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OCTOBER 18, 2026



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The Pharisees try to trick Jesus into starting a political revolution. They don't realize he came to start a revolution of the heart, not the state. God's image is stamped on our soul, but still the world tries to claim us. Revolt! You belong to God.

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VIVE LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Los fariseos intentan engañar a Jesús para que inicie una revolución política. No se dan cuenta de que vino para iniciar una revolución del corazón, no del Estado. La imagen de Dios está grabada en nuestra alma, pero aun así el mundo intenta reclamarnos. ¡Revuelta! Pertenece a Dios.

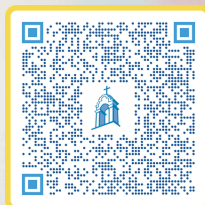
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SCHOOL TOURS

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UPCOMING TOURS BEGIN AT 9:00 AM

- October 27
- November 10
- December 1
- January 12

Our Lady of
Mount Carmel School



To register, scan QR code, or call (650) 366-6127

Greetings and Prayers: Birthday & Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week.

Masses & Liturgies

DAILY MASS:	Monday – Saturday, 8:15 AM
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:	5:00 PM – English
SUNDAY MASSES:	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM – English; 12:00 PM – Español
1st FRIDAY Devotion:	Eucharistic Adoration follows the 8:15 AM Mass
CONFESSIONS:	Saturdays, 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM (2nd & 4th Saturdays: English only)
ANointing OF THE SICK, FUNERAL SERVICES or HOUSEBLESSING:	Please call the Parish Center to set an appointment.
BAPTISM – Monthly:	Second Saturday: 10:00 AM – English El cuarto sábado: 10:00 AM – Español Please call 2–3 months prior to any proposed date for a Baptism.
QUINCEAÑERA MASS:	Saturdays at 12 noon. Subject to availability. Please call at least 5 months prior to any proposed date for a Mass.
MARRIAGE:	Saturdays at 12 noon. Subject to availability. Please call 6 months prior to any proposed date for a wedding.

PARISH CENTER HOURS – Monday–Friday

8:30AM – 4:00PM

Break from 12PM–1PM

CLERGY

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Luello Palacpac

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Registration: If you are new in our community, welcome!

Register at: mountcarmelrc.org/registration

Registered parishioners may also update their information on the website.



Get updates through email and text messages as they happen within our parish and school community. To sign up, text **"RWC"** to **84576**, click on the Flocknote sheep on the Parish website, or **scan the QR code**.



Pray for our departed parishioners

May they rest in peace

AMEN.



Adoration Chapel

Open Sundays through Saturdays
from 9am to 9pm

We give thanks to God always for all of you,
remembering you in our prayers,
unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love.

(1 Thes 1:2–3)



WHAT BELONGS TO GOD?

Jesus' words about the coin invite us to ask a deeper question: What belongs to God? The coin bears the image of the emperor, but each of us bears the image of the God who created, redeemed, and calls us to himself.

This truth gives shape to our responsibilities as disciples. We honor our legitimate duties in society, yet no earthly authority can claim what belongs to God alone: our deepest allegiance, our conscience, and our love. Whenever the demands of the world compete with the Gospel, Christ calls us to choose faithfully.

The first reading reminds us that God can work even through unexpected people to accomplish his purposes. Cyrus, a foreign ruler, became an instrument of God's plan. The Lord's action is not confined to the people, places, or circumstances we might expect. In the Gospel, Jesus refuses to be trapped by a false choice. Instead, he points beyond the argument to the greater claim God has upon every human life.

Saint Paul offers a practical vision of how that claim is lived out. He praises the community for its "work of faith," "labor of love," and "steadfastness of hope" in Jesus Christ. These are not simply admirable ideals. They become visible in our daily decisions, in the ways we serve others, and in the hope we share with those who are burdened or discouraged.

As we reflect on these readings, let us ask ourselves: Do the way we spend our time, use our gifts, and treat our neighbors reveal that we belong to God? We can give the world what is rightly its due while offering God our whole selves, faithful in action, generous in love, and steadfast in hope.

Deacon Ray

¿QUÉ LE PERTENECE A DIOS?

Las palabras de Jesús sobre la moneda nos invitan a una pregunta más profunda: ¿Qué le pertenece a Dios? La moneda lleva la imagen del emperador, pero cada uno de nosotros lleva la imagen de Dios, quien nos creó, redimió y nos llama a Él.

Esta verdad orienta nuestras responsabilidades como discípulos. Cumplimos nuestros deberes legítimos en la sociedad, pero ninguna autoridad terrenal puede reclamar lo que pertenece solo a Dios: nuestra fidelidad más profunda, nuestra conciencia y nuestro amor. Cuando las exigencias del mundo entran en conflicto con el Evangelio, Cristo nos llama a elegir con fidelidad.

La primera lectura nos recuerda que Dios puede actuar incluso a través de personas inesperadas para cumplir sus propósitos. Ciro, un gobernante extranjero, fue instrumento de su plan. La acción de Dios no se limita a las personas ni a las circunstancias que imaginamos. En el Evangelio, Jesús evita caer en una falsa disyuntiva y nos señala que Dios tiene un derecho superior sobre toda vida humana.

