

MISSION BASILICA SAN DIEGO DE ALCALÁ

# ¡Siempre Adelante!

**JULY 20, 2025**

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**



**256 YEARS  
OF HISTORY**

**FESTIVAL OF THE BELLS**

**VERY REV. PETER M. MCGUINE, PASTOR**

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## PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASS

Masses at Mission Church unless noted  
SFC - Saint Francis Chapel

### SUNDAY, JULY 20

~SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~

**5:30 PM SAT** †Gloria Quinto

**7:30 AM** †Maria G. Real

**9:00 AM** Bill Robinson

**9:00 AM (SFC)** Renata Richardson

**10:30 AM** For the People of the Parish

**10:30 AM (SFC)** †Domingo Martinez

**12:00 PM** †Rufino Pamiloza

**5:30 PM (SFC)** †Ron and †Bernadette Gray

### MONDAY, JULY 21

~Weekday~

**7:00 AM** Dylan & Kristin Schrock

**5:30 PM** †Cheryll Sangria Fernandez

### TUESDAY, JULY 22

~ST. MARY MAGDALINE~

**7:00 AM** Cameron Gonsalves

**5:30 PM** †Carolina Corral

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

~Weekday~

**7:00 AM** Intention of the Priest

**5:30 PM** Intention of the Priest

### THURSDAY, JULY 24

~Weekday~

**7:00 AM** †Kimberlee Reilly

**5:30 PM** †Roy Santos

### FRIDAY, JULY 25

~ST. JAMES, APOSTLE~

**7:00 AM** Intention of the Priest

**5:30 PM** †Alfredo Fang

### SATURDAY, JULY 26

~Saints Joachim and Anne,  
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary~

**NO MASS**

### SUNDAY, JULY 27

~SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~

**5:30 PM SAT** Fred Rouch

**7:30 AM** †Patricia Cote

**9:00 AM** Lucena L. Prietos

**9:00 AM (SFC)** †June Thomas

**10:30 AM** Intention of the Priest

**10:30 AM (SFC)** Maria Garibay

**12:00 PM** †Pasquale and †Joan Perrone

**5:30 PM (SFC)** For the People of the Parish



## 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." - Lk 10:41-42

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## 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](http://nazarethschool.org)

### MISSION HISTORY

[missionsandiegohistory.org](http://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](mailto:atarantino@missionsandiego.org).  
All submissions are subject to approval.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Online: <https://bible.usccb.org>

# The Mystery of the Ages, Revealed

BY ALICE CAMILLE



The quest for ultimate answers continues. Just visit the spirituality section of a bookstore, the self-help quadrant of Amazon, or the political

blog of your choice. Fundamentalism, always the primary dispenser of definitive answers, is on the rise worldwide: in Christianity as well as Islam, in Buddhism and Judaism, too, and even—gasp!—in Roman Catholicism. Many of us want to know the secret to living a good life, that's all. We want to know how to be happy and avoid suffering. If there's a formula that's eluding us, we'd be glad to hear it.

Paul has such a formula, which many have heard and most dismiss: "It is Christ in you." Got it? That's it. Now just live it. But ay, there's the problem. Christ-in-you sounds great on paper. But how does that work at the supper table or in the work place—or in the unemployment line, as the case may

be? Bringing Christ or being Christ everywhere we go isn't easy, considering how hugely incompatible many places are with what we imagine Christ-life to be.

So let's back up. Christ-in-you resembles another phrase we've heard before: God-with-us. And salvation history assures us God's been with us from the beginning. Consider Abraham under the terebinth of Mamre. Someday I'm going to open a retreat center called Terebinth: It will be a happy sheltering place where God shows up when you least expect it. The most vital lesson Abraham learns is that we don't have to go looking for God in exotic spiritual locations. God is content to show up at our place, wherever that is. You got a shack in the desert? God will be there around dinnertime. Be prepared to offer a spread, because we know how God feels about supper.

