

 $22^{\rm nd}$ Sunday In Ordinary Time

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS:



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PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Giovanni Hung Nguyen

Permanent Deacon

Garry Janota Russell Pasket

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

2nd & 4th 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 Reparative 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, 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

21st Week Sunday Collection
08/27/2023 \$ 4,844.76
Keep Cool Campaign \$ 500.00
Children Collection \$ 75.00
St. Vincent de Paul Local\$ 578.00

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2023

2023 Parish Goal...... \$ 26,000.00

2023 Total Paid

(activity thru 08/29/23) \$ 18,160.00

Difference Goal vs. Paid \$ 7,840.00

Please extend a warm welcome to our new staff members:

GUADALUPE DIAZ lupediaz@christourlight.org

Ms. Lupita has been volunteering at our parish for over 20 years with data entry for our weekly collection. Ms. Lupita is fluent in both English/Spanish language.

Ms. Lupita currently serves as a backup for Sacristan at the 8:00 am Mass. She was commissioning as an Extraordinary Minister Holy Communion last June. Ms. Lupita will be Father Giovanni's Secretary serving both Religious Education program & Parish Office.

Congratulations Ms. Lupita!

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: admin@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 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, inguyen@christourlight.org 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: 22nd Sunday Young Catholics

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY ORDINARY-A

GATHER BOOK #1022 Jer 20:7-9 Rom 12:1-2

Mt 16:21-27 (124) Pss II

3

1 Thes 4:13-18

4

MONDAY

Lk 4:16-30 (431)

TUESDAY

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 Lk 4:31-37 (432)

WEDNESDAY

Col 1:1-8 Lk 4:38-44 (433)

6

THURSDAY

Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11 (434)

FRIDAY

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary- Feast

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 (636) Pss Prop

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Saint Peter Claver, Priest Memorial Col 1:21-23 Lk 6:1-5 (436)

OUR HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER
INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER
FOR PEOPLE LIVING ON THE MARGINS

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

THE PARISH THANKS
THE CORONILLA 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)

MASS INTENTION

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 03

8:00 AM Benefactors of Memorial Fund

1:00 PM * Serafin † and Rosa † Murillo

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 04 No Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 05

6:00 PM People of the Parish who have Cancer

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 06

8:30 AM Smith Family, Living & Deceased

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 07

8:30 AM Margaret Frazee † 6:00 PM* Archbishop Launcelot Goody †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 08

8:30 AM Leo Korenek Family Deceased

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 09 VIGIL MASS

6:00 PM Mary Ann Gold †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:00 AM Torres, Rangel & Damp; Baldobino Families 1:00 PM* People of the Parish *Spanish

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH

39TH ANNUAL BAZAAR

RAFFLE PRIZES DRAWINGS:

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2nd - \$5,000 Visa Gft Card

3rd- \$1000 Visa Gft Card

4th- \$500 Visa Oft Card

5th- \$500 Visa Gft Card

6th- \$250 Visa Gft Card

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8th- \$250 Visa Gft Card

9th- \$250 Visa Gft Card 10th- \$100.00 Visa Gft Card

11h- \$100 Visa Gft Card

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, SEPTEMNER 04 Labor Day, No Events

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 05 5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH 5:15 PM Bible Study, SPH 7:00 PM English Choir Practice, CH

WEDNESDAY, SEPEMBER 06 7:00 PM CCE 1-5th, SPH/SPCC

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 07 12:00 PM English Legion of Mary, CH Cry room

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH 7:00 PM Spanish Choir Practice, CH 7:00 PM RCIA, SPH

7:00 PM Bazaar Meeting, SPH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMER 08 6:00 AM TMIY Men's Group, SPH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 09 5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 03 10:30 AM CCE Grades, 6-12 th, SPH/SPCC 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM Confirmation

Workshop SPH/SPH

MEET OUR TOP SELLERS
WITH 10 AND ABOVE
#RAFFLE ENVELOPES

1) FR. GIOVANNI 40+ ENVELOPES 2) NGUYEN FAMILY 20+ ENVELOPES

WE WILL HAVE MORE
RAFFLE TICKETS TO SELL
AFTER EACH MASS
OR STOP BY OUR OFFICE
FOR MORE TICKETS
&

TO TURN IN MONEY.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR RECEIPT AND THE STUBS TO CLAIM YOUR PRIZE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!
BAZAAR COMMITTEE!

