

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

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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



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

February 23, 2020

Envelopes Used	96
Envelope Collections	\$ 5,276.00
Plate Collections	\$ 542.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,818.00

*The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal "Gratitude in Action" has begun.
Queen of Angels assessment for 2020 is \$30,000.*

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: \$ 30,000.00 PLEDGED: \$ 6,535.00 BALANCE: \$ 23,465.00

GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS FEBRUARY 29-MARCH 8, 2020

		<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
		Saturday, Feb 29	5:30 pm	For the People
Sunday:	<i>Mt 4:1-11</i>	Sunday, Mar 1	8:00 am	Ruth Pint
Monday:	<i>Mt 25:31-46</i>	Sunday, Mar 1	10:30 am	Joan & David Pint
Tuesday:	<i>Mt 6:7-15</i>	Monday, Mar 2	8:00 am	Shirene Miller
Wednesday:	<i>Lk 11:29-32</i>	Tuesday, Mar 3	7:30 am	Rosary
Thursday:	<i>Mt 7:7-12</i>	Wednesday, Mar 4	8:00 am	Nilda Abad
Friday:	<i>Mt 5:20-26</i>	Thursday, Mar 5	8:00 am	
Saturday:	<i>Lk 5:43-48</i>	Friday, Mar 6	11:30 am	
Next Sunday:	<i>Mt 17:1-9</i>	Saturday, Mar 7	9:00 am	
		Saturday, Mar 7	5:30 pm	†Jean Tebeek
		Sunday, Mar 8	8:00 am	†Jim Price
		Sunday, Mar 8	10:30 am	For the People



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*

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

J T T O T A R S T O N E
E R S P E F O R T Y P M
S N T V M T M D B C I A
U I I Y P E E P O H H C
S G R N T R T M U P S D
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D I A S F T C D A Y S M
V V F A S T E D E V I L
N E H T J W B T O O K E

AFTERWARD	AGAIN	ALONE
ANGELS	ANSWERED	BECOME
BREAD	CAME	COMMAND
DAYS	DEVIL	EVERY
FASTED	FORTY	GIVE
HUNGRY	JESUS	LIVE
LOAVES	LORD	NIGHTS
SAID	SPIRIT	STONE
TEMPT	TEMPTER	THEN
TOOK	WILDERNESS	WORSHIP

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Religious Education Please take note: There will be a very important Parent's meeting of all children in 2nd grade on Sunday, **March 1** at 9:15 am. Please plan to attend this meeting.



Bingo Come join us in the parish hall **Wednesday**, evening, **March 4**, at 6:30 PM for some fun and laughs. Even if you've never played before, it is an easy game to learn. Please note the day change. See you there!



Baptisms We congratulate the newest members of our parish, who were baptized on February 23. **Liam John Chimera**, son of John Russell Chimera and Roslyn Carnesil Macatol and **Augustus John Ranucci** son of Christofer Ranucci and Denae Marie DeForest. We lovingly welcome them into our Queen of Angels Faith Community!

We here at Queen of Angels are always in need of Communion Ministers, Altar Servers, Lectors and Ushers. We will work with your availability to serve at the Mass which you now attend. If you feel the calling and would like to assist us with any of these responsibilities please call Sandy in the parish office at 619.445.2145.



Stations of the Cross
Every Friday in Lent
at 6:30 pm in the church
(March 6, 13, 20 & 27, April 3)

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-March 6 & April 3 at 10:30 am.

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Saturday, March 7 & April 4,
Rosary at 8:30 am, Mass at 9:00 am

Additional Opportunities for Reconciliation
Monday, April 6, 9:00 am-10:00 am
Wednesday, April 8, 11:30 am-12:30 am
Wednesday, April 8, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm
Thursday, April 9, After Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday, April 10, After 12:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Lenten Prayer materials are available in the church.

Friday are Days of Abstinence.

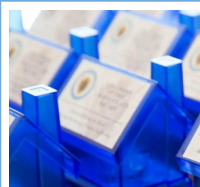


Weekly meetings are held every Thursday evening, 6:00pm, at St. Luke.

We combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the traditions of the Catholic Church. Join us as we overlap scripture from Sunday's Mass readings, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer. **Confidentiality is protected.**

We welcome anyone seeking recovery from:
Alcoholism • Drug addiction • Compulsive overeating
Pornography / Sex addiction • Gambling addiction
Control, fear, resentment • A loved one's addiction
or attachment • Other unhealthy attachments

Questions? You may directly contact Jean Goulding, STL Parish Catholic in Recovery Coordinator



Please join the
Children of the Immaculate Heart
in supporting survivors of
Human Trafficking by participating in
their

"Little House in the Parish" Coin Drive.

