August 9, 2026 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish News

WYD Food Sale Fundraiser

August 9, THIS SUNDAY, after the 10:30am and 12:30pm masses The Believers and their parents will be selling food to help raise funds to attend World Youth Day. Thank you for your support!

Parish Festival

We are gearing up for the festival and are beginning to collect donations of raffle prizes, paper products, water, and soda. Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office, Monday–Thursday, 9am–4pm.

Our planning meeting on August 3rd was cancelled due to a SMUD power outage. We will next be meeting on August 10th at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall. We'd love to have you there; whether you're interested in running a booth or just have some new ideas, all are welcome!

Displays in the Vestibule

If you have any announcements for the parish that should be displayed before and after Mass, they can be submitted for review by our Pastor.
Announcements can be submitted at **spah.link/stw**
Guidance, templates and instructions are available.

This Weekend's Second Collection is for the Altar Society

Your generous donations will not only support the laundering of our sacred liturgical linens but also help purchase beautiful flowers that enhance our church's ambiance during services and special events.

The Believers have collected more honey and are planning to sell on Sunday August 16th. They are making great strides in fundraising for World Youth Day 2027! Follow their journey here: spah.link/wyd.
Thank you for your prayers and support!

This Week

Sunday | August 9, 2026

— Regular Sunday Mass Schedule—

Monday | August 10, 2026

8:00am - Daily Mass [Parish Church]
7:00pm - Holy Hour [Parish Church]
7:00pm - Youth Community ("The Believers") [Msgr Corkell Parish Hall]

Tuesday | August 11, 2026

8:00am - Daily Mass [Parish Church]
6:00pm - Confessions (English & Spanish) [Parish Church]

Wednesday | August 12, 2026

8:00am - Daily Mass [Parish Church]
10:30am - Legion of Mary (English) [Msgr. Corkell Hall]

Thursday | August 13, 2026

8:00am - Daily Mass [Parish Church]
7:00pm - Charismatic Prayer Group (Spanish) [Parish Church]

Friday | August 14, 2026

8:00am - Daily Mass [Parish Church]
5:30pm - Legion of Mary (Spanish) [Msgr. Corkell Parish Hall]

Saturday | August 15, 2026

3:00pm - Confessions (English) [Parish Church]
— Regular Saturday Mass Schedule—

Today's Reflection

In today's first reading, Elijah stands on a mountain, waiting for God. A mighty wind tears through the landscape, followed by an earthquake and fire. Yet God is not found in these spectacular events. God comes instead in a "tiny whispering sound." I have often associated that whisper with the voice of conscience. Yet conscience is more than a gut feeling or Jiminy Cricket sitting on our shoulder. Catholic teaching tells us that we must follow our conscience—but we also have a responsibility to form it carefully.

Jesus is our starting point. When facing a moral choice, we might ask: Is this action consistent with the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth? What would Jesus do—and whom would Jesus protect, welcome, forgive, or challenge? We also form our conscience through Scripture, understood within its historical setting rather than interpreted simplistically; through the teachings of the Church; through prayer; and through consultation with trustworthy people. A pastor, spiritual director, knowledgeable professional, or wise friend may help us recognize something we have overlooked.

Listening is especially difficult today. Social media, cable news, and political ideologies surround us with winds of outrage, earthquakes of fear, and fires of anger. Their noise can easily drown out God's quiet voice. When an important moral decision confronts us, we should step away from the commotion. Pray, study, seek counsel, and listen. God may not be shouting above the noise. God may be waiting for us in the silence.

Chuck Zannetti
SVdP Society Member

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry

Last week, we distributed $200.00 and also helped a neighbor pay rent. We referred two callers to resources in their neighborhood.

Your prayers and financial support help make our ministry possible. Thank you, and may God bless you and yours.

Tithings

August 2 - 9, 2026

General Collection Fund	$	4,800.00
Parish Development Fund	$	3,003.00
Saint Vincent de Paul Fund	$	473.00
Altar Society	$	183.00
Total	$	8,459.00

Discover the ease of Online Giving!
Enjoy a hassle-free way to donate—no more envelopes or cash on Sundays. Our secure platform ensures your financial safety and provides annual summaries for tax reporting.

