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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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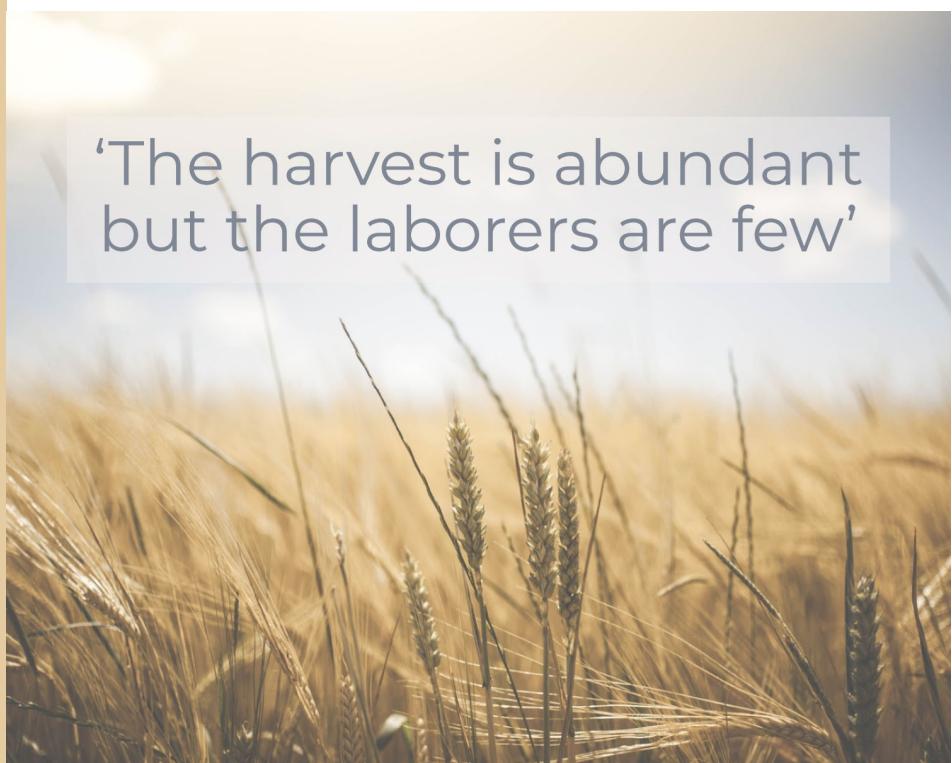
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# Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4123 Robertson Avenue | Sacramento | CA 95821-0208

July 7th, 2019

'The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few'



## Mass Times:

**Saturday**

8:30am | Vigil—5:30pm

**Sunday**

8:00am, Family—10:30am,  
Youth—4:30pm

**Weekdays**

6:30am | 8:00am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursdays      Saturdays  
6pm                  4pm

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday-Friday  
24 Hours A Day



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## Deacon Lawrence Klimecki



There are times when, despite our best efforts, we fail. Even though we know that our ministry is desperately needed, we are sometimes rejected.

How does a Christian deal with failure? As Christ told us, we shake the dust from our feet and move on. We are bearers of the Good News, and every person is free to embrace or reject God's grace. Christ Himself could not convince everyone to follow Him, should we expect anything different?

Most of us are familiar with Saint Sebastian through the various works of art that show him riddled with arrows. It is understandable to assume he died from these arrow wounds but that was not the case.

Sebastian was a Christian soldier serving in the Roman army late in the third century. He was denounced as a Christian and condemned to death by arrows. A dispatch of soldiers shot him full of arrows and left him for dead.

But he still lived. He was found by a Roman noblewoman, also a Christian, who nursed him back to health. As soon as he was strong again, she encouraged him to escape into the countryside. But instead, St Sebastian went back into the imperial palace and took up his old guard post. As the Emperor passed him by, the saint once again encouraged him to abandon his idolatry and believe in Christ. The enraged Emperor ordered the other soldiers to club him to death immediately.

It was apparent failures like these that ended up converting the entire Roman Empire to Christianity. In fact, the whole history of the Church has followed a similar pattern: cross, then resurrection. So we shouldn't be surprised when we find ourselves on the same path.

