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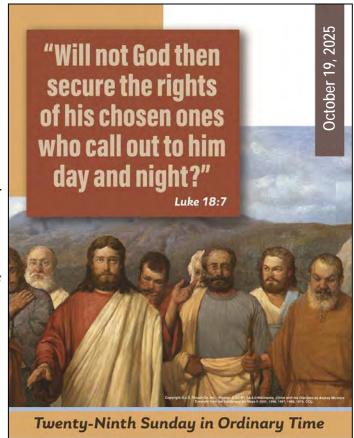
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Mass Times

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.



October 19, 2025 - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Through incessant prayer, we open ourselves more fully to understanding God's will. Through faith in the power of prayer (3), we experience God's love and assistance (1,Ps). Our Christian life is nourished by the scriptures we read and by our received tradition (2).

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AAA Update (as of 14 October 2025)

2025 AAA Goal	\$38,705.00
Received	\$28,763.00
Amount Remaining	\$9,942.00
% of Goal	74%

Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday to our Parishioners celebrating a birthday this week.

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Nick Abello	10/20	Alden Ventigan	10/22
Ana Sofia Sun	10/20	Adam Saavedra	10/23
Flordeliza Mojica	10/21	Jeffrey Murata	10/24
Alberta Montemayor	10/21	Bob Frank Pimentel	10/24
John Welton	10/21	Roxy Martinez	10/25
Allan Fernandez	10/22		

October 19th is World Mission Sunday



World Mission Sunday, organized by The Society of the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. In 2025, World Mission Sunday is celebrated on October 19th.

Annually, World Mission Sunday is celebrated on the next-to-last Sunday in Octo-

ber. As described by Pope John Paul II, World Mission Sunday is "an important day in the life of the Church because it teaches how to give: as an offering made to God, in the Eucharistic celebration and for all the missions of the world" (see *Redemptoris Missio* 81).

Every year the needs of the Catholic Church in the Missions grow - as new dioceses are formed, as new seminaries are opened because of the growing number of young men hearing Christ's call to follow Him as priests, as areas devastated by war or natural disaster are rebuilt, and as other areas, long suppressed, are opening up to hear the message of Christ and His Church. That is why the involvement and commitment of Catholics from around the world is so urgently needed. Offerings from Catholics in the United States, on World Mission Sunday and throughout the year, are combined with offerings to the Propagation of the Faith worldwide.

Mission dioceses - about 1,100 at this time - receive regular annual assistance from the funds collected. In addition, these mission dioceses submit requests to the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples for assistance, among other needs, for catechetical programs, seminaries, the work of Religious Communities, for communication and transportation needs, and for the building of chapels, churches, orphanages and schools. These needs are matched with the funds gathered in each year. The world's national directors of the Propagation of the Faith vote on these requests, matching the funds available with the greatest needs. These funds are then distributed, in their entirety, to mission dioceses throughout the world.

Please give generously to this week's Special Collection.

Help Wanted



We're looking for skilled tradespersons (electricians, plumbers, carpenters, etc.) who would be willing to volunteer their time for various repairs around the church, office, and rectory. Please con-

tact the parish office if you're interested. Thank you!!





Please Pray for Pope Francis' Intention for October

<u>Pope's Intention</u>: For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Prayer of the WeekTwenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty ever-living God,

grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. 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:

When do I resist conforming my will to God's?

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Are You Someone or Do You Know Someone Who...

- ...has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- ...has a child over the age of seven who has not been bap-
- ...was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is an opportunity for you to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact the parish office during normal business hours.

Breaking Bread Missal 2026



On November 30th, the First Sunday of Advent, we will replace our 2025 Breaking Bread Missals with the new 2026 edition. We would be grateful if you could share a gift in any amount, no matter how small. All donations are greatly appreciated. To contribute, simply fill out the form available at the back of the church and return it by November 9th. You can drop it in the collection basket, bring it to the parish office, or leave it at the gift shop at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support

and generosity!



Saints & Special Observances

Monday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

Wednessday: optional memorial ~ St. John Paul II, Pope Thursday: optional memorial ~ St. John of Capistrano, Priest

Friday: optional memorial ~

St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:1,15b,17-19,20b-21; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53 Friday: 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 35:12-14,16-18; Ps 34:2-3,17-19,23; 2 Tm 4:6-8,16-18; Lk 18:9-14

Today's Readings

First Reading — As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight (Exodus 17:8-13).

Psalm — Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121).

