



ST. JULIE BILLIART PARISH

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

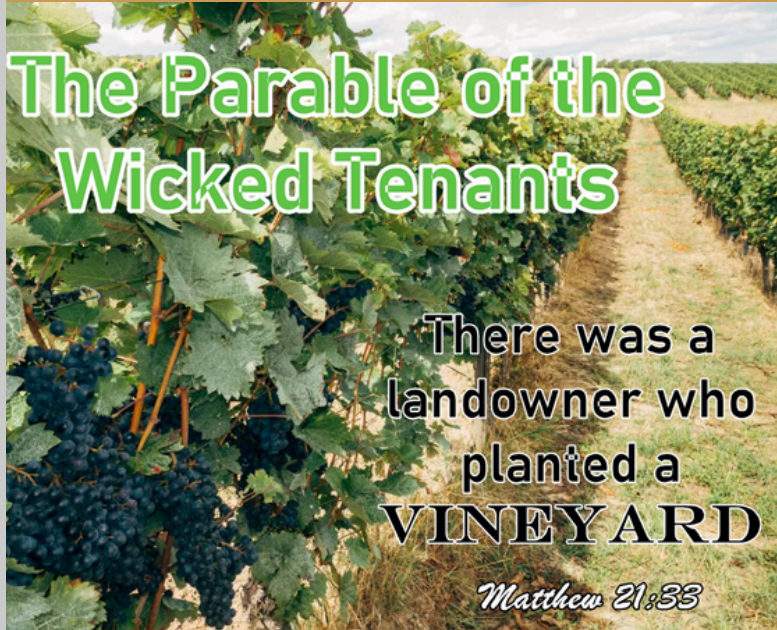
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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 04, 2026

"Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

Matthew 21:33

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants



There was a landowner who planted a VINEYARD

Matthew 21:33

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

**Holy Hour at St. Julie Billiart Church
Fridays at 10:00AM
September 25 & October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

Since 1972, the Catholic Church in the U.S. has observed October as

Respect Life Month. This year, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops invites us to invoke the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life, and to join in "a focused effort of prayer and action to stop the spread of abortion pills," now accessible

in local pharmacies, via telehealth appointments, and by mail order (even to states with legal restrictions on abortion). Now the abortion rate in pregnancies up to 10 weeks is "tragically climbing." Let's pray in

reparation for the lives lost to abortion, in support of mothers at risk of abortion, for the healing of post abortive women and their families, for those who minister to them, and for those in the abortion industry.

For more information, please contact:

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The Feast of

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

October 4

**October 4: Saint Francis of Assisi—Memorial
1182–1226**

Patron Saint of animals, ecologists, families, lacemakers, merchants, needleworkers, peace, and zoos

Invoked against dying alone and fire

Canonized by Pope Gregory IX on July 16, 1228

Francis of Assisi, born around 1181 into a wealthy merchant family, spent his youth enjoying parties and dreaming of becoming a knight. After being captured in battle and enduring a year of imprisonment followed by serious illness, he began to rethink his life. A later vision prompted him to abandon his military ambitions and seek God's guidance. As he grew closer to the poor and served lepers, Francis experienced a calling while praying in the dilapidated Church of San Damiano, where he heard a voice from Heaven say, "Go repair my house." He responded by living in solitude, embracing poverty, and physically restoring abandoned churches.

By 1206, Francis publicly renounced his inheritance and committed fully to a life of prayers and service, soon drawing followers who shared his mission. In 1209, Francis and eleven companions received papal approval for their Rule, forming the Order of Friars Minor. Their movement spread rapidly across Europe, reaching thousands within decade. In his later years, Francis received the stigmata and endured intense suffering before dying in 1226. Canonized two years later, he left a profound spiritual legacy that continues to influence the Church and the world.

NEW OFFICE HOURS

**Monday - Thursday
8:30 AM - 4:00PM**

**Friday
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE (REPOSIBILIDAD COMPARTIDA)

Please be generous
with your giving.

Our weekly budgeted goal is \$7,500
for the week ending September 27, 2026

thank you

for your gift of treasure!

