

St. Patrick Catholic Church

San Francisco's Historic Landmark #4

Founded in 1851

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Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:15 p.m.

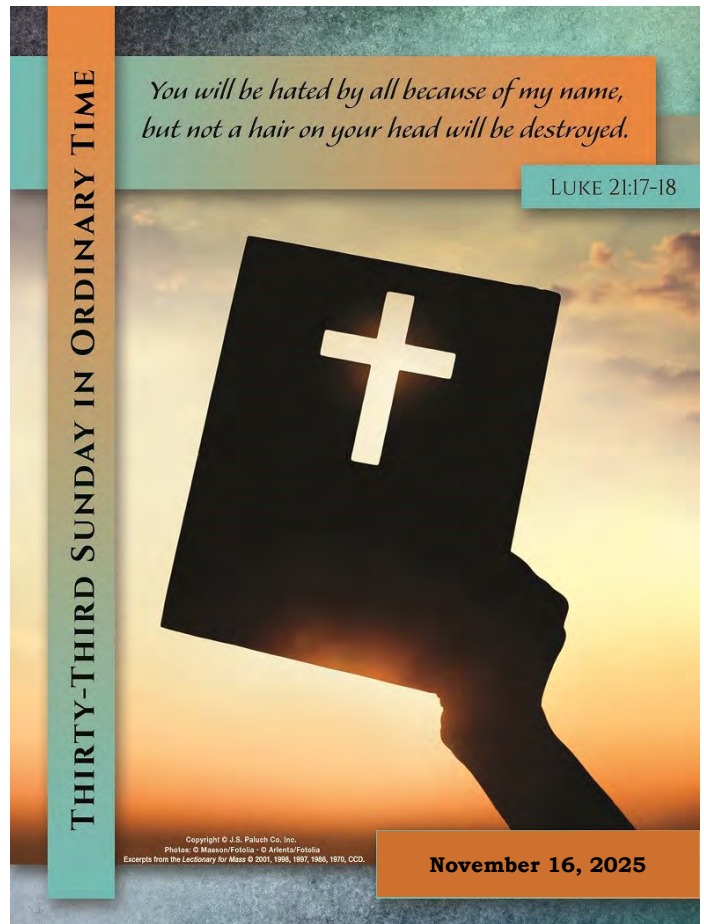
Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m. *Vigil Mass*

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 5:15 p.m.

Tagalog Mass: 1st Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Family Mass: 2nd Sunday at 12:00 p.m.

Charismatic & Healing Mass: 3rd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.



November 16, 2025 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Sing praise to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and melodious song. ~ Psalm 98:5*



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Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Jesus teaches that his disciples will be persecuted as a necessary prelude to the parousia. Through their perseverance (3), they will emerge victorious (1) when the Lord comes again (Ps). As we await the Day, let us conscientiously fulfill our Christian obligations (2).

The End of Days

As we prepare for next Sunday's feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we hear descriptions of dire and catastrophic events. Sometimes it seems as though we ourselves are living in the end times, when life as we currently know it will cease for everyone. In answer to what must have been a fearful question, Jesus does not sugarcoat his foretelling of future days. Nor does the Old Testament prophet Malachi flinch from his pronouncements upon an evil world. Saint Paul, still writing to the Thessalonians, warns them prophetically against succumbing to "The End Is Near" syndrome—indolence in the face of the final days. However, both Jesus and Malachi speak of the recompense for living a just life—healing and vindication. Our Psalm 98, typically associated with Christmastime, helps us to rejoice for the King who is coming to rule with justice.

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Treasures From Our Tradition

We are faced with strong and disturbing readings today that hold a certain fascination, since they seem at first glance to be blueprints for future inevitable wars and hardship. A fundamentalist interpretation focuses on this aspect. Yet we hear them at our Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, which infuses them with hope and optimism. Rather than dreading the future, today's liturgy assures us that God is with us in all of life's inevitable trials, and that we have a role in shaping the outcome of human history. Occasionally, some Christians have attempted to decode these readings for an exact measure of the world's end, but they have thus far been disappointed.

"Nothing lasts forever" is a lyric from a Broadway show. Stars fall from the sky, leaves wither and fall, mountains wash into the sea, human projects and governments totter and collapse with great regularity. Today's liturgy opposes this idea as incomplete, reminding us that Christ has made a permanent change in human history, and that life in him is life forever. Rather than inviting us to throw in the towel, today's liturgy strengthens us for acts of goodness and grace in our families, communities, and world.

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AAA Update (as of 04 November 2025)

2025 AAA Goal	\$38,705.00
Received	\$32,479.00
Amount Remaining	\$6,226.00
% of Goal	84%

This Week's Special Collection



The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) works to be a voice of hope for those on the margins of society who experience the realities of living in poverty. CCHD supports programs to heal the wounds of crime and violence, advocate for more just policies, protect

God's creation, and develop strong communities. Your donation to CCHD will help build a society where all have a voice and all know their inherent dignity.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development funds programs in communities across the United States. By giving a hand up, rather than a handout, CCHD helps people living in poverty join together to identify problems, make decisions, and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods.

Your support helps to end poverty through building solidarity in our communities. Working together, we can reach out to our brothers and sisters living on the periphery of society. Please visit www.povertyusa.org for more details of CCHD's efforts to spread Christ's love by helping to break the cycle of poverty in your community and across the country.

Saint of the Week



Cecilia or Cecily, † 3rd (?)c.; known for her legendary *Passio*, a poem which exalts Christian virginity; mentioned in the Roman Canon; patroness of sacred music because of the song of God in her heart; In the fifth century a basilica dedicated to her was erected at Rome. From that time devotion to her spread, largely owing to accounts of her sufferings. She is praised as the most perfect model of the Christian woman because of her virginity and the

martyrdom which she suffered for love of Christ.

Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday to our Parishioners celebrating a birthday this week.

Rica Mae Vergara	11/18	Oscar Sampaga	11/21
Mariole Belocura-Maninga	11/20	Ronaldo Zaldivar	11/21
Michael Oyebola	11/21		



Please Pray for Pope Francis' Intention for November

Pope's Intention: For the prevention of suicide. Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Parol Making Workshops

At Yerba Buena Center for the Arts
(701 Mission Street)
and Bayanihan Community Center
(1010 Mission Street) in San Francisco.



Want to learn how to make your own *parol*, the Filipino lantern symbolizing hope, peace, and community? Join the SOMA Pilipinas' Parol-Making Workshops at the

Yerba Buena Center for the Arts (YBCA) and other participating locations!

Note: The December 6 & 7 workshops will be held at the Bayanihan Community Center (1010 Mission St, San Francisco, CA 94103).