Second Reading — Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed (2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2).

Gospel — Will not God secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? (Luke 18:1-8).

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Mass Intentions for Oct 19 - 25 Date Time Intention 7:30 a.m. TG Rene & Elena Delos Santos 9:30 a.m. **BD Nick Abello** Sunday 12:00 p.m. **BD** Connie Arnaldo 19 2:00 p.m. SI For The Parishioners of St. Patrick Church 5:15 p.m. † Fernando Rodriguez Tenerio SI Evangeline Viray Deleon 7:30 a.m. Monday 12:10 p.m. **BD Mary Joy Satentes** 20 5:15 p.m. BD Ana Sun 7:30 a.m. SI Brian Dela Pena **Tuesday** 12:10 p.m. SI Rowena Cruz Diaz 21 5:15 p.m. SI Justin Edward 7:30 a.m. **BD Albert Cua** Wednesday 12:10 p.m. † Jose Abaoag 22 5:15 p.m. SI Joycelyn Espanol 7:30 a.m. † Marilyn Sumulong Thursday 12:10 p.m. FH Maria Teresa Babia 23 5:15 p.m. SI Jaymie Lynn Santiago 7:30 a.m. BD Maria Annaliza Bartolome **Friday** 12:10 p.m. TG Murata Platero Family 24 5:15 p.m. † Mildred Sun SI Joseph & Maria Fang 7:30 a.m. Saturday SI Perla Ardanas 12:10 p.m. 25 5:15 p.m. † Mauricio Bartolome, Jr.

Parish Schedule

Parish Office Hours

 $\begin{array}{c} Monday\ through\ Friday\\ 9:00\ a.m.\ -\ 1:00\ p.m.\ and\ 2:00\ p.m.\ -\ 5:00\ p.m. \end{array}$

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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Patrician Meeting

Join us next Sunday for the monthly Patrician Meeting, a Catholic discussion group sponsored by the Legion of Mary. This month's topic is...

The Importance of the Rosary

Speaker ~ Fe Barcelona Date ~ Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. **McKenna Hall**

Join us for a lively discussion and share your thoughts and experiences with other Catholics just like you.

Living God's Word

The good news is that God refuses to lose heart with us, like the widowed woman who refuses to quit knocking. Neither will turn away and go home, not from the judge's barred and silent door or from ours.

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Relevant Radio

Tune your radio to 1260 AM or 101.7 FM for 24-hour broadcasts concerning Catholic teachings and prayers.

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

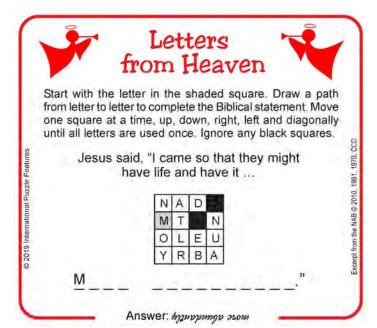
This membership is open to all faithfully practicing Catholics. Members attend weekly meetings and engage in prayers and active works. Candidates under 18 years of age can be received in a Junior Praesidium.

Reflecting on God's Word

My house shares a back yard with four college students. Ryan is one of them. Every morning the first thing Ryan does is go out the back door with a bagful of nuts and feed the squirrels. They hang out in our apple tree the way teenagers hang out around malls. One of the squirrels has become particularly bold and now waits expectantly for Ryan right at the back door. Lately the squirrel won't go away, no matter the time of day, no matter who's in the back yard. The squirrel just won't leave, nuts or no nuts, people or no people. Because it's become pesky, I now ignore the squirrel most of the time. Though Ryan doesn't, I do. Nevertheless, the squirrel is slowly getting my attention. Over the course of my lifetime, God is getting my attention, too.

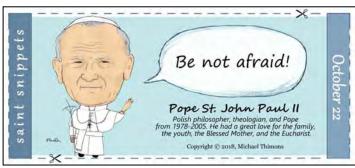
People tend to hear this week's Gospel parable about the widow who keeps knocking on the judge's door as a story about God who eventually gives in to the widow. I think it's more a story about me eventually giving in to God. I hope God's not offended by being compared to a squirrel, but God is much more like the squirrel (or the widow) than like the judge. God's the one who does the pleading, it seems to me. While the parable seems to say, "Don't lose heart; God will eventually hear and answer," perhaps it's really saying, "Don't lose heart; God will not give up knocking on your door."

