

From the Desk of the Pastor

September 27, 2026

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

During the Babylonian exile, the prophet Ezekiel told God's people that they were responsible for their own actions. It was time that they accepted their own personal and corporate responsibility for their own behavior and actions, rather than blame their separation from God on their ancestors.

St. Paul's message to the Philippians also encouraged them to live in obedience to God's commands. Having seen how 'fullness' came to Jesus because of his obedience before God, we imitate that very example of Jesus to live out God's law of love – to love one another as God loves us.

Last week St. Matthew helped us see how it is through God's generosity that we inherit the kingdom of God. This week, the parable shows us how to live with God and how our choices, and actions matter.

When a father wanted his two sons to work in the field, one said "no", but later changed his mind and went to the field to work. The other son said he would go, but never did.

The parable shows us how God calls us to change our lives from saying "no" to saying "yes" to God by our virtue and actions of repentance. It is far worse to be like the son who said "yes" but did nothing. To act this way would be like telling people that we are Christians and love God but not have our actions fit our words.

Just as the sacrament of Matrimony is a covenant, calling us to live in fidelity and love, so too every Christian is called upon to live this covenant with God imitating the trusting attitude and self-giving love of Christ.



VIGÉSIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Durante el exilio Babilónico, el profeta Ezequiel le dijo al pueblo de Dios que eran responsables de sus propias acciones. Era hora que aceptaran su propia y corporativa responsabilidad por su comportamiento y acciones, en lugar de culpar su separación de Dios a sus antepasados. El mensaje de San Pablo a los Filipenses también los animó a vivir en obediencia a los mandamientos de Dios. De haber visto cómo la 'plenitud' llegó a Jesús por su obediencia ante Dios, imitamos ese mismo ejemplo de Jesús de vivir la ley de Dios de amor el uno al otro como Dios nos ama.

La semana pasada San Mateo nos ayudó a ver cómo es a través de la generosidad de Dios que heredamos el Reino de Dios. Esta semana, la parábola nos muestra cómo vivir con Dios y cómo nuestras decisiones y acciones importan.

Cuando un padre quería que sus dos hijos trabajaran en el campo, uno dijo que "no", pero luego cambió de idea y se fué al campo a trabajar. El otro hijo dijo que sí iría, pero nunca lo hizo.

La parábola nos muestra cómo Dios nos llama a cambiar nuestras vidas de decir "no" a decir "sí" a Dios por nuestras virtudes y acciones de arrepentimiento. Es mucho peor ser como el hijo que dijo "sí", pero no hizo nada. De actuar de esta manera sería como decirle a la gente que somos Cristianos y amamos a Dios, pero que nuestras acciones no muestran nuestras palabras.

Así como el Sacramento del Matrimonio es un pacto, UNA ALIANZA, llamándonos a vivir en fidelidad y amor, así también cada Cristiano está llamado a vivir este pacto con Dios imitando la actitud confiada y entrega del amor de Cristo.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

September 14 — September 20, 2026

Weekday Masses Offerings.....	\$ 126.50
Weekend Mass Offerings.....	\$ 2,780.95
Church of Latin America.....	\$ 540.00
San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena.....	\$ 967.00

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS

September 27: Priests' Retirement

October 4: Reserve Fund

October 11: Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

October 18: World Mission Sunday

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Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

We urge you to help us meet our goal:

Parish Assessment:	\$32,295.00
YTD we paid:	\$21,181.06
Balance we owe:	\$11,113.94
Pledges Balance:	\$ 397.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass Intentions Book for 2027 is Now Open

You are invited to come to the Parish office with your request for Mass Intentions for the year 2027. Please bring a written list with all the names, mass dates and times that you would like to request along with the stipend. The process is on a "first come, first serve basis".

The Archdiocese of San Francisco has traditionally regulated Mass stipends for announced and unannounced mass intentions. The suggested donation for an announced mass is \$10.00; for an unannounced intention it is \$5.00.

Mass intentions are published in the Parish bulletin with the deadline for printing are on Monday afternoons. The Parish Office is open for business from Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

El Libro De Las Misas Para El Año Nuevo 2027 Ya Está Abierto

Usted está invitado a venir a la oficina de la parroquia con sus intenciones de Misa para el año 2027. Por favor traiga una lista por escrito con todos los nombres, fechas y horas que desea solicitar junto con su donación. El proceso será más rápido si usted tiene esto listo antes de venir a la oficina.

La Arquidiócesis de San Francisco ha regulado tradicionalmente las donaciones para misas anunciadas y no anunciadas. La donación sugerida para una misa anunciada es de \$10.00; para una intención no anunciada la donación sugerida es \$5.00.

Las intenciones de misa se publican en el boletín parroquial con la fecha límite para imprimir el lunes por la tarde. La oficina parroquial está abierta de lunes a viernes de 8:30am a 5:00pm.



MASS COUNT

The Archdiocesan office of the Chancellor requests that every parish record the mass attendance at the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses during the month of October. For 2026, Mass Counts begin the weekend of October 03—04 and will continue every weekend to October 24—25.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 26 TO OCTOBER 3

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
September 26, 2026	September 27, 2026	September 28, 2026	September 29, 2026	September 30, 2026
9:00am † Fr. Vincent Hughes, OFM † Patrick Murphy 4:30pm † Richard Silva † Amancia H. Ondevilla	8:00am Parish of St. John 10:00am † Perfecto Hierro, Jr. Zenaida Mosquera Leopoldo Laosie 12:00pm Parish of St. John	9:00am Ivan Cayabyab † Fr. Michael Brillantes † Eufrope Tobes † Fernando Avila † Ignatius & Anne Van Dyke	9:00am Chedita Villacarlos George Ocampo	9:00am Living Members of the Young Men's Institute
		THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		October 1, 2026	October 2, 2026	October 3, 2026
		9:00am Parish of St. John	9:00am Deceased Members of the Young Men's Institute	9:00am † Jiang Ping Mila De La Torre 4:30pm Parish of St. John

