



# All are Welcome

ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

AUGUST 1, 2021

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## The bread of God

is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

John 6:33

August 1, 2021  
**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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**Sunday 9:00am and Daily Masses are Live Streamed on our website**  
[stmaryslg.org/livestream-mass](http://stmaryslg.org/livestream-mass)

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
Daily Mass: 9:30 am  
Live-Stream & In Person  
Saturday Vigil Mass  
5:00 pm - In Person  
Sunday Masses:  
9:00am  
Live-Stream & In Person  
7:30am & 5:00pm - In Person

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Envelopes can be mailed or dropped in the mail slot at the rectory

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Thursdays at 7 pm  
[stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass](http://stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass)





Today's Gospel is a sequel to last week's account of Jesus feeding a large crowd with five barley loaves and a few fish. Here, Jesus is challenging the crowd to see in the bread they have eaten a sign of God's generosity in providing for all the blessings in their lives, as well as the blessing of life itself. The first reading, from Exodus, recounts how the escaped Hebrew slaves were fed in the wilderness, first with quail, then with manna. The psalm is a later reflection on the manna as the bread from heaven and a blessing from God. The selection from the letter to the Ephesians sketches the image of putting away the "old self" and putting on the new, emphasizing that a person's life in Christ needs to differ from their previous life, just as the life of a free person differs from that of a slave.

### SIGNS AND WONDERS?

The Gospel continues into a second day the narrative that had begun the day before when, after crossing the lake to look for Jesus, a large crowd are fed with five barley loaves and two fish. The following day (today's reading), after more lake crossings, the people who had been miraculously fed are again searching for Jesus. However, they do so (as Jesus puts it) "not because you saw signs, but because you ate the loaves and were filled" (John 6:6).

In John's Gospel, the word "sign" has a distinct meaning. At the wedding at Cana, after telling how Jesus turned water into wine, the Evangelist notes "Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs" that "revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him" (John 2:11). For John, signs are not just wonders to behold; they are about the revelation of God and a response of faith in Jesus.

### OR MAYBE THE SIGN IS THE WONDER

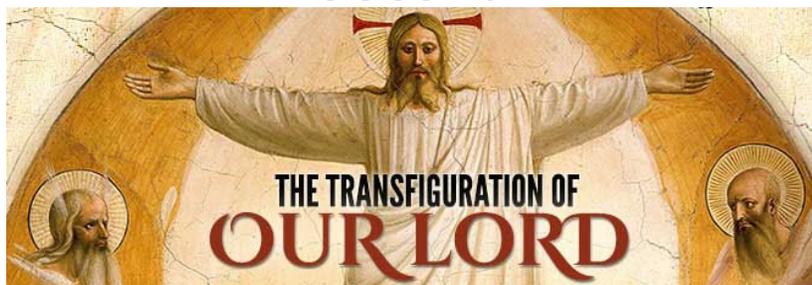
When the crowd first arrives, Jesus notes that they had not appreciated the sign that he had already given; they are still focused on their physical hunger. When they ask for a sign, "that we may see and believe in you" (John 6:30), they refer to their ancestors who ate manna in the wilderness. Can Jesus top that? Can he give them more bread that will relieve them of their daily worries about going hungry? Jesus reminds the crowd that it was not Moses who gave the "bread from heaven," but his Father. Further, the Father can give them the true bread from heaven that comes down and gives life to the world. There is a parallel in the Greek between working for food that perishes and doing the works of God, which is believing in Jesus as the one God has sent. This is the sign that the people missed the day before, the sign that Jesus is pointing out to them.

Like the Evangelist, the Church uses the word "sign" for its sacraments. Like the crowd, we are called to see similar "signs" of God's generosity in all the blessings of our lives.

### TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15  
 Psalm 78::3-4, 23-25, 54  
 Ephesians 4:17, 20-24  
 John 6:24-35

## AUGUST 6TH



## PARISH DIRECTORY

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If it is an **EMERGENCY** and you need to reach a priest call 408.482.8021

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### Parish Office CLOSED

Per the SCC Health Dept we are unable to open at this time. We continue to respond to your emails and voice messages as soon as possible.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun	8/1	<b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35
Mon	8/2	Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
Tue	8/3	Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wed	8/4	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
Thu	8/5	Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
Fri	8/6	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10
Sat	8/7	Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20
Sun	8/8	<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	8/2	9:30 am	Rose Ann Albert +
Tue	8/3	9:30 am	Vincent Baxter
Wed	8/4	9:30 am	Jim Lyon + Christine Duzmal +
Thu	8/5	9:30 am	Stan Poncetta +
Fri	8/6	9:30 am	Ethel & Nicholas Baxter +
Sat	8/7	9:30 am	Barbara Baxter +
		5:00 pm	John Mardesich + Rita Fisher +
		7:30 am	Jeff Torre
Sun	8/8	9:00 am	Olga Mendez +
		5:00 pm	Rose Ann Albert +

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 1

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
Monday:	St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
Wednesday:	St. John Vianney, Priest
Thursday:	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Friday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord, First Friday
Saturday:	St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest;
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	<b>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers:

**Jackie Kendall, Apeles Pineda, Andy Byrne, Paul McGuire**

For those who have recently died:

**Clare Dinno, John Mardesich, Rita Fisher**

*Members of our parish family who are in the military, hospitals, nursing homes, shut-ins and all who have no one to pray for them.*



## ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*My Jesus, I believe you are really here in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you more than anything in the world, and I hunger to receive you. But since I cannot receive Communion at this time, Feed my soul spiritually. I unite myself to you now, as I do when I actually receive You in Holy Communion. Amen.*

## LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When we lose our ability to trust, we become afraid. When we are afraid, we may begin to grumble and question whether where we are is where we need to be. For us who have faith, we even question whether God is who God says He is. Trust is so important to our success on our journey. Often, the road of our lives can become a bit treacherous. We may find ourselves feeling more unsettled than comfortable and less fulfilled than we would like to be. As much as we try, the pieces of our puzzle don't quite fit together as they ought. We wonder if we will ever experience happiness again. Then, something reminds us that God is very much present in this mess we call life. God is still bringing hope out of despair and life out of death. After all, God is the true bread that comes down from heaven to give life. All that is necessary is for us to trust in this truth, even when we may be lacking in some of life's essentials. The God who gives life is the same God who sustains it. He is also the same God who assures us that we will not perish.

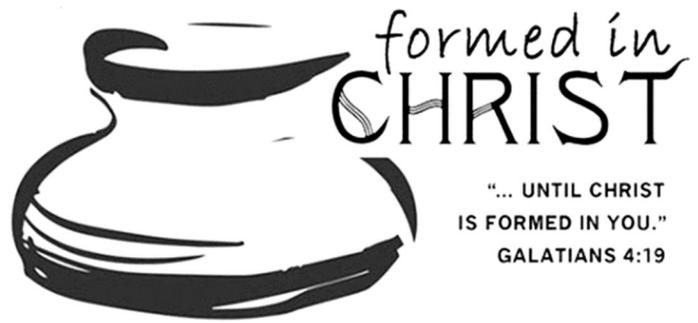
## FAITH FORMATION

**YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

*"God will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them." - Hebrews 6:10*

St. Mary Parish is looking for volunteers as catechists for Faith Formation, Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) and Christian Initiation for Children (CIC).

For more information, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Michael Lomas, at [mlomas@stmaryslg.org](mailto:mlomas@stmaryslg.org) or (408) 354-3726 x123



Registration for Faith Formation (K-8<sup>th</sup>), First Communion (2<sup>nd</sup> grade), Confirmation (High School), Rite of Christian Initiation and Christian Initiation for Children will open on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Classes will begin at the end of September.

