

Message from Fr. Greg



ABOUT THE CHANGE IN MASS SCHEDULE

Starting Wednesday, September 1, the weekday Mass will start one hour earlier, at 8:30 A.M. rather than 9:30 A.M. It is my understanding that the time of the weekday Mass, originally scheduled for 7:30 A.M., was changed last year to 9:30 A.M. because Mass took place outside and it was too cold to start earlier in the morning. The primary reason for changing the Mass time to 8:30 A.M. is to make it possible, when permissible, for the students at our parish school to worship with the members of our parish community who attend the daily Mass. We are all one community and our worship together will be an important sign of our unity. Since school begins at 8 A.M., the change in Mass time will also allow school parents to attend Mass after dropping off their children. Live streaming of the daily Mass will continue for those unable to come to church.

HOW TO HELP THE PEOPLE OF HAITI

If you would like to help the people of Haiti, recovering from the recent devastating earthquake, you may send or drop off a check payable to St. Mary with "*Haiti Relief*" in the memo line. It would also be good to place it in an envelope marked "*Haiti Relief*." Donations will be forwarded to the Diocese, which will then forward them to the U.S. Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund.

- Fr. Greg

REFLECT ON TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING

As Moses prepared the Israelites to settle and live in the Promised Land he urged them to stay close to God's commandments and statutes in order to become a "great nation." *Why do you think so many nations stray from this idea?*

SECOND READING

In the opening verses of his letter, James urges his readers to be "doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves." *Why do you think this is wise advice?*

GOSPEL READING

In returning to the Gospel of Mark, we hear today how the religious leaders from Jerusalem questioned Jesus about keeping "the tradition of the elders." Jesus responded with the importance of being clean of heart. *Why is this such a challenging spiritual exercise?*

TODAY'S READINGS

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Psalms 15

James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

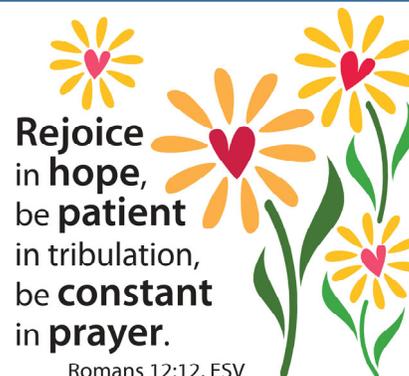
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Rejoice
in hope,
be patient
in tribulation,
be constant
in prayer.

Romans 12:12, ESV

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

		Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	8/29	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Mon	8/30	1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tue	8/31	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wed	9/1	Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thu	9/2	Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Fri	9/3	Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Sat	9/4	Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sun	9/5	Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
		Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	8/30	9:30 am	Robert Good +
Tue	8/31	9:30 am	Oscar Lattimore +
Wed	9/1	8:30 am	Wareen Matukas +
Thu	9/2	8:30 am	Mickie Hoffman (<i>special intention</i>)
Fri	9/3	8:30 am	Ethel & Nicholas Baxter +
Sat	9/4	8:30 am	Barbara Baxter +
		5:00 pm	Brian Brager +
		7:30 am	Barbara Baxter +
Sun	9/5	9:00 am	Gene Castello +
		5:00 pm	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Filice, Sr. +

THE HOLY FATHER'S UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: **Diane Wambaugh, Michael Clark, Jackie Kendall, Apeles Pineda, Andy Byrne, Paul McGuire**



For those who have recently died:

Patrick Morrissey, Edward Street, Laura Lozoya, Mark Corpus

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.

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29

Sunday:	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation
Friday:	St. Gregory the Great Pope and Doctor of the Church; First Friday
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday
Next Sunday:	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

What makes a person wise and intelligent? Certainly it is not the ability to memorize facts or minute details about a situation. What makes a person wise and intelligent is when their words and actions harmoniously unite and produce virtue. A person can know many facts and even do the right actions but still have a grave flaw in their character. We sometimes want to delude ourselves into thinking that as long as we are “doing” everything correctly, we are automatically in right relationship with all. Such is sadly not the case in the kingdom of God. We are called not to be just hearers of the Word, but doers as well. That means getting to the heart of what laws and rituals are meant to signify and nurture. If we do not bring the actions home, where they belong, and allow them to speak of the goodness, mercy, compassion, and love of God, then they are simply empty worthless gestures. Welcome the Word that has been planted within you so that you can be a truly wise and intelligent disciple of Jesus Christ.



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CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

We're busy in the background getting everything and everyone in place; however, we have some **immediate needs** for Chair-people and committee members, so here's your opportunity! Take a look below, we need your time and talent right away!

