

# ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA PARISH COMMUNITY



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*"May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be loved everywhere"*

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## **INDOOR MASS SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JUNE 19, 2021**

100% Capacity

*Parishioners/attendees/guests are encouraged to wear masks, if health conditions exist, or as a personal choice, to ensure maximum safety/precautions for all.*

### **SATURDAY VIGIL**

\*5:15 pm English

### **SUNDAY**

6:30 am / 7:45 am / 9:00 am

\*10:15 am - interpreted for the deaf  
12:00 pm / \*1:45 pm Español / 5:15 pm

### **DAILY MASS-Effective September 22, 2021**

\*8:15 am & 5:30 pm

*Daily Mass in Spanish every Wednesday at 5:30 pm*

*Misa diaria en español cada miércoles a las 5:30 pm*

(There is no 5:30 pm Mass from Memorial Day through Labor Day)  
Above schedule in effect until further notice.

Thank you for your understanding.

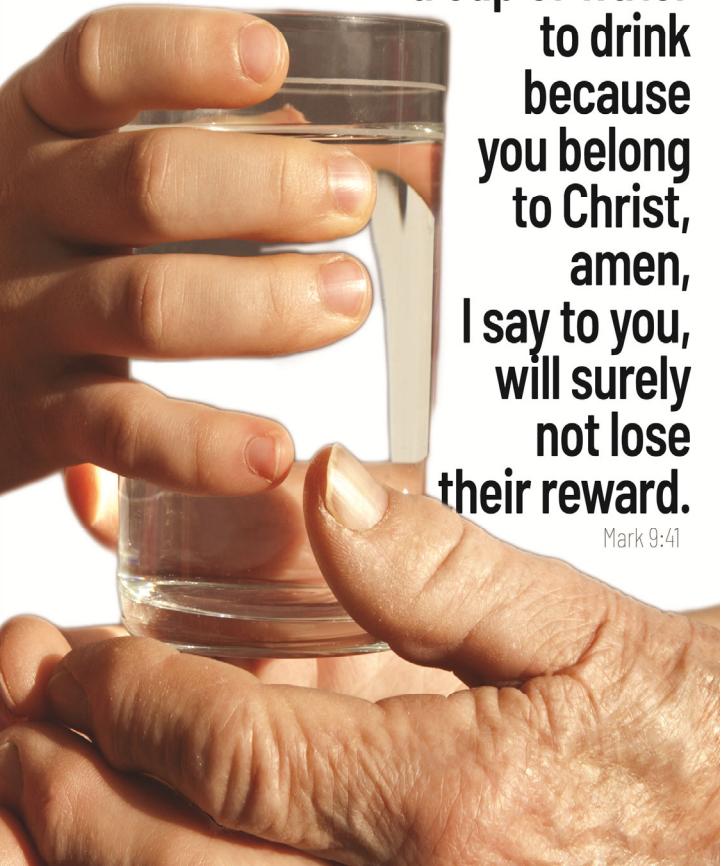
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### **CONFESIONS (CONFESIONES)**

Saturday (sábado): 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm



**Any who give you  
a cup of water  
to drink  
because  
you belong  
to Christ,  
amen,  
I say to you,  
will surely  
not lose  
their reward.**

Mark 9:41

## **Twenty-sixth**

Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 26, 2021

*Todo aquel que les dé beber un vaso de agua  
por el hecho de que son de Cristo,  
les aseguro que no se quedará sin recompensa.*

Marcos 9:41

## **Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

26 de Septiembre de 2021

## **PARISH VISION STATEMENT**

One God, One people in Christ, One community of love guided by the Holy Spirit to impact lives.  
Un Dios, Un pueblo en Cristo, Una comunidad de amor guiada por el Espíritu Santo para impactar vidas.

MASS INTENTIONS - INTENCIÓNES DE MISASSUNDAY - DOMINGO 9/26

6:30 am Ghalib Habib †  
 7:45 am Bruce Terlep †  
 9:00 am St. Catherine's Parishioners  
 10:15 am Deceased Members of The Bowman Family †  
 12:00 pm Jonathan Magdaleno †  
 1:45 pm Raymunda Simoes †  
 5:15 pm José de Jesus Jimenez †

