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Open Monday through Friday,  
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(805) 688-6763 (direct line)

Monday through Sunday

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Tours until 4:30 PM

Sonia De Luna, Manager

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Daily Mass:

Monday to Saturday, 8:00 AM English

#### Saturday Vigil

5:00 PM – English

7:00 PM – Spanish

#### Sunday Masses

8:00 AM – English

9:30 AM – English

11:00 AM – Bilingual

12:30 PM Spanish

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confesión:

Saturday/Sábado Parish Office

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM, bilingual/bilingüe

#### Adoration Chapel/Capilla de Adoración:

Monday thru Friday, 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Lunes a Viernes, 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM

# OLD MISSION SANTA INÉS

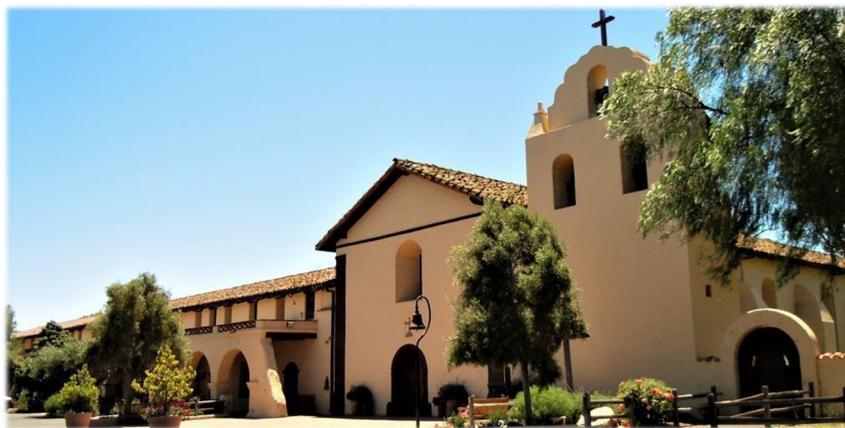
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Capuchin Franciscan Friars ~ Sacred Heart Sisters

March 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Ezekiel 37:12-14 / Psalm 130 / Romans 8:8-11 / John 11:1-45



### Mission Statement

We the people of Old Mission Santa Inés, following the path of Jesus Christ, are making His vision a reality through love, unity, justice, joy, and hope.

Nosotros el pueblo de la Misión Santa Inés, siguiendo el camino de Jesucristo, estamos realizando su visión por medio del amor, la unidad, la justicia, la alegría y la esperanza.

### FROM OUR PASTOR

“Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you.”

These words express a faith that is both wounded and hopeful. Martha speaks from a heart that is grieving, confused, and yet still trusting.

We often desire a God who acts according to our expectations, within our timelines, and in ways that make immediate sense. When this does not happen, we can feel as though God is absent. “If you had been here...” becomes the silent cry of many hearts. It is the question of every person who has faced loss, delay, or unanswered prayer.

Martha does not hide her disappointment— “if you had been here...”—and yet she does not lose her faith— and yet, Martha adds: “But even now...” This small phrase opens a horizon beyond human calculation. It suggests that God’s action is not confined to the past we regret or the present we struggle to accept. There is always an “even now” with God—a possibility that transcends our limited understanding of time, causality, and control.

How often does our own prayer sounds like this. We believe, and yet we struggle. We trust, and yet we question. We bring to God our pain, our losses, our unanswered prayers. And sometimes, like Martha, we wonder why the Lord did not act sooner.

But this Gospel reminds us of a deeper truth: God’s presence is not limited by our expectations or our timing. Even in moments that seem like endings, God is at work preparing something greater. Faith is not the absence of sorrow—it is the courage to trust that God can bring life even out of death.

Martha’s words invite us to hold both realities together: honesty and hope. We can bring our disappointment to the Lord, but we are also called to remain open to what He can still do—“even now.”

This week, let us ask ourselves:

Where in my life do I feel that God has come “too late”?

And can I still say, with trust, “even now, Lord, I believe”?

Because in Christ, no situation is beyond hope, and no moment is beyond redemption.