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Singing

Writing

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TO SERVE AS GOOD STEWARDS

As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stawards of God's varied grace. (I. Peter 4:10)

The Catholic Church believes that everyone has received gifts or talents from God, and we need to be stewards of them. This means that we need to use our gifts for good. But it is not always easy to recognize our own gifts and talents. Sometimes we need to ask someome in our family or a good friend to help us identify them. What would you name as your top five gifts or talents?

The U. S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship, To Be a Christian

Steward, suggests four steps to take once we recognize our gifts.

- We should receive God's gifts gratefully. Do you thank God every day for the gifts you receive and ask God to help you share them?
- 2. We should cultivate them responsibly. Do you try to develop your gifts every day by practicing them and using them only for good?
- 3. We should share them lovingly in justice with others. Do you share your gifts with only those people you like or who are your friends? Do you also think about sharing them with those who aren't your friends, or people in need, or people in other schools or in the neighborhood?
- 4. We should return them with increase to the Lord. If you identify your gifts, practice them, and share them, they increase and grow stronger. Then we offer them back to God by praying in thanksgiving for them and asking God to help us use them wisely. Do you offer your thanks in prayer at the end of the day? At Mass?

As a family, name at least one gift each person has. Talk about the four steps of becoming good stewards.

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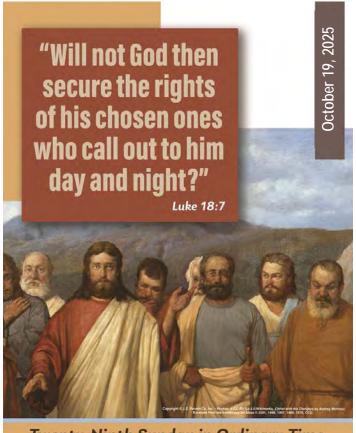
The Little Ones

BURROWS.



Jim Burrows

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. Lk 18:1



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"OK, now tell me how you *really* feel about being put in charge of the parish fair again this year."

Persistence

Exodus recounts the journey of the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt to the land promised to their ancestors. It was not an easy journey. In today's reading, they are attacked by Amalek and his soldiers, members of one of the peoples who live in the land through which the Israelites are traveling. Moses was on the hilltop with his arms raised to invoke the LORD's assistance in the battle below, a powerful illustration of the LORD's favor upon Israel. If the soldiers were to lift up their eyes to that hill (see Psalm 121:1), they would be reassured by Moses's presence and posture. Paul urges the Thessalonians to persist in proclaiming the gospel, and Jesus likewise commends the widow for her persistence in pursuit of the justice due her. Whether they preach or pray, the followers of Jesus need persistence through periods of difficulty.

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Treasures From Our Tradition

Although the hours of daylight are rapidly dwindling, many people would say that these October days bring the year's most splendid weather. Americans are riders and joggers, not strollers, and so the pleasures of the season are often lost on us. This is not the case with many Jewish people, who observe an ancient rule in walking to synagogue on the Sabbath. On city streets and suburban sidewalks in many cities, we may notice around sunset the nicely dressed families walking and chatting on Friday afternoon. After a short prayer at dusk, the families stroll home again for a relaxing and festive meal. They return to synagogue in the morning, and then spend an afternoon in family leisure until three stars appear in the night sky and Sabbath ends.

Catholics, on the other hand, pile into the car and drive even a short distance to Mass; some even divide the family to participate at different hours. For Jews, the leisurely walk marks a dividing line between hectic life commitments and a day of abundant joy and enrichment. Before we became an automobile culture, Catholics embraced a similar pace, and in most places walked to church. These lovely days of fall invite us to tap into an old and life-giving tradition. If you live within a mile of your church, walk next week. If you must drive, park at a good distance and walk the rest of the way. Talk about your life, greet strangers, notice the crunch of leaves under your shoes. You may be surprised at how different Sunday Mass feels when it is framed by leisure!

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The View From the Pew

If you ask a Catholic what the central mission of the Church is, the answer you'll probably get is, "the salvation of souls." What is sometimes forgotten is the spreading of the Gospel message. What is seldom remembered is the building of a more human and just community, or what is known as social justice. In fact, one might even make a case that the salvation of souls is the result, or fruits, of spreading the Gospel and practicing social justice.

