

**FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED:** Hearing aids for use are in the sacristy—please return them after Mass.

*With joy & happiness we welcome all of you who have come to pray and worship with us. We hope you will find friendship and fellowship in our community and encouragement to face whatever may come in the week ahead. For our guests & visitors, we pray that your stay in Tahoe is wonderful, that you have a safe journey home – and return to us soon.*

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The Lord made a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)  
**Psalm** — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).  
**Second Reading** — Our citizenship is in heaven (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).  
**Gospel** — Atop a mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Luke 9:28b-36).

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

**Saturday March 16**  
 5:30 pm Bread & Broth volunteers

**Sunday March 17**  
 8:00 am Annette Krestyn (dec) by the Richard Allegrini family  
 10:00 am Dylan Rohrer (dec/bday)  
 12:00 pm St. Theresa parishioners  
 7:00 pm

**Monday March 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem**  
 8:00 am Maureen Sargent / Marie Minouge (dec) by family

**Tuesday March 19 St. Joseph**  
 8:00 am Mark & John Hurley (dec) by the Hurley family

**Wednesday March 20**  
 8:00 am Erik Pereira, Seminarian (bday) by Fr. Mauricio  
 12:00 pm For the soul of Teodora Penoliar, by her family

**Thursday March 21**  
 8:00 am All souls

**Friday March 22**  
 8:00 am The Brennan family (special intention)  
 12:00 pm Mike Borda (dec) by the Jim Summers family

**Saturday March 23 St. Joseph**  
 5:30 pm Nancy Came & Carl Cane (dec) by Patti

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**FOR PARISHIONERS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY**

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Kathleen Brady | Krista Carson | Romie Enriquez | Gene Estepa | Mamerto Estepa | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O’Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo | Gloria Walkowiak

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

If you would like to add to the prayer list, please send an email with your loved one’s name along with your name and phone number to [tahoeatholicbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:tahoeatholicbulletin@gmail.com).

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, March 18</b>	8am Mass; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth Meal
<b>Tuesday, March 19</b>	8am Mass; 4:30pm Children Faith Formation; 6:30pm RCIA in English
<b>Wednesday, March 20</b>	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 12:30pm to 1pm Confessions; 7pm RCIA in Spanish
<b>Thursday, March 21</b>	8am Mass; 6pm Blessed Is She
<b>Friday, March 22</b>	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 3pm-4:30pm Food Pantry; 4-5pm Bread & Broth, Second Serving; 12:30pm-45pm Eucharistic Adoration; 5pm to 5:45pm Confessions; 6pm Stations of the Cross; 6:30pm Soup Dinner; 7pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish
<b>Saturday, March 23</b>	4pm Confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, March 24</b>	8am, 10am, 12 noon and 7pm (in Spanish); 6pm Confessions

**FR. MAURICIO’S WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, March 18</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am-5pm Day Off; 5pm-9pm Office Work
<b>Tuesday, March 19</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am- 3pm office work; 3pm Break; 4pm-6pm Office Work; 6:30pm attending the RCIA in English
<b>Wednesday, March 20</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 12:30pm to 1pm Confessions; 1pm Break; 2pm-4pm preparing for RCIA Class; 7pm teaching the RCIA in Spanish
<b>Thursday, March 21</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am leaving for LA for the LA Congress
<b>Friday, March 22</b>	Attending the LA Congress
<b>Saturday, March 23</b>	Attending the LA Congress
<b>Sunday, March 24</b>	Attending the LA Congress



### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Call or visit the Religious Education Office  
530.544.4788 Find the **2019 SCHEDULE**:  
<http://www.tahoecatholic.com/baptisms>



### KNIGHT'S CORNER

*Only I can change my life, nobody can do it for me. Carol Burnett*

Men of the Parish are you looking for something more in your life? We do men's

Catholic Fellowship!

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**—Apr 7 after the 8AM & 10AM

Masses. It always tastes right when cooked by a Knight!

**MONTHLY MEETING**—Apr 10—Dinner 6pm; meeting 7pm

**Become a better version of yourself. Become a knight!**

Call Frank Dixon 530 318 1574

### LOVE AND DAILY DYINGS

**"Unfortunately, many go about in a way which shows them to be enemies of the cross of Christ."**

—Philippians 3:18

Jesus commanded us to take up our crosses each day (Lk 9:23). A Roman cross existed only for the purpose of causing a person's death. A daily cross is daily dying to self. This is the ultimate life of love, which is the greatest expression of freedom. However, a life of daily crosses and daily dyings requires so much love that we may not choose this life of selfless love and thereby be paralyzed by selfishness and fear. Only by obeying the Lord can we be set free to choose the way of daily crosses, the way of love.

