



“O WOMAN, GREAT IS YOUR FAITH” (Mt:15:21-28)

20<sup>th</sup> WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

**CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON**

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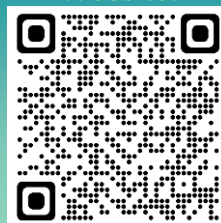
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#### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Giovanni Hung Nguyen

#### Permanent Deacon

Garry Janota  
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#### Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: (English) 8:00 am

Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00 pm

Weekday Mass:

First Saturday 9:00 am

Wed, Thurs, Fri 8:30 am

Tuesday 6:00 pm (English)

Thursday 6:00 pm (Spanish)

#### Reconciliation Confession

Tues, Thurs

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays

5:00 – 5:45 pm

Confession by appointment:

Parish Office

Tel: 936-825-3920

#### Confesiones

Los martes, jueves y el segundo

y cuarto sábado a las 5:00-5:45 pm

y por cita 936-825-3920

## Rosary Prayed in Common

Tues & Thurs: 5:40 pm  
Wed & Fri: 8:10 am  
Saturday: 5:15 pm  
Sunday: 7:15 am & 12:15 pm

## P.E.R.A. (Perpetual Eucharistic Reporative Adoration)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. following the 8:30 AM Masses and will be reposed at 9:00 PM on Wednesdays, Thursdays at 5:45 PM before the 6:00 PM Spanish Mass and Friday at 9:00 PM. The "Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to make amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease. "Please call Mary Rangel @ 936-419-9024

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

19<sup>th</sup> Week Sunday Collection  
08/13/2023 \$ 3,290.76  
Maintenance Fund \$ 1,259.00  
White Albs for Deacons \$ 900.00

## DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2023

2023 Parish Goal..... \$ 26,000.00  
2023 Total Paid  
(activity thru 08/17/23 ) \$ 18,306.00  
Difference Goal vs. Paid \$ 8,115.00



DSF SPOTLIGHT: YOUNG ADULTS & CAMPUS MINISTRY  
ARCHGH.ORG/DSF



## PARISH REGISTRATION

To our new parishioner, we welcome you to Christ Our Light Parish. Please register at the parish office or ask one of the Hospitality Ministers to help you. For parishioners moving out of the parish or changing your address or phone number, **please** notify the parish office: 936-825-3920 or by email: shepherd@christourlight.org

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

English Baptism preparation is completed via an on-line video class. Spanish Baptism Classes will be held in person. Please call for Rosa or Felisa for class dates and times. All Documents, forms and classes must be completed prior to the next upcoming scheduled Baptism date, turned in, and approved by the Pastor.

The Sacrament of Baptism is a communal celebration; therefore, private baptisms are not celebrated at Christ Our Light.

Upcoming English Baptisms will be held on July 22, 2023, and October 28, 2023, at 11:30 AM. Spanish Baptisms will be held on October 14, 2023, at 11:30 AM.

For English Baptism, contact Susan Pilger at 979-219-1360. For Spanish Baptisms, contact Rosa Torres at 936-419-8974 or Felisa Paz at 979-255-4361.

## WEDDING PREPARATION

Contact: Jennifer Nguyen, jnguyen9@twu.edu or parish office for registration information. The standard preparation time for weddings is 6-9 months in advance of the desired date. All engaged couples must attend an information session.

## MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Candle Stands are electrical. Anyone wanting to light a candle may do so by pressing the red button and give an offering. The candle will burn for 12 hours. Memorial Candles burning for one year are \$150.00 each. Come by the parish office to schedule and pay your offering of \$150.00 for your Memorial candle.

Image Front Cover: The Woman of Canaan in the feet of Christ. Catholic Culture

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### AUGUST

20<sup>TH</sup>  
SUNDAY  
ORDINARY-A

GATHER BOOK #1022

20

Is 56:1, 6-7  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32  
Mt 15:21-28 (118) Pss IV

MONDAY

21

Saint Pius X, Pope  
Memorial  
Jgs 2:11-19  
Mt 19:16-22 (419)

TUESDAY

22

The Queenship of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary Memorial  
Jgs 6:11-24a  
Mt 19:23-30 (420)

WEDNESDAY

23

[Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin]  
Jgs 9:6-15  
Mt 20:1-16 (421)

THURSDAY

24

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle  
Feast  
Rv 21:9b-14  
Jn 1:45-51 (629) Pss Prop

FRIDAY

25

Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz,  
Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22  
Mt 22:34-40 (423)

SATURDAY

26

[BVM]  
Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17  
Mt 23:1-12 (424)

## OUR HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

THE PARISH THANKS THE CIENFUEGOS FAMILY FOR THE ALTAR FLOWERS THIS PAST WEEK.