Workshops are free, family-friendly, and open to all!

Parol Kits:

Suggested donation: \$20 per kit
(\$10 for seniors or youth 18 & under).

Limit one per person.

Please arrive 15 minutes early to check in.

Bring your parol to the 23rd Annual Parol Lantern Festival on Saturday, December 13th at YBCA and be part of this beautiful community tradition!

Health & Safety: Masks are strongly recommended, and we encourage participants to take a COVID test before attending.

Parol Workshop Schedule:

YBCA Workshops (701 Mission Street, SF):

- Sunday, November 2: 12–4 PM
- Sunday, November 9: 12–4 PM
- Sunday, November 16: 12–4 PM
- Saturday, November 22: 12–4 PM
- Sunday, November 23: 12–4 PM
- Thursday, December 4: 4–8 PM

Bayanihan Community Center Workshops
(1010 Mission St. SF):

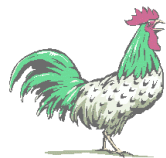
- Saturday, December 6: 12–4 PM
- Sunday, December 7: 12–4 PM

Come early, bring friends, and take part in a creative, heart-warming tradition that connects generations.

Sign up now to reserve your spot: bit.ly/2025parolworkshop

Sponsors Needed For the 9-Day Misa de Gallo

December 16 - 24, 2025 at 6:00 a.m.



As the liturgical year winds down with Advent right around the corner, we are looking for kind-hearted and generous people who would like to share some of their God-given blessings by sponsoring one of the pre-dawn *Misa de Gallo* Masses. Donations will go toward the festive and joyful fellowship each day featuring hot refreshments. Please bring your contribution to the office or give it to one of the parish staff by Friday, December 12th, so your donation may be acknowledged in the *Misa de Gallo* program. Thank you for sharing the joy of your blessings and your Christmas spirit with your fellow parishioners!!

Living Stewardship Now

Read the biography of a saint—Saint Thérèse's autobiography, *Story of a Soul*, is only one example—and see what you can imitate to be a better disciple of the Lord

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Saints & Special Observances

Monday: optional memorial ~

Tuesday: optional memorial ~ *The Dedication of the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles*

Tuesday: optional memorial ~

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin

Friday: Memorial ~

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: Memorial ~ *St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr*

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-3; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:4-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 2:27-40

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2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 12:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

Today's Readings

First Reading — For those who fear the name of the Lord, the sun of justice will arise (Malachi 3:19-20a).

Psalms — The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — Those who are living in idleness are urged to earn their own living (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12).

Gospel — Jesus foretells the destruction of Jerusalem, the persecution of his followers (Luke 21:5-19).

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Prayer of the Week

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being devoted to you,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I increase my devotion to serving God?

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Living God's Word

Faith does not keep our worlds protected and whole. It does instill in us patient endurance by which, the Gospel reminds us, we will save our lives.

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Resemblance

The dignity of resembling the Almighty is common to all people; we should then love them all as ourselves, as living images of the Deity. It is in this that we belong to God.

~ St. Francis de Sales

Mass Intentions for Nov 09 - 15

Date	Time	Intention
Sunday 16	7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI All The Parishioners Of St. Patrick † Ana Hebe Hernandez † Asterio A. Navasca † Conception Vitalis † Fernando Rodriguez Tenerio
Monday 17	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Pomciano Mauricio BD Maricar Aspiras SI Evelyn Bird
Tuesday 18	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Maria Bravo BD Alda Capistrano SI Mercedita Cadiz
Wednesday 19	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI MC Canlas SI John & Judith Casper SI Beverly Lynn Bolinger
Thursday 20	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Marilyn Sumulong † Melita Amper SI Sandra Cea
Friday 21	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Kaiser Permanentese, 4Center & Oncology † Pedro & Maria Dimapasoc SI Derrick Chang
Saturday 22	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Felix Chang BD Ryan & Brian Wilkom SI Dan & Katya Coming

Parish Schedule

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (in the Rectory)

(appointments are preferred)

Monday through Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Every Tuesday after the 12:00 p.m. Mass

Sto. Niño Devotion

Every Friday after the 12:00 p.m. Mass

Sacred Heart

First Friday of the month at 11:00 a.m.

Communion in the Home

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass. Please call the office at 415-421-3730 for more information.



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— Psalm 98:5

Diaconate Formation Informational Evenings

The Office of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate will hold Informational Evenings for men considering the possibility of serving the Church as Permanent Deacons. The evening will include discussion of the ministry of the Deacon in the Church, the Formation program and the application process. Please join us.

Deacon Fred Totah, Director of Diaconate Formation
Deacon Arthur Sanchez, Director of Permanent Diaconate

Who should attend?

Single and married men between the ages of 30 and 60 may apply for the program and are invited to the evening. However, married applicants must be married at least five years. All married applicants need the complete support of their wives in order to pursue the program; therefore, wives are encouraged to attend.

Dates:

Wednesday, January 07, 2026
St. Raphael Church
1104 5th Avenue
San Rafael, CA 94901

Wednesday, January 14, 2026
Archdioceses of San Francisco
One Peter Yorke Way
San Francisco, CA 94109

Wednesday, January 21, 2026
St. Mark Catholic Church
325 Marine View Avenue
Belmont, CA 94002

Time:

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Diaconate Formation Office

Deacon Fred Totah,

Director of Diaconate Formation

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Bible Truth

What you bring away from the Bible depends to some extent on what you carry to it.

~ Oliver Wendell Holmes

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printed bulletin, with online-only con-
tent, is available on our website:
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LEGION OF MARY - ST. PATRICK CHURCH

JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY, OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL **PRAESIDIUM**

Meeting - Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in Bitanga Hall



The Legion Family Worldwide
On all continents
In over 170 countries
4 million active members
5 million auxiliary members



The Founder Frank Duff
1889 - 1980

Legion of Mary's History

The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin, Ireland on the 7th of September in 1921.

It is a lay Catholic organization giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country.

Legion of Mary's Aim

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's works.

Legion of Mary's Unit

The unit of a Legion of Mary is called a praesidium, which holds a weekly meeting where prayer is intermingled with reports and discussions. Persons who wish to join the Legion must apply for membership in a praesidium.

Legion of Mary's Active Works

The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of everyone. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in homes and hospitals and through collaboration in every apostolate and missionary undertakings sponsored by the parish. The works are more of spiritual works of mercy.

Legion of Mary's Active Membership

This membership is open to all faithfully practicing Catholics. Members attend weekly meetings and engage in prayers and active works. Candidates under 18 years of age can be received in a Junior Praesidium.



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus said, "You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head ..."

