

# ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH



Sept. 17th, 2023

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



Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

## THIS WEEK @ ASCENSION

**Saturday, 9/16/23**

**2nd Collection: Building Fund**

- ♦ 3:00pm - 4:00pm - Confession
- ♦ 4:30pm - Mass

**Sunday, 9/17/23**

**2nd Collection: Building Fund**

- ♦ 8:30am - Mass
- ♦ 11:00am - Mass (Livestreamed)
- ♦ 5:30pm - Mass

**Monday, 9/18/23**

- ♦ 8:30am - Mass (Livestreamed)
- ♦ 3:00pm - Chaplet & Adoration

**Tuesday, 9/19/23**

- ♦ 8:30am - Mass (Livestreamed)
- ♦ 9:00am - Pro-Life Rosary
- ♦ 7:00pm - Adoration

**Wednesday, 9/20/23**

- ♦ 8:30am - Mass (Livestreamed)
- ♦ After Mass - Coffee Social
- ♦ 3:00pm - Chaplet & Adoration

**Thursday, 9/21/23** Feast of St. Matthew

- ♦ 8:30am - Communion Service
- ♦ 3:00pm - Chaplet & Adoration

**Friday, 9/22/23**

- ♦ 8:30am - Mass (Livestreamed)
- ♦ 3:00pm - Chaplet & Adoration

## PRAYER REQUEST

If you have a name/s to be included in this prayer list, please contact the parish office. The "†" indicates that the person is deceased. Names will remain on the list for one month (space providing).

Cathy Wu†	Joanna Baker†	Alex Polifka
Geogia Olsen	Dan Trubovitz	Martha Becerra
Renee Wiegand	Bob Captain	Madeline Vogt
Christiane Hoffman	Vanessa Casison-Ding †	Claudia Navarrete †
Nancy Lund	Christina Anella†	Louise Palazola†
Mari-Beth Turner	David & Elizabeth G Laxamana	Kevin Ding
Dorothy Croxton	Bert & Remy Domingo	Rosemary Groom
Loretta Van Wey	Ann Villarba	Ella Lopez

## MASS Intentions

Sat, Sept 16th	4:30pm	Manuel Alcala † Dallas Freitas †
Sun, Sept 17th	8:30am	Parishioners of Ascension
	11:00am	Georgia Olsen Jose Pantua†
	5:30pm	Edward G. Asuncion†
Mon, Sept 18th	8:30am	Judith Dullano† Dolores G. Asuncion† Matthew L. Du Bois Julian Asuncion†
Tues, Sept 19th	8:30am	Mari Ng Vicky Pantua†
Wed, Sept 20th	8:30am	Joan Haldane Ella Lopez
Thurs, Sept 21th	8:30am	Communion Service
Fri, Sept 22nd	8:30am	Dr. Barbara Yorobe Ella Jean Galbraith†
Sat, Sept 23rd	4:30pm	Carl Jackson Sr † Iraida Nolasco †
Sun, Sept 24th	8:30am	Fr. Luke Buckles Greg Buckles
	11:00am	Parishioners of Ascension
	5:30pm	Bill Concord †



*Ever Immaculate Virgin Mother of Mercy, Health of the sick, refuge of sinners, Comforter of the afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; look with mercy on me. By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, whence you dispense your favors; and already many sufferers have obtained the cure for their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests. Through gratitude for your favors, I will endeavor to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory. Amen.*



