

If today you hear his voice, harden not your heart. Psalm 95

23^{rd} Sunday In Ordinary Time

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

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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 him adoration, meet 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

22nd Week Sunday Collection

08/27/2023 \$ 5,853.82 Second Collection UST \$ 785.01 Maintenance Fund \$ 130.00

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

AUCTION ITEM #1 BY MRS. ANGELINA OLGUIN

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, jnguyen@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: The Exaltation of the True Cross | anonymous Russian icon painter Franciscamedia.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SEPTEMBER

23rd SUNDAY ORDINARY-A

GATHER BOOK #1022

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Ez 33:7-9 Rom 13:8-10

Mt 18:15-20 (127) Pss III

MONDAY

Col 1:24—2:3 Lk 6:6-11 (437)

11

TUESDAY

12

The Most Holy Name of Mary Col 2:6-15 Lk 6:12-19 (438)

WEDNESDAY

Saint John Chrysostom, Memorial

13

Col 3:1-11 Lk 6:20-26 (439)

THURSDAY

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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9/ Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17 (638) Pss Prop

FRIDAY

Our Lady of Sorrows 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 (441)

Jn 19:25-27

Lk 2:33-35 (639) Pss Prop

SATURDAY

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Saints Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs 1 Tm 1:15-17 Lk 6:43-49 (442)

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

DANIEL MURILLO & FAMILY FOR THE ALTAR FLOWERS THIS PAST WEEKEND

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 10 8:00 AM Torres, Rangel & Baldobino Families 1:00 PM * People of the Parish

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 No Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 6:00 PM Marie † and Jose † Tostado

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 8:30 AM Margaret Frazee †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
8:30 AM Chris Gold †
6:00 PM* Serafin Murillo. 3rd
Anniversary of Death

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 8:30 AM Special Intention

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 VIGIL MASS 6:00 PM For People in the

Parish

who have Cancer

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 8:00 AM People of the Parish 1:00 PM* Martin Ruiz, Jr. †

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH

39[™] ANNUAL BAZAAR

RAFFLE PRIZES DRAWINGS:

16T - RINGINTHE NEW YEAR IN VEGAS

2nd - \$5,000 Visa Gft Card

3rd- \$1000 Visa Gft Card

4th- \$500 Visa Gft Card

5th- \$500 Visa Gft Card

6th- \$250 Visa Gft Card

7th- \$250 Visa Gft Card

8th- \$250 Visa Gft Card

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10th- \$100.00 Visa Gft Card

11h- \$100 Visa Gft Card

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 5:15 PM Adult Bible Study, SPH 6:30 PM Spanish Legion of Mary, **CH Cry room TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12** 5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH 5:30 PM Altar Society Meeting, SPH 7:00 PM English Choir Practice, CH WEDNESDAY, SEPTMBER 13 6:00 PM CCE 1-5th, SPH/SPCC **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14** 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 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 6:00 AM TMIY Men's Group, SPH **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 Catechetical Sunday** 10:30 AM CCE Grades 6-12th, SPH-SPCC

WEET 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

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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.

Dawson Shiflett

Tan Nguyen

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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!

Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matthew 18:18)

Jesus' words sound familiar, don't they? That's because two Sundays ago, we heard him say the same thing to Peter. Then, Jesus was giving Peter the keys to the kingdom and establishing him as leader of the Church (Matthew 16:18–19). Along with that position, he was giving Peter a specific ministry that came with a special authority and grace: the power to bind and loose. That ministry continues today in Peter's successors.

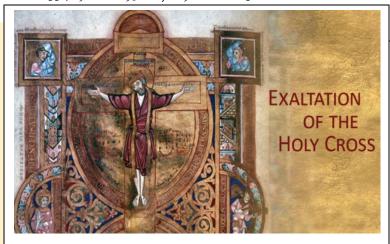
In today's Gospel, however, Jesus seems to be doing something different. He's speaking to all his disciples, and he extends this call to bind and loose to all of them—and in a way, even to us.

