

St. Lawrence O'Toole, St. Cyril & St. Paschal Baylon Parish

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April 15, 2018 - Third Sunday of Easter



You alone, O Lord, bring security to my dwelling ?

— Psalm 4:9

Dear Parishioners,

On Sunday, April 22, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. Fr. Brandon will share an update on the unification activities underway to bring St. Paschal Baylon and St. Lawrence O'Toole/St Cyril's parishes closer to becoming one parish. This Town Hall Meeting will take place after the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Paschal's in the Gym (3700 Dorisa Ave.) and in conjunction with Sunday Hospitality. All parishioners are invited to attend.

Mass Times

St. Lawrence—St. Cyril

Weekdays:

Monday-Saturday 8:30AM

Weekends:

Saturday 5PM & 7PM (Vietnamese)

Sunday 9AM, 11AM & 1PM (Spanish)

St. Paschal Baylon

Weekdays:

Wednesday 8:30AM

1st Friday 8:30AM

Weekends:

Saturday 5PM and Sunday 10AM

BAPTISMS: Please contact Martha ext. 103 to discuss the steps to Baptism for your children. We offer Baptism preparation classes in Spanish 1st Monday of the month; in English 2nd Monday @ 7:00 p.m.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples should contact the pastor at least 6 months prior to desired wedding date. Marriage Preparation is required.

BECOMING CATHOLIC (R.C.I.A.) Call or email Fr. Brandon or Martha Marquez

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday, 4:00 to 4:30 PM at SLOT-SC

Or call the office for an appointment

Welcome VISITORS AND NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our Parish Family! We are so glad you are here. Please tell us about yourself so that we can minister to your needs. Registration forms are located in the church entrance or place the info below in the collection basket and we will mail/email you a registration form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Third Sunday of Easter

The grand and dramatic story of God comes into focus in today's readings. The passages from Acts and from the Gospel of Luke describe how Jesus' disciples began to understand how Jesus fits into the larger narrative of God, Israel, humanity, and all of creation. In the Gospel, Jesus interprets the scriptures for his followers. He shows how his seemingly shameful death was actually the fulfillment of God's promises. Jesus shows how his life, death, and resurrection are the surprising turning point of the scripture story. We, the Church today, find ourselves in the middle of this story. We first look back, to recall God's overflowing and steadfast love, beginning from Creation, through Christ, until today. We then look forward to the fulfillment, already launched by Jesus, of the Reign of God. With this perspective, we play our part in the drama, joining God to bring God's work to completion.

THE SURPRISE MESSIAH - After the crucifixion of Jesus, his disciples were in despair. Not only had they seen their master's horrible death, their own lives were now at risk, for the crucifixion suggested to them that Jesus was not the awaited Messiah after all. The Messiah had been envisioned as somehow coming in power, liberating Israel from foreign domination and signaling God's long-awaited return to dwell again with Israel. The Crucifixion suggested to them the possibility of God's rejection of Jesus, or

Jesus' failure to achieve God's purposes.

This is partly why the disciples were amazed when Jesus appeared. God had vindicated Jesus by raising him. The Resurrection revealed that God's promises were actually fulfilled, precisely through this death. Through the cross, God had indeed liberated the people from sin and death. God had truly returned, in



Jesus and then later in the presence and activity of the Holy Spirit. The dominion of sin and death had been broken. The Resurrection was the first display of the new kingdom of God, in Jesus.

NOT FOR HEAVEN ONLY - In the Gospel passage, Jesus specifically emphasizes his bodily presence. He invites the disciples to touch him, and he eats some fish in front of them. He makes it clear that he is not a ghost and did not

shed his physicality or his humanity when he was raised. The disciples began to understand Jesus in a new way. Christians later articulated this as Jesus' bodily resurrection. The resurrected Jesus, both human and divine, reigns both in heaven and on earth.

So when Jesus sent his disciples, and today sends all of us, to proclaim God's kingdom, he never means "for heaven only." God aims to renew, not reject, human bodies, human culture, and the created universe. God's project for us is here and now, within all the limitations and messiness of daily life. We are called to care for each other, for the earth, and for all God's beloved creation.

Divine Mercy Corner

St. Faustina, a Polish nun, was gifted with mystical visions of our Lord Jesus. Her diary records her dialogue with Jesus as He proclaimed His message of mercy. From that diary

"Proclaim that mercy is the greatest attribute of God. All the works of My hands are crowned with mercy." (No. 301)

Starting April 18, 2018, join us every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Lawrence O'Toole Church for the Divine Mercy devotion.

Sister Bruno is giving another talk this Sunday, April 15th at St. Paschal Church after the 10:00 a.m. Mass (approx. 11:00.) Her theme continues with *Women in Scripture*. All are welcome. Free will offering.