You can still pick up a "Little House" home, to fill with spare change or checks for large amounts. You can return them to the church as often as they like during the Lenten Season. All donations help fund the adult program for survivors of human trafficking and their children!

If you've any questions or would like more information, please contact the Immaculate Heart office by email at officemanager.cih@gmail.com or call 619.431.5537.

May God reward you for your generosity!

PASTOR'S PAGE

**Christ conquered Original Sin, restoring us to grace,
so, by that same grace of Christ, we could choose to conquer our personal sins.**

The first reading this First Sunday of Lent reminds us of the creation of man and woman and how they fell into sin through the allegory of the eating of the fruit of the tree. This is, of course, the Original Sin of Adam and Eve. This is also what the second reading from St. Paul speaks of in his Letter to The Romans, that *"Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned."* For this reason St. Augustine says, *"The whole Christian religion may be summed up in the intervention of two men, the one to ruin us [Adam], the other to save us [Jesus]"* (De pecc. orig., xxiv).

The reason why so much hinges upon the idea of Original Sin is:
without it we really would not understand the nature of our status as 'fallen', broken;
we would not stand in need of a remedy for sin, a savior, Jesus The Christ.

It is beneficial as Christians therefore to reflect upon the nature of Original Sin, especially as its effects are transmitted to all people on earth.

In the early Church there were many enemies of Original Sin. By the 4th Century a monk in England by the name of Pelagius, attacked the orthodox faith about original sin and grace. Pelagianism said that *"You don't need grace to get to heaven"*, and there followed variations on this theme. St. Augustine, called the "Doctor of Grace", because of his writings on this topic, delineated The Church's Teaching, reaffirming the need for grace, as The Lord said: *"...apart from Me you can do nothing"* [Jn 15:5].

The second great attack on Original Sin occurred at the time of the Protestant Revolution in the 16th Century; we call it a 'revolution' not a 'reformation', as it really revolted and threw off the very basic principles of Christian Faith. For the revolters said that Original Sin totally corrupted human nature to such an extent that man could do nothing in his conversion and justification to God. They took The Lord's words: *"...apart from Me you can do nothing"* too literally. In so doing they denied human free will in the whole process of conversion and justification. The Church responded at the Council of Trent teaching that man mysteriously cooperates in his conversion and justification. Mysteriously, meaning that we can't delineate fully *how* this happens, but we can most definitely say *that* it happens.

I think that a third attack on Original Sin is happening in our own day, due to the democratic and egalitarian society in which we live. It is this: when St. Paul says in his Letter to The Romans [5:12], that *"Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned."* We tend to take exception to the idea that *"all men sinned"* in the sin of Adam.

The principal difficulty of many people today is that *it is unjust to make us responsible for an act committed before our birth*. How – specifically – did we sin, when Adam lived centuries before all of us? To answer this we must remember that Original Sin is not an act, but a state, a permanent privation. Original Sin is spoken of as a "sin" only *analogically*, says the Catechism: *"...it is a sin 'contracted' and not 'committed' - a state and not an act [CCC 404]"*. It goes on to say: *"...original sin does not have the character of a personal fault in any of Adam's descendants. It is a deprivation of original holiness and justice..." [CCC 405]"*.

This being said however, Original Sin is understood as *voluntary indirectly* through a "moral unity" of wills. St. Thomas Aquinas explains that there is a certain *"moral unity"* of our will with the will of Adam. He says that an individual can be considered as either 1) an individual simply, or 2) as part of a whole, a member of a society of which he belongs. Considered in this second way (as a member of a society), an act can be his although he has not done it himself, nor has it been done by his free will but by the rest of the society *or by its head*, the nation being considered as doing what the leader [prince] does. For this reason a given society is considered as a single person, of whom the individuals are but the different members of that one person (i.e. 'the body politic'). Thus, a nation, people, or race is considered as one body in this sense. Thus, St. Paul argues, *"For just as the Body is one and has many members, and all the members of the Body, though many, are one Body..."* [1 Cor 12:12]. Thus, the 'society of man' who receive their human nature from Adam is to be considered as a single body.

Therefore, Original Sin in humanity as a whole is "not a *personal* crime", "but it is a *paternal* crime" says St. Augustine (Op. imperf., I, 148). Being a distinct person I am not strictly responsible for the crime of another, the act is not mine. Yet, as a member of the human family, I am supposed to have acted with its head who represented it with regard to either the conservation or the loss of grace. I am, therefore, responsible for my privation of grace, taking responsibility in the largest sense of the word.

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To understand this better, think about genetic inheritance through chromosomes and DNA. . .

