

# St. Patrick Catholic Church

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## Mass Times

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

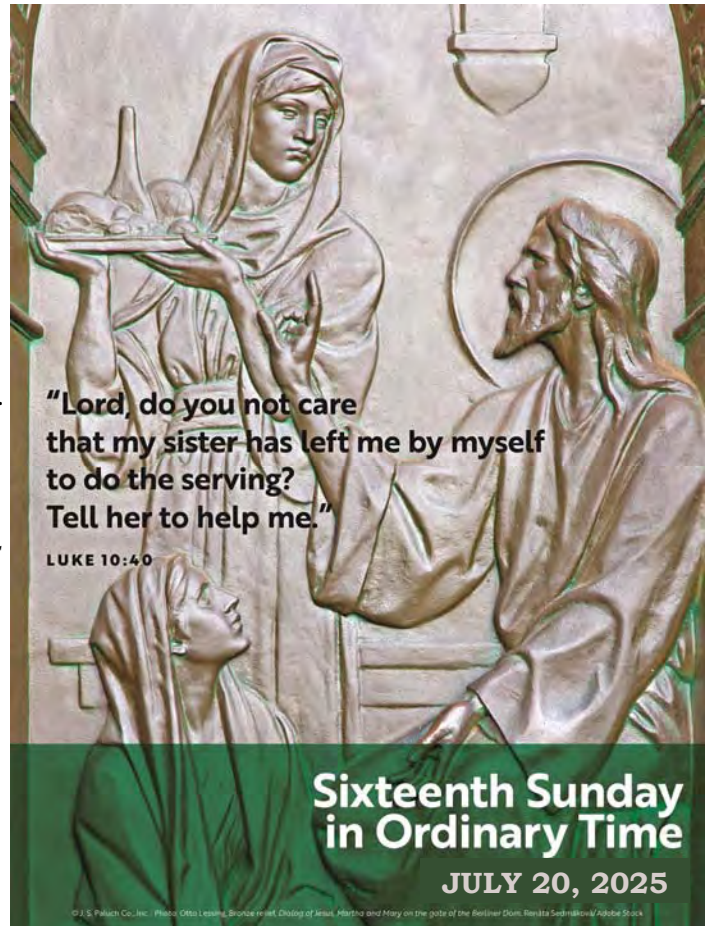
Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m. Vigil Mass

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.



## July 20, 2025 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*It is [Christ] whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom,  
that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. ~ Colossians 1:28b*





## July 20, 2025 ~ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year C

Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Abraham, the just and upright man (Ps), graciously hosts three visitors (1). As Mary and Martha host Jesus, he speaks of only one thing as necessary (3) for us who follow him: being open to receive the message and person of Jesus, and being receptive to “the mystery of Christ” (2) as he comes to us through one another.

### A Mindset of Service

There’s a lot of traveling, delivering, and visiting going on in our readings today. In Genesis Abraham cares for the needs of three mysterious travelers. The psalm responds, celebrating the kind of righteousness that Abraham practices. Then, in his letter to the Colossians, Saint Paul describes his own ministry as almost like a delivery service: he, God’s steward, brings the word of God to their community. Finally, Luke’s Gospel shares the well-known story of Mary and Martha, and the different ways they welcome Jesus into their home. Amid all this coming and going, we are invited to pay attention to the ways we tend to the needs of others. Each of us can ask, *How am I present to God and others in my life?*

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### Treasures From Our Tradition

There’s a different pace to a summer Sunday, especially on those days when we dream of air conditioning and wave any available paper to stir the air. Yet we persist in gathering, even with so many breaks from the usual routines. We distance ourselves not only from routines, but from schedules and familiar well-worn paths. These are playful days and contemplative days. We see long-lost friends and visit almost-forgotten places. We have more leisure than any people before in the history of the world, and we need it because our lives are so care-worn and tiring. More of us walk barefoot and look up at the stars or dip our toes in the lake or sea, sing around campfires, read novels on the beach, and eat comfort food with our fingers. We see how beautiful life can be, and are more aware than usual of how God is always breaking in with signs of love.

In Genesis today, Abraham and Sarah practice hospitality to their visitors, who turn out to be God dropping in. During the summer months, God practices hospitality in return, inviting us into a season of celebration. Keeping Sunday holy is a good habit to cultivate in these days when our spirits are especially receptive to God’s deep desire for us to know divine love.

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### Living God’s Word

We can pray that we find that balance between serving the Lord in our brothers and sisters and spending time in the presence of the Lord, both as members of the community of believers and as individuals whom Jesus loves very much.

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### Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20, 2025

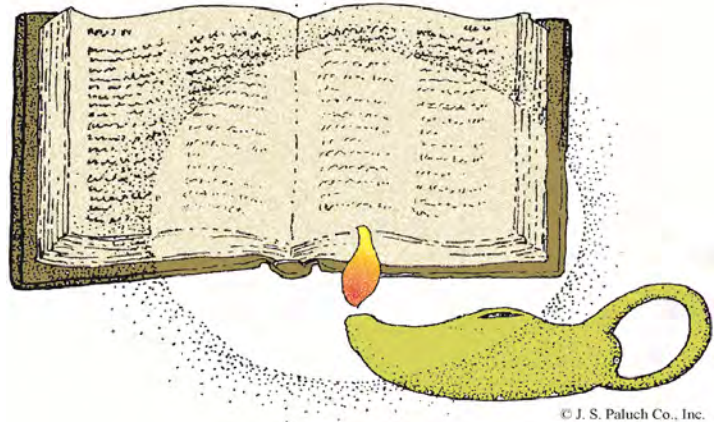
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~ Colossians 1:28b

### Saint of the Week



James, brother of John, is called “the Greater” because he followed Christ before the other apostle of the same name (*James “the Less” or “the Just” ~ May 03*); first of the twelve to be martyred, being decapitated by order of Herod Agrippa I, c. 44; venerated at Compostella, Spain; named in the Roman Canon; patron of pilgrims, of Spain, Guatemala and Nicaragua.



### AAA Update (as of 07 July 2025)

2025 AAA Goal	\$38,705.00
Received	\$17,835.00
Amount Remaining	\$20,870.00
% of Goal	46.1%

### Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday to our Parishioners celebrating a birthday this week.

Carlos Cea	7/20	Camilla Guerrero	7/21
Andre Doria	7/20	Mitcz Renzoe Belocura	7/22
Laurice Guirre	7/20	Clarissa Ignacio	7/23
Frances Pyne	7/20	Edwina Villanueva	7/24
Lyndon Vo	7/20	Hanz Pagao	7/26
Roi Fredrick Curameng	7/21	Ella Perlas	7/26
Rodil Gonzales	7/21	Xing Yi Shen	7/26

### Please Pray for our Holy Father’s Intention for July



**Pope’s Intention:** For formation in discernment. Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

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### Today's Readings

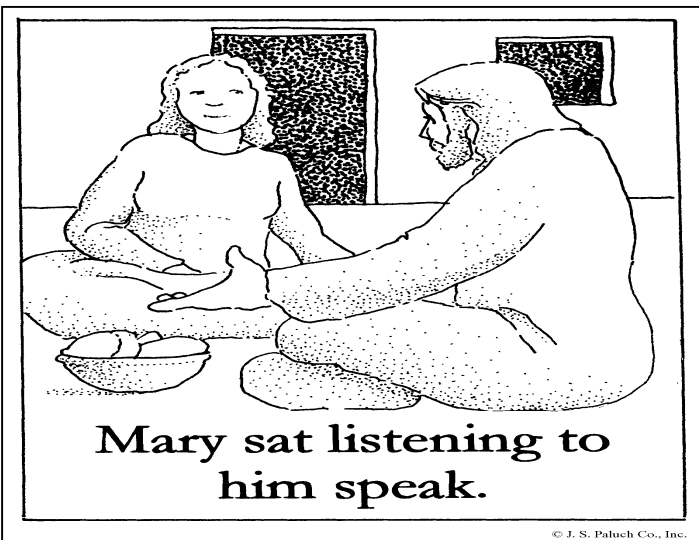
**First Reading** — Abraham shows hospitality to three visitors (Genesis 18:1-10a).

