



REGULAR SCHEDULE

MASS

Monday-Friday: 8:30 am
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 pm

HOLY HOUR / ADORATION

Monday, Wednesday-Friday: 3:00 pm
Tuesday: 6:00 pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 9/21-9/27

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8
(see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or
16:10-13

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3,
4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2,
3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a,
4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-
6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-
22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-
12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 21, 2025



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon.” - Lk 16:8b, 13

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday after morning Mass until 4:00 pm
(Closed from 12:00-1:00 pm for lunch)

Sanctuary Hours: Monday-Friday after morning Mass until 4:00 pm



PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Receive, O Holy Trinity this Holy Sacrifice of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which we, your unworthy servants, desire now to offer to You by the hands of Your minister, with all the sacrifices which have ever been or will be offered to You, in union with that Holy Sacrifice offered by Jesus Christ our Lord at the Last Supper, and on the Altar of the Cross. We offer it to You with the utmost affection and devotion, out of pure love for Your infinite goodness, and according to the most holy intention of the same Christ our Lord, and of our Holy Mother the Church. O God, almighty and merciful, grant us through this Holy Sacrifice, joy and peace, a holier life, time to do penance, grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit, and perseverance in good works. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATION FOR ASCENSION PARISH

God our Father, You call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you. Bless your church in Tierrasanta by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as priests, deacons, and religious men and women. Inspire us as we grow to know you and open our hearts to answer your call. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

CHARACTERISTIC OF THE JUBILEE YEAR: PRAYER & LITURGY

Prayer is opening oneself to God and experiencing his presence in our lives. This begins with one's desire to open oneself increasingly to God. God wants to walk with us. Do we allow him? The jubilee year is an opportunity for us to realign ourselves so that we allow God to be part of our lives.

A big segment of our pilgrimage needs to be devoted to prayer. Prayer is the instrument in which we devote time not just to appreciate the beauty of the pilgrim site or churches that we visit but to really sit down, close our eyes and feel the spirit of God that guided pilgrims in the past, saints that passed this way before, to a journey of deep encounter with God. In the experience of those who have achieved a deeper closeness with God, the more we spend time in prayer, the more we long for Him.

Liturgy is the public prayer of the Church: in the words of the Second Vatican Council, it is the "summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; [and,] at the same time it is the font from which all her power flows." (Sacrosanctum Concilium, 10). At the center of the Christian liturgy is the Mass - the Eucharistic celebration, where the Body and Blood of Christ are truly received. As a pilgrim, Christ himself walks alongside the disciples and reveals to them the mysteries of the Father, so that they too can say, like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." (Luke 24:29). (cf. <https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/giubileo-2025/segni-del-giubileo/liturgia.html>)



ASCENSION JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS AND LOCAL PILGRIMAGES

Oct. 4-5, 2025: Jubilee of Youth / Young Adults and Migrants

Oct. 4th: Jubilee Parish Recollection by Rev. Joaquin Martinez, S.J.

Sat., Oct. 4th Parish Recollection - Venue: Ascension Parish Hall, Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon (lunch provided)

Oct. 11-12, 2025: Jubilee of Families, Parents, Grandparents and the Elderly

Oct. 11: Pilgrimage - Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, 555 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 (Official Jubilee Pilgrim Church of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles)

Oct. 18-19: Jubilee of Catechists

Oct. 18: Pilgrimage - Christ Cathedral, 13280 Chapman Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840 and **Mission Basilica San Juan Capistrano**, 31520 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675 (Official Jubilee Pilgrim Churches of the Diocese of Orange)

Oct. 25-26: Jubilee of Ministers

October 25: Pilgrimage - St. Joseph Cathedral, 1535 Third Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101 (Diocese of San Diego Pilgrimage Church. Participants will make a symbolic pilgrimage from Waterfront Park through Beech Street to the Cathedral.)



Please let us know if you are joining in one or all of the scheduled local pilgrimages so we can plan if we need to get a bus ride to the LA area. Please use the QR code to sign up.



