



# Encounter Jesus, Be Disciples

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**Fr. Patrick Mullen, Pastor**  
**Mass Times**  
 Monday - Friday 8:00 am  
 Saturday 5:00 pm  
 Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**  
 Saturday 3:45 - 4:45 pm

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel Hours**  
 Sunday - Friday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm  
 Saturday 3:00 - 9:00 pm

**Office Hours**  
 Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
 Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
 Saturday 3:00 - 6:15 pm  
 Sunday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

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Preparing for Lent  
**Ash Wednesday  
Masses**  
February 26  
8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm

Ash Wednesday begins our season of Lent, the annual forty-day retreat to grow closer to God through spiritual practices of prayer, fast, and almsgiving.

We come to Mass and receive ashes on our foreheads to remind us that we are in need of God's love and forgiveness.

Visit [www.padreserra.org/lent](http://www.padreserra.org/lent)

## The University Series




An adult education series in Lent  
7:30 - 9:30 pm, Serra Center

\$8/person, includes a guest:

- **Deep dive into Matthew** - Fr. Patrick Mullen, 4 Part Series. Monday, March 2, 9, 23, 30
- **Rekindling the Flame** - Sr. Carol Quinlivan, Tuesday, March 3
- **Where is the Pope taking the Church-now?** - John Allen, Tuesday, March 17
- **Good Grief: Telling A Thousand Stories** - Dr. Ross Porter, Tuesday, March 31

Find "Fr. Patrick's Picks" and more information at [www.padreserra.org/news/university-series](http://www.padreserra.org/news/university-series)  
Catalogs in the church lobby and parish office or visit [ventura.theuniversityseries.org/classes](http://ventura.theuniversityseries.org/classes)

**CROP Walk**



Sunday, March 8  
12:30 pm check in  
1:15 pm walk

**We walk because they walk!**

Hungry people in developing countries can walk up to 6 miles a day to get food and water for their families. With neighboring faith communities, we will raise funds and awareness, and help end hunger locally and around the world.

To learn more, register, volunteer, and sponsor Fr. Patrick and our Youth Ministry, visit us in the courtyard today or go to [www.padreserra.org/news/crop-walk](http://www.padreserra.org/news/crop-walk)

Carrie Perry (805) 443-5266,  
[jeff.perry5@verizon.net](mailto:jeff.perry5@verizon.net)



**Stations of the Cross  
Family Craft**

Sunday, March 15  
After 11:00 am Mass  
Serra Center

Come and join us in making a meaningful Lent project with your whole family!

This project will entail painting and decoupage peg people. Once completed, this set has the characters you need to act out the Passion of Jesus, including everyone you need for the 14 Stations of the Cross. Set this up in your home to remind everyone of Jesus' sacrifice for us and his triumphant resurrection.

Donation: \$10 per family.

RSVP is required to hold your kit, contact [christine@padreserra.org](mailto:christine@padreserra.org) or visit [www.padreserra.org/news/stations-craft](http://www.padreserra.org/news/stations-craft)



## Celebrate True Sabbath

*Sunday is a fun day for families, a day to spend time with God and friends. Enjoy the lovely fellowship and conversation in the courtyard, prayer gardens, chapel, and a myriad of ways to connect the kids. Plan to spend a couple of hours.*

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Restrooms</li> <li>2. Stay and Play<br/><i>Free toddler care (12-36 months) during 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses</i></li> <li>3. Little Church<br/><i>Sunday preschool (3 years through kinder), visitors welcome</i></li> <li>4. Sound loop technology<br/><i>In church works with t-coil equipped hearing aids</i></li> <li>5. Welcome and Information Gazebo</li> <li>6. Bell Tower Café<br/><i>Fresh donuts and coffee!</i></li> <li>7. Parish Office<br/><i>Visit our friendly staff</i></li> <li>8. Blessed Sacrament Chapel<br/><i>Intimate time with Jesus</i></li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. Prayer Garden<br/><i>Peace and tranquility, Mass may be heard through speakers</i></li> <li>10. Bride's Room<br/><i>For nursing moms, Mass may be heard through speakers</i></li> <li>11. In the Courtyard<br/><i>Friendly parishioners share ministry highlights and answer questions</i></li> </ol> <p><b>Liturgy of the Word</b><br/><i>Children in grades 1-5 hear the readings at their level. Children rejoin their families during the Eucharistic prayer. Visitors welcome.</i></p> |
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### GATHERING SONG

Blessed Be Your Name

Matt Redman & Beth Redman

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance

Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert  
place

**REFRAIN:** Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.

"Bless-ed be the name of the Lord, bless-ed be Your name. Bless-ed be the name of the Lord, bless-ed be Your glo-ri-ous name."

