



## DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

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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, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 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 4)
English	<p>In these past weeks, we witnessed the providential passing of Pope Francis on Easter Monday. What a wonderful sign of hope it was that, despite his frailty, he resolutely decided to appear on the balcony of St Peter's Basilica to bless all the faithful gathered for the Easter Urbi et Orbi blessing. Let us commend his soul to God, confident that the Pilgrimage of Hope which he began on earth might be brought to eternal fruition in the communion of saints.</p> <p>After the period of anxious anticipation following the Pope's death, we can once again rejoice. Almighty God, through the prayerful discernment of the Cardinal-electors, has willed to provide us a Holy Father from our own country! Pope Leo XIV-- born in Chicago as Robert Francis Prevost-- is the 267th in an unbroken chain of Roman Pontiffs stretching all the way back to Saint Peter himself. We have no doubt that Leo will continue leading us on the Pilgrimage of Hope begun by Francis, while bringing his own profound wisdom and breadth of experience to his new role as Bishop of Rome. Let us pray for our new Holy Father, Leo XIV. May he, as Saint Peter said, also become a true living stone, helping us all to build up God's House on earth.</p> <p><i>Written by Dr. Joey Belleza, Assistant Director of Lay Formation, Diocese of Sacramento</i></p>

New	The Fantastic Implications of AI For Society & the Church
English	<p>The California Catholic Conference is hosting a presentation on Wednesday, June 4, 2025 from 10:00am-12:00pm to discuss Faith Meets Technology – AI and the Church.</p> <p>You are invited to join Bishop Oscar Cantú, Bishop of San Jose and Fr. Philip Larry, professor of philosophy at Boston College and former Chair of Logic and Epistemology at the Pontifical Lateran University in the Vatican, for a thought-provoking event examining the extraordinary and disconcerting ways AI is reshaping our world—ethically, spiritually, and socially—through the lens of Catholic teaching and tradition.</p>

What to Expect:

- Fascinating insights into how AI is transforming modern life
- A unique Catholic perspective on the promise and perils of emerging technologies
- Bold questions about morality, human dignity, and the soul in the age of machines
- Space for meaningful reflection and dialogue

It'll be held at the Embassy Suites, 100 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA. Cost: \$25 (free to those attending the CCC Summer Leadership Summit). For more info and to register, please visit: [www.cacatholic.org](http://www.cacatholic.org)

**New**

**The API Jubilee Celebration Series Continues**

English

We just celebrated the first Mass of the Asian & Pacific Islanders Jubilee Celebration series with the Indonesian community on May 25 at St. John Vianney Parish. Our next API Mass with Auxiliary Bishop Rey Bersabal will be on **Sunday, June at 2:00pm** at with the **Chinese Catholic Community** at the **Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament**. All are welcome to join!

For more information on the Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope, please visit [www.scd.org/Jubilee2025](http://www.scd.org/Jubilee2025)

**Make a Jubilee Pilgrimage to the North State | Sacred Heart Pilgrimage**

Spanish

Sacred Heart Parish in Susanville is hosting a pilgrimage walk to celebrate the Jubilee Year as 1 of the 12 pilgrimage sites. The walk begins on **Thursday, June 26 and ends on Friday, June 27** on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The pilgrimage walk will take place on the Bizz Johnson Trail from Westwood to Susanville with an overnight camp at the midway point. The walk will conclude at Sacred Heart Parish followed by Mass with **Auxiliary Bishop Rey Bersabal**. Youth and young adult pilgrims are encouraged to participate. Pilgrims under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information and registration, please visit [sacredheartpilgrimage.net](http://sacredheartpilgrimage.net).