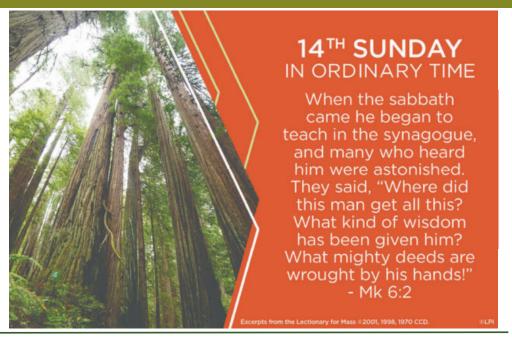
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#### **DAILY MASS**

Mon - Sat: 8:30am Rosary - 8:00am Live-Stream & in church

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm (Office Conference Room)

#### ADORATION

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#### REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

#### **First Reading:**

The Lord encourages Ezekiel to be courageous in his role as a prophet, regardless of the response of the Israelites. Can you think of a time when you had to be courageous in facing uncertainty?

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul learned a "thorn in his flesh" that was given to

him to teach him that God's grace alone should be sufficient for his ministry. What are some obstacles in your life you have had to overcome?

#### Gospel:

We hear how the villagers of Nazareth were "offended" by Jesus and lacked faith in him. How do you support family or friends who have been hurt by others?

Our readings today remind us that, even in our weakest and toughest moments, God has a plan.

In our Second Reading, St. Paul describes a "thorn" that had been given to him. He believed this thorn to be the thing that kept him grounded as he said, "to beat me, to keep me from being too elated."

At first, he asked the Lord to remove this cross, but the Lord replied, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." Through this explanation, St. Paul resolved to believe, "I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong."

We all bear crosses in this life, whether they seem to be little thorns or sharp daggers. The easiest thing to do, as St. Paul did, is to pray for the cross to be taken. It would be great if all of our struggles just magically faded away! But listen to the Lord's words, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."

Stop and reflect on your cross. Instead of wishing it to go away, look at it as an opportunity to grow and to allow God to work in your life. God permitted this cross in your life for a reason. Do not let the opportunity for Christ to work on your heart pass you by.

Today, recall that God loves us more than we could ever imagine. There is not a moment that goes by that He does not have us in mind. He has a specific plan for our lives. Therefore, may we encounter life's challenges with confidence in Christ

As Christian stewards, we are not always accepted. It might be because of what we believe in, the principles we stand for, how we spend our time and money, what we choose to participate in or not, or even how we raise our families. And sometimes our toughest critics are those we are closest to, which can leave us in amazement.

Jesus was supposed to be rejected so that He could suffer, die and rise for us. It was all part of God's plan. So too, is our rejection. It is all part of God's plan. Maybe it is to strengthen us, to grow our own faith, to be a witness to someone else or to just get a glimpse of how Christ was rejected.

Regardless of the reason, let us pray for the strength to not shy away in rejection and to not become like those who rejected Christ. Rather, let us cling to Christ in that moment and let us remember that God has a plan.

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TODAY'S READINGS

**Ezekiel 2:2-5:** 

**Psalm 123**;

2 Corinthians 12:7-10;

Mark 6:1-6a

# SUMMER GRIEF DISCUSSION GROUP BEGINS WEDNESDAY, JULY 10TH

Wednesday - July 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, August 7th, 14th 1:00pm - 2:30pm

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK					
Sun	7/7	14 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123:1-4; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a			
Mon	7/8	Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26			
Tues	7/9	St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38			
Wed	7/10	Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7			
Thu	7/11	St. Benedict, Abbot Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15			
Fri	7/12	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14, 17; Mt 10:16-23			
Sat	7/13	St. Henry Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33			
Sun	7/14	15 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13			

