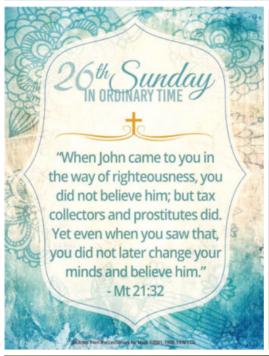
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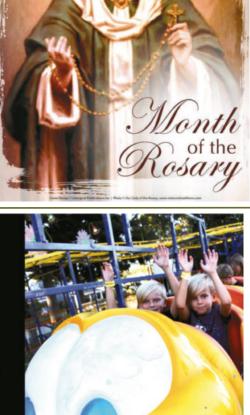
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9:00am

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Mon - Sat: 8:30 am Live-Stream & In Person

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# **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

#### First Reading:

The prophet Ezekiel teaches that all people (the just and the wicked) are capable of doing evil as well as repenting. What do you think motivates anyone to repent?

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul encourages the believers in Philippi to have the same attitude of humility as Jesus. *Is humility one of your strengths?* 

#### Gospel:

Jesus criticizes the religious leaders of Jerusalem for lacking self-reflection. *How often do you examine your own behavior and choices?* 

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TODAY'S READINGS

Ezekial 18:25-28:

Psalm 25;

Philippians 2:1-11;

Matthew 21:28-32

# REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

Today's readings challenge the modern-day disciple to imitate more fully both the actions and attitudes of Christ.

St. Paul encapsulates the actions and attitudes we must strive for in the Second Reading, from the Letter to the Philippians. "Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others." In other words, Paul continues, "Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus." Whether we are at work or school or within our own homes, our actions should be focused on others first in imitation of Christ, Who is always perfectly focused on others.

But there is another reason for seeing others as more important than ourselves, a reason that will help us to become better stewards. It is the recognition that the "others" in my life — whether my spouse and children, my next-door neighbor, or even the co-worker that gets on my last nerve — all these others are gifts from God, to be treasured and nurtured for God's glory.

And just in case this seems like a bit too much to ask of us, St. Paul gives us another reminder about the Savior we are imitating as we embrace this attitude towards others. "Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave... he humbled Himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." Unimaginable humility.

We should not be overwhelmed by this high bar, however. Our God is a loving and patient Father. He embraces every faltering step we take in imitation of His Son. Jesus demonstrates this comforting truth through the parable He tells in today's Gospel from Matthew. It is the story of two sons whose father instructs them to go out and work in his vineyard that day. The second son gives the right answer, right away: "Yes, sir." But he does not follow through. Despite the lip service, he has failed to follow his father's will.

The first son just can't seem to get on board with his father's command. He responds, "I will not." At least he is honest! And this honest, less-than-perfect response should be consoling to us Christian stewards. Haven't we all felt this way at times when God's will for us seems to be just too hard? We can be honest with God at these times. He knows already, after all. But when we stayed engaged in a real relationship with Him, even if it's just to say, "I don't think I can, Lord," He will supply us with just the grace we need to change our minds and do what He is asking us to do.

We are called to a high and holy standard — living as Christ's disciples every day and with every person the Lord places in our path. But we can move towards this goal in "baby steps." We can even take a step backward from time to time because our Father is merciful and kind. What matters is that we keep baby stepping along, assured of the grace we need to more closely imitate the actions and attitudes of Christ.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME;

Sun 10/1 RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

Mon 10/2 The Holy Guardian Angels

Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:2, 16-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tue 10/3 Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wed 10/4 St. Francis of Assisi

Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62

Thu 10/5 Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

Fri 10/6 St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16

Sat 10/7 Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24

Sun 10/8 27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME;

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	10/2	8:30 am	Janie Meacham (healing)
Tue	10/3	8:30 am	Alice Martig †
Wed	10/4	8:30 am	Alexander Ip †
Thu	10/5	8:30 am	Alexander Ip †
Fri	10/6	8:30 am	Ethel and Nicholas Baxter †
Sat	10/7	8:30 am	Barbara Baxter †
		5:00 pm	Joseph Sheridan †
Sun	10/8	9:00 am	Jan Stallings †
		11:00 am	Marcus Bannon †
		5:00 pm	Beatriz Quintero †

#### RECEPTION OF COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE

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#### MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY-October 7

The Roman Catholic Church celebrates the yearly feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Known for several centuries by the alternate title of "Our Lady of Victory," the feast day takes place in honor of a 16th century naval victory which secured Europe against Turkish invasion. Pope St. Pius V attributed the victory to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who was invoked on the day of the battle through a campaign to pray the Rosary throughout Europe.



The feast always occurs one week after the similar Byzantine celebration of the Protection of the Mother of God, which most Eastern Orthodox Christians and Eastern Catholics celebrate on October 1 in memory of a 10th-century military victory which protected Constantinople against invasion after a reported Marian apparition.