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W _ _ _ _ _ ."

Answer: *will be destroyed*

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saint snippets

Charity has transformed the world.

St. Giuseppe Moscati

20th-century Italian doctor, researcher, and professor known for his deep faith, miraculous cures, and concern for the poor.

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November 16

saint snippets

Arise, soldiers of Christ, throw away the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

St. Cecilia

Noble lady of Rome beheaded for her faith in the year 230; patron saint of musicians because during her wedding she sang from her heart to the Lord

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November 22

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Nation will rise against nation



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PRAYING TWICE

The Academy of Music (Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia) was founded in Rome by Pope Sixtus V in 1585. Named for St. Cecilia, it was established under the invocation of the Blessed Virgin; Pope St. Gregory I, credited as the author of Gregorian chant; and St. Cecilia, the patron saint of music and musicians. The Academy's first location was the Church of Santa Maria ad Martyres, also known as the Pantheon. You can see pictures of its beautiful auditorium online.

On November 22 we remember St. Cecilia. Many choirs and music societies are named in honor of St. Cecilia and look to her as their patron. Is there a window or picture or statue of St. Cecilia in your church? Does your parish have a choir? Do you know how many members it has? What instruments help make music at your church? What is your favorite hymn to sing with the choir?

St. Augustine said, "The one who sings prays twice." What do you think he meant?

You might hear some of these instruments in a church. Color the ones that you have heard in your parish. Choose one to draw on the front of a card. Inside, write a note to the director of your choir describing how much you appreciate the music they provide. You can present your card to the choir directly after Mass one day or send it to your parish office. Remember, you are a member of the Church and so are responsible—with the choir or cantor—for much of the sung prayer at Mass.



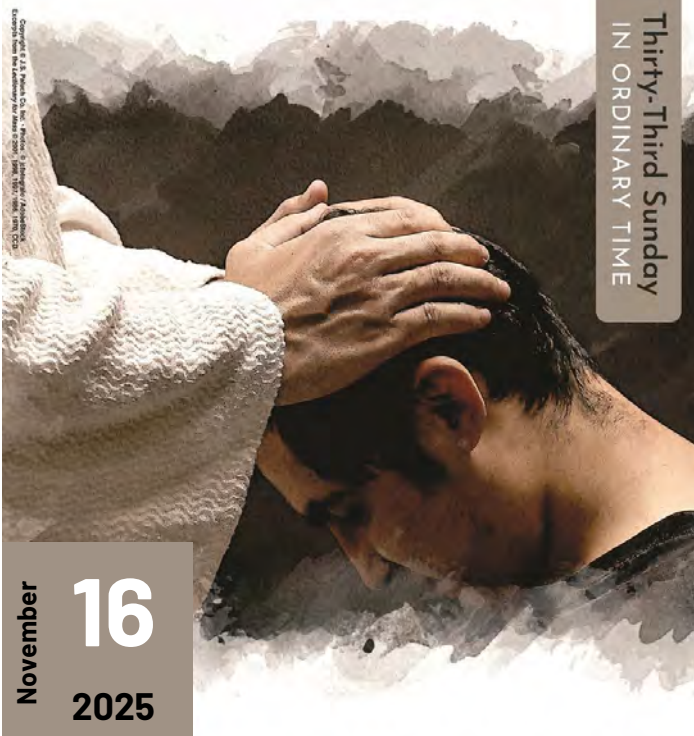
The Little Ones

Jim Burrow

I DON'T NEED
EARBUDS TO HEAR
GOD'S VOICE



Jesus answered, "So make up your minds not to prepare beforehand to defend yourselves; for I will give you utterance and wisdom which none of your opponents will be able to resist or refute." Luke 21:14-15



Thirty-Third Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

November
16
2025

"YOU WILL BE HATED BY ALL BECAUSE OF MY NAME, BUT NOT A HAIR ON YOUR HEAD WILL BE DESTROYED."

Luke 21:17-18

Pastor Al®



"It's used to sweep out evil spirits? Hmmm... mind if I borrow it to see if it works on the school's old boiler?"

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Today's readings take a fearless look at reality and reach a conclusion that we all know: life is hard. The prophet Malachi preaches fire and brimstone, warning us that evildoers will perish in flames. Saint Paul offers his own warning to the Thessalonians: keep busy, but never become a busybody. He reminds Christians that the apostles themselves worked in "toil and drudgery" as a model for how we ought to contribute to our community. The Gospel returns to the apocalyptic tone of Malachi, describing the utter chaos of the end-times. We will know the end is near when violence, catastrophe, and hatred dominate the earth. But we must not fear! God's saving plan brings peace to our hearts. Malachi speaks of the sun's "healing rays," and Jesus himself promises to protect every hair on our heads.

Hot Enough For You?

The reading from Malachi today consists of only two sentences. The first sentence describes the fire of God's justice, "blazing like an oven," incinerating sinners. "But for you who fear my name," the next sentence explains, "there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays." One single element—heat—has vastly different effects. God's intense, fiery justice burns those who reject it, but offers healing warmth to those who long for God.

Saint Paul's letter to the Thessalonians suggests that busyness can have similarly opposite effects. Rigorous work can be helpful or harmful, depending on what's in our hearts. Are we building people up in our work, or tearing them down? "Minding the business of others" might involve jealous thoughts and unhelpful desires to look better than others. Ideally, we tend to our work out of love for family and the wider community.

The Gospel Truth

Even our love of life could harm us or help us, depending on what we're living for. Luke's Gospel today describes wars, disasters, and persecution. In desperate times like those that Jesus identifies, our instinct is to save ourselves. If we cling to this life too frantically, we might lie or offer false testimony to avoid religious persecution. Jesus calls us to a different way: tell the truth. Proclaim faith in Jesus, even in terrible times or awkward situations. At work, among friends, at the ballot box, on weekends, and yes, even in the face of death, we are asked to show clearly that we believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ. Jesus knows the risk involved in our witness: we will be hated. Even so, we cling to Christ. "By your perseverance," Jesus promises, "you will secure your lives." Our souls are more precious than a comfortable life or extravagant wealth. Jesus died to save our souls. He will never abandon us. He always provides exactly what we need.

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No Good Deed Goes Unpunished



When Jesus rose from the dead, he showed his disciples that even death will be overcome by God. In today's Gospel, he expands that to include most of the bad things that can happen to both non-believers and disciples alike.

Starting with the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem, Jesus mentions most of the scary things that people thought would bring the end of the world. He gives two pieces of advice. First, don't be fooled by anyone who says this is the end or who claims to be Jesus. When Jesus comes again, there will be no doubt about who it is. You won't have to learn about it on the evening news. Then, don't be terrified by natural disasters or wars. Wars, epidemics, earthquakes, and the rest happen throughout history and will happen again.