COLLECTIONS FOR GAZA HUMANITARIAN RELIEF: THIS WEEKEND, SEPTEMBER 20-21

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has asked all dioceses and parishes to participate in a special collection to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our affected brothers and sisters in Gaza and surrounding areas in the Middle East. The collection will be taken up at Ascension this weekend, September 20-21. All parish donations will be sent to the Diocese and will be channeled through to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEW) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS). Thank you for your prayers and generous financial support.

UPCOMING THIS WEEK

- **Sunday, 9/21 after 8:30 Mass** - Coffee & Doughnuts (Pavilion)
- **Tuesday, 9/23 at 1:30 pm** - Caring for the Whole Person [CWP] Meeting (Pavilion)
 - Contact Deacon Jim & Mattie Scull w/ questions: deaconjim@ascension-sd.org
- **Tuesday, 9/23 at 7:00 pm** - Ministries of Charity [MOC] Meeting (Pavilion)
- **Wednesday, 9/24 at 9:00 am** - Coffee Catch-up (Pavilion)
- **Wednesday, 9/24 at 3:00 pm** - Adoration/Chaplet CANCELED
- **Wednesday, 9/24 at 7:00 pm** - Wine & Roses Women's Fellowship (Pavilion)
 - Contact Elizabeth Camp w/ questions: 858-414-7284
- **Thursday, 9/25 at 3:00 pm** - Adoration/Chaplet CANCELED

ASCENSION FELLOWSHIP: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

All are invited to join the next Ascension Fellowship on Saturday, September 20. We will meet in the Pavilion for a potluck at 6:00 pm. Around 7:00, we will discuss Pope Leo XIII and how his papacy will likely inspire our new pope. Family and/or friends are also welcome to attend—they do not need to be Catholic. Please contact Chris and Kalena Cook at cnkcook@sbcglobal.net or 858-337-7446 if you have any questions and to RSVP. Hope to see you there!

RACHEL'S SHELTER MONTHLY DINNER SERVICE: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Please join Ann Galbraith in cooking side dishes in the JP2 kitchen from 2:30-4:30 pm on Wednesday, September 24. No culinary skills are needed; you can also drop off beverages, desserts, purchased or donated food of any kind (sandwich meat, cheese, PB&J, cereal, or milk for next-day meals), or your own prepared dishes. Our parish community provides one meal per month. If you'd like to help or drop off food, please contact Ann at 206-931-5379 or via email at anngalbraith1@gmail.com. Many thanks to the volunteers who helped with the August dinner, including Emma, Julie, Maribeth, Marissa, and Michelle.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 9/20 | 4:30 pm

Personal Intentions

Sunday, 9/21

8:30 am

Mass of Thanksgiving

11:00 am

Rosemary Jackson

Carl Jackson Jr. †

5:30 pm

Parishioners of Ascension

Monday, 9/22 | 8:30 am

Iraida Arambulo †

Tuesday, 9/23 | 8:30 am

Raul Arambulo

Carl Jackson Jr. †

Wednesday, 9/24 | 8:30 am

Raul Arambulo

Thursday, 9/25 | 8:30 am

Deacon Jim & Mattie Scull

Sam Beamon †

Friday, 9/26 | 8:30 am

Raul Arambulo

Megan Payne

Dean Gioldassis

Saturday, 9/27 | 4:30 pm

Robert B. Hoffman †

Joseph Dinh †

Sunday, 9/28

8:30 am

Abby Gonzalez

11:00 am

Parishioners of Ascension

5:30 pm

Thomas Gagan



**SATURDAY OCTOBER 18
5:30PM JPII HALL**

\$35 Adult (2 for \$60) // \$15 Child

Fill out & turn in this ticket to office with payment

OR scan the QR code to purchase/donate online



Name: _____

Phone/email: _____

Come Hungry, Leave Joyful, Help Our Teens Grow!

#Adult Ticket(s): ____ #Child Ticket(s): ____ Total: \$ ____

9/21 - THIS WEEKEND SUNDAY ADORATION

After Sunday 5:30 pm Mass
for 30 min.

Benediction at 7:00 pm

ONE BENEFIT OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Each time you approach the
Blessed Sacrament remember that
Jesus has been waiting for you
for twenty centuries, for this
personal visit from you.

