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To: **PASTOR / PASTORAL STAFF / BULLETIN EDITOR**
From: Deacon Kevin Staszko, Director
Re: Please add these announcements to your website or bulletin (**English and Spanish Translation**)
Date: **Monday, March 10th, 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	Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope
English	
<p>For this Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope, Bishop Soto has expressed three themes to focus our reflections throughout the year. The first theme is To See God for <i>“We shall see him as he is,”</i> (1 John 3:2). What happens when we feel hopeful for something? St. Thomas Aquinas describes hope as that passion (or emotion) that we feel when an arduous future good seems possible to attain. In other words, when we have to work hard to achieve a goal or end state, but we are confident that we can overcome obstacles to that goal, we experience hope as a passion or emotion. In everyday life, we might feel it when our favorite team is about to complete an epic comeback in the final minutes of a game, or when we are on the final ascent of Half Dome in Yosemite, just moments away from experiencing one of the most unique and breathtaking views of natural beauty. The goal seems reachable, and we know that we have the strength and ability to get there. Living a life of hope means drawing strength from the continuous reminders of God’s love for us, especially the sacraments, which are the ordinary means of sanctifying grace. When we approach the sacraments, especially Holy Communion, let us be mindful that what we receive is not simply nourishment and strengthening for our bodies now, but as St. Thomas calls it, <i>“a pledge of future glory.”</i></p>	

New	Rachel’s Vineyard Weekend Retreats
English	
<p>Rachel’s Vineyard weekend retreats are a beautiful opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat is designed to help an individual experience the mercy and compassion of God and be supported with spiritual and emotional care. The next retreat will be held in English, June 14-16, 2024, at the Mercy Center in Auburn. For more information email projectrachel@scd.org</p>	

New	Radiate Love March Theme
English	
<p>Humble Pie — In His divine wisdom, God invites couples to deepen their roots, prune the dead branches, and grow through any rocky ground to produce the best fruit. Mutual vulnerability and respect amid differences are the keys to a more profound and enduring love. When the moment arrives to humbly give and receive forgiveness, the Holy Spirit pours out grace on our will so we can grow in holiness and love. Learn more and share the Good News about marriage and family life at: www.radiatelove.info For questions contact: Andrey Arevalo aarevalo@scd.org 916-733-0155</p>	

New	Save the Date – Catholic Youth Advocacy Day
English	
<p>Make your voice heard! Join us for this year's Catholic Advocacy Day on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at the California State Capitol, as we come together to discuss key issues that impact our faith and communities. This is a powerful opportunity to speak with lawmakers about important bills that matter to us all. Stay tuned—registration link coming soon! Don't miss out on this chance to make a difference! For more info, please contact: Samara Palko, Director of Education Email: spalko@CACatholic.org</p>	

	A Life Full of Hope: Persons with disAbilities
English	
<p>Free MCdA Workshop: A Life Full of Hope: Persons with disAbilities Saturday, March 22, 9:30 - 11:30 am Pastoral Center, 2210 Broadway, Sacramento</p> <p>Join us for a workshop presented by Maribel Hernandez. Let us fill our lives with hope as we realize how our parishioners, candidates, students, and children with disAbilities learn and so do we as leaders, catechists, teachers, and parents: "learn to focus on Abilities." By finding new friends who will support us, their stories and realities that will fill us with hope, we will celebrate leaving any sadness aside. Join us in recognizing and sharing how to find and celebrate this hope in our parishes, sessions, classrooms, and homes.</p> <p>Register at Ministry for Catholics with disAbilities Spring Workshop Diocese of Sacramento. For questions contact Martha Haig at 916-733-0132, mhaig@scd.org.</p>	

New	Que Brille El Amor Tema de marzo
Spanish	
<p>Una dosis de humildad — En su divina sabiduría, Dios invita a las parejas a profundizar en sus raíces, podar las ramas secas y crecer a través de cualquier terreno pedregoso para producir el mejor fruto. La vulnerabilidad mutua y el respeto en medio de las diferencias son las claves de un</p>	

amor más profundo y duradero. Cuando llega el momento de dar y recibir humildemente el perdón, el Espíritu Santo derrama la gracia sobre nuestra voluntad para que podamos crecer en santidad y amor. Obtenga más información y comparta la Buena Nueva sobre el matrimonio y la vida familiar en: www.radiatelove.info

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Una Vida Llena de Esperanza: Personas con disCapacidades

Spanish

Taller Gratuito de MCdA : Una Vida Llena de Esperanza: Personas con disCapacidades

Sábado, 22 de marzo, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Centro Pastoral, 2210 Broadway, Sacramento

Acompáñanos en un taller presentado por Luz González. Llenemos nuestras vidas de esperanza al darnos cuenta cómo nuestros parroquianos, candidatos, estudiantes y niños con disCapacidades aprenden y también nosotros como líderes, catequistas, maestros y padres de familia : "aprender a enfocarnos en la Capacidad". Al encontrar nuevos amigos que nos apoyen, sus historias y realidades que nos llenarán de esperanza, celebraremos dejando al lado la tristeza. Acompáñanos a reconocer y compartir cómo encontrar y celebrar esa esperanza en nuestras parroquias, sesiones, aulas y hogares.

Regístrese en [Taller MCdA Una Vida Llena De Esperanza: Personas Con disCapacidad | Diocese of Sacramento](#). Si tiene preguntas, comuníquese con Martha Haig al 916-733-0132, mhaig@scd.org.