As disciples, we hope we would respond to disasters not with fear, but with love. Believers can voluntarily help those affected, comfort the survivors, or help rebuild their homes or schools. You may choose to give at a blood drive or donate to one of the charities that help disaster victims. People have welcomed strangers into their homes after a flood or hurricane has destroyed a neighborhood.

There is a saying that "no good deed goes unpunished." Jesus never says that his disciples would be given awards for their acts of charity. In the second half of the Gospel, he says that his disciples would be persecuted, hated, and even betrayed by their own families. Jesus has advice for that situation, too. He presents it as an opportunity to give testimony, or witness, to our faith. His advice sounds strange at first. Unlike a modern lawyer, who practices with a witness before they go into the courtroom, Jesus tells us "not to prepare your defense," but to let him give us the words. I suspect that he means not to worry about what you might say, lest you become scared speechless. If you let him, Jesus will "prepare" you with the scripture readings, your pastor's homilies, and your own prayer life. All of these can help open us to the gifts of the Spirit, who helps us proclaim our faith without fear.

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God's Healing Justice

An old expression holds that the sun-warmed stone heals. Perhaps. But Malachi explains that only dark, sunless days are in store for those who do not find a place for God in their lives. Conversely, he tells us that the warmth and light of God's healing justice await those who fear the Lord. That's a pretty comforting notion—especially now in the already short and growing even shorter days of November. It's the sun-warmed stone, and then some.

Paul speaks to us of justice as well, but points out that it is not a passive thing. To be treated justly, we need to do our fair share. If we are diligent and persevere we will be rewarded with and by the fruits of our labor. Lastly, Luke, too, tells us to persevere—in faith, this time—and our lives will be secure in God regardless of how we are treated by our enemies.

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Treasures From Our Tradition

With Thanksgiving approaching, we think of the quest of the Puritans who arrived on the *Mayflower* from their first exile in Leyden, Holland. Like the Catholics of England, they were religious dissenters who suffered penalties for not participating in the worship life of the established church. The Catholics established monasteries, schools, and convents on the continent to assure the vigor of their faith's intellectual and spiritual life. The Puritans fled to the tolerant Netherlands with similar hopes of preserving their way of life, but were unable to adapt to Dutch ways.

There were Catholics who made a similar colonial journey. The hero of the story is George Calvert, Lord Baltimore, the former Secretary of State of Britain and a Catholic. He proposed that King Charles I establish a proprietary colony that he would own and rule, named Maryland in honor of the Catholic Queen Henrietta Maria. George Calvert died unexpectedly in the midst of this project, but his son Cecil faithfully carried out his father's wishes. Maryland became a symbol of freedom for wealthy recusant English families, as well as for the poor who held to the Catholic faith despite great hardship. From the start, the colony was open to Protestants and Catholics equally, and the seeds of the religious freedom so dear to the American spirit were sown with the first colonists in 1634.

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Saints Rose Philippine Duchesne (1769-1852) November 18

Pope Benedict once declared himself struck by how remarkably diverse our American saints are—some native born: Mother Seton, Katherine Drexel, Kateri Tekakwitha; most, like many Catholics today, immigrants: Padre Serra, Bishop Neumann, Mother Cabrini, Rose Philippine Duchesne. When the French Revolution that dispersed her convent ended, Rose joined the Religious of the Sacred Heart, volunteering for their United States mission, opening the first free school west of the Mississippi. Only after lengthy service as Superior did Rose—now seventy-one—realize her life's dream, undertaking a mission among the Potawatomi Indians. When some worried about her advanced age and failing health, the Jesuit mission leader overruled them: "She must come! She may not be able to do much work, but she'll bring the mission success by praying for us!" Frustrated by her inability to learn their languages, Rose nevertheless "spoke" to the Native Americans by her prayerful presence before the tabernacle. "Quah-kah-ka-num-ad," they named her, "Woman-Who-Prays-Always"—their way of bestowing the title the Church would later make official: saint!

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November Prayers

During November, the Church celebrates the communion of saints, intercedes for those who have died and prepares to welcome the one St. Francis called "Sister Death." This prayer is appropriate all through November...

Into your hands, O Lord,
we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your tender love;
deliver them now from every evil
and bid them eternal rest.

The old order has passed away:
welcome them then into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain,
but the fullness of peace and joy
with your Son and the Holy Spirit
for ever and ever.

R: Amen.

O Lord, support us all the day long,
until the shadows lengthen,
and the evening comes,
and the busy world is hushed,
and the fever of life is over,
and our work is done.
Then in your mercy,
grant us a safe lodging,
and a holy rest,
and peace at the last.

~ Venerable John Henry Cardinal Newman
from *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers*

The Little Way

In a life of only twenty-four years, cut short by tuberculosis, Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face—often known as The Little Flower—showed us a life of dedicated discipleship that any of us can imitate. From the age of 15 she lived in the obscurity of a convent in Lisieux, in northern France, communicating the unfolding of her spiritual life in a series of short books and letters. Her writing is in the style of her times, and some have dismissed it as cloying and sentimental. Yet she blazed with such love that she has influenced thousands in the century since her death. Thérèse focused on what she called "the little way," a manner of serving God by a persistent endeavor in the details of everyday life. This included the difficult task of accepting all work that came her way and attempting to love the community of her sisters in religious life. That was no easier for her as a cloistered nun than it is for us in our families, communities, and workplaces. She experienced times where she could not pray and suffered greatly as her illness progressed. Yet she persevered in this "little way" to such an extent that, in an unusually short time after her death, she was canonized and then declared a doctor of the Church, the youngest of only thirty-three saints ever given that title and only one of three women—the others are Saint Teresa of Ávila and Saint Catherine of Siena. Most importantly, especially in the light of today's scripture readings, Saint Thérèse always had a firm hope of heaven and saw it as a seamless transition from the pilgrimage of faith here on earth. She even said, "I will spend my heaven doing good on earth."

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Peace

First keep the peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others

~ Thomas à Kempis

Not Watching for the Second Coming

As we near the end of the Church year, the scriptures become more urgent. Both the prophet Malachi and Jesus in the Gospel according to Luke offer graphic pictures of a terrible future. But we are missing the message if we use these passages to speculate about when the world will end. The troubles predicted have already occurred, and then some. In the last century alone we have seen devastation beyond anything the ancient prophets could have imagined.