THE PARISH ALSO THANKS ALL DONORS WITH THE WEEKLY COLLECTION, DSF, AND THE "KEEP COOL CAMPAIGN"!

"AS EACH ONE HAS RECEIVED A GIFT, USE IT TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER AS GOOD STEWARDS OF GOD'S VARIED GRACE" (1 Pt 4:10)



# PARISH LIFE

## MASS INTENTION

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20  
8:00 AM People of the Parish  
1:00 PM \* Martin Ruiz †  
MONDAY, AUGUST 21  
No Mass  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 22  
6:00 PM Sr. Emily Bolcerek †  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23  
8:30 AM Joe Bolcerek †  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24  
8:30 AM Charles Varsel †  
10:00 AM Daybreak – Fr.s  
Intention  
6:00 PM\* Garcia & amp;  
Flores Families Birthdays  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 25  
8:30 AM Sr. Cynthia Moreno †  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 26–  
VIGIL MASS  
6:00 PM Nina Rotello †  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 27  
8:00 AM Rev. Pat Dougherty †  
1:00 PM\* People of the Parish  
\*Spanish

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, August 21  
6:00–7:00 pm COME AND SEE  
PASTORAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish Hall  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 22  
5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH  
7:00 PM English Choir Practice, CH  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23  
7:00 PM CCE 1–5th, SPH/SPCC  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24  
12:00 PM English Legion of Mary, CH  
5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH  
7:00 PM Spanish Choir Practice, CH  
7:00 PM Religious Education Board  
Meeting, SPH  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 25  
6:00 AM TMIY Men's Group, SPH  
7:00 PM Bazaar Meeting, SPH  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 26  
5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 27  
10:30 AM CCE 6–12 th Grades, SPH/SPCC  
3:00 PM Spanish Baptism Class, CH  
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM  
P/FHC Workshop, SPH

**PRAY for THE CONTINUING RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF**  
the infirmed and homebound members of our community:

Sarafina Alo  
Andrew Castillo  
Braxton Castillo  
Jo Ann Clepper  
Frank Crouch  
Elizabeth Culmer  
Eva Estrada  
Liz Estrada  
Lois Finke  
Fabryna Hitchcock  
Liz Johnson  
Rachel Kammel  
Mary Ann Knowles  
Liz Kubricht  
John Lawrence  
Christian Mills  
Leslie Mills  
France Munoz  
Primitivo Zamorano  
Anita Olguin  
Julian Olguin  
Matthew Oliver  
Cecelia Pearson  
Angelina Petersen  
Wallace Petersen  
Irene Ramirez  
Lucila Rivera  
Zek Rueda  
Rosalinda Salazar  
Josh Sechelski  
Sherrie Shiflett  
Lydia Torres  
Jessie Torres  
Polly Uilkie  
Jessie Valadez, III  
Crystal Winkler  
David Woehler  
Trần Thị Tuyết Mai  
Kim Sechelski  
Dawson Shiflett  
Tan Nguyen

**Call the parish office**  
when a member of our community has a need to be remembered in prayer, 936–825–3920. Also, if you have added a name to the prayer list, please call to let us know when to remove the name from the list.  
Thank you.

## PARISH DIRECTORY

ADMINISTRATION &  
BOOKKEEPER  
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COORDINATOR OF MUSIC  
Leo Hock  
PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM  
Chair: Michael Culver  
Teresa Morales  
Jason Katkoski  
Laura Quirino,  
Sam Pry  
Diane Le Flore  
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Deacon Russell Pasket  
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Bulletin & Weekly  
Announcement Deadline  
10 days in advance for new layout. Monday before noon for rush announcement.  
Email:  
[shepherd@christourlight.org](mailto:shepherd@christourlight.org)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION QR CODE



... for all peoples. (Isaiah 56:7)

