

DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

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Dear Brothers:

Please consider having your parish serve as a site of pilgrimage for the annual Holy Saturday Pilgrimage to the 7 churches.

The Diocese of Sacramento, in collaboration with Radio *Santísimo Sacramento (RSS)*, is organizing the annual Holy Saturday pilgrimage to 7 churches in the Diocese. This beautiful Holy Week tradition offers the faithful an opportunity to embrace the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. It will also prepare the faithful's hearts for the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. This pilgrimage is an opportunity for thousands of faithful to place their joys and sorrows on the cross of Jesus.

This year we will offer a hybrid pilgrimage. For the able-bodied, there will be the traditional 8-mile pilgrimage in Sacramento. A map will be provided in advance with the route beginning on Holy Saturday, April 8, 2023, at 7am at St. Elizabeth Parish and continuing to the Sacramento Food Bank, Immaculate Conception Parish, Sacred Heart Parish, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, and concluding at the Shrine of Guadalupe

For those who cannot walk or who are far from downtown Sacramento, there will be the opportunity participate in this pilgrimage driving in their cars to 7 participating parishes in their area (as was done for 3 years due to the pandemic). More than 40 parishes ranging from Chico to Vallejo are participating in this version of the pilgrimage. RSS will provide crosses to be placed outside each parish. RSS will assign one ambassador to be stationed with each cross and guide the pilgrims as they visit each church. When the pilgrims arrive at each parish, they will pray for a few minutes in front of the cross and place their intentions there. The pilgrims then drive to 6 other churches in their area. At 1 pm, each ambassador will carry the crosses from all 40 parishes to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. I will bless the crosses that come from the different parishes at Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine together with everyone who has completed the 8-mile pilgrimage around downtown Sacramento. RSS will broadcast this event from beginning to end.

This beautiful Hispanic tradition was adopted some years ago during the observance of the Year of Faith. It offers the faithful an opportunity to prepare their hearts for the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. This event has grown over all these years. There were over 1,000 participants last time we walked in 2019; we anticipate the same or more participants this year. A Plenary Indulgence will be associated with participation in the pilgrimage along with the requisite Confession, Communion, and prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father.

The pilgrimage is conducted bilingually, but primarily in Spanish. We extend a special invitation to the youth and young adults.

RSS ambassadors will bring you posters and flyers with all the information to promote in your parish.

If you have any questions, please contact Lorena Albarran, General Manager of RSS, at lorenaa@radiosantisimosacramento.com or 916-442-7389. Thank you for your fraternal cooperation with this worthwhile pastoral and spiritual devotion. May the intercession of our Blessed Mother, Santa María de Guadalupe, grant us the heart and mind of her beloved Son, Jesus.

Respectfully

+Jaime Soto

Bishop of Sacramento



Sábado 8 de abril, de 7am a 2pm

Regresamos, la visita de las 7 parroquias es una hermosa tradición hispana, que llevaremos a cabo el sábado Santo, caminando 7.8 millas y para aquellos que no puedan caminar lo puedan hacer en carro (Revisa las parroquias participantes en la parte de atrás), ofrecemos a los fieles la oportunidad de abrazar la cruz de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, y colocar ahí en su santa cruz nuestras alegrías y penas.



Esta es una lista de las parroquias participantes para aquellos que no puedan caminar y desean hacerlo en carro. Aquí encontrarás la lista de las parroquias participantes.

- Holy Family (7817 Old Auburn Rd, Citrus Heights)
- St Joseph Elk Grove (9961 Elk Grove Florin Rd, Elk Grove)
- St Joseph (1717 El Monte Ave, Sacramento)
- St Joseph Clarksburg (32890 S River Rd, Clarksburg)
- Saint Charles Borromeo (7584 Center Pkwy, Sacramento)
- St John Vianney (10497 Coloma Rd, Rancho Cordova)
- St Rose Roseville (615 Vine Ave, Roseville)
- St Rose of lima (Sur Sac) (5961 Franklin Blvd, Sacramento)
- Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament (1017 11th St. Sacramento) •
- Immaculate Conception (3263 1st Ave, Sacramento)
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine (711 t St Sacramento)
- St Ana (37724 24th St, Sacramento)
- St. Paul (8720 Florin Rd, Sacramento)
- Saint Philomene (2428 Bell St, Sacramento)
- Saint Peter All Hallows' Parish (5501 14th Ave, Sacramento)
- Saint John The Baptist (307 Montrose Dr, Folsom)
- St Cristobal (950 S Lincoln Way, Galt)
- St. Lawrence (4325 Don Julio Blvd, North Highlands)
- Holy Cross Parish (1321 Anna Street West Sacramento)
- Saint Robert (2243 Irvin Way, Sacramento)
- Holy Rosary (575 California St, Woodland)
- St James (1275 B St, Davis)
- St Peter (105 S 2nd St, Dixon)
- St Joseph Vacaville (1791 Marshall Rd, Vacaville)
- St Mary (350 Stinson Ave, Vacaville)
- Holy Spirit (1050 N Texas St, Fairfield)

- St Patrick (3109 Sacramento St, Placerville)
- St. Therese (100 4th St. Isleton)
- St Antony (14012 Walnut Ave, Walnut Grove)
- St. Vincent Ferrer(816 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo)
- St Antony (511 W Main St, Winter)
- Holy Cross (408 Laurel St, Arbuckle)
- Annunciation (627 Eighth St, Williams)
- Our Lady of Lourdes (345 Oak St, Colusa)
- Sacred Heart Maxwell (45 Elm St, Maxwell)
- St Isidore (222 Clark Avenue, Yuba City)
- St Joseph Maryville (702 C St, Marysville)
- Our Lady of Guadalupe (9660 Broadway, Live Oak)
- Sacred Heart Gridley (1560 Hazel St, Gridley)
- St. Thomas the Apostle (1330 Bird St, Oroville)
- St. James (2416 Faber St, Durham)
- Saint John The Baptist (435 Chestnut St, Chico)
- St Mary (410 Los Robles Ave, Hamilton City)
- St. Dominic (830 A St, Orland, CA 95963)
- Immaculate Conception (818 Solano St, Corning)
- St Monica (1129 W Wood St, Willows)