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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, April 28th, 2025**

Included are new and current announcements from the Department of Family, Faith Formation, and Young People. We would greatly appreciate it 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	To Be Living Stones in God's Temple Weekly Reflection (Part 1)
English	<p>Bishop Soto's second theme is based on the First Letter of Peter (2:4-5), which says "Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."</p> <p>This dense passage from Saint Peter continues two more biblical references to the motif of stones. First, from Isaiah 28: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame," and second, from Psalm 118: "The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." This line from the Psalms is moreover found in the Gospels, where the cornerstone is identified as Christ (Matthew 21:42, Mark 12:10). Saint Peter repeats this identification in a speech before the Sanhedrin (Acts 4:11).</p> <p>The prophecy of a living stone mentioned in Isaiah 28 and Psalm 118 is therefore fulfilled in Christ. The first mark of this living stone is that it is <i>rejected</i> by mortals and the builders. Christ indeed was rejected, not just once, but many times, and the Gospels are full of examples wherein even those who followed Jesus abandoned him. He was rejected from the synagogue of Capernaum, condemned by the people mere days after his triumphant ride into Jerusalem, sent to death by the Romans and Sanhedrin, and even abandoned by his disciples on the day of his death. But God can take what is rejected and transform it into something foundational and necessary for the building up of his kingdom. Christ, by rising from the dead and ascending to the Father, becomes the principle and cause of our own resurrection, and thus the principle and cause of our own hope of being united to him in eternal life.</p> <p><i>Written by Dr. Joseph Belleza, Assistant Director of Lay Formation, Diocese of Sacramento</i></p>

New	Jubilee Day For Creation – Save the Date!
English	

Save the date! ***“Jubilee Day For Creation”*** celebration will be on Saturday, May 24, 2:00-3:30pm at St. Patrick’s Church (Small Hall), 235 Chapel Street, Grass Valley.

This will include three speakers, including Kim-Son Ziegler from St. Anthony’s parish in Sacramento, highlighting their efforts to decarbonize their parish, plus handouts on tax credits/rebates to help save money, save energy and save the earth.

As a designated Jubilee pilgrimage site, there will also be a tour of St. Patrick’s church and the historic cemetery. Light refreshments provided. RSVP desired but not required:
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New

Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession – Save the Date!

English

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Celebrate this Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope by participating in our Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession from June 19-21, 2025. The Procession will start on June 19th in Vallejo and conclude on June 21st at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, with many stops along the way for people from across the diocese to join us on water and land.

Mark your calendars and get more details at <https://scd.org/JubileeEucharisticProcession>

New

Radiate Love | April Theme

English

Love—true love—is a verb! Love is a decision made every single day, sometimes every minute, to actively place the needs of the beloved ahead of one’s own. This is not easy, nor popular today in an age of personal empowerment. Nevertheless, as Christians we find our inspiration for marital love in Scripture. The love between husband and wife points to the love between Jesus and his Church. Jesus lays down his life for each of us, and his last words on the cross were to ask forgiveness for those who put him to death. Learn more and share the Good News about marriage and family life at: www.radiatelove.info

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New

Que Brille El Amor | Tema de abril

Spanish

Amar, con un amor verdadero, es un verbo. Amar es la decisión que se toma cada día, a veces cada minuto, para anteponer activamente las necesidades del ser amado a las propias. Esto no es

fácil. Sin embargo, como cristianos, encontramos en la Sagrada Escritura nuestra inspiración para el amor conyugal. El amor entre marido y mujer nos remite al amor entre Jesús y su Iglesia. Jesús da su vida por cada uno de nosotros, y sus últimas palabras en la cruz fueron para pedir perdón por los que le dieron muerte. Obtenga más información y comparta la Buena Nueva sobre el matrimonio y la vida familiar en: www.radiatelove.info

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New	Jubilee Day of People with disAbilities Sensory Friendly Mass
English	
Join us as we celebrate our Year of Hope Jubilee Day of People with disAbilities on Saturday, May 17 at 5:30pm at St. Peter Parish (105 S. 2 nd Street, Dixon). Bishop Rey Bersabal will be the celebrant , along with Father Hector Montoya, Pastor of St. Peter, Dixon and Father Paul Zirimenya, our Deaf Community Chaplain as concelebrants. The Mass will be bilingual and include the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. All are invited!	

New	Día Jubilar de Personas con Discapacidades – Misa Amigable Sensorial
Spanish	
Celebre nuestro Día del Jubileo del Año de la Esperanza de personas con discapacidades en el sábado 17 de mayo a 5:30pm en la parroquia de St. Peter Parish (105 S. 2 nd Street, Dixon).. El Obispo Rey Bersabal será el celebrante , el P. Héctor Montoya, Párroco de San Pedro, Dixon y el P. Paul Zirimenya, capellán de la Comunidad Sorda estará concelebrando. La Misa será bilingüe e incluirá la Unción de los Enfermos. ¡Todos están invitados!	