# ASCENSION MINISTRIES & GROUPS



Altar Flowers: Rosa Germain	858-279-7397
Altar Servers: (Children) Tom Tomp	858-496-9267
Altar Servers: (Adult) Carlos Becerra	858-337-6474
Altar Committee: Marilyn Kachok	858-278-3155
Parish Fellowship: Henry Ng	858-223-3380
Men's Fellowship: Deacon Adam	858-279-2735
Baptisms: Deacon Adam	deaconadam@ascension-sd.org
Bereavement Ministry: Pat Berkebile	858-278-5497
Caring for the Whole Person:	858-279-2735
Deacon Jim & Mattie Scull	
Children's Liturgy of the Word:	858-279-2735
Coffee & Donuts: Sharla Hank	619-315-5553
Eucharistic Ministers: Fran Lebron	858-442-1826
Fiesta Chair: Henry Ng	858-279-2735
Finance Council: Joe Kennedy	858-279-8413
First Friday Adoration: Maxima Agnas	858-278-4543
Golden Circle: Dennis & Yolanda James	858-715-8697
Grief Support: Sandy Canzoneri	858-565-2101
Knights of Columbus: Mark Elfman	858-775-4647
Lectors: Fran Lebron	858-442-1826
Love Our Priests: Jean Hosenkamp	858-560-7132
Marian Prayer Group: Rosa Germain	858-279-7397
Military Outreach: Rick Kania	858-405-3013
MOC: Deacon Jim	deaconjim@ascension-sd.org
Ministry to the Sick: Deacon Jim	858-279-2735
Music Ministry:	
(Sat 4:30 PM) Billy Fallon	billy@ascension-sd.org
(11:00AM) Marianne Gutierrez	marianne@ascension-sd.org
(Sun 5:30PM) John Sperrazzo	john@ascension-sd.org
Pastoral Council:	858-279-2735
Prayer Quilts: Gail Janes	858-414-6361
Pro-Life: David Akers	858-437-1445
RCIA: Bonnie Curtis	858-279-2735
RCIC:	858-279-2735
R.E Coordinator: Abby Gonzalez	858-279-2735
Single Seniors Fellowship: Danielle Deaton	858-278-0755
Ushers/Hospitality: Rosie Struyk	858-268-9566

## Your Gift of Treasure:

**Weekend of Sept, 10th, 2023**

With gratitude for the gifts we have received, parishioners and visitors made a joyful return to the Lord of the following:

	09/10/23	09/10/22
Collection	\$7,738.47	\$11,585.01
Fiscal YTD	\$84,744.37	\$84,968.97

**ACA 2023 Goal: \$36,116.00**  
**Amount paid as of Aug 10th**  
**\$26,076.80**

**Church Renovation Donations**  
**\$2,630.60**

**Thank you for your support & generosity!**

For online donations  
scan the QR Code to be  
taken directly to the  
Ascension donation page.



At Mass, drop envelopes in  
Offering baskets. We  
appreciate your continued  
financial support.

Thank you and God bless.



**SECOND COLLECTION FOR**  
**Building Fund**  
**THIS WEEKEND Sept. 16th & 17th**

## New to the Parish?

Don't forget to Register with the office to ensure you are receiving all communication on Updates and Parish Events.

Office - 858.279.2735  
office@ascension-sd.org



## **(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### *The Hateful Things We Hug Tight*

At the end of “Lord of the Rings: Return of the King,” Gollum fights with Frodo for possession of the One Ring. He wins the fight, but in doing so topples over the edge of the mountain ledge, falling into the cavernous fires of Mount Doom. As he falls, we see him smile, and clutch the ring to his chest. He is happy. He has won what he spent his life pursuing.

It is only in the last millisecond before his face slips below the lava that we see his eyes widen in terror as he realizes the truth: the thing he clutches to his heart is the thing that killed him. In choosing the ring, he chooses death.

Sin, and the fallen nature of this world, makes us addicted to something that kills us.

Like any addiction, it is a vicious cycle. The less we forgive, the more hardhearted we become ... and the less we seek forgiveness ourselves.

What breaks the cycle? Reconciliation with God — or, Confession, as we call it. In fact, it does more than break the cycle. It turns it backward. Not only does it detoxify our souls of sin, it weakens our addiction to sin’s effects — anger, vengeance, unforgiveness. The confession of evil works is the first beginning of good works, said St. Augustine.

Ultimately, I view our whole human life as a struggle on the ledge of a mountaintop. It is certain that we will choose sin — we always do. We will tumble over the side, toward ruin. But let us be Frodo, and not Gollum. Let us cling to the rock of the sacraments and accept the hand that would drag us away from the flames.

**“Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight.” — Sirach 27:30**

Please come spend an hour in the silent  
awesomeness of our *Lord*.