**Psalm** — He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

**Second Reading** — The mystery hidden from generations past has been manifested; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory (Colossians 1:24-28).

**Gospel** — Jesus converses with Martha and Mary about service and contemplation (Luke 10:38-42).

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### Saints & Special Observances

*Monday: optional memorial ~*

*St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church*

**TUESDAY: FEAST ~ ST. MARY MAGDALENE**

*Wednesday: optional memorial ~ St. Bridget, Religious*

*Thursday: optional memorial ~ St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest*

**FRIDAY: FEAST ~ ST. JAMES, APOSTLE**

*Saturday: Memorial ~*

*Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### Readings for the Week

*Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42*

**TUESDAY: Sg 3:1-4a or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Jn 20:1-2,11-18**

*Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5,9-15; Mt 13:1-9*

*Thursday: Ex 19:1-2,9-11,16-20b; Mt 13:10-17*

**FRIDAY: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28**

*Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30*

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3,6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13*

### Religious Education Classes



The staff and catechists of St. Patrick Church are dedicated to helping your children grow in faith and be closer to God. As parents, you are the primary educators of your children and are their best teachers. Your children learn the most from the example you set when you pray together and actively participate in Mass and the sacraments as a family.

Our Religious Education Program is designed to assist you in the faith formation of your children. Enroll your child after all Masses every Sunday in August. First-time students must provide a valid baptismal certificate. Classes begin on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> and run through May. Class hours are from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

### 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 baptized?
- ...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.

### Mercy

Among the attributes of God, although they are all equal, mercy shines with even more brilliance than justice.

~ Miguel de Cervantes



## Mass Intentions for Jul 20 - 26

Date	Time	Intention
<b>Sunday 20</b>	7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Laura Vanmunching † George C. King † Rene Perez SI Boying & Rosie Vasquez † Fernando Rodriguez Tenorio
<b>Monday 21</b>	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Mercy Ventigan SI Vida Ventura SI Josephine Villa
<b>Tuesday 22</b>	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Rianty Winarta SI Edwin & Rosalie Yap SI Cielito Littaua Yoma
<b>Wednesday 23</b>	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Kusina ni Tess BD Penny & Leah Perez † Charlie Yparraguirre
<b>Thursday 24</b>	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	† Marilyn Sumulong † Nicomedes & Juanita Abello SI Marilou Alegree
<b>Friday 25</b>	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Corazon M. Ambata † Magdalena Corcuera SI Rev. Roberto Andrey
<b>Saturday 26</b>	7:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:15 p.m.	SI Fernando Balbuena † Anita Salvador TG Stephen Sun

## 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.

**An expanded color version of our printed bulletin, with online-only content, is available on our website:**  
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## St. Patrick Church Lifetime Donors

You can still make a donation by going to our parish website: [www.stpatricksf.org](http://www.stpatricksf.org). On our homepage scroll down and click Online Giving. Create an account if you don't have one. Once you have created an account, please choose the Lifetime Donor option. We are asking a Lifetime Donor to donate a minimum of \$20 a week or \$80 a month. Your privacy and financial information are safe with us. And we recommend that you use your credit card for an easier and faster transaction.

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**We have 91 Lifetime Donors as of 30 June 2025**

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Precious & Ryan Tizon	Veronica Tayo
Lilian Gomez	Derek Tillotson
Josefa Gonzales	Victoriano & Carmen Uchi & Family
Rodil, Ruby Gonzales & Children	Laura Vanmunching
Alvin Gonzalez	Boying & Rosie Vasquez
Therese Guinto	Alden, Mercy Ventigan & Kids
Ina Howard	Vida Ventura
† Ponciano & Marlene Icatar	Josephine Villa
† Jo Tjin Thoy	Rianty Winarta
Georgina Jose	Edwin, Rosalie, Krista, Ezra & Juliana
Agnes Kumi	Cielito Littaua Yoma
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## LEGION OF MARY - ST. PATRICK CHURCH

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

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 7<sup>th</sup> 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

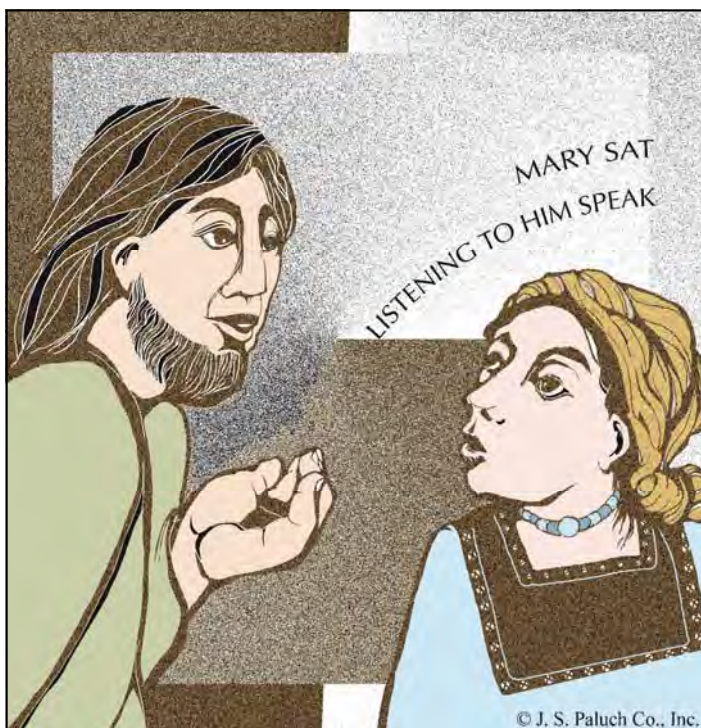
The unit of a Legion of Mary is called a praesidium, which holds a weekly meeting where prayer is intermingled with reports and discussions. Persons who wish to join the Legion must apply for membership in a praesidium.

### 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.



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## 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, "... the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life ..."

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M	S	N	R
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F	O	O	S

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Answer: *begin and work to go*

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I have seen the Lord!

**St. Mary Magdalene**

Jewish woman from whom Jesus cast seven demons. She is known as "the Apostle to the Apostles" because she was the first one to see the Risen Lord.

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July 22

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The source of justice is not vengeance but charity.

**St. Bridget of Sweden**

14th-century mystic, mother of eight children, and one of the patron saints of Europe

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July 23

saint snippets

Mercy triumphs over judgment.

-James 2:13

**St. James the Greater**

One of the Twelve Apostles, a witness of Christ's Transfiguration, and traditionally considered the first apostle to be martyred.

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July 25

## Hospitality

Christians should offer their brethren simple and unpretentious hospitality.

~ St. Basil

## Pray Daily

Each Christian needs half an hour of prayer each day, except when we are busy; then we need an hour.

~ St. Francis de Sales





## ANNE AND JOACHIM

Can you think of five words that describe your grandparents? Ask each person in your family to add their own five words to the list. What do you call your grandparents when you talk to them? What are some things you like to do with your grandparents?

On Friday, July 26, we remember St. Anne (her name means "grace") and St. Joachim (his name means "God will establish"), the parents of Mary, our Blessed Mother. That makes them the grandparents of Jesus. Did you ever think about Jesus having grandparents like yours? What do you think Jesus liked to do when he was with his grandparents?

We don't know much about Anne and Joachim. They aren't mentioned in the Bible, but our Catholic tradition tells us that they were people who were faithful to God. They prayed for a child for many years, and when Mary was born they dedicated her life to God. We can imagine that they were good parents because we know that Mary loved God and lived a holy life doing God's will. She must have learned to do this from her parents, Anne and Joachim.

