



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“He replied, ‘No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest.’” - Mt 13:29-30

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Thanks and Gratitude for the Soccer Support!

On the 25th of June we went to Mitty High School to watch the seminarians play the priests in the highly publicized soccer tournament.

The parishioners of Saint Justin were there in their numbers and their priests were ready to go, on and off the field. It was a game of love and happiness. I arrived at 5 PM and the Nuns' game started at 5:30 PM. The Nuns proved beyond reasonable doubt that they can match any female team on the planet Earth. The spectators were well entertained and edified. How I wish one of the Nuns be invited to the USA women's national team. Dreams come true.

The game with the seminarians went on, as I was placed in the mid-field to man the fulcrum of the team. Those who knew soccer positions very well will call it Number 4, while a technical coach would say defensive mid-field. I was the commanding officer in that position until my gasoline started dropping. The young seminarians, noticing that the elders were rich in tactics but poor in strength, capitalized on the physical and mechanical aspects of the game. Although it was not easy for them to run over the elders of the church, sometimes you allow the younger generations to have their way so they can aspire to be old.

In a competition, we win some and lose some to make a balanced

**Thank
You!**

outcome. St Justin raised the most Funds, Saint Justin won the iPad, and Saint Justin won the highest number of spectators. It would be greedy to win the game also. Therefore,

it is justified that we let ourselves be beaten by the seminarians so they can be happy. The scoreline was not as bad as it sounds because we gave a good account of ourselves. It was 3-0 in favor of the seminarians. How I wish we could have scored only one goal to prove a point, but not this time.

The diocese was very happy that Saint Justin has shown this support to them for the last five years we have raised the most fund. The money runs into millions of cents. I am very grateful to the parishioners and friends of Saint Justin who responded to the call to support the seminarians. Next year we will come begging again. My coach Fr. Chris is planning on giving me more exercises and technical training to match the physicality of the seminarians. On my part, I would be ready to go when the next game comes on board. **THANKS TO ALL THE SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS: YOU HAVE DONE US PROUD!**

Fr. Gerald

Upcoming Second Offerings
Your generosity is appreciated.
**Denotes Parish Second Collection.*

7/24	Building Fund*
8/6	Church in Africa

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

	Sunday 7/16/2023	Fiscal Year To Date 7/1/23-7/16/2023
Goal	\$9,640	\$28,920.00
Collected	\$9,608	\$30,126.62
Over/(Short)	(\$32)	\$1,206.62

Weekly Prayer

Mass Intentions

July 24- July 29, 2023

Monday 8:30am

No Intention

Tuesday 8:30am

All Souls

Lupe V. Lopez +

Wednesday 8:30am

Joseph Nguyen +

Thursday 8:30am

No Intention

Friday 8:30am

No Intention

Saturday 8:00am

No Intention

Saturday 5:00pm

Juana Villagrana +

Sunday 7:30am

No Intention

Sunday 9:00am

For All Parishioners

Sunday 10:30am

Val T. Wilson +

Sunday 12:15pm

Carmelita de Guzman-Teves +

Sunday 7:00pm

No Intention

We pray
for those
who are ill
or suffering
from
loneliness,



sadness, or depression.

We pray for those who
care for them. We pray
for our deceased family
and friends. We pray for
our men and women who
are serving in the
military.

This week we pray
especially for those who are
ill or preparing for surgery:

Manuel Avila, Armando
Bottelli, Viola Bradshaw,
Monica Kieu Do Duy, Susy
Carter, Lorraine Chavez,
Kollie Chen, Diane Cribari,
Ursula Duncan, Kathleen
Farinas, Rodolfo Feliciano,
Pilar Ferrer, Jacqueline
Green, Clorinda Hite, John
Humbert, Balwant Khaira,
Efrain Linares, Joe
Lombardi, Annie McCuen,
Shirley McDonell, Angelina
Medina, Caridad Mendoza,
Greg Ortiz, Jr., Robert Ray,
Diane Rayburn, Margaret
Saxton, Ly Thai, Lu Trinh,
Mark Walsh, Maria
Vergano, Audrey Zampedri.

*and for those who have died:
Rose Nichols*



Saint of the week

Blessed Stanley Francis Rother spent most of his priestly life serving the Tz'utujil people of Southwest Guatemala, whom he loved. He was shot and killed by non-native guerilla forces in their attempt to terrorize the community. He is the first U.S.-born beatified martyr.

Prayer

O God, fount of all holiness, make us each walk worthily in our vocation, through the intercession of Your Saints, on whom You bestowed a great variety of graces on earth.

Having graced Your Church with the life of Your priest and martyr, Blessed Stanley Rother, grant that by his intercession this humble flock may reach where the brave shepherd has gone. Grant that Your Church may proclaim him a saint living in Your presence and interceding for us. Through Christ our Lord.

(Prayer Source: <https://archokc.org/prayers-for-blessed-stanley-rother>)

CATECHETICAL MINISTRY NEWS

*Catechesis is more than just religious education.
It is a life long journey towards a deeper relationship with Christ.*

Ongoing Faith Formation will Resume in October!

These classes meet on Sunday morning.

Registration forms will be available at st-justin.org or in the Parish Office in June.
We will mail out registration forms for returning families in August.

Sacramental Preparation Program

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

You may register for this program if your child has already completed one year of Ongoing Faith Formation or is enrolled in a Catholic school. This program is for baptized children in 2nd grade and higher. Registration begins in August and is supplemental to Ongoing Faith Formation.



High School Confirmation Program

This program begins in September and culminates with the Sacrament of Confirmation in May. The candidate sessions take place on Sundays.
Registration begins in August.

