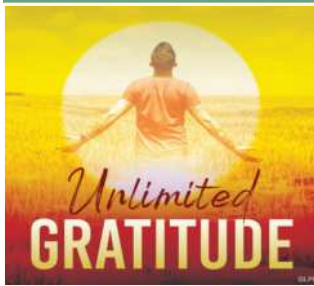


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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Dorothy Day, the great Catholic activist, doubted God's existence. At least in her early adult years. But something changed when after giving birth to her daughter, she experienced an overwhelming gratitude. She later described how, as she held her daughter, the only appropriate response was a kind of unlimited gratitude. She had done nothing to deserve such a gift — this tiny, miraculous life — but there she was, flooded with gratitude, completely undone by the love of such a Giver.

Something similar occurs in Luke 17:19 when Jesus tells a healed leper, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." This man had already received physical healing through his faith. But the moment of an even deeper transformation came when he turned back, fell at Jesus' feet, and gave thanks. Like Dorothy, this man's gratitude led him to encounter the Giver.

Isn't that what we want, too? Gratitude to God has the power to break our chains of sadness, bitterness, and disenchantment. It empowers us to step out of the prison of self-pity and into the reality of God's abundant love. It shifts our focus from what we lack to what we have received, from what wounds us to what heals us.

Where do we learn this? The Mass. The priest prays: "It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks." Always. Everywhere. Not just when life is easy. Not just when prayers are answered as we expect. Gratitude is not a passive feeling; it is an act of faith. In the eucharist, we remember that Christ himself has given everything for us. And in this act of gratitude, we are healed. — Father John Muir

*Mass and Procession
in Honor of the Holy Spirit
Thursday, October 16th at
8:30am*

Jesus said to St. Mary of Jesus Crucified: "I ardently hope that priests celebrate a Mass every month in honor of the Holy Spirit. Whoever offers it or hears it, will be honored by the Holy Spirit Himself; he will have light, he will have peace. He will heal the sick, wake those who sleep..."
(Saint Mary of Jesus Crucified)



All Souls envelopes are now available at all of the entrances of the church. Envelopes can be returned with your donation through the Sunday collection or to the Parish Office. All of the names listed on each envelope will be prayed for throughout the entire month of November.

ALL SAINTS' DAY *All Souls' Day*

Mass Schedule

ALL SAINTS DAY (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

Saturday, November 1st
8:30 am (Bilingual Mass)

ALL SOULS DAY Sunday, November 2nd

English
7:00am and 1:00pm,

Spanish
9:00am

Indonesian
11:00am

Attendance at All Saints Day Mass does not fulfill Sunday Mass obligations.



ST. STEPHEN MARTYR CHURCH VIRTUS TRAINING

"Protecting God's Children"
Saturday, October 25, 2025
9:00am - 11:00am

"Keeping the Promise Alive"
(Recertification Session)
Saturday, October 25, 2025
3:30pm - 5:00pm

Registration is required to attend either session.
Please call the parish office to register.

Fr. Joseph Magdaong
Pastor

Fr. Ali Kanissius
Associate Pastor

Armando & Irene Estrada
Deacon Couple

Alicia Vazquez
Office Manager

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

5:00 PM (English)

Sunday

7:00 AM (English)

9:00 AM (Spanish)

11:00 AM (Indonesian)

1:00 PM (English)

Monday—Saturday

8:30 AM (English)

Perpetual Help Novena Mass

6:00 PM (English)

Friday

6:00 PM (Bilingual)

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

No Appointment needed

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9am—6pm
(closed 1pm—2pm
for lunch)

Please call the parish office
for assistance or to schedule
an appointment.

"We are a diverse faith community that strives to conform ourselves into the image of Christ in and through the power of the Holy Spirit, and nourished by The Word, Sacraments and Tradition to give glory to God and to be a light unto the nations."

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**MEDITACIÓN DEL
EVANGELIO ALENTAR
UN ENTENDIMIENTO
MÁS PROFUNDO
DE LA ESCRITURA**

En nuestros tiempos se conversa sobre muchas cosas: moda, política, belleza, o sobre quién tiene mejor estatus en la sociedad. Pero de lo que rara vez se dialoga es sobre la

fe. Para muchas personas, ese tema parece pasado de moda. Sin embargo, el domingo pasado y este domingo, Jesús nos muestra lo que es la fe. Hoy se alaba el espíritu de agradecimiento de un leproso, y ese agradecimiento a Dios nace precisamente de su fe. Fueron curados diez, pero solo uno, nos narra el Evangelio, regresó a dar gracias: "Uno de ellos, al verse sano, volvió de inmediato alabando a Dios en alta voz, y se echó a los pies de Jesús con el rostro en tierra, dándole las gracias" (Lucas 17:15-16). Después de ese acto de gratitud, se dio un diálogo entre Jesús y el hombre, y Jesús le dio una respuesta inmediata: "Levántate y vete: tu fe te ha salvado" (Lucas 17:19).

San Atanasio de Alejandría, en su Carta Festal (c. 295–373), dice lo siguiente: "El Maestro alabó el espíritu agradecido de uno de aquellos, pero le disgustó el comportamiento de los nueve ingratos, porque no reconocieron al autor de su beneficio. Pensaron más en la curación de su lepra que en quien los había curado. Ciertamente, el que fue curado escuchó del Señor: 'Levántate, vete: tu fe te ha salvado'. Los agradecidos y los que alaban a Dios son como hermanos, que bendicen a su Salvador por los beneficios que de Él han recibido." ¡Señor, dame un corazón agradecido!

