St. Clare of Assisi

Roman Catholic Church

19606 Calla Way, Santa Clarita, CA 91351
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Welcome to Our Parish!

Mailing Address

27341 Camp Plenty Road
Santa Clarita, CA 91351-2645

Parish Office

Phone (661) 252-3353
Fax (661) 252-1539

Office Hours

Monday: 1:30pm - 5:00pm
Tues-Fri: 9am - 12:30pm & 1:30pm - 5:00pm
CLOSED SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Visit Our Website!

www.st-clare.org

Email Us!

office@st-clare.org

Reconciliation

By appointment please contact the parish office

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 6:00pm (English) (1:00pm Bilingual)

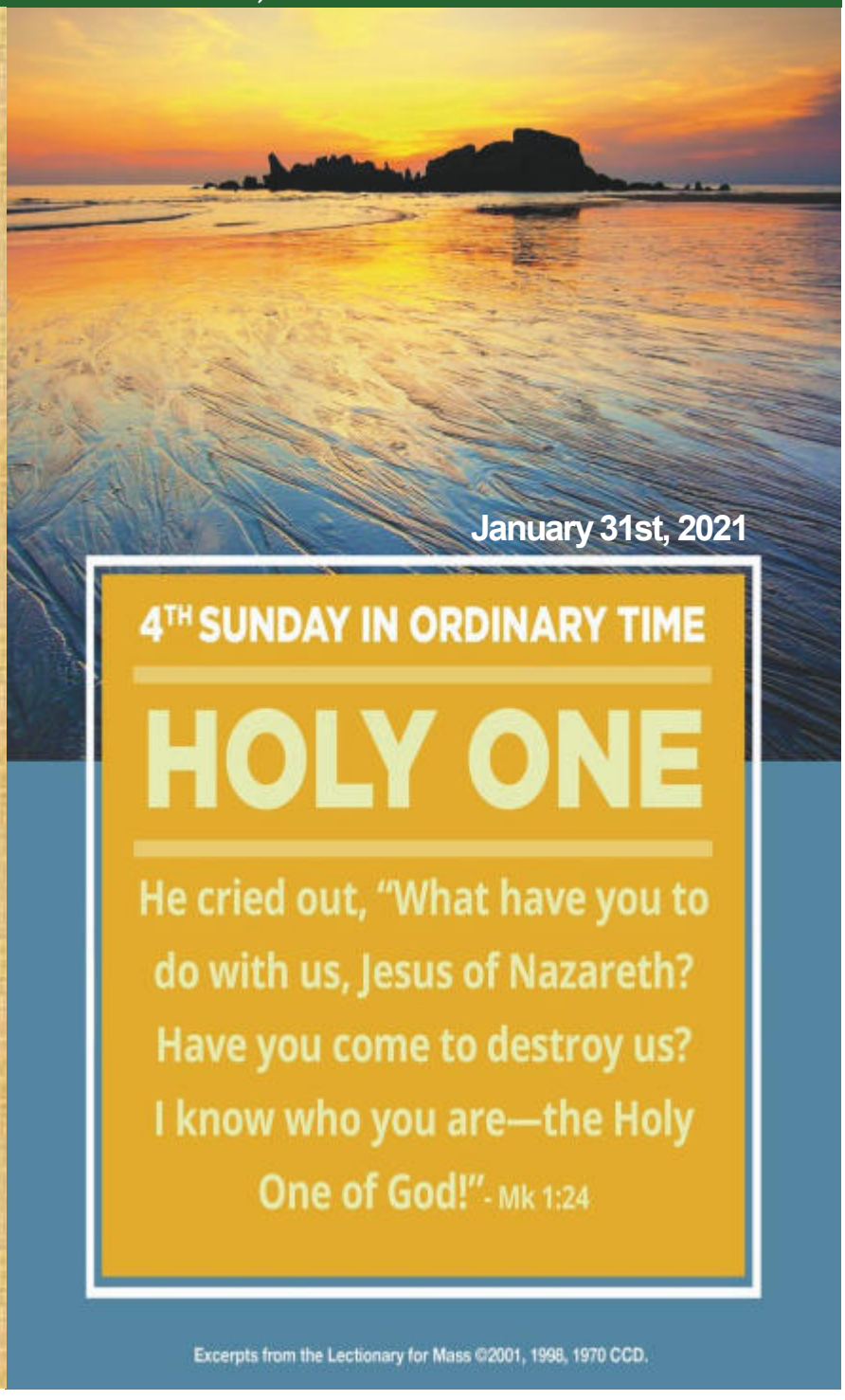
Weekday Masses (LIVE STREAM):
Mon - Sat 9:00am
Saturday Vigil: 5pm (English)
Saturday 7:00pm (Spanish)

Holy Day Schedules will be Announced*

MISSION STATEMENT

In accord with St. Clare, our patron saint, this community strives:

- To respond to her challenge to be lovers of our souls and the souls of all others.
- To always be eager to observe what we have promised the Lord through our profession of faith.
- To accomplish all of this in the presence of the Lord.