MONDAY - LUNES 9/27

8:15 am Doris Vallejos de la Cruz †  
 5:30 pm William Drachslin †

TUESDAY - MARTES 9/28

8:15 am Jewel Wilmoth †  
 5:30 pm Nabil Boutros †

WEDNESDAY - MIÉRCOLES 9/29

8:15 am Kathleen Moore-Serra †  
 5:30 pm Intentions of Doretta Hoffmann

THURSDAY - JUEVES 9/30

8:15 am Valeriano Tizon †  
 5:30 pm Monica Gurrola †

FRIDAY - VIERNES 10/01

8:15 am Maria Jimenez †  
 5:30 pm Natividad de Leon †

SATURDAY - SÁBADO 10/02

8:15 am Intentions of 2,000 Hail Mary Prayer Group  
 10:00 am At WMV—Parishioners

5:15 pm Vangie Maldonado †

SUNDAY - DOMINGO 10/03

6:30 am St. Catherine's Parishioners  
 7:45 am Joseph Ogle †  
 9:00 am Intentions of Jose & Luz Aguilar  
 10:15 am Jerina Jane San Agustin †  
 12:00 pm Elvee Ona †  
 1:45 pm Intentions of Olga Granados  
 5:15 pm Thomas Beckerle †

*† Symbolizes Soul of Deceased*



St. Catherine Church has radio frequency capability at 72.9 MHz Wideband Audio Input with 10.0 db for the FM Radio that you can hear with your in-ear headphone direct from the presider's microphone.

TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Moses said, "Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25-29).

**Psalm** — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19).

**Second Reading** — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (James 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

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LITURGY CORNERSeptember 26 - TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**September 27** - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

**September 28** - St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

**September 29** - Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

**September 30** - St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church

**October 1** - St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

**October 2** - The Holy Guardian Angels

**Saint Vincent de Paul** devoted much of his priestly life to alleviating human suffering and caring for the poor. In one of his letters, he wrote: *"We must try to be stirred by our neighbors' worries and distress. We must beg God to pour into our hearts sentiments of pity and compassion and to fill them again and again with these dispositions."* St. Catherine's St. Vincent de Paul Society expresses their gratitude to parishioners whom answer the call of charity and support this ministry through monetary and food donations.

**Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions**, the first canonized Filipino, was a native of Manila; facing an unjust accusation of murder, he sailed from Manila to Japan, where persecutions were underway; he along with fifteen others, priests and lay, men and women, were martyred in Japan during the years 1633-1637.

**Saint Michael** meaning "Who can compare to God?", in 1886, Pope Leo XIII composed the St. Michael prayer. *Michael argued with the devil*. Jude 9

**Saint Gabriel** "the strength of God", announced the birth of John the Baptist Luke 1:11-20; announced the birth of Jesus. Luke 1:26-38

**Saint Raphael** "the physician of God"; *I am Raphael, one of the seven angels who stand and serve before the Glory of the Lord.* Tobit 12:15

**Saint Thérèse** the "Little Flower"; in her autobiography *The Story of a Soul*, she wrote, "He (Papa) spoke to me as Saints speak, and showed me some flowers growing in the low stone wall. Picking one of them, he gave it to me, and explained the loving care with which God had made it spring up and grow till now."

**Holy Guardian Angels** Saint Basil the Great taught that *"each and every member of the faithful has a Guardian Angel to protect, guard, and guide them through life."* *"For he commands his angels with regard to you, to guard you wherever you go."* Psalm 91:11

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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|------------|--|
| Monday:    | Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50             |
| Tuesday:   | Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56                        |
| Wednesday: | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;<br>Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51 |
| Thursday:  | Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;<br>Lk 10:1-12          |
| Friday:    | Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16                  |
| Saturday:  | Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Mt 18:1-5, 10              |
| Sunday:    | Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;<br>Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]   |

**Brothers and Sisters,**

On this twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, we celebrate Priesthood Sunday so let each of us take the time to thank all our parish priests and priests throughout the world. May God bless each of them in their chosen vocation.

The message we hear in today's readings tells us that God is not limited by our restrictions or shortsightedness. God moves where he wills, bestowing gifts for the good of all. God chooses whom he wills, with a criteria frequently different from what ours would be.

Here's a question for you about our first reading from the book of Numbers. Have you ever wondered where the name for this book comes from? The name "Numbers" comes from the description of the census in chapter 1. In our first reading Moses appoints seventy elders to help him guide, direct and lead the people of Israel as directed by "Yahweh" (God). Two of the men on the list of 70 were Eldad and Medad, but they were not in the gathering at the tent when the Spirit came to rest on those at the tent. When they began prophesying in the camp, Joshua, Moses' right-hand man urges Moses to stop them because as one of my many sources says "they were not at the orientation" so to speak. In Joshua's defense, he was probably afraid the action of these two would put Moses' authority in jeopardy. But Moses in reply says to Joshua "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!" Praise God, now when we are each baptized now, we are baptized "priest, prophet and king." Our Church has not grown through exclusivity or competition. God's gifts of the "Spirit" are for the benefit of the whole community-they serve the community-not the individual who received the gift.

