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Masses at Mission Church unless noted SFC - Saint Francis Chapel

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

~TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~

5:30 PM SAT †José Luis Garay
7:30 AM †Sophie Bohnel
9:00 AM †Maria De Jesus
9:00 AM (SFC) †Bonice Choi
10:30 AM †Margaret Barrack
10:30 AM (SFC) Sonya Rulvacaba

12:00 PM Natividad Parales De Guzman 5:30 PM (SFC) For the People of the Parish

and Family

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

~Weekday~

7:00 AM Danilo & Rowena Cajigas **5:30 PM** Susan Sanders

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

~Weekday~

7:00 AM †Brenda & †Leo G. Robinson, Jr. 5:30 PM †Brandon Fink

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

~St. Monica~

7:00 AM Perrin & Lydia Wright 5:30 PM †Shannon Cutsinger

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

~St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church ~ 7:00 AM †William Wheeler 5:30 PM †Larry Brassett

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

~The Passion of St. John the Baptist ~
7:00 AM Intention of the Priest
5:30 PM †Frances Savarese

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

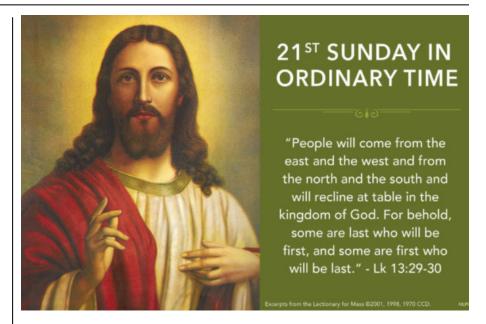
~Weekday~

NO Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

~TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~

5:30 PM SAT Fred Rouch
7:30 AM Barbara Garcia
9:00 AM †Joan & †Francis Riley
9:00 AM (SFC) The People of the Parish
10:30 AM †Alex Diaz & †David R. Palacios
10:30 AM (SFC) The Intention of the Priest
12:00 PM †Marte Castro
5:30 PM (SFC) †Deborah Gus



PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

VISITOR CENTER/GIFT SHOP

Rhonda Sosa, Manager Open daily - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Tel: (619) 281-8449

MSGR. HALTER ARCHIVES

Hours - Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Tel: (619) 283-6338 tfalcone@missionsandiego.org

BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office

MARRIAGES

Preparation with priest at least 9 months in advance. Please call the Parish Office

NAZARETH SCHOOL

Principal: Annalisa Burgos Tel: (619) 641-7987 nazarethschool.org

MISSION HISTORY

missionsandiegohistory.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Tel: (619) 624-0900

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

5:30 PM Saturday - Mission Church
7:30 AM Sunday - Mission Church
9:00 AM St. Francis Chapel

(Contemporary Music Group every other week) and Mission Church

10:30 AM St. Francis Chapel (Spanish) and Mission Church

12:00 PM Mission Church

(Mission Choir) **5:30 PM** St. Francis Chapel

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday, 7:00 am & 5:30 pm in the Mission Church

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

8:00 am in the Mission Church

HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS

See bulletin

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm in the Mission Church or by appointment.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month, 7:30 to 11:35 am and 6:00 to 6:35 pm in the Mission Church

¡Siempre Adelante! is inspired by our founder, St. Junipero Serra, whose desire to serve was expressed in his motto: Always Forward!

Bulletin submissions must be requested a week or more prior to the desired Sunday. Please send requests via email to **Anthony Tarantino** at atarantino@missionsandiego.org. All submissions are subject to approval.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Online: https://bible.usccb.org

Elastic Christianity

BY ALICE CAMILLE



Organizer gizmos are all the rage. You can buy stackable cabinets that turn a closet or garage into a paragon of efficiency. Drop-in devices

can keep your sock drawer in perfect rolled pairs so you never risk leaving the house wearing one argyle and one paisley. You can gain control of your possessions! You can get your material world in order!