OFFERTORY	\$ 4,508.00
ONLINE Sunday Giving	\$ 2,206.00
TOTAL	\$ 6,714.00

Mass Intentions

SUN 10/04 7:00 AM	Vivian Sanders +
9:00 AM	Daniel Nowark (blessing and recovering)
11:00 AM	Saint Julie Billiart Parishioners
1:00 PM	Cecicila Cruz (birthday)
MON 10/05 9:30 AM	Mitos L. Grey + Indalecio Perez +
	All Souls in purgatory
TUE 10/06 9:30 AM	Jose Pelayo + Almas del Purgatorio
WED 10/07 9:30 AM	Phero Soat Yan Nguyen + Guillermina Tejeda +
THU 10/08 9:30 AM	Sophy Boban + Familia Duran Pelayo (por sus Almas)
FRI 10/09 9:30 AM	
SAT 10/10 5:00 PM	Mark Garcia +

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Jesse Soliven, Luz Agudelo, Jesus Hernandez, George Martinez II, Liz Sanchez, Luis F. Garcia, Mary Miron, Joy Hulsenberg, Lisa Kahaday and Serafina Moreno

RECENTLY DIED

Juan Garcia+, Mar Jean Iwin+, Marcia Holper+, George Jenks+, Francis Xavier Duc Nguyen+ Margarita Ramirez+ and Arturo Pinacho Ruiz+

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN/ Domingo	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43 (139)
MON/ Lunes	Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; USA: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37 (461)
TUES/ Martes	Saint Bruno, Priest; USA: Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42 (462)
WED/ Miercoles	Our Lady of the Rosary Memorial Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4 (463)
THUR/ Jueves	Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13 (464)
FRI/ Viernes	Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest; Saint John Henry Newman, Priest and Doctor of the Church Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26 (465)
SAT/ Sabado	BVM Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28 (466)

Church Schedules Horario De Misas

SUNDAY MASS

5:00 PM|English (Saturday Vigil)
7:00 AM|English
9:00 AM|English
11:00 AM|English
1:00 PM|Spanish

DAILY MASS

Mon-Friday 9:30 AM

First Wednesday of the Month

6:30 PM|Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help

First Friday of the Month

9:30 AM|Mass with the Sacrament
of the Anointing of the Sick, Exposition & Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament

First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

The Lord compares the house of Israel to a vineyard.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 80:9,12-16,19-20

The Lord protects his vineyard, the house of Israel.

Second Reading

Philippians 4:6-9

Paul encourages the Philippians to stay faithful to the teaching they received from him.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus tells the parable about the wicked tenants.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel follows directly after [last Sunday's Gospel](#) in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist.

In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

After telling the parable, Jesus questions the chief priests and elders about what the landowner will do to the wicked tenants. They all agree that the landowner will kill the wicked tenants and give the land to new tenants who will pay the rent.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

Today's Gospel has a parallel in [Mark 12:1-12](#). There are some notable differences, however. In Matthew's version, the religious leaders condemn themselves; in Mark's Gospel, Jesus answers his own question. Matthew names the religious leaders as Pharisees and chief priests. Clearly this Gospel shows the tension that was mounting between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders who thought that his message was dangerous. Matthew's Gospel was written about 70 years after Jesus' death and reflects the conflicts and tensions found in the Christian community for whom Matthew was writing. Many biblical scholars believe that the tension between Matthew's community and their Jewish neighbors can also be heard in today's reading.

This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers?

Primera lectura

Isaías 5, 1-7

El Señor compara la casa de Israel con una viña.

Salmo responsorial

Salmo 80, 9. 12-16. 19-20

El Señor protege su viña, la casa de Israel.

Segunda lectura

Filipenses 4, 6-9

Pablo exhorta a los filipenses a mantenerse fieles a la enseñanza que recibieron de él.

Lectura del Evangelio

Mateo 21, 33-43

Jesús cuenta la parábola de los viñadores homicidas.

Contexto de la lectura del Evangelio

El Evangelio de hoy continúa inmediatamente después del Evangelio del domingo pasado, en el que los líderes religiosos judíos cuestionaron a Jesús sobre el origen de su autoridad para enseñar. Tras negarse a responder a sus preguntas, Jesús relata la parábola de los dos hijos y luego critica a los sacerdotes y ancianos por su falta de fe en Juan el Bautista.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús se dirige nuevamente a los sacerdotes y ancianos mediante una parábola. En ella, el dueño de un viñedo lo arrienda a unos labradores y envía a sus criados a recoger la parte de la cosecha que estos le deben. En varias ocasiones envía a los criados a cobrar, pero los labradores los golpean y los matan cada vez. Finalmente, el dueño envía a su hijo para cobrar la renta. Los labradores, creyendo que heredarán el viñedo si el dueño muere sin descendencia, conspiran y matan al hijo del dueño.

Después de contar la parábola, Jesús pregunta a los sumos sacerdotes y a los ancianos qué hará el dueño con aquellos labradores malvados. Todos coinciden en que el dueño matará a los labradores malvados y entregará la tierra a nuevos labradores que sí paguen la renta.

