

JULY 24, 2022
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint Anne, Saint Joachim and the Virgin
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WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Saturday | 8:00am

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil | 5:00pm

Sunday | 7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30am

*All Masses held indoor with
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Saturday | 3:30-4:30 pm

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Monday - Saturday at 8:00am

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Monday - Friday 8:30am-9:30am

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WEEKLY PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 7-17

OUR PARISHIONERS CONTRIBUTED \$14,232

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 7/23

8:00 am Patricia Rausch, RIP
5:00 pm Elizabeth L Zuppari Poccia, RIP

SUNDAY 7/24

7:30 am James Allen, RIP
9:00 am Richard Mangiarelli, RIP
10:30am Carol McGuinness, RIP
Monday 7/18

8:00 Tom Kenny, RIP
TUESDAY 7/19

8:00 Agnes Lilly, RIP

WEDNESDAY 7/20

8:00 Judy Kenny, SI

THURSDAY 7/21

8:00 Cub Parker, RIP

Friday 7/22

8:00 Zenaida P and Anita B, RIP

SATURDAY 7/23

8:00 am In Thanksgiving

5:00pm Douglas W Ealy, RIP

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Celebrating Your Love Day

July 30th

Time: 10:00am to 5:30 pm

Location:

Saint Mark's Catholic Church 1147 Discovery Street, San Marcos, Ca

The diocesan Celebrating Your Love Day is a one-day marriage formation retreat which provides couples the opportunity to reflect deeply on their own relationship with God and their vocation to the Sacrament of Marriage.

For more information and to register, visit www.sdcatholic.org/cyl.

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A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Greetings in the Lord!

We have been reflecting on the theme of discipleship as a loving response to the call of Jesus to follow Him. Last Sunday, we must recall the message of last Sunday's gospel wherein we realized how important the two ways of being disciple of Jesus could be, either by actively serving the Master in the social concerns of people who are very much in need, or simply actively contemplating and listening intently to the words of the Master in the silence of the prayer. However, these two should always be considered together as an integral process of being a disciple wherein prayer should lead one to be actively in service to one's neighbor as an expression of one's compassion for him precisely coming from the abundance of one's love for the Master himself.

I would like to continue my reflections on the same theme of discipleship going further into the deeper and more profound meaning of being a follower of Jesus himself. The prayer that Jesus mentioned in today's gospel reading allows us to see his desire that the disciple should always be in constant communication with Jesus himself who is the master. Constant communication with the master allows the disciple to realize fundamental aspects of discipleship. First, the reality that his relationship with the master should be a relation between two persons in true love which presumes fidelity from each other in order to maintain the lasting relationship. In fact this constant communication of the disciple with the Master allows the disciple to remain aware that he is the follower and his beloved is Lord whom he should constantly listen in order to know his will and plans for him. Besides constant communication with the master allows the disciple to let the Master know his situation, his cares, his problems, his joys and his needs.

Secondly, the Gospel this Sunday affirms that the disciple should never hesitate to tell the Master whatever he needs without tiring and without hesitation as he said "And I tell you, ask and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, received; and the one who seeks, finds; and the one who knocks, the door will be opened." What wonderful affirmation of how faithful the Master really is. What is simply required is the realization of the disciple that he cannot do everything within is power as a creature with weaknesses and frailties, but this could only happen when he remains humble enough to accept the fact that only with his Master can he do whatever he may need to be done in his life. Humility is a virtue that a disciple should develop, a virtue that is the foundation of the ability to seek the assistance of somebody who is acknowledged to be truly greater than the disciple himself. This virtue leads one to have the courage to be persistent in prayer. Persistence is so important in prayer because it affirms the lowliness of the disciple and his acknowledgement of his dire need for assistance from the Master himself. The Master will definitely answer the prayers of the disciple, but his answer may not always be yes to what he asks but even the no could be for the welfare of the disciple in the final analysis.

