

Master, to whom shall we go?

**You have the words
of eternal life.**

John 6:68



**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 22, 2021**

Eucharistic Liturgy Schedule (Mass)

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30, 10:00 a.m.,
12:00p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays:
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Thursday- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Thursdays: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Other times: By appointment only

Marriages:
Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

Baptisms:
Required pre-baptismal classes for parents and godparents. Please call the office two months prior to anticipated baptism date.
Sponsors (Godparents) must be practicing Catholics.

Matrimonios:
Los arreglos deben hacerse con seis meses de antelación.

Bautismos:
Se requiere clases pre-bautismales para padres y padrinos. Por favor llame a la oficina dos meses antes de la fecha prevista para el bautismo.
Los padrinos (padrinos) deben ser católicos practicantes.

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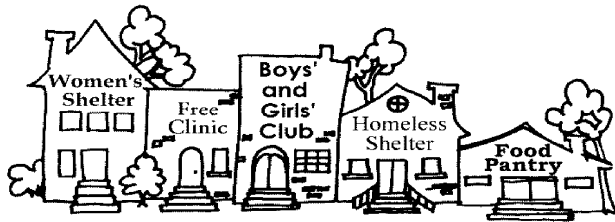
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As for me and my household,
we will serve the Lord.

— Joshua 24:15b

DECISIONS

There is an axiom that states, “Not to decide is to decide.” This saying was popular in the turbulent times of the Vietnam War. It urged us not to allow others to answer the moral questions raised by our nation’s involvement in that terrible conflict, but to decide for ourselves. Making such choices is never easy. Avoiding them is common. Jesus, for his part, was not only a gallant risk-taker, but a clear decision-maker. As he pursued the mission to which the Father called him, he continually decided for us and for the Father. He worked hard to lay out a scenario that would enable others to make similar choices. Never did he make decisions for others or force others into decisions, even decisions that had eternal ramifications. Jesus is inviting us to make such decisions today. We won’t be absolutely sure. What is sure, however, is the command that issues from God’s word: Take the risk. Decide! Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Joshua challenges the Israelites to serve either the Lord or other gods. They choose the Lord (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Paul reflects on how husbands and wives should reverence and love each other (Ephesians 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]).

Gospel — Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life (John 6:60-69).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;
Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17;
Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12;
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18,
21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



The Holiday Season is just around the corner and our CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE IS BACK!!

Plans are underway for this year’s annual Holy Cross Christmas boutique.

Applications are currently being accepted for vendors. Our event is scheduled for November 6th and 7th. We are looking for vendors with handcrafted items. Also, if you’re interested in becoming part of our Boutique ladies ministry, all is welcome... **If interested please contact Marie Wellsford at 805-529-0350 or Patti Mann at 805-529-2722.**

ATTENTION LADIES

Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra is opening. We have the opportunity to attend our weekend retreat on Sept 10, 11, 12 OR on Oct 15, 16, 17. There will be changes this year from prior years. Car pools are available. We are currently receiving more information. Please call Bea 805-523-2433 or Lilia 805-217-9090 for more information or reservations.

Rachel's Vineyard

Retreat weekend

for Healing after Abortion

Rachel's Vineyard retreat is for men and women struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. The retreat is designed to help participants work through repressed grief and anger in a safe, nonjudgmental setting and come to acceptance, healing, and hope for the future. Developed in the Roman Catholic Tradition, it utilizes spiritual exercises and rituals to help grieve the loss of unborn children and to accept God’s forgiveness. All inquiries and registrations are confidential.
www.youtube.com/user/rachelsvineyard

October 29-31, 2021

San Fernando, CA

Cost: \$300. per person

For registration or more information

please call and leave message:

323-577-5693

www.rachelsvineyard.org



Pray for ...

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Sisters of Notre Dame
Global Update & Reception
Please join us for an update on the
Sisters of Notre Dame around the
world. We welcome three
congregational leaders to California.
They will share the spirit and mission

of the Sisters of Notre Dame as it is today in 17 countries.

Honored Guests

Sr. Kristin Battles, Superior General

Sr. Kathleen Burns & Sr. Mary Ann Culpert, General

Councilors

Event Details:

Sunday, September 12, 2021

1:00-4:30pm PDT

Notre Dame Center

1776 Hendrix Ave, Thousand Oaks CA

There will be a presentation at 2pm, that will be available via

Livestream for those who wish to participate remotely. Please

register to participate either in-person or via live-stream at

www.sndusa.org/globalupdate. For further information,

contact infoca@sndusa.org or 805.917.3714.

The Sisters of Notre Dame are deeply grateful to all of our
partners in mission and look forward to this special occasion.

