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Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily Mass

8:00 am: M, W, Th, F

Holy Days

Please see The Messenger

THE MESSENGER



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

**First Saturday to Honor
the Immaculate
Heart of Mary**
Mass 9:00 am

**First Friday to Adore the
Sacred Heart of Jesus**
Exposition/Adoration
10:30 am-11:15 am
(Benediction follows)
Confessions
10:35 am-11:15 am
Mass 11:30 am

Confession
Sat. 4:00 to 5:00 pm
or by appointment

Baptism
4th Sunday of the Month
Contact Fr. Timothy

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The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:

Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel.

Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

Church is Handicapped Accessible

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

March 3, 2019

Envelopes Used	115
Envelope Collections	\$ 5,202.00
Plate Collections	\$ 637.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,839.00

*The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal "Responding to GOD'S Grace"
Queen of Angels assessment for 2019 is \$32,000.*

ACA includes support for the following ministries: Catholic Schools and Tuition Assistance, Formation in the Faith, Prison Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, Seminarian Support, Retired Priests and Catholic Charities.

Through your gift, we impact thousands of lives in our local Church community. Thank you for your support as we participate in living the Church's mission to be a witness of compassion and mercy to those in need.

GOAL: \$ 32,000.00 PLEDGED: \$ 16,231.00 BALANCE: \$ 15,769.00

GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS MARCH 9-17, 2019

		<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
		Saturday, Mar 9	5:30 pm	For the People
		Sunday, Mar 10	8:00 am	†Steven Whetstine
Sunday:	<i>Lk 4:1-13</i>	Sunday, Mar 10	10:30 am	
Monday:	<i>Mt 25:31-46</i>	Monday, Mar 11	8:00 am	†Robert Fisher
Tuesday:	<i>Mt 6:7-15</i>	Tuesday, Mar 12	7:30 am	<i>Rosary</i>
Wednesday:	<i>Lk 11:29-32</i>	Wednesday, Mar 13	8:00 am	†Deborah Vanderwind-Fisher
Thursday:	<i>Mt 7:7-12</i>	Thursday, Mar 14	8:00 am	
Friday:	<i>Mt 5:20-26</i>	Friday, Mar 15	8:00 am	
Saturday:	<i>Mt 5:43-48</i>	Saturday, Mar 16	5:30 pm	For the People
Next Sunday:	<i>Lk 9:28-36</i>	Sunday, Mar 17	8:00 am	†Christine Lauffer
		Sunday, Mar 17	10:30 am	†Steven Whetstine



Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.

Amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, It shall be granted to them by my heavenly father. Matthew 18:19



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 T I M E S G S R F U L L
 F I J E O V E P E V I L
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**FIRST SUNDAY OF
LENT**

ALONE	ANSWERED	BECOME
BREAD	COMMAND	DAYS
DEVIL	ENDED	FORTY
FULL	GIVE	HOLY
HUNGRY	JESUS	JORDAN
LIVE	LORD	NOTHING
RETURNED	SAID	SHOWED
SPIRIT	STONE	TEMPT
TIME	TOOK	WHEN
WILDERNESS	WORSHIP	WRITTEN

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Special Evening Mass Please join us for Mass, hosted by the Knights of Columbus on **March 12**, at 6:15 pm. Father Gil will be presiding over this special Mass. All are welcomed!



Knights of Columbus There will be a Council meeting on Tuesday, **March 12**, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. All Knights are encouraged to attend.



Lent **Lenten Materials** You can still pick up Little Black Books with daily readings for each day in Lent, prayer coins, meditation booklets, study aids and more to help you focus on prayer this Lent. These items may be found on the table at the entrance to the church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

Your Knights of Columbus will award scholarships to practicing Queen of Angels students again this year.

Over the past three years, \$16,000 has been awarded.

Eligible high school seniors or current full-time college/trade-school students can apply for these awards to help fund tuition at an accredited school for the Fall 2019 academic year.

Applications will be available in the parish office.

For more information or if you wish to help us keep this program growing, please contact any parish Knight.



Stations of the Cross
Every Friday in Lent
at 6:30 pm in the church
(March 15, 22, & 29, April 5 & 12)

followed by a
Lenten Meal
at 7:00 pm in the hall
hosted by various parish families and communities.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Friday in Lent
following the
8:00 am morning Mass until 9:30 am.
First Friday Devotions-April 5 at 10:30 am.

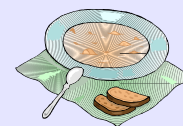
First Saturday Devotion to the
Immaculate Heart of Mary
Saturday, April 6,
Rosary at 8:30 am, Mass at 9:00 am

Additional Opportunities for Reconciliation
Monday, April 15, 9:00 am-10:00 am
Wednesday, April 17, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm
Thursday, April 18, After Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday, April 19, 1:00 pm-2:00 pm and

Monday, April 15, 7:00 pm,
At Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Lakeside

The Little Black Books and other Lenten Prayer materials are available at the entrance of church.

