

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time—August 3rd, 2025

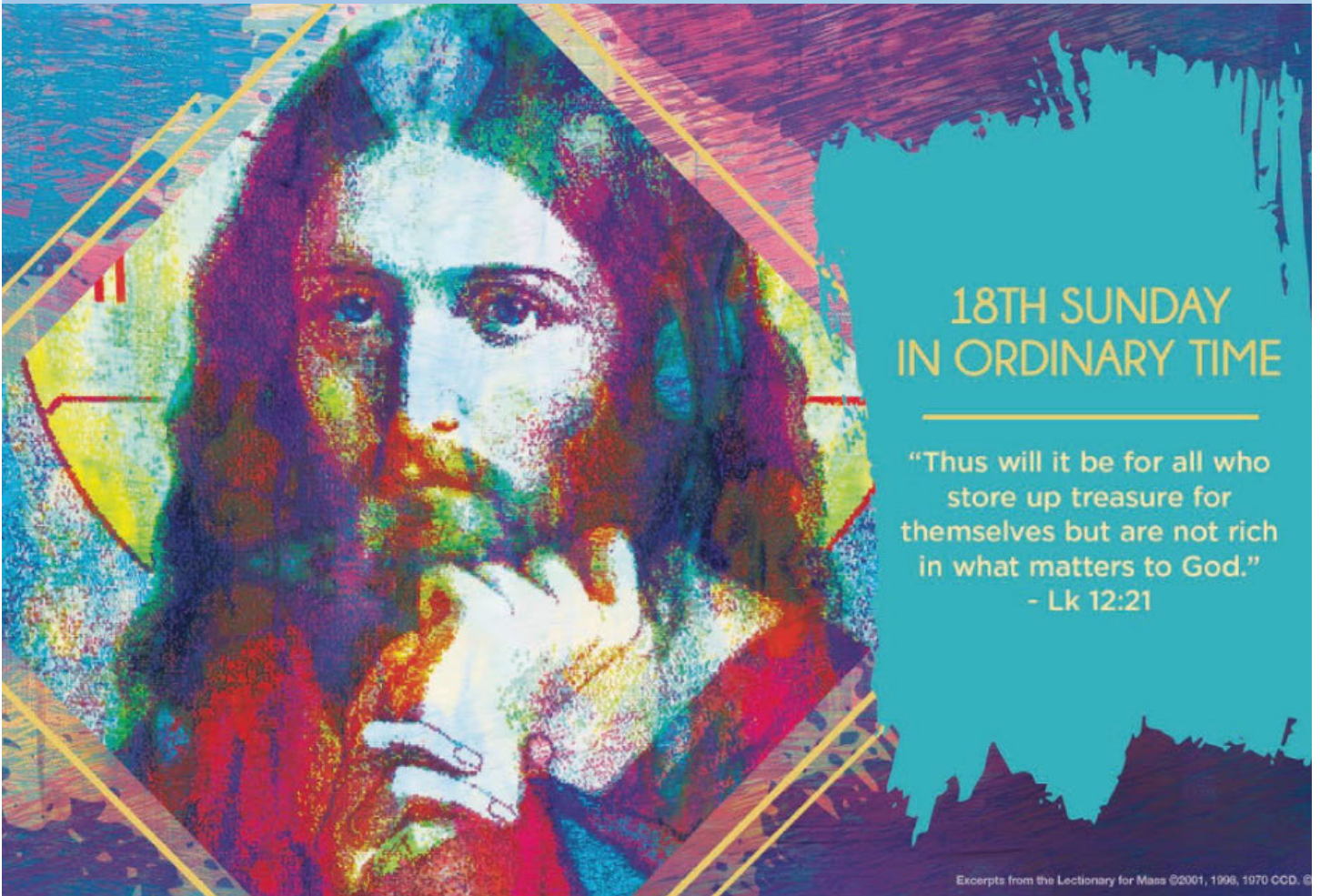
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To foster a harmonious, loving and prayerful atmosphere within the parish community that will project the love of Christ!



18TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

“Thus will it be for all who
store up treasure for
themselves but are not rich
in what matters to God.”
- Lk 12:21

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Welcome to St. Didacus Church

Our warmest welcome to all! We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the Parish. We invite

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

For what profit comes to man from all the toil
and anxiety of heart
with which he has labored under the sun? (Eccl 2:22)

Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 90)

Second Reading:

If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

Gospel:

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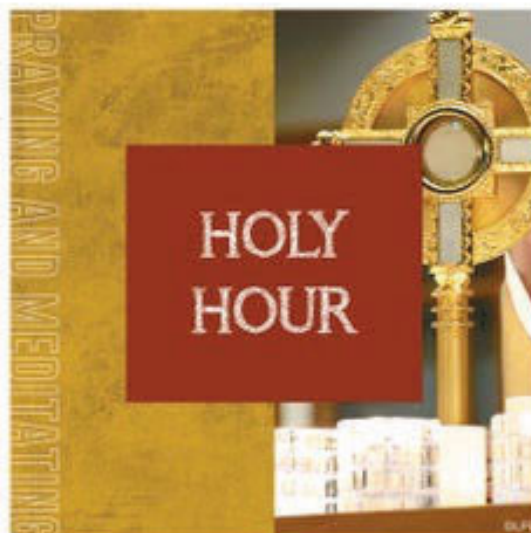
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God. What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?

Observances for the week of August 3, 2025

Sunday:	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. John Vianney, Priest
Tuesday:	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Wednesday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Thursday:	St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
Friday:	St. Dominic, Priest
Saturday:	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday:	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

A holy hour is the practice of spending one hour's time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, praying and meditating on the agony of Jesus Christ.

Prayer for Open Hands

Lord, I do not know what any day holds,
I cannot take for granted any of the gifts You have given.
Help me to use them, then, as You would have me.
Help me to live according to Your invitations.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of August 3, 2025

Sunday:

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday:

Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/
Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday:

Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/
Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/
2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday:

Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/
Mt 16:13-23

Friday:

Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16
and 21/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday:

Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47
and 51/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday:

Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48
or 12:35-40



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recent studies suggest that millennials will be the first generation in America to be worse off than their parents in terms of financial earnings and job status. Many lament this. I propose that this week's Gospel provides a hopeful way to see the trend as good news.

The Lord Jesus says, **"Take care to guard against greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist in possessions" (Luke 12:15).** Greed damages us with the deception that we are what we possess. But to Jesus, this is simply not true. What makes us happy is who we are, who we become.

Does not the expectation that every generation should do better than their parents subtly mask the poison of greed? A similar attitude is mirrored in the man who demands that Jesus justly arrange his share of the family inheritance. Despite the injustice, Jesus will not play that game. In fact, he seems to prefer that the man have less than his parents. What good would having more be to this man if he becomes enslaved and miserable by greed? What good would it be for us to have more if it means we become much less?

In allowing the man to have less, Jesus opens a space for him to become more: a man free to love. In that much more meaningful sense, perhaps he was better off than his parents. Maybe the millennials will be, too.

— Father John Muir

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Oracion de la Semana

Las lecturas de la semana del 3 de Agosto de 2025

Domingo: Ecl 1, 2; 2, 21-23/Sal 89, 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14. 17 (1)/Col 3, 1-5. 9-11/Lc 12, 13-21

Lunes: Nm 11, 4-15/Sal 80, 12-13. 14-15. 16-17/Mt 14, 13-21

Martes: Nm 12, 1-13/Sal 50, 3-4. 5-6. 6-7. 12-13/Mt 14, 22-36 o Mt 15, 1-2. 10-14

Miércoles: Dn 7, 9-10. 13-14/Sal 96, 1-2. 5-6. 9/2 Pe 1, 16-19/Lc 9, 28-36

Jueves: Nm 20, 1-13/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9/Mt 16, 13-23

Viernes: Dt 4, 32-40/Sal 76, 12-13. 14-15. 16 y 21/Mt 16, 24-28

Sábado: Dt 6, 4-13/Sal 17, 2-3. 3-4. 47 y 51/Mt 17, 14-20

Domingo siguiente: Sab 18, 6-9/Sal 32, 1. 12. 18-19. 20-22 (12)/

Heb 11, 1-2. 8-19 o 11, 1-2. 8-12/Lc 12, 32-48 o 12, 35-40

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 3 de Agosto de 2025

Domingo: 18º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Lunes: San Juan María Vianney, sacerdote

Martes: La dedicación de la basílica de Santa María la Mayor

Miércoles: La transfiguración de Jesús

Jueves: San Sixto II, papa, y compañeros, mártires; San Cayetano, sacerdote

Viernes: San Domingo, sacerdote

Sábado: Santa Teresa Benedicta de la Cruz, virgen y mártir

Domingo: 19º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

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VIVIR LA LITURGIA INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

"Jesús nos advierte que en cualquier momento podemos ser llamados ante Dios para enfrentar el juicio. Cuando lo seamos, nuestra vida no se medirá en dólares o logros, sino en lo que le importa a Dios. ¿Qué tenemos que mostrar por el tiempo que pasamos en la Tierra?