We weren't given these passages to strike fear in our hearts, but faith. The sun of justice will rise, Malachi assures us, for those who are faithful. And Jesus promises, "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." But it is Paul who brings the message down to earth. The Thessalonians were so sure that the end of the world was upon them, some of them had stopped working! Paul states his case clearly: "If anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat." We are not called to worry about how things will end, but to live today faithfully.

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Reflecting on God's Word

Worlds do change. They come and they go. One day we simply stop climbing up on our mother's or father's lap. Or we quit reading comic books, or put away our Barbies®, or we begin to notice beauty. It happens more than once in a lifetime. We pass the exam and get our driver's license, and in a moment all of childhood's boundaries crumble. We graduate from school and our days become our own, sometimes frighteningly so. We move away from home and realize we can no longer return, not to the way it once was. And while we think all those moments are of our own doing, in truth they are not, none of them. They come upon us as does November out of autumn, and frequently just as bleak. The temples of our lives that we've adorned not only with precious stones but also with precious memories and treasured ways, are always being torn down without one stone left upon another. And no one ever asks our permission.

The new worlds we fear the most, however, are not the ones that change our outer landscapes so much as the ones that can reshape our inner landscapes. For believers, for those who live by the ways of Jesus, it is faith that offers us the willingness to trust and the courage to continue on. Jesus' vision can become the one still point in our ever-changing world, or the one source of life and love when all else is collapsing.

~ Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

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Self-Portrait

Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it. Auto-graph your work with quality.

~ Anonymous



When? When? When?

Biblical authors and characters are frustratingly elusive whenever we try to pin them down on the precise time of the end of the world. We tend to think that since it's a scenario they love to describe in so much detail, and one about which they seem to have so much other information, that they'd be able to give us a date and time to put into our Day of the Lord planners. But, as much as the Holy Spirit has inspired them, they have not been given the precise chronology; that remains to be revealed by God and God alone. What may be most frustrating to us is not so much not having the clear-cut information, but rather the types of lives this lack of information calls us to lead. Malachi tells us the blazing day will come, but our only way to be saved by the healing sun of justice is to live in awe and fear of the Lord. Paul instructs us not to be idle, but to work for our place in the community awaiting Christ's return. Jesus himself doesn't give the day or time, but knows that those who follow him will have to persevere day by day, in steadfast and joyful hope.

In God's Time

It was a very strong component of Israel's piety that the destruction of the Jerusalem temple would signal the end of the world. In Matthew's and Mark's presentation of today's Gospel scene, Jesus leaves the temple to foretell its downfall; he makes the connection to Israel's belief. In Luke, Jesus remains in the temple, predicting its downfall as one of many tribulations that the early Christian community will endure. This is a broader view of the end-times. Throughout history, many monumental buildings rose in splendor and fell violently. In our own day we have had some experience of this. Jesus seems to know the natural human reaction that when this happens to *us*, then surely it means the end of the world, even though the same thing has happened time and time again over the face of God's earth and the course of centuries. We are reminded today that God's plans are not tied to our architecture; God's time is not bound by our calendars. Whoever says they are is a liar. What God's own word calls us to do today is to persevere in faithful lives, until that day—whenever it may be, however it may happen—is fulfilled.

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Persevere in our Daily Work

In our world and culture, where hard work is valued so much (we even give over a whole day on the civic calendar to celebrate labor) and our "busyness" seems to escalate continually, Paul's admonitions to the Thessalonians seem a bit obvious. But even in our lives today, when we have more and more devices to save time, and still seem to have less and less of it, people yet find ways to be busybodies in the midst of all their busy-ness. In Paul's day, some members of the Christian community were being idle because they knew the Lord was returning in glory very soon. Why bother to work? So they turned their attention to meddling in the lives of others. Theirs was a rather complacent "I've been saved" attitude in the face of the great tumult of the end times described by Malachi and Jesus in the Gospel. These days, we have no such potent notion of the Lord's imminent return, but Paul's message, which has an echo both in Malachi and Luke, is still pertinent for us. We must keep on doing our daily work, and persevere in it, consecrate it all to the Lord, and tend to being faithful until the time of his return.

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The Catholic Church has always taught us, through the words of Sacred Scripture and the witness of saints like Francis of Assisi, that the natural world is created by God, that it is good, and that humans have a special duty to care for creation so that it benefits not only themselves but also future generations. Today we live in a time where pollution, climate change, and poor agricultural practices harm creation and place us all in danger.

In 2015, Pope Francis responded to this environmental crisis by issuing the encyclical *Laudato Si'* (*On Care for Our Common Home*), in which he emphasizes the connection between humanity and nature and calls for "the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development" (no. 13).

This spirit of cooperation, sustainability, and human dignity animates the work of organizations like La Cosecha Community Supported Agriculture, a cooperative farm network in Albuquerque, New Mexico, which makes

locally grown, sustainable, and nutritious foods available to low-income people. With support from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), La Cosecha has expanded its outreach beyond Albuquerque to 11 rural New Mexico counties, increased year-round accessibility to healthy produce and other food products, and obtained a US Department of Agriculture Good Agricultural Practices food-safety certification for its cooperative farm partners.

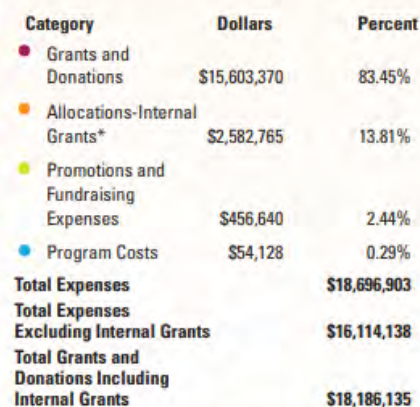
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La Iglesia Católica siempre nos ha enseñado, a través de las palabras de la Sagrada Escritura y del testimonio de santos como Francisco de Asís, que el mundo natural es creado por Dios, que es bueno y que los humanos tienen la singular tarea de cuidar a la creación para que ésta les beneficie no solo a ellos, sino también a las futuras generaciones. Hoy vivimos en un tiempo en el que la contaminación, el cambio climático y las malas prácticas agrícolas están dañando a la creación y nos están poniendo a todos en peligro.

En el 2015, el papa Francisco respondió a esta crisis ambiental publicando la encíclica *Laudato Si'* (*Sobre el Cuidado de la Casa Común*), en la cual él enfatiza la conexión entre la humanidad y la naturaleza y hace un llamado para "unir a toda la familia humana en la búsqueda de un desarrollo sostenible e integral" (nº 13).