While most of us aren't priests who hear confessions, we are all called to forgive. Jesus wants us to understand that both our forgiveness and our failure to forgive have an effect on people. By our words and the thoughts in our hearts, we can keep someone bound in condemnation or judgment. But we can also "loose" them by forgiving them. And forgiveness always releases people from the chains of guilt or shame. This means that we can help them experience the freedom that Jesus wants for them. We can continue his "ministry of reconciliation" in our corner of the world (2 Corinthians 5:18).

How amazing that Jesus trusts us to share in this sacred calling! He doesn't want anyone to remain trapped in sin or in unforgiveness. He knows the danger that sin poses to our souls. That's why he urges us to "cut off" and "throw away" anything in our lives that leads us astray (Matthew 18:8). That's why he never stops seeking after his lost sheep (18:10–14). And that's why he calls us to forgive "seventy-seven times . . . from [our] heart" (18:22, 35). Because as we forgive people who sin against us, we won't just be freeing them. We'll be "loosing" ourselves from those chains, too.

"Jesus, help me to forgive today."

Ezekiel 33:7-9 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9 Romans 13:8-10



On 13 September 335, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher (also called the Church of the Resurrection) was dedicated. The following day, the cross that Empress Helena had discovered on 14 September 320, was venerated in a solemn ceremony. In 614, the Persian King, Chosroes II, waged war on the Romans. After conquering Jerusalem, he confiscated many treasures, among which was the Cross of Jesus. The Byzantine emperor Heraclius initiated peace negotiations, but was rejected. He then waged war and won near Nineveh, asking for the restitution of the Cross, which then returned to Jerusalem. Today, the cruelty of the Cross is not what is exalted, but the Love that God manifested to humanity by accepting death on the Cross: "Who, though in the form of God, emptied himself, taking the form of a slave. This is the glory of the Cross of Jesus!" (Pope Francis) Vatican News

A ti... te he constituido centinela. (Ezequiel 33, 7)

Así como Dios nombró a Ezequiel centinela de "la casa de Israel", así ha nombrado a los padres para que cuiden su propia "casa", su familia (Ezequiel 33, 7). Al igual que un profeta, la tarea de los padres es escuchar a Dios, animar a sus hijos y advertirles sobre las consecuencias del pecado, y ayudarlos a vivir de un modo que agrade al Señor. Esta invitación no se limita a los padres, tampoco. Dios quiere que todos nos cuidemos unos a otros.

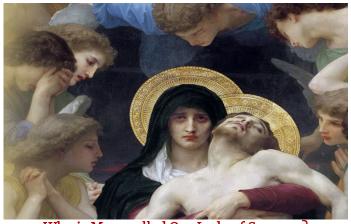
Ser un centinela puede parecer abrumador. La propia palabra significa "vigilar", es decir, cuidar y proteger. Especialmente en el caso de los padres, Dios les ha confiado la seguridad física de sus hijos y su bienestar eterno. ¿Cómo puede alguien cumplir a cabalidad tales expectativas?

Por medio de la intercesión. Los padres saben que no pueden controlar todos y cada uno de los aspectos de la vida de sus hijos. Su influencia tiene límites, especialmente conforme sus hijos maduran y comienzan a vivir por su propia cuenta. ¡Pero no hay límites para el poder de la oración!

Interceder por tu familia no es una pérdida de tiempo. Podrías tener una lista muy larga si incluyes a todos tus familiares. Pero de cualquier manera, es importante que reces por cada uno por nombre, y que seas específico sobre la intención por la cual estás rezando. Luego, ofrece una oración por todos: "Señor, te pido que cuides y guíes a mi familia. Bendícela y protégela de todo mal. Te ruego que los llenes con tu paz y tu amor."

¿Qué tan poderosas son las oraciones de un centinela? Simplemente pregúntale a Jesús. La noche antes de morir, él oró pidiendo fortaleza para soportar la cruz. Oró por protección para sus apóstoles y rezó por todos nosotros (Juan 17, 1-26). Dos mil años después, sus oraciones siguen siendo contestadas.