A lot of Catholics can recite the Ten Commandments, the eight Beatitudes or the twenty mysteries of the Rosary, but how many can rattle off the seven principles affirmed by the U.S. bishops regarding Catholic social teaching? How many can tell you even one or two? The seven principles are:

1.Life and Dignity of the Human Person

2. Call to Family, Community and Participation

3. Rights and Responsibilities

4. Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

5. The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers

6.Solidarity

7. Care for God's Creation

"Every human being is created in the image of God and redeemed by Jesus Christ and therefore is invaluable and worthy of respect as a member of the human family" (Sharing Catholic Social Teaching: Challenges and Directions - Reflections of the U.S. Catholic Bishops). This is the bedrock principle of Catholic social teaching. Every person, regardless of race, sex, age, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, employment or economic status, health, intelligence, achievement or any other differentiating characteristic, is worthy of respect. It is not what you do or what you have that gives you a claim on respect; it is simply being human that establishes your dignity. Catholic Social Teaching is a set of principles, a body of thought and a call to action and is a central and essential element of our faith. We are called to work for justice, serve those in need, pursue peace and work for the rights and dignity of all people.

The human person is the clearest reflection of God's presence in the world; all of the Church's work in pursuit of both justice and peace is designed to protect and promote the dignity of every person. For each person not only reflects God, but is the expression of God's creative work and the meaning of Christ's redemptive ministry." (U. S. Bishops, The Challenge of Peace, 1983)

Catholic social teaching is also founded on the life and words of Jesus Christ:

"...For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." (Matthew 25:35-36)

I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:34-35)

If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? (James 2:15-16)

We also have the parables of the Good Samaritan from Luke 10 and the Rich Man and Lazarus from Luke 16.

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You have tasted the Blood of the Lord, yet you do not recognize your brother. You dishonor this table when you do not judge worthy of sharing your food someone judged worthy to take part in this meal. God freed you from all your sins and invited you here, but you have not become more merciful" - St. John Chrysostom

The poor have a special place in the care of God, and they place specific demands on the consciences of believers. The biblical argument runs through both Testaments. The prophets, in particular, specify this theme: the quality of Israel's faith will be tested by the character of justice in Israel's life. For the prophets, the test cases for Israel are specific: the way widows, orphans and resident aliens are treated measures the link between faith and justice.

Jesus also continues this tradition. He consciously finds those on the edge of society - the "widows, orphans and resident aliens" of his time - and lifts up their plight even as he responds to their needs. He identifies himself so strongly with the poor that the first letter of St. John can say that love of God is measured by love of neighbor. It calls the Church to speak for the poor, to see the world from their perspective, and to empty itself so it may experience the power of God in the midst of poverty and powerlessness.

No one may claim the name of Christian and be comfortable in the face of hunger, homelessness, insecurity, and injustice found in this country and the world. The life and words of Jesus and the teaching of his Church call us to serve those in need and to work actively for social and economic justice. As a community of believers, we know that our faith is tested by the quality of justice among us, that we can best measure our life together by how the poor and the vulnerable are treated. (Economic Justice for All, U.S. Bishops Pastoral Letter on Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy)

"The central message is simple: our faith is profoundly social. We cannot be called truly 'Catholic' unless we hear and heed the Church's call to serve those in need and work for justice and peace." (U.S. Bishops)

The Gospel is not really preached if justice is not done and if Christians do not participate in building up a more just and loving society. As Catholics, we cannot simply say that we're too busy for social justice concerns. We cannot be "smorgasbord Catholics," choosing what we like and avoiding what we don't like. Jesus gave everything for us, including His life, how can we possibly do any less for Him?

Father, you have given all peoples one common origin, and your will is to gather them as one family in yourself. Fill the hearts of all with the fire of your love, and the desire to ensure justice for all their brothers and sisters. By sharing the good things you give us may we secure justice and equality for every human being, an end to all division and a human society built on love and peace.' (from The Mass for Development of Peoples)

The Bulletin Editor

Living Stewardship Now

When faced with an emergency or crisis, begin with prayer, such as "Jesus, I trust in you. Guide me to do your will in this and all things."

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Depending on God

"Getting by with a little help from our friends" is not an idea that began with the Beatles. Certainly the idea of "getting by with a little help from God" goes back at least to the first reading today from Exodus. How we get that help, however, is the key to this weekend's scriptures.

No matter how inadequate Moses felt to the task God had given him, he persevered—even though he needed help from the people around him. The Israelites especially depended on God for freedom. The woman in the Gospel, desperate and destitute, had no one to depend on, but still she would not give up. She could not afford to bribe the unscrupulous judge, but she pestered him into weariness until finally he met her demands.