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# ST. MARY SCHOOL

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### SCHOOL OFFICE - SUMMER HOURS

Though our days are definitely longer, we can guarantee there will be someone in the school office at the desk to answer phones, open the Uniform Closet, collect any documents you're dropping off, etc.  
**Monday through Friday, 10am - 2pm.**

Feel free to leave a message if you call outside of office hours, and we will be sure to return your call.

## FAITH IN ACTION

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

#### Stewardship Lifestyle

*“Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not.”* Exodus 16:4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego lead to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a Stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our “wants” from our “needs”. Living a grateful and generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

**Thank You!**  
  
**THE CATHOLIC  
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### LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED FOR MASSES

(Sunday & Special Occasions - Weddings, Funerals, etc.)

**Lectors ~ Eucharistic Ministers ~ Sacristans ~  
 Ushers ~ Live Stream Operators & Eucharistic  
 Ministers for the Homebound**

To become a minister, you must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist and be a registered parishioner at St. Mary. Please prayerfully consider becoming a Liturgical Minister. The Diocese of San Jose requires that all volunteers who work with children and vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and complete the Protecting God's Children® on-line training as a prerequisite to this ministry. Training for each minister will be provided. For more information or to apply to become a minister, please email [parish.office@stmaryslg.org](mailto:parish.office@stmaryslg.org).

### SAVE THE DATE

**October 8 - 10**



### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE!**

**Our Goal for August is 77,163.00**

Your continued ONLINE support of St. Mary is much appreciated. **THANK YOU** to those who have already signed up for online donations.

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### Have you considered serving on the Buildings & Grounds Committee

If you have one or more of the following “handyman” skills: *Mechanical skills ~ Electrical skills ~ Painting skills ~ Plumbing skills ~ Carpentry skills ~ General handyman skills or any experience in mechanical, carpentry, masonry, handyman tasks, construction, etc. or would like to help in planning and/or executing general repairs on parish facilities and grounds* we would like to hear from you.

This ministry monitors the condition of the physical environment and advises the Finance and Pastoral Councils of current facility and grounds status. It functions as a resource for general repairs and saves the parish money by performing repairs and projects instead of hiring others to do them whenever possible. It helps the Finance Council to coordinate and plan capital expenditures.

For more information, please contact **Rick Mardesich**, at [parish.office@stmaryslg.org](mailto:parish.office@stmaryslg.org)

### Finance Council

The Catholic Code of Canon Law (*Canon#537*) mandates a parish finance council in each parish. The role of the parish finance council is to advise and assist the pastor of the parish in all matters pertaining to parish finances and parish staff in planning the budget and in overseeing and controlling the financial affairs of the parish. If you have knowledge of accounting, finance, budgeting, and/or development, we would like to invite you to consider joining St. Mary Finance Council. The Finance Council meets *quarterly* on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00pm.

For more information, please contact **Ron Pelzel**, Finance Council chair at [parish.office@stmaryslg.org](mailto:parish.office@stmaryslg.org)



## AROUND THE DIOCESE

**JULY 11 - AUGUST 25: JOSEPH-HOW TO LIVE EXTRAORDINARY IN THE ORDINARY.** Perfect for the year of St. Joseph This eight week series from Real Life Catholic features speakers such as Chris Stefanick, Dr. Scott Hanh, Chris Evert and more! Register first at <https://coaching.reallifecatholic.com/reallifejoseph> . Starting July 11 until August 25, log in at <https://coaching.reallifecatholic.com/reallifejoseph> on either Sunday evenings at 7pm or Wednesday mornings at 11am to pray, reflect and discuss.

**AUGUST 10: PROCLAIMING JESUS TO OUR CULTURE:** Join us for Reflection and Discussion led by Most Rev. Robert Barron, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, Tue. Aug 10 @ 7pm. Via Zoom - details will be provided soon.

