

Pastor's updates

February 4, 2022



Things you may want to know this week

1. We will have our first **Youth Mass** this Sunday at 5PM. Join us and see our young people participating and serving in the Liturgy. **Jaden Sabater** will also be installed as the first youth Eucharistic Minister. We thank and congratulate, **Maggie de Vera**, our Youth Ministry and Young Adult Director, and our Youth Core Leaders, for bringing our young people closer to Christ..
2. This coming week, **February 7-14**, is **National Marriage Week**, an opportunity to focus a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. The theme for 2022 is “**Called to the Joy of Love.**”.
3. This Tuesday, February 8, is **Fr. Ring's Funeral Vigil** in the church at 7PM with a closed casket visitation that starts at 6PM. Fr. John Greene, our former pastor, will be presiding. The concelebrated **Funeral Mass**, with Archbishop Cordileone as the main celebrant, is this Wednesday, **February 9 at 10:30AM**. Msgr. Mike Harriman will be preaching at this mass. Both the Vigil and Funeral mass will be livestreamed in our Facebook page and YouTube channel.
4. **February 8 is the Feast day of St. Josephine Bakhita**, a Canossian sister. This day has been designated as the first **International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking**. There will be a webinar rosary prayer to invoke her aide in bringing awareness to the evil of Human Trafficking and to intercede for the victims and survivors of human trafficking at 6:30PM. You may join by registering at: sfarch.org/event/bakhita2022/. A link will be sent closer to the date.
5. **There is always something!** We had a **blackout** in the middle of the 5PM mass last Sunday. I was touched by the Faithful, our parishioners who were really faithful as to stay throughout the duration of the mass even in the dark. We did not have hot water in the rectory for few days. The **water tank** was leaking and it needed to be replaced. We also had to fix and replace some leaking sink and faucets in the rectory.
6. Our St. Robert's School had a **Fun Run** today. Our students had a great time running and walking around the make-up track in our main parking lot. They also learned new fitness exercises. It was indeed a fun-raiser and also a great fundraiser. Mrs. Nolan's class in Second Grade was the top fundraiser. Congratulations and thank you to all who supported the event.
7. We have made a wire transfer this week to the three dioceses that are our beneficiaries of our special collection for the **Super typhoon** that devastated the Southern Philippines. The Dioceses of Tagbilaran, Talibon and Surigao, received \$2300 each. Thank you again for your generosity. You have helped the poor, the homeless and the downtrodden.

FAZnotes
(Father Arnold Zamora)
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Dear St. Robert's parishioners and friends,

We all have days where we feel we can't survive.
Sometimes dreams are shattered.
Friendship may fall apart.
Loved ones may leave us.
Opportunities may hurt us.
Finances may worry us.
Sickness may overtake us.

But, God will always be there to guide us through even the toughest of times.

Never lose faith. Hold on to hope.

Trust in God always.

Fr. Arnold