We sometimes need to turn to others to help us through difficult times; but if we always turn to God, we won't be disappointed, for our help, the psalm assures us, is from the Lord.

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Treasures From Our Tradition

From the early medieval period, it was expected that the many bishops of Italy travel to Rome at least once every three years to give a report of their ministry, with a footnote granting the bishops of Sicily a visit every five years. By the eleventh century, the idea of bishops visiting the tombs of the apostles was a very strict requirement for all within reasonable reach of Rome. The age of discovery and the expansion of the Church into remote corners of the earth made this an unreasonable burden in many cases, yet every bishop was required at least to send a representative to Rome every five years.

In 1911, Pope St. Pius X established the rule for a "quinquennial" (meaning "once in five years") report, called an ad limina. This literally means "to the threshold," and refers to the expectation that the visiting bishop will go to the thresholds of the tombs of the apostles Peter and Paul and to a personal audience with the Holy Father. An exemption was given to so-called "mission territories," which in 1911 included the United States. The reports were still required, but could be filed by letter with an office of the missions called "Propagation of the Faith." This status was changed in 1917 and since that time all American bishops have been subject to the ad limina. These reports, carefully kept in the Vatican archives, are a treasure trove for historians, providing snapshots of culture and faith and a record of the Church's resilience even in times of persecution and change.

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Saint of the Week

Anthony Claret, † 1870; from Catalonia; vigorous reforming bishop of Santiago, Cuba, founded (1849) the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Claretians) today numbering about 3,000 members; fostered credit unions and the apostolate of the press.

Happy Are They

Happy are they who grieve not for what they have not, but give thanks for what they do have.

~Anonymous

Living Stewardship Now

"The person who can recognize the depth of their own frailty is greater than the person who sees visions of angels." ~ *Isaac the Syrian*

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Instant Gratification

Ours is a culture of instant gratification. If our efforts don't lead to immediate success we give up. If our needs aren't quickly satisfied we blow up. From fast food to news bites our culture teaches us to get what we want when we want it. We can't stand to wait or work for anything. Why should we read a sixhundred-page novel when we can watch the movie version instead? Why should we grate cheese, chop vegetables, cook sausage, and wait for dough to rise when we can buy carry-out pizza on our way home from work? Why should we undertake difficult, long-range solutions to our problems when quick fixes are so readily available? Yet instant gratification, however easy and popular, is not the way to find self-fulfillment or to build the kingdom.

Perseverance in Prayer and Work

Today's scriptures encourage us to persevere patiently and believe that, in time, God will fulfill our needs and make our efforts fruitful. Like the widow in the Gospel, we must patiently persevere in prayer and work until justice is done. Like Moses, Joshua, Aaron, and Hur, we must work together and support one another, believing that God will prevail. Like the apostle Paul, we must "proclaim the word" and "be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient" (2 Timothy 4:2). And in all things Jesus tells us "to pray always without becoming weary" (Luke 18:1).

Today the Letter to Timothy reminds us of the awaited appearance of "Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead" (2 Timothy 4:1). We then hear Jesus ask, "When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" (Luke 18:8) We must ask ourselves whether we tend to give up the struggle to build the kingdom or whether we have enough faith to persevere in prayer and work until God's victory is complete.

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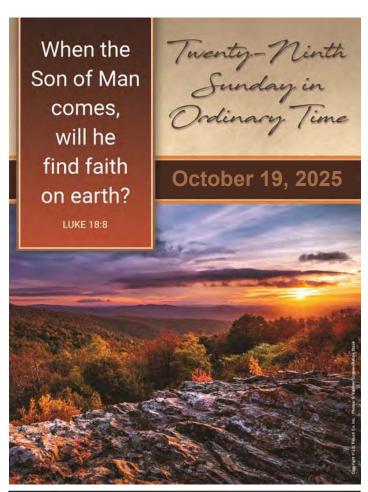
Folded Hands