In many ways our culture today is just as hostile to Christ and the Christian way of life as it was under the time of the Great Persecution. When we try to live out Christ's teachings, defend our faith, and build up the Church, we often run into resistance, mockery, and humiliation. Jesus knew we would; but still He calls us to be His ambassadors, spreading the Good News in spite of the rejection we encounter. If we fail, think of each failure as a drop of water hitting a rock of resistance. Over time, and many drops of water, the rock breaks down.

One of the greatest threats against us is discouragement. It is easy to feel we did something wrong, or we are not up to the task. If we let these thoughts settle into our hearts they stifle us and make us content to accept less.

The truth is that discouragement is just disappointment over unfulfilled expectations. But Christ reminds us of what our expectations should be. We will face obstacles, be rejected and persecuted. If we know this then we need not be discouraged. We can be humble, trust in Christ, wipe the dust from our feet, and move on.

### Pax Vobiscum

**In trust of God's infinite goodness, we pray to lift up our sick parishioners, family & friends, and those in need of healing of the body and soul. Almighty Father, hear our prayers for:**

 Sharon Anderson-Kunz, Anthony Andreozzi, Shaun Banagan, Jim Beresford, Pat Botelho, Wally Dondero, Judy DuPont, Leilani Fitzgerald, Gume Flores, Vienna Golsong, Doug Hagans, Lynn Hauf, Fred & Pat Ingram, Ed Jackson, Robert Johnson, Kimberly Kaufman, Debbie Robrecht, Georgia Latimer, Shirley Lauwers, Whitney Lynd, Nilda Medina, Michael Mejia, Lucille Moessinger, David Qualls, Randy Qualls, Alex Quiroz, Maryanne Redmond, Amy Fleege Schaffner, Vic Senacal, Mark Skvarla, Gracie Rose Smith, Greg Spitz, Wanda Southern, Leslie Tipton, Nic Windeshausen, Brenda Winn, Elizabeth & Grecielia Zurranich.

## † Mass Intentions †

**7 Sunday**

**8:00am**

† Mrs. Hinchberger (L) 5th Grade

**10:30am | Family**

† Bridget Thompson (L) Stella Kanelos

† The Belocci Family (L) Anton Family

**4:30pm**

† Randolph Thomas Ross (D)

**8 Monday**

**6:30am**

† Perry & Mitos Mejica (L) Nash

**8:00am**

† Rita Casagrande (L) Stella Kanelos

**9 Tuesday**

**6:30am**

† Members of California Legislature (L)

**8:00am**

† Mary Nasiatk (D) Lucas Family

**10 Wednesday**

**6:30am**

† Lucille Gruenwald (D) Nash

**8:00am**

† Jasper Anderson (L) Curry Family

**11 Thursday**

**6:30am**

† Danielle Leatherby (L)

**8:00am**

† Clifford Marquette (D) Lance Family

**12 Friday**

**6:30am**

† Ruth & Yuliah Duenas (L) Frech Family

**8:00am**

† Jim McCourt (D) Marilyn

**13 Saturday**

**8:30am**

† Susan Hauser (D)

**5:30pm**

† Patty Enfield (D) Jack & Karren Kocunik

**14 Sunday**

**8:00am**

† Jackie Trivette (D) Lance Family

**10:30am | Family**

† Mrs. Jaime (L) 5th Grade Class

**4:30pm**

† People of the Parish



Blood of Christ,  
Inebriate us!

## Religious Education News

Contact Sidney Curry | DRE | 482.8883

## Are You Interested in the Catholic Faith?

We will soon begin a new Rite of Christian Initiation journey to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family.

We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members.

These RCIA sessions also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church.

These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds.

**This first session is July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**in the Immaculata @ 6:00pm.**

Inquiry will be held every other Monday until September.