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EXPLICADAS! —
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de pasar una hora en
presencia del Santísimo
Sacramento, orando y
meditando sobre la agonía
de Jesucristo..

ORACIÓN - PARA TODOS LOS DÍAS Y PARA TODO

Oración Para las Manos Abiertas:
Señor, no sé lo que me depara
cada día, No puedo dar por
hecho ninguno de los dones que
me has dado. Ayúdame a usarlos
entonces, como Tú quieres que
yo lo haga.
Ayúdame a vivir de acuerdo con
Tus invitaciones.

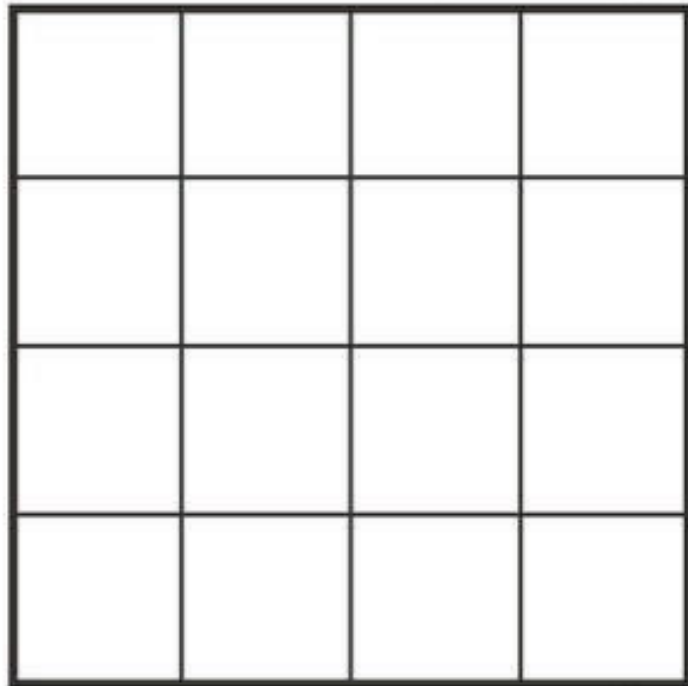
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Prayer

Dear God, help me to remember what is really important to you.

Enlarge the picture square by square.



Mission for the Week

When you get home, pack three toys and three books to give to children without any.

Sharing the Gospel

When you put Jesus first in your life, you will have everything you need. Having a lot of stuff won't really make you or God happy. God doesn't want you to keep your blessings to yourself. God wants you to share what he has given you. Be "rich" in only the things that God cares about. The closer you grow with God, the happier you will be.

Now color the picture!



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 2

5:00 p.m. Agetha Magallon & Oswaldo Balderas may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Omar Montes. Happy Birthday Samuel Alvarez, Iliana Alvarez & Ramon Diaz

7:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Beatriz Lopez & Elodia Lopez. Intercession para todas las almas del purgatorio. Intencion Especial de la Familia Zavalza Diaz e Lopez Zavalza. Feliz Cumpleaños de Rocio Gonzalez.

Sunday, August 3

6:30 a.m. John Stephen Lee & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Omar Montes. Happy Birthday to Lucas Rios

8:00 a.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Enrique Contreras, e Ignacio Pulido. Feliz cumpleaños de Rafael Lomeli. Intención Especial de la Familia Cerda Sajuan

10:00 a.m. Claudia Baquero, Pedro Hernandez, Susan Tapia Carillo, Lucy Urritia & Juan Leonardo Munoz may they rest in peace.

11:30a.m Matthew Escajeda, Felicitas Guerrero, Pedro Lopez & Carmen M. Cisneros may they rest in peace

1:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Ricardo Cornejo, Ezequiel Tovar e Robeto Ramos. Feliz Cumpleaños de Edgard Nevarez e Rosmary de Marcos. Intercession para todas las almas del purgatorio.

6:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Petra Reynaga, Maria Del Pilar Vizalla e Samuel Lope. Intercesión para todas las almas del purgatorio. Feliz Cumpleaños de Isaiah Padilla e Ruben Melgoza

Monday, August 4

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Tony Onorato & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all souls in Purgatory

6:00PM Para El Eterno Descanso de Jose Vargas e Judith Lopez. Intencion especial Para Omar montes, La Familia Mora Sierra e la familia de Guadalupe Godinez.

Tuesday, August 5

7:30 a.m. John Stephen Lee, Antonia Alvarez & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Happy 25th Wedding Anniversary to Ana & Ricardo Rios Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Esquiel Tovar e Jaime Herrera Intencion especial Para Omar montes, La Familia Mora Sierra e la familia de Guadalupe Godinez.