In a seemingly unrelated story, Jesus shows up in Bethany—also conveniently around mealtime. Like Father, like Son. And Martha pretty much does what

Abraham did when she realizes the Holy Presence is here for dinner. She pulls out the stops, goes totally Martha Stewart in the kitchen. And Jesus doesn't criticize her for that. Chances are he can smell some pretty nice aromas coming from out back, and if the gospels are clear on anything, it's that Jesus likes to eat. Martha makes her mistake when she criticizes her sister for not putting on an apron. Martha's a fan of even-steven. She sees Mary's decision to plant herself at the feet of Jesus as an inferior choice. Assuming the posture of a disciple can never be a lesser choice to the service (diakonia) Martha finds most natural. How we arrive into the Holy Presence may find a different expression in each of us. As long as we all make it to the table, the Mystery of the Ages will be waiting for us.

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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](http://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 **Aug 6**.
- A Pro-Life Rosary is prayed every first Thurs in the Mission Church at 5:00 pm. Next rosary: **Aug 7**.
- 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 16**.

## ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Join our faith community by completing a registration form at [missionsandiego.org](http://missionsandiego.org) or visit our Visitor Center during regular business hours.



## CONGRATULATIONS BISHOP MICHAEL PHAM

Installed as the **7th Bishop of the Diocese of San Diego** on July 17, 2025.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:*

**Joe Bartel • Larry Digesti • Connie Ewens  
Sebastian Guerra • Kevin Holland • Orlando Icasiano  
Sandra Lopez • Jason Plaisted • Meghan Smith  
Fred Rouch • John Sawaya • Don Stafford**

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

## VETERAN'S RETREAT

"Coming Home" is a free single-day retreat for veterans and adult family members of veterans, or active duty military. The retreat will be held **Sat, Aug 9**, from 9:00 am and end with an optional closing Mass at 5:00 pm, at the Mission San Luis Rey Retreat Center in Oceanside. The retreat is facilitated by Father Ed McKenzie, a Franciscan priest in residence at the Mission. Father Ed is a Vietnam combat veteran and father of two sons, one of whom is a combat veteran, as well. Veteran's issues have always been close to his heart. Fr. Ed suffers the effects of PTSD and moral injury and speaks from a "firsthand" experience about this plague that veterans suffer. He describes himself as a "wounded healer." The retreat is free, but you must register at <http://bit.ly/46cyO9Y>



## AN ALTERNATIVE TO OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The Mission San Diego offers an easy-to-use contribution system for both one-time and recurring gifts. Powered by WeShare, electronic giving is safe, secure, and convenient. To learn more and get started, please scan the QR code or visit our website [missionsandiego.org](https://missionsandiego.org) and select the "Donate Now" link.

## PARISH SUPPORT

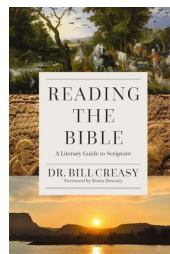
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Plate:	\$5,459.00
Envelope:	\$9,951.00
Online:	\$11,359.26
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$26,769.26</b>

*Thank you for your support of our parish!*

## NEW BOOK ON THE BIBLE

We all want to read the Bible verse-by-verse, cover-to-cover, but what happens when you can't get past Leviticus or bog down and quit in Chronicles? How can you make the journey through the Bible spring to



life with unforgettable characters, drama, and glittering poetry and prose? 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. Recognized as among the top two percent of educators in the U.S., Creasy challenges the notion that the Bible is simply an anthology, instead revealing it as a collection of 'little books' that warrant meticulous exploration. With the aim of nurturing "knowledgeable readers of Scripture" who can both comprehend and apply its teachings within their own life, Reading the Bible serves as an indispensable guide for those seeking a profound understanding of the world's most influential text. Dr. Bill 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, [logosbiblestudy.com](https://logosbiblestudy.com) or pre-order your copy at [www.readingthebible.study/](https://www.readingthebible.study/).

## BAPTISM

Welcome to the Christian Family!