In our second reading from the letter of St. James, he gives us a teaching on "social justice." For James, wealth ties people to the world's values. Wealth has the propensity to foster inattention to the needs of others. James says those who are oppressed and marginalized have God's attention. James makes it clear that wealth gained through the suffering of the innocent condemns those who have it. He urges his readers and us to be ready to let go of everything, including pride, in order to enter the Kingdom of God. Riches in and of themselves are not evil, they become evil when only a select few are able to enjoy their fruits.

In our gospel for today as with Joshua in our first reading, John, Jesus' beloved disciple, has to be instructed that he should look for God's grace in the results before making judgments. Jesus challenges his disciples' focus on power and control. John vividly reveals his intolerance, when he insists that "someone" who is "driving out demons" in Jesus' name should be silenced. Jesus sets John straight by reminding him that anyone who is for Jesus is not against him. It is a reminder to all Christians to be open to God's spirit working in surprising ways. Remember a time when God surprised you?

Jesus' teaching is an admonishment to anyone trying to create exclusive boundaries around a faith community. One way to prevent this desire for control is to make sure the word "belonging" means inclusive, not exclusive.

Final thought: Wherever kindness and compassion are to be found, there too is the face of God.

**Faithful****2021 DDF SPECIAL COLLECTION IS NEXT WEEKEND - OCTOBER 2 & 3**

You can make your donation *several ways:*

- In the collection basket at Mass
- Via **ONLINE GIVING** at St. Catherine's website: [www.stcofa.org](http://www.stcofa.org)
- Mail your check to St. Catherine of Alexandria-7005 Brockton Ave., Riverside, CA 92506

Thank you for your continued support! **Donating to DDF supports your Church and Ministries.**

**STEWARDSHIP . . . Thank you for supporting your parish, St. Catherine of Alexandria!**

**Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022  
Summary of Weekly Sunday Offering  
September 19, 2021**

	<b>Actual Collection</b>	<b>Budgeted Collection</b>
September 5th	\$ 14,956.52	\$ 15,000.00
September 12th	\$ 23,109.13	\$ 15,000.00
September 19th	\$ 15,255.06	\$ 15,000.00
Actual Collection	\$ 191,327.37	
Budgeted Collection	\$ 175,500.00	
<b>YTD Collection Overage</b>	<b>\$15,827.37</b>	

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH FINANCIALLY.  
Thank you for your generosity.**

**2021 Diocesan Development Fund  
September 19, 2021**

Total Pledges Made	\$ 82,858
Less: DDF Assessment	\$ 69,750
<b>Total Pledges made to the Parish</b>	<b>\$ 13,108</b>
Total DDF Pledge Payments	\$ 74,273
Less: DDF Assessment (adjusted)	\$ 69,750
<b>Cash to the Parish (PDF)</b>	<b>\$ 4,523</b>
Number of donors	234
Parishioner's participation %	8%

**PLEASE SUPPORT DDF-2021.**





**16<sup>th</sup> Annual**

## **Blessing of the Animals**

**'in the Spirit of St. Francis'**

**October 2, 2021**

**9 a.m.**

On the Steps of St. Catherine of Alexandria Church

**In keeping in solidarity with those who can not be vaccinated at this time, please wear a face covering, practice social distancing and bring your own chair or blanket.**

*Sponsored by the Ministry of Social Concerns*

*For more information, please contact Deacon John at (951) 781-9855, ext. 11*

### VINCENTIAN CORNER



In today's gospel Jesus tells his disciples: "Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not, I assure you, go without his reward."

On September 27, the Church will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are on the front line in laboring for the poor, they are among the first to know their real needs.

**This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families with food and/or utility assistance. God Bless You!**

**If you know of someone needing assistance, please have them call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 951/684-7386...we are here to help!**

Are you feeling called to join our team of volunteers? Contact Robert Lucero at (951) 784-7642 for more information.

### RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

**Psalm 139:14**

**I praise you, because I am wonderfully made; wonderful are your works! My very self you know.** - New American Bible

**These are just some of the amazing stages of an unborn baby's development before birth!**

- 18 days - heart begins to beat.
- 21 days - pumps own blood through separate closed circulatory system with own blood type.
- 28 days - eye, ear and respiratory system begin to form.
- 42 days - brain waves recorded, skeleton complete, reflexes present.
- 7 weeks - photo of thumbsucking.
- 8 weeks - all body systems present.
- 9 weeks - squints, swallows, moves tongue, makes fist.
- 11 weeks - spontaneous breathing movements, has fingernails, all body systems working.
- 12 weeks - weighs one ounce.
- 16 weeks - grasps with hands, swims, kicks, turns, somersaults
- 18 weeks - vocal cords work – can cry.
- 20 weeks - has hair on head, weighs one pound, 12 inches long.
- 23 weeks - 15% chance of viability outside of womb if birth premature.
- 24 weeks - 56% of babies survive premature birth.
- 25 weeks - 79% of babies survive premature birth.

-<http://www.prolife.com/FETALDEV.html>

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The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul;  
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.  
— *Psalm 19:8*



### HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

The mobile clinic will be at St.Catherine's school from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for adult clients on Saturday, October 2, 2021.



**During the Coronavirus pandemic, please call 714-633-4600 for pre-screening and to make an appointment.**

Free Adult Medical care is offered, labs and meds are as low-cost as possible. Patients sign in on a first-come, first-served basis. For additional information or to volunteer visit their website at [www.lestonnacfreeclinic.org](http://www.lestonnacfreeclinic.org).

**PARISH BLOOD BANK MINISTRY  
SAVE THE DATE  
Sunday, October 17, 2021  
9:00 am to 3:30 pm**



LifeStream will hold a Blood Drive at St. Catherine's Parish Hall on the above date.

LifeStream **thanks you** for your past support.

Your commitment is more valued and more critical than ever as the United States remains affected by a national blood shortage. Every **blood** donation counts.

*Can we count on you again?*

Everyone is encouraged to call 800-879-4484 or go to <http://www.LStream.org>, to make an appointment to donate blood, "the Gift of Life."

*Thank you for your generous support.*

**THE PRESENCE OF GOD**

In all our thoughts and actions we ought to remember the presence of God, and account all lost in which we think not of God.

—St. Bernard of Clairvaux

**NOTICE TO PARISHIONERS:**

**Effective September 22, 2021, every Wednesday evening Mass at 5:30 pm will be celebrated in Spanish. Welcome!**

**AVISO A LOS FELIGRESES:**

**A partir del 22 de septiembre de 2021, la misa se celebrará en español todos los miércoles por la tarde a las 5:30 pm. ¡Bienvenidos!**



**Deaths**  
Please pray for our beloved dead...  
*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord;  
and let perpetual light shine upon them*

**Jose Ybanez  
Noemi D. Barrionuevo  
Douglas Moore**

**Magdalena Calvo  
Lucas Pol  
Susana Oria Aguinaldo**

**For all who have died during COVID-19 pandemic.  
...May they rest in peace**

**TO REPORT THE SEXUAL ABUSE OF A CHILD**

by a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer, call the toll free  
**Sexual Misconduct Hotline 1-888-206-9090**

**PARA REPORTAR EL ABUSO SEXUAL DE UN MENOR**  
por parte de un sacerdote, diácono, empleado o voluntario, llame a la  
**Línea Directa de Conducta Sexual Inapropiada 1-888-206-9090**



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on First Friday, October 1, 2021 immediately following the 8:15 am Mass and end at 10:00 am with Benediction.

*"The best time you will spend on earth is the time you spend with your best Friend, Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament."*  
-Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta

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**ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO  
SACRAMENTO DEL ALTAR**

La Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se llevará a cabo el primer viernes, 1 de octubre de 2021 inmediatamente después de la Misa de 8:15 am y terminará a las 10:00 am con la bendición.

*"El tiempo que uno pasa con Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento, es el tiempo mejor invertido en la tierra".*  
-Santa Madre Teresa de Calcutta



**September 26, 2021**

*Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. Priesthood Sunday specifically honors priests, without whom the Mass could not be offered and Sacraments could not be celebrated.* -serraus.org

**THANK YOU!**

Fr. Jun Cajucom, MSC  
Fr. Lucho Segura, MSC  
Fr. Adri Budhi, MSC  
Fr. Christy Yesudass, MSC

Let us pray for our priests in their ministry to the people of St. Catherine's, that we may affirm, support, and celebrate their gift of service to us.

Let us pray to the Lord that men and women respond to the Christ's call to serve the Church in the priesthood, diaconate or religious life.

