

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday - February 14 - 6:30 AM
Scott & Adrian Fisher, 1st Anniversary

Saturday - February 14 - 5:00 PM
Jose Rodriguez, for his Health

Sunday - February 15 - 7:30 AM
+Francis Kelly & +Josephine Di Martino

Sunday - February 15 - 9:00 AM
+Maria Mendoza --- Req. by Dante Sanchez

Sunday - February 15 - 10:30 AM
Cristel, Bianca, Edgar & Emy Uy & for all the Aborted Children

Sunday - February 15 - 12:30 PM
Missa Pro Populo

Sunday - February 15 - 5:00 PM
Holy Souls in Purgatory

Monday - February 16 - 6:30 AM
+Gaspar & +Dorte Aquino

Monday - February 16 - 8:00 AM
Peter Truong & Family --- Req. by the Troung Family

Tuesday - February 17 - 6:30 AM
+Laura Alcala Marfil

Tuesday - February 17 - 8:00 AM
Barbara Biane

Wednesday - February 18 - 6:30 AM
+Crisanta, +Maria & +Eufenia Aquino

Wednesday - February 18 - 8:00 AM
+Ambrocio Evangelista & +Amalia Evangelista

Thursday - February 19 - 6:30 AM
John & Allen Thornes, their Birthdays

Thursday - February 19 - 8:00 AM
+George Estrada, Jr.

Thursday - February 19 - 9:00 PM
Philomena Dias --- Req. by Avila Family

Friday - February 20 - 6:30 AM
+William Brown

Friday - February 20 - 8:00 AM
+Joaquin Venegas

Saturday - February 21 - 6:30 AM
John Mikla --- Req. by Cathy Perez

Saturday - February 21 - 5:00 PM
Art Foltz, his Birthday

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 16th
in honor of President's Day.

INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK

Vanessa Vargas, Mother Lily, Susie Hudson, Peter & Barbara Halpin, Eugene Hackbarth, Michael, Garrett, Ron & Steve Espalin, Robert McElhenney, Tim Kline, Noah Portka, Sue Strough, Robert, Marysia& Tyler Johnson, Hahn Family,Walter Sr. & Helen McGee, Joe, Evelyn & Ramona Aranda, Doreen Botelho, Luis Tiong, Laura Ann Lima, Therese Aaker, Amelia Gonzales, Jim McCann, Sr. Kathleen Lamia, Mary, Daniel & Ron Moore Sr., Dona R. Powell, Fabian Victor, Hannemann Family, Jeffrey Farmer, James Jhun, Fr.Louis Marx, Marie Poulin, Paula Gerber, Hilma Anderson, Betty Mead, Lisa Nolte, Gay Yuhas, Ed Kristy, Denise Ybarra, Jude Zechariah Aquino, Dominguez Family, Ken Onoda, Gail Hudson, Magdalena Alba, Elizabeth Sharr, Mercy Almanzar, Rosie Estrella, Martina Medina, Donna Loeffler, Marie Maete, Mary Montero, Josie Edmisten, Lilly Magana, Amy Reimer, Carmen Sanchez, Ed Pane, Gilbert P. Espinoza, Tina Pounds, Shelly Anders, Hazel Munoz, Simone The, Steven & Ann Onwuegbule, Joe Huerta, Frank Aguirre

INTENTIONS FOR THE DECEASED

Gabriel, Connie, Fred, Tony, Al & Christine Aguirre, Joseph Gilwood, David O. Powell, Gilbert Galeana, Barbara Kutrosky, Louie Ortiz, Ofelia Camacho, Yolanda Martinez, Anthony Huerta, Kayla Mueller

CHOOSE LIFE – Pregnancy Hot Line (909) 398-4838

In an article headlined “100 million ‘missing’ girls”, Boston Globe Columnist Jeff Jacoby describes the practice of aborting unborn girls in societies as varied as South Korea, India, Japan, China, Singapore, and some of the former Soviet republics. He notes, “It is not material poverty that leads these cultures to blithely accept the killing of their very youngest girls. It is a poverty of values, an ancient prejudice that views daughters as a financial burden, rather than a blessing to be cherished.” Boston Globe, 3/14/10

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - Feb. 18th - March 29th

40 Days for Life is gearing up for their next campaign! Please pray for this movement and specifically for the upcoming 40 Days for Life campaign this Spring--the power of prayer has saved nearly 10,000 babies since 40 Days for Life started!

For 40 straight days and 40 nights local volunteers, families, and church groups keep a peaceful and prayerful vigil outside hundreds of abortion clinics across America.

The results have been nothing short of amazing: 9,699 babies saved from abortion, 107 abortion workers converted, 59 abortion facilities shut down, 650,000+ pro-life Americans praying and fasting for an end to abortion and 17,500 church congregations standing up for life!

Please consider joining your local 40 Days for Life in Pomona. (1550 North Garey Ave., Pomona) from 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM every day during the campaign. For more information please contact Steve Perez at pomonapro-life@gmail.com or visit 40daysforlife.com/pomona.