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offer-

**Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise....**

**GLORIA****Glory to God (Mass of St. Ann)**

Ed Bolduc

Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry!

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav-en - ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est. Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will. A - men.

**Reading 1**

Leviticus 10:1-2, 17-18

**Reading 2**

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

**Gospel Reading**

Matthew 5:38-48

Whoever keeps

the word of

*Christ.*

the

*love of God*

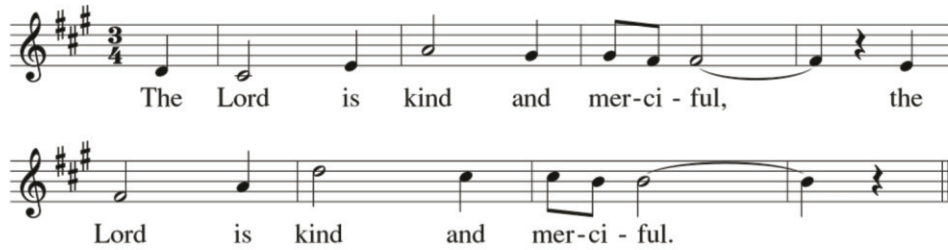
is truly perfected

in him.

1 John 2:5

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Psalm 103: The Lord is Kind and Merciful** Marty Haugen, Gather #75



The Lord is kind and mer-ci - ful, the  
 Lord is kind and mer-ci - ful.

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless God's name;  
 bless the Lord, and forget not God's benefits.
2. God pardons all your iniquities, and comforts your sorrows,  
 Redeems your life from destruction and crowns you with kindness.
3. Merciful, merciful, and gracious is our God;  
 slow to anger, abounding in kindness.

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**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia (Jubilation Mass)** James Chepponis



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel Acclamation from *Jubilation Mass* by James Chepponis  
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**DISMISSAL FOR CATECHUMENS**

**Go In Peace** Dominic MacAller



Go in peace to hear the word of God. Go in  
 peace to meet the ris-en Lord, the One who speaks to us in the  
 Gospel. Go in peace, go in peace. peace.

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**INTERCESSION RESPONSE**

O God, Hear Us

Bob Hurd



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**PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS**

Many and Great

Ricky Manalo, Gather #911

**EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS**

"Mass of Creation"

Holy, Holy, Holy

Memorial Acclamation A

Amen

Lamb of God

Marty Haugen

Gather #198

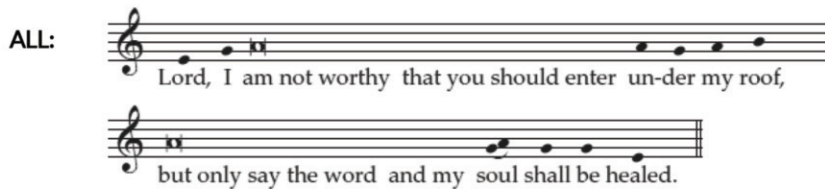
Gather #199

Gather #202

Gather #204

**Invitation to Communion**

Priest: *Behold the Lamb of God,  
 behold Him who takes away the sins of the world.  
 Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.*

**COMMUNION SONGS**

Ubi Caritas

Bob Hurd, Gather #696

Take O Take Me As I Am

John L. Bell, Gather #795

9:00—Behold, the Tabernacle of God

William Harris

**SENDING FORTH**

Alleluia! Give the Glory

Ken Canedo, Gather #844

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Please return extra worship aids to exits; take home one bulletin. Thank you.