Ministries and Services

Parish Office 661-252-3353
Office Admin./Web & Bulletin ..... Caroline Furtado
Office Assistant ..... Margaret Waggoner
Bookkeeper ..... Eileen Wittwer
Facilities Manager ..... Nancy Fishwick
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Secondary Religious Education 661-298-8627
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Library ..... Helen Rabjohn 661-250-4083

Engaged & Marriage Ministries

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Wedding Hostess ..... Mary Broderick 661-298-7341
Marriage Encounter ..... Anthony & Lynn Fernandez
818-383-6399
Retrouvaile (Help For Troubled Marriages)
..... Spanish 818-367-4198 or English 800-470-2230
Natural Fam. Planning ..... Pablo & Veronica Gaeta
818-994-2110

Funerals (Arranged Through Parish Office)

Bereavement Ministry .. ..Parish Office 661-252-3353

Baptisms

Pre-Baptism Class ..... Parish Office 661-252-3353

Filipino Ministry

Light of Christ Feast ..... Alfe Brimon 818-645-1192

Support Ministries & Services

ACCW ..... Dee Johnson 661-993-4728
Altar Society ..... Alma Rivera 661-713-3301
Armed Forces Prayer Ministry .... Martine 661-298-0714
Battered Woman's Hotline 661-259-4357
Couples For Christ .....
Sep., Divorced, Widowed Support Group .....
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Legion Of Mary ..... Lourdes Owen 661-210-9251
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Family Promise ..... Karen Mapes 661-251-3211
Lifeline (Pregnancy Hotline) 661-255-0082
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Lectores ..... Gabriela Padilla 661-904-5541
Ministerio de Alabanza ..... Antonio Lopez 661-250-4975
Platicas–bautismal ... Sylvia y Jose Villegas 818-802-0634
Ministros de Eucaristía ..... Jose Erazo 661-964-7801
Encuentro Matrimonial ..... Pedro y Edith Espitia
661-250-9431
Monaguillos ..... Luis Rincon 661-645-9419

PARISH REGISTRATION:

You must be registered and participating in our parish community, in order for our priests to better serve you, especially at the time of baptism, marriage, or a funeral. Forms are available in the front vestibule, side entrances of the church, and at the parish office during regular office hours.

MARRIAGE:

The bride and/or groom must be registered and actively participating in the parish for at least three months. Then a six-month preparation program is required. Please call the office for further information.

HOLY COMMUNION—HOSPITAL/HOME, & SICK VISITS:

For Holy Communion, **please contact the parish office** during office hours.

In case of hospitalization, please inform the admissions office that you are Catholic so that they will notify us. In case of an emergency or death in the family, a priest can be reached 24 hours a day. Call the parish office anytime for an emergency pager number.

ST. CLARE NEWS

ST. CLARES REIMAGINED FISH FRY 2021

Fridays: FEB. 19th, 26th, MARCH 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th Available: 4:30pm to 7:30pm

DRIVE THROUGH ONLY!

PICK-UP DINNERS TO GO!

St. Clare Catholic Church Lenten Fish Fry

REMEMBER YOUR MASK & STAY IN YOUR CAR

Dinner Consists of:

3 pcs Beer-Battered Alaskan Cod with French Fries, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, Tartar Sauce, Ketchup & Malt vinegar

**A bottle of water or can of soda is included!*

COST: $14 *(cash / check / credit card accepted)*

ST. CLARE **CURRENT** MASS SCHEDULE

LIVESTREAM Weekday MASSES

Monday to Saturday—9:00am in English

Communion is distributed after the Livestream Mass from 9:30am to 10:00am OUT IN THE PLAZA AREA

Our Sunday **Vigil Mass** is Livestreamed on Saturday at 5:00pm (English). *Communion is distributed after the Livestream Mass from 6:00pm to 6:30pm on the East side of the Church*

SUNDAY MASSES

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am and 6:00pm in English
1:00pm (Bi-Lingual)

All Masses are held outdoor in the plaza. There is no seating in the plaza area, feel free to bring a chair and an umbrella for shade. Mask and social distancing are still required,
Please sign up for Mass. *Click the Masses tab on the parish website **www.st-clare.org** to sign up.*

Our **SPANISH MASS** is celebrated outdoors in the plaza area and will also be livestreamed every **Saturday at 7:00pm**

HOLY HOUR—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday **TO** Friday—**7:00pm to 8:00pm**
INSIDE THE CHURCH
Communion will be offered after Benediction at 8:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please call the parish office to make an appointment, at this time the preference is for confessions to be heard outdoors.

YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING—e-GIVING

On our website, you will notice that we have partnered with WeShare to provide you with the safety and convenience of online offering. Please visit our website for more information, **OR** if you prefer you can always mail in your Sunday Envelopes **Or** drop them off through the mail slot at the parish office. Thank you.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING - DT 18:15-20

Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen. This is exactly what you requested of the LORD, your God, at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let us not again hear the voice of the LORD, our God, nor see this great fire any more, lest we die.' And the LORD said to me, 'This was well said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it. But if a prophet presumes to speak in my name an oracle that I have not commanded him to speak, or speaks in the name of other gods, he shall die.'"

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; let us acclaim the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us. For he is our God, and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Oh, that today you would hear his voice: "Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as in the day of Massah in the desert, where your fathers tempted me; tested me though they had seen my works."

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING - 1 COR 7:32-35

Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties. An unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord. But a married man is anxious about the things of the world, how he may please his wife, and he is divided. An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. A married woman, on the other hand, is anxious about the things of the world, how she may please her husband. I am telling you this for your own benefit, not to impose a restraint upon you, but for the sake of propriety and adherence to the Lord without distraction.

GOSPEL - MK 1:21-28

Then they came to Capernaum, and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

GET INVOLVED – St. Clare Ministries

FORMED NEWS
Join us via ZOOM on Mondays from 10:30am to Noon for a new faith formation class
"Evangelization and the Acts of the Apostles."
This 10 week course will be via Zoom & will begin in 2 weeks
Please contact Peggy at faithformation@st-clare.org
Unable to join us, you can watch it on FORMED and discuss with your family.

THE SOWER MINISTRY OF SCV
Welcome to the New Evangelization!
The Sower Santa Clarita invites you to meet virtually.
Join in every **Tuesday at 7:30pm as we pray our Weekly Virtual ROSARY and pray for all intentions**.
Wednesday at 7:30pm is our Virtual Sower Live
Go to www.facebook.com/SowerSantaClarita
Take note you don't need a facebook account to view the FB LIVE.
For more information or details
email: Sower.santaclarita@gmail.com

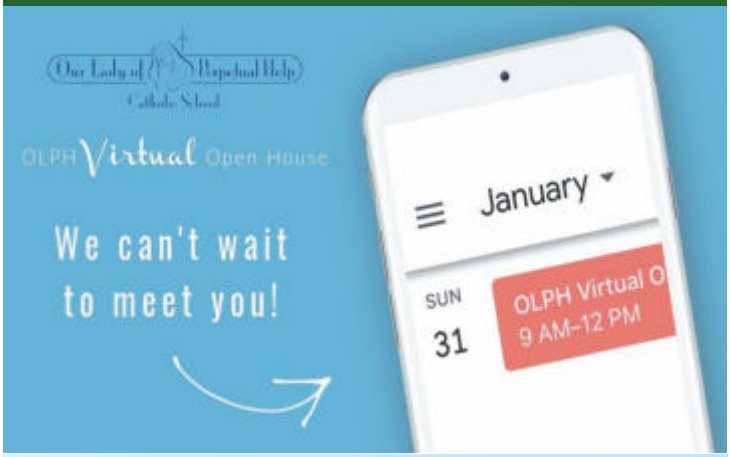
LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY via ZOOM
We will continue Our Scripture Study Class on ***The Spirituality of St. Paul.*** *Join us either every* ***Wednesday 10am or Thursday at 7pm. Via Zoom.*** *Contact us at* ***garyshelly82@gmail.com*** *and we will send you information to join in.*

MARY UNDOER OF KNOTS—JUNIOR PRAESIDIUM
Inviting all St. Clare Catholic Youth ages 10—17 to join The Junior Legion of Mary. Junior Legionaries will have the opportunities to participate in Church life, grow in holiness and spirituality, and discover new friendships.
We meet via ZOOM weekly every FRIDAY, one hour meetings and prayers. For those interested, we request the parents to call or text. MARILOU PUSE *at* ***661-993-4611*** or email ***marilou.puse59@yahoo.com***
For more information

PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASK
COVERING YOUR NOSE AND DOWN OVER YOUR MOUTH AND UNDER YOUR CHIN ALL THROUGHOUT MASS.

CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP
Please join us virtually as we pray for our loved ones conversions (and ours too) at the 3:00pm hour of Divine Mercy. *You will find our link on the St. Clare website under All events Or go to* ***https://www.st-clare.org/events***

COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP Catholic School
is hosting a **VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE**
on **Sunday, January 31st from 9AM to Noon**.
We are a TK-8th grade Catholic School and would love for you to join us to learn all about OLPH and speak to our teachers and principal.
To get more information about the event, including zoom links,
please visit our website **www.olphsc.org** or e-mail **info@olphscmail.org**.

MARY AND JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER
Saturday, February 27th, 2021—10AM TO NOON—Remote via ZOOM (PST)
"THE WISDOM OF ANGELS"
Learn about Angels as Heavenly Messengers
Lucia Galante Johnson, MS, FHD
For more info call at (310) 377-4867 ext 250 or email Jose at jsalas@maryjoseph.org
Cost is $20—once registered, Zoom information will be emailed to the retreatant.

FRANCISCAN ZOOM SERIES
Franciscan School of Theology will be holding at the University of San Diego.
Free theology lectures via **ZOOM** from January to May 2021
Some of their previous topics include
"The Prologue to John's Gospel" "Creation"
"Saint Francis"
Schedule: Thursday, Feb. 11 & 25, March 11 & 25, April 8 & 22 and May 6 & 20 at 7:00pm
Signup for more information on upcoming lectures at **https://www.fst.edu/new-events/**

FROM THE OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Program Information will be shared via the R.E. website.

www.stclarere.com

The Religious Education and Youth Ministry Offices WILL RETURN MESSAGES & EMAILS MONDAY TO THURSDAY

Visit the religious education program website for information pertaining to calendars, family resources and Confirmation.

For questions regarding the Elementary Sacramental preparation program and faith formation classes please email us at **reclare2@gmail.com**

Or call the **R.E Office** at **661-252-6950**

For **Spanish R.E.** contact **Dora Baez at 661-299-6593**

For questions regarding the Confirmation program, email us at **youthministrystclare@gmail.com** or call the **Youth Ministry Office**—Janet Valadez at 661-298-8627

To email the Director, Nancy Nazarian-Medina, directly **stclare.rel.education@gmail.com**

DID YOU KNOW?

TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT SOCIAL MEDIA CHALLENGES

Children have spent many months at home now, separated from friends and classmates. Social media is a great tool to stay in touch, but there are definitely dangerous aspects to much "screen time" that parents need to be aware about. Social media challenges range from funny and harmless to risky and dangerous — and sometimes even illegal. If your child has social media accounts, talk to them about making smart choices and about knowing the difference between harmless pranks and seriously dangerous stunts. Make a pact to discuss anything they see their friends or acquaintances doing before they try it out at home visit https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

TELL ME MORE...

MARY, CAUSE OF OUR JOY

By Nito Z. and Reinita M. — (Mary Undoer of Knots Junior Praesidium)

Mary, Cause of our Joy – this is another poetic title or prayerful expression bestowed on Mother Mary. Other poetic titles venerating Mother Mary are "Seat of Wisdom, Mystical Rose, Morning Star, Ark of the Covenant, Tower of Ivory, House of Gold, Gate of Heaven, Spiritual Vessel, Vessel of Honor, Singular Vessel of Devotion."

This is a very beautiful and meaningful title of our Blessed Mother. The sorrow brought into the world by Eve's disobedience has been changed into joy by the obedience of Mother Mary. Mary is the Cause of our Joy because she gave birth to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ --- who is our joy. Joy is also the result when the unborn John the Baptist meets the unborn Jesus. St. Elizabeth told Mary during Mary's visitation that her son "leaped with joy."

Mary's *fiat* to God's plan was the greatest of joys. For when she accepted to be the mother of the Messiah, He became flesh in the confines of her womb. She allowed salvation to take place. In saying Yes to God, she said Yes for all of us. She opened the door to her heart, trusted in God and gave us all the most beautiful gift. She did not cause Jesus' birth by herself, but her Yes, makes her a partner. "Joy is Jesus; Jesus is joy."

It is Christ's Passion and Death that saved us. God the Father accepted His Son into Heaven. So, when we attach ourselves into the Church in Baptism, we follow Christ's path to Heaven. Since the Church is the mystical body of Christ, and if we are part of it, we go with it to where it is – in heaven. Because Jesus brings us back to our true home where we are united with God, He is our joy, and Mary is the Cause of our Joy.