In Christ, Fr. Lijoy Jose, OFM Cap. Pastor

**OUR HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR MARCH**

**For disarmament and peace**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**We Offer Our Gifts/**

*Thank you - Gracias*

March 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

<b>Offertory</b>	<b>\$8,682</b>
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	<b>\$1,460</b>

**Easter Sunday Domingo de Pascua**

**Mass Schedule**

**6:00 AM Outdoor Sunrise**

**8:00 & 9:30 AM English**

**11:00 AM Bilingual/bilingüe**

**12:30 PM Español**

**LENT**

*Speaker Series*

**Hope, Peace, Universal Kindness**



**800 Years of Franciscan Spirituality**

**Bishop Matthew G. Elshoff, OFM Cap.**

Sunday, March 8th  
2:30 PM Parish Hall

Reception

Sponsored by Adult Faith Formation



Bishop Matt will celebrate the 9:30AM and 12:30 PM Masses

**"To Love with His Love"**

Gospel meditation on the Sacred Heart of Jesus

**Bishop Slawomir Szcredka**

Monday, March 16th, Parish Hall

5:30 PM Soup Supper 6:00 Speaker

Sponsored by Adult Faith Formation



**A Visit to India**

**with Fr. Lijoy Jose**

Thursday, March 26th, Parish Hall

5:30 PM Soup Supper 6:00 Speaker

Sponsored by Ministry of Hospitality and Caring

**Culture and Church in Kenya**

**Fr. Paul Nzomo, OFM, Cap.**

Tuesday, March 31st, Parish Hall

5:30 PM Soup Supper 6:00 Speaker

Sponsored by Ministry of Hospitality and Caring



**HOLY WEEK SEMANA SANTA**

**Palm Sunday / Domingo de Ramos**

Saturday/Sábado 5:00 PM (Eng.), 7:00 PM (Esp.)  
Sunday/Domingo: 8:00 & 9:30 AM (Eng.)  
11:00 AM (Bilingual/bilingüe) 12:30 PM (Esp.)  
Masses begin in the front of the church and process into church  
Las misas comienzan en el frente de la iglesia y prosiguen hacia la iglesia. 12:30 PM encuentro en la puerta trasera.

**Holy Thursday / Jueves Santo**

8:00 AM Morning Prayer Service (no Mass)  
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper / Misa de la Ultima Cena (Bilingual/bilingüe)

**Good Friday / Viernes Santo**

8:00 AM Morning Prayer Service (no Mass)  
12:00 Noon Church open for prayer  
2:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Eng)  
3:00 PM Liturgy of Good Friday, Veneration of the Cross/Communion Service (Eng)  
6:00 PM live Stations (Bilingual/bilingüe)/Via Crucis en vivo Veneración de la Santa Cruz en seguida

**Holy Saturday / Sábado Santo**

8:00 AM Morning Prayer Service (no Mass)  
8:00 PM Easter Vigil/Vigilia Pascual Liturgy

**DID YOU KNOW? - Ways to combat human trafficking**

Human trafficking can happen anywhere and when we least expect it. Traffickers often focus on potential victims who are vulnerable, for example, if a child has an unstable or unsupportive home life. One way to take action is to eliminate vulnerabilities wherever possible. Another important aspect of cultivating a safe environment is to focus equally on children's interactions online and in person. Many predators use online sites to target victims as well. Children should know how to interact safely and to look for red flags. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Know the Facts: Abductions and Human Trafficking" at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know](https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know).

**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Ezequiel 37, 12-14 / Salmo 129**

**Romanos 8, 8-11 / Juan 11, 1-45**

**DE NUESTRO SANTO PADRE INTENCIONES PARA MARZO**

Por el desarme y la paz.

Oremos para que las naciones avancen hacia un desarme efectivo, en particular el desarme nuclear, y para que los líderes mundiales elijan el camino del diálogo y la diplomacia en lugar de la violencia.

You have the Holy Spirit,  
but do you know Him?

**Prepare for Pentecost 2026**



At Pentecost, Mary guided the Apostles to receive the Holy Spirit. Join us as we follow Mary's example in receiving everything God has for us in our new series "Mary's Well."



