

REV. CESAR SOLORIO, ADMINISTRATOR REV. PATRICK NGOZI NJOKU, PAROCHIAL VICAR DEACON JOHN SOUSA DEACON GARY ANDERSON

# **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday 7:00 AM Tuesday 7:00 AM Wednesday 7:00 AM Thursday 7:00 AM Friday 8:15 AM First Saturday of the Month 9:00 AM Last Saturday of the Month 9:00 AM Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM (SPANISH/ESPAÑOL)

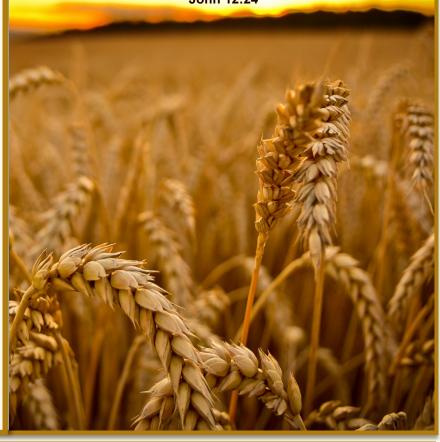
All masses in English except Sunday at 12:00 PM Todas las Misas son en Inglés excepto los Domingos a las 12:00 PM

### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Tuesday 7:30 AM and 5:30 PM Thursday 7:30 AM and 12:00 PM (Noon)

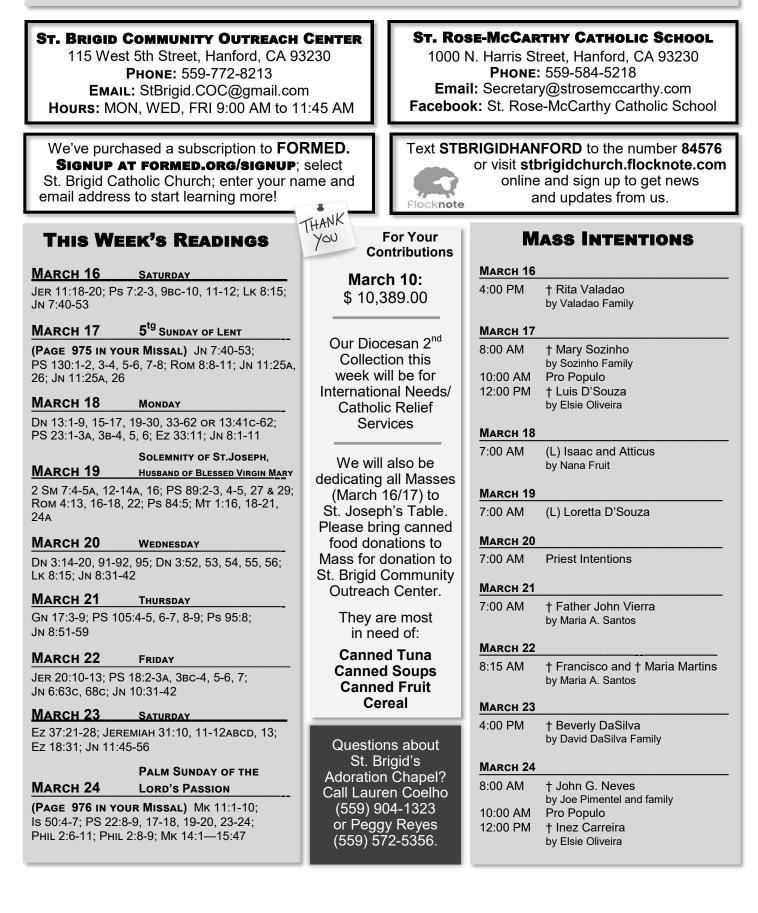
# SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.



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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

**WELCOME TO ST. BRIGID CHURCH!** We are delighted that you are here with us - whether you are just visiting or new to our area. If you are interested in becoming a member of our parish community, please stop by our parish office at 200 E. Florinda Street or inquire online at www.stbrigid.org/contact-us-register/



