



Presentation *of the*

Blessed Virgin Mary

4123 Robertson Avenue | Sacramento | CA 95821-0208

Pastor—Fr. Stanley Poltorak

Deacon—Lawrence Klimecki

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.

Parish Office | 8:30am-4:30pm

Barbara Fay (M-Tu)

barbara@presentationparish.org

Amy Glaser (M-F)

amy@presentationparish.org

916.481.7441 | Fax 916.481.2841

General: office@presentationparish.org

Parish School

Principal—Carrie Donahue

916.482.0351

cdonahue@presentationschool.net

www.presentationschool.net

Religious Education

Sidney Curry | 916.482.8883

sid@presentationparish.org

Youth Ministry

916.481.7441

office@presentationparish.org

Communications Coordinator

Amy Glaser | 916.481.7441 x202

communications@presentationparish.org

Immaculata Coordinator

Celeste Spitz | 916.923.8272

facilities@presentationparish.org



facebook.com/presentationparish

August 21, 2016

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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:

Saturday | Sunday
4:00pm | 9:30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday-Friday | 24 Hours A Day

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."

www.presentationparish.org

Deacon Lawrence Klimecki



David cried out, "Who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?"

David was just a boy. He was not yet old enough to fight alongside his brothers. Instead he was there to bring food and tend to their weapons. Even so, his words stung the pride of his brothers and they questioned his motives for being there. Goliath was twice the size of any Israelite shoulder. And so, no one was brave enough to accept the challenge to single combat.

But David did not waver. He went to King Saul offering to champion Israel against the giant. Saul accepted David's offer. Perhaps the king was impressed with David's conviction. Or maybe Saul trusted in the power of God. Whatever the reason, David walked out into the shallow river valley, alone, to face the giant. His only weapon was a sling and a few stones. But again David showed his fearlessness in confronting this massive foe.

"You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down, and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD'S and he will give you into our hand."

Even if most people forget the details, almost everyone remembers the outcome. David kills Goliath. A single stone, shot from his sling, buried itself deep in Goliath's forehead.

It was an amazing victory, but it was not magic. God's grace prepared David for that critical moment. We know this because what is often overlooked is the fact that King Saul took some convincing. He was not eager to send a young untrained boy to die at the hand of the Philistine champion.

Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are but a youth, and he has been a man of war from his youth."

But David responded, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and when there came a lion, or a bear, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after him and smote him and delivered it out of his mouth; and if he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him and killed him. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, seeing he has defied the armies of the living God." And David said, "The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine."

David explained that, because he was the youngest son of the family it was his job to tend the family's flock of sheep. He wandered through the wilderness with the flock, enduring cold nights and hot days. David could not run for help when wild animals attacked his sheep. He had to fight them off alone. It was just through such experiences, that God prepared David for his mission.

God is behind every hardship and difficulty. Through them, He teaches us and disciplines our souls. God trains us to love and serve him better and better. Every difficulty we encounter in our lives, is either sent by God or permitted by Him for our benefit.

We are a fallen people. And we live in a fallen world. Man is wounded by original sin, and that wound makes us spiritual cripples. We forget that we are created to know and experience wisdom, joy, and God's love.

Christ has redeemed us. His sacrifice has healed our wounds. But now, by allowing us to know hardship, He retrains us. And that training takes discipline - trials and hardships. It takes going through the "narrow gate."

Nothing is outside of God's wise and loving plan for our salvation. And the main focus of that plan is to restore us to the fullness of life that sin has disrupted.

But how often do we forget this simple lesson?

Pax Vobiscum

Pray for the sick in our community, especially:



Anthony Androzzzi, Shaun Banagan, Patricia Becker, Theresa Bencken-Garn, Mary Carter, Adolf Cascardo, Eleanor Cates, Michael Cohee, Bill Dunphy, Red Du Pass, Melba Fiscus, Leilani Fitzgerald, Owen Foley, Patti Fox, Marcy French, Vienna Golsong, Pat Ingram, Dorris John, Robert Johnson, Kimberly Kaufman, John 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, Brenda Winn, Felino Yanesa & Elizabeth & Grecielia Zuranich.