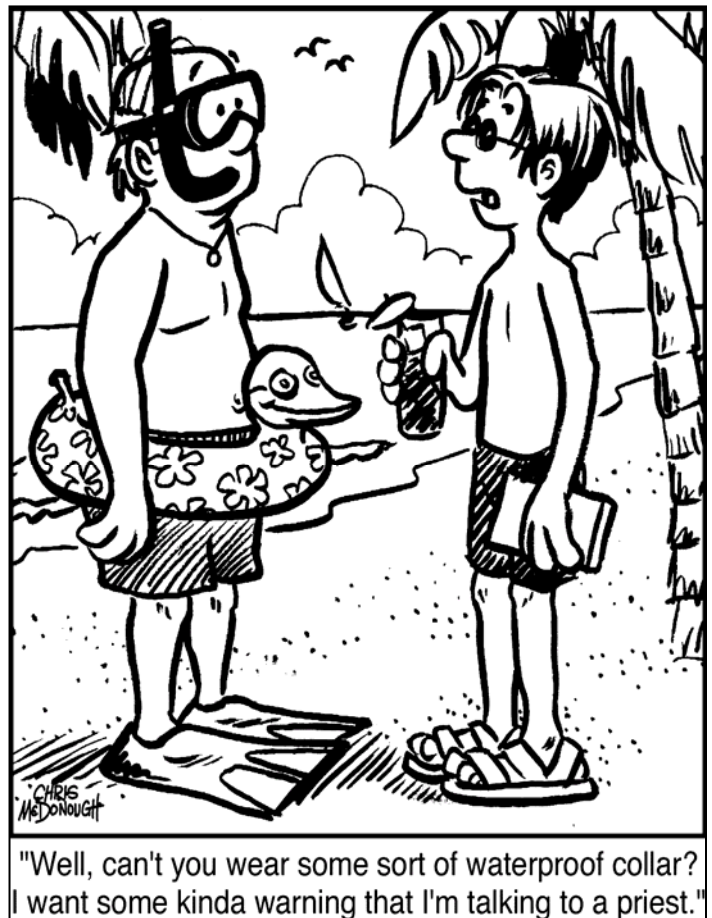
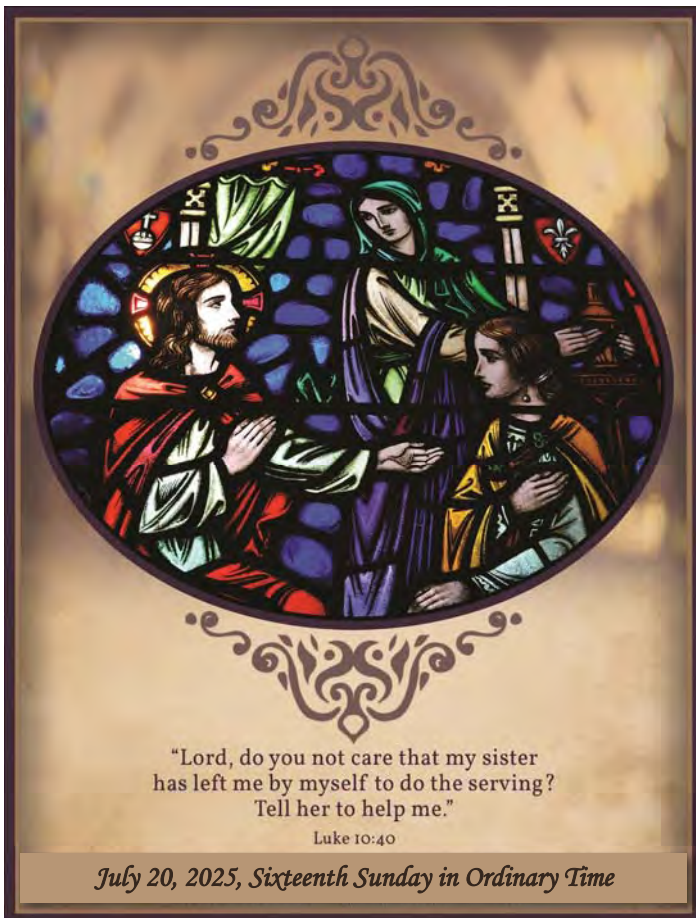
The basilica of Sainte-Anne-de-Baupré in Quebec is dedicated to Jesus' grandmother. You can take a virtual tour of the inside on its website. Like Mary's shrine at Lourdes, many people travel to Quebec and the church of St. Anne to pray for the grace of healing.

On the feast of St. Anne, try to connect with your grandparents. You can do that in many ways. Share with them the words you used to describe them. Remember a time you enjoyed spending with your them. Say a prayer thanking God for the blessing of your grandparents. If you didn't know your grandparents, ask a relative to tell you about them. Ask your parents about their grandparents, too.



## The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### Jesus Christ, Superstar

Imagine how you would feel if a very famous person asked you to stand right by her side during a highly publicized funeral. Calling on you in her time of greatest suffering and vulnerability, she asks you to share in her suffering. As media reports on the tragedy roll in, every photograph shows you standing side by side with your famous friend, grieving together. In the midst of sadness, you would probably feel honored to serve as such a close and trusted companion.

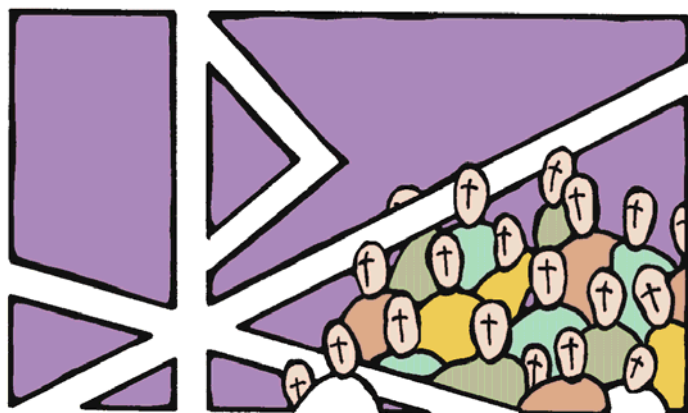
Jesus asks something like this from us. From time to time, the Lord asks us to accompany him in suffering. Often we postpone or reject the invitation, though, preferring health, security, and prosperity. God provides all good things, but here for a little while we are sometimes asked to suffer. And who asks us? Needy family members, people who are homeless, refugees drinking contaminated water, children with special needs, irritating coworkers—all of these people are stand-ins for Jesus, asking us to suffer with him.

### Jesus Knows Our Hearts

Abraham and Martha show us how to get busy tending to others' needs. Abraham orders up an impressive menu of fine food, selecting his best animal to slaughter and prepare. Abraham's visitors appreciate his attentive hospitality and reward him with long-awaited good news. When Martha bustles about preparing for her guest, however, she receives a gentle scolding. Jesus, who knows our hearts, senses anxiety, perhaps bitterness, in Martha.

Despite her good deeds, Martha pays more attention to her sister than to her guest. Our attention to Jesus is the one thing necessary. If anger, jealousy, or resentment distracts us from serving Jesus, then our work is empty. Saint Paul confirms this when he invites the Colossians to offer all their daily activities, even their suffering, to the Lord. The only thing lacking in Jesus' suffering is our own free choice to pay attention to him and share his suffering.