Este espíritu de cooperación, sostenibilidad y dignidad humana alienta la labor de organizaciones como La Cosecha Community Supported Agriculture, una red de cooperativas agrícolas apoyada por la comunidad, en Albuquerque, Nuevo México, la cual pone a disposición de las personas de bajos ingresos, unos alimentos nutritivos y sostenibles y

cultivados localmente. Con el apoyo recibido de la Campaña Católica para el Desarrollo Humano (CCHD), La Cosecha amplió su alcance más allá de Albuquerque llegando a 11 condados rurales en Nuevo México, incrementó el acceso durante todo el año a productos agrícolas saludables y otros productos alimenticios y obtuvo la certificación de seguridad alimentaria de Buenas Prácticas Agrícolas del Departamento de Agricultura de Estados Unidos para sus socios de cooperativas agrícolas.

Las organizaciones que reciben fondos de CCHD nos enseñan a cuidar el medio ambiente, a responder a las necesidades de los pobres y, al mismo tiempo, a brindar nuestro apoyo a las empresas responsables y sostenibles de la localidad. Cuando ustedes participan en la colecta para CCHD, no solo están ayudando a otras comunidades, sino que también están ayudando a las suyas ya que el 25% de sus contribuciones permanecen en su diócesis con el fin de crear soluciones para la pobreza en su localidad.

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1 Corinthians 10:31



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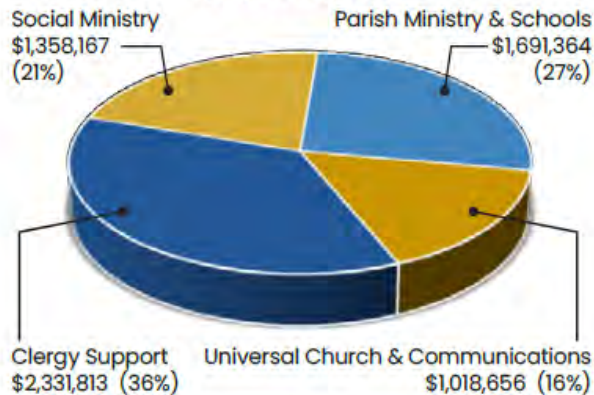


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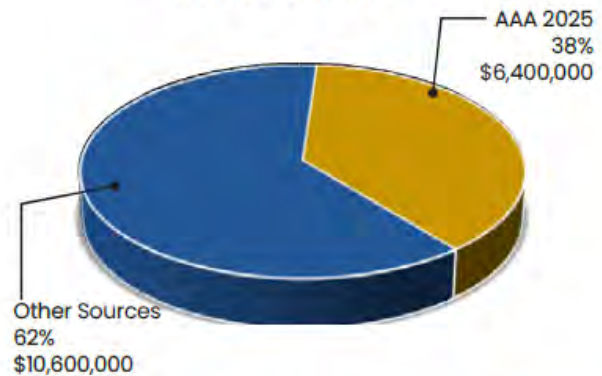


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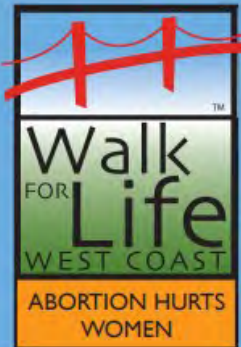
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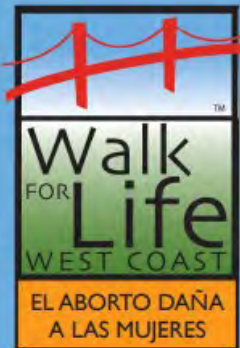
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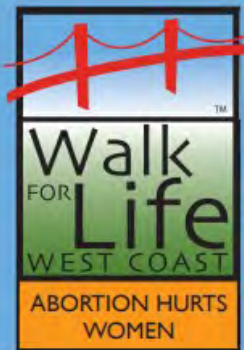
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27 January | Arrival in Cebu

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28 January | Simala Monastery and Minor Basilica de Sto. Niño

Breakfast at the hotel. Depart for a whole day Cebu Tour. Visit Simala Monastery of the Holy Eucharist. Lunch at a local restaurant. Head back to Cebu City. Stop at the Archbishop Teofilo Camomot Shrine. Mass at Minor Basilica de Sto. Nino de Cebu and then visit Magellan's Cross. Head to a local restaurant for dinner then transfer to hotel.

29 January | Travel from Cebu to Tagbilaran

Breakfast at the hotel. Head to Cebu Port for the your morning ferry to Tagbilaran. Arrive in Bohol and meet and greet at Tagbilaran Port. Commence Bohol Countryside Tour. Proceed to Baclayon Church for Mass. After the Mass proceed to River Cruise Lunch at Loboc. After lunch continue tour and visit Chocolate Hills and the Tarsier Sanctuary. Head to your hotel and check in.

30 January | Free day

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- Food Tour
- Cadapdapan Rice Paddies and Can-Umantad Waterfalls

Mass before Dinner. Dinner at the resort.

31 January | Bohol – Cebu – Cagayan de Oro

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to the pier for ferry to the Cebu. Arrive in Cebu and transfer to Mactan Airport for flight to Cagayan de Oro. Arrive in Cagayan de Oro and proceed to hotel and check in. Free time. Mass before dinner. Dinner at a local restaurant.

01 February | Bukidnon Day Trip

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Dahilayan Adventure Park, Bukidnon. During this visit, the guests will experience Panampulot, a ritual of Manobo Tribe. Banog-Banog dance will welcome the arriving guests and they will experience 8 different stations of Manolo Fortich Culture. Various activities available such as Tsokolate making, Bead making, Coffee Making, Binake wrapping & Tasting Corn Grinding, Corn Grilling, Panampulot Ritual, Binukid Language Learning. Lunch at Ricardo's restaurant. After lunch proceed to the Abbey of Transfiguration for Mass. Head back to Cagayan de Oro in the afternoon. Dinner at the hotel.

02 February | Cagayan de Oro City Tour

Breakfast at the hotel. Depart for Cagayan de Oro City Tour. Mass at St. Augustine Metropolitan Cathedral. After Mass, proceed to Cagayan De Oro City Museum, Museo de Oro and Plaza Divisoria. Lunch at Panagatan Seaside Restaurant. After lunch, proceed to Divine Mercy Shrine. Head back to the hotel. Free time. Dinner at the hotel.

03 February | Cagayan de Oro – Legaspi (via Manila)

Packed breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to airport for your early flight to Legaspi. Arrive in Legaspi and proceed to Albay Tour. Highlights are Cagsawa Ruins, Sumlang Lake, Daraga Church, Casa Simeon for lunch, Tiwi Pottery, Mt. Masaraga Volcano Camp Site for spectacular views of Mayon Volcano. After the tour, proceed to your hotel for dinner and check in. Mass before dinner. Dinner at the hotel.

