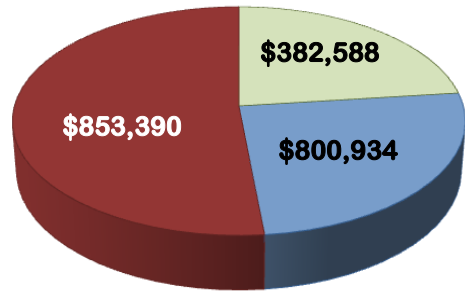


## Saint's Campaign Update



- Amount Received:  
27% of \$1,400,000
- Amount Pledged:  
57% of \$1,400,000
- Remaining Debt:  
61% of \$1,400,000

The graph provided shows the progress of the *Saint's Campaign* over the last couple of months. We deeply appreciate all of the generous donations which have allowed our parish to carry on its mission, and helped to eliminate the Bridge Loan Debt. Thank you for all of your continued support.



### Stations of the Cross

Come meditate on the Passion of Christ by praying the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent. Held inside the Church at 6pm.

### Lenten Friday Dinners

During the season of Lent, we will be sharing fellowship and fish dinners in the parish hall, right after the Stations of the Cross. Main course, sides and beverages will be provided. Donations are welcomed. The first dinner will be on Friday, February 24th, at 7pm.



### Office for Priestly Vocations Explorer Day

Have you ever wondered if God might be calling you to the priesthood? Explorer Day is a six-hour discernment experience for men interested in learning more about priestly ministry and how Jesus Christ calls one to this life of service.

The next Explorer Day is Saturday, March 17th, from 9am to 3pm. Please contact your parish priest for more information and to register, or contact Fr. Anthony Saroki at:

(619) 291-7446 or  
[asaroki@diocese-sdiego.org](mailto:asaroki@diocese-sdiego.org)

### CCD ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be no CCD classes on February 19th due to the holiday weekend. CCD classes will resume on Sunday, February 26th. The third First Holy Communion Class will be on Tuesday, February 28th, at 5:45pm.



# The Parish Newsletter

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February 19, 2012

## THE MYSTERY OF LENT

**What Is Lent?** Lent is the penitential season of approximately forty days set aside by the Church in order for the faithful to prepare for the celebration of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. During this holy season, the Catechumens prepare for Christian initiation, and current Church members prepare for Easter by a recalling of Baptism and by works of penance, that is, prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Even in the early Church, Lent was the season for prayerful and penitential preparation for the feast of Easter. Though the obligation of penance was originally only imposed on those who had committed public sins and crimes, by medieval times all the faithful voluntarily performed acts of penance to repair for their sins.

Ash Wednesday is the clarion call to "Repent and believe the gospel" (Mk 1:15). For the next forty days, the faithful willingly submit to fasting and self-denial in imitation of Our Lord's forty-day fast in the desert. It is in these dark and still nights, these desert times, that the soul experiences its greatest growth. There, in the inner arena, the soul battles the world, the flesh and the devil, just as Our Lord battled Satan's triple temptation in the desert. His battle was external, for Jesus could not sin; our battle is internal, but with a hope sustained by Christ's Easter victory over sin and death.

**Sunday**  
**The Lord's Day**

**Vigil on Saturday**  
6:00pm

**Sunday Masses**  
8:30am, 11:00am  
& 6:00pm

**Confession**  
30 minutes before  
Sunday Masses

**Weekday Mass**  
7:00am

**First Friday**  
**Mass**  
6:00pm



## Ash Wednesday

The act of putting on ashes symbolizes fragility and mortality, and the need to be redeemed by the mercy of God. Far from being a merely external act, the Church has retained the use of ashes to symbolize that attitude of internal penance to which all the baptized are called during Lent.

Ash Wednesday Masses: 7:00am & 6:00pm

**Support Parental Notification**

The Bishops of California support the effort to place an initiative on the November 2012 ballot that will require a doctor to notify parents 48 hours prior to an abortion being performed on their minor daughter.

We will be holding signups this weekend, February 18th and 19th, after all of the Masses. Tables will be located by the notice board in the piazza where you can show your support and learn more information about this initiative. You can make a difference! Please visit [www.caparentalrights.org](http://www.caparentalrights.org) to spread the word, raise funds, and help collect petition signatures.

**Scripture Unlocked**

On Monday, March 5th, at 7pm, John Paul the Great Catholic University will host their second *Scripture Unlocked*, a new and free series of dynamic talks on the first Monday of every month, led by top Biblical Theologians and Philosophers. This coming March lecture will be given by Dr. Christine Wood on "Opening the Gospel of Mark." Come for an evening of light refreshment and Scripture in Scripps Ranch at John Paul the Great Catholic University. To register for this free event, please visit:

[jpcatholic.com/scriptureunlocked](http://jpcatholic.com/scriptureunlocked)  
To learn more, please contact Colleen Monroe at (858) 653-6740 ext. 1713, or [cmonroe@jpcatholic.com](mailto:cmonroe@jpcatholic.com)

**Little Angels Group**

Little Angels, a group for preschoolers and their moms, meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month from 9:30am-11:30am, in the Kindergarten Classroom at the back of the Parish Hall. Join us on Tuesday, February 28th, for songs, a craft, and a lesson about our Catholic faith.



**Immaculate Heart Radio**

On March 1st, Immaculate Heart Radio, 1000AM KCEO, in San Diego, will launch its 26th Catholic Radio Station. Immaculate Heart Radio brings the Catholic message of faith to potentially millions of listeners in Southern California, from San Diego to the southern portion of Orange County. Tune in at 1:50pm on March 1st for the first live broadcast.

**Important Dates to Remember**

Sunday	February 19	<i>No CCD Classes - Holiday Weekend</i>	
Monday	February 20	<i>Office Closed - National Holiday</i>	
Tuesday	February 21	6:00pm	Mardi Gras Celebration
Wednesday	February 22	7am & 6pm	Ash Wednesday Masses
Friday	February 24	6:00pm	Stations of the Cross
Friday	February 24	7:00pm	Lenten Friday Dinners
Tuesday	February 28	9:30am	Little Angles Group Meeting
Tuesday	February 28	5-45pm-7pm	First Holy Communion Class
Wednesday	February 29	7pm-8pm	Lenten Penance Service
Friday	March 2	6:00pm	First Friday Mass
Saturday	March 3	9:00am	Women's Group Meeting



**4TH ANNUAL MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION**

**Tuesday, February 21st in the Parish Hall 6pm—9pm**

Come join in the pre-Lenten celebration with a potluck dinner, roasted pig, music, and dancing. Dinner starts at 6pm and entertainment at 7pm in the parish hall.

Last Name Brings:

<b>A-J</b>	<b>K-P</b>	<b>Q-Z</b>
<b>Main Dish</b>	<b>Dessert</b>	<b>Side Dish</b>

**2ND ANNUAL BEER BREWING CONTEST**

**ATTENTION ALL REGISTERED BREWERS:** Get ready to show off your beer! Each participant will be assigned a table that can be decorated according to their beer. Bring your beer bottled or by keg (taps must be included) - tasting cups will be provided. Please arrive 15-30 minutes early for check in and set up in the back room of the Parish Hall.