



Presentation *of the*

Blessed Virgin Mary

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**Deacons—Lawrence Klimecki
& David Leatherby**

Our Mission Statement

To bring souls to the salvation which
Jesus Christ has won for us, by our
proclamation of and witnessing to the
splendor, beauty and fullness
of the Catholic Faith.

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CLOSED**

**Apr
14**

April 9, 2017

Palm Sunday *of the* Lord's Passion



Mass Times:

Saturday

8:30am | Vigil • 5:30pm

Sunday

8:00am | Family • 10:30am | Youth • 4:30pm

Healing Mass (3rd Sunday of the Month) • 1:00pm

Weekdays

6:30am | 8:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Friday

6:00pm

Saturday

4:00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday-Friday | 24 Hours A Day

"Blessed IS HE WHO COMES IN
THE NAME OF THE **LORD."**

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Deacon Lawrence Klimecki



"Once upon a time, there lived a princess, the daughter of a king. The king loved his daughter more than anything else, more than any other person or thing in his vast and beautiful kingdom.

One day the king was called upon to protect his king. He gathered his knights and together they prepared for battle. The king would have liked to take his daughter with him but he knew it was too dangerous and so he left her behind in the safety of the castle, and promised he would return to her. The king and his knights rode away to a distant land while the princess watched from a castle window until he was out of sight. She longed for his return almost as soon as he left.

Time went by and the king did not return.

After a time, evil men took over the castle, they imprisoned the princess in a high tower and enslaved the people. The kingdom fell under a curse, dark clouds filled the sky and each day seemed darker than the one before it. Every day the princess would stare in the dark sky and pray for her father's return.

Eventually there came a day when the sun did not rise at all and the kingdom was plunged into darkness for three days. Finally, on the third day, the princes saw a small light on the distant horizon. The light grew brighter and brighter until at last the entire kingdom was lit, as brightly as it ever was in the light of the sun.

As the last shadow was chased away by the light, the princess saw the king standing on the castle steps. He was tired and ragged, his armor bore the signs of many battles, his hands and feet were wounded and scarred. But his face shone with the light of love.

The princess was overjoyed, she ran down the stairs and threw herself into the arms of the king. The King embraced His beloved daughter and told her, 'do not be afraid, all of enemies are conquered, we are safe, forever.'

And on that day a sound like the sound of trumpets blasting echoed throughout the sky, and a great voice was heard to say 'Fear no more, O daughter Zion, see, your King has come.'

It has been said that mankind has only ever had one problem; we want to be like God. Which is another way of saying we have trust issues. The Catechism of the Church tells us that all sin is grounded in disobedience toward God and lack of trust in His goodness.

Perhaps it is difficult for us to trust God because we find it difficult to trust other people. We all have friends, family, or loved ones who have let us down when we were counting on them. As a result, we are wounded when people we trust fail us in matters big or small. And to avoid being wounded again we begin to build walls around our hearts to protect ourselves. The problem is that those walls can keep God out of our hearts as well.

We know that we can trust God because God has proven to us that He is trustworthy. When our first parents chose to disobey God, they lost the grace they were created with. They changed their very nature and were no longer fit to walk with God in paradise. And from them we have inherited our fallen nature.

But even then, in the very beginning, God promised that this would not be a permanent state. God promised that He would send a savior who would free us from the darkness of corruption and the enslavement to sin.

On Passion Sunday, we recall the Passion and death of Our Lord because it is through these events that God has fulfilled His promise to us. The suffering of Jesus Christ won for us a definitive victory over sin and hopelessness. We bear palm branches today as a symbol of that victory.

Our relationship to God is always spoken of in terms of family and covenant. A covenant is a family bond. A marriage, for example, is a covenant between two families. Through Jesus, God establishes a new covenant with us. In this covenant God has promised that he will never abandon us. No matter what we do, if we are willing to turn back to Him, He will always be ready to receive us in mercy, forgiveness and love. If we reject Him, scourge Him, crown Him with thorns, betray Him and crucify Him, He will continue to love us.