Readings for the Week

- Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
- Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
- Tuesday: Income Tax Day
- Saturday: St. Anselm

STEWARDSHIP

St. Lawrence O’Toole-St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Easter	\$12,125
April 8th	\$ 4,344
Bishop’s 2018 Goal	\$18,200
60% of Goal To Date	\$10,891

St. Paschal Baylon

Easter	\$4,266
April 8th	\$1,305
Bishop’s 2018 Goal	\$7,900
30% of Goal To Date	\$2,375

Thank you for your continued generosity!

St. Lawrence–St. Cyril Centennial Yearbook Committee is finishing the parish yearbook. We are meeting on Tuesday, April 24th at 7:00 in the Holy Family Chapel. We are looking for someone who has an eye for scrapbooking to arrange the photos as well as some other key support roles. Please join us and if you have any questions or can help but unable to attend the meeting please call Terry at (510) 695-6145.

Please contact Fr. Brandon by e-mail at fr.macadaeg@gmail.com or by phone at 510-530-0761 ext. 106 to be part of the new Divine Mercy Ministry.

Do you understand the meaning behind the parts of the Mass? In his video-based study *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. Join us as we continue *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* at St. Lawrence O’Toole Gym Mondays 7-9 p.m. For more info or to register contact Martha @ 510-530-0761 x103.

Únase a nosotros para Un paseo Bíblico a través de la Misa en St. Lawrence O’Toole comenzando el Lunes, 9 de abril de 7 p.m. a 9 p.m. y continuando cada lunes por 5 semanas. Para más información o para inscribirse en el estudio contacte a Martha.



Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to St. Lawrence

O’Toole-St. Cyril Church. As a reminder, all commitments need to be submitted to the church no later than April 22 in order to be accounted for in the final Summary Report. Please complete and submit your card to the church even if you are unable to make a change to your current level of giving. For those registered parishioners not currently supporting the church with regular offertory gifts, please consider a monthly gift to support the needs of our parish.

Women gathering in the Spirit to grow closer to Christ Jesus We meet the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month in the Holy Family Chapel of SLOT from 9:15-11:30 a.m. Cost of the book is \$16. Contact TerryLou 717-6471 or Dianne 482-0794.



Have you ever considered bringing Christ to the sick and homebound? Please pray about it and if God places the desire in your heart contact Sister Mario at 510-530-

0761 ext. 104. She’ll train you and place you with someone who is in need. Thank you and may God bless you.

Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, April 14

5:00 PM (SLOT-SC) Evelyn Holmes†

5:00 PM (STPB)

Sunday, April 15

9AM (SLOT-SC) The People of the Parish

10:00 AM (STPB) Donna Hinds†

11AM (SLOT-SC) Maximino & Beatriz Tacla†

1PM (SLOT-SC) Maria Pimentel†,
Jesus Espinoza† and Gelasio Espinoza †

Monday, April 16

8:30AM (SLOT-SC) Julia & Margaret
Mijares†

Tuesday, April 17

8:30AM (SLOT-SC) Malcolm Nunn†

Wednesday, April 18

8:30AM (SLOT-SC)

8:30AM (STPB)

Thursday, April 19

8:30AM (SLOT-SC) Raul Anselmo Oretga†

Friday, April 20

8:30AM (SLOT-SC) Dolores Downing

Saturday, April 21

8:30AM (SLOT-SC)

5:00 PM (SLOT-SC) Robert Pioli†

5:00 PM (STPB)

Sunday, April 22

9AM (SLOT-SC) Esperanza Ortega†

10AM (STPB)

11AM (SLOT-SC) The People of the Parish

1PM (SLOT-SC) Andrea Lehan & Mike
Lotspich†

MASS INTENTIONS

If you have a special intention for living or deceased family members or friends, or for any other intentions (sick, anniversaries or birthdays) please stop by the parish office to arrange for the Mass.

*Masses listed as SLOT-SC take place at
St. Lawrence O'Toole-St. Cyril Church
and those listed as STPB take place at
St. Paschal Baylon Church*

Prayer Requests

Please call the office to add your ill loved one's name to the prayer list or with the name of your recently departed. Please note the prayers for the sick will be refreshed monthly.

Pray for the Sick and Homebound:

Fred Merritt, Bob Norris, Roger Perez, Norma Perry, Rhea Rodgers, Stacey Roura, Joseph Rusting, Mel Ryan, Rich Selby, Bill Slon, Bruce Soublet, Rosetta Souza, Myrna Gomez-Stewart, Leila Tassano, Catherine Tate, John Taylor, Sundri Thadhani, Jan Tucker, Betty Tully, Elizabeth Vallerga, Silvana Vecchiola, Kathy Weaver, Rachel Whitacre, Roger Wong, Shannon Zien, Theresa Da Silva, Robert Dianda, Margie Soublet, Dominic Acosta, Melanie Johnson, Claudia Blancher, Scott Hamblem, and Nest Jackson

Pray for the Recently Departed:

Carl Kling†

If anyone listed on Ministry to the Sick would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Sister Mario at 510-530-0761 x104.

Contact Us

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Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services:
800-498-4989