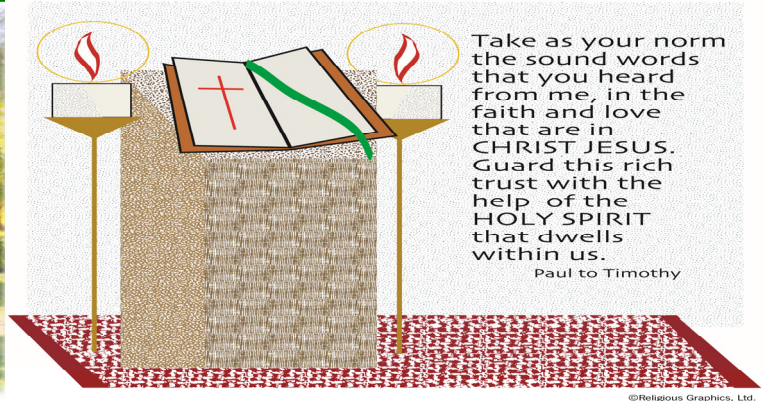


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Our Parish Mission Statement

St. Nicholas Parish is a Catholic community, celebrating our faith through the Sacraments, Liturgy, Prayer and Service. We strive to nurture family life and to create one body out of many in the Lord.

We share the Good News with people of all ages, cultures and faith backgrounds.

Adopted July, 1996

CLERGY

Pastor	Rev. George P. Blais
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Martin Bui
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Phuong Nguyen
In-Residence	Bishop Thanh Nguyen
Visiting Priest	Msgr. John Campbell
Visiting Priest	Rev. Jack Sewell
Visiting Priest	Rev. Chin Dang
Deacon	Gerardo de Santos
Deacon	Carlos Pineda
Deacon	Chau Tran

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday:	9AM (English)
Saturday Vigil:	4PM(English) 6PM(Spanish)
Sunday:	7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM (English) 5PM (Vietnamese)
Holy Day Vigil:	4PM (English), 6PM (Spanish)
Holy Days:	7AM, 9AM, 12PM (English) 7PM (Vietnamese)
Saturday:	8:30AM

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) *

Wednesday: 5:00PM

Saturday: 9:00AM

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office for Baptism scheduling and information.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must begin at least six months in advance with a priest of the parish.

ANointing OF THE SICK

Call Parish Office in an emergency.
Special Service celebrated in fall/spring as announced.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

At the death of a family member, please call the Parish Office at your earliest convenience to plan for the Mass of Christian Burial.

***Confessions are back inside the church.**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Sunday: 8:30AM - 12:30PM; Monday - Friday: 8:30AM - 12:00PM, 1:00PM - 5:00PM

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners,

This week we hear about increasing our faith. The disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, and this is a request that we should all think about. When they asked this of Jesus, and when we ask this, it is acknowledging that we already have faith, and this is a good thing. Jesus will always accept us for who we are and where we are in our journey with Him; however, He also desires for us to be and do better in our lives.

Faith is a personal thing with each one of us and it is up to us to discern where we are in our faith journey. We say, "Yes, I believe, or We believe" but what does that mean and how do we show others that we have faith? Do we put our complete trust in the Lord, or do we try to control our own destiny? Sometimes we might need to have more faith that God will provide for our needs during challenging times or times of crisis. It is at these times that we can be a true example to others about how we trust God. It is also at these times that we might pray for an increase of faith.

Remember that God will always provide for our needs; however, He may not provide for our wants. Sometimes when we discover that He has not given us what we want, our faith can be shaken, and it is during these times that the request of the disciples in today's Gospel is appropriate. "Lord increase my faith."

Fr. George P. Blais

WEEKLY DONATIONS SUMMARY

	Week of Sept. 19-25, 2022	Week of Sept. 19-25, 2021
Envelopes	\$8,789.00	\$10,022.00
Loose	\$3,969.00	\$3,610.00
Electronic	\$1,320.27	\$2,068.19
Total	\$14,078.27	\$15,700.19

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Respect Life Month

In October, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is designated as *Respect Life Sunday*. To support these annual observances, the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities provides materials to help Catholics understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it. Please visit respectlife.org/respect-life-month for more information.