Another way to interpret the title is that she brings and causes joy in us. We are joyful because she is our mother, our spiritual mother, available to us anytime, anywhere. God chose Mary to be Jesus' mother --- a mother He gave to us when he told St. John who represented the church: "*Behold thy mother.*" By bringing us close to Her Son, she brings us close to joy, and causes our joy.

The Holy Spirit filled the Immaculate Heart of Mary with joy. She knows deep in her the Father's love for her and this is what she wants us to know. Mary desires that we, too, find joy in God our Savior. In our joys and sorrows, she walks with us, she accompanies us.

Her Assumption also gives us joy because we know that mankind is capable of virtue and deserving of heaven. We give our hearts to Mary, just thinking about her fills us with joy and happiness. Through her example, we are filled with joyful hope that, as Queen of Heaven, she waits for us with loving care that we, too, will one day return to our true home where we will be united with Him.

"Mary, Cause of our Joy, pray for us."

GROWING WITH THE GOSPEL

My Church, My Family and Me

SHARING THE GOSPEL:

Grass stains. Tomato sauce. Brightly colored fruit drinks. When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil spirit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, he cleaned that evil spirit right out.

PRAYER: God, You are much stronger than evil. Nothing is too hard for you to clean.

Comunidad Hispana

HORARIO DE OFICINA DE MINISTERIO HISPANO

LUNES a JUEVES – 9:30AM-5:30PM
LONCHE de 1:00PM-2:00PM
CERRADO los VIERNES Y SABADO
Dora Baez—661-299-6593

EL GRUPO DE ORACIÓN

Te invita todos los Lunes de 7-9pm. Alabar y bendecir al Señor. Con testimonios, predicación y Oración.
Salmo 90:1 "Señor tu has sido para nosotros un refugio a lo largo de los siglos." Para mas información llamar a ***Manuel Villanueva 661-575-7468.***

ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA

Te invitamos a que participes en la Adoración Nocturna. Tenemos nuestra reunión el primer Viernes del mes de 9:00pm — 10:00pm. Puedes iniciar regalándole a Jesús una hora de su tiempo. *No has podido velar ni una hora conmigo?* Jesús Sacramentado te espera! Para mayor información comunicarse con: ***Ernesto 661-803-8549***

ESTUDIO BÍBLICO

Estudio bíblico básico todos los Miércoles de 7—9PM.
Si estas interesado llamar a ***Nicolás Sánchez 661-607-1039***

MINISTERIO DE UJIERES

Te invitamos, a ser parte del ministerio de ujieres, y dar tu servicio al Señor y tu comunidad, nos reunimos el cuarto Martes de cada mes en el salón #3 de 7pm-9pm para mas informes llama a ***Guadalupe Hernandez al: 661 964-9107***

QUINCEAÑERA

Para los que quieran tener su quinceañera aquí en Santa Clara los requisitos son estar registrados en la parroquia por lo menos un año, estar ya en el programa de confirmación, y venir a misa todos los domingos en esta comunidad. Para más información favor de llamar a ***Monica Herrera 818-585-4333***.

BAUTIZOS

Bautizos en español son el primer y el tercer Sábado de cada mes después de misa de 7pm y El Segundo Domingo de cada mes a las 2:00pm será en Español.

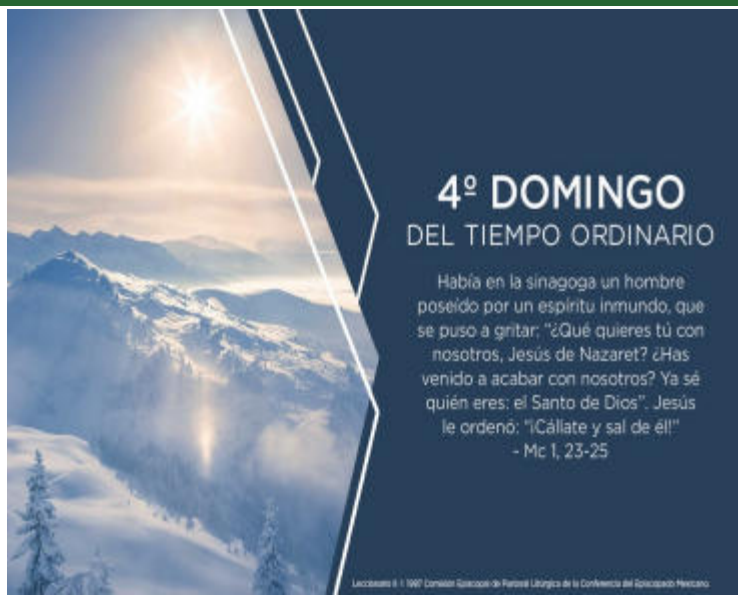
Clases pre-bautismales cada tercer y cuarto Viernes de cada mes de 7pm-9pm. Para mas informes llamar a ***Sylvia y Jose Luis Villegas al 818-802-0634***