**"ASK THE CLERGY"**

Have you ever had a question about our faith or for our priests and deacons? On our website, we have a feature called "Ask the Clergy."

If you have a question, you can submit it online at <http://www.stcofa.net/ask-the-clergy.html>.

The form to submit will be at the bottom of the page. *Every month, we will feature a new question with our clergy's responses.*





**COVID-19  
Vaccination Clinic  
Clínica de Vacunación**

**St. Catherine of Alexandria  
Catholic Church - Youth House**

6956 Nixon Dr.  
Riverside, CA 92506

Saturday/Sabado  
October 2, 2021  
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Walk-ins  
Welcome!**

Register



Registration Link  
<https://tinyurl.com/y54bz5c>

Pfizer vaccine clinic for all individuals who are 12 years or older.

Pfizer clínica para todas las personas mayores de 12 años.

For assistance with scheduling please call  
**(951) 358-5000 / 2-1-1**

Si necesitas ayuda por favor llame  
**(951) 358-5000 / 2-1-1**

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1. Prayer  
**"Join Us in Prayer"**

**The Holy Rosary**

Tuesday-Sunday @ 7:00PM  
on Zoom Bilingual English  
and Spanish

Meeting ID: 848 7071 4466

To participate live in the rosary from any phone. The rosary begins at 7pm. We pray for the sick of the parish 6:45pm.  
Step 1. Dial the San Jose number  
Step 2. Listen to the prompt  
Step 3. Type in the meeting ID number and #  
Step 4. Listen to the prompt Press #  
Step 5. Wait for rosary to start OR host will let them in

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Passcode: 803585

Meeting ID: 848 7071 4466

Passcode: 803585



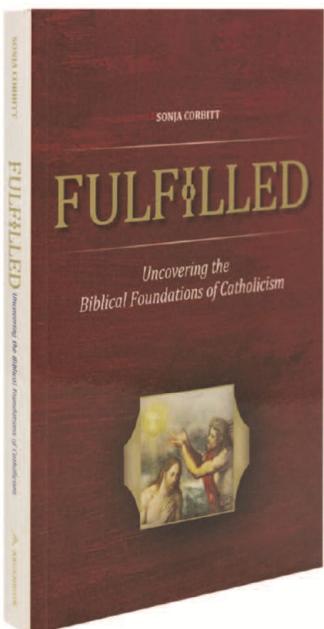
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grow in your faith?**

**THE FELLOWSHIP OF  
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cordially invites you to join us  
in a study on the book  
**FULFILLED: Uncovering the Biblical  
Foundation of Catholicism**  
by Sonia Corbitt

The St. Catherine of Alexandria  
Morning Fellowship meets each  
month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays.  
First meeting: October 12  
9:45 am–12 noon  
Location: TBD



For more information, call or text  
Christine Plattner at (909) 227-5566



**Fellowship of Catholic Christian Women**

**FAITH FORMATION IS SEEKING  
NEW CATECHISTS**



**Do you have just two hours to  
give on Wednesdays for our  
Parish children?**

The Faith Formation Staff and Parish need **YOU** to help these children prepare for receiving their Sacraments, learn about our Roman Catholic Traditions, live out the Gospel and journey in our faith together. The rewards are many. Please pray to see if our Lord is calling you to this Ministry. If interested or for questions, please call Olivia, 951-781-9855 x 25.

**\*Please note any adult (ages 18+)** working with children on a regular basis as a volunteer will need to follow certain guidelines and training before being allowed to help. Please don't let this turn you away. It's for the safety of all involved.

## FEAST OF FAITH

### The Lord's Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer ends with the great "Amen," the acclamation of assent by the assembly. Then the Communion rite begins with the Lord's Prayer. We pray this prayer in many contexts, both inside and outside the Church's liturgy. Here, in the context of the Mass, the Lord's Prayer is profoundly eucharistic. When we ask for our "daily bread," we are asking for the gift of the Eucharist. When we ask God to forgive us as we forgive others, we are seeking forgiveness and purity of heart before we approach the altar to receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood—"so that what is holy may, in fact, be given to those who are holy" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 81).

At Mass, a prayer for peace is inserted between the prayer and the doxology. In this prayer, called the embolism, the Church asks God for freedom—freedom from sin and all anxiety and distress. We are living in an in-between time; even as we rejoice in Christ's presence, we await his coming in joyful hope.

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### QUESTIONS TO ASK GOD

Am I doing all I can to live in harmony with my family, co-workers, fellow parishioners, and people in my community?

