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Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

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Thursday 6:00pm (Spanish)

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Tuesday & Thursday: 5:40pm

Wednesday & Friday: 8:10am

Saturday: 5:15pm

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Tuesday, Thursday and

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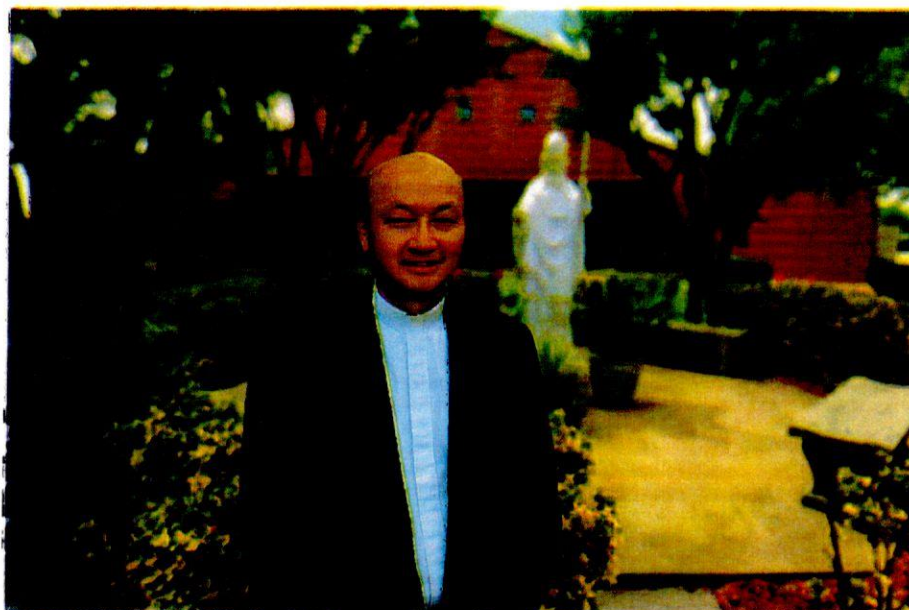
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segundo y cuarto sábado a las 5:00-5:45pm

y por cita 936-825-3920

July 3, 2022 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



A message from your new pastor:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

My name is Giovanni Hung Nguyen. DOB: January 25, 1959, in Saigon, Southern Vietnam. My Father, Mr. Boniface Huy Nguyen passed away 20 years ago, and My Mother, Mrs. Therese Hong Nguyen passed away 12 years ago in Vietnam. I am the third child in a family of ten children. Five females and five males. The youngest brother died at birth. I have a younger brother who lives in the Tomball area with his family. The youngest sister lives in Australia with her family. And my seven siblings are living in Saigon Southern Vietnam with their families.

I joined the Vietnamese Dominican Order from 1975 to 2010. I left Vietnam in 1998 to study. I was ordained into the priesthood on October 14, 2000, by Dominican Order in Napoli, Italy. And I went to Rome to study Canon Law at Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas – Angelicum from 2000 to 2004.

Before joining the Archdiocese of Galveston – Houston in 2009, I was a priest belonging to the Dominican Order, Province of Vietnam. When joining the Archdiocese of Galveston – Houston, I was immediately and officially accepted into the diocese without having to go through a probation period. My first assignment was parochial vicar at Vietnamese Martyrs Catholic Church, located at 10610 Kings point Rd, Houston, Texas 77075. (From April 2010 to August 2014)

My second assignment was parochial vicar at St. Michael The Archangel Roman Catholic Church in Lake Jackson, Texas; from August 2014 to June 2017.

I attended the New Priest Training Program at St. Mary Seminary which contains six modules. The program ended in May 2017.

My third assignment was as parochial vicar at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Houston, from July 2017 to December 2018. My fourth assignment was as parochial vicar at Vietnamese Martyrs Catholic Church, from December 2018 until now.

(Second term at the same Church)

Presently, I just accepted a new assignment at Christ Our Light Catholic Church in Navasota and St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church in Anderson as an administrator appointed by Daniel Cardinal Dinardo, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.

I am looking forward to meeting all the brothers and sisters of the two parishes where I am going to come for service as a minister of Christ's love and yours.

May Jesus, Christ Our Light lead us with the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and Saint Stanislaus Kostka bless you all.