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# 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

God invites each of us to work in His vineyard, but it's our choice whether we "clock in" or stay home. Let's never fail to show up. It's the most important job we will ever have.

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## Pope Francis' Universal Prayer Intention: 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.

#### PRAYER TO RESPECT LIFE

Dear Lord,
What a gift You have given
in every human life.
Inspire us to respect Your
handiwork in every
human we encounter.
Embolden us to protect the
dignity of the most vulnerable
members of society. Amen.

# FAITH IN ACTION

# Stewardship of **PRAYER**

Please pray with us for our parishioners, family and friends.

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: Bruce Welch; George Bommarito; Janie Meacham; Vic LoBue, Jr.; Valerie Bruno; Julio Emberto; Carol Rakich; Frances Corpuz; Sharon Lyndon

For those who have recently died:

Maria de Jesus Cantú; Deacon Joseph Huynh Van Ngoc Marie Antonowicz; Ronald Caselli; Cathy Stannard; John Connolly; Marcus Bannon; Phyllis Hickey

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.

# MASS INTENTIONS: A BEAUTIFUL WAY TO REMEMBER SOMEONE

You can offer a Mass for a special intention or for the repose of the soul of a deceased person. Remember that there is no better gift than the gift of God's love and compassion as celebrated in the Sacrifice of the Mass.

www.stmaryslg.org/mass-intention-request

St. Vincent de Paul has a very active conference at St Mary's! We meet every 2nd Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass in the Parish Office Conference Room. Please see us on the parish website at



#### stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul

Anyone interested in our work helping the unhoused and working poor in our community please contact conference president Sue Ahmadian at <a href="mailto:sue.ahmadian@gmail.com">sue.ahmadian@gmail.com</a>

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## 2ND OFFERING - SEPT 30 & OCT 1 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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#### THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY RESCHEDULED

The Bible study will be rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances. **The study will now begin on Nov. 2, 2023** with the use of the video presentations "Jesus and the Gospels" by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson of Emory University. Study sessions will consist of one or two video lectures followed by a group sharing and

discussion. Meeting times will be 9:30 to 11:00 AM on every other Thursday beginning Nov.

2. Study sessions will be in the St. Mary Conference room in the parish office. *Please check the parish calendar.* Drop in on any of the sessions. Facilitator is Tony Zadel, 408-353-3014.

# Sensons of Hope Grief Discussion Group

# SESSIONS BEGIN WEDNESDAY: OCTOBER 11 1:00-2:30 SACRED HEART PARISH CENTER

The autumn 6-week session will begin on Wednesday, October 11, and continues on October 18, 25, November 1, 8, and 15. Our meetings begin at 1:00pm and continue until 2:30pm.

These will be in-person gatherings taking place inside the Sacred Heart Parish Center: 13716 Saratoga Avenue, Saratoga 95070.

If you are grieving for a loved one and wish to talk to others on the same journey, the Seasons of Hope group provides a faith-based, confidential place to meet and share your experiences. Our agenda includes prayer, Scripture readings, reflection, and conversation.

Reading materials and a journal provided. No fee to participate. Come alone or bring a friend. Open to all.

To join, call or email Carolyn Orasin at 408-867-3634, <u>c.orasin@sacredheartsaratoga.org</u> or <u>call</u>

Nancy Crowley at 408-209-6118. Please include your name, phone number, and email address so
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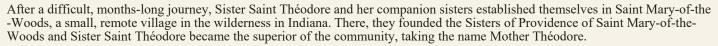
# SAINT OF THE WEEK: ST. THEODORA GUÉRIN

Anne Thérèse Guérin was born on October 2, 1798, in Brittany, France. When she was ten, she received her First Communion and expressed interest in joining a religious community when she was older.

Anne-Thérèse was nearly 25 years old when she entered the Sisters of Providence of Ruillé-sur-Loir, France, a young community of women religious who served as teachers and cared for the sick poor.

While teaching and caring for the sick in France, Mother Theodore, then known as Sister St. Theodore, was asked to lead a small missionary band of Sisters of Providence to the United States of America to establish a motherhouse and novitiate, to open schools and to share the love of God with pioneers in the Diocese of Vincennes in the state of Indiana.

In 1840, despite her challenging health, she and five companion sisters set sail for the United States in response to a call for the Sisters of Providence to begin a ministry in Indiana.



During the time Mother Théodore served as leader of the congregation, the Sisters opened schools, orphanages, and free pharmacies, all over the region. She also was able to raise funds and oversee the building of an entire church as well as a convent for the Sisters. During her service in Indiana, the Sisters of Providence grew from it's original six members to include sixty-seven professed members as well as many novices and postulants!

