

# Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Church

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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**Saturday: 5pm | Sunday: 8am and 11:30am**

**Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 11:30am**

**Confession: Wednesday at 11am or by appointment**

**Baptisms and Marriages: Contact the parish during business hours,  
M-F, 9am - 3pm or visit our website: [www.ourladyoftahoe.org](http://www.ourladyoftahoe.org)**

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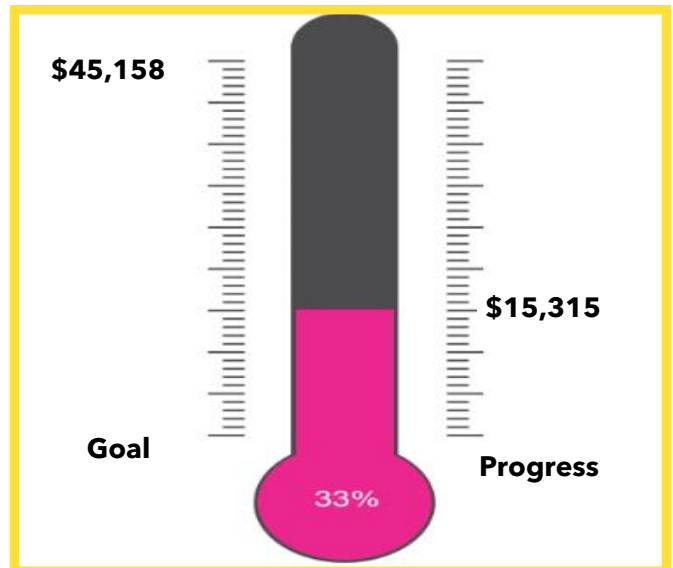
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In the giving of his life, Jesus does something for the community that no one else has ever done. All the past leaders avoided suffering for the community. They came the wrong way, not through the gate, which in John 10:7 is said to be Jesus, and they came to take advantage of the people. Instead of giving them life, they took it away from them. But Jesus came to give them life through the giving of his own. He did this not as a victim but as a willing, voluntary sacrifice. "No one takes it from me," he said, "but I lay it down of my own accord." This he said is a command "I have received from my Father" (verse 18). We, after all, are Easter people. What does that mean? It means that following Jesus's example, we invest our lives in other people's lives to the point where we don't matter anymore, only them. How are we giving our lives or—to put it in more contemporary terms—investing our lives in the people we serve? How are we being good shepherds?

Much of what we know about St. Mark, the author of the Second Gospel, comes largely from the New Testament and early Christian traditions. Mark the Evangelist is believed to be the 'John Mark' referred to in the Acts of the Apostles, the history of the early Church found in the Canon of the New Testament. He was the son of Mary of Jerusalem (Acts 12:12) whose home became a meeting place for the apostles. He is also the cousin of St. Barnabas (Colossians 4:10), a Levite and a Cypriot. Mark joined St. Paul and St. Barnabas on their first missionary journey to Antioch in 44 A.D. When the group reached Cyprus, Christian tradition holds that Mark left them and returned to Jerusalem, possibly because he was missing his home (Acts 13:13). This incident may have caused Paul to question whether Mark could be a reliable missionary. This created a disagreement between Paul and Barnabas and led Paul to refuse Mark's accompaniment on their second journey to the churches of Cilicia and the rest of Asia Minor. However, it can be assumed the troubles between Paul and Mark did not last long, because when Paul was first imprisoned, Mark, who was at the time in Rome with plans of visiting Asia Minor, visited him as one of his trusted companions (Col 4:10). Mark's hopes to visit Asia Minor were most likely carried out, because during Paul's second captivity and just before his martyrdom, Paul wrote to Timothy at Ephesus advising him to "take Mark and bring him with you [to Rome], for he is profitable to me for the ministry" (2 Timothy 4:11). If Mark returned to Rome at this time, he was probably there when Paul was martyred. According to Christian tradition, Mark also held a close relationship with St. Peter, who referred to Mark as 'his son' in his letter addressed to a number of churches in Asia Minor (1 Peter 5:13). Clement of Alexandria, Irenaeus and Papias all indicate that Mark was an interpreter for Peter. Although Papias states Mark had not personally heard the Lord speak firsthand and, like Luke, Mark was not one of the twelve apostles, some believe Mark was likely speaking of himself when he wrote the description of Jesus' arrest in Gethsemani. "Now a young man followed him wearing nothing but a linen cloth about his body. They seized him, but he left the cloth behind and ran off naked" (Mark 14:51-52). St. Mark lived for years in Alexandria, where he died as a martyr while being dragged through the streets. Mark's Gospel was probably written between 60 and 70 A.D. and was based upon the teachings of St. Peter. It is believed Mark provided both Luke and Matthew with basic sources for their Gospel's. St. Mark's symbol is a winged lion. This is believed to be derived from his description of St. John the Baptist, as "a voice of one crying out in the desert" (Mark 1:3). The wings come from Ezekiel's vision of four winged creatures as the evangelists. He is often depicted as writing or holding his Gospel. He is sometimes shown as a bishop on a throne or as a man helping Venetian sailors. St. Mark is the patron saint of Venice. His feast day is celebrated on April 25.

