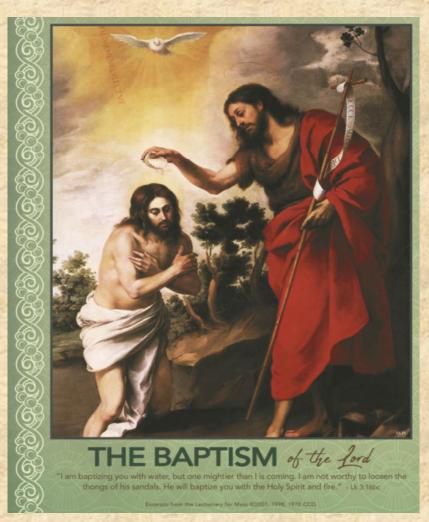


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# **JANUARY 9, 2022**



## MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS
6:30AM (except Saturday)
8:30AM
VIGIL FOR SUNDAY
5:30PM (Saturday)

SUNDAY MASS 7:30AM, 9:00AM 11:00AM, 12:30PM (Spanish) 5:30PM

Livestream Mass See Page 5 for details Rev. Fr. David Loftus, Pastor Rev. Msgr. Peter C. Moran, Emeritus Pastor Rev. Fr. Filiberto Cortez, Associate

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# From Our Pastor

The Sunday on which we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a "hinge" day in the calendar of the Church. The marking of "liturgical time" by people of faith can seem a little odd to those who have little time for faith, but it does serve to remind us of truth attested to on the great Feast of Easter, and which is given voice in our preparation of the Paschal candle:

"Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, the Alpha and the Omega. All time belongs to him and all the ages. To him be glory and power through every age and forever. Amen."

The "hinge" that is this Feast Day is that which sees the liturgical season of Christmas close and "Ordinary time" begin.

"Besides the times of the year that have their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather *the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness*, especially on Sundays. This period is known as "Ordinary Time" (Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar, n43)."

I've taken the liberty of highlighting a particular phrase of this description, which serves me as a reminder that all that we are and are about as a people of faith is centered on Jesus Christ, or else it is pretty superfluous to our efforts as disciples of Jesus.

Here at Lourdes, a few years ago, we spent some time reflecting on our purpose as a Catholic parish in Northridge. We considered what it might mean to actually be disciples of Jesus beyond showing up for church on Sundays. What might it look like if we really tried to focus on the centrality of Jesus and his mission and ministry? What might it look like if we committed ourselves intentionally to be faithful disciples of Jesus in our words and in our actions as a parish staff, as a group of ministry leaders in our community, and as part of the general community of believers that goes to make up the parish?

A few years ago, I remember standing in front of a gathering of the leaders of our many and varied ministries and asking them to imagine a scenario in which the parish didn't exist, or to imagine that there was another earthquake in which the parish plant was simply destroyed. The question was would we (re-)build the parish and why?



That question led to a lot of discussion and reflection that continued well beyond that gathering. In subsequent conversations with the Parish Pastoral Council and with members of the parish staff, and in other gatherings of ministry leaders, the words that are inscribed over our doors were arrived at: "Embracing God's People. Equipping Disciples. Accompanying Believers."

I believe that these words are meaningful for us all to the extent that they remind us, exhort us, challenge us to witness to our faith in ways in which the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness.

As Jesus met people as they were, in the ordinary circumstances of their lives, often complex and multi-faceted, so too we, as a community of believers, seek to encounter and to embrace all God's people.

Just as Jesus spent time with and prepared his followers for particular roles in the living of their lives as well as in the organized life of what was to become the Church, so too we as a parish endeavor to equip people for discipleship of Jesus lived out in relationship with and in service of God's people.

We also see the importance of living the final command of Jesus to his followers, assured that we will never be alone. Jesus promises to always walk with us, to guide us, to safeguard us, and to always be present with us. So too, as his disciples, we look to accompany one another on life's journey, offering companionship and accompaniment however we may.

When we live up to our words, when we live up to our mission, it unfolds within the context of the ordinary moments of our lives, and for the most part, in the ordinary time of our living. Blessing upon you all for the upcoming season.



