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JANUARY 30, 2022



Catholic
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4th Sunday
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When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28, 30

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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

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From Our Pastor

These last few weeks I've been sharing reflections on our parish mission statement, in an effort to shed some light on what it might look like to be a people of faith here at Our Lady of Lourdes. We've been exploring the implications of what it means to be a people who are "embracing God's people," and today we turn to the second aspect of our life together, namely what it means to be invested in "equipping disciples."

The gospels have many different stories of how Jesus called people to follow him. There are, of course, the stories about the calling of the twelve, beginning perhaps with the call of Peter and Andrew, and James and his brother, John. These four were already getting on with their lives. We know Peter was married and worked as a

fisherman. His brother Andrew also worked on the Sea of Galilee to earn his livelihood, though John's gospel suggests he was also inclined to dwelling on some of the deeper questions of life, evidenced by the time he spent listening to John the Baptist (Jn 1:35, ff.). The sons of Zebedee, it appears, were part of a family business. To these four, Jesus comes and invites them to "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men" (cf Mt 4:18-22).

There are many other instances of Jesus reaching out to people and inviting them to follow him. Some responded positively and some chose not to follow (cf Mt 19:16-30). What the followers of Jesus had in common was that he took time to prepare them to begin to realize their own giftedness and their unique way of serving the will of God. As they learned from Jesus, both in his words of teaching and in his way of living, they were participating in what might be called a "school of discipleship." The gospels tell many stories of Jesus teaching his disciples, of his mentoring them in the ways of faith.

The Apostle Paul, from his deep and powerful experience of building up the Church, of establishing communities of faith, describes what it means to "equip" believers. For Paul, all believers are called to live with a unity of faith which is the gift of the Spirit. The living of that faith is expressed differently in accord with the gifts with which God blesses the community (cf 1Cor 12:12-30). Part of the work of the community of believers is to support one another, to encourage one another and to call one another into faithful living of the gifts with which God has blessed us. Ephesians 4 relates Paul's reminder to the Church

about this work which is so important to the building up of the Body of Christ. In his exhortation, he reminds us that the Lord "gave some as apostles, others as prophets, others as evangelists, others as pastors and teachers, *to equip the holy ones* for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" (Eph 4:11-12).

Here at Our Lady of Lourdes, we believe that all God's people are uniquely gifted, and have a contribution to make in the bettering of our world. As a community of believers, we commit to support everyone in this work of discernment.



To equip disciples means that the disciple is nurtured with the development of tools and skills needed to sustain a lifelong journey with Christ. In this way, the Body of Christ continues to be built up.

Each person needs different tools, has different skills, is at a different stage in their faith development and will benefit from different learning styles and opportunities for service and participation. Here at Our Lady of Lourdes, we endeavor to meet the needs of believers as they mature in their relationship with Jesus. As we grow from being a passive bystander to becoming an active disciple, our parish offers comprehensive opportunities for formation and encounter.

Being an equipped disciple implies being a person of faith who appreciates accountability, responsibility, and discernment of gifts. There is a call and a challenge to move and propel forward. A disciple will move from seeking information to transformation. An equipped disciple is not one who has lived a perfect life or has had an easy journey, but one who has the tools and maturity to sustain themselves for the different stages of life's journey in faith. An equipped disciple is one who is always ready to learn a little more, to be a little more, to do a little more.

An equipped disciple is inspired by the encouragement of St. Paul: "Rather, living the truth in love, we should grow in every way into him who is the head, Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, with the proper functioning of each part, brings about the body's growth and builds itself up in love." (Eph 4:15-16)

En estas últimas semanas, he estado compartiendo reflexiones sobre la declaración de la misión de nuestra parroquia, con el propósito de ofrecer un poco de lucidez sobre cómo podemos ser un pueblo de fe aquí en Nuestra Señora de Lourdes. Hemos estado explorando las implicaciones de lo que significa ser un pueblo que “abraza al pueblo de Dios”, y hoy pasamos al segundo aspecto de nuestra vida juntos, lo que significa invertir en “equipar discípulos”.