Friday are Days of Abstinence.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From now until April 14, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of peaceful prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

You're invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day period in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 1685 E. Main Street in El Cajon, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. Queen of Angels' assigned day is Tuesdays from 7am - 7pm with others from Our Lady of Light of Descanso.

If you'd like more information and especially if you'd like to participate, please contact: Daphne Brown at 619.887.7742.

Or visit the website at 40daysforlife.com/elcajon.



PASTOR'S PAGE

We began Lent and our preparation for Easter this past (Ash) Wednesday. This First Sunday of Lent we reflect upon the Temptation of Christ in the Judean desert [Lk 4:1-13]. The question may occur: 'Why does the Holy Spirit lead Jesus out into the desert to be tempted by the devil?' or 'Whose side is the Holy Spirit on?' When we reflect upon temptation in general we can see why it is so necessary to undergo in a limited manner, but at the same time we should pray that we may not enter into temptation, meaning undue temptation.

To really understand temptation we need to understand that old adage "You have one foot in the grave". What this means is that for a person only standing on one leg it only takes a little shove to tip him over. So to know about temptation we need to know first of all that, because of Original Sin, we are all disordered in our natural capacities of intellect and free-will. We all are all born with a lacking of the sanctifying grace that would make us whole (that's the one foot). This disorder in the very core of our souls means that it is only symptomatic for our desires to easily be led astray from our true good and wander toward illegitimate objects of pleasure (and sin) at which point that which is good in itself becomes a temptation. St. James speaks of this in his epistle where he says *"Let no one say when he is tempted, 'I am tempted by God'; for God cannot be tempted with evil and He Himself tempts no one; but each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin; and sin when it is full-grown brings forth death..."*

So it is not God Who tempts us, rather we are tempted by our own disordered desires (concupiscence) toward sin and death when we go outside the bounds that delimit the freedom of our rational nature. Freedom does not mean free license – doing whatever I please. True freedom means having the liberty to choose what I must in order to be fully human. A monkey doesn't choose to act like a monkey – he is so by nature and he is not free to be anything otherwise. When a man chooses to act like a monkey however he is really playing the ass. To say that, because Adam and Eve were not allowed to eat of one tree in the Garden of Eden they were therefore not free, in not true. They were free to disobey. However, because they exercised what they thought was their 'freedom' to eat the fruit we all ended up slaves to our inordinate desires that bind us to sin and its consequent, death. What are we to conclude then? Should we all play it safe and not enter into temptation by blocking our eyes, ears, and mouth (see no evil, say no evil, hear no evil)? Well, even a man in a North Pole igloo can sin.

In point of fact, we need to acknowledge that some tests and trials are actually good for us. Necessity is the mother of invention means that when our back is against the wall we will find out of what we are truly made. This is the testimony of time and of Sacred Scripture. St. James the Apostle makes it clear [1:2-4] that some trials are beneficial for us... *"Count it all joy, my brethren, when you meet various trials, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing"*. St. Paul says the same [Rom 5:3-5], and St. Peter concurs with the joy that James speaks of...

"In this you rejoice, though now for a little while you may have to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold which though perishable is tested by fire, may redound to praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Without having seen him you love him; though you do not now see him you believe in him and rejoice with unutterable and exalted joy. As the outcome of your faith, you obtain the salvation of your souls". [1 Peter 1:6-9]

In fact, all throughout Sacred Scripture there are injunctions, pleas, to not be discouraged by tests and trial. For God tested Abraham [Gen 22:1-21] and all the patriarchs [Judth 8:25-27], Moses, the judges, kings and prophets. Indeed, it is made clear that when God loves a man He sends him trials and tests him – not to make man fall – but to strengthen him. *"As a man disciplines his son, so The Lord disciplines you [Deut 8:2-5]"* . . . that He may humble you and test you, to do you good in the end [Deut 8:16]. To describe the depth of this purging that God's chosen elect must undergo SS alludes again and again to FIRE and FURNACE. So the Book of Wisdom states, *"For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of Himself; like gold in the furnace He tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering He accepted them [Wis 3:4-6]"*. Again, in the Book of Sirach, *"Accept whatever is brought upon you, and in changes that humble you be patient. For gold is tested in the fire, and acceptable men in the furnace of humiliation [Sirach 2:4-5]"*.