Jesus takes us up Transfiguration mountain where the veil is removed from the hidden Christ (see Col 3:3) of faith so that we can see the transfigured Christ of glory. This may happen through the sacraments, the Bible, the poor, a healing, a miracle, a marriage, a birth, a blessing, or other spiritual experiences. When we see Christ transfigured, we are led to receive a new Pentecost. Then the Spirit proclaims that Jesus is Lord (1 Cor 12:3). Knowing not only in our heads but also in our hearts that Jesus is Lord, we listen to Jesus (Lk 9:35) — even about the love-filled life of daily crosses and daily dyings. In submission to the transfigured Lord Jesus, we are free to love as He loved — even to death on the cross.

**Prayer:** *Father, by obedience to the truth purify me for genuine love (1 Pt 1:22).*

**Promise:** *"You whom I so love and long for, you who are my joy and my crown, continue, my dear ones, to stand firm in the Lord." —Phil 4:1*

**Praise:** *Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.*

<https://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=3/17/2019>



### RESPECT PREGNANT ? NEED HELP?

We offer practical help to any women with a crisis pregnancy. We have a special concern for you and your unborn child. For any help with a troubled pregnancy, 544-3533.

### PRUNING

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-dresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, to make it bear even more" (John 15:1–2). These words open a new perspective on suffering for me. Pruning helps trees to bear more fruit. Even when I bear fruit, even when I do things for God's kingdom, even when people express gratitude for coming to know Jesus through me, I need a lot more pruning. Many unnecessary branches and twigs prevent the vine from bearing all the fruit it can. They have to be clipped off. This is a painful process, all the more so because I do not know that they are unnecessary. They often seem beautiful, charming, and very alive. But they need to be cut away so that more fruit can grow.

It helps me to think about painful rejections, moments of loneliness, feelings of inner darkness and despair, and lack of support and human affection as God's pruning. I am aware that I might have settled too soon for the few fruits that I can recognize in my life. I might say, "Well, I am doing some good here and there, and I should be grateful for and content with the little good I do." But that might be false modesty and even a form of spiritual laziness. God calls me to more. God wants to prune me. A pruned vine does not look beautiful, but during harvest time it produces much fruit. The great challenge is to continue to recognize God's pruning hand in my life. Then I can avoid resentment and depression and become even more grateful that I am called upon to bear even more fruit than I thought I could. Suffering then becomes a way of purification and allows me to rejoice in its fruits with deep gratitude and without pride. <https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/pruning/>

### STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH

3/10	Regular Collection	5703.99
3/6	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	2493.78

Second collection THIS weekend: **NO SECOND COLLECTION**

Second collection NEXT weekend: **NO SECOND COLLECTION**

Second collection March 30/31: **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (SHARED W/CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE)**

**WHAT'S THE SMOKE FOR?**

Dear Johan,

***I think every parish should have perpetual adoration, but our pastor refuses. His excuse is that we are not set up for it. Moreover, he argues, since the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the tabernacle in the church, there is nothing to stop people from praying there. I think that's a cop-out. Do you think I should go to the bishop?***

Gentle Reader,

What has become of us? Does everything have to be a power struggle? Please do not go to the bishop, but rather in all humility continue your conversation with your pastor.

This kind of situation often happens when we cannot see the liturgical forest for the trees or even the one tree. Your quest for perpetual adoration cannot be undertaken in a vacuum fanned by the temptation of a divisive and regrettable one-issue mentality. Rather I would advocate for a much broader approach in which perpetual adoration may or may not have a place depending on the specific circumstances of your parish.

Let me start by assuring you that devotion to the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament is an essential part of our Catholic faith. It is necessarily rooted in and directed toward an ever deeper relationship with Christ. Unless this relationship exists, all the rest is nothing but intellectual gymnastics and ritualistic posturing.

The celebration of the Eucharist is undeniably the primary locus of our encounter with Christ and, therefore, of the greatest importance for the development of our relationship with Christ. In the Eucharist we encounter Christ in the assembly gathered for prayer, in the celebrating priest, in the word of God that is proclaimed, and in the Body and Blood of Christ broken and poured out for us. The culmination of the Eucharist and the apex of the encounter with the Body of Christ happen at the time of Communion. That is why ample time for silent prayer following Communion is strongly encouraged. Flowing from this encounter with Christ in the Eucharist is a desire to be ever closer to Christ. It is this desire that calls us back to church Sunday after Sunday and sometimes day after day. It is this desire that also calls us to pray the Liturgy of the Hours and to engage in eucharistic and other devotions. Because of their closeness to the celebration of the Eucharist, eucharistic devotions such as adoration and benediction are the highest among all devotions and should be engaged in regularly.

At the same time as our liturgical encounters with Christ nourish our relationship with him, study of the Scriptures and tradition ought to deepen our knowledge of him, which in turn makes our liturgical encounters more fruitful.

Nourished by the Eucharist and inspired by our studies, we are sent out to encounter the Body of Christ in our poor, broken, and often hurting world.