04 February | Bicol tour options

Breakfast at the hotel. Tour options are:

- Donsol Eco Tour – Whale Shark Interaction
- Culinary Tour
- Ticao Island Hopping

Head back to the hotel. Mass at St. Gregory the Great Cathedral. Dinner at the hotel.

05 February | Legaspi – Naga

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to Naga City for Mass at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Peñafrancia. Lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to St John The Evangelist Metropolitan Cathedral, Museo del Seminario Conciliar de Nueva Caceres. After the tour, proceed to the hotel and check in. Dinner at the hotel.

06 February | Naga – Quezon

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to Quezon stopping at town churches along the way. Lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to Kamay ni Hesus Healing Church. Mass at Kamay ni Hesus. Proceed to Villa Escudero and check in. Barrio Fiesta themed dinner at Villa Escudero.

07 February | Quezon – Batangas

Breakfast at Villa Escudero. Check out and proceed to Montemaria Shrine in Batangas City. Lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to Taal Heritage Town. Mass at Minor Basilica of St. Martin of Tours. Proceed to Pico de Loro and check in. Dinner at the resort.

08 February | Pico de Loro – Manila via Tagaytay

Breakfast at the resort. Check out and proceed to Tagaytay for sightseeing. Lunch at Farmer's Table. Head to Manila after lunch. Mass at Manila Cathedral. Dinner at Illustrado restaurant, Intramuros.

09 February | Antipolo – Manila

Breakfast at the hotel. Proceed to Antipolo Cathedral for Mass. Lunch at Pinto Art Museum. Head to Manila after lunch. Proceed to Quiapo Church and Binondo Church then to Baclaran Church. Dinner at the hotel

10 February | Manaoag – Tarlac

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to Manaoag for Mass at the Minor Basilica of Our Lady of Manaoag. Lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to Monasterio de Tarlac for a visit. Visit Death March Monument. Depart for Clark and check in at hotel. Farewell Dinner at the hotel

11 February | Departure day

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to airport.

Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope



As the Universal Church looks toward the Jubilee Year 2025, the USCCB is thrilled to support the Holy Father in this "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church."

Pope Francis stated in his February 2022 letter announcing the Jubilee 2025: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire..."

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. The great tradition of opening the Holy Door will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024. Other holy doors will be opened at the Rome basilicas of St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world are expected to designate their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims, offering opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive faith.



Pope Francis has asked that the year 2024 be dedicated to a "great symphony of prayer" as the Church prepares for the Jubilee of 2025. The Jubilee prayer can be found below.

Additional information about Jubilee events and materials can be found in the Calendar of Events below, or on the Vatican website [here](https://www.vatican.va). As information becomes available for specific initiatives of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, that information will be available on this web page.

USCCB Jubilee Calendar: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/jubilee-celebration-calendar-2025>
Vatican website: <https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>



Information for Jubilee 2025 Preparation and Participation

Prepared by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for use in local dioceses and eparchies across the United States.

In preparation for Jubilee 2025 in the local Church, the USCCB has prepared this document for your reference.

JUBILEE WEBSITE

<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>
(English)

<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/es.html>
(Spanish)

JUBILEE MOBILE APP

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/iubilaeum25/id6467652982?platform=iphone>
(for iOS devices, i.e. Apple products)

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=va.iubilaeum2025.app&pli=1>
(for Android devices)

The digital app for mobile devices, which makes registration for Jubilee 2025 events easier, can be downloaded from the App Store for iOS and from the Play Store for Android. By using the mobile app, which is available in six languages, a person can access all the latest news on the Jubilee, register as a pilgrim for the Holy Year, and obtain the Pilgrim Card for free. Once registered on the portal, individuals will also be able to register for Jubilee events and pilgrimages to the Holy Door.

THE JUBILEE LOGO

Individuals and organizations may download the Jubilee logo in high resolution and the main languages at this link. Since the logo is subject to copyright, its use is intended for pastoral and non-profit purposes only. Such use is to be linked to the following pastoral and ecclesial initiatives with no commercial purposes:



- Place the trademark on materials related to the Jubilee, such as: leaflets, pamphlets, postcards, brochures, posters, outlines, banners, websites and other media;
- Place branding on pastoral materials to be used for spiritual preparation for the Jubilee;
- Place trademark on promotional materials related to the Jubilee, particularly on posters, banners, T-shirts, hats, mugs, and other materials and media; not for commercial use.
 - The use of the logo to third parties will not be granted.
 - A manual for logo use can be found online here at [this link](#).





THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

The official prayer can be found here in sixteen languages, other languages are being added.

THE JUBILEE HYMN ("PILGRIMS OF HOPE")

- The official Jubilee hymn has been available for download.
- The necessary information (audio and sheet music) can be found at the following link.
- Currently, the hymn is available in Italian, English, Spanish, and French.
- The translations for other major languages are currently being worked on.

The Vatican invites all of us to use the hymn as widely as possible and in liturgical assemblies.

THE JUBILEE CALENDAR

- The *Opening of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica* will be December 24, 2024.
- The Jubilee celebrations for various audiences will take place from January to December 2025.
- The **overview calendar** and **tentative schedule** for the Jubilee celebrations in Rome can be found in a separate information sheet, available [at this link](#)

DIOCESAN AND EPARCHIAL PILGRIMAGES TO ROME

- Dioceses and eparchies are welcome to coordinate pilgrimages to Rome for the Jubilee celebrations.
- Dioceses and eparchies may come to Rome at any time throughout 2025 to celebrate the Jubilee, or they can choose to coordinate a visit in conjunction with one of the particular Jubilee events on the calendar.
- Dioceses and eparchies may consider working with a reputable local or national travel agency that specializes in overseas and/or pilgrimage travel. It may also be helpful to have **1 or 2 point person(s)** at the diocesan/eparchial level who can coordinate activities for the group(s) and liaison with the travel agency.
- For official registration of diocesan or eparchial pilgrimages and large groups for the Jubilee, point persons should contact pilgrim@iubilaeum2025.va and communicate the dates of the intended pilgrimage and an indicative estimate of the number of participants. Staff from the Vatican Dicastery for Evangelization will respond accordingly.



- As the Jubilee year approaches, as soon as practicably possible, it will be necessary for point persons to send the list of names of those from the local diocese or eparchy who will take part in Jubilee events.
- The Dicastery for Evangelization will register the participants among the official list of those enrolled.

PLEASE NOTE:

The USCCB is NOT coordinating any *national* activities in Rome during the Jubilee Year, nor is the USCCB coordinating any official *national delegation* to Jubilee events.