San Pablo nos muestra cómo vivir esta pertenencia a Dios. Elogia a la comunidad por su "obra de fe," "trabajo de amor" y "constancia en la esperanza" en Jesucristo. No son solo ideales admirables, sino virtudes que se manifiestan en nuestras decisiones, en el servicio a los demás y en la esperanza que compartimos con quienes sufren o están desanimados.

Al reflexionar sobre estas lecturas, preguntémonos: ¿La manera en que usamos nuestro tiempo, nuestros dones y tratamos al prójimo demuestra que pertenecemos a Dios? Podemos dar al mundo lo que justamente le corresponde, mientras nos entregamos por completo a Dios, fieles en nuestras acciones, generosos en el amor y firmes en la esperanza.

Lay Organizations

- Mental Health Ministry
- Good Grief Ministry
- Legion of Mary (Eng & Sp)
- Rosary Group
- The Prayer Warriors
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- Pro Life 40 days for Life Group
- The Sto. Niño Group
- El Grupo Guadalupano
- Lazos de Amor Mariano
- El Grupo Aliento de Oración
- OCIA – Catechists
- Bible Study Group
- Men's Club
- Women's Club
- Mount Carmel Youth Ministry
- *The Carlo Acutis Way (new)*

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

- Altar servers
- Lectors & Holy Communion
- Hospitality: Ushers & Greeters
- Music Ministry
- Liturgical Environment

Mass Intentions

Sat., Oct 17

5:00 PM

† Emiliano Prado Palafox

Sun., Oct 18

8:00 AM

† Elizabeth R. Raubacher

10:00 AM

† Peggy Clifford

12:00 PM

† Alfredo Arias

† Maria de Jesus Barriga

Weekdays at 8:15 AM

Mon., Oct 19 † Sr. Barbara Ann

Tues., Oct 20 † Thomas Huff

Wed., Oct 21 Owen McLinden

Thurs., Oct 22 † Esther Zepeda Herrera

Fri., Oct 23 † Mario Jayakoddy

Sat., Oct 24 † Norma Jackson

STEWARDSHIP & GIVING

Weekly Collection Donations (October 10 - 11)

First Collection: \$3,838

Second Collection: \$2,556

Gifts / Other: \$1,985

Total : \$8,379

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2026

Goal: \$72,794

Collected
donations:
As of 10/12/2026

\$39,142

LEARN & GIVE



THANK YOU TO OUR ALTAR FLOWERS DONORS:

Oct. 17: Guadalupe Cruz in memory of her beloved deceased (sus amado difuntos)



2nd Collection: Oct. 4 – Facility Repair & Improvement
Oct. 18 – Liturgy Fund

Oct. 11 – Religious Education
Oct. 25 – **World Mission Sunday**



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This year's theme, chosen by Pope Leo XIV, is "One in Christ, United in Mission." The Holy Father reminds us that our mission begins with unity in Christ. As baptized Christians, we are called to share the Gospel, strengthen our communion with one another, and invite others to encounter Jesus and His saving love.

Learn more at <https://sfarch.org/world-mission-sunday/>

Mental Health Ministry

Call: Maria Koenigsberg
(650) 366-3802

Or email us at:

olmcmmentalhealthministry@gmail.com



Good Grief Ministry

Call: Maryann Gonzales
(650) 366-3802

Meets every 2nd & 4th Thurs of the month
@ 6pm at the Parish Center.

The number to call for mental
health crisis support in San
Mateo County

(650) 579-0350

For help from local mental health
counselors 24/7 during mental health
crisis, substance use issue, or thoughts
of suicide.



SACRED RELICS & MASTERPIECES

**OCT. 16 – NOV. 28 •
9:00 AM–4:00 P**

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption:

1111 Gough Street • San Francisco.

Please scan QR Code for more information.



2027 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Are you **currently not using** offertory envelopes?

Are you **new to the parish?**

Would you like an easier way to prepare for weekly collections?

Please contact the Parish Office at **(650) 366-3802** or e-mail olmcredwoodcity@outlook.com to place an order for offertory envelopes.



ONE IN CHRIST,
United in Mission

100 YEARS OF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

We Celebrate 100 Years of World Mission Sunday!

This World Mission Sunday marks the 100th anniversary of its establishment by Pope Pius XI in 1926. This centenary is an opportunity to celebrate with renewed missionary zeal. Last year, Pope Leo XIV made an appeal to us in a personal video for World Mission Sunday.

His request echoed around the world: "Please help me help missionaries everywhere." That's what World Mission Sunday does: it helps Pope Leo care for the 1,130 missionary dioceses and territories under his supervision through the Dicastery for Evangelization.

We are all called to be a part of this missionary work and we have a singular means to do so: World Mission Sunday. **The second collection we will take next week** helps extend the Church's evangelization work to missionary lands where the Gospel is being proclaimed for the first time, as well as to places where the Church barely exists, or is too young, too persecuted, or too poor to sustain herself. Thank you for responding to Pope Leo's call to help him help missionaries everywhere!