# Mensaje Del Pastor

El Domingo en el que celebramos la Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor es una "bisagra" en el calendario de la Iglesia. La marca del "tiempo litúrgico" por parte de las personas de fe puede parecer un poco extraña para aquellos que tienen poco tiempo para la fe, pero sí sirve para recordarnos la verdad atestiquada en la gran fiesta de Pascua, y que se expresa en nuestro preparación del Cirio Pascual:

> "Cristo ayer y hoy, el principio y el final, Alfa v Omega. Todo el tiempo le pertenece a él y todas las edades. A él sea la gloria y el poder a través de todas las edades por siempre. Amén."

La "bisagra" que es esta Fiesta es la que ve el cierre del tiempo litúrgico de Navidad y el comienzo del "tiempo ordinario".

> "Además de las épocas del año que tienen su propio carácter distintivo, quedan en el ciclo anual treinta y tres o treinta y cuatro semanas en las que no se celebra ningún aspecto particular del misterio de Cristo, sino que se honra el misterio de Cristo mismo en su plenitud, especialmente los Domingos. Este período se conoce como "Tiempo ordinario" (Normas universales para el año y calendario litúrgicos, n. 43) ".

Me he tomado la libertad de resaltar una frase en particular de esta descripción, que me sirve como recordatorio de que todo lo que somos y somos como pueblo de fe está centrado en Jesucristo, o de lo contrario es bastante superfluo para nuestros esfuerzos como discípulos de Jesús.

Aquí en Lourdes, hace unos años, pasamos un tiempo reflexionando sobre nuestro propósito como parroquia católica en Northridge. Consideramos lo que podría significar ser discípulos de Jesús más allá de asistir a la iglesia los Domingos. ¿Cómo sería si realmente tratamos de enfocarnos en la centralidad de Jesús y su misión y ministerio? ¿Cómo sería si nos cuando estamos a la altura de nuestra misión, esta se comprometemos intencionalmente a ser fieles discípulos de Jesús en nuestras palabras y en nuestras acciones como personal parroquial, como grupo de líderes ministeriales en nuestra comunidad y como parte de la comunidad general de creyentes que va a componen la parroquia?

Hace unos años, recuerdo estar parado frente a una reunión de los líderes de nuestros muchos y variados ministerios y pedirles que imaginaran un escenario en el que la parroquia no existiera, o que imaginaran que había otro terremoto en el que la planta parroquial simplemente es destruida. La pregunta era reconstruiremos la parroquia y por qué?

Esa pregunta dio lugar a mucha discusión y reflexión que continuó mucho más allá de esa reunión. En conversaciones posteriores con el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial y con miembros del personal parroquial, y en otras reuniones de líderes ministeriales, se llegó a las palabras que están inscritas en nuestras puertas: "Abrazando al Pueblo de Dios. Equipando a los Discípulos. Acompañando Creyentes".

Yo creo que estas palabras son significativas para todos nosotros en la medida en que nos recuerdan, nos exhortan, nos desafían a dar testimonio de nuestra fe en formas en las que el misterio de Cristo mismo es honrado en su plenitud.

Así como Jesús encontró a las personas tal como eran, en las circunstancias ordinarias de sus vidas, a menudo complejas y multifacéticas, así también nosotros, como comunidad de creyentes, buscamos encontrar y abrazar a todo el pueblo de Dios.

Así como Jesús pasó tiempo con sus seguidores y los preparó para roles particulares en la vida de sus vidas, así como en la vida organizada de lo que se convertiría en la Iglesia, así también nosotros, como parroquia, nos esforzamos por equipar a las personas para el discipulado de Jesús vivido en relación con y al servicio del pueblo de Dios.

También vemos la importancia de vivir el mandamiento final de Jesús a sus seguidores, seguros de que nunca estaremos solos. Jesús promete caminar siempre con nosotros, guiarnos, salvaguardarnos y estar siempre presente con nosotros. Así también, como discípulos suyos, buscamos acompañarnos unos a otros en el camino de la vida, ofreciendo compañerismo y acompañamiento como podamos.