Notice that just as gold is loved by men and is tested, purified in fire; so are men who are acceptable to The Lord tested and purified in the furnace of humiliation. *"I Am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch of Mine that bears no fruit, He takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit [Jn 15:1-2]"*. And lest any man think that he is tested beyond reason and right measure, St. Paul makes it clear that this is not the case, *"Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will*

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also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it [I Co 10:12–13]. This is because we have a God that sympathizes [Gk *sympatheia*, *syn* with + *pathos* feelings] with us; a God not merely in the heavens, but One Who has condescended to become a man like us, in all ways but sin. A God-man, Jesus Christ, Who can stand between us and God's justice so as to communicate mercy in time of need. The Letter to The Hebrews [4:15–16] reminds us, *"For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One Who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."*

So we receive *"grace to help in time of need"*, for *"where sin abounds grace abounds all the more [Rom 5:20]"*. What we can conclude from all this is that there is a difference, on the one hand, of tests and trials that God sends us (so that we may grow, endure, and be strengthened); and on the other hand, that which is called "temptation" proper, which man, of his own free-will, enters into. We must not enter into the near occasions of sin, tempting The Lord, so to speak [Deut 6:16; Sirach 18:23; I Cor 10:9]. It is like testing waters that we know are boiling – we *will* get burned! *"Fools tread where angels fear to follow"*, is the old adage. This is why tests and trials are counted an actual blessing for the Christian [James 1:12], and temptation is something to fear, and pray 'Our Father' in heaven that we enter not into [Mt 6:9 and Lk 22:40].



Blessings,
Father Tim

Catholic Politicians Voting for Infanticide or Abortion Up to Birth are "On a Path to Hell"

by Micaiah Bilger Mar 1, 2019 | Washington, DC

Catholic Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann issued a strong warning to Catholic political leaders who support infanticide and abortion up to birth.

Naumann, **the chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities** and archbishop of Kansas City, Kansas, said those who refuse to repent for supporting the killing of babies are putting themselves on "a path to Hell."

"While we can object to the actions of these public officials, we are not able to judge their souls. At the same time, we know there will be a Judgment Day," he said in a statement last week. "Conscious and unrepentant mortal sin endangers our eternal souls and places ourselves on a path to Hell."

The archbishop did not mention any Catholic pro-abortion politicians by name, but many are well-known to pro-lifers.

They include New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, who recently signed and celebrated a state law that legalizes abortions for basically any reason up to birth, and U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, who is blocking legislation to protect infants born alive after botched abortions.

Full Story at: <https://www.lifenews.com/2019/03/01/archbishop-catholic-politicians-voting-for-infanticide-or-abortion-up-to-birth-are-on-a-path-to-hell/>

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NEW FOR EASTER PREPARATION – 40 days of WORD ON FIRE

For a limited time only! Queen of Angels is offering Bishop Robert Barron's **WORD ON FIRE** to our parishioners. What better way to prepare for Easter Resurrection during this time of Lent than to inform our minds about the Truths of the Catholic Faith with **Word on Fire "Engage"!**

YES, our parish now has access to premium video content from Word on Fire.

These films and videos feature **Bishop Robert Barron** who has been hailed as "one of the Church's greatest messengers" and is the second most-followed Catholic in the world on social media (behind only Pope Francis.) Thanks to Flocknote, our parish's email and texting tool, we can now send you short Bishop Barron videos with engaging questions via email or text message. We encourage you to participate in our parish discussions as together we draw deeper into the Faith.

In addition, **you now have access to the entire Word on Fire digital video library.** You can watch any of Bishop Barron's films or study programs whenever you want, on any device!

If you have not already received an email from the parish there are 2 easy ways to connect:

◇ Visit our church at: flocknote.com/queenofangels1

..... OR

◇ Text queen to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.



LENT: A GRACE-FILLED OPPORTUNITY TO ROOT OUT SIN BY JANEL ESKER

When our daughter was born, my husband and I bought a tree at an end-of-season sale to plant in her honor. It sat all winter looking quite dead. As warmer temperatures arrived in the spring, I anxiously watched for signs of budding, quite aware of the one year guarantee on my sales receipt—if the tree didn't blossom within the first year, I could uproot it and return it for a full refund.

I'm not sure how I'd have responded if a gardener had begged me to keep the tree past the deadline. I'd lose my chance at a refund, and what would be the likelihood of the tree really "coming back to life" if it hadn't done anything within the first year? It would take a lot of trust in the gardener and in the tree's potential to give it another chance.

In today's Gospel, God is both owner and gardener. There comes a time for God's judgment on us, but God is also the one who continually offers graced opportunities to repent and change our behaviors. We also hear Jesus speak of the untimely deaths of innocent people in his community.

These stories remind us that our lives are fragile and we don't know when our time on earth will end. God expects us to always be prepared to meet him and his judgment.

Are we taking advantage of this Lent as a grace-filled opportunity to root out sin and prune our lives of unfruitful tendencies?