We like order: pegs to hang things on, ways to make sense of the chaos around us. We like it in our thoughts, too: neat answers that solve the problem of living in a world that rarely makes sense. Sometimes this yearning to organize the chaos leads to simplistic thinking. In our desire to make sense of things, we organize the world in black-and-white terms that comfortably exclude nuance. We prefer clear categories of good and evil, safe and dangerous, friend and enemy, right and wrong. We look for the same cate-

gorical simplicity from religion. We like creedal formulas, catechisms, prayers to say when we're sick or scared, commandments that clearly spell out what's expected. None of these things are bad, really. We do need pegs to hang things on, truths we can trust. We do need foundational beliefs upon which we can build a coherent moral life.

But there's a difference between having a solid foundation for our faith and the trap of fundamentalism. We must respect the distinction between the tools that provide us with a theology-in-progress and an unyielding certainty about God and religion that admits no new information. We really didn't learn the truth, the whole truth, by the time we received Confirmation (or Ordination!). We really do need to be open to the Spirit's ongoing guidance of the church and the continued unfolding of our baptismal vocation into which we are each being invited more deeply each day.

God's people have always faced the tension between firm belief and attentive

listening to a prophetic new word being spoken in their generation. In Isaiah's time the prophetic proposal was that God wasn't committed simply to the salvation of one nation but to all nations and peoples. That was a staggering idea to a nation convinced they were God's darlings, God's holy people. They were, of course. But that didn't stand in the way of God having other children and calling others to the same holiness.

When Jesus was asked if only a few would be saved, the question betrayed the answer anticipated. Jesus refuses to put a number on the saved or erect a fence around the possibility of salvation. Jesus does say the gate is narrow—but anyone and everyone are welcome to walk through it. God isn't putting restrictions on salvation. It's ours to choose.

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Alice Camille is a religious educator, Scripture commentator, and author of many books including **This Transforming Word** and other titles found at alicecamille.com.

UPCOMING ROSARIES

Make praying the rosary a part of your daily life.

- The Rosary is prayed immediately after the 7:00 am Mass, Mon Fri, in the Mission Church.
- A Rosary for the Eucharistic Revival is prayed on the first Wed of each month in La Sala following the 5:30 pm Mass. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, the next rosary is **Sept 3.**
- A Pro-Life Rosary is prayed every first Thurs in the Mission Church at 5:00 pm. Next rosary: **Sept 4**.
- A Rosary for Peace is prayed every third Sat of the month at 9:00 am. Join fellow parishioners at Nazareth School's Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto to seek the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Peace. Next rosary: **Sept 20**.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Join our faith community by completing a registration form at <u>missionsandiego.org</u> or visit our Visitor Center during regular business hours.

UPCOMING FUNERAL LITURGIES

Donna Marie Boyle

Wed, Aug 27 • Mission Church, 10:00 am Burial to follow at Holy Cross Cemetery, 12:00 pm

Ernestina Rosas

Fri, Aug 29 • Mission Church,1:00 pm Burial at Templo de San Juan de Dios y Nuestra Señora del Rosario, San Luis Petosi, Mexico, TBA

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

BLOOD DRIVE

Mark your calendar! As part of our to our community, the Mission San Diego is hosting a blood drive on **Sun, Sept 14** from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. Please reserve a time to stop by and give the gift of life at tinyurl. com/5n2j4vyb.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Joe Bartel • Fred Rouch John Sawaya • Don Stafford • Mark Turner

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting the parish office at (619) 283-7319.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

The Beginning Experience weekend — intended for divorced, widowed and separated men/women — focuses on healing and moving beyond grief in a supportive and caring environment with others that are going through and have gone through the same experiences. The weekend will be held at the beautiful and serene Prince of Peace Abbey, Oceanside, on **Oct 10-12**. If you know someone experiencing the pain of loss, Beginning Experience can help. For further information contact beginningexperiencesd@gmail.com or Vicki (858) 748-2273.