## A New Way ... Love Your Neighbor

Dear friends on the journey,

Greek philosopher Heraclitus said, “change is the only constant in life.” But who likes change? I generally do not, unless it involves moving furniture! Change can often bring discomfort, fear and uncertainty. The thought of any of my kids or family moving away is gut wrenching. Anything that disturbs our daily comforts is overwhelming. On the other side of that same coin, change can bring us new people, adventures, experiences, joy and personal growth, both on the surface and deep down.

One constant change are the seasons. In the next few weeks spring will arrive, bringing a new earth, new light and new life. This Wednesday our liturgical season changes too. Lent begins our annual 40-day spiritual retreat, a time to reflect on our spiritual life and relationship with God. If done right, that reflection can lead to change, the positive kind, the kind that transforms our hearts and minds to be more like Jesus.

Jesus is constantly challenging us to change. To be his disciple means to shed our old ways and move closer to living the gospel values. Today’s readings are a perfect example of the radicalness of Christian discipleship. The readings are bookended by Lord telling the Israelites through Moses to “be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy” and Jesus telling his disciples (the apostles and us) to “be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.” How can we possibly be holy and perfect? In Luke perfect is synonymous with merciful. Well, in the middle we’re given part of the formula:

**Old Way**

*An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth  
Going to law over your tunic  
Pressed into service for one mile  
If someone asks to borrow something  
Hate your enemy*

**New Way**

*Turn the other check  
Just punishment  
Go two miles  
Give to another  
Pray for your enemy  
Love your neighbor as yourself*

What old way of yours is God calling you to change? Is it an unhealthy habit or addiction, a quick temper, too much time on a smart device? Is it an old grudge, impatience with your nextdoor neighbor or the store clerk, rage on the road, a family member with a different political opinion? Is it a lack of tolerance for the out-or-work man at the off ramp, the indifference to the homeless, the judgment of immigrants, the condemnation of those of other races, religions, sexual orientation?

This Lent is a good time to pray on your own area of growth and reflect on the new way, the transformational change to which God is calling you to be holy and merciful and love your neighbor as yourself.

*Siempre adelante!*



Teresa Runyon  
Faith Life Minister



## Sign-up Time!

- **Silent Retreats** In the courtyard today (see page 12)
- **Fairways to Heaven** In the courtyard today (see page 12)
- **CROP Walk** In the courtyard today (see page 2)
- **Stations of the Cross Family Craft** (see page 2)
- **The University Series** (see page 2)
- **Kairos** (see High School page 8)

## Children

*12 months to Grade 8.*

### Stay and Play ~ February 23 and March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Miss Nicole and Miss Andrea lovingly care for your little one (12 - 36 months) while you go to Mass. Stop by to see all the toys and fun. You are welcome to stay to be sure your toddler is settled. No-cost service. Sundays during the 9:00 am, and 11:00 am Masses. San Juan Bautista room. [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)

### Little Church ~ March 8, 15, 22, 29

Sunday preschool (age 3 through kindergarten) during Sunday Mass time. Register your child as soon as they turn 3. [soraya@padreserra.org](mailto:soraya@padreserra.org)

### Liturgy of the Word ~ March 8, 15, 22, 29

Children, in grades 1 to 5, are invited to a separate area to hear the readings and Gospel proclaimed at their level from the Children's Lectionary. Children rejoin their families in church in time for the Eucharistic prayer. During 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. [tere@padreserra.org](mailto:tere@padreserra.org)

### Spark! ~ February 25

Grades 1 to 5. This week's curriculum is Family Event Mardi Gras, Tuesday, February 25, at Serra Center. We begin at 6:00 pm. [tere@padreserra.org](mailto:tere@padreserra.org)

### Three:Sixteen ~ February 26

Grades 6, 7 and 8. This week we will celebrate Ash Wednesday, this will be a no dropoff event. All families are encouraged to participate. Please check-in for attendance credit. [tere@padreserra.org](mailto:tere@padreserra.org)

## High School

*Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome!*

### 4:12 ~ February 26

Join Brett and peer leaders, we will be participating in Ash Wednesday service.

