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CELEBRATE ST. ANNE'S DAY

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JULY 25-26, 2026

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These Holy Days close the 146th
Annual Novena of St. Anne with
Three Feast Day Masses,
Confessions/ Anointings,
Procession of the Relic, Food &
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Children's Activities

For More Information,
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Novena Masses on July 17-24

Online Masses at www.stannestanne.org

In-Church Masses at 7:00 p.m.
(Except Sunday)

July 25 - Latin Mass in the Extraordinary
Form with Fr. Pete Jankowski at 6:00 p.m.,
followed by the Procession of the Relic

July 26 - English Mass at 9:00 a.m. with Fr.
Jim Heyd, followed by the Procession of
the Relic

July 26 - Spanish "Cabalgada" (Horse-
Drawn Procession) from the Camino y
Esperanza Retreat House at 11:00 a.m.,
followed by Spanish Mass with Fr.
Sebastian Genoni, MIC at 12:00 noon



OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
12:30 - 3:00 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

Monday - Friday
9:15 a.m. in English
7:00 p.m. in Spanish
Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 p.m. in English
Sunday Masses

10:30 a.m. in English
12:00 p.m. in Spanish
HOLY DAY MASSES
Dates and times vary

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. or by appointment; seasonal services

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (KINDERGARTEN - 8TH GRADE)

Sunday Classes 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Sunday Classes 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM / EL SACRAMENTO DE BAUTISMO

Please call the Parish Office for more information. English baptisms
normally are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month at noon. Spanish
Baptisms on the 3rd Saturday of the month at noon. / Por favor llame
a la Parroquia para mas información. Normalmente, los bautismos
están celebrando los tercer Sábado cada mes al mediodía.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY (MARRIAGE) /

EL SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Please call the office before setting a date for your wedding. The dia-
cese requires a six month preparation prior to the wedding. / Las
parejas pueden llamar a la oficina antes de poner una fecha para su
boda o de hacer otros compromisos. La Diócesis de requiere un tiem-
po de preparación de un mínimo de seis meses entre la boda.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK / (UNCIÓN) DE LOS ENFERMOS

Call the Office if you know of someone in need of the Sacrament. /
Contacte la Parroquia si alguien en su familia necesita el Sacramento.

FUNERALS / FUNERALES

Contact the Parish Office before placing any obituary notices.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP / ASOCIACIÓN DE PARROQUIA

Registration Forms are located in the Parish Office or in Church. /
Las formas de inscripción pueden ser encontradas en la oficina.

August 8-9, 2026: The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 8-9, 2026



Readings from this week's Mass can be found in #982 of the Journey songs Book

Monday August 10

9:15 A.M. Communion Service

Tuesday August 11

9:15 A.M. Communion Service

Wednesday (St. Jane Frances de Chantal) August 12

9:15 A.M. The Parishioners of St. Patrick's Church

Thursday (Ss. Pontian & Hippolytus) August 13

9:15 A.M. † Deceased Members
of the Jankowski, Supinski & Reilly Families

Friday (St. Maximilian Kolbe) August 14

9:15 A.M. † Deceased Priests & Religious St. Pat's
7:00 P.M. † Donald & Lillian McGuire

Saturday (ST. ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM) August 15

12:00 P.M. Baptisms in Spanish

2:00 p.m. Quinceañera of Analía Abad

4:00 P.M. † Richard Demack

Sunday (20TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME) August 16

10:30 A.M. The Parishioners of St. Patrick's Church

12:00 P.M. † John Salituro

FR. PETE STILL OFFERS ONLINE MASSES AT
www.stpatrickmotence.org!!!