Do my public behavior and private behavior consistently reflect my belief in you and gratitude for all your blessings?

Am I doing all I can to follow you, or only the least I can get away with?

What ministries, services, or programs are you asking me to support in my parish?

Am I praying to you for favors and answers, when I could be praying for opportunities to see solutions and act upon them?

How do you wish me to serve the community in which I live?

Since you invited the rich young man (Matthew 19:16-30) to give away all that he had and follow you, are you calling me to do the same and be a priest or religious?

Am I hanging on to money and possessions because I am fearful of not having enough?

Instead of asking, "Why should I give this away?" do you want me to ask, "Why shouldn't I give this away?"

How can I communicate better with my spouse and children so we can all become generous disciples?

Am I living so that others say of me, "What a great success," or to have you say, "Well done, good and faithful servant"?

Am I really in danger of giving too much too soon? Or is the real danger giving too little too late?

When I die, what will I wish I had given while I still had the chance?

Can you help me close the gap between what I'll wish then that I'd given and what I'm actually giving now—of my time, my skills, and the money I have?

**Use these questions to spark family discussion, conversation with your spouse, or as the focus of personal prayer. Ask God to make you open to the "still, small voice" of the Lord.** Copyright © 2011, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



### RCIA INQUIRY

#### INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Though our face-to-face Inquiry gatherings are cancelled at present, our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is starting an on-line group on

Sundays for those interested in becoming Catholic.

If you are interested in joining or have questions, please call 951-781-9855 extension 29 and leave your contact information. God bless and "see you" soon!



Lance Wiseman - 781.9855 ext. 14

All High-School-Age Youth LIFE NIGHT  
Sundays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. after LIFE TEEN Mass

#### LIFE TEEN (high school age teen)

Due to the Coronavirus the [Life Night are meeting online almost every Sunday 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm](#). Contact Lance Wiseman at [lwise-man@stcofa.org](mailto:lwise-man@stcofa.org) or 951-781-9855 Ext. 14 if you are interested in joining us for online gatherings.

#### This Week-9/26: Life Night

We will continue getting to know each other with some games and activities. Please check your email for log-in codes. [We are on Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm](#). Contact Lance for more information and log-in code.

#### Next Week-10/3: Life Night

We start with a few sessions on St. Joseph to know him better. Please check your email for log-in codes. [We are on Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm](#). Contact Lance for more information.

Remember Life Nights are open to **all High School age youth and we invite you to join us**. They are held most Sundays via ZOOM at this time. Please contact Lance if you have questions or need more information.

**YOUTH SERVICE HOURS** - For other service opportunities please contact Lance.

**YOUTH FUNDRAISER** - NEW Shop Riverside cards for 2022 are available for purchase. Cards are valid from date of purchase through all of Year 2022. Please call Lance at 951/781-9855 x 14 if you are interested in purchasing. Remember [the money raised helps support St. Catherine's Youth Programs](#). Please contact Lance for other upcoming fundraisers.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL - THE EDGE** - a Ministry for youth in middle school from 6th to 8th grade in private or public schools. **We are not sure at this time when we will be able to start this school year**. For more information please contact Lance.

#### CONFIRMATION NEWS - UPDATE AS OF 9/26/2021

**1<sup>st</sup> Year of Confirmation - WELCOME** to our new first year teens, we look forward to working with you and your parents this year. Our first year starts with a [Mandatory Parent & Candidate meeting](#) on September 19th or September 20th. If you missed the meeting, please contact Lance. 1st Module for the year will be October 10th or 11th and zoom code will be emailed next week. You only need to attend one of the two modules.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Year of Confirmation** - We started the year with the [Mandatory Parent & Candidate meeting held September 12th](#). If you missed the meeting, please contact Lance. Calendars and Zoom codes were emailed last week. We start classes in October. Please make sure to turn in any make-up work, mass reflection & service reflection sheet from last year asap.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Year of Confirmation** - We started the year with the [Mandatory Parent & Candidate meeting held September 12th](#). If you missed the meeting, please contact Lance. Calendars and Zoom codes were emailed last week and classes begin in October. Please make sure to turn in any make-up work, mass reflection & service reflection sheets from last year asap.

**CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION**—Has started for all interested in registering for the new confirmation year. Please contact Lance Wiseman at 951-781-9855 ext. 14 for **APPOINTMENT** & more information.

Our Confirmation process is a three year program, starting in 9th grade, confirming in 11th grade, this includes public or private schools. Please contact Lance Wiseman with any questions.