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## The Better Part

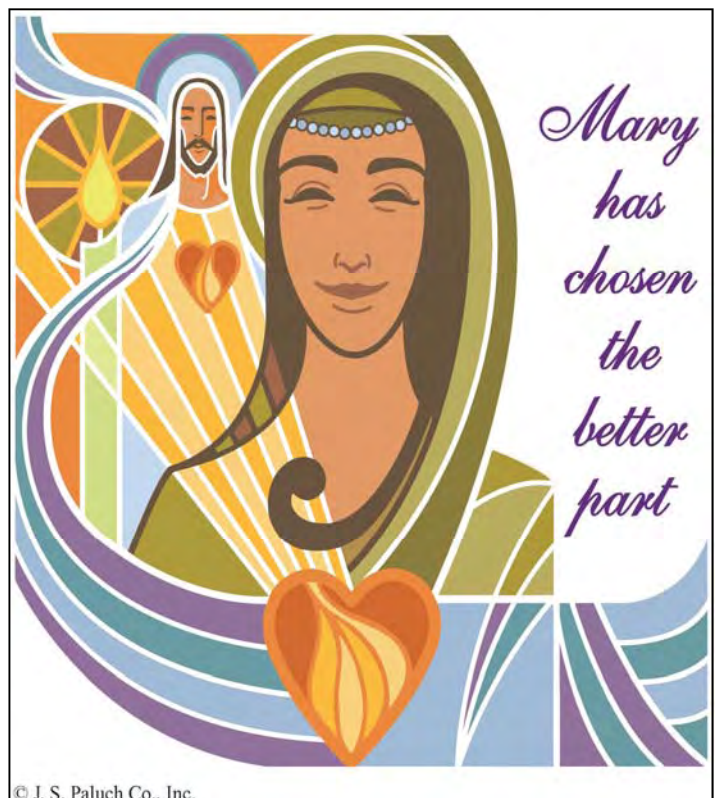


The Gospel for this Sunday can sometimes give the impression that Jesus favored Mary over Martha. But if they had both sat down to listen, there would have been no dinner to serve to Jesus. He wasn't just saying, "Sit down and listen." He meant that just as Mary was content to listen to him, so Martha could have been content to prepare the meal for him. Instead of thinking of her work as a gift to Jesus, she was more concerned with why Mary was not helping her. Remember the first reading, in which Abraham insisted on serving the visitors, whom he came to recognize as the Lord and two angels. He was rewarded with the assurance that he would soon have a son.

So simple acts of hospitality can also be how people can welcome the Lord into their homes. Paul reminds us in the second reading that Christ is in us; the church is the body of Christ. When we welcome someone into our homes as a visitor, or into our lives as a friend, we are also welcoming Christ. When we get to know someone better, we are also getting to know Christ. When we are respectful to people who help us, like the maintenance staff, the mail carrier, the waiter, we are also showing respect for the Lord.

And what about that "better part" that Mary had chosen? Are we sometimes like Martha, with too many things on our minds to be aware of the Lord? Sometimes we can't avoid the distractions that are part of life. But if we keep the Lord on our minds, we may be able to see which are distractions to be put aside and which are opportunities to serve the Lord in a different way. Sometimes kids interrupt when we're fixing dinner—maybe they need to be taught how to take care of things by themselves, or maybe they just need a few moments of attention. We can certainly ask the Lord to help us handle distractions. And as we spend more time with the Lord in prayer, we begin to experience God's peace, which gives us the ability to choose the better part.

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## Listen

The first reading tells of the “annunciation” of the birth of Isaac. It is profoundly mysterious, beginning with the appearance of the “three men.” This reading illustrates God’s active role in our history.

The second reading treats a universal experience—suffering. Paul sees suffering as the mark of discipleship. He finds joy in the suffering he endures because it is for the sake of the church. Through his preaching he hopes all people will come to accept Christ.

The Gospel paints a lovely picture of Jesus at rest among his friends. Luke has placed the incident right after the parable of the Good Samaritan. But lest “activism” be seen as the only path, we now hear Jesus’ call to sit quietly and listen to the word of God. We have to be like both of the sisters. Even in our harried and noisy world, there is an insistent call to sit back quietly and listen to Jesus.

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## Reflecting on God’s Word

Our readings pair up the story of Jesus coming to dine at Martha and Mary’s house with God coming to dine with Abraham and Sarah. And just as Abraham turned to Sarah for help in preparing the meal, Martha turns to her sister for a hand. After all, why should one person bear the burden of serving the Lord?

But Mary does not come into the kitchen, even after hearing her sister banging things around in there, perhaps a little more loudly than usual. Instead, she stays sitting at the foot of the Lord, listening to him. Martha, not one to keep her thoughts to herself, addresses directly the cause of her sister’s prolonged delay: “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving?” (Luke 10:40).

As a matter of fact, Jesus didn’t care. What he did care about was that Martha was all “anxious and worried about many things” (10:41). Jesus did not care about busy Martha but about worried and anxious Martha. Even more simply, what he cared about was Martha. Not the meal, not the table, not the time they ate, or whatever else was bothering her. He just cared about Martha—and Mary, too, of course. But he didn’t have to worry as much about Mary.

Perhaps we could consider this simply a story about Jesus visiting two very dear friends and wanting some time with them both, together. And if that was true then, why wouldn’t it be true now? If you find yourself worried and anxious these days, give yourself some time with the Lord.

~ James A. Wallace, C.S.S.R.

## Details, Details, Details...

Poor Martha. Patron saint of housewives, servants, waiters, and cooks. She complains to Jesus that her sister has left her to do all the work, and asks him to tell Mary to help her. If you are a stay-at-home parent, or caregiver, or work in a restaurant, you know what it is like to be constantly run off your feet. If you have extra people to take care of it is even worse. In Jesus’ time it was almost unheard of for a woman to sit as a disciple, rather than busying herself with cleaning and food preparation, so Martha’s aggravation is very understandable. But consider Jesus’ comment, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things” (Luke 10:41). It is a gentle rebuke. The “better part” chosen by Mary—to sit at the feet of the Teacher—does not make Mary superior to her sister, but instead shows that she sees the importance of listening to the Lord while he is still with them. Martha is aware of who Jesus is, as in another Gospel passage she acknowledges him as the Messiah (John 11:27), the only person other than Peter to say so directly. Here she has gotten lost in the details of being a hostess. There is a parallel in our lives as a church, for example, when we complain or argue about how the Eucharist is celebrated: the choir is too loud, Father’s homily was too long, altar servers shouldn’t wear sneakers to church, people are talking too much before Mass, and so on. When these details disrupt our attention and distract us from why we are here in the first place, we have become Marthas. We are here to be like Mary, focused on the Lord. Let’s give him our complete attention, along with our profoundest thanks.

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## Don’t Be Anxious

One can wonder how Luke’s Gospel passage today might have been different if Mary, not Martha, had been the one to complain to Jesus, if Mary had said “Lord, look at her! Here you are sharing your wisdom and all she can think about is supper.” Jesus may have noted, as Luke does, that Martha was burdened with much serving. Later in his writings, this same evangelist will describe in Acts how the early community set aside people whose ministry it is to see to the serving at table.

As a fully human person, Jesus knew the human needs that had to be tended. He doesn’t deny this, nor does he chastise Martha for her working in service. He chides her for being anxious and worried. How can Martha—or any of us—be anxious or worried about the serving that needs to be done when we do it in the context of the Lord’s will and wisdom? The Church has done more than any other institution to bear the heavy burdens of serving the ill, the uneducated, the suffering; has been “Martha” to countless of the little ones whom Christ told us were his very presence. But the Church has borne the burdens of service from the position of Mary: at the feet of the Lord, listening to and being guided by his word.

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## Treasures From Our Tradition

The French Revolution is hardly a “treasure” in our story, yet in 1789 it began to dismantle the way the world was organized: feudalism. The collapsed society had three basic divisions: those who work, those who fight, and those who pray. There wasn’t a great deal of movement among the ranks, yet one way to move out of the workers and the fighters was in the direction of the folks who prayed. These were the First Estate, the clergy. One of the key persons in any manor or village was the priest. He could read, at least a bit, and so was the source for pronouncements and news from government and Church. He was assigned to celebrate the sacraments frequently and in conformance with certain rules. Seminaries did not exist before the Reformation. Astute Protestant reformers then forced the Catholic world toward a more educated and able clergy. Before that, young men apprenticed with a priest to learn the essentials, and would be presented to the bishop for ordination. Other priests emerged from the university system, where students were required to be invested as clerics. Still others were monks, ordained not so much for ministry outside the monastic walls, but to offer Mass only for the intentions of the community’s benefactors.

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## Who Are You?