PRAY for THE CONTINUING RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF

the infirmed and homebound members of our community:

Retired Deacon Gregory Jelinek 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

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.

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Bulletin & Weekly
Announcement Deadline
10 days in advance for new
layout. Monday before noon
for rush announcement.
Email:
admin@christourlight.org

More information will be available soon!

God forbid! (Matthew 16:22)

Isn't that the way these things often happen? One minute, you're filled with good and holy thoughts. Then the next minute, someone says something that upsets you, and you respond with anger, jealousy, resentment, or some other negative emotion. We all know what that's like!

So it should be no surprise to see Peter "rebuke" Jesus, the man he had just proclaimed to be "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:16, 22). When he hears Jesus predict his coming death, Peter becomes upset. In a flash, he loses his peace and clarity. Instead of humbly asking Jesus what he means, he tries to tell Jesus what he should and should not do. And that passionate response earns Peter a stern rebuke of his own: "Get behind me, Satan!" (16:23).

So how can we get to the point where we can hold onto our peace and our trust in the Lord no matter what happens? The answer lies in today's second reading: "Be transformed by the renewal of your mind" (Romans 12:2). We can change. We can learn how to put aside our fallen sinful thoughts and ideas and take on Jesus' way instead. Or as Jesus told Peter, we can learn to think "as God does" (Matthew 16:23).

For Peter, this meant accepting that the way of Jesus, the Messiah, is the way of self-giving love, not self-preservation. For us, it may mean asking for the grace to embrace Jesus' call to forgive "seventy-seven times" (Matthew 18:22), or to turn the other cheek (5:39), or to choose not to be served "but to serve" (20:28), or any of Jesus' other teachings that we find difficult.

Today's story about Peter shows us that this kind of change is not a once-and-done event. It happens over time, often with stops and starts. But it does happen, day after day, decision after decision. We can be transformed!

"Jesus, teach me how to think and act as you do!" Jeremiah 20:7-9

Psalm 63:2-6, 8-9



The Catholic Church celebrates today the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne.

The circumstances of the Virgin Mary's infancy and early life

The circumstances of the Virgin Mary's infancy and early life are not directly recorded in the Bible, but other documents and traditions describing the circumstances of her birth are cited by some of the earliest Christian writers from the first centuries of the Church.

These accounts, although not considered authoritative in the same manner as the Bible, outline some of the Church's traditional beliefs about the birth of Mary.

The "Protoevangelium of James," which was probably put into its final written form in the early second century, describes Mary's father Joachim as a wealthy member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Joachim was deeply grieved, along with his wife Anne, by their childlessness. "He called to mind Abraham," the early Christian writing says, "that in the last day God gave him a son Isaac."

No lo permita Dios, Señor. (Mateo 16, 22)

Tú no confiesas que alguien es "el Hijo del Dios viviente para inmediatamente después reprenderlo (Mateo 16, 16). ¿Qué puede haber provocado una reacción tan fuerte por parte de Pedro? La noticia de que Jesús iba a "padecer y... ser condenado a muerte" por los jefes religiosos de Jerusalén (16, 21).

Desde luego, Pedro tenía la más pura de las intenciones cuando reprendió a Jesús; él no podía soportar la idea de que su amado Maestro y amigo sufriera un destino tan horrible.