Los evangelios relatan muchas historias sobre cómo Jesús llamó a distintas personas para que lo siguieran. Están, entre ellas, el llamado de los doce, comenzando quizás con el llamado de Pedro y Andrés, y Santiago y su hermano Juan. Estos cuatro ya llevaban una vida establecida. Sabemos que Pedro estaba casado y trabajaba como pescador. Su hermano Andrés también trabajaba en el mar de Galilea para ganarse la vida; aunque el evangelio de Juan sugiere que también se cuestionaba más profundamente sobre aspectos de la vida, como lo demuestra el tiempo que pasó escuchando a Juan el Bautista (Jn 1:35ss.). Al parecer, los hijos de Zebedeo eran parte de un negocio familiar. A estos cuatro, Jesús se acerca y los invita: “Vengan, síganme y los haré pescadores de hombres” (cf Mt 4, 18-22).

Hay muchos otros casos en los que Jesús se acerca a la gente y los invita a seguirle. Algunos respondieron positivamente, pero otros optaron por no seguirlo (cf Mt 19, 16-30). Lo que los seguidores de Jesús tenían en común era que Jesús se tomaba el tiempo para prepararlos y así, se dieran cuenta de sus propios dones y de su forma específica de hacer la voluntad de Dios. Aprendiendo de Jesús, tanto de sus palabras de enseñanza como de su forma de vivir, participaban en lo que podría llamarse una “escuela de discipulado”. Los evangelios cuentan muchos relatos en los que Jesús enseña a sus discípulos, y los guía en la manera de vivir su fe.

El Apóstol Pablo, desde su profunda y poderosa experiencia de edificar la Iglesia, de establecer comunidades de fe, describe lo que significa “equipar” a los creyentes. Para Pablo, todos los creyentes están llamados a vivir con una unidad de fe que es don del Espíritu. La vivencia de esa fe se expresa de manera diferente según los dones con los que Dios bendice a la comunidad (cf 1Cor 12,12-30). Parte del trabajo de la comunidad de creyentes es apoyarse, animarse y llamarse unos a otros a vivir fielmente los dones con los que Dios nos ha bendecido. Efesios 4 relata el recordatorio de Pablo a la Iglesia acerca de esta obra que es tan importante para la edificación del Cuerpo de Cristo. En su exhortación, nos recuerda que el Señor “constituyó a unos, apóstoles; a otros, profetas;

a otros, evangelistas; y a otros, pastores y maestros, a fin de **capacitar al pueblo de Dios** para la obra del servicio, para edificar el cuerpo de Cristo” (Ef 4,11-12).

Aquí en Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, creemos que todo el pueblo de Dios tiene dones únicos que aportar para mejorar nuestro mundo. Como comunidad de creyentes, nos comprometemos a apoyar a todos en esta obra de discernimiento.

Equipar a los discípulos significa que el discípulo se nutre con el desarrollo de las herramientas y habilidades necesarias para sostener el viaje de toda la vida con Cristo. De esta manera, el Cuerpo de Cristo continúa edificándose.

Cada persona necesita diferentes herramientas, tiene diferentes habilidades, se encuentra en una etapa diferente en el desarrollo de su fe y se beneficiará de diferentes estilos de aprendizaje y oportunidades de servicio y participación. Aquí en Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, nos esforzamos por satisfacer las necesidades de los creyentes a medida que maduran en su relación con Jesús. A medida que pasamos de ser un espectador pasivo para convertirnos en un discípulo activo, nuestra parroquia ofrece oportunidades integrales para la formación y el encuentro.

Ser un discípulo equipado implica ser una persona de fe que aprecia la responsabilidad y el discernimiento de los dones. Hay un llamado y un desafío de avanzar en la fe y encaminarse hacia el servicio. Un discípulo pasa de la búsqueda a la transformación. Un discípulo equipado no es aquel que tiene una vida perfecta o que ha tenido un camino fácil, sino uno que tiene las herramientas y la madurez para sostenerse en las diferentes etapas del camino de la vida en la fe. Un discípulo equipado es aquel que siempre está dispuesto a aprender un poco más, a ser un poco más, a hacer un poco más.

