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To: PASTOR / PASTORAL STAFF / BULLETIN EDITOR

From: Deacon Kevin Staszkow, Director

Re: Please add these announcements to your website or bulletin (English and Spanish

Translation)

Date: Monday, March 31st, 2025

Included are new and current announcements from the Office of Family, Faith Formation, and Young People. We would greatly appreciate if you could add these announcements to your website or online bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Do (916) 733-0151.

New Introducing Theme 2 for the Jubilee Year: To Be Living Stones in God's Temple

English

As Pilgrims of Hope, we believe: together, we will be living stones in God's temple. "Like living stones, let yourself be built into a spiritual house." (1 Peter 2:5) The Lord compared Himself to the stone which the builders rejected, but which was made into the cornerstone - and upon this cornerstone the Church is built. (Lumen Gentium, no. 6) In Lumen Gentium, we are reminded that "the disciples of Christ, persevering in prayer and praising God, should present themselves as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God". We must "bear witness to Christ and given an answer to those who seek an account of that hope of eternal life which is in them". (Lumen Gentium, no. 10) The spiritual house of God is a building designed for His glory, and we, the living stones, glorify the Lord in all we do (1 Cor. 10:31, Lumen Gentium, no 10). The baptized have become "living stones" to be "built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood" (1 Pt. 2:9). As living stones, our belief and faithfulness to Christ is strong, firm and not easily moved. To be a "living stone" is to be a "speaker of praise, a declarer of truth and love and light" (1 Cor. 10:31, CCC, no. 1268).

By baptism, we "share in the priesthood of Christ, in his prophetic and royal mission". We must bear witness to Christ and give an answer to those who seek an account of that hope of eternal life that is within them". (Lumen Gentium, no. 10)

Written by Bishop Soto, Jubilee on the diocesan themes for the Jubilee Year. For further reflections on theme 2, please visit www.scd.org/Jubilee2025

New

Mantenimiento de Registros Sacramentales

Spanish

¿Por qué son importantes los registros sacramentales en la vida de un católico? Las Oficinas de Formación para la Familia y la Fe y el Tribunal lo invitan a unirse para aprender y revisar los protocolos necesarios a seguir para garantizar registros sacramentales precisos. Martes 8 de abril a las 6:30pm virtual en español. Para más información o registrarse, contacto Martha Haig 916-733-0132 mhaig@scd.org

Training in Spanish for Marriage Preparation & FOCCUS Facilitators

English

Are you involved or wish to be involved in Marriage Preparation & Enrichment ministry? The Diocese of Sacramento invites you to join us at our trainings for Marriage Prep & Enrichment and/or FOCCUS Facilitators. The next in-person & virtual training (in Spanish) will be on **Saturday, April 12, 2025** at St. Dominic in Orland:

9:00am-12:00pm – Training for Marriage Prep/Enrichment 1:00-4:00pm – Training for FOCCUS Facilitators

For more info, please contact Andreya Arevalo <u>aarevalo@scd.org</u> (916) 733-0155

40 Days For Life Spring Campaign Continues throughout Lent

English

The **40 Days For Life Spring Campaign** continues throughout the Lenten season until **April 13, 2025**. We invite you to **join us** to pray peacefully with others in your community and to support moms and their children through ministry during this critical period of life. If you'd like more information and if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Deacon Danny at (916) 733-0133 or visit our website at: https://www.scd.org/40DaysForLife All are welcome.