You are invited to gather for **CENTERING PRAYER
AND LECTIO DIVINA on TUESDAY AUGUST 24,
2021** from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For further information

please contact Sister Betty Mae Bienlein at

bbienlein@sndca.org if you plan to attend. The purpose

of the gathering is to deepen one's relationship with God

through contemplative prayer and to explore how God

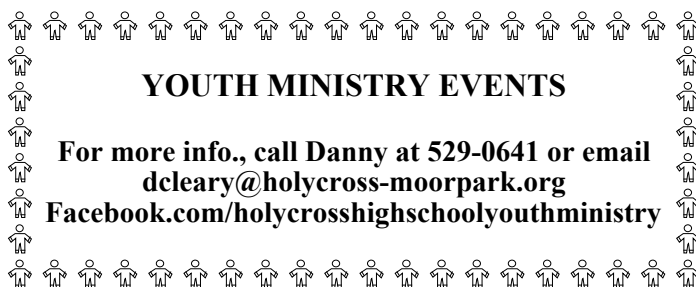
speaks to each of us through the Scriptures. These

gatherings take place on ZOOM on the second and fourth

Tuesday of the month. The ZOOM link will be emailed

to you on the weekend prior to each Tuesday

gathering. All are welcome.



YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

For more info., call Danny at 529-0641 or email
dcleary@holycross-moorpark.org
Facebook.com/holycrosshighschoolyouthministry

August 21-22

DID YOU KNOW?

Practice empathy at home to prevent bullying
No parent sets out to raise a bully, but children grow
and develop into their own people as they go out
into the world — and it starts at home. One
way to help your child foster healthy, kind relation-
ships is to work on building good habits at home.
Reward kindness and empathy when you see it.
Comment on instances of sharing, of kindness, of
pride. Help your child understand what it means to
empathize with someone else, or to be kind in
different situations. For more information, request a
copy of the VIRTUS® article “Parents: how not to
raise a bully, the ten things you must know.
Part Two,” at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

Practique la empatía en casa para prevenir el acoso
Ningún padre de familia se propone criar a un
acosador, pero los niños crecen y se convierten en su
propia persona a medida que salen al mundo, y
todo comienza en casa. Una forma de ayudar a su
hijo o hija a fomentar relaciones saludables y
amables es esforzarse por desarrollar buenos hábitos
en el hogar. Premie la bondad y la empatía cuando
las vea. Comente sobre casos de cómo compartir, de
bondad, de orgullo. Ayude a su hijo a comprender
lo que significa tener empatía por otra persona o ser
amable en diferentes situaciones. Para más
información, solicite una copia del artículo
de VIRTUS® en

inglés, “Parents: how not to raise a bully, the ten
things you must know. Part Two” (Padres: cómo no
criar a un acosador, las diez cosas que debe saber.
Parte Dos) en <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

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We will accept and appreciate all food donations

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| Pasta Sauce | Canned Tuna |
| Jelly | Breakfast Cereal |
| Canned Corn | Peanut Butter |
| Canned Green Beans | . |

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Rose of Lima
 Tuesday: St. Bartholomew
 Wednesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
 Friday: St. Monica
 Saturday: St. Augustine

FEAST OF FAITH

Come, Spirit!

The presider at the Eucharist can choose from among a number of different Eucharistic Prayers, all of which follow a similar pattern. Almost always, they begin with an epiclesis, a Greek word that means “invocation upon” or “calling over here.” At this moment in the prayer, the priest calls down the Holy Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine that we have brought to the altar: “Father, we bring you these gifts. We ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the body and blood of your Son” (Eucharistic Prayer III). The words of the prayer are accompanied by the ritual gesture of the laying on of hands, the ancient sign of the gift of the Spirit, which is also used in most sacramental celebrations, from the rite of confirmation to the ordination of deacons, priests, and bishops. Liturgists sometimes call this first epiclesis the epiclesis of consecration. Later in the Eucharistic Prayer, there will be another epiclesis, the epiclesis of communion, as the priest asks that the Holy Spirit be sent upon us to transform us. “Grant that we, who are nourished by his body and blood, may be filled with his Holy Spirit, and become one body, one spirit in Christ” (Eucharistic Prayer III).

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Forward in Mission Jubilee Year

What

A Jubilee year from September 11, 2021 through September 10, 2022 celebrating 250 years of Catholic faith in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on the anniversary of the founding of Mission San Gabriel Arcángel, the first church in what is now the Archdiocese.

¿Qué?

Un Año Jubilar desde el 11 septiembre de 2021 hasta el 10 de septiembre de 2022 para celebrar los 250 años de la fe católica en Arquidiócesis de Los Angeles, en el aniversario de la fundación de la Misión San Gabriel Arcángel, la primera iglesia en lo que es ahora la Arquidiócesis.

January 2022

- 17 Missionary Discipleship Pathway Experience: Limitless begins
- 21 OneLife LA Holy Hour
- 22 OneLige LA: Forward in Hope
- 30-2/5 Catholic Schools Week

February

- 16 Reimagine Parish Life, part 3 of 4

March

- 7 Missionary Discipleship Pathway Experience: Called & Gifted begins
- 17-20 Religious Education Congress: Living Waters of Hope
- 23 One Mission, One Faith begins (basic presentation of the Catholic faith and formation for ministers in the life of the Church)

April

- 30 Camino pilgrimage walks from the San Gabriel Mission to the Cathedral begin

May

- 11 Reimagine Parish Life, part 4 of 4

June

- 11 Parish retreats to proclaim the core Gospel message and inspire a spirit of mission begin.