In today’s Gospel passage, Martha joins the ranks of her ancestors who freely contested the situations in which they found themselves. She doesn’t merely gripe about her sister’s laziness; she does it without restraint to the one she addresses as “Lord.” Her tone, “Do you not care?” is somewhat accusatory (Luke 10:40). She must have felt quite trusting of her relationship with her sister and her Lord, in order to address Jesus in such a forthright manner. Jesus does not hesitate to give her a straightforward reply. He doesn’t contradict the need for the serving that must be done. He would, in fact, one day imitate the servile hospitality of Abraham’s foot-washing. Martha had welcomed him, washed the feet at which Mary sat, as Abraham welcomed his visitors. She scurried for a meal, as did Sarah for her guests. All necessary, but her anxiety and worry kept her from “the better part” of knowing her sister and knowing Christ. May we all be a bit like Martha, ready to welcome, to bear the burden of serving, to call others to serve with us, but always, with Mary, in the assurance of those who sit attentively at the feet of the Lord.

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## Speak Up For Yourself

Rabbinic teaching notes that it is the characters who “stood up” to the Almighty who were most admired in scripture: Moses, who protested his tongue-tied inability to lead the Exodus; Job, who questioned the very will and wisdom of God; Abraham, who bartered for the saving of Sodom and Gomorrah; Sarah, who, just beyond the final verse of today’s first reading from Genesis, will chuckle at God’s fruitful covenant in the womb she believed barren. On the cross, Jesus himself would echo one of the most heaven-defying questions of the psalmist: “Why have you abandoned me?” And, while it may be easy to think of these defiant characters as being short on faith, the scriptures prefer to use their boldness to indicate the depths to which they trusted their relationship with God. Made in the image of their Creator, the people of Israel knew that every solid and intimate relationship should run the entire gamut of human emotions.

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## Watch Your Posture

Our posture is often a tip-off to our hospitality and reverence for the Lord. Note the actions of Abraham as he greeted the Lord in the presence of three men who appeared near his tent. He ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them. He bowed to the ground as he met them. He and Sarah, his wife, hastened to prepare a meal and bring food and water to their guests.

In the Gospel story, Jesus’ friend Mary sat at his feet in order to listen to him speak.

How do we welcome and reverence the Lord? What do our actions show? Do we remember the Lord’s presence in the Blessed Sacrament? How do we welcome the Lord in the scripture readings? How do we acknowledge his presence in our brothers and sisters, both at Mass and afterwards?

Whether we kneel, stand, or sit in the Lord’s presence, may our hearts and minds always be attuned to him.

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## Travelers Alert

Mass times and locations of Catholic Churches throughout the country are available at [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org).

The one who does  
justice will live  
in the presence  
of the Lord



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## ***The New Testament Canon: An Overview by Genre***

**Four Gospels:** authorship attributed to the four Evangelists; verbal portraits of Jesus written for various early Christian communities; similar to ancient biographies in form (but rather different from modern biographies!):

*The Synoptic Gospels:*

*Matthew*

*Mark*

*Luke*

*The Fourth Gospel:*

*John*



**One Acts:** a partial narrative account of the growth of the Early Church; a continuation of Luke's Gospel; contains historical materials, but is not a complete "history" of apostolic Christianity (at least not by modern historical standards):

*The Acts of the Apostles*

**Thirteen Letters attributed to Paul:** actual letters written by Paul (or his associates) to particular communities or individuals, concerning various local problems and issues:

*Letters sent to Christian communities in the following cities:*

*Romans*

*1 Corinthians*

*2 Corinthians*

*Galatians*

*Ephesians*

*Philippians*

*Colossians*

*1 Thessalonians*

*2 Thessalonians*

*Letters addressed to individual Christian leaders:*

*1 Timothy*

*2 Timothy*

*Titus*

*Philemon*



*Notes on the Pauline Letters:*

**1 Tim, 2 Tim, Titus** are usually called the "Pastoral Letters" since they are addressed to leaders or "shepherds" of Christian communities.

**Phil, Phlm, Col** are sometimes called "Prison Letters" since Paul evidently wrote them while in prison (Phil 1:7,13-14; Phlm 9-10; Col 4:3,10).

**Rom, 1 Cor, 2 Cor, Gal, Phil, 1Thess, Phlm** are often called the "Undisputed Letters," since most scholars agree they were written by Paul himself.

**Eph, Col, 2 Thess, and 1 Tim, 2 Tim, Titus** are often called the "Disputed" or "Deuteropauline Letters," since many scholars believe they were written by Paul's followers after his death, rather than by Paul himself.

**One Biblical Sermon:** interprets Jesus in light of the OT; sometimes attributed to Paul in the past, but neither the author nor the audience is explicitly mentioned:

*Hebrews*

**Seven Catholic Epistles or General Letters:** authorship attributed to other apostles (for whom they are named!); most not written to individual communities, but to broader audiences ("catholic" = "general, universal"):

*James*

*1 John*

*1 Peter*

*2 John*

*2 Peter*

*3 John*

*Jude*



**One Apocalypse:** A book containing seven short letters addressed to the "Churches of Asia," and a long series of highly symbolic "visions" attributed to a certain man named "John," culminating in the destruction of all evil and the establishment of "a new heaven and a new earth," and "the new Jerusalem."

*Revelation*

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[http://catholic-resources.org/Bible/NT\\_Canon.htm#Evangelists](http://catholic-resources.org/Bible/NT_Canon.htm#Evangelists)

## ***Saint Sharbel Makhluf (1828-1898)***

***July 24***

The convenience store owner chatted animatedly in Arabic with coworkers, but hardly at all with his "American" clientele. So soon after 9/11, he probably figured, with my accent, the less said, the better. That changed when an "American" customer recognized Saint Sharbel's portrait on the wall: "So you're Lebanese Maronites!" The owner was happily incredulous: "You know our saint?" "Not at first," the customer admitted. "But we help the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, and their magazine published that picture and called Sharbel the 'Paradoxical Artisan of Peace.'" "Everyone thinks we're Muslims," said the owner, "and some of my workers are. Saint Sharbel helps us live together in peace!" A hermit for twenty-three years, little is known of Sharbel's life. He died after suffering a stroke while celebrating the liturgy. Miracles attributed to his intercession number in the thousands, and in war-torn Lebanon, Catholics, Orthodox, and Muslims pray together where his incorrupt body is entombed. How lovely if after our passing, we too could be remembered for having brought very different people to the one God, together in peace.

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## ***Living Stewardship Now***

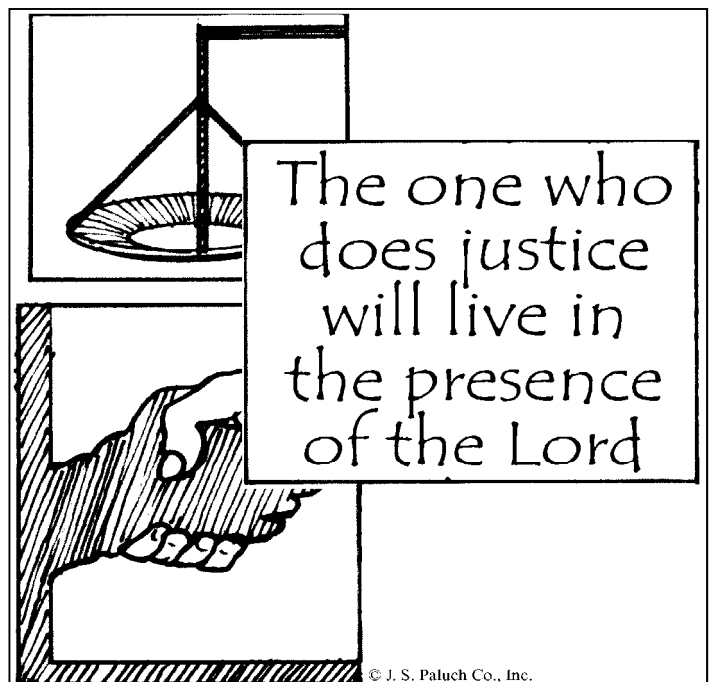
Develop the habit of thanking people whose work often goes unnoticed, such as supermarket cashiers, postal and delivery people, office cleaners, and fast-food servers.

