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Reverend Silverio Espenilla, Jr., Pastor Reverend Dominic Obour, In Residence

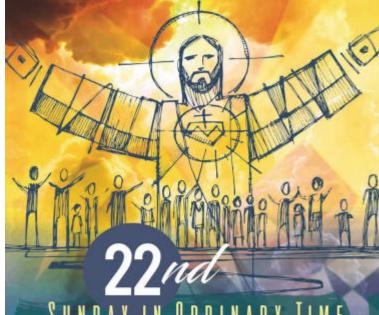
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AUGUST 29, 2021 - TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SIND I R D - I N

"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:15

"Nada que entre de fuera puede manchar al hombre; lo que sí lo mancha es lo que sale de dentro". - Mc 7, 15

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AMASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass	Monday thru Saturday 7:30 am , <i>except</i> on Wednesday, 8:30 am	
Weekend Mass Schedule		
Saturday	5:00 pm (English) Sunday Liturgy	
Sunday	8:00 am (English), 10:00 am (English)	
	1:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 p.m. (English)	
11000	DEVOTIONS	
Tuesdays	Mother of Perpetual Help Novena after	
REAL PROPERTY.	the 7:30 am Mass	
Wednesdays	Our Patroness Saint Rita, after the	
	8:30 am Mass	
Lent	Stations of the Cross, Fridays	
The second s	5:00 pm (English) 6:00 pm (Spanish)	

Friday

ADORATION 1st Friday of the Month after the 5:30 pm Mass

Saturday

CONFESSIONS 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION 7:30am; 9:00am; 5:30pm

BAPTISMS Parents please contact the rectory office.

4th Saturday of the Month 4th Sunday of the Month

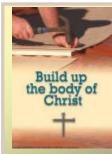
11:00 am (English) 2:15 pm (Spanish)

Baptismal Preparation Class: Parents must contact the Rectory office to register.

WEDDINGS Please advise at least nine months in advance. **Contact the Rectory for requirements.**

Follow us on Facebook: (www.facebook.com/stritasd)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS & ORGANIZATIONS/MINISTRIES



Altar Society

Boy Scout Troop 486

Every 3rd Friday, 6:00 pm

Legion of Mary (Men's)

Legion of Mary (Women's)

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm (Sept.-March)

(Both in English and Spanish)

Peter Claver Court 384 Knights - 3rd Sunday, 9:00 am

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm

Mondays, 10:00 am

Tuesdays, 4:00 pm

Men's Club

The mission of the Parish Family of St. Rita is to "inspire and engage our diverse faith community through Catholic formation in prayer, study and service in order to build God's kingdom, present and future."

St. Rita Ministries/Groups

All ministry meetings are currently suspended

1st Sunday of month, after 8:00 am Mass

C.C.D. (During School Year) Preschool - 12

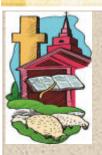
RCIA/Inquiry Class (now on Zoom)

Filipino-American Community

Healing and Comfort Ministry

We want to take a moment to extend a very warm welcome to everyone visiting us for the first time. Whether you are just passing by or are searching for a place to worship, we are delighted to have you here! If you are new to our parish or have not registered with us, we encourage you to stop by our office so we can assist you in making St. Rita your parish home. Please feel free to browse through our bulletin. Should you

have any questions, please call us at 619/264-3165.



Adult Choir Children's Choir Folk Choir Gospel Mission Choir Samoan Choir Soloist Voices in Praise <u>Ministry of the Word (Lectors)</u> stritaslectors@gmail.com <u>Eucharistic Ministry</u> stritaministers@gmail.com <u>Altar Serving Ministry</u> stritaaltarservers@gmail.com

Choir Schedule

5th Sunday at 8am 1st Sunday at 8am Sundays at 5pm Sundays at 10am 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 5pm 4th Sunday at 8am 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 8am 1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays at 5pm



MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8:00am - 4:00pm Closed for Lunch 12-1pm SATURDAY & SUNDAY CLOSED



INTRODUCTION TO TODAY'S READINGS

Everyone needs to explore their own heart. It is there that the world is changed, because it is in the human heart that evil begins and that evil can be brough to an end.