**PLEASE KEEP ST. PATRICK'S IN MIND FOR YOUR WILL
& ESTATE PLANNING. A \$3,000,000 FOUNDATION
WILL GO A LONG WAY TO HELP OUR PARISH!**

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

July 18-19, 2026 \$1,1749.00

*Note: The Spanish Mass Collection
went to St. Anne's on July 26*

**PLEASE REMEMBER – WE NEED TO COLLECT
\$3,000 A WEEK TO MAINTAIN OUR BUDGET!**

**PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
IN YOUR WILL OR ESTATE PLANNING!!!**

COLLECTION COUNTERS:

August 9, 2026 J. & L. Meyer
August 16, 2026 B. Kovacs & S. Ekhoﬀ

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH EMERGENCY
PHONE NUMBER** If you know of someone
who is sick and in need of the sacraments
or wishes a visit at a care facility, please
contact the parish office at ☎ (815) 685-
1359.



ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER LINE:

Please call Janice Gelino at
☎ (815) 263-6342

SANCTUARY CANDLE: To Dedicate

a Candle for a Loved One, please call the office
at ☎ (815) 472-2864.



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Saturday, August 15 (Fr. Pete) 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: S. Favre

Lector: B. Boicken

Ushers: K. Bukowski, R. Hess

D. Rademacher, S. Pansa

Altar Servers: A. Fuhrmann

Sunday, August 16 (Fr. Pete) 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: M. Meyer

Lector: J. Rehmer

Ushers: M. Dionne, J. Riemenschneider

Altar Servers: M. Facko

Sunday, August 16 (Fr. Pete) 12:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: C. Andrade, E. Zagal

Lector: M. Chagoya, L. Ojeda

Ushers: G. Alvarado, G. Carreño,

C. Dueñas, R. Dueñas, M. Torres

Altar Servers: L. Flores, A. Flores, K. Flores

N. Melendez, N. Padilla

PEW DEDICATION PROGRAM

We invite those who wish to remember a
loved one by dedicating a church pew
(\$2,500), a classroom (\$5,000) or even have a
building named in honor of your loved one for
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St. Patrick's at ☎ (815) 472-2864, St.
Anne's at ☎ (815) 427-8265 or email
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NEWS & NOTES

FROM FR. PETE JANKOWSKI

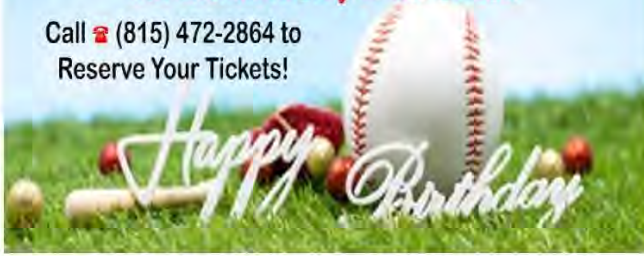
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Birthday Baseball with Fr. Pete

At the Joliet Slammers – August 13, 2026 – Game at
6:35 p.m. (Meet at St. Pat's Parking Lot at 4:30 p.m.)
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Reserve Your Tickets!



The social life of the church is vital because it builds a supportive family, reduces loneliness, and helps people care for one another. It turns a group of people into a close community that shares life together.

Building Support and Connection

- **Fighting Loneliness:** Regular social events give people a safe space to talk, laugh, and form deep friendships.
- **Real Belonging:** A strong social life helps members feel needed and accepted instead of isolated or invisible.
- **Practical Help:** Friends in the church show up with meals, rides, and prayers during hard times.

Serving and Growing Together

- **Practicing Kindness:** Social gatherings let people practice being kind and helpful in relaxed settings outside of formal services.
- **Breaking Down Barriers:** Sharing food and activities helps break up closed groups or cliques and welcomes new faces.
- **Shared Strength:** Working together on projects or events unites the group and keeps everyone ready to support their local neighborhood.

Source: *Ministry Magazine*

When our Lord established the Catholic Church on the cross [where the “bridegroom” (Christ) and the

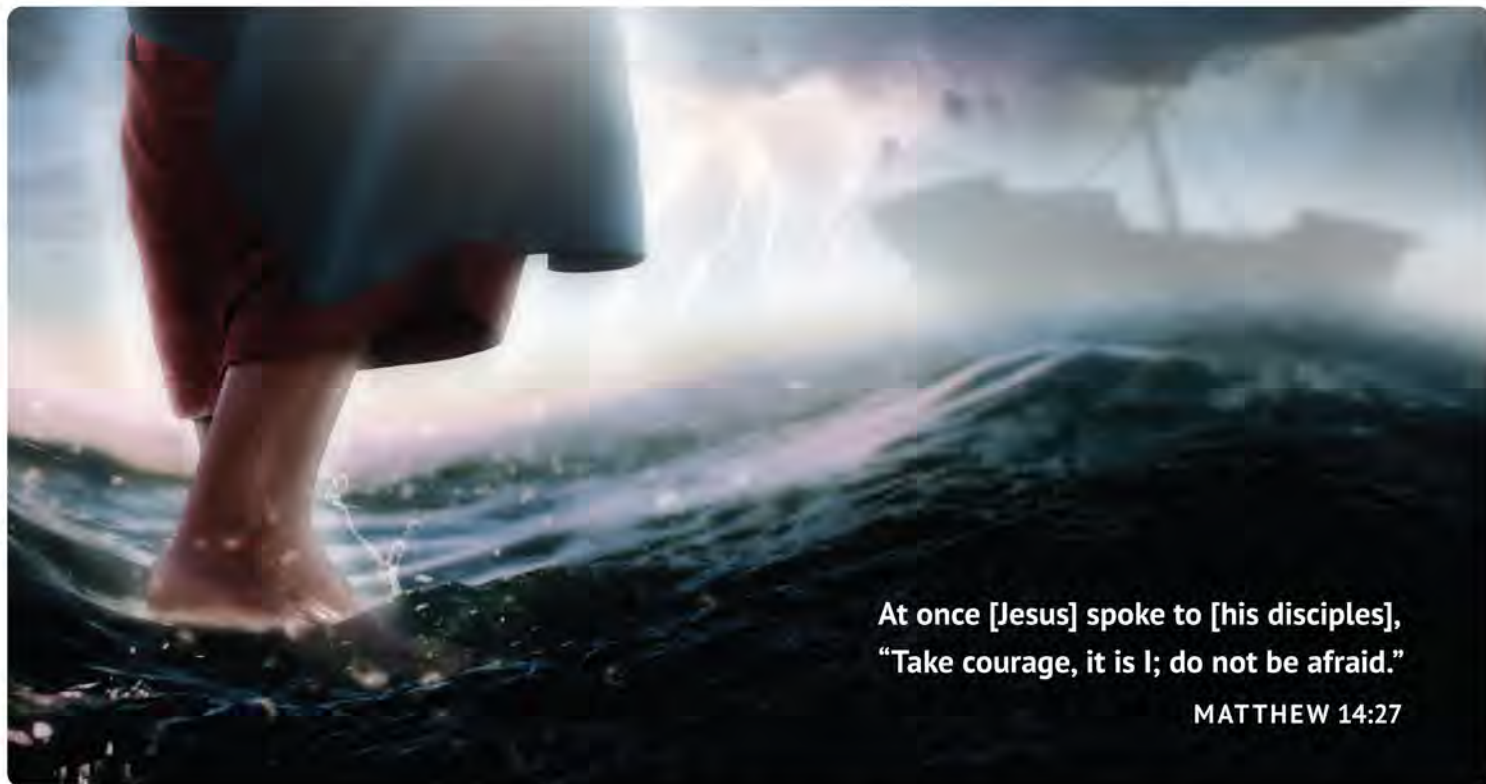
“bride” (namely, US!) were wedded together), the Church’s understanding of this “marriage” is that God wished us to live and serve together as a “Body of Christ” – many members, one head, united by the Spirit. In this regard, St. Paul would admonish us that we are to work together for the good of our community (see 1 Cor 12 and Romans 12) we are supposed to live and act as if this day were our last. The great philosophers of our age (Augustine, Confucius, Immanuel Kant, etc.) would implore, in their own way, a duty and obligation to the good of the self and society for us to live together, so that every person finds value and purpose in the collective good.