God expects much, and God graces us with much—it's up to us to do the growing.

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A failed Vatican 'Summit' only Postpones the Final Reckoning

By Phil Lawler | Feb 27, 2019 <https://www.catholicculture.org/commentary/otn.cfm?id=1333>

As I predicted a week ago, the ballyhooed Vatican “summit” on sexual abuse has produced little more than strong statements: statements of the sort that the Catholic laity have come to expect... and to mistrust.

The bishops who gathered in Rome last week did nothing to address the seething anger of the American Catholic laity. They said nothing about the McCarrick scandal, about how it occurred and who was involved. Despite a public plea from Cardinals Burke and Brandmüller, and a separate exhortation by Archbishop Vignano, they said nothing about the influence wielded by homosexual networks in the Vatican.

The bishops *did* speak about accountability, but they did not take any action to ensure that they would be held accountable. In one revealing confrontation, when a television reporter asked the bishops how they could expect to regain the trust of their people, Cardinal Blase Cupich replied that he would hold *himself* accountable. But if I have learned that I cannot trust you, you certainly cannot regain my trust by saying, in effect, “Trust me.”

Pope Francis, in his own public statements, repeated his familiar promises that the Church will not tolerate abuse. But, sad to say, the leadership of the Church *has* tolerated abuse, and the Pontiff gave us no reason to expect a dramatic change.

On the contrary, the statements by Pope Francis created the impression that the Vatican is only now beginning to grapple seriously with a problem that has beset the Church for two decades now. When he offered his reflections for the participating bishops, he began with the suggestion: “To prepare a practical handbook indicating the steps to be taken by authorities at key moments when a case emerges.”

Are we to believe, then, that at this late date, there is not *already* such a handbook? Nearly five years have passed since Pope Francis created his own Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors. What has that group been doing all this time? Why did we not hear a discussion of the commission’s proposals?

In fact the Pontifical Commission was virtually ignored during the “summit meeting.” The group’s chairman, Cardinal Sean O’Malley, was not a member of the organizing committee for the event, nor was he one of the featured speakers. The meeting did not begin with an agenda furnished by the Vatican group that has been working on this issue, nor did it end with a commitment to strengthen the commission’s authority. Archbishop Mark Coleridge actually suggested the creation of a new Vatican office to handle the sex-abuse scandal—overlooking the fact that such an office already exists!

For several years, Cardinal O’Malley’s commission has pushed for a formal mechanism that would hold bishops accountable for their handling of sex-abuse complaints. (Pope Francis went so far as to create that tribunal, but then, under pressure, withdrew his approval and let the initiative die.) At the summit, Archbishop Charles Scicluna told reporters that the current system for holding bishops accountable is superior to a tribunal, because it gives the Pope greater latitude. But that was cold comfort, at a time when Italian newspaper headlines told stories about bishops who had been *promoted* by Pope Francis, even after they had been accused of tolerating or even committing abuse.

Before the meeting began, I held out a slim hope that some bold bishops—perhaps from our American continent—would stand up against the Vatican public-relations machinery and demand serious answers to serious questions. Alas, it was not to be.

Perhaps the Vatican believes that the public outrage about the abuse scandal is an exclusively American phenomenon, which can safely be ignored. If so, they are operating under a dangerous illusion. Yes, it is true that the scandal has produced the greatest—and angriest—reaction here in the United States. But the scandal continues to spread around the globe, and the anger and frustration is bound to escalate.

Consider the stories that broke during just those four days of the summit meeting:

- An American priest, working on a Vatican tribunal, had remained at his post for months despite a credible accusation of abuse. (The Vatican press office, with a typical disdain for transparency, refused to comment on the case.)
- Cardinal Oswald Gracias—a member of the Council of Cardinals and a participant in the summit—was accused of refusing to listen to an abuse victim in his own Mumbai, India archdiocese.
- In Sicily, the Arcireale diocese was fighting off complaints that its leaders had ignored abuse by the leader of a popular lay movement.
- From Argentina came new evidence that Archbishop Gustavo Zanchetta was promoted by the Pope to a sensitive Vatican post after his sexual misconduct was reported to Rome. Inés San Martín, who covered the story for Crux, asked: “How can we believe that this is in fact the last time we’re going to hear ‘no more cover-ups’ when at the end of the day, Pope Francis covered up for someone in Argentina who had gay porn involving minors?”
- And Archbishop Coleridge, who delivered the homily at the Mass closing the summit meeting, is now under investigation in Australia after complaints that he covered up evidence of abuse.

The scandal continues to fester; the pot continues to boil; the frustration and anger of the laity continue to mount. The Vatican “summit” may have postponed the reckoning, but that reckoning is coming.