Finally, the Gospel this Sunday encourages us to keep the prayer Jesus himself taught his disciples as the best way to communicate with the Master, whether we pray this during the mass, when we recite the rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, or pray it as it is because it always reminds us that we cannot be the masters, but we can only be true disciples as long as we continue to be conscious of his ever faithful concern for us his disciples. Let us pray that we would be as truly faithful disciples of Jesus also every day of our lives.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 24, 2022

- Sunday:** Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
- Monday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28
- Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday:** Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53
- Friday:** Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12
- Next Sunday:** Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

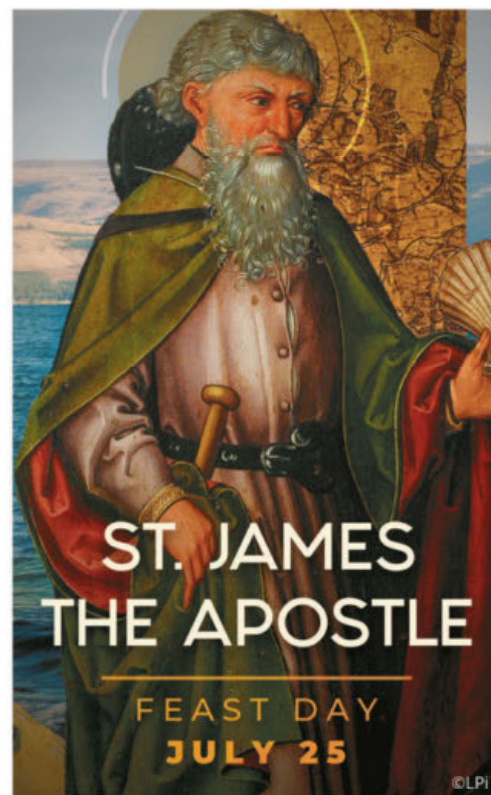
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 24, 2022

- Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
- Monday:** St. James, Apostle
- Tuesday:** Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday:** St. Martha
- Saturday:** St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Ultimately, what does God promise to give us when we pray? The short answer to that question is God. God promises to give Himself to us in prayer. Prayer is about union with God, not receiving favors. When God comes to us in prayer, His presence comes with faith, hope, and love. When we find these virtues enhanced and nurtured, we know that our prayer has been heard and answered. When we seek out, listen to, and live by these virtues we find ourselves led back to God and more united with the Divine Presence. We struggle with what we want God to do and how we want our prayer validated. That's what makes Jesus' prayer, the Our Father, so perfect. It celebrates a deepening intimate relationship of trust between our Creator and us. When we persistently cry out for God in love, how can that prayer go unanswered?



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus' group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them "sons of thunder" because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.

Saint James was part of Jesus' intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius' daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had "James, the brother of John, killed by the sword." (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint's lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint's relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.



TALK ON ANGELS BY PATRICK MADRID Hello! Patrick Madrid here. I'm a Catholic apologist, speaker, best-selling author of 26 books, and host of the daily "Patrick Madrid Show" on Relevant Radio. My books have sold over a million copies, but most importantly I'm a husband, father of 11 and grandfather of 28. I will be visiting Orange County for a special event on August 6th.

As you'll see, the event includes an afternoon conference with presentations on angels, science & faith, & Scriptural evidence of God's existence, all culminating in a cocktail reception & taco bar before a full-course dinner at the Christ Cathedral Arboretum. Meet and dine with myself and fellow Catholics.

Looking forward to seeing you in August! Tickets at patrickmadrid.com/socal

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Next Nativity Men's Group

August 4, 2022

Speaker: Tony Krvaric

Born and raised in Sweden, Tony Krvaric was inspired by Ronald Reagan's optimism and unshakable belief in free enterprise, individual liberty, and limited government, vowing to one day come to America and pursue his own American Dream.

In 1992 he immigrated legally and arrived in San Diego, starting his own business in the computer industry. Six years later he discovered his passion; helping individuals and families make smart financial choices - and joined A.G. Edwards & Sons as a full-service Financial Consultant.

After patiently going through the naturalization process for nearly thirteen years, Tony became an American citizen in 2003, calling it "one of the proudest days" of his life.

Tony is Chairman Emeritus of the Republican Party of San Diego County - where he served for 14 years as volunteer chairman, charged with electing and re-electing Republicans to all levels of government.

In his spare time Tony engages in causes that advance freedom, preserve our culture, and honor America's founding principles. He describes himself as socially conservative and fiscally moderate.