Let us pray this week for those missionaries who bring Christ's love to far-off places, often at great personal cost and risk. And let us ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle a zeal in our own hearts, that we may also be missionaries, wherever we are.

Living the Gospel

Prayer of Pope Leo XIV

for the 100th World Mission Sunday 2026

Holy Father, make us one in Christ, rooted in his love that unites and renews. May all members of the Church be united in mission, docile to the Holy Spirit, courageous in bearing witness to the Gospel, proclaiming and daily embodying your faithful love for all creatures.

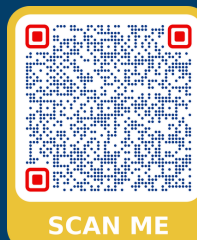
Bless all missionary men and women, support them in their efforts, and watch over them in hope!

Mary, Queen of Missions, accompany our work of evangelization in every corner of the earth: make us instruments of peace, and grant that the whole world may recognize in Christ the light that saves.

Amen.

sfarch.org/missionssf

**Archbishop's letter
to The Faithful for
World Mission
Sunday 2026**



SCAN ME

**Pope Leo's
Message**



SCAN ME

Growing in Faith



OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

- (Oct. 18) *World Mission Sunday*
- (Oct. 19) Sts. John de Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, *Priests, and Companions, Martyrs*;
St. Peter of Alcantara
- (Oct. 20) St. Paul of the Cross, *Priest*
- (Oct. 22) St. John Paul II, *Pope*
- (Oct. 23) St. John of Capistrano, *Priest*
- (Oct. 24) St. Anthony Mary Claret, *Bishop*



ST. JOHN PAUL II Pray for us.

"In prayer you become one with the source of our true light – Jesus Himself."

— St. St. John Paul II

BELONG



"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

MATTHEW 22:21

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CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

We belong to Christ → We share in His mission.

1269 Having become a member of the Church, the person baptized belongs no longer to himself, but to him who died and rose for us. From now on, he is called to be subject to others, to serve them in the communion of the Church, and to "obey and submit" to the Church's leaders, holding them in respect and affection.

1270 "Reborn as sons of God, [the baptized] must profess before men the faith they have received from God through the Church" **and participate in the apostolic and missionary activity of the People of God.**

ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET

Pray for us

St. Anthony Mary Claret (1807–1870) was a Spanish bishop, missionary, and founder of the Claretian Missionaries. Deeply devoted to the Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin Mary, he dedicated his life to spreading the Gospel through preaching, education, and religious publications. He wrote numerous books and pamphlets, recognizing the power of the printed word to bring people closer to Christ. His missionary zeal reminds us that **every means of communication can become an instrument of evangelization**. His feast day is celebrated on **October 24**.



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**SF Healing and
Prayer Ministry**

Healing Mass

Every third Friday of the month

Next Mass: November 20, 2026

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church - Redwood City

5:15 p.m. - Moment of recollective and meditative silence

5:30 p.m. - Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:00 p.m. - **HEALING MASS**, followed by the Anointing of the Sick

From September 23 – November 1

This Fall 2026 PLEASE take a stand for LIFE! From September 23 – November 1 **commit to one hour weekly** at the **40 Days for Life peaceful sidewalk prayer vigil** at **2907 El Camino Real, Redwood City**. Meet many other faithful committed Catholics. It's easy.

Schedule your Lenten commitment through Jessica: [phone/text 650-918-9119](tel:650-918-9119), or email themunns@yahoo.com, or schedule yourself online at: www.40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity

*God will surely bless you for it,
you will not be at the vigil alone,
and you may save a life!*

Approved by the Archdiocese of San Francisco

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish will participate in the local campaign.

OLMC Prayer Day Friday, October 23

Parishioners are invited to **volunteer for a two-hour prayer shift** at Planned Parenthood, joining together in peaceful prayer for the protection of human life.

Please sign up at the table in the entrance.



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WHITE MASS FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS 10/22/26

All are welcome to the annual White Mass for Medical Professionals, San Francisco Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone presiding, on Thursday, **October 22, 2026** at **Mater Dolorosa Church, 307 Willow Ave., South San Francisco**.

Reception and panel discussion by medical professionals about living their vocations as Catholics in secular health care environments. Follows the Mass. Join us to celebrate and support Catholic healthcare professionals and caregivers. Sponsored by Office of Human Life & Dignity, Catholic Medical Association San Francisco Guild, Bella Primary Clinic & Order of Malta Clinic of Northern California.

For more information:
lifeanddignity@sfarch.org

October 23– 24

The Offices of **Faith Formation and Youth & Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese of San Francisco** warmly welcome you to our annual **Faith Formation Conference** as we celebrate the Jubilee Year of St. Francis.

With grateful and joyful hearts, we invite you to **join us at St. Matthew Church in San Mateo** to reflect on the enduring witness of St. Francis of Assisi, whose life proclaimed the Gospel through humility, compassion, and love for God, neighbor, and all of creation.

Register today:

<https://faithformationsf.org/register/>

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October 23
5:00PM - 9:30PM

General Conference

October 24
7:30AM - 5:00PM

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