Did you notice a theme in today's readings? Isaiah prophesies that the Temple, God's "house," will become a house of prayer "for all peoples," wherever they come from (56:7). Then Paul rejoices that Gentiles are coming to faith in Christ and entering the Church—God's house. And Jesus challenges his disciples to look at a Canaanite woman, a pagan, as someone beloved of God and deserving of his mercy. Through these readings, we can hear God asking us to reach out to those people who might feel they don't belong in his house. They may not be the people we expect to see at Mass on Sunday, but they are part of the "all peoples" whom God is longing to welcome into his kingdom. Here are three short stories that illustrate this point:

- Imran grew up in a devout Muslim household, but in college he became friends with some Christians whose faith and welcoming attitude moved him to start reading the New Testament.

- Mandy loved to party, but after one hangover too many, she found an AA group meeting in the local parish. There she met a parishioner named Joan who helped her get sober—and who introduced her to the Lord. Alan was a regular brawler in prison until his new cellmate convinced him to join a Bible study. The message of Jesus' forgiveness and love that he heard there pierced his heart. Now, instead of fighting, he tells other inmates about the Lord. Jesus' heart breaks for those who don't yet know him. He is always reaching out to them, calling them into his house. And he does that by leading them to believers who do know him. That's us. All we have to do is befriend those people and share with them how the Lord has touched our lives. We don't have to do it perfectly, either. We just have to try, and the Spirit will work through us. So who will God send to you today?

"Lord, open my heart to share your love with the people you put in my path today." Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8. Romans 11:13-15, 29-32. Matthew 15:21-28. The Word Among Us.

Mujer, ¡qué grande es tu fe! (Mateo 15, 28)

¿Puedes imaginar que tu petición sea rechazada por Jesús en tres ocasiones diferentes, como le sucedió a esta mujer? Primero, Jesús la ignoró. Luego dice que él no fue enviado a los gentiles, solamente a los judíos. Finalmente, sugiere que ella no es mucho más que un "perrito" (Mateo 15, 26). ¡Qué desalentador debe haber sido! Pero ella no aceptó su negación, y finalmente Jesús le concedió lo que pedía. Pero, ¿realmente piensas que Jesús iba a dejar a la hija de esta pobre mujer bajo el dominio de una posesión demoníaca? ¿No sería posible, más bien, que él estuviera aprovechando esta oportunidad para enseñarles algo a sus discípulos? Jesús les enseñó que la misericordia y el amor de Dios son para todos. Con sus palabras en este relato, parece enfatizar el hecho de que la mujer era pagana. Pero al final alabó su gran fe, dejando claro que cualquier persona que se vuelve a él con fe será bienvenida, no solo los "justos", no solo los fieles judíos.

Con seguridad Pedro recordó este episodio cuando fue invitado a compartir el evangelio con Cornelio, el centurión romano. Pedro entró en la casa del oficial, rompiendo con la tradición judía y le dijo: "Ustedes saben que a un judío le prohíbe su religión tener tratos con extranjeros o entrar en sus casas. Pero Dios me ha enseñado que no debo llamar profano o impuro a nadie" (Hechos 10, 28). Como resultado de la actitud de Pedro, estos fueron los primeros gentiles en recibir el bautismo, y la Iglesia se abrió a las personas de todas las razas y contextos.

Tal como lo hizo con Pedro y los otros, Jesús quiere expandir nuestra visión. El Señor quiere que todos se salven, no solo los que nosotros podríamos considerar dignos. De manera que hoy, mantente atento a situaciones en las que puedes compartir el amor de Cristo con alguien a quien de otra manera no te hubieras acercado. "Señor, te pido que me ayudes a renunciar a aquello que obstaculice tu plan." Isaías 56, 1. 6-7 Salmo 67 (66), 2-3. 5. 6. 8 Romanos 11, 13-15. 29-32. [Palabra Entre Nosotros](#)



WITH  
GRATITUDE!



Upon learning the condition of the vestment our Deacons were wearing at every Mass, Vu & Tran family from the Vietnamese Martyrs parish donated \$900.00 to replace new white albs for our Deacons. In memory of her late husband, Paul Tran, whom passed away last month, the widow shared with me she is grateful to Fr. Giovanni for his care and support throughout the past ten years while her late husband was sick at home. According to the family, when ever the family called Fr. Giovanni, he would not hesitated to drive to their home to give confession, sacrament of the sick & healing, given the Eucharist, and most importantly, comforted not only her late husband but also her family. After learning of his passing, Fr. Giovanni again drove almost two hours to be at the funeral and gave an emotional homily to all attendees that day.