First Reading Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-8

The laws of God are a sign of God's presence and offer us God's life. Second Reading James 1:17-18. 21-22. 27 Goodness is all gift, because all goodness comes from God as a gift. Gospel Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

The Gospel is concerned with uncovering what is hidden, especially the secrets of the human heart.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK -



INVITE PARISHIONERS TO REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE First Reading: As Moses prepared the Israelites to settle and live in the Promised Land he urged them to stay close to God's commandments and statutes in order to become a "great nation." Why do you think so many nations stray from this idea? **Second Reading:** In the opening verses of his letter, James urges his readers to be "doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves." Why do you think this is wise advice?

Gospel: In returning to the Gospel of Mark, we hear today how the religious leaders from Jerusalem questioned Jesus about keeping "the tradition of the elders." Jesus responded with the importance of being clean of heart. Why is this such a challenging spiritual exercise?

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

MASS

Saturday, August	1 28:	
5:00 p.m.	Scottie Valderrama	
Sunday, August 2		
8:00 a.m.	Apolinario & Dionisia Tuso †	
0.00 4.111.	Romulo & Yolanda Salabania †	
	Wilfredo Tuso, Sr. †	
	Isaias Tuso †	
10:00 a.m.	ST. RITA'S PARISHIONERS	
10.00 a.m.	Randy & Brenda Glover	
	50th Wedding Anniversary	
	Monsignor Francis Pattison †	
	Patzie Jimenez †	
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and the second second	Alejandro Guardiana †	
	Richard & Lupe Garcia †	
	Ralph & Jose Garcia †	
	Raul Hermida †	
1 2 2 2 1	Gregorio Pingol †	
a line start of the	Manuel Azunar †	
1:00 p.m.	Pedro & Olimpia Martinez †	
Same Cart	All Souls in Purgatory †	
and the second second	Felipe Toscano †	
	Birthday Remembrance	
	Martha Aguilar †	
and that a co	Maria Alvarez †	
	Lilliana Muñoz †	
	Ernestina Muñoz †	
	Kimberly Ramirez-Happy Birthe	
Monday, August		
7:30 a.m.	Maria Mora †	
	1st Death Anniversary	
	Rogelio & Elizabeth Ortiz †	
	Catalina Tuso †	
and the second second	Catherine T. Baun †	
	Lynard Tanjoco †	
	Enrique D. Blanco-Happy Birthe	
Tuesday, August		
7:30 a.m.	Ramona Clemente	
/.00	Happy 87th Birthday	
Thursday, Septer		
	Leo & Anna Mae Roy †	
/.00	Michelle Jane Devor †	
	Rodolfo Reyes, Sr. †	
Friday, Septemb		
7:30 a.m.	Marie Dailey †	
Saturday, Septen		
7:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory †	
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Monday, September 6th, is Labor Day.

There will be ONE Mass at 7:30 a.m. Please note that the Parish Office will be **CLOSED**.

PRAYER REQUESTS

LORD, hear our prayer for the sick members of

our community: Sandy Pezdek, Carmen Rubio, Cecilia Hampton, Bill Grosventre, Oscar Julien, Norma Papasin, Michelle Morales, Girlie Dela Rosa, Consolacion Andrada, Gilbert Marquez, Rose Mangosing, Robert del Rosario, Anna Reyes, Florida Pickens, Marie Catalan, Milagros Catindig, Janis Williams, Earline Julien, Frank Marquez, Edwina Recasner, Larry Baker, Salud Magno, Vera Fredrick, Tom Gallagher, Santiago Reyes, Peggy Clark, Daniel Corpuz, Virginia Abalos, Lucia Ayala, Julia LeBlanc, Scott Micel Boettcher, Renses Virk, Dulia Lamphear, Nathalie del Rosario, Teresa Orasco, Hilda Naceari, Alanis Reyes, Teri del Rosario, Phyllis Hooker, Adrian Max Ruiz, Ramon Gonzalez-Arce, Robert Mottox, Gary Lamphear, Rosa Lunardoni, Vanessa Virk, Noel Fernandez, Corazon Pagkatipunan, Renato Pizaro, Vanessa Bain, Sonia Estela Jaurigui, Abelino Vieyra, Maria Mata, Raquel Artates, and Adrian Max Ruiz, Steve & Plaridel Lara. May they experience comfort and healing. To add names to the list, please call 619/264-3165.