– St. Josemaria Escriva

PRAYER REQUESTS

Maria Luisa Oviedo †

Joseph Cuticelli

Dean Kelling

Scott Joseph Gebhard Jr. †

Marsha Lizarraga

Gwen Johnson

Carlos Gomez

Nora Perez

Vicki Pantua

Anne Hoffman

Robert B. Hoffman †

Mari Beth Turner †

Harper Moyski †

Fletcher Merkel †

Ella Lopez

Raul Arambulo

If you have name(s) to be included on
this prayer list, please contact the
Parish Office.

ASCENSION FAMILY FELLOWSHIP: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Baseball, soccer, swimming, dance, school activities, scouts... Does this sound like your family? If so, come and meet other parents and youth of Ascension Parish who are balancing faith, family, and life in Tierrasanta. Our first family fellowship event will give parents and kids the opportunity to connect with other Catholics in the community, and build our faith through fellowship and fun. Activities and food will be provided for attendees.

Join us after Mass on Saturday, September 27, from
5:30-7:30 pm in the Parish Hall, where we will focus on
fellowship; future events will include opportunities to
build a family of faith through activities and speakers.

REGISTER HERE



POST FIESTA PLANT SALE: WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 27-28

If you missed visiting the Ascension Plant Booth during our annual June Fiesta, you're in luck! During the weekend of September 27-28, we will be having an after inventory plant sale after each Mass (4:30 pm, 8:30 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm) with marked down prices! The mini plant booth will be located just outside of the church front doors. Please contact Angie Elfman at 858-775-4828 for more information.

***Please note: We are not accepting any plant donations for this sale.**

ITEMS NEEDED FOR MOM SD 13TH ANNUAL BABY SHOWER

Military Outreach Mission San Diego (MOM SD) serves junior enlisted military families (E5 and below). These young families, most especially moms with infants, are trying to survive in our expensive economy on low salaries, high debt, and the stress of deployment.

Our goal is to prepare and distribute 50 diaper bags with needed items to help these mothers care for their infants. There will be an "Items Needed" list available starting next week after each Mass. These items must be NEW. Someone will be available before and after each Mass until October 12 to receive the needed items. You can also leave your donations in the collection box located in the vestibule of the church.

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE...

Thank you to our generous parishioners who coordinated the building of the new fence at the rectory and those who took good care of the plants while Fr. Edwin was away from the parish. Your help is sincerely appreciated!



STANDING WITH IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

Migrants in San Diego and across the nation are facing their scheduled court appointments with heightened fear. This is especially true when they are approaching the courthouse as part of their due process rights.

Under the leadership of Bishop Michael Pham, the Diocese of San Diego has instituted a process for the accompaniment of migrants to their hearings at the court house. Guided by their faith, clergy, other representatives from religious groups, and Catholic laypersons offer their presence, comfort, and prayer to create a more secure and peaceful means to secure the rights of immigrants and refugees to a fair hearing of their cases. This Ministry is called **Faithful Court Accompaniment -- Faithful Accompaniment in Trust and Hope.**

Your MOC Team is encouraging the creation of a team of trained parishioners to participate with concerned Catholics and others in this ministry. Two of our parishioners are already trained: Jean Kerr and Carmela Cavero. Please consider joining this effort to show migrants they are not alone as they navigate the complex legal system. For more information contact Jean Kerr at jeanmkerr@gmail.com.

MARY ANN'S CLOSET: SERVING THE HOMELESS AT OUR PARISH & IN OUR COMMUNITY

Mary Ann's Closet serves the homeless at our parish and in our community. Our ministers are now using the items you have donated; however, we are running out of the following items:

1. Wash cloths (18 pack at Walmart)
2. Johnson & Johnson: To Go First Aid Kits (small travel size at Walmart)
3. Body Wash, Shampoo, Lotion (small travel size)
4. Body Wipes (three or five pack at Walmart)

In addition, we are in need of adult sizes of NEW (with tags) men's pants, belts, socks, and shoes. Please pick up a Needs List at our MOC table; our donation baskets will be in the church vestibule for the rest of September. If you are unable to shop for the homeless, please drop your donation in the collection basket, earmarked for MOC. If you are interested in serving the homeless in our community, please contact Jun Etrata or Deacon Jim. Thank you so much for your support of this ministry.