ASOCIACIÓN GUADALUPANA

¿Te gustaría ser miembro de este gran ministerio?. Ven a venerar a nuestra Madre. La Virgen de Guadalupe que ella siempre intercede para nosotros. Nuestras reuniones son el primer Sábado de cada mes te esperamos.
Para mas información: ***Librada Blanco 661-481-6117***

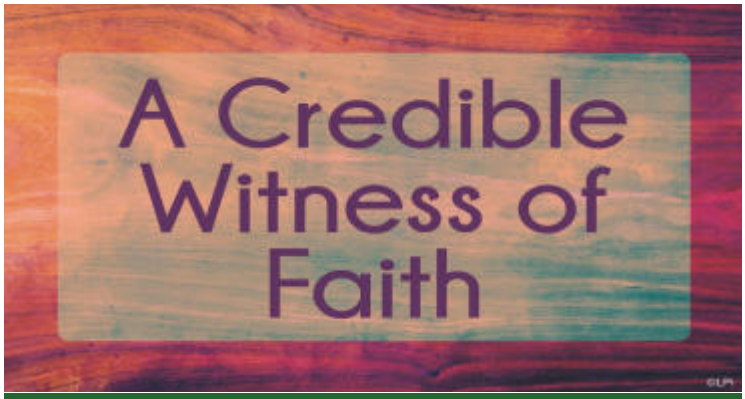
RCIA—SACRAMENTOS DE ADULTOS

Para informes llamar a ***Carmen & Alex Zuniga 661-600-6364 /661-600-4276***



VIVIR LA LITURGIA
- Inspiración De La Semana -

La mayoría de nosotros no somos pioneros. Sin embargo, a lo largo de la historia, ha habido muchas personas que persiguieron incansable y persistentemente los impulsos de sus corazones sin prestar atención a lo que otros pensaban o lo que dictaban las tendencias. Jesús es uno de ellos. Santa Teresa de Calcuta y San Francisco de Asís son otros ejemplos. El resto de nosotros somos personas que miramos las cosas con más mesura, queremos probar las aguas y nos tomamos nuestro tiempo para elegir qué camino o persona seguir. Necesitamos testigos creíbles de fe. Necesitamos que, la gente como Moisés, en nuestras vidas nos muestre con palabras y hechos quién es Dios y cómo es la integridad y una vida impulsada por un propósito. Son los indicadores de la verdad, quienes, aunque tienen sus propias luchas, parecen encarnar una sabiduría eterna sin palabras que simplemente suena y se siente bien. Jesús enseñó con este mismo tipo de autoridad y llamó la atención de los más escépticos. Estaban asombrados. Aunque necesitamos a nuestros profetas humanos, también podemos ser algo proféticos nosotros mismos poniendo integridad y convicción detrás de nuestra aceptación del Evangelio. Quizás para nuestra sorpresa, todos tenemos el poder de ser testigos creíbles. **¿Estás dispuesto a intentarlo?**



RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

EMBRACING CHANGE IN CHRIST

It's officially one month since we popped the champagne, toasted 2021 and wrote down a list of resolutions. This is usually the time when we start to take a good, hard look in the mirror to assess what we have done — or have not done — with the first month of this brand-new year.

New years can be scary, can't they? Full of promise, sure, but also full of room for failure. Full of space for our old baggage, old fears and the continuation of old mistakes.

The same can be said of Christ, and the new life he offers us, if we are brave enough to accept it. Opportunities like that can be intimidating. In that moment, we might find ourselves like the man with the unclean spirit crying out: "What have you to do with me, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us?"

Jesus is a comforter of the afflicted; he is a consoling figure, but he is also a challenging one. Sometimes we have grown attached to our afflictions. The idea of correcting bad habits or forming new ones is frankly terrifying to us. We have a voice deep inside who sees Christ and his invitation to repentance, and it cries out in fear: "I know who you are!"