"All we can do now is pray." This is said frequently in times of sickness, crisis, or emergency when all human efforts have failed. There's an air of resignation about it, a sense that we are backed into a corner with no way out. It puts God in the place of last resort, and is clearly contrary to the words of scripture and the voice of Jesus himself. In the Gospels, Jesus tells his disciples pray constantly. What does this mean? It means don't wait. Call on God now. Cry to God. Tell God your problems. Open your heart. Even if it seems as if heaven is closed tight, have faith that there is always an ear that hears you and an eye that looks on you with love. Prayer is a way to place every aspect of your life before God. Will all prayer be answered? Yes, but not necessarily in ways you ask for or expect. Like a parent to a child, God in heaven may say "yes," "no," or "wait." Perhaps your friend who has cancer needs, more than physical healing, to be reconciled with a family member. Maybe the job that fell through for your son would have been a turn in the wrong direction. Your desire to get over the grief of your divorce may be premature. Your children may come back to the Church once they have children of their own. In all these things, God can see the bigger picture. The purpose of prayer is not to persuade God to grant us all that we ask for, but to place our concerns, wishes, and desires in the heart of God and rest them there. God will give us all we need, if we start with folded hands and an attitude of trust.

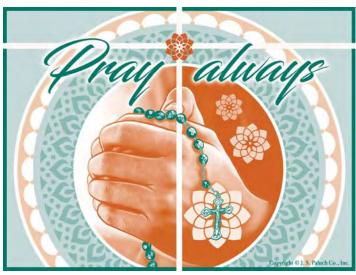
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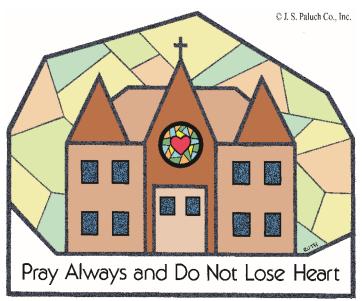
Casting Light

There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.

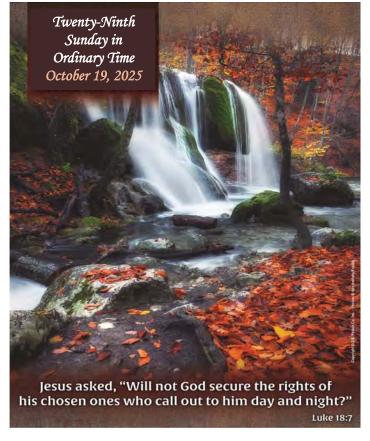














ADDRESS OF THE HOLY FATHER TO PONTIFICAL MISSION SOCIETIES

Clementine Hall Thursday, 22 May 2025

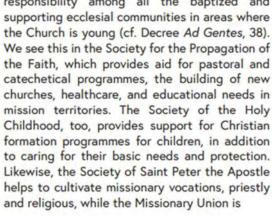
Your Eminence, Your Excellencies, General Secretaries, National Directors and Personnel of the Pontifical Mission Societies. Dear brothers and sisters.

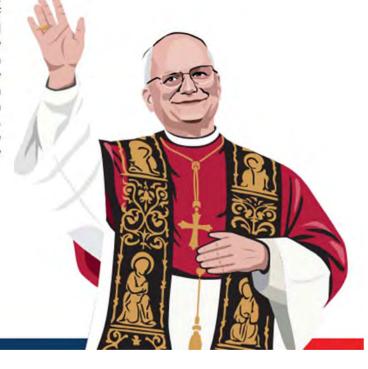
I offer a warm welcome to all of you, who have gathered from over one hundred and twenty countries to take part in the annual General Assembly of the Pontifical Mission Societies. I want to begin by expressing my gratitude to you and your associates for your dedicated service, which is indispensable to the Church's mission of evangelization, as I can personally attest from my own pastoral experience in the years of my ministry serving in Peru.

The Pontifical Mission Societies are effectively the "primary means" of awakening missionary responsibility among all the baptized and

committed to forming priests, religious men and women, and all the people of God for the Church's missionary activity.

The promotion of apostolic zeal among the People of God remains an essential aspect of the Church's renewal as envisioned by the Second Vatican Council, and is all the more urgent in our own day. Our world, wounded by war, violence and injustice, needs to hear the Gospel message of God's love and to experience the reconciling power of Christ's grace. In this sense, the Church herself, in all her members, is increasingly called to be "a missionary Church that opens its







arms to the world, proclaims the word ... and becomes a leaven of harmony for humanity" (Homily, Mass for the Beginning of the Pontificate, 18 May 2025). We are to bring to all peoples, indeed to all creatures, the Gospel promise of true and lasting peace, which is possible because, in the words of Pope Francis, "the Lord has overcome the world and its constant conflict by making peace through the blood of his cross" (Evangelii Gaudium, 229).