Our Deacons would like to extend their gratitude to the Tran & Vu Family for the donation of five new white Albs on the Feast day of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Father Giovanni said in his Thank you note to the family: "From now on, our parish and especially our Deacons will remember not only the soul of Paul but also your family at every Mass".

If you have time & talent. Please consider to volunteer for the Linen Committee to keep our Clergy and our Altar Servers vestments nice & clean. Please contact [jnguyen9@twu.edu](mailto:jnguyen9@twu.edu) if you are interested. Thank you!

Después de darnos cuenta de la condición de la vestimenta que nuestros Diáconos usaban en cada Misa, la familia Vu & Tran de la parroquia "Vietnamese Martyrs," donaron \$900.00 dolares para comprar nuevas albas blancas para nuestros Diáconos, en memoria de su esposo Paul Tran, quien falleció el mes pasado, la viuda me compartió que ella está agradecida con el Padre Giovanni por el cuidado y apoyo brindado por los últimos diez años durante el tiempo en que su esposo estuvo enfermo en casa. De acuerdo con la familia, siempre que la familia llamaba al Padre Giovanni, él no dudaba en manejar hasta su casa para dar los sacramentos de sanación: la Confesión y la Sagrada Eucaristía, y lo más importante el consolar no únicamente al esposo de ella sino también a la familia de ella. Después de que el Padre Giovanni se enteró del fallecimiento, una vez más el Padre Giovanni manejó casi dos horas y llegó a dar una homilía que tocó a todos los que asistieron ése día. Nuestros Diáconos quieren dar las más sinceras gracias a la familia Vu & Tran por la donación de cinco nuevas albas blancas en la Festividad de la Asunción de Nuestra Santísima Virgen María. Padre Giovanni dijo a la familia en su nota de agradecimiento: "De ahora en adelante, nuestra parroquia y en especial nuestros Diáconos recordarán en cada Misa, no únicamente el alma de Paul pero también la de su familia." Si usted tiene tiempo y talento. Favor de considerar el voluntariado para el "Linen Committee" para mantener la vestimenta de nuestro Clero y de nuestros Monaguillos en buen estado y limpios. Favor de contacta a: [jnguyen9@twu.edu](mailto:jnguyen9@twu.edu) si usted esta interesado (a). Gracias



# PARISH LIFE

## COME AND SEE A PASTORAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP

**WHERE**  
St. Stanislaus Kostka Hall  
1511 Highway 90 South  
Anderson, TX

**WHEN**  
August 21, 2023  
6:00 PM-7:00 PM



<https://christourlightchurch.flocknote.com/note/22459251>



## Christ Our Light Catholic Church

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August 5, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As you may know, a Pastoral Council for Christ Our Light Catholic Church is a very important matter for me as your pastor, and for our parish. As an advisory, representative body of active parishioners, a Pastoral Council provides vital consultation regarding the well-being and direction of the faith community.

The enclosed Come & Listen Handout and Diocesan Pastoral Council Norms has carried topics about Pastoral Councils, including what they are, what they do, how they work and who serves on them. My purpose is to begin reacquainting you with the role of Pastoral Councils in our church, as a step towards discerning new members for the Parish Pastoral Council here in Christ Our Light Catholic Church.

As a next step we are scheduling a meeting that will be open to the whole parish, to hear a little more about what Parish Pastoral Council is all about. An archdiocesan facilitator will be with us to informally discuss key points of a Parish Pastoral Council and there will be ample time for questions. We will also discuss plans and schedule for the discernment of new members for our Parish Pastoral Council.

I would like to invite you to the "Come and See" discussion. It is planned for 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm on August 21, 2023. We will meet at the Parish Hall, located at St. Stanislaus Kostka, in Anderson, Texas. All are invited.

Involving the lay faithful in the well-being of our Church has received increased emphasis especially with Pope Francis. Parish Pastoral Councils are one important way to provide for the shared leadership of parish life. I hope you will come and hear more about this key development for Christ Our Light Catholic Church.

I look forward to seeing you!

Yours faithfully,

*Rev. Giovanni Hung Nguyen*

The Rev. Giovanni Hung Nguyen

Encls: Come and Listen Handout  
Norms Pastoral Council



UNO en Cristo  
...de mí a NOSOTROS



ONE in Christ  
...from me to WE



*WELCOME BACK ALL CCE TEACHERS  
&  
STUDENTS*

## OUR PILGRIMAGE MARY



The Legion of Mary took the Pilgrim Virgin to Mary Ann Knowles for the 9 days visit. She shared she had a lot on her mind during the days before she was about to welcome our Blessed Mother. She was able to let go of the anxiety and felt a calmness come over her by the end of the visit. We asked if she would like to sign up for Eucharistic Adoration, and she graciously said "yes" with her lovely smile.



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**THE 39<sup>TH</sup> BAZAAR FESTIVAL KICKOFF**  
WAS A HUGE SUCCESS.  
WE WILL BE IN THE NARTHEX AGAIN THIS WEEKEND!  
SEE YOU THERE!



# WILDFIRES RAVAGE MAUI, BUT THIS CATHOLIC CHURCH STILL STAND



*The Church of Maria Lanakila miraculously survived the conflagration that destroyed much of the surrounding area – but survivors urgently need help.*

When wildfires swept across the island of Maui in the state of Hawaii this past week, the historic town of Lahaina suffered grave damage. Shocking videos show vast areas of destruction, with every building in sight razed. At least 93 people are reported to have died in the conflagration.

also burned down. Maria Lanakila means “Victorious Mary” or “Our Lady of Victory” in the Hawaiian language. Remarkably, when some residents were allowed to return to Lahaina, their photos and videos revealed that Maria Lanakila church and its rectory remained standing – even though most of the nearby buildings had been leveled in the fires.

“For us, it’s like a miracle,” Msgr. Terrence Watanabe told the Honolulu Star Advertiser. “When we saw the church steeple rise above the town, it was a great sight to see.”

Unfortunately, the parish’s Sacred Hearts Mission School was partly damaged by the fires. And, of course, many parishioners have lost friends and family members in the tragedy, along with their homes and places of work.

Msgr. Watanabe, the pastor of St. Anthony of Padua parish — which stands on the opposite side of the West Maui Natural Area Reserve from Maria Lanakila Church — told The Pillar that affected islanders face numerous problems in the coming days, including lost phone service, homelessness, and unemployment since many businesses were destroyed.

“People are just shocked and kind of devastated,” Msgr. Watanabe said in the interview. He added that though federal and state aid will eventually come to the area, it will take time. Asked to identify the most urgent needs, he responded:

Well, number one is prayers. That’s the most helpful, obviously, at this point in time. And then I think, any kind of donations. Catholic Charities of Hawai’i has sent an urgent plea for help. Donations can also be made directly to Sacred Hearts School.

Parishioners gather

As reported by the Associated Press, parishioners of Maria Lanakila gathered on Sunday about 10 miles from the church, to attend a Mass that was presided by the bishop of Honolulu, the Rev. Clarence (Larry) Silva. They prayed for the dead and missing and gave thanks for the survival of their church. The bishop read a message from Pope Francis to the congregation.

Survival and hope

The Catholic Church has a rich history in Hawaii. The parish of Maria Lanakila is an important part of that history, having been founded shortly after Catholic priests arrived in Maui in 1846. The current church was built on the foundation of the original church in 1927. It was formally named part of the Lahaina National Historic Landmark District in 1962.



Many locals already see the survival of Maria Lanakila Church as a sign of hope. “I firmly believe that Lahaina will be restored,” one commenter on TikTok said. “This is confirmation. He’s calling us to be saved. The doors of the church (are) open.” And a Facebook commenter said, “May she be the beacon of hope to the people of Lahaina!!!!”

Another Facebook commenter no doubt spoke for many when she wrote: “Prayers of love, hope and strength to endure this tragedy.”

[Wildfires ravage town, but this Catholic church still stands \(aleteia.org\)](https://www.aleteia.org)



## A Prayer for Teachers

Lord God, your spirit of wisdom fills the earth and teaches us your ways. Look upon these teachers. Let them strive to share their knowledge with gentle patience and endeavor always to bring the truth to eager minds. Grant that they may follow Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, forever and ever. Amen.