His values system stems from learning about the horrors of collectivism and communism that his parents suffered in Yugoslavia (present-day Croatia) and led them to seek a better life in Sweden.

Tony lives in the Scripps Ranch area of San Diego with his wife and their four children ("three boys and a princess.") The family attends St. Michael's Catholic Church in Poway where Tony is a proud Brother Knight of the Fourth Degree.

Join us for a night of Faith, Fellowship, Food, and Inspiration

Where: Church of the Nativity

When: Thursday, August 4, 6:00 - 8:30 PM

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Caring for the Whole Person
**Online Training for Pastoral Care Ministers/
 Volunteers, Wednesday evenings**
from August 17 to September 14,
6:00-8:00 PM:

This five-part virtual training on how to care for parishioners and support families through serious illness includes topics such as Catholic Moral Teaching Around Serious Illness and End-of-Life issues, Caring for Parishioners through Serious Illness, Advance Care Planning, Palliative and Hospice Care, and Parish as a Loving Community. The training is recommended for volunteers in pastoral care ministries such as Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Homebound, Stephens Ministers, Knights of Malta, Parish Nurses, and St. Vincent De Paul.

Register at <https://wholeperson.care>.

LOCAL LECTURES
 ST. THERESE OF CARMEL 630 - Wine & Cheese
 4355 Del Mar Trails Road 700 - Lecture
 San Diego, CA 92130

9.16.22
REVISITING GENESIS 1 & 2
 Man, Woman, & the Mission of the Laity
 What does it mean to be a man/woman? Are they equal? In what sense are they different? Dr. Deborah Savage has been pursuing the Catholic response to these questions for more than a decade. Building on the work of Pope St. John Paul II, she will show the wisdom concerning the nature of man and woman, their respective identities, and their genius that is found in the creation accounts in Genesis. Her talk will shed light on the nature of man and woman and affirm the significance of these questions for the mission of the laity.
Deborah Savage

10.21.22
ECCLESIALITY & ECCLESIAL CHAOS
 Catholics are baptized as sons and daughters of the Church, and called to become "men and women of the Church," as Henri de Lubac put it. But what does it mean to be sons and daughters of the Church in moments of serious crisis? The lives of the saints, especially St. John Henry Newman, offer wisdom on the path for the sons and daughters in a Church family that often seems dysfunctional.
J.D. Flynn

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 September 16 - 18, 2022
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8.19.22
Ten Ways Protestants Argue like Atheists
Trent Horn
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WATCH

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA: SOLDIER FOR CHRIST

At the end of this week, we celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the "Soldier for Christ." While Martin Luther's interior troubles plunged Europe into a maelstrom of controversy, Ignatius of Loyola set out on an extraordinary interior pilgrimage of grace. Taught directly by God, Ignatius offered the Church a new spirituality of devoted service to Christ and founded a religious order dedicated to evangelization, the Jesuits.



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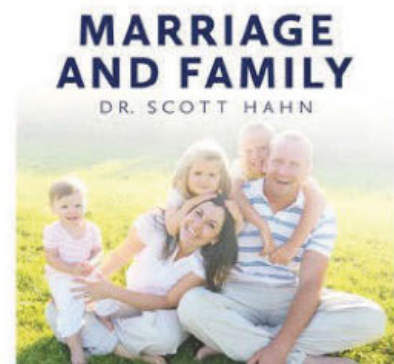


As many of us embark on sunny vacations, it's important to make sure our faith remains front and center in our lives. Since it's easy for us to be distracted by the excitement of the summer rhythm, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger discuss what we can do to make sure we don't let the spiritual life take a back seat.

LISTEN

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: LOVE UNVEILED BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

Strong relationships and marriages are of vital importance to individuals, the Church, and society as a whole. In this focused presentation, Dr. Scott Hahn shares key principles that he has lived out in his own life. His advice is practical, challenging, and sometimes requires sacrifice, but it is sure to bear fruit and bring forth many blessings in your family. In honor of Sts. Joachim and Anne, please enjoy this powerful talk!



