

ST. JULIE BILLIART PARISH

You are loved by God and are welcomed to celebrate with us here in our community.

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THE FAITH OF THE CANAANITE WOMAN

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Prayer

Mother and Queen of Heaven, this day I run to you as a child with confidence and trust. You are the glorious Queen Mother, reigning over all of your children with love and mercy. Please pray for me, and bestow upon me all that I need. I open my heart to the grace of your Son, which you are entrusted to dispense. Make me holy and free from sin, so you can present me spotless and pure to your beloved Son, the King of the Universe. Queen of Heaven, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.



What is OCIA?

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)—formerly known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process for those who are interested in becoming part of the Catholic faith. Participants gather weekly to learn about Sacred Scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, while also taking time to reflect on and discover God's presence in their lives. A team of parishioners from St. Julie Parish guides participants throughout the entire OCIA journey. Each person is encouraged to have a sponsor who accompanies and supports them along the way. A sponsor can be provided for anyone who would like one.

The entire parish community joins in prayer, supporting and praying with those who are preparing to enter fully into the Catholic Church.

Is OCIA right for you?

- Are you thinking about becoming Catholic?
- Have you been away from the church for a while and are now thinking about returning?
- Have you never been baptized?
- Do you want to join your children, spouse, partner, friends, and family members when they receive communion?
- Where you baptized in another Christian denomination?
- Do you want to complete your Sacraments of Initiation (First Communion and/or Confirmation)?

OCIA is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about Jesus Christ and desires to grow in a relationship with Him. Whether you are baptized or not, Catholic or not, or have a religious background or none at all, you are welcome to attend.

Please contact our office at 408-960-8027.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
(RESPONSIBILIDAD COMPARTIDA)**

Please make a personal family decision to help us reach our **weekly goal of \$7,500**

Offertory totals for August 9, 2026

Offertory	\$3,887.00
Online Sun. Giving	\$2,261.00
TOTAL	\$6,148.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Please consider ONLINE GIVING. Kindly go to our parish website: www.stjulies-dsj.org

DAILY MASS READINGS

8/16 | SUNDAY

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Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28 (118)

8/17 | MONDAY

Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22 (419)

8/18 | TUESDAY

Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30 (420)

8/19 | WEDNESDAY

Saint John Eudes, Priest
Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16 (421)

8/20 | THURSDAY

Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14 (422)

8/21 | FRIDAY

Saint Pius X, Pope
Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40 (423)

08/22 | SATURDAY

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12 (424)

Mass Intentions

Sun	8/16	7:00 AM	George White +
		9:00 AM	Aldo Groba (birthday blessing)
		11:00AM	Juanita Refuerzo +
		1:00 PM	Eustorgia Cordova +
Mon	8/17	9:30 AM	Estrella Sevilla + Francis Xavier Duc Nguyen +
Tue	8/18	9:30 AM	Vince Sardi + Francis Xavier Duc Nguyen +
Wed	8/19	9:30 AM	Linda Sardi (birthday) Rimil Boban + Francis Xavier Duc Nguyen +
Thu	8/20	9:30 AM	Sanders family (living and deceased) Aleyamma +
Fri	8/21	9:30 AM	Francis Xavier Duc Nguyen +
Sat	08/22	5:00 PM	Tim Fok +

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

For the Sick & HOMEBOUND:
(Para Los Enfermos Y Confinados En Casa)

*Juan Garcia, Joseph Oliver, Joy Hulsenberg,
Gonzalo Mellin, Bryan Holper, Luz Agudelo
Elaine Vayo, Jesse Soliven and Liz Sanchez*

Recently Died (Murieron Recientemente)

*Francisco Salinda+, Nicholas Arias+, Maria Guadalupe
Moreno+, Diego Heli Aguirre+, Robin Ellen Evett+,
Larry Ryman+ and Luz Marina Rendon+*

*Members of our Parish Family who are in the military,
hospitals, nursing homes and all who
have no one to pray for them.*

Give the Gift of Holy Mass
A Sacred Offering of Prayer

The offering of the Holy Mass is a meaningful and cherished practice in our catholic faith. And it can be offered for any occasion. We invite you to visit our office for further assistance.

**REPORT
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SUNDAY CONNECTION

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-7

The Lord reveals his salvation to all.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67:2-3,5-6,8

All the nations will praise God.

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15,29-32

God's favor to Israel is irrevocable.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus heals the daughter of the Canaanite woman because of her great faith.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we move ahead in our reading of Matthew's Gospel. Last week we read about Jesus walking on the water and the disciples' confession of faith that Jesus is the Son of God. If we were reading Matthew's entire Gospel, we would have read about Jesus' debate with the Pharisees about Jewish purity laws. Jesus argues that it is not what goes into us that makes us unclean; he is referring to the strict Jewish dietary rules. Instead our words and our actions—what comes out of us—make us unclean because they emerge from a heart that is unclean.

Knowing about Jesus' debate with the Pharisees helps us to understand today's Gospel. In fact the story heightens the surprise and shock we feel as we hear Jesus' exchange with the Canaanite woman. The woman, who is not Jewish, approaches Jesus, requesting that he heal her demon-possessed daughter. At first Jesus ignores her; he says nothing. The disciples ask Jesus to send her away, and Jesus agrees, remarking that he was sent to minister to the Jews alone.

The woman persists, paying homage to Jesus, and yet Jesus denies her request again. He even insults her, using a Jewish word of derision for Gentiles, "dog." But the woman cleverly turns Jesus' insult into an affirmation of faith. Only then does Jesus grant her request and heal her daughter.

Jesus' unresponsiveness to this woman may strike us as uncharacteristic or shocking. Yet in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is directed primarily to the people of Israel. At only a very few points, such as the one found in today's Gospel, do we find Jesus anticipating the later Christian ministry to the rest of the world.

