

July 21, 2024 Early Submission 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## **OUR MISSION**

We are a community of believers in Jesus Christ that gathers together to celebrate the mysteries of God's love. We support and strengthen one another in our commitment to the Catholic faith. We serve those in need and share with all the Good News of God's unconditional love.



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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday Vigil**: Saturday 5:00pm

**Sunday**: 9:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am and Daily Masses are **Live Streamed** on our website stmaryslg.org/live-stream-mass

### **DAILY MASS**

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

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm (in church)

#### **ADORATION**

Mondays - 9:00-10:00am Thursdays - 7:00 pm

## **PARISH OFFICE**

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm 408-354-3726 Email:

parish.office.@stmaryslg.org Web: stmaryslg.org

If it is an **EMERGENCY** and you need to reach a priest call **669-219-9465**.

## ST. MARY PARISH SCHOOL

408.354.3944 30 Lyndon Avenue Los Gatos, CA 95030 Web: smslg.org

## REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

#### **First Reading:**

We hear Jeremiah prophesy that the Lord will bring justice and security to Judah and Israel from the unjust shepherds (false rules) who led them astray. How do you help family or friends who need to make better choices?

TODAY'S READINGS
Jeremiah 23:1-6;
Psalm 23;
Ephesians 2:13-18;
Mark 6:30-34

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul taught the Ephesians that in his death and resurrection, Jesus established peace and reconciliation between all believers, Jews, and Gentiles alike. *How do you know you are at peace with a friend or loved one?* 

#### Gospel

Although Jesus wanted the Twelve to rest after their successful mission of preaching and healing, the crowds of people made it challenging to do so. *Who could you encourage this week to rest well from their hard work?* 

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Today's readings remind us of how our God is compassionate and passionately loves us.

"Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the Lord." Our First Reading from the prophet Jeremiah addresses false prophets who had misled God's people away from the Lord. Jeremiah was outraged and fought against these prophets. The Lord declares that He will restore His people by bringing back those who have gone astray and providing for them new shepherds so that they will "no longer fear and tremble."

This reading portrays God's infinite care and concern for our lives. We can see that God is the one who loved us first. He pursues us constantly. Oftentimes, we are like the people who are blind to His goodness and enticed by sin — something we think will make us happy but does not. God is the one who constantly pursues us and gives us opportunities to say "yes" to Him. He wants to win us back, and ultimately, He will make us happy.

So now we must ask ourselves, who or what is blinding us or leading us away from our ultimate happiness? Stop for a moment and name that thing — money, status, a person, career, laziness, addiction, self-image, health, etc. — that could be leading you away from a more full and happy relationship with God.

As Christian disciples, deep down we really know that our true happiness is God. So, what are we waiting for? Take the leap of faith and allow yourself to radically love God in return.

Our Gospel re-echoes what our First Reading proclaims as masses of people seek Jesus and the apostles. The apostles were exhausted from all the work they had done in Jesus' name — "they had no opportunity even to eat."

Jesus tried to seek solitude for the apostles to recuperate from their work, yet the masses of people kept coming after them. Upon seeing this, it says, "his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like a sheep without a shepherd."

Wherever we are at this point in our lives — following a false shepherd, like in our First Reading, or aimlessly going through life with no shepherd or direction — Jesus is ready to shepherd us. His compassionate heart is ready to guide us. He has been waiting.

So, let us learn from the masses of people in our Gospel today. If we are having trouble of letting go of that "thing" that we think will make us happy or we aren't sure where to even start in becoming an intentional disciple of Jesus Christ, simply seek Jesus. Seek Him in daily prayer, frequent reception of the sacraments, and through reading the Scriptures. If we can do that, surely, He will be "moved with pity" for us and teach us many things.

As we begin this new week, let us name the things in our lives that are robbing us of our ultimate happiness, work to let go of them, and let us strive to make Jesus our true shepherd by seeking Him in our daily lives.

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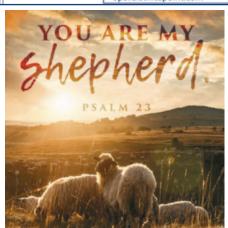
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK				
Sun	7/21	<b>16</b> <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34		
Mon	7/22	St. Mary Magdalene Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18		
Tues	7/23	St. Bridget, Religious Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50		
Wed	7/24	St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest Jer 1:1, 4-10; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6b, 15, 17; Mt 13:1-9		
Thu	7/25	ST. JAMES, APOSTLE 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1-6; Mt 20:20-28		
Fri	7/26	Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jer 3:14-17; (Ps) Jer 31:10-13; Mt 13:18-23		
Sat	7/27	Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11; Mt 13:24-30		
Sun	7/28	17 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15		

Mass Intentions				
Mon	7/22	8:30 am	Marge Kraljev (healing)	
Tues	7/23	8:30 am	Father Thomas Hopko †	
Wed	7/24	8:30 am	Gloria Palmisano †	
Thu	7/25	8:30 am	Samantha Cuccias (special intention)	
Fri	7/26	8:30 am	Robert Hainey †	
Sat	7/27	8:30 am	Ann Truong Nguyen (healing)	
		5:00 pm	Frances McGowan †	
Sun	7/28	9:00 am	Marcial Laplace (special intention)	
		11:00 am	Diane Engemann †	
		5:00 pm	Diane Turk (birthday)	

# RIGHTSIZING DECISIONS FOR SILICON VALLEY St. Mary's Complimentary Seminar Series

Free admission! Just RSVP below to secure your spot. Enjoy some light refreshments and light snacks while you absorb valuable material.