When we trust in God He will transform us into the person we know we should be.

We have a King who keeps His promises.

Pax vobiscum

Pray for the sick in our community, especially:



Jan Almay, Anthony Andreozzi, Sue Ashby, Shaun Banagan, Patricia Becker, Terry Beile, Pat Botelho, Mary Carter, Adolf Cascardo, Eleanor Cates, Chris Cetti, Bill Dunphy, Judy DuPont, Leilani Fitzgerald, Owen Foley, Patti Fox, Marcy French, Vienna Golsong, Lynn Hauf, Jonathan Hunt, Pat Ingram, Ed Jackson, Robert Johnson, Kimberly Kaufman, Devonne Keevers, June Kertes, John & Rosemary Lally, Mary Largent, Shirley Lauwers, Nilda Medina, Michael Mejia, Lucille Moessinger, Sandy Murphy, Kathy Pfeifer, Randy Qualls, Alex Quiroz, Maryanne Redmond, Pat Riecks, Bridget Ruiz, Mark Skvarla, Reese Sunseri, Marilyn VanAlstyne, Nic Windeshausen, Brenda Winn, Felino Yanesa and Elizabeth & Gre-cielia Zuranich.

- † Mass Intentions †**
- 9 Sunday** (Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66)
8:00am
 † Fr. Leatherby (L) Byram Family
10:30am
 † Fr. Patrick Lee (D) Knights of Columbus
 † Hilda Fehrenback (D) Rose Coughlin
 † Bob Roche (D) Marge Weersing
4:30pm
 † Teri Garn (D) Charlene Bencken
- 10 Monday** (Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11)
6:30am
 † Lucille Gruenwald (D) Nash Gruenwald
8:00am
 † Fr. Leatherby (L) Charmaine Cooper
- 11 Tuesday** (Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)
6:30am
 † Holy Souls in Purgatory
8:00am
 † Jean Mohr (D)
 † Shannon Magner (D) Rita Casagrande
- 12 Wednesday** (Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25)
6:30am
 † Happy Birthday Charmaine Cooper...
 Scott Family
8:00am
 † Genevieve Durant (L) Family
 † Christine Minella (D) Broghammer Family
- 13 Holy Thursday** (Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1Cor 11:23-26/
 Jn 13:1-15)
6:00pm · Mass of the Lord's Supper
 † Camden Adair (L) Seeley Family
 † Fr. Leatherby (L) Marotti Family
- 14 Good Friday** (Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/
 Jn 18:1—19:42)
Friday of the Passion of the Lord
 12:00pm-3:00pm
 Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross
 Holy Communion, Sacred Music
 3:00pm · Stations of the Cross
- 15 Holy Saturday** (Gn 1:1—2:2 /Gn 22:1-18/Ex 14:15—1/
 Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ez 36:16-17a,
 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Mt 28:1-10)
8:00pm · Easter Vigil
 † Lilies for Loved Ones
- 16 Easter Sunday** (Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9)
8:00am
10:30am
 † For the People of the Parish

Holy Week

Religious Education News

Contact Sidney Curry | DRE | 482.8883

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

May 4 | First Eucharist Rehearsal
 5:50pm—Church
 May 6 | First Eucharist | 10am

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

RCIA sessions 6::00pm
Mondays

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 15 | 9:00am | RCIA Rehearsal
 April 15 | 8:00pm | Easter Vigil RCIA Ceremony

Many people have said that what drew them to the Catholic Church was the Eucharist. As we reflect on recognizing Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread, think for a moment whether there is someone you could invite to Mass and to explore what else the Catholic faith might hold for them.
For more information, contact Sid Curry.

Collections

We will have the March 25th & 26th and April 1st & 2nd collections next week.

Thank you for your contributions!
 Please consider *FaithDirect* as a GREEN alternative to envelopes!

Call Barbara to inquire | 481.7441

Youth Ministry News



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High School Youth

EVERY SUNDAY

After 4:30pm Mass
 until 7:30pm.

