

MISSION BASILICA SAN DIEGO DE ALCALÁ

AUGUST 16, 2026

¡Siempre Adelante!

TWENTIETH
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



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PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASS

Masses at Mission Church unless noted
SFC - Saint Francis Chapel

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

~TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~

5:30 PM (SAT) †Rosa Vu

7:30 AM †Vivencio Casica

9:00 AM †Annette Rogers

9:00 AM (SFC) †Mary and †Bart Bacon

10:30 AM †Beverly Hinkle

10:30 AM (SFC) †Reyes Ray Cordova

12:00 PM For the People of the Parish

5:30 PM (SFC) †Fernando Velez

MONDAY, AUGUST 17

~Weekday~

7:00 AM †Brendan Foley

5:30 PM †Mary Ann Werner

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

~Weekday~

7:00 AM Kimberly Ellorin

5:30 PM †Fred Rouch

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

~Weekday~

7:00 AM Jennifer Martin

5:30 PM †Meijen Weng

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

~St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church~

7:00 AM Linda Story

5:30 PM †Rufino Allan D. Trovela

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

~St. Pius X, Pope~

7:00 AM Fr. Dan Holgren

5:30 PM †Miriam K. Salerno

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

~The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary~

NO MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

~TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME~

5:30 PM (SAT) †Macawaris Mangondato

7:30 AM †Leslie G. Nimmo

9:00 AM †Lt. Col. Gabriel Estrella

9:00 AM (SFC) For the People of the Parish

10:30 AM Raul Villagrana

& Salvador Lopez

10:30 AM (SFC) Nikolajs Bogdanovs

12:00 PM †Francis & †Joan Riley

5:30 PM (SFC) †Thomas M. Black



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her in
reply, "O woman, great is
your faith! Let it be done
for you as you wish."
And the woman's daughter
was healed from that hour.
- Mt 15:28

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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PARISH INFORMATION

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Monday - Friday
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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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Tel: (619) 624-0900

MISSION HISTORY

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NAZARETH SCHOOL

Principal: Annalisa Burgos
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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>

In This Age of Ours

BY ALICE CAMILLE



There's never been a good time to be an outsider. Social systems are designed to benefit members, and the welfare of outlying parties is not a consideration—normally, that is. Good governments make pacts with their citizens, clubs offer membership privileges, and most religions worth their salt promise salvation of some kind to constituents. Charity begins at home: The needs of those outside the spiritual home are not necessarily shouldered by those within.

That is why I would never knock on the door of the very fine Methodist church on my block when I need assistance of any kind; they don't owe me anything. In the same sense I would not hesitate to run across town to the church office of my parish for moral counsel or even a hot meal if I were in dire need of one. As a lifelong, dues-paying, churchgoing Catholic, I expect the church to "be there for me." Stories of alienated Catholics often

begin, in fact, with the discovery that a representative of the local church did not share that ideal.

All of today's readings overturn our presumptions about the relationship between insiders and outsiders and show us God's perspective on the matter. Trito-Isaiah, writing after the return from exile, frowned on the dismissal of foreign wives and children embraced during captivity. Jewish identity couldn't be squeezed from the lemon of ethnic purity. He encouraged a broad view of social unity that transcended narrow-hearted nationalism. As a prophet, he dared to claim that God did, too.

As apostle to the Gentiles, Saint Paul dedicated his life to the salvation of outsiders. He even refused to insist that Gentiles become de facto Jews in order to merit the rewards of Christianity. Christ was too big and salvation too precious to be stingy with the gospel, in his mind. We may never know what really happened at the Council of Jerusalem, but we do know that Paul was determined to

pursue his established course and cast the net wide.

Jesus apparently reexamined his mission to the lost sheep of Israel when he encountered an outsider whose faith in him was stronger than the trust he got from his own disciples. This woman didn't know the doctrinal details of Judaism or whatever it was Jesus and his gang may have been selling. She clung to the basics: Her daughter was in torment, this man was a healer, and his God compelled him to show mercy. Perhaps it wasn't a matter of throwing the children's food to the dogs but recognizing previously overlooked children. At Vatican II the church proposed to do just that with the pioneering document *Nostra Aetate* ("In this age of ours"). All of us, it says, form one community in God's eyes.

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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.

FAITH FORMATION

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

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to help evangelize and transform the world.

We are accepting registrations
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ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES**

UPCOMING ROSARIES

Make praying the rosary a part of your daily life.

- 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: **Aug 15**.
- 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, next rosary is **Sept 2**.
- A Pro-Life Rosary is prayed every first Thurs in the Mission Church at 5:00 pm. Next rosary: **Sept 3**.

GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Joe Bartel • Filipinas Milag Buan

Paloma Bravence • Erin Dalton

Finnley Leigh Dudenhefer • Suzanne Elassis

James Flynn • Sebastian Guerra

Sara Plaisted • Cynthia Rainbolt

Savannah Smith • Mark Turner

• **Victims of Venezuelan and Columbian earthquakes**

• **Deployed personnel serving in our
Armed Forces and their families**

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

ADULT FORMATION — STUDY IN FAITH

The next bible study: **The Bible Time-
line: The Story of Salvation**, will take
place on Tuesdays **Aug 11 - Sept 15** from
6:30 to 8:30 pm in the California Room.
There is no cost to attend, just your time!
To register, contact: Lissa Hutcheson,
DMin, lissahutcheson@outlook.com or
call (619) 804-8950.



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to-use contribution system for both one-
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July 3- Aug 5, 2026

Plate:	\$5,945.00
Envelope:	\$8,029.00
Online:	\$7,836.02
Total:	\$21,810.02
Peter's Pence	\$3,353.79

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MASS INTENTIONS

The tradition of offering a Mass Intention is a deeply mean-
ingful and ancient Catholic practice. Since the Holy Mass is
the greatest and most powerful prayer of the Church, having a
Mass offered for a specific intention is a powerful way to inter-
cede for the living, pray for the dead, and give thanks to God.

To request a Mass intention at Mission San Diego, stop by
our Visitor Center & Gift Shop and complete a Mass Inten-
tion Request Envelope. Requests for a specific date and time
should be made at least one month in advance. If no date is
requested, the Mass will be scheduled as soon as possible.

In the Diocese of San Diego, the recommended offering
for a Mass intention is \$10.00. Offerings received from
Mass intentions are given to the priest who celebrated
the Mass as part of his compensation. At the Mission San
Diego, priest's Mass intentions are announced by way of the
Sunday bulletin.

BAPTISMS

Welcome to the Christian Family!

Amelia Alessandra Acosta

Valeria Silva Jaimez

Stella Rae Kateringham

Matthew Mora Maganta

Robin Damian Thornber Guzman

Tristran Wessel

Baptized on Aug 16

“You have become a new creation and clothed yourself in Christ...”

BLOOD DRIVE

Mark your calendar! As part of our to our community, the
Mission San Diego is hosting a blood drive on **Sun, Sept
13** from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm in the California Room. Please
reserve a time at mysdbb.org/donor/schedules/drive/schedule/85687.

MAINTENANCE WORKER — NEEDED —

The Mission San Diego has an opening for
a part-time or full-time maintenance worker.

The candidate must be able to work
late-afternoon shifts, including
nights and weekends.

He or she must also be able to
lift 25-50 lbs.

Contact Kay Lentz at
klentz@missionsandiego.org
for more info.

WEEKLY REFLECTION**Chess, Not Checkers**

There's a saying that good leaders have to play chess, not checkers.

It will surprise no one who knows me well that I am terrible at chess. It's not so much a lack of skill (although that's part of it) as a lack of effort. I find chess exhausting. To succeed at this complex game of strategy, you have to see not just the board in front of you, but the person in front of you — and more than that, you have to consider not just what is, but what could be.

I prefer checkers.

When I read a Gospel passage like today's, I think of what Jesus would be like as a chess player. It's so easy to see this account of the Canaanite woman and her tenacity and take it at face value, as a reminder to pray without ceasing, to never stop asking God for what we need. And certainly, it is that.

But it's not only that.

We see a woman begging God for help, and we see God refuse — at first. We see her persist, and we see him capitulate. At least, that's what it looks like to us.

What does it look like to Jesus?

Jesus sees this woman's face and hears her words, just as his disciples do — but he also sees her heart. He sees her whole life. He sees every moment that leads up to this one. He sees her belief, but he also sees her unbelief. He sees her wounds. He sees her daughter.

He sees the game board not just for what it is, but for what it could be.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



**MEN'S
PRESPECTIVE
— GROUP —**

The men's group meets the **first and third** Sunday of the month in the Parish Office Conference Room from **4:00 to 5:00 pm.**

**NEXT MEETING:
SUN, AUGUST 16**

For more info, txt:
**Jerry Kwasek
(619) 742-9591**

**Bringing men together for healthy discussions
on how to be the best version of themselves**

CATHOLIC Q&A**QUESTION**

Our prayer group is discussing ways we can change and strengthen our faith. What one thing could we change that would have the greatest impact on our faith?