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE



For the safety of our youngest volunteers, Altar Servers are temporarily suspended from serving during Mass.

Thank you for your dedication and understanding.



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Are you interested in assisting the priest during Mass by serving as a Lector, Eucharist Minister, or a member of our Hospitality Ministry (Ushers)? If

you are called to serve, please contact us. We are in need of new members in all ministries.

Those interested in becoming a Lector may contact *Mike Martin at stritalectors@gmail.com* and those interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister may contact Alexy at stritaministers@gmail.com.



Those interested in becoming a Hospitality Minister (Usher), please contact the office at 619-264-3165.





Friday, September 3rd, will be the First Friday of the month. We have an additional evening Mass at 5:30pm followed by our monthly Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament.

Spend a Holy Hour with **Jesus during Adoration**

Jesus wants you to do more than to go to mass on Sunday. "Our communal worship at mass must go together with our personal worship of Jesus in Eucharistic adoration in order that our love may be com-

plete." (Pope John Paul) www.catholicnewsagency.com.

First Friday of the month after the 5:30pm Mass.

PARISH NEWS

UPDATED protocols when attending Mass and other Liturgy Celebrations:



•Please wear face mask (mandatory) •Kindly use hand sanitizers



Help us limit the spread of

RISK Attend Mass when you and other family members are healthy and do not atten Mass if you have the following:

1. Fever, cough or shortness of breath

2.Has traveled internationally in the last 14 days 3.Has known exposure to someone diagnosed with Covid-19

The Church is now back at full capacity per mass & other liturgy celebrations.



Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to our 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal participants thus far.

Your support has helped us reach our assessment for the year. Remember, any amount over the assesment stays in our Parish. If you have not donated toward this important annual appeal, we ask you to reconsider. It is not too late!

ACA Report as of August 12, 2021

Parish Assessment: Total Paid to date: Amount over our assessment:	\$11,000.00 \$20,802.00 \$ 9,802.00
# of Registered Families:	1610
# of Families who participated:	130

You may send in your donation to the rectory office or go to www.sdcatholic.org. If you have any questions, please call the office at 619/-264-3165.



THE FEAST OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ DE MANILA

The Filipino-American Community of St. Rita's Church (FACSR) invites all parishioners to join us as we gather in observance of

the 2021 Feast of San Lorenzo. San Lorenzo Ruiz is the patron saint of Filipino youth, the Philippines, people working overseas, and altar servers. Our parish celebration (9-day novena) will begin on Thursday, September 2nd and conclude on Friday, September 10th.

Parish Novena Schedule:

Daily after the 7:30am EXCEPT Wednesday, September 8th, after the 8:30am Mass Sunday, September 5th, after the 8:00am Mass.

> The Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz **Diocesan wide celebration**

Saturday, September 11, 2021, 9:00am Santa Sophia Catholic Church 9800 San Juan St, Spring Valley Main Celebrant: Bishop Robert W. McElroy

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Give it all Back—Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity – on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery.

But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, allloving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive?

Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls.

Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense?

The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs?

Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it - that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you that's justice. - Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS @LPi

Readings for the week of August 29, 2021

Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12,
	13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/
	Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/
	Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk
	5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk
	6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas
	2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



Are you a young adult or adult baptized Catholic and looking to receive your First Communion and/or Confirmation? Are you of another faith, or no faith and are looking to explore the Catholic Faith? RCIA IS FOR YOU! We are now taking enrollment for our Fall classes.

Please call our Religious Education Office at 619/264-4399 for registration information.

Courtesy Announcement from the Diocese.-Please be advised that Fr. Jose Maldonado, a priest from the Diocese of Izabal, Guatemala has been exercising priestly ministry in the Diocese of SD. Fr. Maldonado does not have faculties nor permission to engage in any form of ministry here. Parishioners should not engage in any activities with Fr. Maldonado.