Mother Théodore died at the age of 57 after suffering for two months with another illness. Her grave in the Sisters of Providence Cemetery in Indiana bears an inscription in Latin that says "I sleep, but my heart watches over this house which I built." In 1907 some of her remains were moved to the Church of the Immaculate Conception, which she built, and some were left in her original resting place. She was canonized on October 15, 2006, by Pope Benedict XVI and given the official name of Saint Theodora Guérin. ©LPI



#### **EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL VISION: A**

grassroot movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission "for the life of the world."



**DIOCESAN VISION:** As Bishop Cantú announced in December 2021, the Diocese of San José seeks to spiritually renew our local church at all levels. The Eucharistic Revival is the heart of this renewal, which also includes the 2023 Diocesan Pastoral Plan to discern the direction of the mission and ministry of the local church in Santa Clara County.

Watch Bishop Oscar Cantú's Invitation to the National Eucharistic Revival https://voutu.be/scPUXmN4ems

#### THE FOUR PILLARS OF THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

#### Pillar 1 - Meet him - Personal encounters

No one who approaches their creator leaves unchanged. Create space for the faithful to gather in a moment of encounter with our Lord. The holy spirit uses the energy created through gathering in a group as a way to usher new movements and transformations in our church.

#### Pillar 2 - Love him - Reinvigorating Devotion

How we worship matters. Emphasize reverence in the liturgy and elevate the practice of eucharistic devotions, prioritizing an increase in opportunities for adoration and both parish and diocesan eucharistic processions. This provides a witness while strengthening the faith and unity of Catholics in your community.

#### **Pillar 3 - Seek Him - Deepening Formation**

With more than 50% of Catholics not knowing the church's doctrine on the real presence, a bold clarity in the true teaching of the church is necessary to bring understanding. Pursue robust formation through spiritual reading, educational events, and study groups. The more intimately we know our lord, the better we can love him, serve him, and bring other people to know him!

#### Pillar 4 - Serve Him - Missionary Sending

True love overflows into action! Mobilize those who already know and believe the church's teaching on the real presence to reach out to those in need and accompany those who are searching for more. Remember that this is our Lord's work. We are simply his instruments.

In the coming weeks, we will be exploring **WHAT WE DO AT MASS.** 



# A Note From Principal Monica Hernandez

Dear Friends of St. Mary School,

The new school year is well underway! Our students fill the classrooms with boundless energy and enthusiasm. It is a true blessing to nurture our students by working with engaged parents, dedicated teachers and supportive parish and school leaders. Together, our goal is to ensure our students receive an excellent Catholic education experience from TK to 8th grade.

As you may know, various leaders from our School Advisory Board and Parish Finance Council studied the needs of our school. Through this process, we established two strategic priorities which are to enhance our campus and to build a new elementary wing. These goals will help keep our school strong in the decades ahead.

We are conducting a campaign planning study, which started the week of Sept. 18. The study involves surveying the entire parish and school community. The study will give us feedback on the initiatives and gauge support for a potential major fundraising campaign.

We have hired the Steier Group, a Catholic development firm to conduct the study. We will share more details about the study and the projects in the coming weeks.

Blessings, Monica Hernandez , Principal

# **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

CURSILLO 3-DAY WEEKEND RETREAT: Cursillo is a movement of the Church that promotes Catholic ideals, fellowship, and spiritual growth in daily living. It provides an opportunity to deepen your Catholic faith, and to experience the love of God within a supportive and prayerful community. The San Jose Catholic Cursillo Movement is hosting two upcoming weekend encounters. For women: 10/26-10/29. For men - 10/12 - 10/15. For more information sanjosecursillo.org/what-is-cursillo and to register sanjosecursillo.opalstacked.com/candidate/newCandidate.



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Refining the Pastoral Focus: Building on valuable feedback and the dedicated efforts of our commission and planning action teams, we have sharpened six strategic priorities that will lead to the Spiritual Renewal of our diocese. Notably, Retreats have integrated with Lifelong Faith Formation, and Families now stand as a distinct priority. Therefore, our six strategic priorities are: Youth & Young Adults, Worship, Outreach, Lifelong Faith Formation, Family Ministry, and Structural Renewal. This September, representatives from our parishes and schools will come together once more review and discern the second draft of our pastoral plan. Together, we forge a path of spiritual growth and renewal.

View Bishop Cantu's video <a href="youtu.be/IHU-P8J1eoY">youtu.be/IHU-P8J1eoY</a>

## IN MEMORIAM: MARIA DE JESUS CANTÚ, MOTHER OF BISHOP OSCAR CANTÚ

Maria de Jesus Cantú (Durón), mother of Bishop Oscar Cantú, entered eternal life on Monday, September 18, 2023 in Houston, TX. The Mass of the Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday, September 23, 10:00 a.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Houston, Texas (1111 St Joseph Pkwy, Houston, TX 77002). More info about Bishop's mother is available at dsj.org.

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