Pero también podría haber un motivo más profundo detrás de las acciones de Pedro. Quizá estaba tratando de mantenerse a salvo él también. Si podía ayudar a Jesús a evitar la cruz, él mismo no tendría que enfrentar la suya.

Pedro había pasado suficiente tiempo con Jesús para comprender que ser discípulo significaba arriesgarse al desprecio y la incomprensión de la gente. Significaba entregar su vida a Dios por el bien de las personas que lo rodeaban. Si Jesús estaba destinado a la cruz, entonces Pedro tendría que aceptar un destino similar. Era mejor proteger a Jesús de cualquier mal para así protegerse a sí mismo también.

Pero Jesús no iba a aceptar esta protección, así que le dijo a Pedro que quien quisiera ser como él, debía tomar su cruz y seguir su ejemplo (Mateo 16, 24).

Es tentador mantener cierta distancia con Jesús para que él no pueda acercarse demasiado y pedirnos mucho. Jesús lo dijo claramente: Ser su discípulo conlleva un costo. No siempre es fácil seguir al Señor y obedecer sus mandamientos. Pero la gloria de conocer el amor de Jesús y la alegría de compartir su misericordia con los demás supera cualquier sacrificio que tengamos que hacer. Finalmente Pedro aprendió esto, y nosotros podemos aprenderlo también.

De manera que toma tu cruz e intenta esforzarte por seguir el camino trazado por Jesús del amor generoso.

"Señor, te pido que me enseñes a donarme a mí mismo como tú lo hiciste."

Jeremías 20, 7-9 Salmo 63 (62), 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9Romanos 12, 1-2 Palabra Entre Nosotros

Joachim and Anne began to devote themselves extensively and rigorously to prayer and fasting, initially wondering whether their inability to conceive a child might signify God's displeasure with them.

As it turned out, however, the couple were to be blessed even more abundantly than Abraham and Sarah, as an angel revealed to Anne when he appeared to her and prophesied that all generations would honor their future child: "The Lord has heard your prayer, and you shall conceive, and shall bring forth, and your seed shall be spoken of in all the world."

After Mary's birth, according to the Protoevangelium of James, Anne "made a sanctuary" in the infant girl's room, and "allowed nothing common or unclean" on account of the special holiness of the child. The same writing records that when she was one year old, her father "made a great feast, and invited the priests, and the scribes, and the elders, and all the people of Israel."

"And Joachim brought the child to the priests," the account continues, "and they blessed her, saying: 'O God of our fathers, bless this child, and give her an everlasting name to be named in all generations' . . . And he brought her to the chief priests, and they blessed her, saying: 'O God most high, look upon this child, and bless her with the utmost blessing, which shall be forever.'"

The protoevangelium goes on to describe how Mary's parents, along with the temple priests, subsequently decided that she would be offered to God as a consecrated Virgin for the rest of her life, and enter a chaste marriage with the carpenter Joseph.

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In Thanksgiving To Our Lady of Guadalupe & our patron Saint Patrick - With Gratitude to:

Mr. Pablo Velasquez

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for your support of CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH "KEEP COOL CAMPAIGN"

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH SEPTEMBER SUNDAY'S SOCIAL EVENT

Please join us for a social event Breakfast at 8:00 AM Sunday Mass this morning provided by **COL Finance Council** and

Mr. Leonard Busa







PRAYING FOR A QUICK RECOVERY MR. JOHN LEFLORE

This is John & Diane LeFlore and their pup "Tinkerbell". During our Blessed Mother's visit to their home, John would wait for Diane to come home so that they could say the rosary together along with Tinkerbell at their side. John was very excited to have her there and even wanted to buy her from the Legion of Mary. He said that having her there at their home made such a difference in their lives. They felt such peace and strength during her visit.



LOSESPERAMOS A TODOS !





Christ Our Light Altar Society **Country Store**

In lieu of having a silent auction at this year's bazaar, the Altar Society will be running a "Country Store" booth. Please bring your items already priced to sell.