SCHOOL, YOUTH MINISTRY AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



St. Rita's School News

Dear Jesus, Thank you for the gift of learning! I want to grow closer to you in everything I do at school. In math and science, help me to see your beautiful plan in the world. Help me to discover new stories and values as I read and write. In arts and music, help me to be creative. In sports, help me to

treat my teammates and my opponents fairly. Help me to learn new skills in technology. Jesus, you are the perfect teacher. Help me to listen with open ears, an open heart, and an open mind to all my teachers at school. Help me to treat my classmates with care, kindness, and respect. Thank you, Jesus,

for school! Amen. Our 2021-2022 school year has begun! Welcome back all returning families and a very warm welcome to all our new families!





We are now registering for our 2021-2022 Religious Education (CCD) classes.



REGISTRATION

Religious Education Office hours

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 10:00am to 5:00pm 10:30am to 3:30pm 10:30am to 4:30pm

Religious Education Office 619/264-4399.



Calling ALL Youths!

Come and be a part of St. Rita's Youth Ministry. Here you will meet new friends,

learn more about your Catholic faith, and ponder the question as to why you are here on earth. You will also prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Youth group gatherings will start on Sunday, September 12, 2021. All are welcome!

Registration office hours are Sunday and Monday, from 9am to 2pm.

If you have any questions, please call Youth Minister, Mrs. DeBorah Green, at 619/263-2708 or via email at stritaym_2021@outlook.com.



NOTICIAS DE LA ESCUELA

Querido Jesús, iGracias por el don de aprender! Quiero acercarme a ti en todo lo que hago en

la escuela. En matemáticas y ciencias, ayúdame a ver tu hermoso plan en el mundo. Ayúdame a descubrir nuevas historias y valores mientras leo y escribo. En artes y música, ayúdame a ser creativo. En el deporte, ayúdame a tratar a mis compañeros y mis oponentes justamente. Ayúdame a aprender nuevas habilidades en tecnología. Jesús, eres el maestro perfecto. Ayúdame a escuchar con los oídos abiertos un corazón abierto y una mente abierta a todos mis profesores en la escuela. Ayúdame a tratar a mis compañeros con cariño, amabilidad y respeto.

iGracias, Jesús, por la escuela! Amén. © LPi

Nuestro año escolar 2021-22 ha dado inicio, Le damos la bienvenida a las familiar que han regresado y a todoas las nuevas. Esta es su casa!





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DEPARTAMENTO DE CATECISMO

Horarios de la Oficina Martes 10:00 A 5:00 PM Miércoles 10:30 am a 3:30 pm Jueves 10:30 am a 4:30 pm

> <u>Teléfono:</u> 619) 264-4399



iLlamando a TODOS los jóvenes!

Ven y sé parte del Ministerio Juvenil de Santa Rita. Aquí conocerás nuevos ami-

gos, aprenderás más sobre tu fe católica y meditarás la pregunta de por qué estás aquí en la tierra?. **También te prepararás para recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación. Las reuniones de grupos de jóvenes comenzarán el domingo 12 de septiembre de 2021. Todos son ¡Bienvenido!**

Horas de oficina

Domingo y lunes: de 9 am a 2 pm Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a la directora del departamento, Sra. DeBorah Green, al 619 / 263-2708 por correo electrónico a stritaym_2021@outlook.com.

NOTICIAS HISPANAS

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Primera lectura Deuteronomio 4: 1-2. 6-8

Las leyes de Dios son un signo de la presencia de Dios y nos ofrecen la vida de Dios.

Segunda lectura Santiago 1: 17-18. 21-22. 27 La bondad es todo don, porque toda bondad viene de Dios como don.

Evangelig Marcos 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

El Evangelio se ocupa de descubrir lo que está oculto, especialmente los secretos del corazón humann.



La misión de la Familia Parroquial de San-ta Rita es inspirar y comprometer a nuestra diversa comunidad de fe a través de la forma-ción católica en la oración, el estudio y el ser-vicio a fin de construir el Reino de Dios, presente y futuro.





Bienvenidos! Queremos aprovechar un momen-to para dar una cálida bienvenida El Señor los Bendiga a todos los que nos visitan por primera vez. Ya sea que esté pasando o busque un lugar para adorar,

jestamos encantados de tenerlo aquí! Si eres nuevo en nuestra parroquia o no te has registrado con nosotros, te animamos a que pases por nuestra oficina para que podamos ayudarte a hacer de St. Rita tu hogar parroquial.