## A Prayer for Students

Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe. Send your Spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings. Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to you, the source of all knowledge. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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CONGRATULATIONS AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES  
HAPPY BACKPACK DAY!  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYER & FOR CELEBRATION WITH US!



*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton founded the Parochial School System in the United States and is the Patroness of Catholic Schools*

*Learning is a blessing:*

*"For the Lord gives wisdom, from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; He has success in store for the upright, is the shield of those who walk honestly." — Proverbs 2:5-7*

*"How much better to get wisdom than gold! To get understanding is preferable to silver." — Proverbs 16:16*

*The call to excellence*

*"And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." — Colossians 3:17*

*"Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show his works by a good life in the humility that comes from wisdom." — James 3:13*



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**Iglesia Catolica**  
**Cristo Nuestra Luz**

**Te Invitamos a formar  
parte de esta gran  
familia !**

**La mejor  
empresa : tu  
familia**

**El mejor  
equipo : tu  
pareja**

**Y la mayor  
bendición son  
los hijos**



**INICIAMOS EN  
SEPTIEMBRE 03, 2023.**

**Llama ahora para registrarte**

**Gerardo y Anabel Garza. 832-366-3106.**

**JORGE Y YESENIA SOLIS 936-419-8020.**



# Does God Only Care for the Chosen People?



Long ago God had set aside the Israelites as His chosen people. He gave them laws and prophets and set up a covenant with them, that they would be His people and He would be their God. He promised them that He would send them a Savior.

When Jesus the Savior came, His first mission was to care for God's chosen people. In today's Gospel reading, however, a woman who was not an Israelite came to ask Jesus for help. At first Jesus refused- He had been sent to God's children, and "it is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." But the woman said, "even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from the master's table." She knew that Jesus could help her. When He saw how much faith she had, He did what she asked and cured her daughter.

Jesus wasn't trying to make the woman give up. He was giving her a chance to show how much humility and faith she had. Jesus used this to show the people that God will let anyone who believes, like this woman, become part of His chosen people.



Do to dog: dogs. Fill-in-the-blanks: just, just, revealed, Lord, servants, keep, sabbath, mountain, prayer, altar, house.

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# The Kids' Bulletin

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 20th, 2023

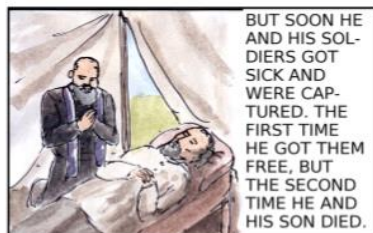
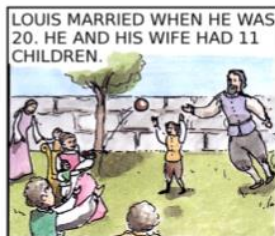
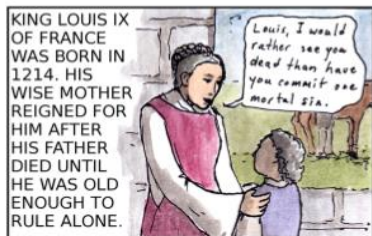


In today's Gospel reading, a foreign woman was asking Jesus to cure her daughter. But Jesus said that He was sent to care for the children of Israel, not foreigners.

The woman replied to Jesus, "But even the \_\_\_\_\_ eat the scraps that fall from their master's table!"

What did she say she was like?  
Connect the dots to find out!