Sincerely Yours,

Rev. Giovanni Hung Nguyen

Un mensaje de su nuevo pastor:

Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

Mi nombre es Giovanni Hung Nguyen. Nací el 25 de enero de 1959 en Saigón, Vietnam del Sur. Mi padre, el Sr. Boniface Huy Nguyen falleció hace 20 años, y mi madre, la Sra. Therese Hong Nguyen falleció hace 12 años en Vietnam. Soy el tercer hijo de una familia de diez hijos. Cinco hembras y cinco varones. El hermano menor murió al nacer. Tengo un hermano menor que vive en el área de Tomball con su familia y una hermana menor que vive en Australia con su familia. Mis otros siete hermanos viven en Saigón, Vietnam del Sur, con sus familias.

Me uní a la Orden Dominicana Vietnamita de 1975 a 2010. Salí de Vietnam en 1998 para estudiar. Fui ordenado sacerdote el 14 de octubre de 2000 por la Orden de los Dominicos en Nápoles, Italia. Fui a Roma para estudiar Derecho Canónico en la Universidad Pontificia de Santo Tomás de Aquino – Angelicum de 2000 a 2004. Antes de unirme a la Arquidiócesis de Galveston – Houston en 2009, fui sacerdote perteneciente a la Orden Dominicana, Provincia de Vietnam. Cuando me uní a la

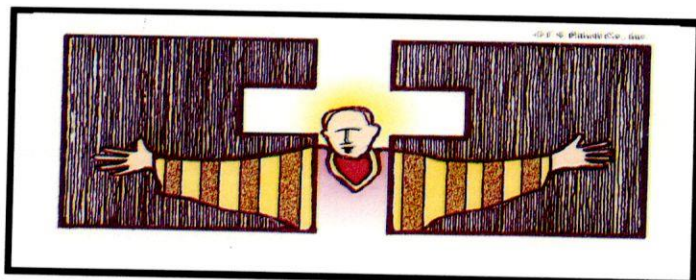
Arquidiócesis de Galveston – Houston, fui aceptado inmediata y oficialmente en la diócesis sin tener que pasar por un período de prueba.

Mi primera asignación fue como vicario parroquial en la Iglesia Católica Vietnamita Mártires, ubicada en 10610 Kings Point RD, Houston, Texas 77075; de abril de 2010 a agosto de 2014. Mi segunda asignación fue como vicario parroquial en la Iglesia Católica Romana San Miguel el Arcángel en Lake Jackson, Texas; de agosto de 2014 a junio de 2017. Asistí al Programa de Capacitación para Nuevos Sacerdotes en el Seminario St. Mary que contiene seis módulos. El programa finalizó en mayo de 2017. Mi tercera asignación fue como vicario parroquial en la Iglesia Católica St. Cecilia en Houston, de julio de 2017 a diciembre de 2018. Mi cuarta asignación fue como vicario parroquial en la Iglesia Católica Vietnamita Mártires, desde diciembre de 2018 hasta ahora. (Segundo término en la misma Iglesia)

Actualmente, acabo de aceptar una nueva asignación en la Iglesia Católica Cristo Nuestra Luz en Navasota y en la Iglesia Católica San Stanislaus Kostka en Anderson como administrador designado por el Cardenal Daniel Dinardo, arzobispo de la Arquidiócesis de Galveston-Houston. Espero reunirme con todos los hermanos y hermanas de las dos parroquias donde voy a venir para servir como ministro del amor de Cristo y suyo.

Que Jesucristo Nuestra Luz nos guíe con la intercesión de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, y San Estanislao Kostka los bendiga a todos.

De ustedes sinceramente,
P. Giovanni Hung Nguyen




Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 2, 2022

May I never boast except in the cross of
our Lord Jesus Christ. — Galatians 6:14

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Every 1st weekend of the month (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) blessing of all who have a birthday or Wedding Anniversary during the month.



PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially in our Archdiocese.

+++++ MEMORIALIZING THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you are interested in memorializing the Sanctuary candle, in memory of, in personal reverence and petition or Special Intention for the week, stop by the parish office for more information.

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936-873-5002

MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES

Refreshment will be served after Masses the first Sunday of each month. The refreshments and service will be provided by the following:

Altar Society—January and July
Pastoral Council—February and October
Finance Council—March and September
R.E. Board—April and August
Stewardship—May and November
Choir—June and December

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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time — “He said to them, ‘The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few...’”

Luke 10:2 As Catholics we are all called to serve. Each of us has been given “charisms” otherwise known as gifts from the Holy Spirit to help build God’s Church. Our charisms can only be used for good. We know that we are using them in the right ministry when we are filled with joy and we want to share stories about our charitable works. Discern how God is calling you to use your charisms. Say “yes” to what God is calling you to do and then do it! Share your joy and invite others to do the same.

“REFLEXIONES DEL BOLETIN DE CORRESPONSABILIDAD.”