If you would be willing to provide dinner for Lifeteen, please contact Jamie.



Middle School Youth

EVERY TUESDAY

6:30pm-8pm
 In the Immaculata

Jamie Leatherby

916.217.9028

jamie@presentationparish.org

Other PBVM Parish Phone Numbers



St. Vincent de Paul
 916.485.3482 · T/Th/F: 9-11am
 916.477.6115 · Voice or Text



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 916.402.1028



Divine Mercy Prayer Line
 Maureen Bradshaw
 916.487.9620



Music Ministry | Becky Poncini
 916.541.5805
 becky@presentationparish.org



Legion Of Mary
 Patricia Jackson
 916.973.8537



Altar Society
 Diana Jimenez
 916.402.1028



Knights of Columbus
 Richard Westerfeld · Jordan Ruiz
 529.5358 807.4218
 kofc15693.org



**Right-To-Life
Sacramento**



Presentation Parish is holding a prayer vigil **every Saturday from 10:30am-12pm** in front of the abortion mill on Butano Drive. Please join us in our critical, life-saving vigil!

Join us at other times as well.

This week's abortion schedule:

Tues – 4/11 | Wed – 4/12
Thur – 4/13 | Fri – 4/14 (7:30am – 3pm)
Sat – 4/15 (10:30am – 12pm)

www.presentation-r2l.org

R2L Meetings every 2nd Monday at 6:30pm.

Next Meeting: April 10



**Pontifical
Good Friday
Collection**

Pope Francis has asked us to support Christians in the Holy Land on Good Friday.

Thank you for your generosity.

Adoration Hours at PBVM for Holy Week

Adoration will end
on **Wednesday,
April 12th at
8:30pm.**

We will have
Adoration again on
**Thursday, April 13
from 7pm-12am.**

Normal Adoration
resumes on Mon,
April 17th.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 23, 2017

Adoration—after the
10:30am Mass—3:00pm

Chaplet—3:00pm
Recitation



SAVE THE DATE!

MAY 5, 2017

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

BIRDEASEPRO.COM/PBVMGOLF

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
14th Annual PBVM

**Ladies
Luncheon**

Saturday, April 22nd
in the PBVM gym

11:30am-2:00pm

Host a Table of 8-10 Ladies



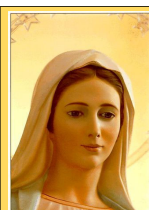
Tickets \$30

Lunch, Dessert, and Wine included

Interested in hosting a Table? Contact Nicole Resch Sperber:

916.396.1341 OR PBVMLadieswholunch@gmail.com

Adult-Only Event (Special exception for 8th Grade Table!)



**UPCOMING
PILGRIMAGE**

*With Deacon Dave
Leatherby*

Medjugorje

October 27-November 4

Cost—\$2,695

For details, contact Kim Murin

916-790-0723

kimberlytheresa@hotmail.com



**CALLING
ALL
MEN!**

Sat | April 29 | St. Mel Parish

Schedule of Events:

8am—Rosary | 8:30am—Holy Mass
Breakfast, talks by Joe McClane of
Houston TX Catholic Radio (aka-the
“Catholic Hack”), a catered BBQ
lunch & confessions.

Cost: \$40 | to register: smpcevents.org

Questions | Chuck | 916.635.7791

News & Events at Presentation Parish!

Holy Week 2017

Holy Thursday

April 13 | 6:00pm

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Washing of the Feet

Good Friday | April 14 | 12pm

Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross,

Holy Communion, Sacred Music

Stations of the Cross—3pm

Holy Saturday | April 15 | 8:00pm

Easter Vigil Liturgy

Candidates & Catechumens received into the Church

Easter Sunday Masses | April 16

8:00am & 10:30am

LILIES for LOVED ONES

The Altar Society will be decorating our church for Easter!