Un discípulo equipado se inspira en las palabras de San Pablo: “Más bien, viviendo la verdad en el amor, creceremos en todos los aspectos en Aquel que es la cabeza, Cristo, de quien todo el cuerpo, estando bien ajustado y unido por los ligamentos que lo sostienen, conforme al funcionamiento adecuado de cada miembro, hace crecer el cuerpo y se edifica en el amor.” (Efesios 4:15-16)

Readings & News

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

- Sunday:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30
- Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday:** Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
- Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13
- Friday:** Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34
- Next Sunday:** Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11



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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13 OUR PARISH IS HAVING **BUNDLE SUNDAY** FOR THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORES



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ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION SESSIONS

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

Meetings are Tuesdays 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.

OLL FEEDS GOD'S CHILDREN PACKAGING EVENT WILL BE RESCHEDULED DATE TO BE DETERMINED

Contact Bill Williams with any questions at: bwilliams@ollnr.org



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:30AM
Monday - Saturday: 8:30AM
Vigil for Sunday 5:30PM (Saturday)
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 [website](#).

The liturgies may also be viewed by pointing your browser to <https://vimeo.com/ollnr> 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.



Tony Kalioundji
 Maya Kalioundji



Les Romar
 Tamara Dimitri
 Lydia Sanchez
 Jacinto Barcelon Ruedas

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

January 29	8:30AM	Constancia De Castro (D), Jerry Herrera (D)
	5:30PM	Rolando Aquino (D), Genaro Aquino Jr. (D)
January 30	7:30AM	James Powers (D), Esterlita Cagas (D)
	9:00AM	Jennifer Cruz, Jackson Morris
	11:00AM	Fr. John Coleman O.Carm. (D) Fr. Jose Delas Pinas (D)
	12:30PM	Tom Christopher Jeronimo (D) Edwin Josafat Jeronimo (D)
January 31	5:30PM	Daniel Cornel (D), Grace Tiongson (D)
	6:30AM	Leo Young Kim, Antonia Park
February 01	8:30AM	Richard Cheung, WanChing Law
	6:30AM	Cravotta Family (D)
February 02	8:30AM	Steve & Susan Katzmann
	6:30AM	Brad Mason (D), Joan Laporte (D)
February 03	8:30AM	Trinidad Soriano (D), Carolina Valera (D)
	6:30AM	Ligaya Aranas Talise (D), Sr. Eva Batta (D)
February 04	8:30AM	Charles & Frances Lazusky
	6:30AM	Don Panec (D), Ed Themann (D)
February 05	8:30AM	Maggie Walter (D), Carolina Valera (D)
	8:30AM	Tomas Ho (D), Debby McAndrew (D)
February 06	5:30PM	Susan Bautista (D), Charles O'Connell Jr. (D)
	7:30AM	Mary Baker (D)
	9:00AM	Jeremiah Xavier Jaravata (D), Vedasto Arcilla (D)
	11:00AM	Eduardo Leonetti (D), Kay Persons (D)
	12:30PM	Les Romar (D), Gloria Manlapat (D)
	5:30PM	Sara Durazo (D), Gloria Manlapat (D)



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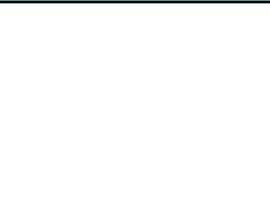
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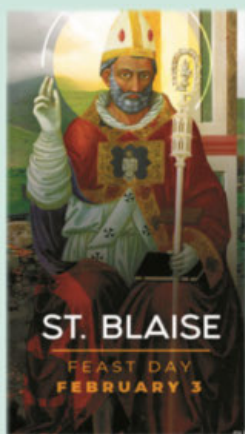
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SAINT OF THE WEEK

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer,

surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

We remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

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March 17

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Adult Days - Friday

March 18 - Sunday, March 20

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