### Confirmation Year 2 ~ February 23

Very important session today! Retreat Prep day – don't miss it!

### Kairos ~ March 26 - March 29

High School Seniors retreat. Price per person: \$215 (scholarships

available). Transportation included. For more information contact: [brett@padreserra.org](mailto:brett@padreserra.org). Register today at [www.padreserra.org/news/kairos](http://www.padreserra.org/news/kairos)

## Youth & Young Adults

*Everyone 14 to 39ish is welcome! [youngadults@padreserra.org](mailto:youngadults@padreserra.org)*

### Peer Leaders ~ February 25, March 3, 10, 17, 31

A vital aspect of all our ministry to youth. Peer leaders help engage our Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly Confirmation sessions, our annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. Dates are subject to change, ask Brett to add you to our GroupMe to keep you updated. If you are confirmed and are interested in joining our team contact [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org), [www.padreserra.org/news/peer-leaders](http://www.padreserra.org/news/peer-leaders)

## Adults

### JustFaith Catholic ~ Begins February 24

*Journey to Justice*, an eight-week series, will explore the realities of racial and economic inequalities in the U.S., with the ultimate goal of introducing new and creative choices for a more just and faith-filled life as individuals and a community of faith. As we apply the Christian vision of love and justice to the world, God's love and justice draw us into the lives of those who are in peril or in harm's way. Readings, videos, speakers, and exercises are designed to help us see through the lens of faith. Questions/registration: [Michelle.mcpaschens@gmail.com](mailto:Michelle.mcpaschens@gmail.com)

### Cancer Support Group ~ February 25

*Embracing Your Journey* provides hope, empowerment, love, and prayer in a comforting atmosphere of encouragement. It is a safe environment for people touched by cancer to connect with others productively and spiritually. 6:30 pm, San Fernando room. Lou Ann (805) 551-8014.

### Caregivers Support Group ~ February 25

*Caritas* offers support to those who are caring for an aging parent, relative, or spouse. 7:00 pm, Carmel room. [Patricia.sentclan@gmail.com](mailto:Patricia.sentclan@gmail.com)

### Centering Prayer ~ February 26

Silence is God's language. Centering Prayer is a method of contemplative prayer that opens us up to experience God's presence within us. Both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship, Centering Prayer serves to enhance other prayer forms. Come and rest in God! Wednesdays at 6:45 pm, Santa Clara room. [Vivian.vpatv@outlook.com](mailto:Vivian.vpatv@outlook.com)

### Men's Ministry ~ February 26

*Illuman* is a ministry for men, by men, to honor the uniqueness of male spirituality. Bimonthly group gatherings are designed to help guys become better, more authentic men. 7:00 pm, San Miguel room. [Dave.dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com](mailto:Dave.dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com)



### Men's Retreat Fundraiser ~ March 4

Save the date for dinner at Toppers Pizza and support the men's retreat. Proceeds will help with scholarships for the men's weekend silent retreat, April 24 - 26. Watch for flyers.

### Military Family Ministry

We invite active and reserve military members and families to connect for fellowship, support, and engagement in our parish family for as short or as long as you're here. We'd love to hear from you. Contact Dave [militaryministry@padreserra.org](mailto:militaryministry@padreserra.org)

### Open Hearts

A fellowship ministry where individuals and families of the LGBTQ community are welcome to share experiences, strength, support, and hope. Start with Sue: [openheartspadreserra@gmail.com](mailto:openheartspadreserra@gmail.com)

### St. Vincent de Paul

We offer tangible assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. Aid may take the form of intervention, consultation, or often through direct dollar or in-kind service. Those in need of assistance should call (805) 504-4753.