**Would you like to
donate a
6" pot-size
Easter Lily**

**and have a loved one
remembered at the Easter
Vigil offered by Fr. Stanley?**

Simply write the name of your loved one (deceased or living) on the "**Lilies for Loved Ones**" sheet located at the back of the church when you drop off your Easter Lily!

Your loved one will be remembered at the Easter Vigil Mass offered by Fr. Stanley. Please drop off Lilies beginning April 9th through Holy Week.

Monetary donations always accepted!

Thank you for your support!



**It's
SENIOR
JOY'S
6th
Birthday!**

**Please join us for
BINGO, PRIZES,
CAKE & PUNCH!**

****Bring your own lunch****

**Wednesday | April 19
11:30am**

In the Immaculata

Annual Membership dues—\$15.00

**New members are always
welcome!**

**RSVP to Fran Trinca
359-8263**

Volunteers for our Easter Vigil Celebration are needed!

This committee helps assist with celebrations for the parish. Additional volunteers are needed to help plan, decorate, prepare & serve food and clean up.

—April 15—

To help celebrate this very holy and special event, we are asking parishioners and families to help provide food at the reception:

**Families with
last names:**



A-G—Dessert | H-N—Main Dish

O-S—Salads | T-Z—Appetizers

Contact Sid Curry | 482-8883
sid@presentationparish.org

PRESENTATION PARISH EVENTS

APRIL 9—MAY 6

9 CFF 9-10:15am Lifeteen 4:30-7:30	10 Legion of Mary 9:15am Charismatic 6:30pm RCIA - 6pm R2L Mtg- 6:30pm	11 Knitting 10:30am EDGE 6:30pm	12 Senior Joy Book Club 12pm	13 Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 6pm	14  Good Friday Liturgy of the Word, Eucharist, Veneration & Stations 12-3pm	15 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Catechumens & Candidates Received into Church 8:00pm
HOLY WEEK						
16 <i>Happy Easter</i>  8am & 10:30am Mass	17 Legion of Mary 9:15am Charismatic 6:30pm RCIA - 6pm	18 Knitting 10:30am EDGE 6:30pm	19 Senior Joy's 6th Birthday 11:30am	20 Mother's for Mary 6:30pm	21	22 Feed the Hungry 10am Annual Ladies Luncheon 11:30am
23 Divine Mercy Sunday CFF 9-10:15am Lifeteen 4:30-7:30	24 Legion of Mary 9:15am Charismatic 6:30pm RCIA - 6pm	25 EDGE 6:30pm	26	27	28	29 Feed the Hungry 10am
30 CFF 9-10:15am Lifeteen 4:30-7:30	1 <i>May</i> Legion of Mary 9:15am Charismatic 6:30pm RCIA - 6pm	2 Knitting 10:30am EDGE 6:30pm	3	4	5 PBVM Golf Tourney	6 First Communion 10am Feed the Hungry 10am

Eucharistic Adoration

Thank you to all who spend time in the Blessed Sacrament in

Our Lady, Gate of Heaven Chapel

AVAILABLE HOLY HOURS:

Tuesdays | 2:30am-3:30am

Nicole Resch Sperber | 916.396.1341

pbvmadoration@gmail.com



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Apr 22—PBVM Ladies Luncheon

May 5—PBVM Golf Tournament

May 6—First Communion | 10am

May 7—World Day of Prayer for Vocations

May 20—Heroes Walk for Life
Maidu Park | 8:30am

† Way of the Cross †



Join fellow Catholics for a Good Friday "Way of the Cross." Begin at Crocker Park (3rd & N St. in Sacramento) at 9:00am. Finish with the final station in front of the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament at 11:15am.

April 14—Good Friday

For info, contact Eric Lee
ericaustinlee@gmail.com

This event is organized by the lay Catholic movement known as "Communion and Liberation" (clonline.org).

~IMMACULATA~ MINISTRY & USAGE INFORMATION

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please contact:
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Publishing Deadlines: Church, School & Community Events

All Bulletins have been
submitted for Easter.

Questions—Amy Glaser
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If you are a new parishioner, or need to update your parishioner information, please call the rectory.