Al relatar la parábola, Jesús se remite claramente a Isaías 5, 1-7 —la primera lectura de hoy—, un texto que los sacerdotes y ancianos conocían bien. Por tanto, Jesús no necesita explicar el simbolismo de la parábola; los fariseos habrían comprendido que el viñedo representaba a Israel, el dueño a Dios, los criados a los profetas y los malos labradores a los líderes religiosos. No obstante, Jesús explica el significado de la parábola a su audiencia: el Reino de Dios será arrebatado a los incrédulos y entregado a los fieles. Con su respuesta a la pregunta de Jesús, los sumos sacerdotes y los ancianos se han condenado a sí mismos.

El Evangelio de hoy tiene un paralelo en Marcos 12, 1-12. Sin embargo, existen algunas diferencias notables. En la versión de Mateo, los líderes religiosos se condenan a sí mismos; en el Evangelio de Marcos, Jesús responde a su propia pregunta. Mateo identifica a los líderes religiosos como fariseos y sumos sacerdotes. Claramente, este Evangelio muestra la tensión creciente entre Jesús y los líderes religiosos judíos, quienes consideraban peligroso su mensaje. El Evangelio de Mateo fue escrito unos 70 años después de la muerte de Jesús y refleja los conflictos y tensiones presentes en la comunidad cristiana a la que se dirigía el autor. Muchos estudiosos de la Biblia consideran que la tensión entre la comunidad de Mateo y sus vecinos judíos también se percibe en la lectura de hoy.

Este Evangelio nos recuerda la importancia de escuchar la Palabra de Dios. Dios nos habla de muchas maneras: a través de las Escrituras, de la tradición de la Iglesia, de sus enseñanzas y de los profetas de la actualidad. ¿Estamos atentos y receptivos a la Palabra que Dios nos dirige a través de estos mensajeros?

OCIA

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION for Adult

- HAVE YOU EVER FELT A QUIET STIRRING IN YOUR HEART—A DESIRE TO KNOW JESUS MORE DEEPLY AND TO BELONG FULLY TO HIS CHURCH?
- WHETHER YOU ARE EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH FOR THE FIRST TIME, A BAPTIZED CHRISTIAN SEEKING FULL COMMUNION, OR A CATHOLIC WHO HAS NOT YET RECEIVED CONFIRMATION... YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED.
- THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS—OCIA—BEGINS HERE AT ST. JULIE BILLIART AFTER THE 9:00 A.M. MASS ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH. IT IS A GENTLE, PRAYERFUL JOURNEY OF LEARNING, SHARING, AND DISCOVERING GOD'S LOVE IN COMMUNITY. NO ONE WALKS ALONE. NO QUESTION IS TOO SMALL. AND THERE IS NO PRESSURE—ONLY AN OPEN DOOR AND OPEN HEARTS.
- IF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS PROMPTING YOU, OR IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT BE SEARCHING, PLEASE CONTACT MALOU IN THE PARISH OFFICE. WE WOULD BE HONORED TO WALK WITH YOU.
- COME AND SEE. GOD IS ALREADY AT WORK.
- PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 408-960-8027 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

MASS FOR SUICIDE HEALING AND REMEMBRANCE



Sunday, October 25, 2026, 11:30 AM
Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph

Presided by Bishop Oscar Cantú
All are welcome!



If you desire, please bring a photo or memento of your loved one.
Light Refreshments follow the Mass.

"We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives. By ways known to him alone, God can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance. The Church prays for persons who have taken their own lives." (CCC 2283)



BISHOP'S ANNUAL



Last year's Christmas Card winners: 1st Place - Immaculée Karunanayake, 2nd Place - Eva Shannon, 3rd Place - Alexis Foertsch

CHRISTMAS CARD DRAWING CONTEST

Created to Create in Truth, Love, and Beauty

2026 THEME:

The Creator made us in His own image and likeness. Thus, on Christmas, with our minds, hearts, and hands, we create for Jesus.

PARTICIPANTS:

Children: Kindergarten - 5th Grade
Who are currently enrolled in a Diocese of San José Catholic school or a parish Faith Formation program.

HOW TO SUBMIT:

- Through your school or program: give your entry to your teacher or catechist, who will send all entries in together.
- Mail your entry to: Diocese of San José Communications Office-Christmas Card, 1150 N. First St., San Jose, CA 95112

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
Wednesday, October 14, 2026



DRAWING GUIDELINES

- Design the card cover only.
- All artwork must be hand-drawn from start to finish.
- Horizontal format only, 8.5 x 11 inches.
- Digital creations will not be accepted.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

For Sunday Mass at 9AM

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

If you're interested, please call our office at
408-629-3030 and ask to speak
with Antonietta.

Join Us!

Respect Life Mass

with Bishop Oscar Cantú

Sunday, October 11, 2026, 11:30am
Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph

