

From the Desk of the Pastor

August 24, 2025

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

It is amazing how easily people begin to take you for granted. You begin by doing a favor for another person out of sheer goodness of your heart.

For example, you volunteer to drive a neighbor's child to school.

In a few short months the neighbor forgets that you are doing her a favor and apparently begins to think that her child has exclusive rights to your car.

When you confront her with the facts, you find her not very receptive.

What are your options.....What do you choose to do?

Jesus said there are two roads we can follow.

The first is wide and easy to travel.

All you have to do is yield yourself to the current and you will be carried along. In other words, - follow the crowd.

It is downhill most of the way; It is the way of comfort and ease. It is well lit with glittering neon lights. Which promises to offer a traveler all kinds of fun and excitement. Many are fooled and travel down this road. But in the long run, it leads them nowhere. They die in the desert.

The second road is narrow and difficult.

You will often have to go it alone. It is uphill most of the way. It is the way of sacrifice and struggle. At times you will have no light to guide you, save that of the stars. Few take this road. But they are the lucky ones.

The Blessed ones. For eventually the desert sands and sun run out and the traveler enters with joy into the Promised Land.

VIGÉSIMO PRIMER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Es increíble cómo fácilmente la gente empieza a aprovecharse de uno. Comienza uno haciendo un favor para otra persona de pura bondad en su corazón.

Por ejemplo, te ofreces a llevar el hijo de un vecino a la escuela.

En unos pocos meses el vecino se olvida de que estas haciéndole un favor y empieza a pensar que su hijo tiene derechos exclusivos a tu coche. Cuando la confrontas con los hechos, no la encuentras muy receptiva.

¿Cuáles son tus opciones... ¿Qué eliges hacer?

Cristo dijo que hay dos caminos que podemos seguir.

La primera es amplia y fácil de seguir. Todo lo que tienes que hacer es ceder a la corriente y serás encaminado. En otras palabras,-seguir a la multitud.

Es cuesta abajo la mayor parte del camino; Es la manera de comodidad y facilidad. Está bien iluminado con luces brillantes. Que le ofrece al viajero toda clase de diversiones. Muchos son engañados y viajan por este camino. Pero a largo plazo, los conduce a ninguna parte. Mueren en el desierto.

El segundo camino es estrecho y difícil.

A menudo tendrás que hacerlo solo. Es cuesta arriba la mayor parte del camino. Es la forma de sacrificio y lucha. A veces no tendrás luz para guiarte, excepto el de las estrellas. Pocos toman este camino.

Pero ellos son los afortunados.
Los Bendecidos.

Porque eventualmente se agotan las arenas y el sol del desierto y el viajero entra con alegría a la Tierra Prometida.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

August 15 – August 17, 2025

Weekday Masses Offerings.....\$ 228.00

Assumption of Virgin Mary.....\$ 651.50

Weekend Mass Offerings.....\$2,252.66

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS

August 31: St. Vincent de Paul

September 7: Reserve Fund

September 14: Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

September 21: Priests' Retirement Fund

September 28: Archdiocese for Military Services

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Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

We urge you to help us meet our goal:

Parish Assessment:	\$31,021.00
YTD we paid:	\$16,029.54
Balance we owe:	\$14,991.46
Pledges Balance	\$1,075.00

Thank you for your generosity!



JOIN US FOR THE GRAND OPENING OF OMI SENIOR CENTER!



You're invited! Please join us as we celebrate the Grand Opening of the newly relocated OMI Senior Center

This exciting milestone marks a new chapter in our commitment to serving our older adults and adults with disabilities with expanded programs, and a warm welcoming environment.

Enjoy light refreshments, live entertainment, special guest speakers, and a tour of our beautiful new facility! We look forward to celebrating with you!

Event Details:

- **Date:** Friday, September 5, 2025
- **Time:** 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM
- **Ribbon Cutting:** 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM
- **Where:** OMI Senior Center
2616 Ocean Ave
San Francisco, CA 94132

About OMI Senior Center

**Learn More
About OMI
Senior Center**



CatholicCharitiesSF.org

OMI Senior Center provides a friendly and welcoming environment offering daily activities for seniors and disabled adults.

Hours: Monday – Friday; 8:30am - 3:00 pm
Contact: (415) 334-5550

This Program Serving The Community is Funded By the City of San Francisco's Department of Disability and Aging Services.



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and Aging Services

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ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO RESPECT LIFE CONFERENCE

THE ABORTION PILL: DANGERS, REMEDIES, AND LEGAL CHALLENGES

Chemical abortion is now the most common method of abortion in the U.S., often carried out with little or no medical oversight or patient care. Learn from top experts in medicine and law about the current landscape in California and across the nation.

Our Speakers:



Dr. GEORGE DELGADO
Founder of the
Abortion Pill Reversal
Program; Medical
Director, Culture of
Life Family Services



TAMMY MAHANEY
Doctor of Nursing
Practice; Family
Nurse Practitioner,
Real Options & Bella
Primary Care



PETER BREEN
Executive Vice
President and Head
of Litigation,
Thomas More
Society

**SEPTEMBER 27, 2025
8:30 AM - 2 PM**

**STAR OF THE SEA PARISH
4420 GEARY BLVD
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For questions, contact us at
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sfsarchdiocese.org/event/sf-
respect-life-conference/



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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23 TO AUGUST 30

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
August 23, 2025	August 24, 2025	August 25, 2025	August 26, 2025	August 27, 2025
9:00am Mary Redublado	8:00am Parish of St. John	9:00am † Roberto de la Paz	9:00am Young Men's Insitute	9:00am Parish of St. John
4:30pm † Albert & Michael Gragnani	10:00am † Salvador Gray † Mel Ventura † Raul Velasco, Jr. Mary Redublado	THURSDAY August 28, 2025	FRIDAY August 29, 2025	SATURDAY August 30, 2025
	12:00pm † Doris Salomon	9:00am † Eufrone Tobes	9:00am Parish of St. John	9:00am Lolita Caceres ☩
				4:30pm Parish of St. John

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