**Misa y Procesión en Honor
al Espíritu Santo
jueves 16 de octubre a las 8:30a.m.**

Jesús le dijo a Santa María de Jesús Crucificado: *"Deseo ardientemente que los sacerdotes celebren cada mes una Misa en honor al Espíritu Santo. Sea quien sea el que la ofrezca el que la escuche, será honrado por el propio Espíritu Santo; tendrá luz, tendrá paz. Curará los enfermos, despertará a aquellos que duermen..."* (Santa María de Jesús Crucificado)



**Fiesta del
Señor de los Milargros**

**Misa
miercoles, 29 de octubre
7:00pm**

Habra una celebración en el salón parroquial después de la Misa.



Luz del Espíritu Santo
Grupo de Oración

**Predicadora
Ariana Luna
miercoles 15 de octubre
las 6:00pm**

Presencial en Salon 6

**Zoom
ID 829 4029 7572**

**HORARIO DE MISAS PARA
DÍA DE TODOS SANTOS**

(Día Santo de obligación)

sabado 1 de noviembre

8:30 am (Misa Bilingüe)

DÍA DE LOS FIELES DIFUNTOS

domingo, 2 de noviembre

Inglés

7:00am y 1:00pm

Español

9:00am

Indonesio

11:00am

La asistencia a cualquier misa del Día de Todos Santos no cumple con la obligación de la misa dominical.



Los sobres para Todas las Almas ya están disponibles en las entradas de la iglesia. Por favor, de tomarlas y regresarla de nuevo a la iglesia con su donacion. Se rezara por todos los nombres anotados en cada sobre a lo largo del mes de noviembre.



¿Tiene una solicitud de intención de Misa para un ser querido? Envíe su solicitud de intención visitando la oficina parroquial o llamando al (626)573-0427 a más tardar el martes por la tarde anterior a

la semana en la que desea que se mencione su intención. Este tiempo también nos ayudará a asegurarnos de que su intención se incluya en el boletín. Ya NO podemos aceptar solicitudes de último momento. En un esfuerzo por ser considerados con nuestros ministros, le pedimos que no solicite intención antes del inicio de la Misa.

OCTOBER 12, 2025 - TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Feast of the Lord of Miracles

**Mass
Wednesday,
October 29th 7:00pm**

**There will be a
celebration in the
parish hall after Mass.**



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Offertory/Online:

October 1-5 \$ 8,465.00

Weekly Expenses: \$ 8,947.00

Over/(Under) \$ (482.00)

*Thank you for your continued
support and generosity.*

Understanding the Entire Bible!

The Bible Timeline:

Story of Salvation Bible Study

A 24-Part Bible Study

Begins on Sunday, November 2nd
in Room 1 from 11:30am to 12:45pm on the
1st and 3rd Sundays every month.

Registration will take place after the
Saturday, 5:00pm and Sunday, 1:00pm Masses
beginning October 11th.

Repair Project: Your Support Matters!

Dear Church Family,

As we continue to grow and serve our community, it's essential that our facilities reflect our commitment to providing a welcoming and safe space for worship, fellowship, and ministry. Currently, our HVAC gas line requires significant repairs to ensure we can continue to offer a comfortable warm worship environment this coming winter season.

This repair project, estimated at \$14,700.00, is vital to the ongoing success of St. Stephens' mission in our community. We are asking for your prayerful consideration and generous financial support to help us reach this goal. Every donation, large or small, brings us closer to ensuring a vibrant and functional space for years to come.

To learn more about this project and make a donation, please contact the parish office. You can also contribute through our online giving platform or by marking your donation envelope for "Gas Line Repair Project" and delivering it to the parish office or placing it in the collection basket.

To date we have collected \$4,127.00 for this project.

Thank you for your faithfulness and partnership in ministry as we work together to strengthen our church and community.

Please Pray For... Lung - Tam Family, Rosalie Pinto, Augie & Annamae Koch, Jesusita Serrano, Mayra Alvarenga, Alicia Valdez, Armando Romo, Dolores Munoz, Alicia Islas, Denise Gonzales, Sally Ann Thomas, Jennifer De Coteau, Case De Coteau, Laura Sesti, Heather McGee, Angie Rivas, Maggie Perales, Lucy Orlandi, Guadalupe Ayala, Rigoberto Alvarenga, Helen Rivera, Margarita Audelo, Amelia Barraza, Alicia Nunez, Carlos Espinoza Ornelas, Vikky Rogers, Michael Anthony Barraza

To insure that the prayer list is accurate, please contact the parish office on a monthly basis if you would like for your name to remain on the list.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025

5:00 pm Robert Christansen (D)
Ching Hoc Uy (D)
Leonardo Farol (D)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025

7:00 am Vikki Rogers (L)
9:00 am Jaime Aispuro Beltran (D)
Ricardo Serrano (D)
Nancy Saavedra (D)
Brenda Martinez (D)

1:00 pm Clare Martinet (D)
Erica Burns (D)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025

8:30 am Clare Martinet (D)
Martha Sanchez - Happy Birthday!!!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025

8:30 am Clare Martinet (D)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

8:30 am Alicia Vazquez - Happy Birthday!!!
6:00 pm Clare Martinet (D)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025

8:30 am Virginia L. Magrum (D)
Clare Martinet (D)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2025

8:30 am Clare Martinet (D)
6:00 pm Maria Guadalupe Gonzales (D)
Rodolfo Compean (D)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2025

8:30 am Jiroh S. Iwata (D)
Leonardo Farol (D)
Clare Martinet (D)

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