When we live in the present, disavowing the baggage of the past or fear of the future, we submit ourselves to the promise of redemption. Let us be brave everyday stewards and invite Christ's healing power into our lives. We won't regret it — I'm sure the demoniac never did.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

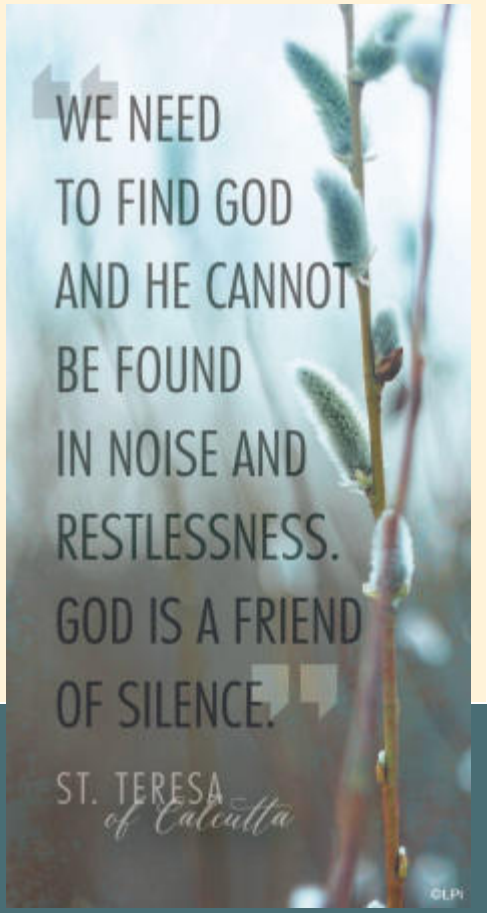
Question:

I get annoyed with myself when I am distracted while I pray. Is it a sin? How can I be more attentive?

Answer:

The mind is a marvelous and complex thing, producing amazing thoughts, images, wisdom and inspiration. Yet at times it is like a two-year-old: it does not follow directions, does what it wants and loves to tell us "no!" This is probably the oldest and most common problem in the spiritual life-dealing with distraction. It comes in all forms: good intentions forgotten, wandering thoughts at Mass, daydreaming, etc. A little poem says it all: When the soul begins to pray, the brain always wants to play!

There are many ways to handle distractions. If we are distracted by thoughts about our families or friends, we should pray for them. If we lose our focus, we need just "re-collect" ourselves. If some worry or concern just won't leave our mind, then we deal with it and come back to prayer or make it part of our prayer. And when words just won't come, the only prayer we might offer is our presence, our suffering, and our desire to be close to the Lord. Most importantly, we need to be patient with ourselves. These things are not sinful, but reminders of our human frailty. Our weaknesses and good efforts are all acceptable to God, who reads the love in our hearts and the good intentions of our minds.



Most of us are not trail blazers. Throughout history though, there have been many folks who tirelessly and persistently pursued the promptings of their hearts without giving any care to what others thought or trends dictated. Jesus is one of them. St. Teresa of Calcutta and St. Francis of Assisi are examples of others. The rest of us are people who take a more measured look at things, want to test the waters, and take our time choosing what path or person to follow. We need credible witnesses of faith. We need the Moses people in our lives to show us by word and deed who God is and what integrity and a purpose-driven life looks like. They are the pointers to truth, who even though they struggle themselves, seem to embody an unspoken timeless wisdom that just sounds and feels right. Jesus taught with this same type of authority and caught the attention of the greatest of skeptics. They were astonished. Even though we need our human prophets we can also be somewhat prophetic ourselves by putting integrity and conviction behind our embrace of the Gospel. Perhaps much to our surprise, we all have the power to be a credible witness. **Are you willing to give it a try?**

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From the Prayer of the Archdiocese of the Military

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look with love upon
our men and women
In uniform
and protect them in
their time of need.
Give them health and
stability and allow
them to return to
their loved ones whole
and unshaken.
Be with their families
and sustain them
in these uncertain times.
Hear us as
we present our prayers
to You through
Christ Our Lord.
Amen

LIGHTER SIDE–CARTOON & HUMOR

PRAYER ANGELS FOR THE MILITARY

On behalf of **Prayer Angels For The Military,** I would like to thank our parishioners for their support of deployed military troops and local veterans in need over Christmas. The outpouring of love shown through your gifts was just a lifesaver this year. St. Clare is the largest contributor to Prayer Angels of goods during the holiday season. This year, we just did not know what to expect. What we experienced though was so many needed goods donated, more than expected; many Christmas cards with loving and encouraging messages and many generous monetary donations to cover shipping.

I would especially like to thank the members of St. Clare's Legion of Mary and Jr. Legion of Mary; the Youth and Confirmation students, staff and volunteers who just went above and beyond in helping this cause. Once again, job well done St. Clare! Because of your kindness and generosity troops have received a Merrier Christmas and experienced first hand that they are remembered, loved and appreciated while serving away from home and will not be forgotten.

Thank you so much! May God Bless you all.