JUBILEE VOLUNTEERS

If people from dioceses/eparchies are interested in volunteering, here are the requirements and expectations.

Who can serve as a volunteer for the 2025 Jubilee?

- Any adult member of the faithful who intends to offer their availability for a fixed period of one week, from Saturday to Saturday, or for specific events and/or jubilees.
- It will also be necessary to present a letter from the volunteer's parish priest at the time of application which attests to the volunteer's Catholic faith and active participation in parish life.
- Knowledge of the Italian language is preferable, but not mandatory.

How can one apply to become a volunteer for Jubilee 2025?

- Via the official Jubilee platforms, www.iubilaeum2025.va or the **iubilaeum25 app**, applicants may submit their application and register the week of availability for service.
- Volunteers may also offer multiple weeks of service.

- The Secretariat will then contact the volunteer to confirm details depending on requirements.
- All travel expenses to and from Rome are the responsibility of the volunteers.
- The Dicastery for Evangelization will provide *food and accommodation* during the service period.

What will be expected of a Volunteer for the Jubilee of 2025?

- Volunteers will welcome pilgrims at the different meeting points, providing them with information on all available services; accompanying them along the routes specially reserved to access the Papal Basilicas; and will provide assistance/ further services that may be necessary in various circumstances.
- He/she offers this service freely and without payment He/she is committed to carrying out the tasks assigned by the Jubilee Secretariat, based on the logistical-operational needs of the Jubilee program.

COORDINATING "STATESIDE" CELEBRATIONS

- Recognizing that many cannot or choose to not travel to Rome for the Jubilee, it is **highly recommended** that dioceses and eparchies (and/or parishes and other organizations, apostolates, movements, and communities) develop "stateside" celebrations in conjunction with the Jubilee Year.
- The USCCB will be sharing **ideas on how to develop these "stateside" local events**, which will be posted on the bishops-only and public websites as they are created.



- Dioceses, eparchies, and local communities may wish to host their “stateside” activity in conjunction with the timing of the Jubilee celebrations of particular groups who will be gathered with the Holy Father in Rome throughout the year (i.e., catechists, families and children, young people, the elderly, the poor, etc.).
- The audience-specific “stateside” events **can occur concurrently** with events taking place in Rome; dioceses, eparchies, and local communities can also *live-stream* the Vatican celebrations with the Holy Father as part of their particular “stateside” celebration.
- Dioceses, eparchies and local communities may also wish to coordinate a **domestic Jubilee pilgrimage** to Catholic sites and destinations across the United States throughout the year or at a specific moment that corresponds to one of the audience-specific celebrations taking place in Rome.

FAQs ON THE JUBILEE

Should our diocese/eparchy coordinate a trip to Rome or plan a “stateside” event?

Both options can be done. However, to ensure engagement of the most Catholics with regard to the Jubilee, it is highly recommended that “stateside” activities and resourcing local communities be carried out in 2025.

Will our diocese/eparchy be able to see the Holy Father?

Throughout the year, the agenda for most Jubilee celebrations involve programs at which the Pope is present, such as a Mass or particular audience. The exact details of those experiences are yet to be shared.

What are the “Jubilee rites” that are listed on the agenda for the various Jubilee celebrations?

These are special moments of prayer that will take place at various basilicas and locations around Rome. The exact details of those experiences are yet to be shared.

If we take a group to Rome, how do we get accommodation, meals, and transportation?

Should your diocese or eparchy or local group be working with a travel agency, those companies are able to book those elements of travel for or with you. If you are not going with an outside agency, diocesan/eparchial leaders may need to explore these options on their own as they would with any personal trip abroad.

Will there be any U.S. activities happening in Rome during the Jubilee?

The USCCB is not coordinating any U.S. events during any of the Jubilee celebrations.

What about the groups or ministries not included on the Jubilee calendar?

While the Holy See has designated a number of groups and ministries on their Jubilee calendar, not everything was included. However, in your local diocese or eparchy, or in collaboration with other dioceses, eparchies, or organizations, you can hold a special celebration for another population, ministry, or area of celebration in your local area. You can also celebrate the already-listed groups on alternative days, based on local circumstances.

For any additional questions, you are welcome to contact the following individuals on staff at USCCB:

- Marilyn Santos, Secretariat of Evangelization and Catechesis, msantos@usccb.org
- Paul Jarzembowski, Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth, pjarzembowski@usccb.org





***Sto. Niño
Devotion***
(every Friday
after the
12:10 p.m. Mass)

*Judy Labaria
Alma Raymundo
Cathy Bohol
Sheila Montemayor
Anonymous*



***Black
Nazarene***
***Feast Day
January 9***

*Rosie Drapiza
Lydia Cagampan
Rene & Elsa Tuazon
Celia & Paul Gravador*



***Our Lady of
Perpetual Help
Devotion***
(every Tuesday
after the
12:10 Mass)

*Raya & Gamboa
Families*



San Lorenzo Ruiz
***First
Filipino Saint
(Sep 28)***

*Fe Macatangay
Jeanette Chafe
John & Gemma O'Donnell
Evelyn Grande
Mely Saavedra*



***Saint
Joseph***

***Feast Day
March 19***

Xenia Villamejor

St. Anne
***Feast Day
July 26***



***Sacred
Heart***

***First Friday
Schedule***

***4pm Holy Hour
5:15 Mass***



***OUR
LADY
OF
FATIMA***

***Pray the
rosary***



The Graceful Chapter

Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,

3 He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

The Graceful Chapter

Yap Family



St. Patrick Charismatic Prayer Group

*Charismatic & Healing Mass:
Every 3rd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.*

Matt Dorsey
SAN FRANCISCO SUPERVISOR

I'm proud to represent you in City Hall — and grateful for the faith community we share at St. Patrick's. For help with city matters, feel free to call my office at (415) 554-7970 or email Matt.Dorsey@sfgov.org.

Best,

Matt Dorsey

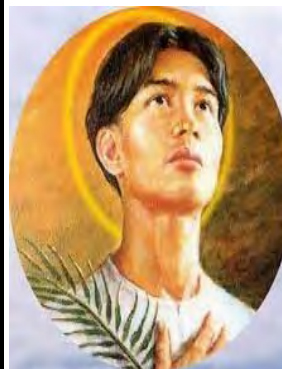


Our Lady of Guadalupe

*Feast Day
December 12*



St. Pedro Calungsod 2nd Filipino Saint (April 2)



*Elena & Mark Ramoran Gayapa Family,
Romeo & Antonina Real Family,
Dan & Annie Lacap Family,
Jesus, Jr. & Malou Paningbatan,
Vida Ventura,
Nenette Murata,
Cristin Salangsang*