Behind Matthew's text we can hear this early Christian community's struggle to understand how God's selection of Israel is consistent with two events: Israel's rejection of Jesus and the Gentiles' acceptance of Jesus. Just as Jesus was surprised by the faith expressed by the Canaanite woman, so too the first Christians were surprised that the Gentiles would receive the salvation God offered through Christ. In today's second reading from Paul's letter to the Romans, we hear the apostle Paul considering this same concern.

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Conexión dominical

Primera lectura: Isaías 56, 1. 6-7

El Señor revela su salvación a todos.

Salmo responsorial: Salmo 67, 2-3. 5-6. 8

Todas las naciones alabarán a Dios.

Segunda lectura: Romanos 11, 13-15. 29-32

El favor de Dios hacia Israel es irrevocable.

Lectura del Evangelio: Mateo 15, 21-28

Jesús sana a la hija de la mujer cananea debido a su gran fe.

Contexto de la lectura del Evangelio

Hoy avanzamos en la lectura del Evangelio de Mateo. La semana pasada leímos sobre Jesús caminando sobre las aguas y la confesión de fe de los discípulos de que Jesús es el Hijo de Dios. Si estuviéramos leyendo el Evangelio de Mateo en su totalidad, habríamos leído sobre el debate de Jesús con los fariseos acerca de las leyes judías de pureza. Jesús argumenta que no es lo que entra en nosotros lo que nos hace impuros refiriéndose a las estrictas normas dietéticas judías; más bien, son nuestras palabras y nuestras acciones lo que sale de nosotros las que nos hacen impuros, porque surgen de un corazón impuro.

Conocer el debate de Jesús con los fariseos nos ayuda a comprender el Evangelio de hoy. De hecho, el relato intensifica la sorpresa y el asombro que sentimos al escuchar el diálogo de Jesús con la mujer cananea. La mujer, que no es judía, se acerca a Jesús para pedirle que cure a su hija, la cual está poseída por un demonio. Al principio, Jesús la ignora; no dice nada. Los discípulos le piden a Jesús que la despida, y él accede, señalando que fue enviado para atender únicamente a los judíos.

La mujer insiste y rinde homenaje a Jesús, pero aun así él rechaza su petición nuevamente. Incluso la insulta utilizando un término despectivo que los judíos empleaban para referirse a los gentiles: «perro». Sin embargo, la mujer transforma hábilmente el insulto de Jesús en una afirmación de fe. Solo entonces Jesús accede a su petición y cura a su hija.

La falta de respuesta de Jesús ante esta mujer puede parecernos inusual o sorprendente. Sin embargo, en el Evangelio de Mateo, el ministerio de Jesús se dirige principalmente al pueblo de Israel. Solo en contadas ocasiones, como la que encontramos en el Evangelio de hoy, vemos a Jesús anticipar el posterior ministerio cristiano dirigido al resto del mundo.

Tras el texto de Mateo, podemos percibir el esfuerzo de aquella primera comunidad cristiana por comprender cómo la elección de Israel por parte de Dios es compatible con dos hechos: el rechazo de Jesús por parte de Israel y la aceptación de Jesús por parte de los gentiles. Así como Jesús se sorprendió ante la fe expresada por la mujer cananea, también los primeros cristianos se asombraron de que los gentiles recibieran la salvación que Dios ofrecía por medio de Cristo. En la segunda lectura de hoy, tomada de la carta de Pablo a los Romanos, escuchamos al apóstol abordar esta misma cuestión. A fe que expresa la mujer cananea es una afirmación de la abundante misericordia de Dios y una muestra de confianza en ella. Sí, la salvación proviene de Israel, pero se desborda en beneficio de todos.



We invite all families to register for the upcoming year of faith formation classes. Join us as we grow together in faith, learning, and community.

Registration forms and details are available through the parish office.

Please register early to help us prepare for classes.

For Children in 2nd grade through 12th Grade

What to Bring?

Copy of baptismal certificate

Please contact Malou at 408-960-8027 or email (malou.bautista@dsj.org) (check or cash accepted)

We look forward to another blessed year together.

ANTI-RACISM CONFERENCE

Telling Stories, Listening, and Healing.

SPEAKERS:
BISHOP OSCAR CANTÚ AND
BISHOP ANDRES LIGOT

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8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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Este Hermoso Ministerio Te Tiende La Mano

- Personalidad y familia de origen
- Dialogo y conflictos
- Técnicas de Comunicación
- Toma de decisiones
- Volver a la primera etapa de la relación
- ... Reconstruir!

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Experiencia de Fin de Semana para matrimonios
Agosto 21 a 23 2026 Milpitas CA

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40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

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USCCB Call to Prayer and Action for Life

America's Catholic bishops are calling on all faithful to unite in prayer and action through October as abortion rates climb nationwide—driven by the unregulated spread of mail-order chemical abortion pills.

As Church teaching affirms, every human life is sacred from conception until natural death. Unsupervised abortion drugs harm mothers and end preborn lives.



How to Stand for Life:

- **Pray:** Seek the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life, for mothers, preborn children, and an end to abortion.
- **Act:** Participate in the upcoming 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign (peaceful vigils, prayer, and community outreach) as a direct way to answer the bishops' call.
- **Advocate:** Join the USCCB's digital campaign asking pharmacies and manufacturers to stop distributing abortion pills.



For more information, scan the QR code or visit:
bit.ly/BishopsPray4Life

Participate in your local campaign:
40daysforlife.com/sanjose

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MASS FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

with Bishop Andres Ligot

Sunday, September 13, 11:30am
Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph

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