# Saint Louis of France August 25

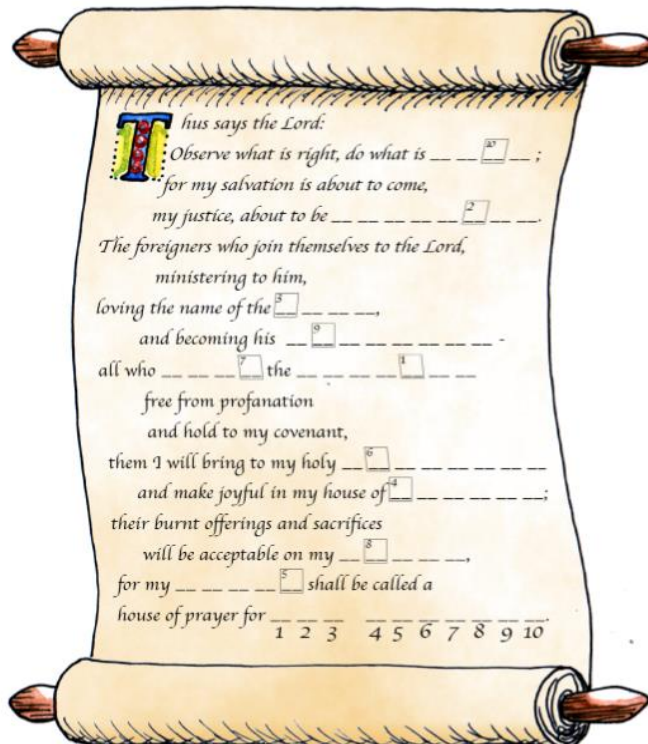


KING SAINT LOUIS SAID THAT LOVING GOD WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN LIFE. IT WAS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN RULING WELL! BECAUSE HE PRAYED AND ATTENDED MASS SO OFTEN AND SO WELL HE WAS GIVEN THE GRACE TO RULE HIS PEOPLE JUSTLY. PRAY FOR YOUR COUNTRY'S LEADERS!

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# Isaiah 56 Fill-in-the-Blanks

Use the words below to fill in the blanks.  
Then use the marked letters to fill in the appropriate spaces at the end.



ALTAR  
HOUSE  
PRAYER

REVEALED  
MOUNTAIN  
SERVANTS  
SABBATH

KEEP  
JUST  
LORD





## Pope Pius X in the Vatican Gardens in 1913

Saint Pius X (1835 – 1914) was born in Venice, the postman's son, and was named Giuseppe Sarto. At the age of twenty-three, he was ordained a priest, and nine years later, he was appointed pastor of Salzano. Here, he became known by his parishioners for his goodness and concern for the poor. He lived with his two sisters, who kept the house for him. The two women were often hard-pressed to have food on the table and clean clothes for their brother as he would give away much of his clothing and food to the needy. In 1884, Father Giuseppe was made bishop of Mantua, a diocese in disarray, with a negligent clergy and two towns in schism. He was so successful in this charge that Pope Leo XIII appointed him cardinal and promoted him to the metropolitan see of Venice. His simplicity and forthrightness stood out in a see that prided itself in pomp and magnificence. Upon the death of Leo XIII, Cardinal Giuseppe Sarto was elected pope and took the name of Pius X. The motto of his pontificate was *Instaurare Omnia in Christo* (To renew all things in Christ). He encouraged daily communion, increased devotion to Our Lady and piety among the faithful. He wrote the famous encyclical *Pascendi Dominici Gregis* (On the Doctrines of the Modernists), in which he denounced and exposed the errors of modernism. Already during his lifetime, Almighty God used him as an instrument of miracles. In one such instance, a man in a public audience pointed to his paralyzed arm and asked Saint Pius X, "Cure me, Holy Father". The pope smiled, stroking the arm gently. "Yes, yes", he said. And the man was healed. Saint Pius X died in 1914 of bronchitis and was canonized in 1954 by pope Pius XII. Source: [Saint Pius X – EWTN Global Catholic Television Network](#)

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"I was  
**sick and**  
**you visited**  
**me . . .**"  
—Matthew 25:36



## PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

Heavenly Father, Lord of all people, we place our nation in your loving care. In your mercy, forgive our sins both past and present.

Heal our divisions and bind our wounds. Bring us together for the common good. Teach us to love one another so that we may truly be the United States.

Renew in us a commitment to the dignity of all human life. Let us respect the unborn, the prisoner, the immigrant, the aged, the poor, the marginalized, the discarded.

Help us to remember to be grateful for our freedom and resources. Inspire us to want to share these with those who are less fortunate.

Grant that we may be a nation inspired to work for your Kingdom and the day when all of your children live together in love, freedom, and unity.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

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# CHRIST OUR LIGHT “KEEP COOL CAMPAIGN”

Dear Parishioners,

I am writing this letter to announce a “Keep Cool Campaign” for a new air conditioning system at Christ Our Light Catholic Church.