Hence we see the importance of fostering a spirit of missionary discipleship in all the baptized and a sense of the urgency of bringing Christ to all people. In this regard, I would like to thank you and your associates for your efforts each year in promoting World Mission Sunday on the second-to-last Sunday of October, which is of immense help to me in my solicitude for the Churches in areas which are under the care of the Dicastery for Evangelization.

Today, as in the days after Pentecost, the Church, led by the Holy Spirit, pursues her journey through history with trust, joy and courage as she proclaims the name of Jesus and the salvation born of faith in the saving truth of the Gospel. The Pontifical Mission Societies are an important part of this great effort. In their work of coordinating missionary formation and animating a missionary spirit on the local level, I would ask the National Directors to give priority to visiting dioceses, parishes and communities, and in this way to help the faithful to recognize the fundamental importance of the missions and supporting our brothers and sisters in those areas of our world where the Church is young and growing.

Before concluding these words with you this morning, I would like to reflect with you on two distinctive elements of your identity as Pontifical Mission Societies. They can be described as, communion and universality. As Societies committed to sharing in the missionary mandate of the Pope and the College of Bishops, you are called to cultivate and further promote within

your members the vision of the Church as the communion of believers, enlivened by the Holy Spirit, who enables us to enter into the perfect communion and harmony of the blessed Trinity. Indeed, it is in the Trinity that all things find their unity. This dimension of our Christian life and mission is close to my heart, and is reflected in the words of Saint Augustine that I chose for my episcopal service and now for my papal ministry: In Illo uno unum. Christ is our Saviour and in him we are one, a family of God, beyond the rich variety of our languages, cultures and experiences.

The appreciation of our communion as members of the Body of Christ naturally opens us to the universal dimension of the Church's mission of evangelization, and inspires us to transcend the confines of our individual parishes, dioceses and nations, in order to share with every nation and people the surpassing richness of the knowledge of Jesus Christ (cf. *Phil 3:8*).

A renewed focus on the Church's unity and universality corresponds precisely to the authentic charism of the Pontifical Mission Societies. As such, it should inspire the process of renewal of the statutes that you have initiated. In this regard, I express my trust that this process will confirm the members of the Societies worldwide in their vocation to be a leaven of missionary zeal within the People of God.

Dear friends, our celebration of this Holy Year challenges all of us to be "pilgrims of hope." Taking up the words that Pope Francis chose as the theme for this year's World Mission Day, I would conclude by encouraging you to continue to be "missionaries of hope among all peoples." Commending you, your benefactors and all associated with your important work to the loving intercession of Mary, the Mother of the Church, I cordially impart my Apostolic Blessing as a pledge of lasting joy and peace in the Lord.



Les P.P. XIV

"Do everything for the glory of God."



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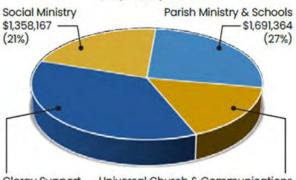
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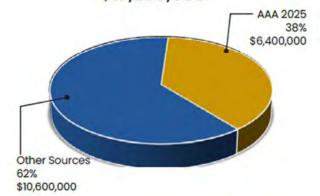