The task of your pastor is to balance all this and to make sure that the Body of Christ is encountered in the Eucharist and related prayer, is contemplated through the study of Scripture and tradition, and is honored through service of the Body of Christ in the world. Perpetual adoration may or may not fit in this overall plan for your particular church. If it does, that is great. If it doesn't, the lack of perpetual adoration in and of itself does not make your parish less Catholic. After all, even Jesus did not call for it. He did, however, command us to celebrate the Eucharist and to wash one another's feet.

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**TAKE UP YOUR CROSS** | <https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/take-up-your-cross/>

Your pain is deep, and it won't just go away. It is also uniquely yours, because it is linked to some of your earliest life experiences. Your call is to bring that pain home. As long as your wounded part remains foreign to your adult self, your pain will injure you as well as others. Yes, you have to incorporate your pain into yourself and let it bear fruit in your heart and the hearts of others.

This is what Jesus means when he asks you to take up your cross. He encourages you to recognize and embrace your unique suffering and to trust that your way to salvation lies therein. Taking up your cross means, first of all, befriending your wounds and letting them reveal to you your own truth.

There is great pain and suffering in the world. But the pain hardest to bear is your own. Once you have taken up that cross, you will be able to see clearly the crosses that others have to bear, and you will be able to reveal to them their own ways to joy, peace, and freedom.

**PROMOTING LIFE** | **Fresh Commitment to Life...** | <http://www.priestsforlife.org/liturgy/liturgicalresource-cycles.aspx?id=77>

Cardinal Justin Rigali, in the annual Mass for Life in Washington DC in 2007, commented on the Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion on January 22, 1973. He called it a "misguided use of judicial power exercised in the name of the authority resting in the people of the United States of America." He went on to say, "Each passing year confirms us in the pain of recognizing the violence inflicted upon millions and millions of unborn children and even partially born children in our land. It is important that this truth be acknowledged, that repentance be sincere, and that effective means be taken to stop this grotesque tragedy, while preventing it from being repeated in the future. At the same time each passing year confirms us in new hope for the future. As people of prayer, we are moved by the words of Saint Paul, who says: "...we have set our hope on the living God" (1 Tim 4:10). The word of God and His commandments encourage us in our efforts, and they certainly inspire the rising generation to form new attitudes and assume a fresh commitment to the cause of life."

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday, March 22 from 12:30pm to 5:45pm.

"The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease." (CCC, 1380)



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**FRIDAYS during Lent at 6PM** followed by soup dinner at Social Hall!

### SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER | March 17

5pm-7pm | Grace Hall

Tickets available after Masses

### LENTEN CONFESSIONS

**Every Saturday of Lent** at 4pm

(There are no confessions on Holy Saturday)

**Every Sunday of Lent** at 6pm

**Penance Service** on Monday, April 1 at 6pm

**The following Wednesdays of Lent**

from 12:30pm to 1pm:

March 20th & 27th and April 3rd, 10th, & 17th

Confessions on **Friday, March 29**

from 12:30pm to 3pm

**The following Fridays of Lent**

from 5pm to 5:45pm:

March 22nd, 29th; and April 5th

... or make an appointment for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

### 2019 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (April 13 & 14)

5:30pm Vigil Mass; 8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (Spanish) Masses

#### MONDAY & TUESDAY (April 15 & 16)

8am Daily Mass

#### WEDNESDAY (April 17)

8am & 12noon Daily Masses

#### HOLY THURSDAY (April 18)

Morning Prayer at 8am (No morning Mass)

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm

(with Eucharist Adoration until 7am next day)

#### GOOD FRIDAY (April 19)

The Lord's Passion Liturgy at 12:15 pm

(with Stations of the Cross at 1:30pm, concluding with the Divine Mercy Chaplet)

6pm Bilingual Stations of the Cross from the Library to the church

The Lord's Passion Liturgy in Spanish at 7pm

#### HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 20)

Morning Prayer at 8am

Easter Vigil at 8:15pm

**Note: There are no Confessions at 4pm and no 5:30pm Mass**

#### EASTER SUNDAY (April 21)

8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (Spanish) Masses



### DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays 10:30a.m. in the Church with the Rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, and novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



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### CATHOLIC HUMOR

An Irish famer named Muldoon lived alone in the countryside with a small dog that he loved and doted on. After many long years of faithful companionship, the dog finally died, so the farmer went to the parish priest and said, "Father, my dear old dog is dead. Could you please be saying a Mass for him?"

The priest replied, "I'm so sorry to hear about your dog's death. But unfortunately, I can't say Mass for the poor creature."

Muldoon said, "I understand, Father, I do. I guess I'll go to that denomination down the road; no tellin' what they believe. Do you think \$500 is enough to donate for the service?"

The priest replied, "Why didn't you tell me that your dog was a Catholic?"

Source: The Book of the Catholic Jokes

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9