Winter/Spring 2026  
Next session March 28th  
4th Saturdays @10am  
in Classroom B  
Concluding in a  
Pentecost celebration!



**"Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home. Jn 19:27**

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Old Mission Santa Inés

**DE NUESTRO PARROCO**

"Señor, si hubieras estado aquí, mi hermano no habría muerto. Pero aún ahora sé que todo lo que pidas a Dios, Dios te lo concederá."

Estas palabras expresan una fe que está herida y, al mismo tiempo, llena de esperanza. Marta habla desde un corazón que sufre, que está confundido y, sin embargo, sigue confiando.

A menudo deseamos un Dios que actúe según nuestras expectativas, dentro de nuestros tiempos y de maneras que tengan sentido inmediato. Cuando esto no sucede, podemos sentir como si Dios estuviera ausente. "Si hubieras estado aquí..." se convierte en el grito silencioso de muchos corazones. Es la pregunta de toda persona que ha enfrentado la pérdida, la espera o la oración no respondida.

Marta no esconde su decepción—"si hubieras estado aquí..."—y, sin embargo, no pierde la fe. Y añade: "Pero aún ahora..." Esta pequeña frase abre un horizonte más allá de todo cálculo humano. Nos sugiere que la acción de Dios no está limitada al pasado que lamentamos ni al presente que nos cuesta aceptar. Siempre existe un "aún ahora" con Dios, una posibilidad que trasciende nuestra comprensión limitada del tiempo, de la causalidad y del control.

¡Cuántas veces nuestra propia oración suena así! Creemos, y sin embargo luchamos. Confiamos, y aun así dudamos. Llevamos a Dios nuestro dolor, nuestras pérdidas, nuestras oraciones no respondidas. Y a veces, como Marta, nos preguntamos por qué el Señor no actuó antes.

Pero este Evangelio nos recuerda una verdad más profunda: la presencia de Dios no está limitada por nuestras expectativas ni por nuestro tiempo. Incluso en los momentos que parecen finales, Dios está obrando y preparando algo mayor. La fe no es la ausencia de dolor, sino el valor de confiar en que Dios puede sacar vida incluso de la muerte.

Las palabras de Marta nos invitan a sostener juntas estas dos realidades: la honestidad y la esperanza. Podemos llevar nuestra decepción al Señor, pero también estamos llamados a permanecer abiertos a lo que Él todavía puede hacer—"aún ahora".

Esta semana, preguntémosnos:

¿En qué aspecto de mi vida siento que Dios ha llegado "demasiado tarde"?

¿Y puedo aún decir, con confianza: "aún ahora, Señor, yo creo"?

Porque en Cristo, ninguna situación está fuera de la esperanza, y ningún momento está fuera de la redención.

En Cristo,  
P. Lijoy Jose, OFM Cap.  
Párroco

**"THANK YOU"** to all who contributed to the success of our St. Patrick's Day Celebration. It was the best ever and the over-whelming number of guests was outstanding. Thank you...Nancy Rizzo and Carol Money who chaired the event, The Mission Men's Club, Elba, Lilia and Erica, who staffed the kitchen, Lucas-Llwellen, Dascomb and El Rancho Vineyards, Humberto Figueroa and his team for setting up the tables and chairs, Jim Patin who transported the stage from San Lorenzo and David Porter, Charley McChesney and Ted Oliveras who helped assemble the stage. We can't forget those who decorated and printed the poster and tickets. **SO MANY HELPERS!**

**¿SABÍAS? - Formas de combatir la trata de personas**

La trata de personas puede ocurrir en cualquier lugar y cuando menos lo esperamos. Los traficantes suelen centrarse en víctimas potenciales que son vulnerables, por ejemplo, si un niño tiene una vida familiar insegura o sin apoyo. Una forma de actuar es eliminar las vulnerabilidades siempre que sea posible. Otro aspecto importante para crear un entorno seguro es centrarse por igual en las interacciones de los niños en línea y en persona. Muchos depredadores también utilizan sitios web para buscar víctimas. Los niños deben saber cómo interactuar de forma segura y estar atentos a las señales de alerta. Para más información, lea el artículo de VIRTUS® "Conozca los hechos: secuestros y trata de personas" (Know the Facts: Abductions and Human Trafficking) en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know).