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## ***Forgiveness***

To forgive is to set a prisoner free  
and to discover that the prisoner is *me*.

*~ Anonymous*



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# SAVE THE DATES!

## Come out and join us



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### June 21 – Sept. 14: Sistine Chapel Exhibition

The Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption will host an exhibition of Michaelangelo's Sistine Chapel. Ceiling paintings from the Sistine Chapel will be on display using high definition photos in order to allow visitors to engage in an unique way with the artwork. The exhibition showcases the awe and wonder of arguably one of mankind's greatest artistic achievements, while allowing its visitors to experience this art from an up-close, life-size and never-before-seen perspective. The exhibition will debut on Saturday, June 21, and run through Sunday, Sept. 14. For more information visit: <https://chapelstine.com/>.

### June 24: A Dialogue About Religious Freedom in California

Join the Office of Human Life & Dignity for an important discussion on the state of religious liberty in California, on June 24, at 7 p.m. at St. Raymond Catholic Church in Menlo Park, featuring Lance Christensen and Will Swaim from the California Policy Center. This evening will explore how religious freedom is being restricted through legislative and administrative means, and provide attendees with tools for advocacy and engagement. The evening includes fellowship, a panel discussion and a Q&A.

### June 27: Religious Persecution in Nicaragua: First-Person Accounts by Exiled Catholics

Join the Office of Human Life & Dignity on June 27 at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption's Event center for a powerful evening featuring testimony from exiled Nicaraguan Bishop Silvio José Báez and the Noguera Family, exiled Catholics who have experienced religious persecution in Nicaragua firsthand. Please come and hear their story and stand in solidarity with persecuted Christians around the world. 6 p.m. – Vespers with Bishop Silvio José Báez in the cathedral; 7 p.m. presentations in the event center. Light snacks and drinks.

### July 5–6: Veneration of Relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Mass with Archbishop Cordileone

Join St. Raphael Catholic Church in San Rafael for a two-day event honoring Blessed Carlo Acutis. On Saturday July 5, a relic of the heart of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be open for veneration between 9 a.m. – 8:30 p.m., with a pause for the Vigil Mass at 5 p.m. On Sunday, July 6, veneration will continue beginning at 12:30 p.m. and ending at 5 p.m. Archbishop Cordileone will celebrate the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, July 6.

### Aug. 15 – 16: Relics of St. Padre Pio at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Redwood City

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Redwood City invites you to venerate the relics of St. Padre Pio this August. On Aug. 15, veneration will take place from 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. with a Healing Mass taking place at 6 p.m. On Aug. 16, veneration will take place from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. with a Vigil Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio at 5 p.m.



*“Do everything for  
the glory of God.”*

1 Corinthians 10:31



## YOUR GIFTS CHANGE LIVES

Your gift to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal allows us to provide ministries, programs and services that benefit parishes and people throughout the Archdiocese of San Francisco. The Annual Appeal is an opportunity for all in the Archdiocese to come together as one community to support one another and everyone we serve.

*“For almost a quarter of a millennium, the Church in San Francisco has been a beacon of hope, spreading the light of Christ to all in our community. I ask you to be generous with your prayers and with your material support for the mission of the Church here in our Archdiocese.”*

ARCHBISHOP SALVATORE CORDILEONE



Photo by Brother Chris Garcia



## ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2025 GOAL: \$6,400,000

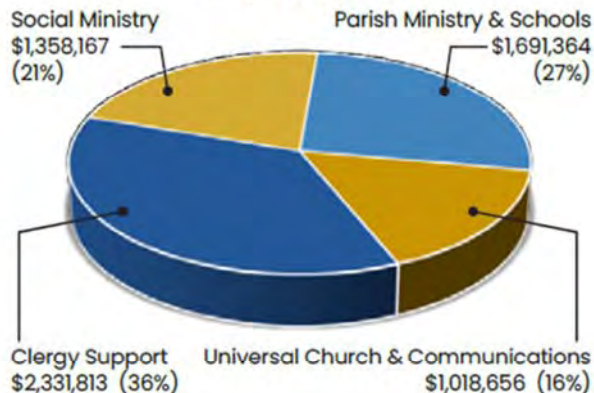


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## CHANCERY BUDGET FOR 2025 SOURCES OF INCOME: \$17,200,000

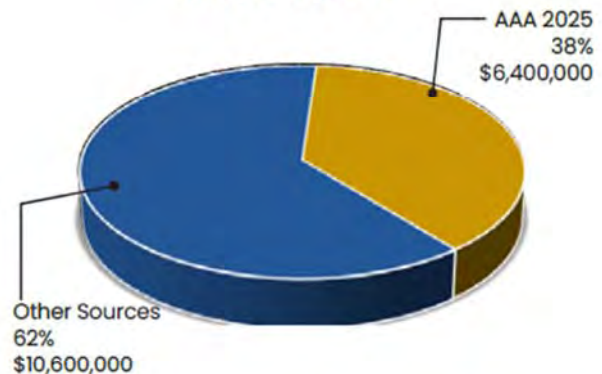


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### PARISH MINISTRY & SCHOOLS

The Archdiocese provides additional funding for its parish schools, varied educational programs, and financial aid. Supported offices and ministries include: Department of Pastoral Ministry, Faith Formation, Youth & Young Adult, Office of Worship, Marriage and Family Life, Teacher Incentive Grants, Alliance for Mission District Schools and Child and Youth Protection.

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Through its variety of social ministries, the Archdiocese is able to thoughtfully engage with its diverse communities. Supported offices and ministries include: Hospital Chaplains, the Tribunal, Youth and Young Adult Ministries, Human Life & Dignity, Prison Ministry, Ethnic Ministry, Chinese Ministry, Ministry for the Spanish Speaking, Filipino Ministry, Ecumenical and Interreligious Programs.

Hospital & Prison Chaplains • Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministries • Respect Life • Restorative Justice • Ecumenical & Interreligious Programs • Ministry Support in 22 Languages

### CLERGY SUPPORT

Clergy Support helps those who care for us. It supports priests, deacons and seminarians in their ministry. This ministry includes: Council of Priests, Vicar General, Vicar for Clergy, Clergy Education, Priests' Education Fund, Permanent Diaconate, Diaconate Formation, Office of Consecrated Life, Office of Vocations, Priests' Retirement Fund, Serra Clergy House and Priests' Elder Care.

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### UNIVERSAL CHURCH & COMMUNICATIONS

The Universal Church supports the larger work of the California Conference of Catholic Bishops, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Holy See. The Office of Communications provides internal constituent communications and external communications that fund media relations, public information and special projects.


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Finally, we will arrive in Rome, the center of the Catholic world. We will visit Vatican City, St. Peter's Basilica, and the Vatican Museums. See Michelangelo's original frescoes in the Sistine Chapel including the famous Last Judgment and the Creation of Man. The highlight of our visit will be an Audience with Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, if available.

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Padua

## DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

### **SAN FRANCISCO/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC**

**WED, NOV 5**

Depart San Francisco today and connect with your flight to Venice, arriving the following day.

### **ARRIVE VENICE**

**THU, NOV 6**

Your exciting pilgrimage begins as you arrive Venice today. Built on 118 small islands lying some four kilometers from the mainland, Venetian highways are made of water and the islands are linked by numerous and picturesque bridges. Upon arrival in Venice, transfer to your hotel. **(D)**

### **VENICE**

**FRI, NOV 7**

Enjoy your morning walking tour of Venice Island beginning with a visit of the Basilica San Marco in St. Mark's Square. See the Palace of the Doges, the Bridge of Sighs and the Rialto. The afternoon is at leisure to explore this captivating city on your own. **(B,D)**

### **VENICE/PADUA/FLORENCE**

**SAT, NOV 8**

Today drive to Padua where you will visit the Basilica of St. Anthony. Continue on through the serene Tuscan countryside to Florence, the cradle of Renaissance Art



Assisi



### VENICE/PADUA/FLORENCE

**SAT, NOV 8 — Continued**

and former stronghold of the Medici family. From Botticelli to Da Vinci, the city is unsurpassed in art treasures and the glory of its history. Continue to your hotel for overnight. **(B,D)**



### FLORENCE

**SUN, NOV 9**

Highlights of this morning's tour include the Piazza della Signoria, where the Neptune Fountain stands, the Church of Santa Croce, the Baptistery with its "Gates of Paradise" doors, and Giotto's Bell Tower. To top it all, visit the Academia, which houses Michelangelo's original statue of David. On to Piazzale Michelangelo for a panoramic view of the city and the Arno Valley. The afternoon is free in Florence to shop along the famous Ponte Vecchio and explore other Florentine delights.