Imita a Jesús, él es el gran Centinela de su Iglesia. Encomienda a tu familia al cuidado de tu Padre celestial. Dios nunca te decepcionará. "Señor Todopoderoso, te pido que cuides de mi familia, confío en tu protección." Salmo 95 (94), 1–2. 6–7. 8–9 Romanos 13, 8–10 Mateo 18, 15–20



Why is Mary called Our Lady of Sorrows?

We celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15th. It commemorates the profound union of heart that existed between the Mother of the Redeemer and the Savior, through which she experienced many interior sorrows as a consequence of His Mission, but particularly during His Passion and Death.

What are the seven swords that pierced Mary's heart?

- 1. The prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:25-35)
- 2. The flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15)
- 3. Loss of the Child Jesus for three days (Luke 2:41-50)
- 4. Mary meets Jesus on His way to Calvary (Luke 23:27-31; John 19:17)
- 5. Crucifixion and Death of Jesus (John 19:25-30)
- 6. The body of Jesus taken from the Cross (Psalm 130; Luke 23:50-54; John 19:31-37)
- 7. The burial of Jesus (Isaiah 53:8; Luke 23:50-56; John 19:38-42; Mark 15:40-47)



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

Mr. Pablo Velasquez

P.V.R Construction LLC

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

BISHOP Italo Dell'Oro is coming to CHRIST OUR LIGHTCATHOLIC CHURCH PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING BISHOP ITALO TO OUR PARISH FOR THE 1:00 PM SPANISH MASS THIS SUNDAY



THE FAMILY OF DOMINIC THANH PHAM OF COLLEGE STATION THANK OUR PARISH FOR OUR ACCOMMODATION THIS PAST WEEK.





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 PLEASE JOIN

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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)

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us that if someone sins against us we should quietly go and talk to them about it. Have you ever seen someone else do something bad? Did you talk to them about it?



BOTHER YOU, BUT I THINK YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE!



When we talk to somebody about something bad they are doing we should do it with love. We aren't trying to make them feel bad; we're trying to help!

Has anyone ever told you when you were doing something wrong? Did you find it easy to listen to them? When we try to help people who do bad things, what God wants us to do is be kind to them and help them to turn away from their sins.

It's hard to do, but it makes God so happy to see us helping people come back to Him!

> Pray with others Answer to word-find puzzle: Answer to puzzle on front: yes!

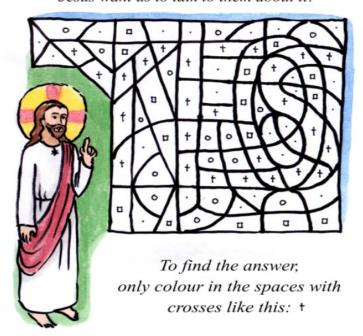
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The Kids' Bulletin

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 10th, 2023

Sometimes we see other people doing things that we know are wrong. When we see other people doing sins, does Jesus want us to talk to them about it?



Our Lady of Sorrows September 15















WHEN YOU REALLY LOVE SOMEONE YOU WILL FEEL SAD WHEN THEY ARE HURT. OUR LADY LOVED JESUS MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE EVER COULD, AND SHE ALSO SUFFERED MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE. BUT SHE WAS HAPPY TO SUFFER FOR JESUS. WE SHOULD PRAY TO OUR LADY TO HELP US TO LOVE OUR LORD, EVEN IF WE HAVE TO SUFFER.

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...Where two or three are gathered in my Name...

TWHICHPRTA Here is the last part of HHEARTHSHT REAGAINHEO ERVRMYWARG EEEEESGLEE PINENARLNT RTLHOYATAH

ANYTHINGME

YYOUFATHER GATHEREDHE

RTWOMIDSTS

today's Gospel reading. See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle. Use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks.

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What is Our Lord asking us to do?

AGAIN, AMEN, I SAY to YOU, if two of you AGREE on EARTH about ANYTHING for WHICH they are to PRAY, it SHALL be GRANTED to them by my HEAVENLY FATHER. For WHERE TWO or THREE are GATHERED TOGETHER in my NAME. THERE am I in the MIDST of them.







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Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine.



Et lux perpetua luceat eis