**Beatrice Romi Castillejos Barcelon**

**Baptized on July 20**

*"You have become a new creation and clothed yourself in Christ..."*

## TEXAS FLOODS

Torrential rains and devastating flash flooding have brought disaster to parts of central Texas, with more than 100 killed as the search for the missing continues. Please donate today — all funds will support local recovery.

Join us in praying for those suffering. To donate, go to [CatholicCharitiesUSA.org](https://CatholicCharitiesUSA.org).



## 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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## CATHOLIC Q&A

### QUESTION

July 22 is the feast of Mary Magdalene. I've heard a lot of stories about her, but who was she really?

### ANSWER

Mary Magdalene has been the subject of speculation and scholarship over the last 2,000 years. Mary Magdalene makes her first named appearance in Luke 8:2. She is one of several women following Jesus. Luke specifically mentions that Mary had previously been delivered from demonic possession. Whatever her life looked like before she met Jesus, it wasn't good! Because

of this association with being a repentant sinner, Mary Magdalene has been associated with other similar stories in the Gospel, such as the woman caught in adultery or the woman who bathes Jesus' feet with her tears.

Mary Magdalene shows up again by name at the end of the Gospels, when she stands with the Blessed Virgin Mary at the foot of the Cross. Mary is also present in the garden of the resurrection. She is



one of the women who goes to bring spices to Jesus' tomb, where they find the stone rolled away. Mary stays in the garden weeping, believing his body has been stolen. Jesus approaches her and calls her by name, and she becomes the first witness

to the resurrection! While many of the details of Mary Magdalene's life have been lost to time, she is an example of powerful conversion, deep faith, and intimate love for Christ.

## FAITH FORMATION

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

Ongoing faith formation is essential to help evangelize and transform the world.

We are accepting registrations through the end of Sept.

### REGISTER NOW

**Faith Formation, 2025-26**

**First student:** \$163.00.

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\$135.00

**Confirmation Preparation, 2025-26**

**First student:** \$219.00.

**Additional students, same household:**  
\$174.00

For more information ...

[missionsandiego.org/faith-formation](https://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](https://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 11** from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the California Room. **The class will not meet July 29 and Aug 26.** There is no cost to attend, just your time! To register, contact: Lissa Hutcheson, M.A. [Lissahutcheson@outlook.com](mailto: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.

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## 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: **July 20**. For more info, txt: Jerry Kwasek (619) 742-9591.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

• Please join us for the next **"Love Our Priests"** Mass at **10 am on Sat, Aug 2** at Ascension Catholic Parish in Tierrasanta. Come meet **Fr. Edgar Serrano**. This popular, priest will be sharing his journey to the priesthood with a brief history of what led him to serve God in the Church. We follow with a pot-luck luncheon. For info, contact [jeanlaskey@outlook.com](mailto:jeanlaskey@outlook.com)

• **St. Elizabeth Steton** Catholic Church in Carlsbad is hosting a **"Coping with Life Alone"** program on **Sat, July 26** from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm for widowed, divorced and separated people going through a loss of a spousal relationship. Cost of \$50 includes meal, snacks and drink. For info, call Vicki (858) 748-2273 (no texts).



## 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](mailto:lissahutcheson@outlook.com). Go to [missionsandiego.org/ocia](https://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](mailto:rsosa@missionsandiego.org).





**SCRC**  
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## SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

With increasing food 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 (**Aug 2-3**) helps greatly. Coin donations go to Mission San Diego Religious Education. Please support the SAC's effort to reach out to help our brothers and sisters in the community. Just a couple of cans: minimal effort and cost; very rewarding.



## HOLY MATRIMONY

CONGRATULATIONS TO  
**Christoph Etschmaier**  
and

**Kojmanee Hudson**

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

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



**ADVANCING OUR  
Mission**

**DIOCESE OF  
SAN DIEGO**  
2025 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

“Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.”  
— 1 Peter 4:10.



## 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](https://missionsandiego.org)

*Thank you for supporting our diocese and parish!*