Cuando vivimos a la altura de nuestras palabras, desarrolla dentro del contexto de los momentos ordinarios de nuestras vidas y, en su mayor parte, en el tiempo ordinario de nuestras vidas. Bendiciones para todos ustedes en esta temporada.



## WEEKLY PRAYER

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022**

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-

28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

#### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022**

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



# FOREVER YOUNG BINGO

Want to play Bingo?
Meet us Tuesday, January
11 after 8:30AM Mass in
the Moran Center.

Join us for some BINGO fun and please bring wrapped gifts to use as prizes. The only way to win is to play. B-I-N-G-O! Pictured here we celebrated Christmas together December 14 in Stroup Hall. Call Sr. Sharon if you have any questions about membership or BINGO at 818-349-2836.

# PARISH COMMUNICATION NEWS

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 Submit bulletin articles by Friday, 12:00PM, one week prior to publication date.

Email: bulletin@ollnr.org or call Karen Pasano, 818-349-1500 ext. 111. Visit our <u>website</u> to view updated information.

 Submit advertising of OLL events (flyers, posters, etc.) to awing@ollnr.org or call Anne Wing at 818-349-1500 ext. 112.



## GENESIS TO JESUS BIBLE STUDY Thursdays 10:00AM - 12:00PM January 13 through March 10, 2022

Workbooks for the study can be found on the following link: stpaulcenter.com or through Amazon.com for \$24.99. Spend your Lent learning more about God's immense love for you. For

information and/or registration, please contact Carmen Schroeder at 818-368-2393 or email biblestudy@ollnr.org. Register early since space is limited.

# ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION SESSIONS

Please invite any family members or friends who may be in need of this sacrament.



Meetings will begin Tuesday, January 25, 2022 from 7:00PM - 9:00PM. Please call Sr. Sharon to register at 818-349-2836

Please provide a copy of your Baptism and First Communion Certificates.



# RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKEND

Healing after abortion this retreat is designed to help participants work through repressed grief and anger in a safe, nonjudgmental setting and come to acceptance, healing, and hope for the future. Developed in the Roman Catholic Tradition, it utilizes spiritual

exercises and rituals to help grieve the loss of unborn children and to accept God's forgiveness. All inquiries and registrations are confidential.

January 28 - 30, 2022 at Poverello of Assisi Retreat Center, San Fernando. Cost is \$250.00 per person.

For confidential registration or more information please call or email: Roseanne Becker at 661-510-8258, rachelsvineyardscv@gmail.com

### OLL FEEDS GOD'S CHILDREN Saturday, February 12, 2022 9:00AM in Stroup Hall.

Help us feed God's Children by participating in a soup packaging event. The more hands the better. Contact Bill Williams with any questions at: bwilliams@ollnr.org





# Liturgy

# **AMASS** SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:30AM
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Sundays: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM, 12:30PM (Spanish) and

5:30PM

#### LIVESTREAM MASS

Monday - Saturday: 8:30AM

**Sundays: 9:00AM and 12:30PM (Spanish)**To watch our masses live, just visit our <u>website</u>.

The liturgies may also be viewed by pointing your browser to <a href="https://vimeo.com/ollnr">https://vimeo.com/ollnr</a> where our liturgies will be available for 48 hours.

Our parish priests are praying for all of our parishioners at Our Lady of Lourdes and all those listed on our Mass Intentions.