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Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> Time: 10:00am -11:30pm Hofmann Center





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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

The crowds continue to follow Jesus, and when he sees them, he cannot help but be filled with love for them. Let us take our cue from these devoted disciples of Mark's Gospel, and never, ever stop seeking our Lord.

# 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 TO THE SHEPHERD

My Good Shepherd,
There are so many things I don't
understand about the paths where you
lead and the pastures where you
release me. But I believe that you are
a Good Shepherd. I have known your
protection and provision in so many
ways. Please keep me under your
care. Amen.

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# 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: Herb Robbins; Zachary Schroeder; Tony Baldi; John Dowling; Frank Nolan; Michelle Schwartz; Bruce Welch; George Bommarito; Valerie Bruno; Julio Emberto

For those who have recently died:

Andy Nagorski; Mary Anne Van Dalsem; Deloise Ann Jordan; Suzzane Klein Lewis; Mary Andrusky; Reed Kappen; Margaret Castellese;

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

Sign up to receive our newsletter at https://forms.gle/BpUjPwTBkCJZ2bTKA

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>

#### SUMMER GRIEF DISCUSSION GROUP

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

Sacred Heart Church Parish Center, 13716 Saratoga Avenue, Saratoga 95070 Open to all who have lost a loved one.

RSVP: Nancy Crowley, T: 408-209-6118 OR Carolyn Orasin, 408-867-3634, c.orasin@sacredheartsaratoga.org

# Stewardship of TREASURE

Managing God's Gift To Us

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE! Our Goal for July is \$85,000.00

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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

#### OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

The collection report is not available this week as this edition of the bulletin was submitted on July 8.

## SWITCH TO ONLINE GIVING THIS SUMMER

Did you know church staff and volunteers spend approximately 8-9 hours processing checks and cash contributions every week, but it only takes less than an hour to upload your online gift contributions? ParishSOFT Giving is secure and easy for you to use. Help us save a little extra time this summer by switching from giving via envelope to giving online. It takes much less time for us to process online gifts. Instructions can be found at

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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 <u>ILM webpage - dsj.org/evangelization/institute-for-leadership-in-ministry/ilm-admissions/</u>

# **OUR CATHOLIC FAITH**

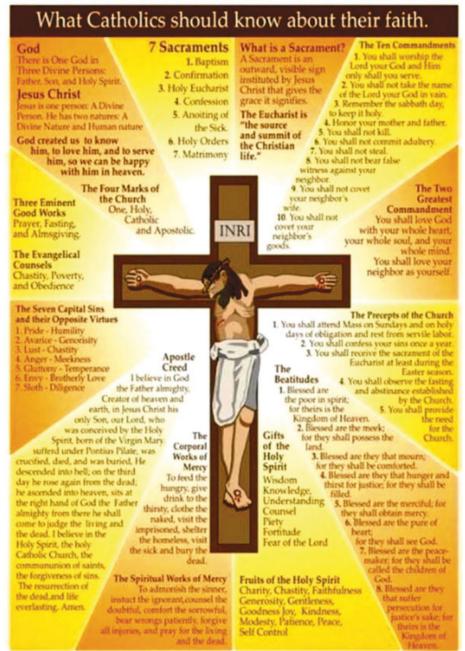


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Please keep the pilgrims, participants, all who will be attending and the organizers in prayer.



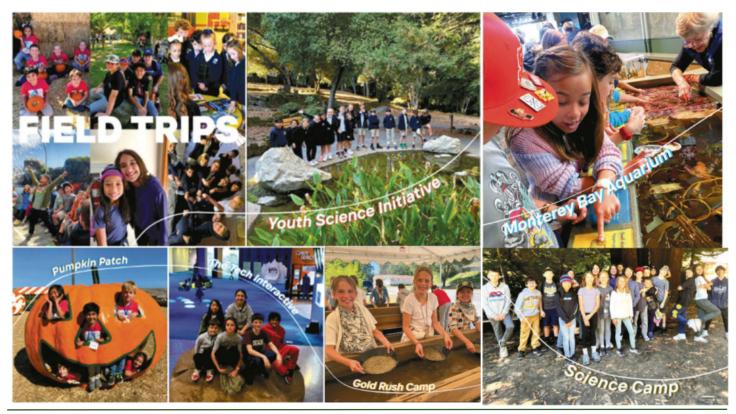
# CATHOLIC BASICS





Let's take a trip down memory lane! **FIELD TRIP FUN!** 

Looking back at some of the exciting field trips from this past year! From local businesses to pumpkin patches, our students had a blast exploring and learning outside the classroom!



# AROUND THE DIOCESE

#### **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)

Contact Janice Thornburg - <u>jthornburg@scu.edu</u> or (408) 554-4322





**AUGUST 2-4, 2024** 

Location: Uvas Canyon Park

For: Middle and High School students

An opportunity to experience God in creation, to learn about and discuss ways to respond to that love in caring for our Earth, and to have fun camping.

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