Funding from the Catholic Services Appeal broadly supports the mission of the Church in Northern Nevada, a mission that Jesus entrusted to each of us. What we do collectively as one family of faith makes a significant difference in the lives of so many throughout the diocese. A gift to the appeal is a wonderful way to share our blessings with others and to demonstrate gratitude to God for all He has given us while sharing our benefits with others. The appeal provides Catholics opportunities to support a wide range of ministries and programs that benefit more than 80,000 people each year. Your gift reflects your commitment to furthering God's work, enabling us to train future leaders of the Church, support religious education for young people, strengthen parish ministries, and support the clergy and seminarian education. Heartfelt thank you to everyone who has donated. We've secured 33% of our \$45,158 assessment. Please prayerfully consider a donation if you haven't already done so. Peace and good to you all!



## A NEVADA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE ADVISORY **DECLINE TO SIGN!**

In preparation for Nevada's November 2024 general election, there are two abortion related ballot initiatives for which signatures either have been or are currently being collected, that propose to enshrine abortion into our Nevada Constitution.

The Nevada Catholic Conference opposes these constitutional amendments, and the efforts seeking to permanently place the right to abortion in our state constitution, because:

- **It dangerously expands abortion rights.** Abortion, already legal in Nevada up to 24 weeks of pregnancy, would now be permitted to the 9th month of pregnancy, to full term.
- **It removes parental notification, consent, and family involvement** from all reproductive decisions for their minor children, including abortion and the treatment of issues such as gender dysphoria.
- **It eliminates the 'licensed physician' requirement for abortion** and substitutes 'health care practitioner' that could include nurses, physical therapists, dieticians, and athletic trainers (NRS 629.031) which would be dangerous to women in Nevada.

For these and many other reasons, the Nevada Catholic Conference urges all - ***Decline to Sign!***





## Mass Intentions

Saturday	20	5pm		
Sunday	21	8am	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Sunday	21	11:30am		
Wednesday	24	11:30am	† Robert Schlender	Patrick Schlender
Thursday	25	11:30am		
Friday	26	11:30am	Happy Birthday Chris Tillery!	David and Stephanie Scott

Last weekend's collection came to \$3,290.00. Donations are the financial lifeblood of the church. We ask that you continue this spirit of giving in not only your spiritual life but your personal and public lives as well, representing the enduring gifts of Jesus Christ. Thank you so much for your generosity!

We want to pause and express our thanks and appreciation to our loyal volunteers for your dedication and devotion to Our Lady of Tahoe! There is a saying that says, "we're better together", which basically means that even though each one of us are gifted in some way, and could accomplish many things on our own, the real difference is when we each take that God-given ability or talent and work as a team for His glory! As people are stepping up to volunteer, needs are being met that would have never been met, and people are growing in their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ which is really our goal in the first place. In scripture, Matthew 25:35-40 says: <sup>35</sup> for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; <sup>36</sup> I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' <sup>37</sup> Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink?' <sup>38</sup> When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? <sup>39</sup> Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' <sup>40</sup> And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' When we can look into the faces we serve, and somehow see Jesus, it changes everything! So again, thank you! What a blessing you all are, but beyond that, what a blessing you are to the people you serve, and of course, our precious Lord and Savior. Blessings in Christ!

PLEASE JOIN US



SATURDAY MAY 4, 2024  
Mass at 10 am  
Walk at 11 am

St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral  
310 West 2nd Street, Reno, Nevada  
89503



## Bible Study: The Book of Revelation

We are currently on a 2 week break! On 5/1, we return to Revelation and walk through chapters 19-20: The Marriage Supper and the Great Judgement! The votes have been tabulated for our next study. We will get to dive a little deeper across the bible timeline. The Story of Salvation. Exploring the Bible from Beginning to End in 24 Sessions. Please join us on 5/1 at 10 am. Contact Janine Nyre with any questions 775-339-1961.

We will begin accepting applications for the Women's Guild \$2500 Annual College Scholarship and the \$5,000 Per Semester Foundation Scholarship on Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. The deadline for submission is April 30<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and be a resident of the south or east shore of Lake Tahoe. Priority will be given to applicants actively participating in church ministry. To obtain an application, contact Susan at Our Lady of Tahoe Parish during business hours, Monday through Friday from 9am to 3pm.

SCHOLARSHIPS

As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.





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