Mass Intentions and Prayers

Please Keep In Your Prayers:

Lucas Abella,Jr.
Carlos + Rosario Ajsup
Genises + Karen Ajsup
Vanessa Ajsup
April Boone
Grant Boone
Betty & Jack Brocchini
Daniel Cacho
Kathryn Camacho
Lee & Diane Charles
Fred Castano
Frank + Carmen Chisler
Maria Curiel
Lupe Cisneros
John Dickens
Catherine Dominquez
Chris Donovan
Ann Marie Duesbury
Gigi Fleming
Carol Gonsalves
Martha Garcia
Janna Gilden
John Gonzales, Sr.
Rodney Guidry
Maria Hernandez
Bob Herold
James Herold
Joseph Hoa Hoang
Flora Jones
Austin Klaas
Richard Lagunas
Claudia + Alexis Lopez
Hector Lopez
Bailey Luper
Maria Martinez
Sofia Martinez
Pang Mua
Trini McClinton
Estella Mendez
Nathan Montoya
Ysidro Mora
Michelle Morales
Maria Dzung Nguyen
Gertie Petzold
Cecilia Piedra
Isaias Ramirez
Angie Raymundo
Juan Reyes
Marcelina Reyes
Daniel Rogers
Graciela Sanchez
John Silva
Yvonne Stanko
Erika Stark
Yolanda Tanihara
Mariano Tovar
Randy & Janet Wagner
Tony Whitehead

May they receive the love and support of our Community

Saturday August 8	**4:00 pm**	**6:00pm**
	† Carmen Perez Cervantes	
Sunday Aug 9	**8:00 am**	**12:30 pm**
	SI Randy & Janet Wagner	† Juanita Vidales † Enrique Vidales
	10:30 am	**2:30 pm**
	Parish Community	
	7:00 pm	
Monday Aug 10	**8:00 am**	
	† Mary R. Cervantes	
Tuesday Aug 11	**8:00 am**	
	SI Rodney & Claire Guidry	
Wednesday Aug 12	**8:00 am**	
Thursday Aug 13	**8:00 am**	
Friday Aug 14	**8:00 am**	

Liturgy Aid

Gathering Song:	Tale of Plenty (#312)
Presentation of Gift:	The Lord is My Hope (#530)
Communion:	You Are Near (#448)
Sending Forth:	Stand By Me (#423)

Diocesan News

Mater Dei Catholic School
is a new Diocese of Sacramento Catholic school formed through the realignment of St. Patrick Academy, St. Charles Borromeo School, and St. Robert School. Guided by the example of Mary, we seek to nurture the hearts, minds, and spirits of every child entrusted to our care. We are currently enrolling for the 2026–2027 school year. Families interested in Mater Dei Catholic School are encouraged reach out for more information. (916) 452-2111

First Friday Overnight Adoration
May - October 2026 | Next Date September 7
Join us at our fellow Parish for 6:30pm Mass, followed by All-Night Adoration through Saturday at 8:00am.
Saint Maria Goretti Catholic Church
8700 Bradshaw Road, Elk Grove, Ca
916-647-4538

"Believers" & World Youth Day

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65%

current as of August 4th, 2026

D-363 till WYD

$60,000 our goal

$39,226 achieved

Baptism Classes

English: 3rd Saturday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the small meeting room in the Parish Hall,. Both parents and godparents must attend.

Spanish: 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. In the small meeting room in the Parish Hall. Both parents and godparents must attend.

For more information and to register for a class, call the Parish Office at: 916-456-7206

Weekly Readings & Saints

Saturday August 8	Deuteronomy 6:4-13; Matthew 17:14-20	Saint Dominic, Priest
Sunday August 9	1 Kings 19:9, 11-13; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33	
Monday August 10	2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26	Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
Tuesday August 11	Deuteronomy 31:1-8; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14	Saint Clare, Virgin
Wednesday August 12	Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Matthew 18:15-20	Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
Thursday August 13	Joshua 3:7-10, 11, 13-17; Matthew 18:21 – 19:1	Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
Friday August 14	Joshua 24:1-13; Matthew 19:3-12	Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest and Martyr