Please call Sidney if you have questions or would like further information at 482.8883 or email at [sid@presentationparish.org](mailto:sid@presentationparish.org)

## Youth Ministry

**LifeTeen & Edge**

**Out for the  
SUMMER!**

**Questions?**

[becky@presentationparish.org](mailto:becky@presentationparish.org)

## PBVM Parish Ministries



**St. Vincent de Paul**  
916.485.3482 · T/Th/F: 9-11am  
President : Joe DeMarco



**Scrip | PBVM School**  
916.482.0351



**Divine Mercy Prayer Line**  
Mari Farnsworth  
916.215.2175



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Patricia Jackson  
916.973.8537



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Diana Jimenez  
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**Knights of Columbus**  
Greg Gillen—Grand Knight  
916-487-1964  
[kofc15693.org](http://kofc15693.org)



## Weekend Collection Amounts

06/23/19: \$8,222.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

## Respect Life Sacramento

Praying year round at Butano on  
Wed & Fri 8am-11am

We meet every 3rd Monday in the  
Immaculata at 6:30pm

Next meeting: 09/16

Respect Life Committee Meetings:  
Recessed for the summer!  
Will continue in September!

Questions? Contact Steve Patton  
at

[spatton@scd.org](mailto:spatton@scd.org) Or  
916-796-3311



### St. Vincent de Paul News

In May, we served:



106 families 567 bags of food  
\$750 in Thrift Store vouchers  
5 home visits were made  
\$1100 in rental assistance  
\$300 in utility assistance

Saturday Lunch served:  
92 meals to 37 people  
32 bags of food were given

Our volunteers served 276 hours!!!  
May God Bless you, our faithful parishioners  
who support us throughout the year!!!

Joe Demarco, President, 916-716-7233



### The Summer Car wash fundraisers have arrived!

Help support our 8th graders who are earning  
money for their Spring 2020 trip by washing cars.

If your car could use a great wash and vacuum drop it off before Mass on  
one of car wash Sundays, and it will be ready when Mass is over.

Just drive into our Presentation parking lot anytime after 7:30 am on any  
of the following dates: **July 21st, July 28th, and August 4th**. Cars can  
be picked up by 12:30pm drivers are simply asked to make a donation  
that they are comfortable with. We appreciate your support!.

Questions: call Karen or Ed Baker: 916-471-8707.

## What's Next: A Post High School Information Day

Unsure what to do next now that  
you've finished high school?

Need help with advice on  
financial aid, how to write a  
cover letter or resume, or maybe  
just how to navigate the new  
world that is college?

The Newman Catholic Center,  
Sacramento will be hosting a Post  
High School Information Day,  
open to all high schoolers!

\$10 registration includes lunch!  
For more info and to register visit  
[sacramentonewman.org](http://sacramentonewman.org)

Saturday, Aug. 3rd  
9am-3:30pm  
Newman Catholic Center  
Sacramento

## Holy Hour of Reparation

**THURSDAY, JULY 11TH**

**6:00PM-7:00PM**

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MUSIC, SCRIPTURE,  
REFLECTION, AND  
MEDITATION**



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\$5 student (K-College)

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For more info, contact  
916-733-0258 or [msmith@scd.org](mailto:msmith@scd.org)

## Legion of Mary



### May Activities

Communion & Rosary Service: 90

Communion Total: 449

Prayer Visits: 65

Home & Care Center Visits: 50

†  
Deacon Dave Leatherby,  
Spiritual Advisor



To participate, contact  
Pat Jackson, President  
916.973.8537

## Encountering Jesus

**July 19-21, 2019**

Even a cursory reading of the  
Gospels notices a tidal wave of  
people trying to get in touch with the  
healing Jesus. The most important thrust of  
Scripture is the therapeutic touch of Jesus  
for our marriage!

Presented by Fr. Bob Weiss CP  
**FEE \$325 per couple Contact Christ the  
King at 916-725-4720**

## News & Events at Presentation Parish!



It is my honor to inform you that it will be ten years since the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist joined us and began their ministry in our parish. Our Parish council thought a wonderful way to say thank you would be to come together as a community and make a monetary gift to the Sisters Retirement Fund.



To contribute you may visit our website and click on the link, drop by the office or put your donation in one of the envelopes in the pews and place it in the collection basket. Checks should be made out to Presentation Parish. This gift will be presented to the Sisters in the fall. Your generosity is appreciated.