> Anything not picked up by 3:00 p.m. will be donated to Goodwill.

Thank you for your participation. See you at the Bazaar!

Sunday, September 24, 2023

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD NAVASOTA/ANDERSON

We are a non-profit, faith-based organization. Providing social services to people in need. We can be reached at 936-873-5002.

LA SOCIEDAD DE SAN VICENTE DE PAUL CRISTO EL BUEN PASTOR NAVASOTA/ANDERSON Somos una organización religiosa, sin animo de lucro, que presta servicios a personas necesitadas. Nuestro número de teléfono es 936 873-5002

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Fall Festival

Christ Our Light Catholic Church 2023 Bazaar

September 24, 2023 11:00 a.m. until ???

New Items for our
LIVE AUCTION and
COUNTRY STORE:
Suggestions include
sporting memorabilia (pro
& college), spa, golf
outings, dinner vouchers,





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We will need volunteers for before, during and after bazaar for set-ups, clean-ups, and tear downs.

Please contact:
Jorge Solis - 936-419-1398 or
Gregorio Gonzalez - 936-825-8953
Other Volunteers needed for
designated booths.
Please contact:
Brandi Tejęda – 936-870-5599

Miscellaneous Items Needed for Cake Booth, Plant Booth, and Kids' Booth:

- Cakes
- Cookies
- Pies
- Plants
- Toys
- Sodas (2-liter plastic bottles)

If you want to be my disciple...



What would you think if your best friend told you that you would have to die if you wanted to stay friends? In today's Gospel reading Jesus told the Apostles that if they wanted to be like Him they would have to take up their crosses and follow Him.

Jesus was teaching them that this world is a preparation for Heaven. If we make sacrifices for love of God then we will be ready for Heaven. Jesus opened the gates of Heaven to us by dying out of love



for God the Father and for us. We get little crosses every day when things make us unhappy. If we offer them to God with love, they are like dying a little bit, and they prepare us for Heaven.



Sometimes we think that we need nice things or to be with fun people if we want to be happy. It's easy to forget that we will never be completely happy here. Next time you feel unhappy, remember that it's a cross that can help you get to Heaven!

Answer to maze on Front: Take up your cross and follow me. Answers to Match-up: 1.D 2.C 3.E 4.B 5.G 6.A 7.F

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The Kids' Bulletin

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3rd, 2023



What did Jesus say that the people would have to do to be His disciples? Find your way through the maze and then use the letters from that path to fill in the blanks.

Saint Rose of Viterbo September 4

















ROSE TRIED TO BECOME A NUN BUT WASN'T ALLOWED IN BECAUSE SHE HAD NO DOWRY. SHE ENDED UP LIVING THE REST OF HER SHORT LIFE IN A CELL AT HER PARENTS' HOME.

ROSE DIED WHEN SHE WAS ONLY 18. SHE HAD SPENT HER LIFE PRAYING, SACRIFICING AND PREACHING TO BRING SINNERS BACK TO GOD. ONCE THE SUFFERING JESUS HAD APPEARED TO HER, AND SHE RESOLVED TO TRY TO MAKE UP FOR THE SINS THAT HURT HIM. WHAT WILL YOU DO FOR JESUS TODAY?

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"Take up Your Cross" Match-up

Jesus began to tell the disciples that He would have to suffer and be killed. How did the disciples react? What did Jesus say then?

Connect the phrases on the left with the ones that follow on the right.

1. Peter said, † "God forbid, Lord!

> 2. Jesus said, "Get behind me, † Satan!

3. You are not thinking as God does

4. Whoever wishes to come after me

5. Whoever wishes to save his life t

6. and whoever loses this life for my sake t

7. For what profit twould there be

A. will find it.

B. take up his cross and follow me."

C. You are an obstacle to me.

D. No such thing shall ever happen to You!"

E. but as human beings do."

for one to gain the F. whole world and forfeit his life?

G. will lose it





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