Mass Intentions			
Mon	7/8	8:30 am	Marge Kraljev (healing)
Tues	7/9	8:30 am	Emily Grace Dauber (special intention)
Wed	7/10	8:30 am	Doris Sanford †
Thu	7/11	8:30 am	Richard and Nga Tam (wedding anniversary)
Fri	7/12	8:30 am	Lou Bruno †
Sat	7/13	8:30 am	Dottie Briggs †
Sat		5:00 pm	Antonio Cabral Bettencourt †
	7/14	9:00 am	Robert Jette, Sr. †
Sun		11:00 am	Anacleta Banez Reyes †
		5:00 pm	Kelly and Michael Coffey (birthday)

#### RIGHTSIZING DECISIONS FOR SILICON VALLEY

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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 Jesus taught in the synagogue of his native place, he didn't fit the image of the Messiah the people expected. They dismissed him. Let's learn from their example and remember that God often comes to us in forms that are surprising — even challenging.

#### Pope Francis' Universal Prayer Intention: July

For the pastoral care of the sick: We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

#### PRAYER FOR TRUTH

Dear Lord,
Your prophets were those
who spoke Your Truth.
Help me to be a speaker of truth as
well, one who reminds of Your love,
encourages the lowly, and points ever
more deeply to You.
Amen.

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#### FAITH IN ACTION



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

For those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers: Zachary Schroeder; Tony Baldi; John Dowling; Frank Nolan; Michelle Schwartz; Bruce Welch; George Bommarito; Valerie Bruno; Julio Emberto

For those who have recently died:

Mary Anne Van Dalsem; Sharon Lydon; Deloise Ann Jordan; Suzzane Klein Lewis; Mary Andrusky; Reed Kappen; Margaret Castellese: Patricia Malvsz: Doris Sanford

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.

#### Stewardship of TALENT



Parish choirs are on summer break from June - September. Cantors and small ensembles usually sing during the summer months.

St. Vincent de Paul has a very

active conference at St Mary!

We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass in Hofmann Center.



Visit us at stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul

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Anyone interested in our work helping the unhoused and working poor in our community please contact conference president Sue Ahmadian at sue.ahmadian@gmail.com



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#### OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

	Jul. 1, 2023 to June 23, 2024
Budget	\$ 773,080.00
Actual	\$ 756,090.00
Difference	- \$31,990.00

#### SWITCH TO ONLINE GIVING THIS SUMMER

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#### INSTITUE OF LEADERSHIP IN MINISTRY

Do you have a call to the ministry of leadership within the Catholic Community?

Do you currently participate in some form of pastoral ministry? Do you want to learn more and get skills to serve better your community?



Explore to attend the ILM this year. The ILM is accepting nominations for the academic year 2024-2025, classes begin September 2024.

Please find more information application forms on the **ILM** webpage - dsj.org/evangelization/institute-for-leadership -in-ministry/ilm-admissions/

#### **OUR CATHOLIC FAITH**

# Pope Francis on the Holy Mass

#### **PART V**

#### THE SONG OF GLORIA & THE COLLECT PRAYER



Over the course of the series of catechesis on the Eucharistic celebration, we have seen that the Penitential Act helps us to strip ourselves of our presumptions and to present ourselves to God as we truly are, conscious of being sinners, in the hope of being forgiven. It is in the very encounter between human misery and divine mercy that the gratitude expressed in the "Gloria" comes alive; "a very ancient and venerable hymn in which the Church, gathered together in the Holy Spirit, glorifies and entreats God the Father and the Lamb" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 53).

The beginning of this hymn — "Glory to God in the Highest" — recalls the song of the Angels at Jesus' birth in Bethlehem: a joyful heralding of the embrace between heaven and earth. This song also engages us, gathered in prayer: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will".

After the "Gloria" or in its absence, immediately following the Penitential Act, prayer takes on a particular form in the oration known as the "collect", through which the very character of the celebration is expressed, with variations according to the days and time of the year (cf. ibid., 54). With the invitation "let us pray", the priest encourages the people to recollect themselves with him in a brief silence, so that they may be conscious that they are in God's presence and so that all can formulate within their own heart the personal petitions with which they are participating in the Mass (cf. ibid., 54). The priest says "let us pray" and then

there is a brief silence, and each one thinks about the things they need, that they wish to ask for in the prayer.