† **Mass Intentions** †

21 Sunday (Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30)
8:00am
 † For the People (L)
10:30am · Family
 † Michelle Devincenzi (D) Don Devincenzi
 † Miguel Quiroga (D) Frech Family
 † Happy Birthday Laura Smith...Estacio Family
4:30pm · Youth
 † Happy Birthday John Murphy...Murphy Family

22 Monday (2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Mt 23:13-22)
6:30am

Queen'ship
 of the BVM
 † Marion Thomas (D) Thomas Family
8:00am
 † Risse & Vincent Families (L&D) Family



23 Tuesday (2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26)
6:30am

St. Rose
 of Lima
 † Fr. Leatherby (L) Thomas Family
8:00am
 † Andrew Mortallaro (L) Carl & Rose DiCapo

24 Wednesday (Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51)
6:30am

St. Bartholomew
 † Marion Thomas (D) Thomas Family
8:00am
 † Norm Anderson (D) Diane Anderson

25 Thursday (1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13)
6:30am

† Marion Thomas (D) Thomas Family
8:00am
 † Sr. Stephania (L) Angie Byers

26 Friday (1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13)
6:30am

† L&D Members of the Bradshaw & Mellon Families
8:00am
 † Sheila Cox (D) Barbara Fay

27 Saturday (1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30)
8:30am

† Mark Murphy (L) Paula Murphy
5:30pm · Vigil
 † Sid Curry (L) Deacon Dave & Jen Leatherby

28 Sunday (Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1,7-14)
8:00am

Twenty-Second Sunday
 in Ordinary Time
 † Gruenwald Family (L) Nash Gruenwald
 † Art Southern (D)
10:30am · Family
 † For the People (L)
 † Happy Retirement Kathleen Veloria!
 † Deacon Dave & Jen Leatherby (L) Byram's
4:30pm · Youth
 † Fr. Leatherby (L) Karim & Therese Obagi

Religious Education News

Contact Sidney Curry | DRE 482.8883

August

In celebrating this month of Our Lady's final journey to God in her glorious Assumption, let us ask her motherly intercession to draw souls to the Sacred Heart of her Son.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey too — of conversion to God and what he intends for us. RCIA is the process by which persons who were never baptized, or were baptized in another Christian tradition, become members of the Church, a people on pilgrimage to our Heavenly Father. Please contact Sidney at 482.8883.

God bless you!

Collections

August 13th & 14th—

\$11,509.50

Thank you for your contributions!

Please consider *FaithDirect* as a GREEN alternative to envelopes!

Call Barbara to inquire | 481.7441

Youth Ministry News



facebook.com/preslifeteen



@pbvmlifeteen



High School Youth

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES A SAFE AND BLESSED BREAK!



Middle School Youth

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES A SAFE AND BLESSED BREAK!

Check the bulletin for updates on youth activities.

Other PBVM Parish Phone Numbers



St. Vincent de Paul
 916.485.3482 · T/Th/F: 9-11am
 916.807.8185 · Voice or Text



Scrip | Diana Jimenez
 916.402.1028



Divine Mercy Prayer Line
 Mari Farnsworth
 916.215.2175



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 these other times as well:
This week's abortion schedule:
Tues – 8/23 | Wed – 8/24
Thurs 8/25 | Fri – 8/26 (7:30am–3pm)
Sat-8/27 (10:30am-12pm)

www.presentation-r2l.org

R2L Meetings every 3rd Monday at 6:30pm.
Next Meeting: 9/19



The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 22, 2016

O Mary Immaculate Queen, look down upon this distressed and suffering world. Thou knowest our misery and our weakness.
O Thou who art our Mother, saving us in the hour of peril, have compassion on us in these days of great and heavy trial.

Jesus has confided to thee the treasure of His Grace, and through Thee He wills to grant us pardon and mercy. In these hours of anguish, therefore, thy children come to Thee as their hope.

We recognize thy Queenship and ardently desire thy triumph.

We need a Mother and a Mother's Heart. Thou art for us the luminous dawn which dissipates our darkness and points out the way to life. In thy clemency obtain for us the courage and the confidence of which we have such need.