In this light, the older members of the community and supposed to nurture, form and guide those of the next generation to support the cause of the collective society and provide them a moral compass by which to live. As we learned from our scriptures this summer, those who do so are like good “wheat” sown in the field; those who do not are like “weeds” that, at the end of life, will be bundled together and burned (see Mt 13: 24-30).

For this reason are more, the social life of the community is so important to embrace – by doing so, we follow God’s admonition to become “the Body of Christ” – too many people try to “go it alone” or become their own “gods” in a Church where Christ teaches us, “many are called, few are chosen” (Mt 22: 14) . As a result, turning away from God isolates a person from God and often society, where many feel alone, depressed and/or without hope.

Our mission as a Church is to reach out and give value to these “lost souls” as God has done for us. What we do in prayer on Sunday is not supposed to be an “eat and run” event in which less than 25% of our registered in our congregations throughout the world participate each week – the Mass is “the source and summit of our Christian life” (Catechism 1324) which is supposed to form and model us so that we can live this life together.

I implore you – stay positive! Support your local Churches. In a practical way, we have a “Birthday Baseball with Fr. Pete” event this Thursday and a Border Town Picnic on September 13. These are supposed to be community-building events; please consider joining us at one or both of these events so that we learn the lesson well about those who try to build the Church and those who try to destroy it. You are all wonderful people – God bless!.



At once [Jesus] spoke to [his disciples],
“Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.”

MATTHEW 14:27

One for All

MIGUEL DULICK

In the first reading, Elijah is ready for anything—a whirlwind, an earthquake, a fire—because “the Lord will pass by” (1 Kings 19:11). But God comes tiptoeing, with a tiny whisper. Elijah, a giant of a prophet, covers his face like a child and wraps himself in the word of the Lord. Ordinarily, at this point, a homily would move on to the gospel. But in the second reading, from Romans, we are brought up short. Paul, a giant himself, would love a reassuring whisper from God. He is in utter agony, for the doubtful salvation of “my own brothers,” the Jews. Such is his distress that he wishes he could offer himself in exchange, even to the extent of being “accursed and separated from Christ” (literally, “anathema”) for “my kin.” (See Romans 9:3.) His anguish is heartbreaking, especially since it seems to be a prayer he has repeated over and over. Paul was no doubt thinking of Moses, who dramatically offered his own life to save the Israelites from God’s judgment after the golden calf: “[Lord,] if you would only forgive their sin! But if you will not, then blot me out of the book that you have written” (Exodus 32:32). Paul’s faith told him that Christ had opened the door of salvation to everyone, and even rejection by the chosen people could not close it. In fact, it confirmed its universal promise. A paradox perhaps, much like when Jesus walked on water, as we hear about in today’s gospel. ●



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

Reflect

Is there a situation that is causing you anguish? Do you believe God hears you?

Dear Padre,

I am in my third year of sobriety. Can I still become a eucharistic minister if I do not partake in Christ's blood?

Yes. Your personal sobriety practice has nothing to do with your eligibility for service as a minister of the Eucharist. Some would even argue that your commitment to sobriety is a powerful witness of your commitment to living a responsible and mature Catholic life. Instead of an obstacle to ministry, it is a shining example and witness of the power of God's grace at work in your life.

Practically, since ministers of the Cup are often required to consume any remaining Precious Blood after holy Communion is distributed, it might be a good personal practice to make sure there are enough ministers present to perform this necessary step in ablution. If everyone is informed in advance, it contributes to the shared sense of reverence and respect that is required of a eucharistic minister. ●



MARIANA C. / CATHOPIC

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about **Dear Padre**.

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

We live immersed in a culture of speed, immediacy, and haste—a culture of “discard” and indifference that prevents us from pausing along the way and drawing near to acknowledge the needs and suffering that surround us. In the parable, when the Samaritan saw the wounded man, he did not “pass by.” Instead, he looked upon him with an open and attentive gaze—the very gaze of Jesus.