On another note, in response to some of your inquiries about the St Michael prayer at the end of the mass, beginning next weekend I ask that we recite the ‘St. Michael Prayer’ as a community after the recitation of the Rosary *before* Mass. In this way the prayer will be recited reverently and at the same time we all be joining together to pray for the healing and cleansing of our Church.

It is my hope that we continue to pray and sacrifice for the renewal of our Church.

With God’s Blessings,  
Fr. Stanley

### Elements of the Catholic Mass

#### See the Beauty of the Mass

Each of the 3–5 minute videos in this series is designed to help Catholics better appreciate the depth and meaning of the Mass. Learn the “whys” behind the “whats” of the liturgy with Father Douglas Martis.



### H.A.B.I.T.S. THE DISCIPLINES OF A DISCIPLE

- HOLY HOUR** Commitment to daily prayer
- ACCOUNTABILITY** Commitment to honest sharing with another
- BIBLE** Commitment to studying and praying with Scripture
- INVEST** Commitment to tithing and service in your parish
- TELL** Commitment to telling others about Jesus
- SACRAMENTS** Commitment to frequent Confession & Eucharist

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### Voice Your Opposition to the Attack on the Seal of Confession.

You are invited to attend the California Assembly Public Safety Committee on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 – 9:00 AM at the California State Capitol, Room 126.



This meeting is open to all. Voice your opposition to Senate Bill 360.

The “seal of confession” is one of the most sacrosanct of Catholic beliefs and penitents rely on this unbreakable guarantee to freely confess and seek reconciliation with God.

A priest who breaks the seal is automatically excommunicated (Canon 1388).

Yet now, the California Assembly Public Safety Committee is debating SB 360, a bill proposing to eliminate the penitential communication exemption for priests and employees of the Catholic Church when it comes to child sexual abuse. SB 360 would undermine that, create confusion, deter counseling and discourage spiritual counseling without gaining any protection for children.

For more information about SB 360 and to take action, visit [www.scd.org/keeptheseal](http://www.scd.org/keeptheseal).

## PRESENTATION PARISH EVENTS

JULY 7 — AUGUST 4

7	8 LoM 9:15am	9 Knitting 10:30am  KoC 7pm	10 <u>VBS</u> <u>Volunteer Mtg.</u> Book Club 12pm SVdP 6:30pm	11 Parish Holy Hour 6:00pm	12	13
14	15 LoM 9:15am	16 Knitting 10:30am	17	18	19	20
			<b>Vacation Bible School</b>			
21	22 LoM 9:15am	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 LoM 9:15am	30	1	2	3	4

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**July 10**—VBS Volunteer Training

**July 11**—Parish Holy Hour

**July 15-19**—Vacation Bible School

**July 21**—8th Grade Car Wash

**July 28**—8th Grade Car Wash

**August 4**—8th Grade Car Wash

**August 15**—1st Day of School

Assumption of Mary Feast Day



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## Eucharistic Adoration

Our Lady, Gate of Heaven Chapel

### AVAILABLE HOLY HOURS:

Tuesdays | 12:30am-1:30am

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Tuesdays | 2:30am-3:30am

Tuesdays | 10:30am-11:30am

Wednesdays | 12:30am-1:30am

Wednesdays | 2:30am-3:30am

Wednesdays | 10:30am-11:30am

Wednesday | 10:30pm-11:30pm

Wednesday | 11:30pm-12:30am

Thursday | 9:30am-10:30am

Thursday | 11:30pm-12:30am



Nicole Resch Sperber | 916.396.1341

[pbvmadoration@gmail.com](mailto:pbvmadoration@gmail.com)

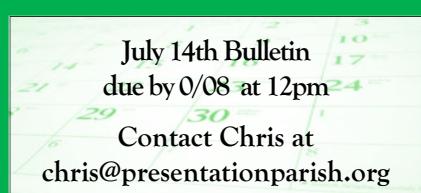
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Church, School & Community Events



July 14th Bulletin

due by 0/08 at 12pm

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