Most Holy and Adorable Trinity, Thou Who didst crown with glory in Heaven the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Savior, grant that all her children on earth may acknowledge her as their Sovereign Queen, that all hearts, homes, and nations may recognize her as Mother and as Queen.

Mary Immaculate Queen, triumph and reign! Amen!

Rachel's Vineyard

**A Spanish Rachel's
Vineyard Retreat**

HEALING AFTER ABORTION

September 30-Oct 2

Is someone you know suffering after an abortion, perhaps years after the choice? Please consider the Rachel's Vineyard Spanish Retreat. This unique and effective experience presents the mercy and compassion of God.

Open to women, men, couples & family members touched by abortion.

\$175 | Financial Assistance Available

Call Paula | 733.0161 or
projectrachel@scd.org

[Inquiries strictly confidential]

**THIS IS A SPANISH SPEAKING
RETREAT ONLY**



Gabriel Project reaches out to women during their pregnancy and afterward.

Want to volunteer?

We are looking for drivers & volunteers to work with clients. We are also in need of DIAPERS {Sizes 3, 4 & 5}

Interested in learning more?

Christina Marotti | 805.256.4801
Nicole Moniz | 916.524.9165

MINISTRY DAYS 2016

The work of the Church is a collaborative effort. We are all called to be one body as we carry out the mission of Jesus together. We want to renew our parishes and schools as centers of hospitality, prayer, formation, evangelization and centers of service!

All are WELCOME!

Sep 23 or 24 | St. Francis HS

www.ministrydays.com

Bibles & Catechisms

**Has someone in your life
shared his/her love of
Scripture with you?**

Would you like to share that love and gift with another?

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, Bibles and Catechisms are given to every adult and child in our RCIA process as a gift from our parish community. Our RCIA process is in need of donations for our adults and children inquiring to be 'one' with us.

The cost is \$25. Please make checks payable to our parish and indicate at the bottom that it is for an RCIA Bible.

**St. Therese Church &
Fr. Andrew**

invite you to the...

66th Annual



Parish Festival!

August 21—11:00am-5:00pm

(100 4th Street—Isleton)

Adult Chicken Dinner or

Mexican Cuisine—\$10

Kids Half order—\$5

FUN for the whole family!



PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS

A New Evangelization

Are you wanting a deeper relationship with our **LORD JESUS CHRIST?**

Do distractions interrupt your **PRAYER LIFE?**

SESSION STILL OPEN!

Holy Family Parish

Citrus Heights

Please call no later than August 24

Steve & Phyllis Risse—

916-722-9598

**For other workshops in the area,
call Eileen Beresford—806-7980**

News & Events at Presentation Parish!

Sacramento
Catholic Couples
Presents.....



Love

TOGETHER!

We are a growing group of engaged and married couples in our Diocese.

Please join us on the **2nd Friday** of each month in a different couple's home.

Fri—Sep 9th—6:30-8:30pm

Join us for our first evening of faith, food, fun and fellowship!!! We will be discussing

the DVD Series "*Beloved*"

All couples and babies welcome!
(no childcare provided)

For more info or to RSVP, contact
Chad & Kate Freeman | 316.2732



[facebook.com/groups/
1019351964771437](https://www.facebook.com/groups/1019351964771437)

—ADORERS NEEDED in our CHAPEL—

Is our LORD calling you to spend time with HIM?

We are desperately in need of late evening/early morning adorers in our Chapel.

Biblical

Reasons For

Wanting
To Spend

1 Hour

With *Jesus* In The Blessed
Blessed Sacrament

1. *He is really there!* "I myself Am the Living Bread come down from heaven." (Jn 6:35)
2. *Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because of His infinite love for you!* "Behold I will be with you always even to the end of the world," because "I have loved you with an everlasting love, and constant is my affection for you." (Mt 28:20; Jn 31:3)
3. *The specific way that Jesus asks you to love Him in return is to spend one quiet hour with Him in the Blessed Sacrament.* "Where your treasure is, there is your heart..." "Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Mt 6:21; 26:40)
4. *When you look upon the Sacred Host, you look upon Jesus, the Son of God.* "Indeed, this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks upon the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life. Him I will raise up on the last day..." (Jn 6:40)
5. *Each moment that you spend in His Eucharistic presence will increase His Divine Life within you and deepen your personal relationship and friendship with Him.* "I have come that you may have life, and have it more abundantly." "I am the Vine and you are the branches. Whoever remains in Me and I in Him shall bear much fruit because without Me, you can do nothing." (Jn 15:5)

—See Back Page for Available Holy Hours—

Senior Joy

NEWS...