MESSAGE ON WORLD DAY OF THE SICK,
ROME, FEBRUARY 11, 2026

Monday

August 10
St. Lawrence, Deacon
and Martyr
2 Cor 9:6–10
Jn 12:24–26

Tuesday

August 11
St. Clare, Virgin
Ez 2:8–3:4
Mt 18:1–5, 10,
12–14

Wednesday

August 12
Weekday
Ez 9:1–7; 10:18–22
Mt 18:15–20

Thursday

August 13
Weekday
Ez 12:1–12
Mt 18:21–19:1

Friday

August 14
St. Maximilian Kolbe,
Priest and Martyr
Ez 16:1–15, 60, 63
or 16:59–63
Mt 19:3–12

Saturday

August 15
The Assumption of
the Blessed Virgin
Mary
Rv 11:19a; 12:1–6a,
10ab
1 Cor 15:20–27
Lk 1:39–56

Sunday

August 16
Twentieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Is 56:1, 6–7
Rom 11:13–15,
29–32
Mt 15:21–28



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AROUND THE PARISH & DIOCESE



ST. MAXIMILIAN MARIA KOLBE

(1894-1941) was a Franciscan priest and religious founder martyred by the Nazis for aiding Jewish refugees during World War II.

In 1906 young Kolbe had a vision of the Virgin Mary in which she offered him a white crown and a red crown and asked which he would accept. In 1912 he went to Rome, where he studied theology and philosophy at the Pontifical Gregorian University. In 1917 he founded the sodality (i.e., devotional association) of the Militia of Mary Immaculate, thus making a significant contribution to the international Marian movement. In 1918 he was ordained a priest. Returning to Poland, he established the popular Roman Catholic periodical "The Knight of Mary Immaculate." He later founded sister institutions in Japan and India.

Upon his return to Poland, Kolbe became superior of the City of Mary Immaculate and director of Poland's chief Catholic publishing complex. He was arrested by the Gestapo in 1939 for his anti-Nazism but was later released. He was again arrested in February 1941 on charges of aiding Jews and the Polish underground. He was imprisoned at Warsaw and then shipped to Auschwitz. There he continued his priestly ministry, including hearing confessions. Following a prisoner's escape, ten men were randomly selected to die as punishment, and Kolbe volunteered his life in the place of Franciszek Gajowniczek, who was married with young children. Kolbe and the other nine prisoners were starved for weeks until he and the few others who were still alive were finally injected with carbolic acid and cremated.

On October 17, 1971, Kolbe was beatified by Pope Paul VI, the first Nazi victim to be proclaimed blessed by the Roman Catholic Church. In 1982 Pope John Paul II canonized him, proclaiming also that he was to be venerated as a martyr. Gajowniczek survived Auschwitz and attended both the beatification and canonization ceremonies.

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE PARISH

3:23
COLOSSIANS

TALENTS
TREASURES
AND TIME

As I have preached at Sunday Mass, a few years ago I received a really angry phone call from one of my seniors, a woman who served as a housekeeper of a former parishioner who recently had died. This housekeeper named Patty let me have it over the phone because I did not respect the wishes of the senior parishioner that Patty served.

This senior parishioner that I will call "Jane" had asked me in 2011 to become the executor of her will at the parish. I had come to find out (because Jane would show me practically every time we met) that she was worth over \$2,500,000 plus stocks and that her intention was to donate what she could to the Church at the time of her death. Because Jane did not wish to put her estate in the hands of a lawyer, she asked if I would serve as her power of attorney.

After consulting with the diocese over her wish, I told Jane that I could not accommodate her because Church law and the direction of the bishops forbid me to do so. Jane was not happy with me and Patty certainly was not happy with me because Jane's wishes were not met and the vast majority of her estate went to in places that she did not wish it to go. I told Patty, and I tell you, that if you have an estate that you wish to be directed to the Church or family members or to whomever you wish to honor, it might be best to find someone you trust to honor your wishes or perhaps dispense your funds before the time of your death if you do not have trust of others during end of life issues.

Fr. Pete

8-9 Agosto 2026: XIX Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Frecuentemente, los santos y santas son personas molestas que desafían tanto a los fieles como a los infieles. Tal es el caso del agustino Ezequiel Moreno Díaz (1848-1906), obispo de Pasto, Colombia.