Please stop by the 40 Days for Life table after Mass today and find out how God can use you to help save lives this spring.

MAILING YEAR END TAX LETTERS BY REQUEST ONLY!
San Secondo will now only be sending tax letters to those who request it. To receive a tax letter you must be a registered parishioner. If you would like to receive your tax letter from the church call the Parish Office at 909-390-0011 to request one. Please provide a current mailing address and your parishioner number.

J.M.J.

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 15th, 2015

Mark of ASHES during Lent

Ash Wednesday, for me (not a Catholic), was the day my friend Penny came to school with a cross marked in ashes on her forehead. I knew that the practice was important to her, but I did not realize that it could hold meaning for me, too.

Later I learned that wearing ashes on the forehead is a sign of penitence, a public confession of sin, and a vow to turn from sin. The ashes came from palms (now burned) which had been blessed on Palm Sunday, the preceding year. They signify the hollowness of earthly glory. When the practice began centuries ago, penitents also wore sackcloth.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, a time of self-examination. Many Christians choose to give up something they desire during Lent as an exercise in self-denial, to encourage growth in self-discipline. They do not only turn away from something, but turn into something better as a replacement.

Such conscious change in behavior is more than an empty exercise. Psychologists tell us that if we choose a new behavior it is more than an empty exercise. Psychologists tell us that if we choose a new behavior for thirty days, it can become a real part of our everyday lives. As Christians, we have the ability to ask for God’s mercy and grace to help us make new behavior changes that will move us closer to the person God created us to be.

--Mary Lou Redding

A New Start

God, in His great mercy, has instituted the sacrament by which the sins committed after baptism may be remitted. No human being would ever have thought of this sacrament [of reconciliation] for it is something like a resurrection; we rise after we are dead. It is a journey back again to God. It enables us to get rid of infections before they become chronic diseases and epidemics. The sacrament of reconciliation is the inflowing of God’s mercy, and opportunity for the increase of the grace of Calvary. It is a medicine for the soul, the healing of our wounds, a homecoming, an undoing of the past; an opportunity to get a fresh start in life, another bath, a kind of second baptism.

--Fulton J. Sheen, Audio Tape, “Sin”

ASH WEDNESDAY – February 18th

Not a Holy Day of Obligation, but we urge all of the faithful to attend. The schedule of Masses at San Secondo d’Asti for Ash Wednesday is: 6:30 AM, 8:00AM and 7:00PM (Latin). Ash Wednesday is a day of **Fasting** and **Abstinence**.

Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Friday's in Lent by all Catholics 14 years or older.

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 60. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's own needs, but eating solid foods before meals is not permitted.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will have Stations of the Cross *inside the church* at 7:00 PM every Friday of Lent beginning on February 20th, 2015.

FR. JOHN LEWANDOWSKI TO GIVE A LENTEN MISSION TALK - FEB. 23 through FEB. 25

Father John Lewandowski will be giving a Lenten Mission talk on the universal call to holiness and the means on how to arrive to this. He will be giving the same talk twice a day with a different subject each day on February 23rd, 24th and 25th. The morning talk will start with the 8:00 AM Mass, 8:30 AM Exposition, 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Talk and 9:00 AM Benediction and Confession. He will be speaking a second time at 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Talk, 7:00 Exposition and 8:00 PM Benediction and Confession.

TOTAL CONSECRATION OF JESUS THROUGH MARY

The first meeting will be held Feb. 22nd, in the Parish Hall at 10:30 AM. Prayers start Feb. 22nd and ends March 24th with the Consecration on March 25th at the 8:00 AM Mass. Anyone interested in doing the 33 Day Consecration for the first time or renewing please RSVP. We will need a headcount for how many books to order.

Prayer for Lent

Lord, encourage us in this season of Lent to arise from the sickness of sin. As the cross of ashes is traced on our foreheads on this day, may we be reminded that Christ’s conquest of death is our entrance to a new life. We pray that our observance of this season will show us worthy of His sacrifice. Amen.

REVIEW YOUR FAITH

What is meant in the Apostles' Creed by "the forgiveness of sins"?

By the "forgiveness of sins" in the Apostles' Creed is meant that God has given to the Church, through Jesus Christ, the power to forgive sins, no matter how great or how many they are, if sinners truly repent.

Readings: Cycle B, Weekday Readings: Year 1

2/16/15 Gn 4:1-15, 25, Mk 8:11-13 (335)
2/17/15 Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10 Mk 8:14-21(336)
2/18/15 J1 2L12-18, 2 Cor 5:20-6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 (319) - Ash Wednesday
2/19/15 Dt 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25(220)
2/20/15 Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15 (221)

February General Intention from our Holy Father: That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild their lives with dignity.

Mission Intention from our Holy Father: That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community.

Lent

Time to practice the gospel counsels of prayer, fast and abstinence and giving alms. Time of divine mercy, of pardon, of grace. Time to come back to our Father's house. Time to extend a helping hand in love and service. Time to give and to receive forgiveness. Time to show change through deeds of justice.