Martine Gonzales

MASS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 2021

01 (Mon)	9:00	Donald Karl	RIP
		Sadita Vasquez	RIP
		Kathe & Vincent Stine Jr.	RIP
		Ernest Calvary	RIP
02 (Tue)	9:00	Theresa & Maurice Clarke	RIP
		Maureen Heinzerling	RIP
		Emilio & Celina Ramirez	RIP
		Ernest Calvary	RIP
03 (Wed)	9:00	Josephine & Richard Robillard	INT
		Darlene Franch	RIP
		Theresa Litzie	RIP
		Ernest Calvary	RIP
04 (Thur)	9:00	Argentina Quesada	RIP
		Bert Noriega	RIP
		Ernest Calvary	RIP
		Enrique Baez Galindo	RIP
05 (Fri)	9:00	Tom & Diane Albert	INT
		Ernest Calvary	RIP
		Peter Ambrose	RIP
		Daryle Loguidice	RIP
06 (Sat)	9:00	Santiago Sanches	INT
		Ernest Calvary	RIP
		Dolores De La Cruz	RIP
		Gelacio Ladores	RIP
		Dean Bennett	RIP
		5:00 PM The People of the Parish	
		7:00 PM The Intentions of the Piarist Fathers	
07 (Sun)	7:00	The People of the Parish	
	9:00	The People of the Parish	
	11:00	The People of the Parish	
	1:00pm	The People of the Parish	
	6:00pm	The People of the Parish	

As of the printing of this bulletin the earliest available Mass Intention date is February 15th, 2021

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PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH ....

Gwendolyn Ferrao; Bruce Tellez; Norma Interiano; Desiree Florez; Matthew DeJesus; Jess Sanchez; Alicia Reidel; Al Porcellino; Therese Montag; The Cuevas Family; Fr. Patrick O'Hagan; John Clemmer; John D'Cruz; Rex Gregory; Romero Pozos; Jackie Bouvier; Rosa Villanueva White;

(These names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks only.)

BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE . . .

Michael Patrick Estes; Hector Loera; Hildo Garcia; Todd Stadtman; Rafael M. Navalta (Kuya Jun); Manolo Clarin Robles; Raoul Vicente Armada;

Weekly Readings and Observances

Readings for the Week of January 31st, 2021

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 [25]/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a [cf. 17]/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9,10-11[cf.10]/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc [1a]/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Observances for the Week of January 31st, 2021

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
Monday:
Tuesday: The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life
Wednesday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop
Thursday:
Friday: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
Saturday: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Las Lecturas y Conmemoraciones Semanales

Las lecturas de la semana del 31 de Enero de 2021

Domingo: Dt 18, 15-20/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7, 32-35/Mc 1, 21-28
Lunes: Heb 11, 32-40/Sal 30, 20. 21. 22. 23. 24 [25]/Mc 5, 1-20
Martes: Mal 3, 1-4/Sal 23, 7. 8. 9. 10 [8]/Heb 2, 14-18/Lc 2, 22-40 o 2, 22-32
Miércoles: Heb 12, 4-7. 11-15/Sal 102, 1-2. 13-14. 17-18 [cfr. 17]/Mc 6, 1-6
Jueves: Heb 12, 18-19. 21-24/Sal 47, 2-3. 3-4. 9. 10-11 [cfr. 10]/Mc 6, 7-13
Viernes: Heb 13, 1-8/Sal 26, 1. 3. 5. 8-9 [1]/Mc 6, 14-29
Sábado: Heb 13, 15-17. 20-21/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6 [1]/Mc 6, 30-34
Domingo siguiente: Job 7,1-4. 6-7/Sal 146, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [cfr. 3]/1 Cor 9, 16-19. 22-23/Mc 1, 29-39

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 31 de Enero de 2021

Domingo: 4º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Semana de las Escuelas Católicas
Lunes:
Martes: La Presentación de Jesús; Día Mundial de la Vida Consagrada
Miércoles: San Blas, obispo y mártir; San Óscar, obispo
Jueves:
Viernes: Santa Águeda, virgen y mártir
Sábado: San Pablo Miki y compañeros, mártires
Domingo siguiente: 5º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

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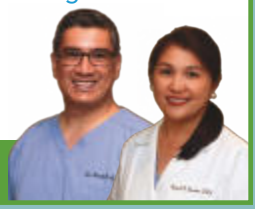
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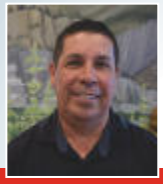
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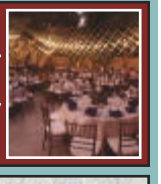

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