



# LA JUNTA NAZARENE

March, 2024

## The Forgiveness Formula

For years I had a problem that gave me great grief and lots of pain. Something in my sinus cavity was not quite right and as a result I suffered from severe, annual sinus infections. When the infections came the pain would be terrible. I remember one time developing a large bruise on my forehead from trying to ease the pressure and pain by rubbing that area mercilessly. Eventually I opted for surgery. They went in, made some adjustments and to my great joy it was successful. I have never suffered another sinus infection since.

Which brings me to a spiritual application. Some are walking around in life with a known problem that is causing them grief and pain. Hebrews 12:1 says, "...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles..." Sin has filled their days with guilt, shame and an absence of the presence of God. They hope the situation will get better, that their sin will quietly go away, but it never does. And life goes on, miserable day after miserable day.

The Good News is that God understands sinfulness and He has provided us a way of relief from our agony. It is a two-step process: Confession + Repentance.

Confessions is simply praying and telling God about your sin. James 5:16 says, "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed." Confession can be hard, messy, and painful, but it is necessary. Don't blab your sins to everyone you know on Facebook. Choose some mature person you trust and tell them about your sin. They will pray for you and God will help you.

Repentance means to turn around and go a different direction. It means to change your behavior and your way of thinking. Repentance is where that friend you just confessed to will come in handy. They will help hold you accountable to your new direction in life.

If you have a known problem that is causing you pain and grief, don't ignore it. Deal with it as radically as you need to in order to find peace.

# March

## Birthdays



**1st Blaise Medina**  
**1st Bob Malden**  
**1st Dottie Bryan**  
**2nd Addison Malden**  
**4th Betty Clanton**  
**12th Stephanie Spitz**  
**14th Houston Yochum**  
**20th DeAnna Adler**  
**20th Sam Trotter**  
**21st LaRue Hare**  
**23rd Ulrich Sullivan**  
**25th Chris Fluke**  
**26th Joanna Clark**  
**27th Carolyn Ehrlich**  
**27th Cooper Fluke**  
**27th Randy Cruzan, III**  
**30th Aislynn Martin**  
**30th Brynn Morley**  
**31st Thane Sullivan**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

See the Graphics  
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## February

### Tithes & Offerings

**\$21,549**

If you are watching the services online and would like to give tithes and offerings, you may:

- Come by the office
- Mail It
- Give online
- Use this QR code



Thank You!

## Sunday Services

**Sunday School**  
**9:15 am**

**Classes for**  
**all ages!**

**Cafe Fellowship**  
**10:15 am**

**Worship**  
**10:30 am**

**Children's Church**  
**(Age 4 - 5th grade)**  
**Nursery is available**

**Youth Group**  
**6:30 pm**

**Watch the**  
**Worship Service**  
**Live Stream**

**on**  
**Facebook**  
**or**  
**YouTube**

**@ Lajunta Nazarene**

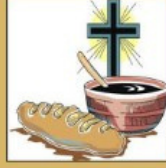
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# What's Happening!

## La Junta Community Lenten Soup Suppers



FRIDAY  
6:00 pm

### CHURCHES & TIMES

March 1st Calvary  
March 8th United Methodist  
March 15th First Presbyterian  
March 22nd Our Lady of Guadalupe/  
St. Patrick Catholic  
No Community Good Friday Service!

## CRAFTING WITH FRIENDS

Saturday, March 23rd  
10:00 - 2:00 pm



- BRING YOUR OWN PROJECTS
- BRING A FINGER FOOD TO SHARE
- BRING A FRIEND

ENJOY THE FELLOWSHIP!



## Parmesan Chicken Manicotti by Kristi Hartless

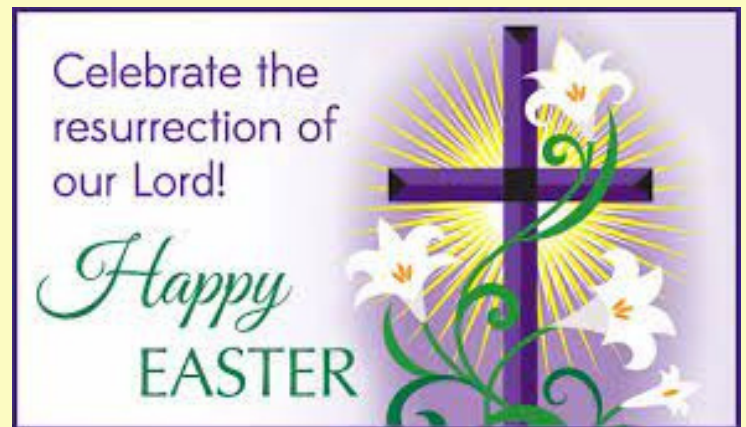
- 14 pieces of Manicotti (cooked)
- 2 cups of ricotta cheese (skim)
- 1 cup of parmesan cheese (shredded)
- 1 cup of shredded cooked chicken
- 2 eggs
- 2tsp oregano
- 1 can of crushed tomatoes
- 1 tsp. italian seasoning
- 4-5 TB Parmesan Cheese
- Salt and Pepper to taste

### Instructions

1. In a medium bowl combine shredded chicken, ricotta cheese, eggs and oregano. Add salt and pepper to taste and stir until mixed.
2. Stuff each manicotti with 1/4 cup chicken mixture and place in a greased 9x13 pan.
3. Add crushed tomatoes in a saucepan over low heat. Add Italian seasoning, grated parmesan cheese and stir until heated and simmering.
4. Pour over manicotti and sprinkle with mozzarella or parmesan cheese.
5. Bake at 350 degrees for 35-40 minutes.

## Matthew 28:1-10

**Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he[a] lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."**



## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE



March 29th, 2024

6:00 pm



## Easter Sunday

March 31, 2024



Son-Rise Service - 6:30 am

Communion will be served

Wear warm casual clothes

## Son-Rise Breakfast

Following the Son-Rise Service

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Worship Service - 10:00 am

Nursery Available



Easter Egg Hunt

Nursery - 6th grade

Following the service