Several years ago, scientists discovered that a gene called ABCC11 determined whether people produced . . . underarm odor or not. While only 98 percent of Europeans have the genes for smelly armpits, most East Asians and almost all Koreans lack the 'smelly gene'. Scientific American Magazine 01/17/2013 www.scientificamerican.com/article/people-without-underarm-protection/

So we see that the curse of smelly armpits is not transmitted to all, we either inherit it or we don't. The minority of people with the gift of rosy armpits are in some sense more blessed than the majority. Life is not always fair in every way, nevertheless, we play the hand we have been dealt (or in this case the armpit). Through this example we can perhaps understand better the transmission of Original Sin that we have all inherited from Adam as being a privation of a gift, even though that stinks too.

Thus, according to Catholic Theology [CCC 375; 397ff], God The Creator, Whose Divine gifts were *not* due to the human race (but were bestowed upon Adam and Eve nonetheless), had the right to bestow them on such conditions as *He* wished and further, to make the conservation of these gifts dependent upon the fidelity of the head of the family. As for example a prince can confer a hereditary dignity on condition that the recipient remains loyal, and that, in case of his rebelling, this dignity shall be withdrawn from him and, in consequence, from his family descendants. For this reason when Eve ate of the fruit of the tree nothing happened. However, as soon as Adam – The Head – had partaken in this sin, as the Scripture says “...*then their eyes were opened*...” And ever since that moment the eyes of humanity have been opened ever wider to the reality of sin, personal and Original. More importantly, since then the eyes of humanity have been opened ever more widely to the need for a Redeemer, Jesus The Lord. This is the sad lesson that history records. But God likes a happy ending!

Finally, the happy lesson, the Good News, is that the Grace of Christ that restores us, the “Children of Adam” to union with God Our Father is *far greater – beyond measure* – than the original grace given to Adam and Eve. As St. Paul says, “*For if, by the transgression of the one man [Adam], death came . . . how much more* (he says: how much more!) *will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ [Rom 5:18]*”. In other words, we have received grace ‘*a fortiori*’ ‘all the greater’ in Christ.

For this reason the Easter Vigil Exultet sings of the “*Felix Culpa*” of Adam: O “Happy Fault”, O necessary sin of Adam that has won for us so great a Redeemer, Jesus The Lord! For without the sin of Adam we would never have had experienced so great a Redeemer, God incarnate, Who takes away all evil and transcends it, overcoming the greatest evil with the greatest good. So in the same manner in which we lost grace – through one man – we are redeemed through one greater man: Christ. The grace of Christ comes, however, not through conservation – for “The Children of Adam” never had it – but through the application *and reception* of Justification through a freely offered Living Faith *infused from God above*.

So we may not like the fact that we have inherited the “Sin of Adam”, however, we have also gained by that sin, and its inheritance, the potential for salvation by The Redeemer, for as Christ says: “*I came to call, not the righteous, but sinners.*”

So, ultimately by the grace of God the story of Original Sin has a happy ending: Christ the Redeemer of mankind saves us!

Lenten Blessings,

Father Tim

Thousands sought Jesus during his life. Only a few followed him to Calvary. What Will YOU Do?

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, **No Greater Love** is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death.

March 10-April 7 from 9am-11am (Tuesdays) AND March 12-April 9 from 6pm-8pm (Thursdays) in the Parish Hall

Class is free. Optional study guide is \$14.99 plus shipping

For more information contact Katrina at katrina@queenofangels.org or 619-445-2145

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**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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**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

As a Parish family, Queen of Angels we will be covering prayer shifts from 7:00am –7:00pm every **TUESDAY beginning **March 3-March 31**. Please join us for at least one hour in peaceful pray to end abortion in the public right-of-way outside of**

**Planned Parenthood at 1685 E Main St., El Cajon
(near Greenfield and East Main Street next to McDonalds).**

**The dates are as follows: March 3, March 10,
March 17, March 24 & March 31.**

**Please contact us ASAP to schedule your prayer time:
Pat at 619.445.3822, hansenpat@msn.com or
www.40daysforlife.com/elcajon.**

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with **JASON EVERT**

A bestselling author of more than ten books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than one million people on six continents. He and his wife Crystalina run chastity.com.

***The innocence of the family is under attack like never before.
Come and discover how to protect and heal yours.***

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

7:00 pm-9:00 pm

St. Gregory the Great Church parish hall
11451 Blue Cypress Drive, San Diego, CA 92131

Tickets: \$20 per person

REGISTER at <https://chastity.com/purified/>

Groups of 50 or more get a discount. Please email respect4lifesg@yahoo.com
For more information. Child care will be provided with RSVP.

EVENING INCLUDES:

Chastity presentation for teens & parents

Sacrament of Reconciliation | Eucharistic Adoration | Free materials for every family!