REGISTER / UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION



YOUR GIFTS OF TREASURE

9/14/2025 (NEW FISCAL YEAR)

Collection

\$8,320.09

Fiscal YTD

\$103,214.24

2nd Collection Building Fund

\$2,366.00

Church Renovation

Online Donations

\$1,152.32

9/15/2024 (LAST FISCAL YEAR)

Collection

\$8,410.05

Fiscal YTD

\$84,803.44

2nd Collection Building Fund

N/A

ACA 2025 Assessment Goal

\$30,349.00

Amount Paid to Date

\$22,416.10

Current Balance

\$7,932.90

Building Loan

Balance as of 8/31/2025

\$1,368,902.46

DONATE ONLINE





**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE
WONDERFUL PRIESTS
DURING THE MONTH
OF SEPTEMBER**

Rev. Anthony Saroki

Pastor

Our Lady of Mount Carmel
San Diego, CA

Rev. Brian Hayes

Pastor

St. Catherine Laboure
San Diego, CA

Rev. Thomas Thompson

Retired

Good Samaritan Retirement Center
El Cajon, CA

Rev. Steve Corder S.J.

Jesuit Novitiate
Culver City, CA

Rev. Edwin Tutor

Our Pastor at Ascension Parish

**UPCOMING HOLY DAYS
OF OBLIGATION**

Monday, December 8

Solemnity of the Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

Thursday, December 25

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord



A KNIGHT TO KNOW: BRYAN FENCL



At our recent Knights of Columbus meeting, we had a pretty extraordinary “A Knight to Know” session from Brother Bryan Fencl. He shared his heroic efforts in Iraq, opened up about his Catholic upbringing, and how his faith was tested in ways most of us can’t imagine... all while managing to squeeze it in between Philadelphia Eagles plays. That’s what we call multitasking. Thank you, Bryan. Your honesty, faith, and courage are deeply inspiring. Join us at our next general session Thursday, October 2 at 7:00 pm.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

September 24 – November 2



**HELP SAVE LIVES
in MIRA MESA!**

Join with members of our parish and many others as we take part again in the **40 Days for Life** campaign to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful vigil in front of abortion businesses.

- **Where:** On the sidewalk in front of the Mira Mesa Planned Parenthood facility, 10717 Camino Ruiz, San Diego, CA 92126. (Near the Carl’s Jr.)
- **When:** The vigil runs from Sep 24 – Nov 2, 2025, 7am – 7 pm

Ascension parish will take the lead for prayer and presence on Thursdays during the vigil from 8am – 4pm: 9/25 ... 10/2 ... 10/9 ... 10/16 ... 10/23 ... 10/30

Get Info or Sign Up for Prayer Times: Please call Terry Duffield at 858-344-0231 to sign up for an hour of prayer and arrange for carpooling.

40daysforlife.com/sandiegomiramesa



PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

A

Altar Flowers: Ann Galbraith | 206-931-5379
 Altar Servers: (Children) Ray Lebron | 858-775-6734
 Altar Servers: (Adult) Carlos Becerra | 858-337-6474
 Altar Committee: Angela Jones | 858-279-2735

B

Baptisms (Infants-Age 6): Deacon Adam |
 deaconadam@ascension-sd.org
 Baptisms (Age 7+): Bonnie Curtis | bonnie@ascension-sd.org
 Bereavement: Roger Jones | ralphkjones@hotmail.com

C

Caring for the Whole Person (CWP):
 Deacon Jim & Mattie Scull | 858-279-2735
 Children's Liturgy of the Word | rel.ed@ascension-sd.org
 Coffee & Donuts: Carol Thompson | 619-459-4192

E

Eucharistic Ministers: Fran Lebron | 858-442-1826

F

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 Finance Council: Joe Kennedy | 858-279-8413
 First Friday Adoration: Maxima Agnas | 858-278-4543

G

Golden Circle: Maria Montenegro | 619-889-1422
 Grief Support: Sandy Canzoneri | 858-565-2101

K

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 Music Ministry:
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 (Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am) Marianne Gutierrez |
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