. Roselia Vicuña - R  
Betty Jean Castillo - R  
Cindi Cantu - L  
Rebecca Eggers - L

**CHURCH CLEANING**

February 27 – \*Virginia Ford, Lila Lucero, Christy Gutierrez

**ALTAR LINENS**

March – Not available at time of publication

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION  
TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND**

Retirement Ranch	Tina Majkrzak
Clovis Healthcare	The Candelaria's
Sr. Resident Center	Marcy Kos
Home Route One	Teresa Weeks

**NEXT WEEKS GOSPEL READING**

*Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32*

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So to them Jesus addressed this parable: "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers.'" So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'"