Sign up sheets will be available in the  
vestibule next week

Questions: contact Maxima Agnas  
@ isingagnas@yahoo.com

Please wear your medal

## First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, Oct 6th

Following the 8:30am

Mass

Benediction is at 5:45pm

Ascension Parish

## Welcome Back Tim Staples

"Living Bread"

The Truth of the Eucharist in Scripture and Tradition

Wednesday, September 27th

Ascension John Paul II Hall

6:30pm Social- 7pm the talk begins

## Tuesday Night Adoration 7pm

With

Encounter Worship & Social once a month

Next Encounter is Sept 26th

In the JP2 Hall





**Single Senior BYO Luncheon**  
**Tues Sept 19th**  
**12-2pm**  
**In the Pavilion**

## *Calling All Crafters*

**Do you have a passion for  
crafting, quilting,  
candle making or soap making?**

**We would love it if you would  
donate 6-12 of your Christmas  
creations  
to our**

**Christmas Bazaar Coming Soon**  
**Please contact Shaun at the office**

**Fun**

**Quartermania**

**Fast**

**Exciting**

**Saturday, September 30th**

**1:00pm—3:30pm**

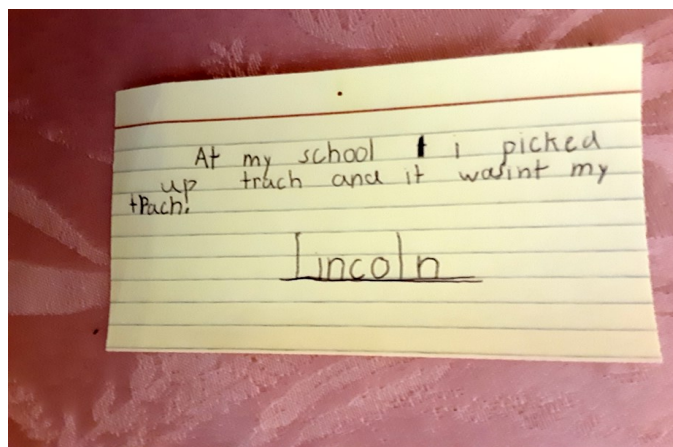
**Tickets available after Mass or at the Parish Office during the week**

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Holy Moment contact  
the  
office: 858.279.2735*

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**WEDNESDAY MORNING  
SOCIAL**

**All Parishioners are  
welcome to join us for  
coffee every  
Wednesday morning in  
the  
Pavilion following Mass.**

## MINISTRIES OF CHARITY UPDATE #2023 – 17

Sept 1, 2023 Dear Friends in Christ, For many, school has started and our parish activities are at the end of summer swing. MOC is now into its Fall schedule. You can read about all of our activities in the parish bulletin, on the parish website, and in this update. Your Ministries of Charity are planning a number of opportunities for service to the homeless and the poor now and in the coming months. As we prepare for our continued service to our brothers and sisters in need, please pray for us. We will in turn, keep you in ours. Here is your next MOC Update #2023 -17.

**ST. VINCENT De PAUL DINNER:** Our next St Vincent de Paul Dinner is scheduled October 14th. We are looking for a Leader and 5 volunteers to serve this evening meal. So far we have no one signed-up to serve at this meal. You can sign up on the parish website.

**RACHEL'S SHELTER DINNER SERVICE:** Rachel's Shelter is located downtown near the Father Joe's facilities. It is operated by the Diocese and provides supportive, safe, short- and mid-term shelter for 35 women. Rachel's requests the help of local parishes to provide dinners for these women, and Ascension's scheduled dates for the rest of 2023 are Oct 10th, and Dec 6th . Ann Galbraith is the MOC leader for this, and typically cooks the day of and prepares side dishes in the JP2 kitchen prior to departing for Rachel's at 4:30 PM. If you'd like to help with the cooking or serving, please contact her at [anngalbraith1@gmail.com](mailto:anngalbraith1@gmail.com) . If you'd prefer to drop off prepared food or grocery donations of any kind, please feel free to leave them either in the JP2 kitchen refrigerator with a note, or at the church office.

**HOUSEWARMING FOR THE HOMELESS:** Our Housewarming for the Homeless summer project has been a marvelous success. Forty of these sets of kitchen and bed / bath supplies (i.e 80 baskets and bins full of supplies) have been collected for Father Joe's Villages to equip newly vacated apartments for the homeless. We could never do this without you.

THANK YOU so much for your generosity.

**SD-MOM's BABY SHOWER:** Our Annual SD MOM's Baby Shower will begin Sept 19th, 2023. This is a charitable event that many of you know and love. Next weekend, Sept 9 th /10 th our team will be outside after all the masses talking about this very important event. This event helps our military families, E5 and below who are expecting a child or who have an infant and need some help with baby items. Pick up a list of items needed and help us put together baby bags for these moms and their babies. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Keep those babies and their needed items in your heart!!!

[For More information on MOC click the banner on the website for full details](#)