The silence is not confined to the absence of words but rather to preparing oneself to listen to other voices: the one in our heart and, above all, the voice of the Holy Spirit. In the Liturgy, the nature of sacred silence depends on the moment in which it takes place: "within the Act of Penitence and again after the invitation to pray, all recollect themselves; but at the conclusion of a reading or the homily, all meditate briefly on what they have heard; then after Communion, they praise and pray to God in their hearts" (ibid., 45). Thus, before the opening prayer, silence helps us to recollect ourselves and to contemplate why we are there.

This, then, is the importance of listening to our heart, so as to then open it to the Lord. Perhaps we have experienced days of toil, of joy, of pain, and we want to tell the Lord about it, to invoke his help, to ask that he be at our side; we may have relatives and friends who are ill or who are undergoing difficult trials; we may wish to entrust to God the future of the Church and the world. And this is the purpose of the brief silence before the priest; collecting everyone's petitions, he expresses aloud to God, on behalf of all, the common prayer, which concludes the Introductory Rites by offering the "collect" of the individual petitions. I strongly recommend that priests observe this moment of silence and not rush: "Let us pray", and let there be silence. I recommend this to priests. Without this silence, we run the risk of neglecting the recollection of the soul.

The priest recites this plea, this collect prayer, with outstretched arms. It is the prayerful manner practiced by Christians ever since the first centuries — as attested in numerous frescoes in the catacombs in Rome — to imitate Christ with his arms outstretched on the wood of the Cross. And there, Christ is both the One praying and also the Prayer! In the Crucifix, we recognize the Priest who offers God the worship

He cherishes, namely, filial obedience. Prayers in the Roman Rite are concise but rich in meaning. One can have beautiful meditations on these prayers. Very beautiful! Returning to meditate

beautiful meditations on these prayers. Very beautiful! Returning to meditate on these texts, even outside the Mass, can help us understand how to address God, what to ask and which words to use. May the Liturgy become for all of us a true school of prayer."

#### Pope Francis



Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you. We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.



Amen.



# REMEMBERING OUR AMAZING HABITAT ADVENTURES IN KINDERGARTEN

From forests to polar regions, our little ones built it all! Can't wait for more creative projects this fall!





St. Mary School received the highest ranking for Accreditation. This is thanks to the hard work of our students and staff. All our teaching staff has a CA credential or is enrolled in a credentialing program at Santa Clara University. The Action Plan developed from Accreditation has begun a successful implementation as seen in our high growth in reading this past year.



# AROUND THE DIOCESE

**DSJ EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2024:** Thank you to all that attended the Diocese' first Eucharistic Congress. We received great feedback such as "The Eucharistic Congress provided a wonderful opportunity for prayer and formation centered around the Eucharist. An added bonus was the opportunity to see friends and colleagues from other parishes that I don't get to see that often. It was a wonderful opportunity for a sense of community with the whole diocese." Photos of the Eucharistic Congress are at <a href="mailto:dsj.smugmug.com/Events/2024/06-01-24-Eucharistic-Congress">dsj.smugmug.com/Events/2024/06-01-24-Eucharistic-Congress</a>

#### **SPIRITUAL ACCOMPANIMENT: June 28 - Aug 3**

Online via Zoom

The 4 module workshop series begins with a broad underpinning which develops listening as both skill and an art – both parts are essential to accompanying another.

Each workshop module begins with a 2-hour introduction on a Friday evening (6:30pm to 8:30pm), followed by a 6-hour workshop Saturday (9:00am to 4:00pm).

- ♦ Listening to your life and accompanying others (June 28/29)
- ♦ Ways of listening (July 12/13)
- ♦ Praying with others (July 19/20)
- ♦ Spiritual accompaniment ministries (August 2/3)

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