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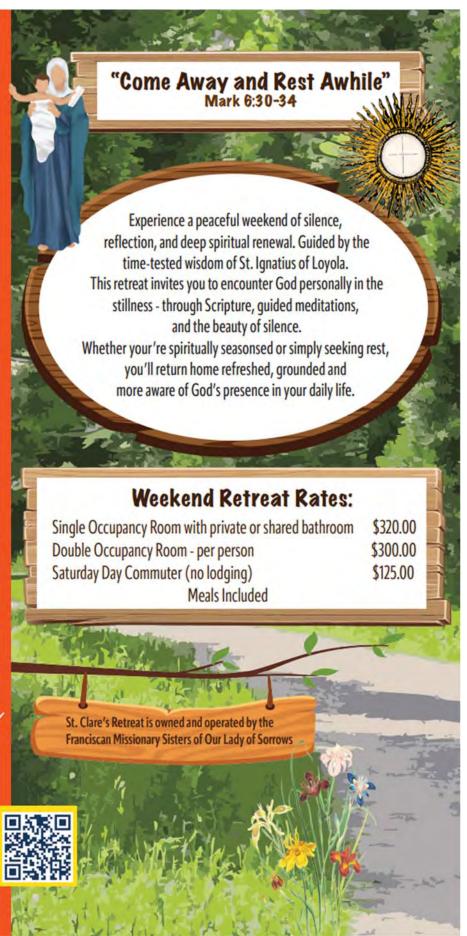
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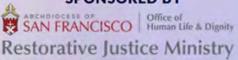
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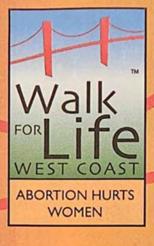
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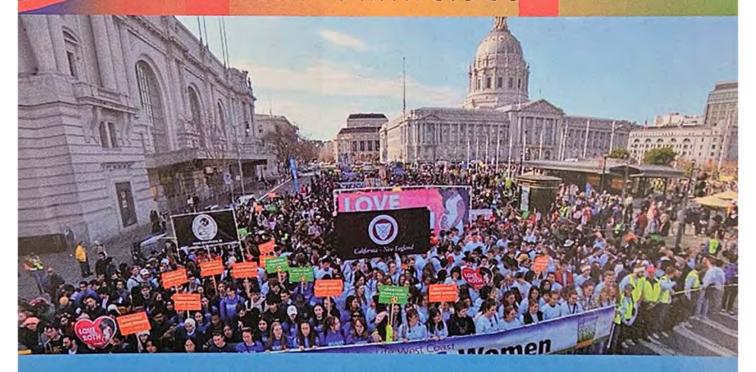
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- Panglao, Bohol Three (3) nights accommodation in Seda Centrio, Cagayan de Oro City
- Two (2) nights accommodation at The Oriental, Legaspi City
- One (1) night accommodation at Summit Hotel Naga One (1) night accommodation at Villa Escudero,
- One (1) night accommodation at Pico de Loro, Nasugbu, Batangas
- Two (2) nights accommodation at Seda Manila Bay, Paranaque City
 One (1) night accommodation at Quest Hotel Clark
- All tours stated on the itinerary
- All meals stated on the itinerary Travel insurance within the Philippines during the tour
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LUZON - VISAYAS - MINDANAO

CEBU - BOHOL - CAGAYAN DE ORO - BICOL - QUEZON - MANILA BATANGAS - PANGASINAN - TARLAC - PAMPANGA

27 January | Arrival in Cebu

Welcome reception at the airport by the Department of Tourism and Rajah Tours Philippines. Transfer to hotel and check-in. Rest of the day free at leisure. Mass at the hotel before dinner. Welcome dinner at the hotel.

28 January | Simala Monastery and Minor Basillica 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
Teofilio 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 Backayon 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
Breaklast at the hotel.
Free day. Optional activities to be offered.
Ballcasag Island Tour

- Cadapdapan Rice Paddies and Can-Umantad Waterfalls

31 January | Bohol - Cebu - Cagayan de Oro

Breakfast at the hotel. Breakfast at the hatel.
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 procced to hotel and check in.
Free time. Mass before dinner.

Dinner at a local restaurant

Ol 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.
Banag-Banag 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, Binakid 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. 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 Divisorio.

Lunch at Panagatan Seaside Restaurant.

After Junch, 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.

Planer at the botal. Dinner at the hotel

04 February | Bicol tour options Breakfast at the hotel. Tour options are: • Dansol 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 Pehalfrancia. 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

Breaklast 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. As information becomes available for specific initiatives of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, that information will be available on this web page.







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@iubilae um2025.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 <u>NOT</u> 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. iubilaeum202S.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



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Nazarene Feast Day January 9

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



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion

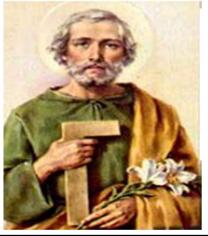
(every Tuesday after the 12:10 Mass)

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





PRAYER TO OL. Hnne

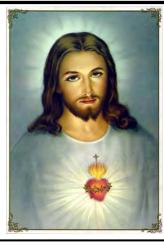
bestowed on St.
Annes such grace
that she was found
worthy to become
the mother of
MARY, who
brought forth
Your only
begotten SON.
Grant that we may
be helped by her
intercession.
Amen.

MANY DESIGNATION OF

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

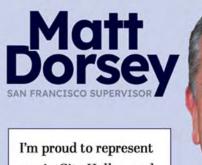
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you in City Hall - and grateful for the faith community we share at St. Patrick's. For help with city matters, feel free to call my office at (415) 554-7970 or email Matt.Dorsey@sfgov.org.

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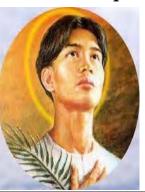


Our Lady of Guadalupe

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