**AUGUST 13-15: NISBET SCRIPTURE RETREAT RETURNS!** Fr. Jim Nisbet, acclaimed scripture scholar, will be sharing his insights and wisdom during the 41st Annual Nisbet Scripture Retreat at St. Francis Retreat Center this summer. The retreat is August 13-15. Openings are still available for single and double occupancy. This popular retreat fills up quickly, so don't wait too long. Register by calling the Retreat Center at 831-623-4234.

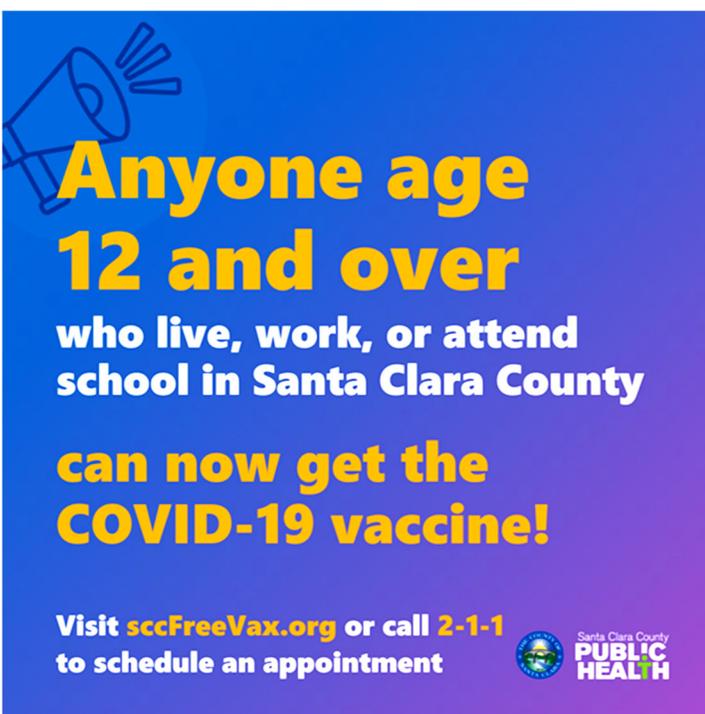
**AUGUST 14: CATHOLIC CEMETERIES AUGUST MEMORIAL MASS:** 11:00 am Join us for our Monthly Memorial Mass at Gate of Heaven Cemetery August 14th at 11AM, where we remember those who have been buried at our cemeteries during the month of July. Have a loved one who's name you would like to add? Call 650-288-1506 or email [ccoutreach@dsj.org](mailto:ccoutreach@dsj.org).

**AUGUST 18: GRIEF BOOT CAMP LIVE - A MEANINGFUL PATH FORWARD:** August 18 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. This workshop is a welcoming space to explore your grief and gain a better understanding of the emotions you are going through and how you might grow with a foundation of knowledge and prayer. This event is offered in-person or via Zoom. RSVP required 650-255-1506 or [ccoutreach@dsj.org](mailto:ccoutreach@dsj.org)

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES PARISH ENGAGEMENT IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS:** We all know someone who is impacted by the Pandemic. Catholic Charities Parish Engagement Project continues to need volunteers at its food distribution sites. This is also a great opportunity for high school students to earn service hours. Please sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/CatholicCharitiesVolunteer>

### RENTAL ASSISTANCE & RESOURCES

Rent Assistance Programs and Resources: 2 Programs for Rent Assistance now available! Low-income Santa Clara County residents who have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic can receive assistance with rent payments. Visit [https:// bit.ly/dsjhh21](https://bit.ly/dsjhh21) to view details on available programs.



**Anyone age 12 and over who live, work, or attend school in Santa Clara County can now get the COVID-19 vaccine!**

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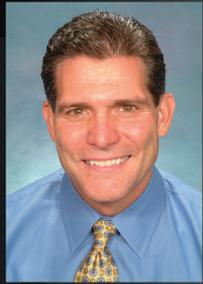
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