Ella Kai Lim



Oanh to Mai Hilda Hernandez

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

January 08	8:30AM	Thomas Ho (D), Johnny Magalang (D)
	5:30PM	Cynthia McMurray (D), Tita Factora (D)
January 09	7:30AM	Agraviador Family
	9:00AM	Edgardo & Corazon Caparros
	11:00AM	Cecelia Richards (D), Jeremiah Xavier Jaravata (D)
	12:30PM	Don Castillo (D)
	5:30PM	Russell Clayton (D), Ben Guibilo (D)
January 10	6:30AM	Noel & Christine Carneiro (D), Rosa Ho (D)
	8:30AM	Charles & Mary Lazusky (D)
January 11	6:30PM	Joyce Chiang (D), Horst Burchard (D)
	8:30AM	Albert Dizon (D), Jeremiah Xavier Jaravata (D)
January 12	6:30AM	Aaron Guadayo (D), Beatrice Calma (D)
	8:30AM	Rose DeFrisco (D), Leon Somo(D)
January 13	6:30AM	Leo Young Kim
	8:30AM	Nick Walker, Brady Morris
January 14	6:30AM	Shandra Kim, Casimiro Kim
	8:30AM	Jose Antonio Escober (D), Joe Shumovich (D)
January 15	8:30AM	William & Irene McAndrews
	5:30PM	John & Hugh McDonald (D)
January 16	7:30AM	Juanillo Garces (D), Alicia Garces (D)
	9:00AM	George Sornborger (D), Otto Moncada (D)
	11:00AM	Dan Dunn (D), Vincent Vaspa (D)
	12:30PM	Tom Christopher Jeronimo (D)
		Edwin Josafat Jeronimo (D)
	5:30PM	George & Josephine Barrnitt (D)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confession in the Church Confessional Chapels 4:00 - 5:00PM and 7:30 - 8:00PM Saturdays

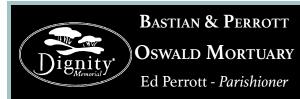
Confession continues to be available by appointment in the event these times are not convenient. To avail of this opportunity, please email parishcenter@ollnr.org or call 818-349-1500.





#### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

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### SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

## DID YOU KNOW? Check Your Child's Backpack

As you and your children prepare for their return to school after Christmas break, make sure they are not carrying too much around in their backpacks. Backpacks that are too heavy can cause problems like neck or back pain, or poor posture. The American Chiropractic Association (ACA) recommends that a child's backpack weigh no more than 5-10% of the child's body weight. Help your children by ensuring that they wear their backpacks correctly, with both straps over the shoulders, and that they are only carrying what they need. If you have concerns about the load your child is carrying, reach out to a teacher or school staff to discuss what should and should not be coming home every day. For more information, visit nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/backpack-safety-for-kids.

### Revise la Mochila de su hijo/hija

Mientras usted y sus hijos se preparan para regresar a la escuela después de las vacaciones de Navidad, asegúrese de que no carguen demasiado en sus mochilas. Las mochilas demasiado pesadas pueden causar problemas como dolor de cuello o espalda, o mala postura. La Asociación Americana de Quiropráctica (ACA) recomienda que la mochila de un niño no pese más del 5-10 por ciento del peso corporal del niño. Ayude a sus hijos asegurándose de que usen correctamente sus mochilas, con ambas correas sobre los hombros, y de que solo carguen lo que necesitan. Si tiene inquietudes sobre la carga que lleva su hijo, comuníquese con un maestro o personal de la escuela para hablar sobre lo que debe y no debe llevar a casa todos los días. Para obtener más información, visite nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/backpack-safety-for-kids.

For more information call Safeguard at 213-637-7508 or email bmelendez@la-archdiocese.org

If you need to complete "Protecting God's Children" or take re-certification, "Keeping God's Promise" VIRTUS® training contact Dianne at <a href="mailto:parishcenter@ollnr.org">parishcenter@ollnr.org</a>. Zoom sessions are available.

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Your prayers are always appreciated now and throughout the year.





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Who do you know that would be great for our ministries? Volunteer opportunities are welcome in the following areas:

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- Bereavement and Welcoming Baptism Families, contact Anne Wing at 818-349-1500
   X 112 or email: <a href="mailto:gwing@ollnr.org">gwing@ollnr.org</a>.
- Livestream Operators and PowerPoint Technicians, contact John R. Walker at: <u>oll livestream@ollnr.org</u>.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 9:00AM - 12:00 Noon and 7:00PM - 9:00PM, Monday through Friday

Volunteers are needed hourly. Certain occasions such as funerals, etc. will impact the general schedule, but we hope that the resumption of the church opening and the restoration of all day exposition in the Blessed Sacrament chapel, will allow for adoration on Saturday and Sunday also. Please contact Dianne at 818-349-1500 if you can help.