Wednesday, August 6

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Albert Talens & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace Happy Birthday Silvia Rios

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Aurelio Gonzalez Jr e Jesus Gomez. Intercession para todas las almas del purgatorio. Intencion especial Para Juan Carlos Leon, Omar montes, La Familia Mora Sierra e la familia de Guadalupe Godinez.

Thursday, August 7

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Henrietta Haro, Alfredo Gutierrez & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Happy Birthday to Albert Anguiano

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Ninfa Pilar Jimenez. Intencion especial Para Omar montes, La Familia Mora Sierra e la familia de Guadalupe Godinez.

Friday, August 8

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions to the Pelayo Family & Lopez Family Happy Wedding Anniversary to Gina & Tony Romo

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Pablo Infante e Juan Ramos Galvan. Intencion especial Para Omar montes, La Familia Mora Sierra e la familia de Guadalupe Godinez.

Saturday, August 9

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Gloria Hampton, Alma Talens & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace.



Clase de Baptismo
el 6 de agosto
2025
7pm-9pm

English Baptism
Class
Thursday August
7th at 7PM

Programa RCIA en español – 2025/2026

¿Está usted o alguien que conoce interesado en convertirse al catolicismo o completar sus sacramentos de iniciación? El programa de RICA (Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos) en español en San Didacus comienza el 28 de agosto de 2025 y se reunirá los jueves por la noche a las 7 p. m. Este programa es para adultos no bautizados, bautizados pero no confirmados, o bautizados en otra tradición cristiana. La inscripción se realiza el primer día de clase y la cuota de clase es de \$135, pagadera en efectivo o con cheque. Para asegurarse de estar completamente preparado, visite el sitio web de la parroquia, www.stdidacus.org, y revise los requisitos de la clase, así como otros detalles importantes. Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a la oficina parroquial.

St. Didacus English RCIA Program – 2025/2026

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic or completing your Sacraments of Initiation? The English RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program at St. Didacus begins August 28, 2025, and will meet Thursday evenings at 7 PM. This program is for adults who are unbaptized, baptized but not confirmed, or baptized in another Christian tradition. Registration takes place on the first day of class, and there is a \$135 class fee, payable by cash or check. To ensure that you are full prepared, please go to the parish website at www.stdidacus.org and review the class requirements as well as other critical details.

St. Didacus Teen Confirmation Registration Dates:

August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2025

September 3, 10, 17, 2025

October 1, 8, 2025

In the Confirmation Office: 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

1st Year Fee \$200 / 2nd Year Fee \$300

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Classes Begin: September 10, 2025



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Masses in English

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 6:30 am, 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass: (Monday –Saturday) 7:30 a.m.

Holy Days: 7 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Reconciliations :Wednesday & Fridays: 7:00 p.m.

8:30 p.m. Saturdays After 7:30 mass

Baptisms: Second and fourth Sunday of the month at 2:30 p.m.

Weddings: 6 months Advance notice.

Quinceaneras: Family must live in Sylmar, be registered in the parish and using the Sunday envelope, be registered and attending Confirmation Classes at St. Didacus. No Escorts allowed. Only the Chambelan de Honor will walk with the Quinceañera at the end of the Mass.

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Becky Faso

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Sábado Vigila 7:00 p.m. Domingos 8:00 a.m., 1:00 y 6:00 p.m.

Días de Obligación: 6:00 p.m.

Misa Diaria de Lunes a Viernes: 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliación (Confesiones):

Miercoles y Viernes:7:00 –8:30 p.m.,

Sabados Despues de la misa de 7:30 am

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento:

Primer Viernes del mes de 6:30 a 7:30 p.m.

Bautismos en español: El primer y el tercer domingo del mes a las 2:30 p.m. Papas y padrinos deberán tomar la clase Pre-Bautismal y llamar para hacer cita para fijar el día del bautismo. La clase es el primer miércoles del mes a las 7:00 p.m. en el salón parroquial.

Bodas: Deberán hacer cita con el sacerdote 6 meses antes de la fecha planeada, así es requerido por La Arquidiócesis de L. A.

Quinceañeras: La familia de la quinceañera debe vivir en Sylmar, estar registrados en la parroquia y usar los sobres dominicales en forma regular, la joven deberá estar registrada y asistiendo a las clases de Confirmación aquí en St. Didacus. No se permiten Damas y Chambelanes juntos. Solo el Chambelan de Honor acompaña a la joven al terminar la misa. Si hay Damas y Chambelanes solo pueden participar las Damas y los Chambelanes estarán adentro de la iglesia antes de la misa.