Nació en La Rioja, España, en el seno de una familia pobre. En 1865 ingreso en la orden de los agustinos y fue enviado como misionero a Filipinas. Luego se ofreció como misionero en Colombia donde busco renovar la orden de los agustinos. En 1895 el Papa León XIII lo nombro obispo de Parma, lugar en el que le esperaba un martirio moral de calumnias, desprecios y humillaciones por parte de las autoridades civiles. Sus mensajes y desafíos pastorales llevaron a los fieles a un mayor fervor apostólico a tal grado, que incomodo al gobierno.

En 1898 busco renunciar a su puesto como obispo para no continuar como causa de polémicas y problemas para la Iglesia. El Papa no permitió su renuncia, más bien lo animo a seguir promoviendo el celo apostólico por el bien del pueblo. La polémica nunca debe desanimar a los fieles en Cristo cuando se trata de mejorar la vida moral de la sociedad en la que se encuentran.

- Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gl, OFM,
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NADA QUE TEMER

A un rabino le preguntaron porque Dios envía pruebas y tribulaciones a los humanos. "Porque Dios siente la ausencia de su pueblo," fue la res-

LAS MISAS EN ESPAÑOL

12:00 p.m. los Domingos

7:00 p.m. los Viernes

ROSARIO & CATECISMO

Todos los Miércoles a las 6:30 p.m.

La Parroquia de San Patricio



puesta. Hay ecos de esta sabiduría en el Evangelio de hoy, cuando Jesús hace que sus discípulos se suban a la barca sin él y se va por su cuenta mientras ellos se aventuran en aguas turbulentas. Por cierto, ni judíos ni cristianos creen que el Todopoderoso hace este tipo de jugadas antojadizas con ellos, pero tiene algo de verdad la afirmación de que no acudimos a Dios pidiendo que nos salve sino cuando estamos en un apuro. Hoy el papel de Pedro, como aparece en todo el Nuevo Testamento, es ser un signo o representación de cada miembro de la Iglesia y de toda la Iglesia. Nuestra historia es el relato que se narra hoy sobre la fe de Pedro. Lo que puede aumentar nuestra fe es que, aunque Cristo nos llama a encarar con valentía las tormentas de la vida, si las atravesamos con los ojos de la fe fijos en él, nada hemos de temer. Aunque demos un traspie o nos hundamos, basta gritar "¡Señor, sálvame!" para conocer la firmeza con la que Dios nos toma de la mano. Entonces, protegidos dentro de los muros de la fe, las tormentas que nos azoten no nos vencerán.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera Lectura - Sal afuera y ponte de pie en el cerro ante el Señor (1 Reyes 19: 9a, 11-13a).

Salmo - Señor, muéstranos tu bondad, y danos tu salvación (Salmo 85 [84]).

Segunda Lectura - Cristo es uno de los israelitas, quien, como Dios, está por encima de todo (Romanos 9: 1-5).

Evangelio - Señor, si eres tú, manda que yo llegue hasta ti caminando sobre el agua (Mt 14: 22-33).

¿Y no está Dios más dispuesto a perdonarnos que nosotros a pecar? - Santa Catalina de Siena

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 2 Cor 9: 6-10; Sal 112; Jn 12: 24-26

Martes: Ez 2: 8 3: 4; Sal 119; Mt 18: 1-14

Miércoles: Ez 9: 1-22; Sal 113: 1-6; Mt 18: 15-20

Jueves: Ez 12: 1-12; Sal 78; Mt 18: 21 - 19: 1

Viernes: Ez 16: 1-15, 60-63; Is 12; Mt 19: 3-12

Sábado: Vigilia: 1 Cr 15: 3-4, 15-16; 16: 1-2; Sal 132; 1 Cor 15: 54b-57; Lc 11: 27-28 Día: Apo 1 1: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab; Sal 45 (44): 10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15: 20-27; Lc 1: 39-56

Domingo: Is 56: 1, 6-7; Sal 67 (66): 2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11: 13-15, 29-32; Mt 15: 21-28



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