AN ALTERNATIVE TO OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



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PARISH SUPPORT

Aug 7-13, 2025

Plate: \$5,736.04 Envelope: \$8,384.87 Online: \$6,851.10

Total: \$20,972.01

Missionary Cooperation Plan \$7,321.00

National Collection for the Archdiocese for Military Services, USA \$1,967.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!

CATHOLIC Q&A

OUESTION

What is the difference between a basilica and a cathedral?

ANSWER

Basilicas are churches that are so titled because of their antiquity, dignity, historical importance, or significance as centers of worship. A cathedral is the principal church of a diocese, which contains the chair of the bishop, or "cathedra" in Latin. The chair is the symbol of the bishop's teaching authority. Mission San Diego was designated a basilica in 1976.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

With increasing prices and cutbacks from governmental sources for the funding of food pantries, a crisis is growing. Our neighbor, the Stella Apartments, and the food bank at Holy Family Parish in Linda Vista are having difficulty keeping food on their shelves. Your generosity in bringing a couple cans of soup, chili or other non-perishable foods to church on the weekend of the first Sunday of the month (**Sept 6-7**) helps greatly. Coin donations go to Stella Apartments Housing for Homeless.

WEDDING COORDINATOR MINISTRY

If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity, becoming a wedding coordinator might be the perfect ministry for you. Responsibilities include working with the bride and groom regarding their wedding rehearsal and liturgy. For info, contact Jojo Randle at jrandle@missionsandiego.org.

CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy, parish employee, or volunteer can be made by calling (858) 490-8353 or by sending an email to misconduct@ sdcatholic.org. Go to safeinourdiocese.org to read about efforts in the Diocese of San Diego to protect children, assist victims, and promote healing.

BABY CLOTHES NEEDED

Birthline is in need of clothing for children, women's clothes, maternity clothes, baby food and pacifiers. Items can be brought to the Mission on the first weekend of every month. For more info, call Birthline at (858) 270-2491.

GUIDELINE FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

On November 14, 1996, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops approved the following guidelines on the reception of Communion. These guidelines replace the guidelines approved by the Administrative Committee of the NCCB in November 1986. The guidelines, which are to be included in missalettes and other participation aids published in the United States, seek to remind all those who may attend Catholic liturgies of the present discipline of the Church with regard to the sharing of Eucharistic Communion.

For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For our fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission ac-

cording to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

For those not receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

For non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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DOCENT CLASSES

The Mission San Diego will conduct a class for prospective docents in the Fall. Docents are volunteers and are trained in documented history and lead groups on tours of our historic Mission Church and grounds. Classes take place on Saturday mornings from **Oct 4-Nov 8**. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Janet Bartel at janetbartel@aol.com.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

What does God want for your relationship with your spouse? Learn His plan on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on **Sept 12-14** at Mission San Luis Rey in Oceanside. Food and lodging are provided. Sign up today at wwme.org.

SERRA CLUB DINNER

Come celebrate the anniversary of the death of St. Junípero Serra on **Tue**, **Aug 26** at Mission San Diego. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm. A dinner Reception will follow in the California Room, \$35 per person. Please RSVP to Robin at robin.geiter@gmail.com or (760) 224-6459. All are welcome — come be part of this meaningful celebration! the legacy of a great missionary at California's first mission and basilica.

MEMORIAL BRICKS

Jubilee Circle gives parishioners a unique opportunity to recognize a special person or event with a personalized, engraved brick in our walkway surrounding the Mission Courtyard fountain. Go to bricksrus.com/donorsite/missionsandiego to place your order online. Engraved bricks are \$250.00 each.

FAITH FORMATION

Catechesis is a lifelong process for all levels and all ages.

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We are accepting registrations through the end of Sept.

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For more information ...

missionsandiego.org/faith-formation

If needed, we can provide you with a payment plan.