**(B,D)**

### FLORENCE/ASSISI

**MON, NOV 10**

Drive south today through the mystical province of Umbria to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. Your walking tour includes the Basilica of St. Francis, still surrounded today by ancient walls, the Church of St. Clare and Santa Maria degli Angeli with its 'thornless rose bush.'

**(B,D)**

### ASSISI/ROME

**TUE, NOV 11**

Today's journey takes you to the Eternal City of Rome, where you will celebrate the Holy Year of Hope and receive the plenary indulgence. Located in the center of the Region of Lazio, Rome is a reflection of every era. The wonders of Rome surround you...a world of art, history and culture that has been attracting visitors since the beginning of Western civilization. Celebrate Mass at the Catacombs.

**(B)**

### ROME — PAPAL AUDIENCE

**WED, NOV 12**

This morning attend an Audience with Our Holy Father, Pope Francis (subject to Vatican scheduling). This

afternoon visit the Basilicas of St. Mary Major, St. John Lateran and St. Paul's outside the Walls. **(B,D)**

### ROME

**THU, NOV 12**

Your sightseeing tour this morning takes you to Vatican City including visits to the Vatican Museum and Gallery and the Sistine Chapel with Michelangelo's magnificent frescoes. End your morning tour at the Basilica of St. Peter. This afternoon enjoy a tour of "Ancient Rome" where you will see the mighty Colosseum and the Trevi Fountains. **(B)**

### ROME

**FRI, NOV 14**

Enjoy a full day at leisure in fascinating Rome. You may venture to some of the city's 400 churches, shop along the Via Veneto, people watch around the famous Spanish Steps, or relax at a trattoria.....the day is entirely yours to explore the city on your own. **(B)**

### ROME/SAN FRANCISCO

**SAT, NOV 15**

All too soon your pilgrimage is over as you board your flight back to San Francisco, arriving the same day. **(B)**

**(B) ~ Breakfast**

**(D) ~ Dinner**





### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit.

- A \$800 deposit is due with your reservation
- Final payment is due at NAWAS 130 days prior to departure date (June 28, 2025).\*

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# What does it mean to be Filipino Catholic?

## Youth Summer Workshop

Preserving, Promoting, & Celebrating the  
Filipino Cultures & Traditions

The Filipino Ministry of the Archdiocese of San Francisco is offering a **FREE** Youth Summer Workshop for those interested in learning about the Filipino Cultural Traditions in a fun and interactive way!



### Workshop Overview:

- Open to all parish Youth within ADSF, ages 12 to 17
- Parental consent & waiver required to attend
- Two Workshop Sessions to choose from (Saturday Sessions)
- Parade Preparation and Practice (all participants invited)
- **Johnny Veloso**, Cultural Director Pistahan Parade & Professional Choreographer will be teaching the Festival Dance for the Pistahan Parade

#### **WORKSHOP 1:**

**May 10 | 10am to 1pm**

Mater Dolorosa Church, South San Francisco

**May 17, 31 and June 7 | 10am to 1pm**

Saint Bruno Church, San Bruno

#### **WORKSHOP 2:**

**June 14 and 2 | 10am to 1pm**

Saint Bruno Church, San Bruno

**July 12 | 1pm to 4pm**

**July 19 | 10am to 1pm**

Our Lady of Mercy Church, Daly City

#### **PARADE PREPARATION & PRACTICE**

(ALL PARTICIPANTS):

**July 26 and August 2 | 11am to 4:30pm**

St. Robert Church, San Bruno

#### **PISTAHAN PARADE:**

Saturday, August 9 in San Francisco

(More info to follow)



Participants will engage in a collective faith journey together to explore their identity as a Filipino Catholic through food, faith sharing and creative expression. Learn the origin and purpose of these popular Philippine Festivals: Sinulog Festival, Ati-Atihan Festival, and Masskara Festival.



The Youth Summer Workshop will culminate by participating in the **32nd Annual Pistahan Parade on Saturday, August 9 in San Francisco**. The youth will be invited to participate in the parade to showcase the cultural dance they have learned and the costumes they will be making during the workshop.

**Limited space. Register Today!**

Scan QR Code (first come, first served basis)



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# MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

## Hope & Healing: Raising Mental Health Awareness and Cultivating the Healing Power of Hope

**JULY 27, 2025 | 2pm to 5pm | Saint Augustine Parish Hall**

According to CDC, **Mental Health is a state of well-being** that enables us to cope with the stresses of life, realize our abilities, learn well and work well, and contribute to our community. Mental health is important at every stage of life, from childhood and adolescence through adulthood and aging. **Hope and healing are essential components of recovery from mental health challenges.** Fostering hope, through supportive environments and positive self-care practices, can significantly improve mental well-being and promote healing.

As a faith community, **Saint Augustine parish** is helping raise awareness and helping change the conversation around mental health. Join us for a **FREE** workshop to learn more about:

- **Mental health challenges and ways for cultivating hope in daily life**
- **Recognize the signs and symptoms of depression, anxiety, and dementia, its treatments and when to seek professional help**
- **Caring for loved ones with dementia and their caregivers**
- **Creating a community of hope (community resources)**



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### Register by July 20

Go online using the link below:

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Scan the QR Code  
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(650) 873-2282



# HOLY MASS IN HONOR OF THE FEAST OF DIVINE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD AT THE SAN QUENTIN REHABILITATION CENTER

THE MASS WILL BE OFFICIATED BY FATHER ARMANDO GUTIERREZ  
OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO.

## AUGUST 8, 2025

### Faith, Commemoration, and Redemption

The Holy Mass is offered in remembrance of lives lost to violence and in solidarity with those seeking redemption within the prison system. It is a time of prayer, healing, rehabilitation, and unity—rooted in the principles of restorative justice and the belief in second chances.



After the Mass, there will be traditional Salvadoran food, guest speakers, and folkloric dances from Central and South America.

We deeply appreciate your financial contributions to support this celebration of faith with the prisoners at the San Quentin Rehabilitation Center.

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# SANTA MISA EN HONOR A LA FIESTA DEL DIVINO SALVADOR DEL MUNDO EN EL CENTRO DE REHABILITACIÓN DE SAN QUENTIN

LA MISA SERA OFICIADA POR EL PADRE ARMANDO GUTIERREZ  
DE LA ARQUIDIOCESIS DE SAN FRANCISCO

## 8 DE AGOSTO DE 2025

### Fe, Conmemoración y Redención

La Santa Misa se ofrece en memoria de las vidas perdidas a causa de la violencia y en apoyo a quienes buscan redención dentro de las prisiones. Este es un evento de oración, sanación, rehabilitación, unidad, fundamentado en los principios de la justicia restaurativa y la creencia en las segundas oportunidades.

#### !DONA AQUÍ!



Después de la Misa, habrá comida tradicional de El Salvador, oradores invitados y danzas folclóricas de América Central y del Sur.

Agradecemos profundamente sus contribuciones económicas para apoyar esta celebración de fe con los prisioneros en el centro de rehabilitación de San Quintín.