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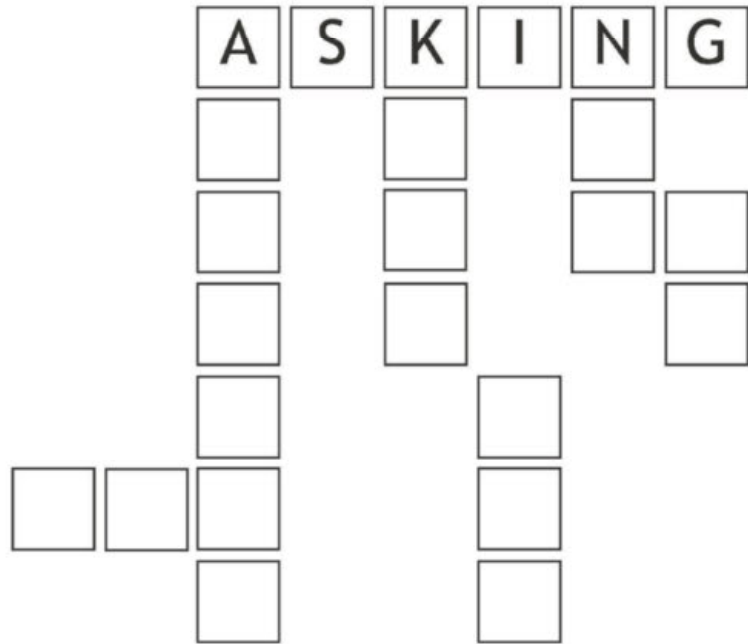
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PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for loving me and listening to me.

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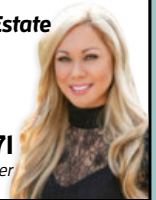
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We are now on our summer break. Watch this bulletin space for information on any summer activities.

Congratulations and welcome to our incoming freshmen from the Nativity School and the Faith Formation Program! The next step in your continuing religious education is the High School Youth Ministry Program, which also incorporates preparation for the sacrament of

Confirmation.

Your contact information has automatically been added to our class lists.

Registration for the 2022-2023 Catechetical Year will start in August.

A few responses from our Year End Survey – “What is something you learned about our faith this year?”

- I have learned a lot about God
- Something I have learned about our faith this year is that there is always more to learn
- I learned about the meanings behind the prayers
- That the Pope is trying to hear more from the youth
- I learned a lot about God and his calling of us
- I have learned more about the gifts of the holy spirit and how God works through others

I learned that God is all-forgiving and is always there for us when we need Him. Even in times where we feel like we can't turn to God, he will always love us and the Holy Spirit guides us in all aspects of life

“What is the best part about Youth Group?”

- Meeting new people
- The best part of youth group is learning more about the faith and the people here
- The people and learning about our faith
- bonding with kids my age over faith
- getting to meet new people my age that go to the same church as me
- I like connecting and hanging out with other people my age who share my faith
- Social and learning about our religion

The best part about Youth Group are the people and the teachings from this class. I have learned so many life lessons/ skills/morals that have shaped the way I am as a person and how I make decisions.

Also, this group of people always serves as a safe place to come and feel welcome and wanted — and also understood by others because of our similar values.

For more information on Youth Ministry or Confirmation contact Mike James, Youth Ministry Director, at mjames@nativitycatholic.org or see the Youth Ministry page on the parish website at <https://nativitycatholic.weconnect.com/youth-ministry>

The Inquiry Period for the 2022-2023 R.C.I.A. Year has opened.

If you are an adult looking to learn more about or to be initiated into the Catholic faith, need to prepare for a missed sacrament, or are a lifelong Catholic looking for a refresher course, then the R.C.I.A. can help.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process that welcomes you to join the Catholic faith community and introduces you to the beliefs and practices of the Church. If you are not baptized, the process leads to the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. If you are Baptized in another Christian tradition, the process invites you to participate fully in the church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

During each R.C.I.A. session we spend time answering your questions about the Catholic faith, reviewing the Scripture readings from Mass, and discussing the current chapter in our book. The most important thing is getting your questions answered.

If you are interested in joining the class that starts in September, please contact Mike James, R.C.I.A. Director, at mjames@nativitycatholic.org.