#### **HAPPENING THIS WEEK!**

March 17	SUNDAY	
8:00 AM	Confirmation Class	SC
9:00 AM	EPJ	YC
2:00 PM 6:00 PM	St. Monica Group	SL YC
0:00 PM	Life Teen Youth Ministry	ΥC
March 18	Monday	
4:00 PM	Legion of Mary Meeting	SL
MARCH 19	TUESDAY	
7:30 AM	Confessions	СН
4:00 PM	CCD	PO
5:30 PM	Confessions	CH
6:00 PM	RCIA Bitte Otrata	YC SI
6:30 PM	Bible Study	SL
MARCH 20	WEDNESDAY	<u> </u>
5:30 AM	St. Brigid Men's Group	SC
9:30 AM	Bible Study	SC
4:00 PM	CCD	PO
7:00 PM	English Baptism Class	SL
7:00 PM	Spanish Baptism Class	SJ
MARCH 21	THURSDAY	
NO	CONFESSIONS TODAY	
7:00 PM	Cursillos Meeting	SL
MARCH 22	Friday	
6:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	СН
	per Immediately Following in McHug	-
7:00 PM	Upper Room Prayer Group	SC
MARCH 23	SATURDAY	
8:00 AM	1st Communion Retreat	YC
9:30 AM	TKRL Life Walk	
March 24	Sunday	
8:00 AM	Confirmation Class	YC
9:00 AM	EPJ	SC
6:00 PM	Life Teen Youth Ministry	YC
CH = Church; PO = Parish Office; SC = St. Cecilia Room, Parish Office; SJ = St. Joseph Room, Parish Office; SL = St. Leo Room, Parish Office; SRM = St. Rose McCarthy School; YC = Youth Center		

Our **St. Monica Group** will meet **Sunday**, **March 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM** in the St. Leo room, next to the parish office. Join us in praying for our fallen-away Catholic family and friends.

# TKRL LifeWalk Saturday, March 23, 2024

9:30 AM Registration 10:00 AM Walk Starts **TKRL Office,** 1716 W. Walnut, Visalia

Contact: 559-732-5000 or TKRL.ORG

#### **A NOTE FROM FATHER PATRICK:**

I wish to take a moment to express my heartfelt appreciation for your presence at my birthday celebration. Your attendance meant the world to me, and it made the day even more special. I must say that your warm regards and thoughtful gestures truly touched my heart. The joy and happiness you brought with you added an incredible spark to the event. Not only did your presence make the celebration complete, but your kind words, envelopes and well wishes also made me feel incredibly loved and cherished. Your thoughtfulness is a testament to the wonderful parishioners you are, and I feel truly lucky to be here as your parochial vicar. Thank you once again for making my birthday unforgettable. Your presence made all the difference, and I am especially grateful to Father

Cesar and all the staff of St Brigid's parish. I am truly fortunate to have you as friends, and I request your prayers for an effective ministry here as I keep you in my prayers as well.

With heartfelt appreciation, Fr Patrick Ngozi Njoku, Parochial Vicar



63rd Annual Palm Sunday Benefit Breakfast March 24, 2024

7:00 AM to 12:00 PM (Noon) Hanford Fraternal Hall

> Donation: Adults \$15.00 - Take Out Available -

Tickets available at the Parish office or call Cecil at 559-285-4971.





The donations Mass with Bishop Brennan will be live streamed from Holy Spirit Church, Fresno on March 17th at 10:00 a.m.

All of our Masses at St. Brigid Church on March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> will be dedicated to St. Joseph's Table. Please bring nonperishable food items to Mass to place on a table honoring St. Joseph;

all donated foods will be given to our St. Brigid Community Outreach Center.

Please visit their website at www.stbrigidcenter.org to learn more about how we help those in need in our community.

#### WHY IS ST. JOSEPH KNOWN AS THE "TERROR OF DEMONS?"

When we look back at the biblical references to St. Joseph, we don't see him cast out demons, or even behave in such a way that would evoke terror. However, it is precisely in this silent and calm biblical depiction of St. Joseph that this title has its surprising origin.

Although the Bible does not elaborate extensively on Joseph's actions, his unwavering faith, obedience to God's will, purity of life, and protective care over Mary and Jesus are evident. These virtues are the foundation of his power over demons, as they embody the antithesis of the Evil One's rebellion against God. Demons cannot withstand these virtues.

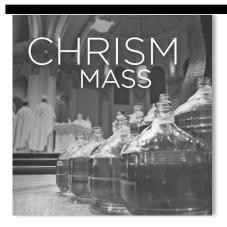
Theologically, St. Joseph's designation as "Terror of Demons" underscores our belief in his power against evil. His role in the Holy Family places him in direct opposition to the forces of darkness. Just as he protected Mary and Jesus from earthly threats, such as Herod's decree to kill the newborn boys of Bethlehem, he continues to protect the faithful from spiritual threats.

His role as Guardian of the Holy Family also helps us understand the power of all families. Just as the Holy Family's goodness and purity angered and threatened the Evil One, all families participate in God's natural design for man and the inherent goodness of the family. In this way, the Evil One is threatened by all families, making it all the more essential that we fortify ourselves spiritually.

In an age where family and faith are under assault, St. Joseph's example and protection are more needed now than ever. His guardianship over the Holy Family makes him a potent intercessor for our own families as we strive to keep them safe from spiritual harm.

St. Joseph's feast day is March 19th and the Church devotes all of March to his honor!