LA FIESTA DE SAN LORENZO RUIZ **DE MANILA**

La Comunidad Filipino-Americana de la Iglesia de Santa Rita (FACSR) invita a todos los feligreses a unirse con ellos durante la celebración de la Fiesta de San Lorenzo 2021. San Lorenzo Ruiz es el santo patrón de la juventud filipina, las Filipinas, las personas que trabajan en el extranjero y los monaguillos. Nuestra celebración parroquial (novena de 9 días) comenzará el jueves 2 de septiembre y concluirá el viernes 10 de septiembre.

Horario de la Novena:

Diariamente después de las 7:30 am EXCEPTO Miércoles 8 de septiembre, después de la misa de las 8:30 am Domingo 5 de septiembre, después de la misa de las 8:00 am.



Todo el mundo necesita explorar su propio corazón. Allí es donde el

mundo cambia, porque está en el corazón humano que el mal comienza y que el mal puede terminar.

ANUNCIO DE ETIQUETA Recuerde que nuestro celebrante es ultimo en entrar y el primero en salir



ANUNCIOS DE LA SEMANA

Primera Lectura Mientras Moisés preparaba a los israelitas para establecerse y vivir en la Tierra Prometida, los instó a permanecer cerca de los mandamientos y estatutos de Dios para convertirse en una "gran nación". ¿Por qué crees que tantas naciones se desvían de esta idea?

Segunda Lectura En los primeros versículos de su carta, Santiago insta a sus lectores a que "pongan en práctica esa palabra y no se limiten a escucharla, engañándose a ustedes mismos." ¿Por qué crees que este es un buen consejo?

Evangelio Volviendo al Evangelio de Marcos, escuchamos hoy cómo los líderes religiosos de Jerusalén cuestionaron a Jesús acerca de mantener "la tradición de sus mayores." Jesús respondió con la importancia de tener un corazón limpio. ¿Por qué es este un ejercicio espiritual tan desafiante?



R.I.C.A. (RITO DE INICIACION CATOLICA PARA ADULTOS)

Se hace la invitación a todos aquellos adultos que por razones diferentes no han sido Bautizados, hecho su

Primera Comunión y/o Confirmación, que quisieran recibir estos sacramentos y establecer una relación con Cristo en la iglesia católica. El programa de RICA esta recibiendo inscripciones,

comuníquese al: 619) 264-4399 . Para mas información.



La misa del primer viernes de cada mes a las 5:30 pm. se ha reanudado, los invitamos a asistir a la misa el día 3 de septiembre del 2021.

Inmediatamente después de la misa, pase una hora con Jesús durante la adoración! Jesús quiere que hagas más que ir a misa el domingo. "Nuestra adoración comunitaria en la misa debe ir de la mano con nuestra adoración personal a Jesús en la adoración eucarística para que nuestro amor sea completo". (Papa Juan Pablo) ww.catholicnewsagency.com



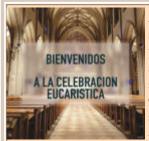
EL LUNES 6 DE SEPTIEMBRE ES EL DÍA DEL TRABAJO

Habrá UNA Misa a las 7:30 a.m.

Tenga en cuenta que la oficina parroquial estará CERRADA.

Tenemos un anuncio especial de la Diócesis de San Diego: Les queremos informar que el Padre José Maldonado, sacerdote de la Diócesis de Izabal, en Guatemala ha estado ejerciendo ministerio sacerdotal en la Diócesis de San diego. El Padre Maldonado no tiene facultad ni permiso de la Diócesis de San Diego para ejercer ningún tipo de ministerio dentro de nuestra diócesis. Cabe señalar que ha asistido a varios movimientos apostólicos y grupos parroquiales de habla hispana. Feligreses no veden participar en ninguna actividad con el Padre Maldonado. Gracias.

NOTICIAS HISPANAS



Ahora que los contagios del Covid-19 y sus variantes se han multiplicado, les pedimos siga las siguientes reglas de seguridad:

 \Rightarrow MASCARA FACIAL Y EL USO DE GEL DESINFECTANTE ES (Obligatorio) YA NO TENEMOS QUE SENTARNOS A SEIS PIES DE DISTANCIA.