"SERVICE OF HEALING"



In response to the violence inflicted upon the Taiwanese congregation at Geneva Presbyterian Church this past summer, our 9am Parish Choir will join with Geneva's Chancel Choir, and the Taiwanese Choir, for a SERVICE OF HEALING. This service will be held at Geneva Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 16th, at 4:00 pm. All are invited for a presentation of music and interfaith prayer, for all victims of senseless violence. Admission is free. A freewill offering will be taken. (*The church is located at 24301 El Toro Road.*)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday:

7:30 AM For the Parish
 9:00 AM Deceased Relatives & Friends of Lydia Moussa
 11:00 AM Quirino Cacho (D)

Monday:

9:00 AM Peggy O'Donnell (L)
 Edward Danet (D)
 Kathleen Riggs (D)
 Travis Schumacher (D)

Tuesday:

9:00 AM Kenneth French (D)

Wednesday:

9:00 AM Art & Cecilia Delvaux (L)
 Mary Roldan (L)
 John & Beth Perak (L)
 Maria C. Pantaleon (D)

Thursday:

9:00 AM Cynthia Paguio Gutierrez (D)

Friday:

9:00 AM Mario & Edgar Balledos (D)

Saturday:

8:30 AM Richard Hayes (D)
 4:00 PM Frank Gerard Hernandez (D)
 6:00 PM Monica Flores (D)
 Josefa Perez & Eric Perez (D)

We remember all our recently deceased who have entered their new and eternal life in Christ.

Grant to all our dearly departed, eternal rest, O Lord, and may your light shine on them forever.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — In spite of violence, destruction, and ruin, the just person, because of faith, will live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

Psalms — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

Gospel — Lord, increase our faith! (Luke 17:5-10).

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Our Monthly Day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is the 2nd Wednesday, of the month beginning after the 9AM Mass and continues until just prior to the 9AM Mass on Thursday.

DEVOTIONS

2nd Wednesday of the month
 7:00PM (English) and 8:00PM (Vietnamese).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
 Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42
 Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
 Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
 Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
 Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
 Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Saints of the Week and Special Observances

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
 Tuesday: St. Francis of Assisi; Yom Kippur (Jewish Day of Atonement) begins at sunset
 Wednesday: St. Faustina Kowalska; Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos
 Thursday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher
 Friday: Our Lady of the Rosary; First Friday
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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7:00pm - 8:30pm (Español)
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en el Centro Pastoral-Salón 201**

SAVE THE DATE! FOR INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.



HISPANIC COMMUNITY LATIN FOOD FUNRAISER

**Thank you to all who
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**Gracias a todas las personas
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el evento
el 18 y 19 de septiembre.
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Confirmation & Youth Ministry

Registration is open for the 2022-2023 Academic Year. Please visit the SRE office upstairs in the parish hall or call 949-837-7676 for more information or to register/re-register.

Preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation is a 2 year process. All High School students are eligible for the program. Those who have completed their 1st year **MUST RE REGISTER** for the 2nd year of the program. Registration is open through September. **Classes Begin OCT. 2nd (C1) & OCT. 9th (C2).** Please note that the first class meetings must be attended by the student and at least **ONE PARENT.**

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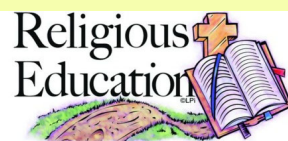
If you have any questions, call the Parish Office (949-837-1090) for Cate, the Sewing Director, to contact you.

MONDAY MORNING PRAYER



The Knights of Columbus lead the Rosary in the church, Monday mornings at 8:05am.

Everyone is invited to attend. The Rosary will last 15-20 minutes. All prayer intentions welcome. Please join us.



Classes started the week of September 19th, however, registrations will be accepted through October 12th.

To sign-up, please visit SRE Office:
Monday & Wednesday 9am-12, 1:30pm-5:30pm; Tuesday & Thursday 1:00pm - 6:00pm. Please call if you have questions, 949-837-7676.

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Library will be open every 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm starting in October. However, for the month of October it will be open on October 2, but not October 16th.

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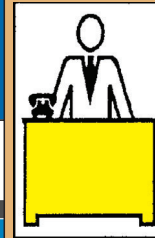
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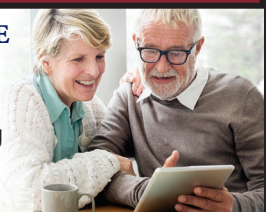
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