### Pastoral Care

Available in the parish office with Teresa Runyon, Faith Life Minister. Teresa will listen and help you to discern your needs and provide referrals to our many support ministries, clergy, or other resources. (805) 482-6417 x322, [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)

## In the Community

### Retreat for Medical and Dental Professionals ~ March 27 - 29

Mission Doctors Association invites doctors, dentists, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants considering short-term mission service for a retreat/seminar at Loyola Marymount. 11 CME available. Learn more at [www.missiondoctors.org](http://www.missiondoctors.org)

## Giving

*"It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith not only with words but with our actions"* – Pope Francis

## Becoming Catholic

### Reception into the Catholic Church: A Sign of Unity

This Sunday at the 11:00 am Mass, three baptized Christians will be received into the Catholic Church through a beautiful ceremony called "The Rite of Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church." We do not re-baptize validly baptized Christians. They will be asked to profess their faith by saying the Creed along with us and by stating their belief in Catholic teaching with an "I do." They will then receive the sacrament of Confirmation. The high point of the rite is when they receive Holy Communion for the first time since Eucharist is a sign of unity not just with Jesus, but with each other who are the Body of Christ. If you would like to know more about the process of becoming Catholic, please contact Catherine Shaddock at (805) 482-6417 x331 or [catherine@padreserra.org](mailto:catherine@padreserra.org)

## Faith Sharing

*Reflection questions for every gathering around any table.*

### Matthew 5:38-48 ~ God's love invites us to wholeness

In today's gospel, Jesus gives us some really hard commands: turn the other cheek, love your enemies, pray for those who persecute you. What is your understanding of these, and how might you use one or more these in a situation you are currently in?

## Prayer Life

### First Friday Adoration

Come spend some time for quiet prayer before our Lord Jesus. This devotional prayer practice allows us to praise and adore Jesus, and also for our gracious Lord to reach out and adore us. 3:00 - 7:00 pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel. To commit to one hour, contact [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)

### Pray for Our Sick

Shirley Brown, Jacob Cano, Felicia Cole, Caydren Jace Colobong, Baby Wyatt Davis, Cathy Dominguez, Debbie Greiman, Patricia Hurd, Lloyd Kelly, Michael Lee, Adele Marietta, Nicholas Marietta, Carmen Marquez, Akemi Saito McLaren, Mark Medina, Rose Marie Miller, Beverly Morgan, John Padour, Margaret Pappin, David Proett, Molly Ridges, Victor Rodriguez, Kelly Ryan, Berta Segundo, Dorothy Simmons, Jackson Soyster, Francisco Tapia, Luz Villarama, Dave Will, Louis Wolters and Chris Wood. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)*

### Remember Our Dead

*Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently. May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.*

### Prayer Opportunities

Daily Readings: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)  
 Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday 7:45 am, Church  
 Rosary: Monday - Friday 8:30 am, Church  
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays 6:30 pm, Church  
 Centering Prayer: Wednesdays 6:45 pm, Santa Clara room  
 First Friday Adoration: 3:00 - 7:00 pm, Chapel  
 Prayer Chain: prayers anytime  
 Bette (805) 482-0067 [bette\\_church@hotmail.com](mailto:bette_church@hotmail.com)  
 Shirley (805) 482-2617 [brownshehorn@gmail.com](mailto:brownshehorn@gmail.com)  
 Mass Intentions: Monthly list is available in the parish office.

## Special Needs

### Gluten-Free

If gluten is affecting your ability to receive the Body of Christ in Communion, contact Jane (805) 482-6417 x320 or [jane@padreserra.org](mailto:jane@padreserra.org) and give her your name, and the Mass you usually attend.

### Need a Helping Hand?

If you or someone you love struggles to get from the parking lot to the church or any difficulties with seating in the church, contact Teresa (805) 482-6417 x322 or [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)



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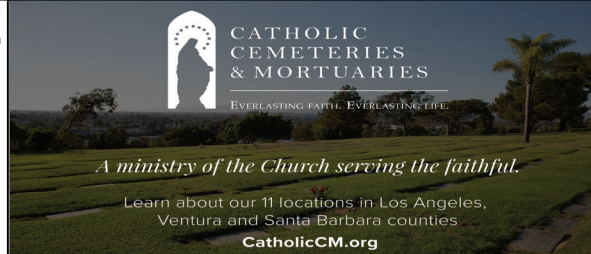
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Questions/RSVP: Dave Gutierrez  
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Contact Dave [dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com](mailto:dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com). Learn more and register online at [www.padreserra.org/news/mens-retreat](http://www.padreserra.org/news/mens-retreat)

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