POR FAVOR. PONGA ATENCIÓN SI USTED TIENE ESTOS SÍNTOMAS Y QUÉDESE EN CASA:

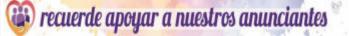
- Fiebre, tos o siente que no puede respirar.
- Ha viajado internacionalmente en los últimos 14 días.
- Tiene contacto con alguien diagnosticado con Covid19

La iglesia esta abierta el 100% de su cupo total para asistir a la misa, siéntase bienvenido a la celebración Eucarística.



DONACIONES CONSIDERE HACER SU DONACION EN LÍNEA! ¡Nuestra parroquia está agradecida por su continuo apoyo! ¡GRACIAS!

Visite stritasd.weconnect.com y haga clic en el enlace Donaciones en línea para comenzar.

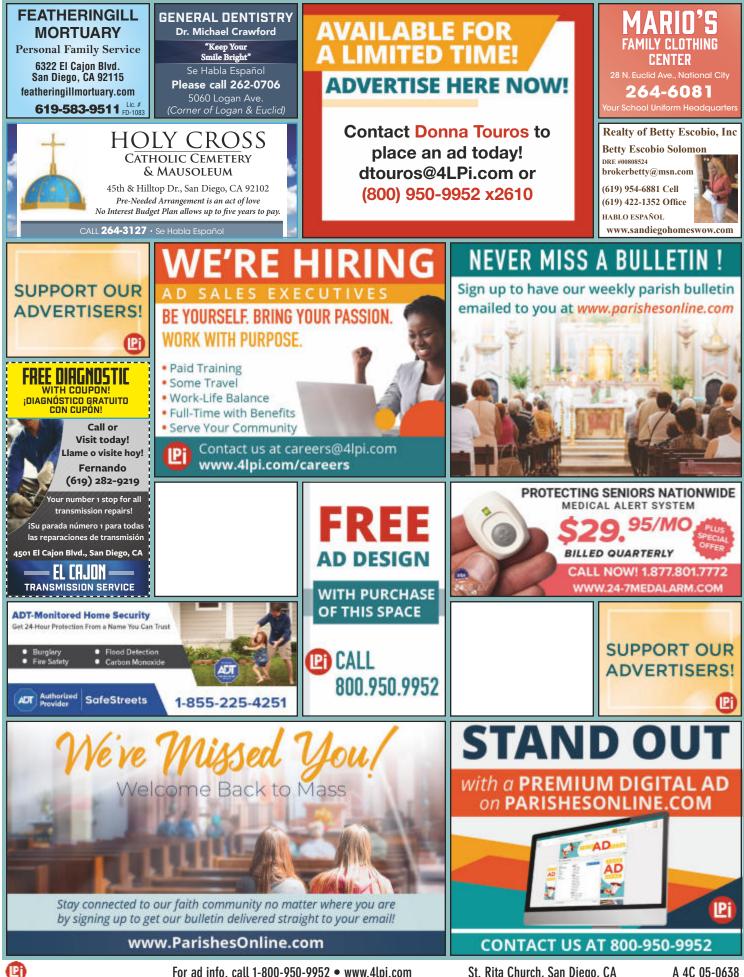




¿Qué hace que una persona sea sabia e inteligente? Ciertamente, no es la capacidad de memorizar hechos o detalles minuciosos sobre una situa-

ción. Lo que hace a una persona sabia e inteligente es cuando sus palabras y acciones se unen armoniosamente y producen virtud. Una persona puede conocer muchos hechos e incluso realizar las acciones correctas, pero aún así tener un defecto grave en su carácter. A veces queremos engañarnos a nosotros mismos pensando que mientras "hagamos" todo correctamente, automáticamente estaremos en la relación correcta con todos. Lamentablemente, ese no es el caso en el reino de Dios. Estamos llamados a no ser solo oidores de la Palabra, sino también hacedores. Eso significa llegar al corazón de lo que las leyes y los rituales deben significar y nutrir. Si no llevamos las acciones a casa, donde pertenecen, y les permitimos hablar de la bondad, la misericordia, la compasión y el amor de Dios, entonces son simplemente gestos vacíos e inútiles. Acoge la Palabra que ha sido plantada dentro de ti para que puedas ser un discípulo verdaderamente sabio e inteligente de Jesucristo.





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