Domingo 14° del Tiempo Ordinario — *Él les dijo, “La cosecha es abundante, pero los trabajadores son pocos...”* **Lucas 10:2** Como Católicos todos estamos llamados a servir. A cada uno de nosotros se nos han otorgado “carismas”, también conocidos como dones del Espíritu Santo, para ayudarnos a construir la Iglesia de Dios. Nuestros carisma solamente pueden utilizarse para bien. Sabemos que estamos utilizando en el ministerio correcto cuando nos sentimos llenos de alegría y queremos compartir las historias acerca de nuestras obras de caridad. Descifre como Dios lo llama a utilizar sus carismas. ¡Díglele “sí” al llamado de Dios y luego póngalo en práctica! Comparta su alegría e invite a los demás a hacer lo mismo.

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**THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD
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We are a non-profit, faith-based organization providing social services to people in need. We can be reached at 936-873-5002.


IGNITE

Ignite Parish Goal \$208,632.00
Gifts Amount Received \$78,278.00
39 Donors

2022 DIOCESAN SERVICE FUND

DSF Goal 26,200.00
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A Church Bazaar meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall on Manley St. All Committee Chairpersons are encouraged to attend all meetings. You may invite any team members of your committee. If you are interested participating as a volunteer, (team member) please contact Kathy Baldobino at mkbaldobino@ymail.com (please not on subject line: Church Bazaar Volunteer) or contact by text or call 936-870-7294.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

JOIN ST. STANISLAUS FOR a Game Night.

Houston Astros VS. Oakland Athletics Game Night, July 15, 2022. Bus will leave St. Stanislaus Church at 3:50 PM and return after the game. \$55.00 per person includes Astros ticket and bust trip. Please call Stanislaus' Office to reserve your tickets. 936 873-2291. (No glass containers)

PRAYER OF THE WEEK — Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

GOOD NEWS IS ON THE WAY

This week, in the midst of summer, the scriptures greet us with joy, peace, mercy, and more peace! Sounds a little like Advent, doesn't it? We often associate the prophet Isaiah with that preparatory season, and our first reading rings with such words as exult, comfort, and rejoice. The Israelites had reason to rejoice, for they had returned, come home, to a rebuilt Jerusalem from their exile in Babylon.

In the Gospel, the seventy-two disciples who were sent out have their own "homecoming," returning to Jesus from spreading the Good News of the Kingdom and preparing people for the "advent" of Jesus into their cities and towns on his long road to Jerusalem. Like the exiles in Isaiah, the disciples return rejoicing.

The Good News, the Kingdom of God, is coming, even in summer. As today's psalm reminds us, "Shout joyfully to God, all the earth!"

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July 3, 2022

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Is 66:10-14c | Gal 6:14-18 | Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

So what comes to mind when you imagine your dream road trip? A well-planned route with scenic stops, nice hotels, good restaurants and quirky sights along the way? Jesus may be my copilot, but given his words in today's Gospel I'm not sure I'd want him to be my travel agent! As he sends the 72 ahead of him, he gives them no illusions about the mission that lies ahead: "Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals." Settle for the first house that welcomes you, regardless of the amenities. Eat and drink whatever they offer. Give those you encounter a greeting of peace and remind them the kingdom of God is at hand. As always, Jesus gives these travelers all they will need to share the Good News with others. They return rejoicing! The early disciples refute my "travel agent" doubts, as they show us by example to place our trust in God and take nothing for the journey except our faith and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In doing so, we can rest assured that our "names are written in heaven."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I'm a planner. When we went to Disney World, my sons split off from me after I unveiled an app that would show us exactly which ride or attraction to hit based on crowd numbers, time of day and other variables. I loved that app! So had I been one of the 72 we read about today appointed by Jesus to spread the Gospel in pairs, hopefully my companion would not have abandoned me because of my insistence on planning. Ultimately, our journey of faith – as we share it with others and walk toward the kingdom ourselves – is not something we can choreograph. The more we plan and the more baggage we carry, the less likely we are to hear God's voice cutting through the noise. By stripping away the nonessentials, we can place our trust in the Lord, who will show us the right path. When we place our lives in the service of the Lord, the harvest will be abundant.

PRAY Many U.S. dioceses will be welcoming newly ordained priests this month. Pray for them as they begin their ministry, and pray for more vocations.

Sunday Connection



God speaks to us in many ways, including through the Sunday Scripture readings. The Sunday Connection provides useful background and activities to better understand the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings, helping you to connect the Scripture to daily life in a meaningful way.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Sunday, July 3, 2022

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply "peace." The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

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WHY IS IT?