## Todo aquel que les dé beber un vaso de agua por el hecho de que son de Cristo, les aseguro que no se quedará sin recompensa.

Marcos 9:41

### LA LIBERTAD DE DIOS

Las lecturas de hoy nos recuerdan que Dios es libre: Dios actúa como quiere independientemente de lo que los seres humanos puedan esperar. En la lectura del libro de los Números, el espíritu de Dios entra en dos hombres, Eldad y Medad, aunque no habían estado con los otros que habían recibido el espíritu de Dios. Y en el Evangelio de Marcos, Jesús respalda a un exorcista desconocido, que hizo la labor de Dios en el nombre de Jesús, pero no fue autorizado oficialmente por los discípulos. Que el espíritu de Dios se comparta ampliamente no es una amenaza a Moisés ni a Jesús. Ellos celebran la idea de que el espíritu de Dios sopla donde quiere. Moisés estaba formando al pueblo de Israel, y Jesús de manera similar estaba formando a la comunidad de discípulos, para que se encontraran con un Dios radicalmente libre que no se ajusta a sus ideas preconcebidas. Este encuentro, cuando se recibe con humildad, amplía su visión y profundiza su fe. Dios sigue formando a la Iglesia de manera similar hoy, para abrirlas a la libertad de Dios.

### MIRAR HACIA ADENTRO

En esta parte del Evangelio se narran una serie de luchas. Jesús se esfuerza por describir lo que significa ser sus seguidores, y los discípulos se esfuerzan por evitar el tema. Señalan a un forastero y los peligros que representa. Jesús le da una vuelta al asunto y pide a sus discípulos que vean dentro de sí mismos: ¿en qué medida son un peligro para Jesús y su obra? Jesús utiliza un lenguaje gráfico, invocando la auto amputación, para subrayar su argumento.

A veces, nuestros obstáculos más difíciles están en lo más profundo de nuestro ser. Al igual que nuestras manos y pies, algunas actitudes y hábitos son profundamente una parte de nosotros, y su eliminación sería traumatizante para nosotros. Sin embargo, sabemos que algunas creencias (como las idolatrías basadas en la raza, la riqueza o el género) o comportamientos (como las adicciones) nos perjudican gravemente a nosotros mismos y a muchos otros. Necesitamos una vigilancia orante y no neurótica sobre nuestra vida interior. Cuando sea necesario, necesitamos una resistencia férrea a cualquier cosa que nos ponga en peligro a nosotros o a los demás.

### UNIDAD EN CRISTO

En el Evangelio de hoy de Marcos, Jesús dice que "quien no está contra nosotros, está a favor nuestro". Marcos está hablando de su propia comunidad cristiana. Desde sus comienzos, hubo tensiones en la Iglesia sobre quién habla en nombre de Jesús. El mismo Jesús siempre llamó a la unidad de corazón y diversidad de expresión como signo de la verdad del Evangelio. No es un secreto que, en la historia cristiana, y aún hoy, las divisiones han dañado gravemente el mensaje y la causa cristiana.

En nuestro propio tiempo y lugar, las divisiones culturales y políticas han reducido nuestra capacidad de resolver problemas y de vivir juntos en una sociedad justa y pacífica. Tal vez sea el momento de que los cristianos den un paso al frente, para recordar que nuestra unidad en Cristo es mucho más profunda que las diferencias que percibimos. Estamos llamados a acercarnos y a escucharnos unos a otros, a honrarnos como miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo. Los cristianos pueden marcar el camino y mostrar a todos los que nos ven cómo se hace.

### LECTURAS DE HOY

Números 11:25-29  
Salmo 19 (18):8, 10, 12-13, 14  
Santiago 5:1-6  
Marcos 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

## FIESTA DE LA FE

### Eucaristía y justicia

Al celebrar la Eucaristía siempre podemos caer en la tentación de desencarnarla de la vida diaria, sobre todo de lo que implique organización social, educación, promoción humana, justicia, en fin, todo lo que es pro vida, a favor de la vida. San Juan Crisóstomo nos lo recuerda casi a manera profética: "¿Deseas honrar el cuerpo de Cristo? No lo desprecies, pues, cuando lo encuentres desnudo en los pobres, ni lo honres aquí en el templo con lienzos de seda, si al salir lo abandonas en su frío y desnudez. Porque el mismo que dijo: "esto es mi cuerpo", y con su palabra llevó a realidad lo que decía, afirmó también: "Tuve hambre y no me disteis de comer", y más adelante: "Siempre que dejasteis de hacerlo a uno de estos pequeños, a mí en persona lo dejasteis de hacer" [...] . ¿De qué serviría adornar la mesa de Cristo con vasos de oro, si el mismo Cristo muere de hambre? Da primero de comer al hambriento, y luego, con lo que te sobre, adornarás la mesa de Cristo»: San Juan Crisóstomo, *Homilías sobre el Evangelio de Mateo*, 50, 3-4: PG 58, 508-509. —Miguel Arias, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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## Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