July

- 18 One Mission, One Faith begins

August

- 27 Mass in honor of Our Lady of the Angels at the Cathedral and Marian procession at 3 p.m.

September

- 10 Jubilee Closing Mass at Mission San Gabriel at 10 a.m.

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo:	Vigésimo Primer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes:	Santa Rosa de Lima
Martes:	San Bartolomé
Miércoles:	San Luis de Francia; san José de Calasanz
Viernes:	Santa Mónica
Sábado:	San Agustín

FIESTA DE LA FE

Santo es el Señor

Durante la Plegaria Eucarística hay una aclamación que toda la asamblea canta: el Santo. Con esta aclamación, nos unimos a las “potestades celestiales” al reconocer la total santidad de Dios y no sólo confesamos que es santo, sino que lo repetimos cantando. Esta aclamación está tomada de Isaías 6:3, a quien la gloria y santidad de Dios se le revelan. Esta misma alabanza a la santidad de Dios se ha combinado con el “Hosanna” que, traducida directamente del hebreo significa “da salvación, por favor”. El Evangelio de Mateo le atribuye este término a Jesús: “Hosanna al Hijo de David, bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor. Hosanna en las alturas”. Esta alabanza se hace no sólo en reconocimiento de su divinidad, sino de la salvación que nos trae. Por eso cantamos la santidad del Dios trinitario, que es Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo. Esa misma santidad es la vocación universal de toda la comunidad de creyentes; estamos llamados a ser el pueblo santo de Dios y lo que celebramos ha de transformar nuestra vida para que también seamos santos, porque nuestro Dios es santo.

—Miguel Arias, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

EL CAMINO

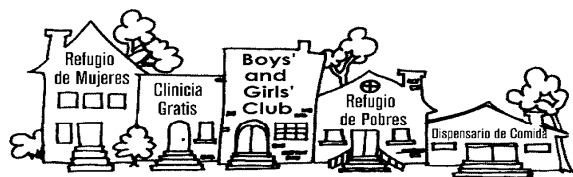
Es difícil preparar a un niño de una manera que los padres no lo hagan ellos mismos.

—Anónimo

BENDECIDO

Si tienes visión estás bendecido. Si tienes intuición estás bendecido mil veces más.

—Anónimo



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Vigésimo Primer Domingo
del Tiempo Ordinario
22 de agosto de 2021

En cuanto a mí toca,
mi familia y yo serviremos al Señor.

— Josué 24:15b

LA TOMA DE DECISIONES

Hay un axioma que dice “No decidir es decidir”. Este dicho fue muy popular en los turbulentos tiempos de la Guerra de Vietnam. Nos instaba a no permitir que otros respondieran a las cuestiones morales planteadas por la participación de nuestro país en ese conflicto terrible, sino decidir por nosotros mismos. Esa clase de decisiones nunca es fácil. Evitarla es común. Jesús, por su parte, no solo era un valiente arriesgado, sino un claro tomador de decisiones. Al buscar cumplir la misión a la que el Padre lo había llamado, continuamente tomó decisiones por nosotros y por el Padre. Trabajó duro para establecer condiciones que permitieran a los demás tomar decisiones similares. Nunca tomó decisiones por los demás ni forzó a nadie a tomarlas, incluso las decisiones que tenían ramificaciones para la eternidad. Jesús nos invita a tomar estas decisiones hoy día. No estaremos absolutamente seguros. Lo que es cierto, sin embargo, es el mandato que sale de la Palabra de Dios: arriésgate. ¡Decide!

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Josué urge a los israelitas a que sirvan a Dios o a los otros dioses (Josué 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

Salmo — Haz la prueba y verás qué bueno es el Señor (Salmo 34 [33]).

Segunda lectura — Pablo reflexiona cómo los esposos y esposas deberán darse amor y reverencia mutua (Efesios 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]).

Evangelio — Después de hablar de dar su carne a comer, muchos de los discípulos de Jesús se alejaron. (Juan 6:60-69).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Tes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Mt 23:13-22

Martes: Ap 21:9b-14; Sal 145 (144):10-13, 17-18;
Jn 1:45-51

Miércoles: 1 Tes 2:9-13; Sal 139 (138):7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Jueves: 1 Tes 3:7-13; Sal 90 (89):3-5a, 12-14, 17;
Mt 24:42-51

Viernes: 1 Tes 4:1-8; Sal 97 (96):1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12;
Mt 25:1-13

Sábado: 1 Tes 4:9-11; Sal 98 (97):1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Domingo: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Sal 15 (14):2-5; Sant 1:17-18,
21b-22, 27; Mc 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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