<b>Saturday, March 21, 2025</b>	
8:00 AM	Tina Green, SI
5:00 PM	Kaitlin Colson, SI
7:00 PM	Dave Wos, SI
<b>Sunday, March 22, 2025</b>	
8:00 AM	Nancy & Michael Shambo, SI
9:30 AM	Teresa Juarez, RIP
11:00 AM	Josefina Pantoja Diaz, RIP
12:30 PM	Old Mission Santa Ines Parishioners
<b>Monday, March 23, 2025</b>	
8:00 AM	Ryan, Jessica & Julian, SI Fr. Lijoy Jose, OFM CAP, SI
<b>Tuesday, March 24, 2025</b>	
8:00 AM	Mariela Sixto, RIP Fr. Paul Nzomo, OFM CAP, SI
<b>Wednesday, March 25, 2025</b>	
8:00 AM	Vicky, Mark & Veronica, SI Fr. Robert E. Kose, OFM CAP, SI
<b>Thursday, March 26, 2025</b>	
8:00 AM	Daughters of Charity, SI Fr. Peter Banks, OFM CAP, SI
<b>Friday, March 27, 2025</b>	
8:00 AM	Suore Orsoline, SI Alicia Zepeda, RIP

Parish Directory (con't)

**Bulletin Information and Input:**  
office@missionsantaines.org  
(Deadline Wednesdays at 3:00 pm)  
Subject to approval of the Pastor.

**Baptisms:**  
If you would like to get your baby baptized, please call Sister Diane at (213) 843-5402 and make an appointment to pick up the registration packet. The date will be set once the packet is completed and turned in.

**Bautismos:**  
Llame a la oficina parroquial para fechas y entrega de papeles  
Pláticas pre-bautismales en español:  
**Entrevistas:** Ruben y Dalila Santos (805) 325-3476.  
**Pláticas:** Ramon y Carmen García (805) 693-8936. Las entrevistas y pláticas se ofrecen en el salon B a las 7:00PM. Si lo prefiere, puede visitar el sitio web: [lacatholics.org/bautizo](http://lacatholics.org/bautizo) y seguir las instrucciones. Al terminar el curso podra imprimir su certificado

**Confirmation Program:**  
Sr. Virginia Stewart, SDSH (213) 924-2769

**OCIA & Adult Sacramental Preparation/Sacramentos para adultos:**  
Sr. Virginia SDSH, (213) 924-2769  
Sr. Diane SDSH, (213) 843-5402

**Religious Education/Catecismo:**  
Sr. Martha Muñoz, SDSH (805) 688-4138 (323) 886-1187  
re@missionsantaines.org

**Marriage:** Inquire at Parish Office at least 6 months in advance.

**Matrimonios:**  
Llamar a oficina parroquial por lo menos con 6 meses de anticipación.

**Historical Research & Museum/ Investigación Historica y Museo** Callie Bowdish, Archivist (ext. 235)

**Property, Maintenance, and Restoration (PMR) Committee:**  
Jim Patin, Chairman (805) 570-5816

**Safeguard the Children Committee:**  
(805) 688-4815

**San Lorenzo Seminary:**  
(805) 688-5630

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**St. Vincent de Paul Society:**  
(805) 686-9933

**Hospitality & Caring:**  
Joanne Tegge, (805) 688-4815

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**Website Updates:**  
Jackie Yanez, (805) 245-0777  
jequetta@earthlink.net

**Parish Men's Club:**  
Chris Castagna (805) 331-7700

**Old Mission Bereavement Ministry**  
Sally Corlett (805) 886-9467

Are you interested in belonging to a parish group or ministry? Please call the parish office, and we will put you in contact with the person in charge of the group or ministry.

Estás interesado en pertenecer a algún grupo o ministerio de la parroquia? Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial y lo pondremos en contacto con el encargado del grupo o ministerio.

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