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### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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| Lunes:     | Zac 8:1-8; Sal 102 (101):16-21, 29, 22-23;<br>Lc 9:46-50         |
| Martes:    | Zac 8:20-23; Sal 87 (86):1b-7; Lc 9:51-56                        |
| Miércoles: | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 o Ap 12:7-12a;<br>Sal 138 (137):1-5; Jn 1:47-51 |
| Jueves:    | Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Sal 19 (18):8-11;<br>Lc 10:1-12          |
| Viernes:   | Bar 1:15-22; Sal 79 (78):1b-5, 8-9; Lc 10:13-16                  |
| Sábado:    | Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Sal 69 (68):33-37;<br>Mt 18:1-5, 10           |
| Domingo:   | Gn 2:18-24; Sal 128 (127):1-6; Heb 2:9-11;<br>Mc 10:2-16 [2-12]  |

### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — El espíritu se posó sobre Moisés y los ancianos, y también sobre Eldad y Medad. No se puede limitar al espíritu (Números 11:25-29).

**Salmo** — Los mandamientos del Señor alegran el corazón (Salmo 19 [18]).

**Segunda lectura** — Ustedes que se han hecho ricos rehusando pagar los salarios y con otras obras injustas, ahora se les va a condenar (Santiago 5:1-6).

**Evangelio** — Cualquiera que esté haciendo el bien en nombre de Cristo está con él. Aleja de ti todo lo que te impida el desarrollo espiritual (Marcos 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

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## INFORMACIÓN LITÚRGICA

### 26 de septiembre - VIGÉSIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

- 27 de septiembre** - San Vicente de Paúl, presbítero  
**28 de septiembre** - San Wenceslao, mártir; Santos Lorenzo Ruiz y compañeros, mártires  
**29 de septiembre** - Santos arcángeles Miguel, Gabriel y Rafael  
**30 de septiembre** - San Jerónimo, presbítero y doctor de la Iglesia  
**1 de octubre** - Santa Teresa del Niño Jesús, virgen y doctora de la Iglesia  
**2 de octubre** - Santos Ángeles Custodios

**San Vicente de Paúl** dedicó gran parte de su vida sacerdotal a aliviar el sufrimiento humano y a atender a los pobres. En una de sus cartas, escribió: "Debemos tratar de conmovernos con las pre-ocupaciones y angustias de nuestro prójimo. Debemos rogar a Dios que derrame en nuestros corazones sentimientos de piedad y compasión y que los llene una y otra vez de estas disposiciones."

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**San Lorenzo Ruiz y Compañeros**, el primer filipino canonizado, era oriundo de Manila; ante una injusta acusación de asesinato, se embarcó desde Manila hacia Japón, donde había persecuciones; él junto con otros quince, sacerdotes y laicos, hombres y mujeres, fueron martirizados en Japón durante los años 1633-1637.

**San Miguel** significa "¿Quién puede compararse a Dios?", en 1886, el Papa León XIII compuso la oración de San Miguel. Miguel discutió con el Diablo. -Judas 9

**San Gabriel** "la fuerza de Dios", anunció el nacimiento de Juan el Bautista -Lucas 1:11-20; anunció el nacimiento de Jesús -Lucas 1:26-38

**San Rafael** "el médico de Dios"; yo soy Rafael, uno de los siete ángeles que están y sirven ante la Gloria del Señor. -Tobías 12:15

**Santa Teresa**, la "Pequeña Flor"; en su autobiografía La historia de un alma, escribió: "Él (papá) me habló como hablan los santos, y me mostró unas flores que crecían en el bajo muro de piedra. Cogiendo una de ellas, me la dio, y me explicó el amoroso cuidado con que Dios la había hecho brotar y crecer hasta ahora".

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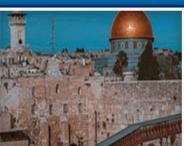
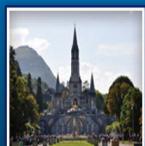
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