

## Prayer Intentions

Pray for the sick: Gail Barrett, Lola Danielli, Patricia Daniels, Fran Dias, Fran Evans, Frank Gyorgy, Mike Hanlon, Yvonne Hanlon, Mary Jo Henrikson, Bette Johnson, Trula La Calle, Maureen Latimer, Charles Marchese, Liz Mullins, Lea Nelson, Louis Pappin, Peggy Pavone, Richard Peterson, Joel Rivera, Phyllis Rogers, Angela Saul, Bart Taylor, Ed Turpin, Mercedes Vegvary, Claire Vincent, William Wallace, and Dolores Zeni.

Also pray for those who have died: Vera Abramo.

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## Sunday's Mass Intention

The intention for this weekend's Mass is for the repose of the soul of **Dorene Musilli** (requested by John Musilli.)

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## Parish Office Closed—Martin Luther King Jr. Day

The parish office will be closed on Monday, **January 18**.

Darkness cannot drive out darkness;  
only light can do that.  
Hate cannot drive out hate;  
only love can do that.

—Martin Luther King Jr.

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## End-of-Year Statements

2020 End-of-Year Contribution Statements were mailed out on Tuesday, **January 12**. If you do not receive yours and would like one, please contact the parish office during business hours at 539-6262.

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## Song: The Prayer

Click on [The Prayer](#) (all lyrics in English) to hear and pray along with a beautiful performance by Mat and Savanna Shaw, father and daughter. (4:14)

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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ONE NATION UNDER GOD

### For the Elected Government To Act Wisely

Loving Lord and judge of all  
the nations we come before  
You in sadness of spirit,

knowing that our once great nation has fallen into such a sad and sorry state of repair. Revive us, I pray, and restore us, for we have no help except in You alone.

Guide the governors, legislators, sheriffs and all those men and women that are in senior positions of power—both in local and national government. Give them grace and wisdom to guide our nation back from the path of destruction and onto the path where God is the One in Whom we place our trust.

Lord we know that when a nation turns their back on You, they have turned from the path of freedom. I pray that in Your grace and patient loving-kindness You would bring us back to the place where You are honored in this land so that we may once again be a nation of free people.

Forgive us for our foolishness and from deviating from the path of truth onto this winding path to destruction. Forgive us that You have not been placed in Your rightful position in the governance of our nation, and may we turn back to Yourself, both individually and nationally, I pray. Amen.



## Zooming with Father Leslie

Join us this week, **Wednesday, January 20**, at 11:30 a.m. to discuss next weekend's Mass readings: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 25; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20. Send your request for the Zoom meeting link and information to Marcy Fox at [marcyfox@gmail.com](mailto:marcyfox@gmail.com).

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## NEWS OUTSIDE THE PARISH

### The Gospel of Mark

Sister Joan's class on Mark's Gospel begins this week. It will be on Zoom on Thursday mornings. [Click here](#) to see the schedule. The easiest way to sign up is to call Lacy or Sister Joan of Good Ground Press at 800-232-5533. We hope to see you on **January 21!**

### Virtual Retreats at The Jesuit Retreat Center

Saturday, **January 16**: *New Life with God after the Pandemic* (Free), led by Fr. John Auther, S.J. Sign up by Saturday 12:00 noon. [Click here to Register](#).

Wednesday, **January 27**: *Pray the Examen* (\$10), led by Fr. Andrew Rodriguez, S.J. [Click here to Register](#).

Saturday, **January 30**: *Praying & Living the Serenity Prayer* (\$15), led by Fr. Andrew Rodriguez, S.J. [Click to Register](#).

### Christ the King Online Women's Retreat

Join an opportunity to gain deeper wisdom and awareness of God's presence in these troubled times. You are invited to move more profoundly into the Passionist Charism which focuses on the suffering of the world. A time of transition and healing. How we decide to walk in faith.

**We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe** is a weekend retreat for women starting at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, **January 29**, with session continuing throughout Saturday, January 30, 2021. \$75. [Click for more information](#). For questions, please email: [retreatctk@passionist.org](mailto:retreatctk@passionist.org) or call 916-725-4720 ext. 301.

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## Just to be Clear

The Church has not been closed. We have simply stopped worshipping in our buildings for a time to protect the health and well-being of our people and our communities. The Church does not require a building in order to be the Church. What is required is love, compassion, and the presence of God.

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## Reflections on Age

The way 2021 is starting out, we thought you could use a good laugh:

- It's weird being the same age as old people.
- When I was a kid, I wanted to be older. This is not what I expected.
- Life is like a helicopter. I don't know how to operate a helicopter.
- Chocolate is God's way of telling us he likes us a little bit chubby.
- It's probably my age that tricks people into thinking I'm an adult.

(More Reflections on Age are on the back page.)