ANSWER

A famous coach once said that when the team is in trouble and things aren't going well, go back to the basics; when the team is winning and things are going well, go back to the basics! Any renewal program, faith development, or spiritual growth effort has to start with the basic core of what it means to believe. If the foundation is not strong, the house will not stand.

So if you work on one thing, begin with the idea that God is love, who loves us and calls us to love one another. If we really take that belief to heart, it changes how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It would change how we pray, how we treat others, and how we understand and live our own life. Our sense of mission and purpose will be more focused on God's plan and our role in it. Love is the core of faith, the goal of life, and the hope of heaven. Whatever we do to strengthen and deepen our faith will begin and end with love.

HOLY MATRIMONY

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Colin Burczek and Brynn Hansen

who were married at the Mission San Diego on **Aug 14.**

Daniel Moon and Nicole Reber

who were married at the Mission San Diego on **Aug 15.**

May the Lord continue to bless you all with his life and love!

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Andrew and Irma DePratti

who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary at the Mission San Diego on **Aug 15.**

Ernesto Valdez and Sandra Temores

who will celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary at the Mission San Diego on **Aug 16.**

May the Lord continue to bless you all with his life and love!

FOLLOW US ONLINE

www.missionsandiego.org

AROUND THE DIOCESE

• Free **Heart Screenings** are taking place at Mt. Carmel High School Gym, 9550 Carmel Mtn. Road, San Diego on **Sun, Aug 23**. Open to all students ages 18-25. For more info, go to epsavealife.org.

• 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. All men are welcome. The rosary intentions are for reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, for the conversion of America, for families and for the unborn. For more information, email draguez@sbcglobal.net or call (619) 920-8363.

• Are you looking to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day? Sign up for an upcoming **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** on **Sept 18-20** at Mission San Luis Rey. Food and lodging are provided. Early registration is highly recommended. For more info go to: wwme.org.

• **Retrouvaille** is a Catholic ministry for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retreats in Spanish (Sept 18-19) and English (Sept 25-26) will be held in San Diego County. For more info, go to helpourmarriage-sandiego.org.

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.

MAINTENANCE WORKER NEEDED

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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 info.



FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Elizabth McNulty

Funeral Mass on **Thu, Aug 20**

10:00 am in the Mission Church;

Inurnment TBD at Mission San Luis Rey Cemetery

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

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Our neighbor, the Stella Apartments and the food bank at Holy Family Parish in Linda Vista are having difficulty keeping food on their shelves. Please bring a couple cans of soup, chili or other non-perishable foods to church on the weekend of the first Sunday of the month, it helps greatly. In Sept, coin donations will go to Stella Apartments, housing for formerly homeless adults.

MISSION-AIRES

The Mission-aires will host their first lunch of the season on **Tue, Sept 9** at 11:30 am in the California Room. Wear your Red, White and Blue and bring a Book for our Book exchange to celebrate Literacy Month. A speaker from the San Diego Library will give a presentation. Lunch will be baked chicken thighs, baked beans, corn and fresh fruit. All parishioners age 50+ are welcome, RSVP not necessary. Lunch \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members. Yearly membership cost is \$20.



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SERRA CLUB DINNER

Come celebrate the anniversary of the death of St. Junípero Serra (Aug 28, 1784) on **Wed, Aug 26** at the Mission San Diego. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Pulido at 5:30 pm in the St. Francis Chapel. A dinner reception will follow in the California Room, \$35 per person. Please RSVP by **Aug 19** 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. Proceeds benefit the priestly formation for the Diocese of San Diego.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

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

CLOTHING DONATION

The Mission San Diego serves as a host site for a Fr. Joe's Villages donation bin, located in the courtyard, accepting new and gently-used clothing and shoes. Please be advised, this bin is for clothing and shoes ONLY.

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 and will be placed later this year.



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our Diocesan-assigned goal is: \$94,000

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

Or, go to the ACA link on missionsandiego.org

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION NEEDED

Have you ever considered serving as an **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion** at the Mission Basilica San Diego de Alcalá?



We are seeking faithful parishioners who regularly participate in Mass and demonstrate reverence, commitment to God, and dedication to our parish community. If you have been inspired by the joyful and prayerful service of our Eucharistic Ministers, perhaps God is calling you to serve in this important ministry.

Qualified individuals must be: 1) at least 15 years of age; 2) a Baptized and Confirmed Catholic; 3) living an exemplary Christian life and are respected within the faith community; and 4) in a valid marriage in the Church, if married.

Training will be provided for those called to this ministry. If you are interested in learning more or wish to become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please contact Nora Smyth at norasmyth619@gmail.com.

"The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life." Let the Lord use your gifts in service to His Church.

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