Why are we holding a special campaign for the air conditioning system?

Since June 19, 2023, you have experienced an onset of extremely dangerous heat conditions and heat warnings are issued across Texas. Here at our church, we were pretty warm because our air conditioning was running at half capacity. We were not only friendly; we were pretty warm. The problem is that our air conditioning is a patchwork of repairs and parts between 5 and 25 years old. Monthly repairs are already expensive and costing the parish an exorbitant amount of money. It's time to replace the whole system.

In addition, most of the electrical supplies and electrical panels are severely out of date. We will need to replace and relocate the church electrical distribution panel to the sanctuary area. The new air conditioning system will provide a cool and comfortable environment. In addition, the humidity problem will be taken care of because over a long period of time, the humidity can cause bigger problems for our church.

We hope to have the new air conditioning system and electric work installed by the end of the year depending on the campaign donation, permits, approvals and inspections by the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and the City of Navasota. You can make pledges or installments payments by our parish Online Giving system to “Keep Cool Campaign” or using Church envelopes.

I would like to thank you in advance for your sacrifice and generosity.

Sincerely in Christ.

The Rev. Giovanni H. Nguyen

**The Washington Post**  
*Democracy Dies in Darkness*



Expected change by 2050 in the number of days per year with maximum temperatures over 95 degrees compared with the historical average. (ICF Climate Center)

The Climate Center of ICF, a global advisory and technology services company, used new climate models to project how much hotter the United States will get by 2050 under different greenhouse gas emissions scenarios. Even under a moderate emissions scenario, which many climate scientists now say is more realistic than higher scenarios, Texas could see 30 to 50 more days with the temperature over 95 degrees by 2050.

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# "CAMPAÑA PARA MANTENERSE FRESCO"

Queridos feligreses,

Estoy escribiendo esta carta para anunciarles una "campaña para mantenerse fresco" para un nuevo sistema de aire acondicionado en la iglesia de "Christ Our Light."

¿Por qué estamos teniendo una campaña especial para el sistema de aire acondicionado?

Desde el 19 de junio de 2023, ustedes han experimentado una variación de extremadas y peligrosas condiciones y alertas de calor en Texas. Estuvimos bastante calientes aquí en nuestra iglesia porque nuestro aire acondicionado estaba funcionando la mitad de su capacidad. No solamente éramos amigables, pero estábamos muy bochornosos. El problema es que nuestro aire acondicionado tiene una serie de reparaciones y partes que datan de 5 y 25 años. Las reparaciones mensuales son en sí caras y le cuestan a la parroquia una exorbitante suma de dinero. Es tiempo de remplazar todo el sistema.

Añadiendo a ésto, la mayor parte de las partes y los paneles eléctricos ya están severamente caducos. Necesitaremos reemplazar y distribuir los paneles del sistema eléctrico de la iglesia hacia la área del santuario. El sistema nuevo de aire acondicionado proveerá un ambiente frío y confortable. En adición el problema de la humedad será resuelto por un largo tiempo, la humedad puede causar mayores problemas a nuestra iglesia.

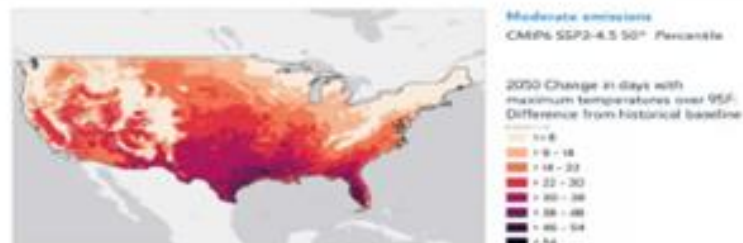
Esperamos tener el nuevo sistema de aire acondicionado y el trabajo eléctrico instalado para fines de año dependiendo de la donación de la campaña, los permisos, las aprobaciones y las inspecciones de parte de la Arquidiócesis de Galveston-Houston y de la Ciudad de Navasota. Ustedes pueden hacer su compromiso o pagos en línea del sistema de donación de la iglesia "Keep Cool Campaign" o usar los sobres de la Iglesia.

Me gustaría darles las gracias anticipadas por su sacrificio y generosidad.

Atentamente en Cristo,

Padre Giovanni H. Nguyen

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