ADULT FORMATION --STUDY IN FAITH

You are invited to a Study in Faith on A Journey

Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Purchase a workbook (Cost \$39.95) at ascensionpress.com, Also a Catechism of the Catholic Church, purchased where books are sold, and a Catholic translation of the Bible. The study takes place on Tuesdays through

Nov 18 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the California Room. The class will not meet Aug 26 and Sept 9. There is no cost to attend, just your time! To register, contact: Lissa Hutcheson, M.A. Lissahutcheson@outlook.com or call (619) 804-8950.

VISITOR CENTER & GIFT SHOP

Are you looking for a special gift? Look no further than our own Visitor Center and Gift Shop complete with religious articles, t-shirts, hats, mugs, and more! Gift certificates are also available. Open daily from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Self-guided tours of the Mission grounds begin there as well. For info, call (619) 281-8449.

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EXPIRES ON AUGUST 31, 2025

DISCERNMENT GROUP FOR WOMEN

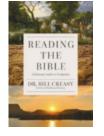
Ever wonder if God is calling you? Would you like to walk alongside other women also discerning? Contact Sister Katia Chavez, SJS at (760) 562-2727 if you are interested.

MEN'S PERSPECTIVE GROUP

Join us in the California Room from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. Next meeting: **Sept 7**. For more info, txt: Jerry Kwasek (619) 742-9591.

NEW BOOK ON THE BIBLE

In "Reading the Bible: A Literary Guide to Scripture," Dr. Bill Creasy leads you on an unforgettable adventure book-by-book, Genesis through Revelation. Stemming from his popular course at UCLA, The English Bible as Literature, this work delves deeply into the text of the Bible, unveiling its rich literary genres and ancient Near Eastern origins. Dr. Creasy is a parishioner of the Mission San Diego de Alcalá



and served on the UCLA English Department faculty for nearly thirty years where he taught his flagship course, The English Bible as Literature. You can visit him at his website, <u>logosbiblestudy.com</u> or pre-order your copy at www.readingthebible.study/.

O.C.I.A.

If you are curious about what Catholics believe and are interested in learning more about the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church, the "Order of Christian Initiation of Adults" is for you! Interested persons are asked to contact Lissa Hutcheson at lissahutcheson@outlook.com. Go to missionsandiego.org/ocia for more information.

GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS

Our Visitor Center and Gift Shop is seeking volunteers. For info, contact Rhonda Sosa at rsosa@missionsandiego.org.



AROUND THE DIOCESE

- A Young Adult Retreat will be held Sept 12-14, at Whispering Winds Camp, Julian. Step away from the busyness of everyday life and enter a weekend of rest, reflection, and renewal. This annual retreat, is designed for young adults ages 18–39 who are seeking deeper peace with God, with themselves, and with others. Registration includes: shared lodging, meals, dynamic talks, activities, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, confession and more! For info, go to sdcatholic.org/event/diocese-of-san-diego-young-adult-retreat/
- **Retrouvaille Weekend** for troubled marriages will be held from **Sept. 26-28**. The location will be provided upon confirmation. The cost is \$700 per couple. For more info, go to helpourmarriage-sandiego.org. Register at (951) 259-9474 or send an email to 6016r@helpourmarriage.org.
- Encounter, a Spirit-filled evening of inspiring music, prayer and Eucharistic adoration, is held on the second Friday of each month at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish in Rancho Peñasquitos from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. Confession will be available, beginning at 6:30 pm. For more info, contact Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish at (858) 324-0490.
- The **Men's Rosary Crusade** gathers at 9:00 am, every first Saturday of the month, at the corner of 6th and Laurel in Balboa Park. For more info, email draguez@sbcglobal.net.



2025 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our Diocesan-assigned goal is: \$92,000

Brochures are available in the Mission Church, St. Francis Chapel, and the parish office.

Or, go to the ACA link on missionsandiego.org

Thank you for supporting our diocese and parish!



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