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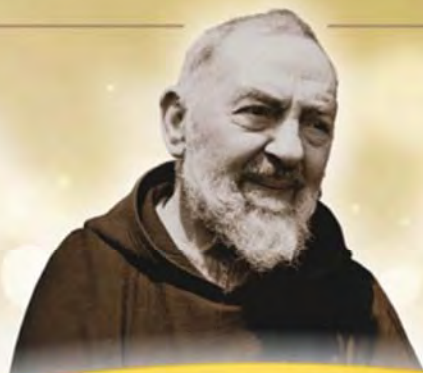
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300 Fulton Street, Redwood City, CA 94062

### 2-day Visit of the Relics of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

August 15 and 16, 2025

#### August 15, Friday

- 1:00PM - Starting time of public veneration
- 6:00PM - Healing Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio followed by the imposition of the hands for healing
- 8:00PM - Ending time of public veneration

#### August 16, Saturday

- 1:00PM - Starting time of public veneration
- 5:00PM - Vigil Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina
- 8:00PM - Ending time of public veneration

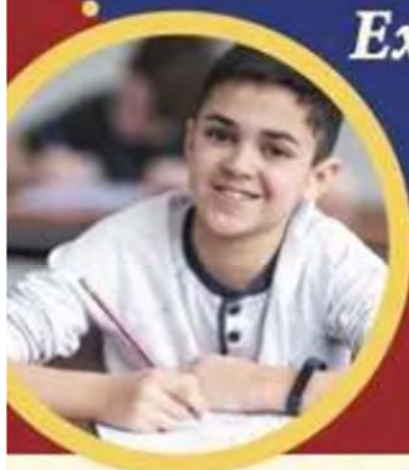




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**Location: Star of the Sea Church Auditorium**

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The winners will be announced at the San Francisco Archdiocese Filipino Ministry Gala on October 5, 2025. The 1st prize winners will be invited to the gala to read an excerpt from their winning essays.



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# 13th ANNUAL GALA

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Dinner Ticket: \$100 ★ Raffle Ticket: \$20

1st Prize: \$3,000 | 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$2,000 | 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$1,000

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## FAITH, HEALING AND EMPOWERMENT

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The Restorative Justice Crime Survivors Retreat is a safe space of healing, specially created for families who have lost a loved one to homicide. This retreat offers participants a chance to strengthen their faith, cultivate courage, and tap into their inner resilience. In addition to fostering spiritual growth, attendees will find moments of peace, gain renewed perspective, and embrace a sense of grace. Surrounded by others who share similar experiences, they will build connections, exchange wisdom, and support one another. By the retreat's end, participants will emerge feeling spiritually renewed, empowered, and equipped with newfound clarity to navigate life's challenges ahead.

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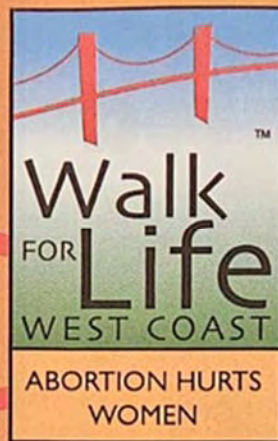
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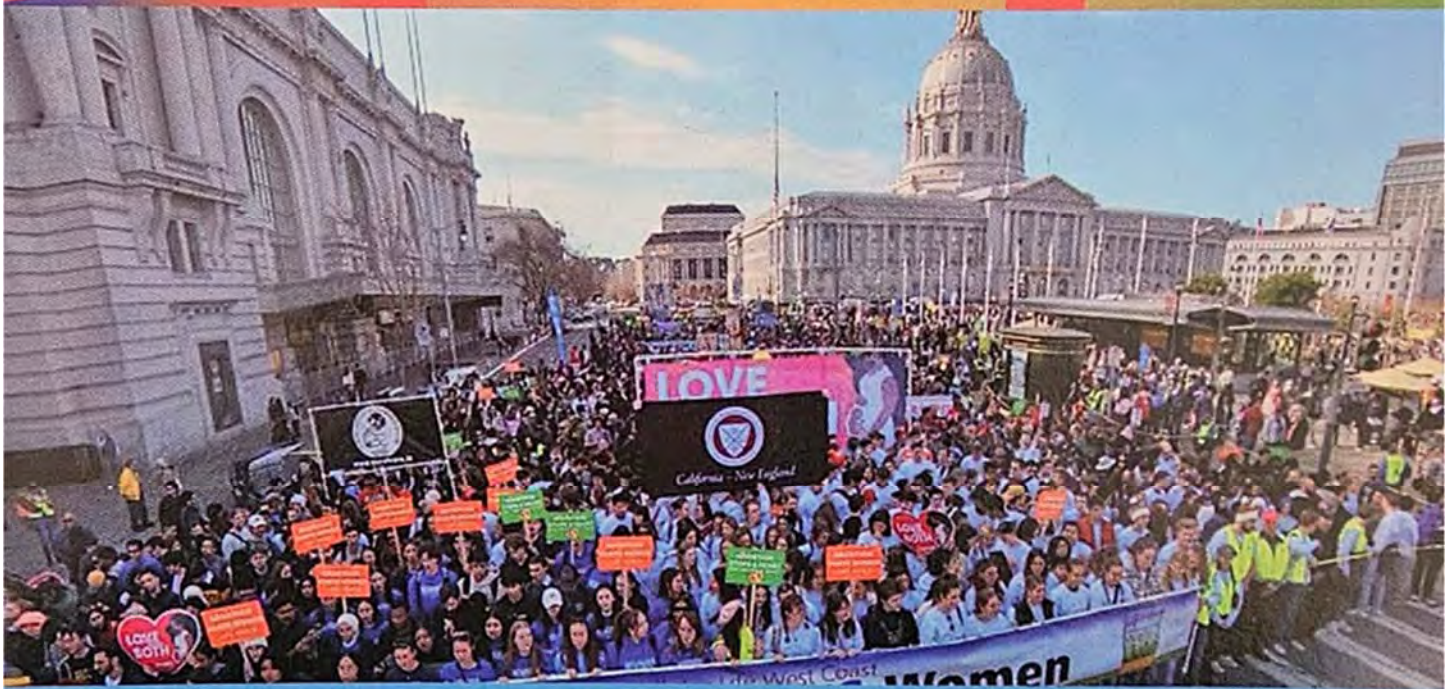
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**27 January | Arrival in Cebu**

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 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**

Breakfast at the hotel. Free day. Optional activities to be offered.

- Balicasag Island Tour
- 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 Ilustrado 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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:msantos@usccb.org)
- Paul Jarzembowski, Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth, [pjarzembowski@usccb.org](mailto:pjarzembowski@usccb.org)







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

*Alma Raymundo  
Judy Labaria  
Anonymous*



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

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



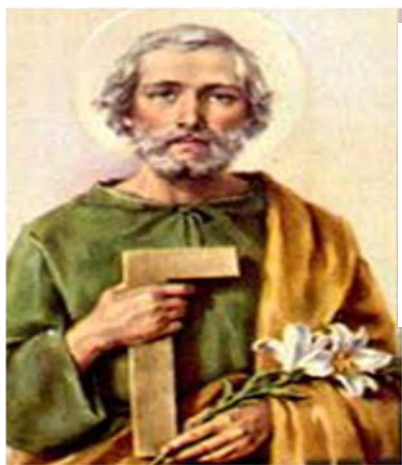
***Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help  
Devotion***  
(every Tuesday  
after the  
12:10 Mass)

*Raya & Gamboa  
Families*



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

*Fe Macatangay  
Jeanette Chafe*



***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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:Matt.Dorsey@sfgov.org).

Best,

*Matt Dorsey*

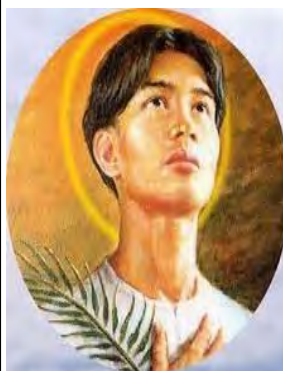


*Our Lady  
of Guadalupe*

*Feast Day  
December 12*



*St. Pedro Calungsod  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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*