ST. JOSEPH, PRAY FOR US ALL! from the Catholic Company's Get Fed: Bite-Sized Faith Daily Email



Join us at the **Annual Chrism Mass** on **Thursday, March 21st at 2:00 pm** at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Visalia!

Bishop Brennan will bless the Oils (Oil of the Sick, Oil of Catechumens & Chrism Oil) that will be given to each Parish in the Diocese of Fresno to be used for Sacraments.

A Livestream will also be available on our Diocesan YouTube Channel for those who can not make it.

# **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Friday at 6:00 PM

Then join us in McHugh Hall for LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

If you are interested in providing a NO MEAT soup or bread to share with our St. Brigid Community, please call or come into the parish office or email kmonroe@stbrigid.org to sign up for a time and date that works best for you.

# Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> is Easter Sunday.

If you would like to add to the celebration with **Easter Flowers on the Altar** in memory or honor of a loved one, please

call Liz Avila at 559-284-1328, before March 21<sup>st</sup>.

# Saint Brigid Church

Holy Week Schedule



# Penance Services

Monday, March 25 6:00 PM St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Lemoore

Tuesday, March 26 6:00 PM Immaculate Heart of Mary Hanford

Wednesday, March 27 6:00 PM St. Brigid Hanford

Holy Thursday 7:00 PM Mass Bilingual March 28 3:00 PM Stations of the Cross English Good Friday 6:00 PM Divine Mercy Novena English March 29 6:30 PM Good Friday Service Bilingual Divine Mercy Novena 6:00 PM Every Night begins March 29 through Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7 Saturday, March 30 Easter 8:00 PM Vigil Bilingual Sunday, March 31 Sunday, March 31 8:00 AM Mass English 10:00 AM Mass English 12:00 PM Mass Spanish

<sup>Dear Church</sup> *family,* It's time for a New Directory! SAVE THE DATES! April 30, 2024, May 1-4, 2024 and May 7-11, 2024

Our church directory will not be complete without **YOU**.

Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album. We will have a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church; you'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends. Everyone who is photographed will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory. More details coming soon!



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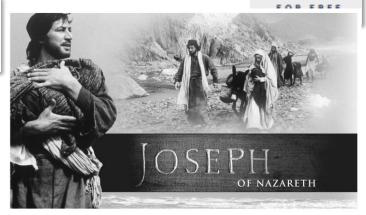
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# Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man Closest to Christ

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!

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#### Por sus Contribuciones

**10 de Marzo:** \$10,389.00

Nuestra Segunda Colecta Diocesana esta la semana sera para Necesidades internacionales/ayuda Católica Servicios.

Nosotros también seremos dedicando todas las Misas (16/17 de Marzo) a Mesa de San José. Por favor traiga donaciones de alimentos enlatados a Misa para donarlas a St. Brigid Community Outreach Center. Son la mayoría en necesidad de:

> Atún enlatado, Sopas enlatadas, Fruta enlatada, y Cereal

El Domingo de Pascua es el 31 de Marzo. Si decea patrocinar flores de Pascua en el Altar en memoria/honor de un ser querido, por favor llame Liz Ávila en 559-284-1328.



## **UNA NOTA DEL PADRE PATRICK:**

Deseo tomarme un momento para expresar mi más sincero agradecimiento por su presencia en mi celebracion de cumpleaños. Su asistencia significó mucho para mí e hizo que el día fuera aún más especial.Debo decir que sus cálidos saludos y sus atentos gestos realmente tocaron mi corazón. La alegría y la felicidad que trajiste contigo agregó una chispa increíble para el evento.

Su presencia no solo hizo que la celebración fuera completa, sino que sus amables palabras, sobres y buenos deseos también me hicieron sentir increíblemente amado y apreciado. Su consideración es testimonio de los maravillosos feligreses que son y me siento realmente afortunado de estar aquí como su vicario parroquial. Gracias una vez más por hacer mi cumpleaños inolvidable. Tu presencia hizo que fuera diferente y estoy especialmente agradecido al Padre César y a todo el personal de la parroquia de Santa Brígida.

Soy realmente afortunado de tenerlos como amigos y solicito sus oraciones por un ministerio eficaz aquí mientras los mantengo en mis oraciones también.

Con sincero agradecimiento, P. Patrick Ngozi Njoku, Vicario Parroquial



un ministerio con enfoque en la Familia.

Música, Mensaje y Oración

Segundo Jueves y <u>cuarto</u> Jueves del <u>mes</u> 6:30 p.m.

> St. Brigid Youth Center 319. N. Harris Street, Hanford.

Para mas informacion llamar a Ramon Ochoa 559-77-9593



POR FAVOR APOYE A ESTOS ANUNCIANTES