Unless noted, we need a Chairperson and a few Committee members for each of the following:

- ◆ **Fair Program** - Photoshop knowledge a bonus as you create the Fair program - we have the 2019 file, so you'll make edits, updates, adding new sponsors, etc.
- ◆ **Special Event Permits** - We've secured Permits this year - you'll shadow the Permit Chair so you're set to take over next year.
- ◆ **Yard and Security** - we'll need boots on the ground for set-up, and roving adults during the Fair weekend to make sure all is well.
- ◆ **Mimosa Bar** - Word is it's Mimosas on Saturday morning, and Bloody Marys on Sunday morning. Be in charge, and you decide!
- ◆ **Information Booth** - A little bit of everything happens at the Information Booth - Ticket Sales, Lost & Found, hand out Fair Programs, and more. Be that smiling face ready to help!

Contact **Katrina Azucena** at fair_chairs@stmaryslg.org

ST. MARY SCHOOL



We are so excited to welcome the students and families back to campus!! May everyone have a blessed and safe start to the school year.



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FAITH IN ACTION

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Grateful Stewardship

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” James 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of Stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

JOB OPENING AT ST. MARY RECEPTIONIST/ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (Part-Time)

We have an immediate opening for a part-time Receptionist / Administrative Assistant; 16 hours per week, Mon-Thurs. The job entails of working in the parish office four hours per day providing greeting and assisting visitors and parishioners and other administrative tasks.

Job requirements is listed at: <https://bit.ly/3m8GHGo>.
If interested or have any questions, please email
parish.office@stmaryslg.org.

2ND COLLECTION - SEPT 5

SCHOOL SUPPORT

Thank you for remembering St. Mary School for the monthly Sunday Second Collection. These funds have a direct impact on our school's operating budget and helps support students and families in need of financial assistance.

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED FOR MASSES

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

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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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE!

Our Goal for September is \$61,731.00

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

TO MAKE AN ONLINE GIFT:

stmaryslg.org/online-giving

Please consider setting up a recurring or one-time gift Online. Instructions can be found at

stmaryslg.org/getting-started-with-online-giving

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



Do you like to sing? Play an instrument?

We invite you to consider joining the music ministry!
For more information or questions, please contact Percival at pperlas@stmaryslg.org or 408.354.3726 x122

Great
is Thy
faithfulness



FAITH FORMATION



"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, Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) and Christian Initiation for Children (CIC).



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

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

AROUND THE DIOCESE

CONSECRATED LIFE JUBILEE CELEBRANTS: Please pray and honor more than 40 men and women religious celebrating jubilees. Bishop Cantú sends his thanks and best wishes for their religious dedication and reading their names in this video - www.dsj.org/about-us/consecrated-life-men-and-women/

HANDICAPABLES: "You are not handicapped, you are HANDICAPABLE" - Nadine Calliguri, Founder Handicapables is a peer support and enrichment program for adults with disabilities. It partners with Catholic Parishes and Schools, volunteers, and the wider civic and religious communities. We are not physically able to meet because of the pandemic, the program coordinator does weekly check ins. Join our Group by calling the Program Coordinator, Saida Nagpurwala @ 408 325 5257 or email: snagpurwala@catholiccharitiesscc.org.

SEPTEMBER 9: BISHOP CANTÚ SPEAKING AT THE CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS MASS AND BREAKFAST: 7:15AM - 9:00AM. Bishop Cantú will kick off the new season for The Catholic Professionals Breakfasts. Please join us for Mass, breakfast and Bishop's presentation, either in person or via Zoom, on Thursday, September 9th. Bishop will say Mass at 7:15 am, followed by breakfast and Bishop Cantú's presentation. For more information and to sign up, please visit our website at sjcatholicprofessionals.com.

SEPTEMBER 10: GUADALUPE HOPE SOCIETY (GHS) ROSARY & FAITH TALK with Rev. Matthias Lambrecht, O.C.D.: Sept. 10, 2021 11:30am - 1pm. GHS invites you to join us in praying the rosary for the unborn. Then Fr. Matthias will lead us in a Rosary for the Unborn and then share a presentation on the Brown Scapular. Register at rosaryseptember10.21@eventbrite.com.

SEPTEMBER 25 "YOUNG ADULT - "FIRESIDE CHAT": 7:00pm - 9:30pm. "Fireside Chat" is a great opportunity to have spiritual conversations and meet other Catholics. Fr. Andrew Laguna and Caritas-friends welcome you to meet at a summer gathering and open conversations about the joys and struggles of encountering God more personally in everyday life. Begins with mingling with dessert and drinks in a laid-back environment. It continues with a 15-20' Caritas-like sharing about the fruits and challenges of sustaining a closer relationship with God. Meet @MHT Church. Visit christusministries.org/events/firesidechat-norcal for more information.

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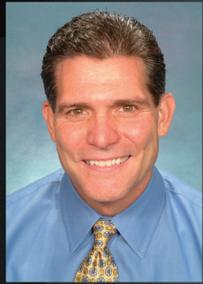



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