RCIA (adapted for children)

If your child is seven years or older and unbaptized, we provide the Rite of Christian Initiation adapted for children. Please contact laura.ortiz@dsj.org for more information.



Infant Baptism

Our next infant baptism preparation class is
Wednesday, August 16th at 7 p.m.

Please email laura.ortiz@dsj.org to register.

Ever Thought of Being a Catechist?

As we prepare to return to the classrooms with social distancing protocols in the Fall, we are in need of substitute catechists. Part of our adherence to the County Health Order is to ensure that anyone (catechist included) who is not feeling well should remain at home and not enter our facilities. Therefore, more than ever, we need to have back-ups. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to dip your toe into this ministry, obtain the training required, and join our catechetical team! We are in particular need for Grades 1, 5 & 6, as the catechists for those grades are from a single household. However, it is ideal to have substitute availability for all ages.

If the Spirit is speaking to you to share the gift of your faith with the youth of our parish, email laura.ortiz@dsj.org for more information.

MINISTRY NEWS

COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Community Ministry

Food Pantry

Open:

Tues. thru Sat. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Closed: Sunday & Monday

Frequently asked questions:

1. What kind of food donations are you in most need of?

Shelf stable meals in pop-top cans (chili, ravioli, soup), boxes of mac n' cheese.

2. When can we drop them off?

Tues thru Sat, 9:30 – 11:30 am; the door should be open (to avoid crowds, come before 9:50 or after 10:30)

3. Will you accept fruit picked off our backyard tree?

YES, We love to give away your donated fruit and vegetables!

4. My children need to do community service / volunteer hours. Can they volunteer at the food pantry on Saturday? YES, but ... call Nancy Uyeda (see contact info, pg 2) to schedule times.

Thank you for the many grocery bags you've donated!

Have unused, plastic-enclosed utensil packets from restaurant take-out or delivery orders?

The food pantry can use them in our brown-bag lunches. Bring them by!

Questions? Leave a short phone message / email for Joe Bauer or Nancy Uyeda (see contact info on pg. 2).



Readings for the week of July 23, 2023

Sunday:

Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday:

Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday:

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday:

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday:

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

Friday:

Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday:

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

When the disciples cannot understand something, they approach Jesus, and beseech him to explain. Let us be this forthcoming when we are discerning the will of God or struggling with a decision. Let us ask him to explain in words we can understand.

Observances for the week of July 23, 2023

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Sharbel Makhlûf, Priest

Tuesday: St. James, Apostle

Wednesday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Patience is rooted in Hope (an image of a bush filled with birds would be great)

Life, like the church, is often burdened with evil, smallness, and impurities. The Lord's parables give us a hope-filled perspective on all three.



Evil: in Jesus' parable about the good farmer whose enemy plants weeds at night, Jesus tells us that God is not the cause of evil but permits evil to exist with good out of his patient love. He will finally deal with it, but his love lets things stay messy for a time.

Smallness: It's funny that Jesus says his kingdom looks like ... wait for it ... a bush. What a letdown! Yet this

little shrub still somehow has room for all the birds of the sky. The smallness of the Church, and even our own little lives, still provides plenty of room for all whom God sends.

Impurities: divisions and hypocrisies in the Church and our own hearts exasperate us. Recall that Jesus compares his kingdom to a lump of dough with impure leaven eating away at it and therefore making it expand. It's the secret of the Cross. Not how we'd prefer it. But finally, great news.

The field, the bush, the loaf: all three parables invite us to embrace a patience rooted in hope: one day the field will be weeded, the bush filled with birds, and the risen loaf leaven-free.

— Father John Muir
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**WE DID IT!
WE REACHED OUR
PARISH GOAL OF
\$175,000!!!**



\$37,704

\$14,875

\$ 4,665

\$10,075

\$12,895

\$15,438

\$11,400

\$16,403

\$36,882

\$21,152

\$181,489

*Rebate coming
back to St. Justin is
\$57,982!*

Stewardship

The discipline of stewardship—of planned and consistent giving—is appropriate for this time. As you spend time in contemplation this season, consider planning your giving for this season as well as seasons to come. You can use ParishSOFT Giving—our secure giving option accessible through our church website—to plan and give this season. You can use Online Giving for your regular tithes or to contribute to special funds. You can find the online giving link on www.st-justin.org.

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First Annual Grief Symposium – DSJ

July 29, 2023

9-3 PM St. Joseph, Cupertino

Grief Counseling and Spiritual Support, Spiritual Direction

A CIRCLE OF HEALING: Strategies for Working TOGETHER

Catholic Cemeteries Outreach supports the whole Diocese in supporting those who are grieving. Consider us a source and a resource for your parish grief and support group.

Losing someone we love thrusts us into a vulnerable place. It forces us to confront our mortality and life's unpredictability. Causing fear and anxiety to surface in profound and unexpected ways.

Discover how you can help your others manage their anxiety and process their grief on a deeper level and unpack their fears about mortality.

Come together with us to share strategies, community, lessons learned in this new Grief Environment.

Guest Speakers 🗣️ Panels 🗣️ Break-out groups 🗣️ Journaling 🗣️

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As we continue to come out of the pandemic, we are in need of dedicated individuals to serve as Eucharistic Ministers and other Liturgical Ministers during our Masses. If you feel called to serve as a Liturgical Minister, please scan the QR code and fill out the form or contact laura.ortiz@dsj.org for more information. Training will be provided for those who are new to the ministry or need a refresher on the process. We are grateful for your willingness to serve and contribute to the spiritual life of our parish.



Santa Clara, California

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

Livestream via YouTube

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

Livestream via YouTube

10:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

(CONFESSION)

By appointment only.

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