Next Month—

Senior Joy Ministry Trip
RED HAWK CASINO

Wednesday | Sep 21

Limited Space Available
Call NOW to reserve
your spot!

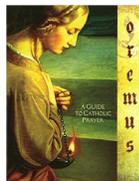
Fran Trinca | 359-8263

**Labor Day is Monday,
September 5th**

There will be **NO 6:30am Mass**
that morning.

Mothers for
Mary

Join our ministry
connecting moms at
Presentation for
fellowship, bible
studies & much more!



Join us
beginning on
September 8—
at 7pm

Using the 8-week "Oremus" study led
by Fr. Mark Troups on building the

Habit of Prayer

(Please RSVP by August 22)

COST—\$16.00

Thérèse Obagi | tezobagi@gmail.com

Questions about our ministry?

Email Christina Marotti
themarottis@gmail.com



St. VINCENT de PAUL'S

FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK!

Walking with Francis, Serving
with Hope & Mercy!

—A Year of Mercy Event—

Sunday | September 24th

St. Francis HS

Registration: 7:00am

Start Time: 8:00am

www.svdpusa.net/walk/1472

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US!

Find all our WALK EVENTS at:

www.svdp-sacramento.org



PRESENTATION PARISH EVENTS AUGUST 21 — SEPTEMBER 17

21 NO HEALING MASS	22 Legion of Mary 9:15am Charismatic 6:30pm RCIA Inquiry 6pm				26 Picture Day at School	27 FTH 9-11am
28	29 Legion of Mary 9:15am Charismatic 6:30pm RCIA Inquiry 6pm	30	31	1 <i>Sept</i>	2 No Parish Adoration	3 FTH 9-11am
4	5 8am Mass only Legion of Mary 9:15am 	6 Knitting 10:30am	7	8 SVdP Mtg 11am	9	10 FTH 9-11am
11	12 Legion of Mary 9:15am Charismatic 6:30pm RCIA Begins 6pm	13 Knitting 10:30am KofC Mtg 7pm	14 Senior Joy Book Club 12pm	15	16	17 FTH 9-11am

Eucharistic Adoration

Thank you to all who come to spend time with Our Lord
in the Blessed Sacrament!

Do you want to **grow closer to Our LORD?**

Is **HE** calling you to spend time with HIM?



Tuesdays | 1:30am-2:30am
Tuesdays | 2:30am-3:30am
Tuesdays | 4:30am-5:30am
Wednesdays | 12:30am-1:30am
Thursdays | 1:30am-2:30am
Thursdays | 2:30am-3:30am
Fridays | 1:30pm-2:30pm



Nicole Resch Sperber | 916.396.1341
pbvmadoration@gmail.com

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Aug 21—St. Therese Church Festival
Sep 23 & 24—Ministry Days | SFHS
Sep 24—SVdP ‘Friends of the Poor’
 Walk | St. Francis HS
Sep 30-Oct 2—*Spanish* Rachel’s
 Vineyard Retreat
Nov 10-21—Dominican Pilgrimage



NEED SCRIP?!?!

**For all your ‘back to school’
shopping needs, gas cards,
restaurants, and grocery stores —
we’ve got you COVERED!**

**Available after most
Sunday Masses and in the
school office.**

*Thank you for supporting our
parish school!*

~ IMMACULATA ~ MINISTRY & RENTAL INFORMATION

To use or rent our parish facility,
please contact:
Celeste Spitz—Immaculata Coordinor
916.923.8272
facilities@presentationparish.org

Publishing Deadlines: Church, School & Community Events

August 28 Bulletin
Due August 22
 By 12pm | Amy Glaser
 916-481-7441 x 202
communications@presentationparish.org

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