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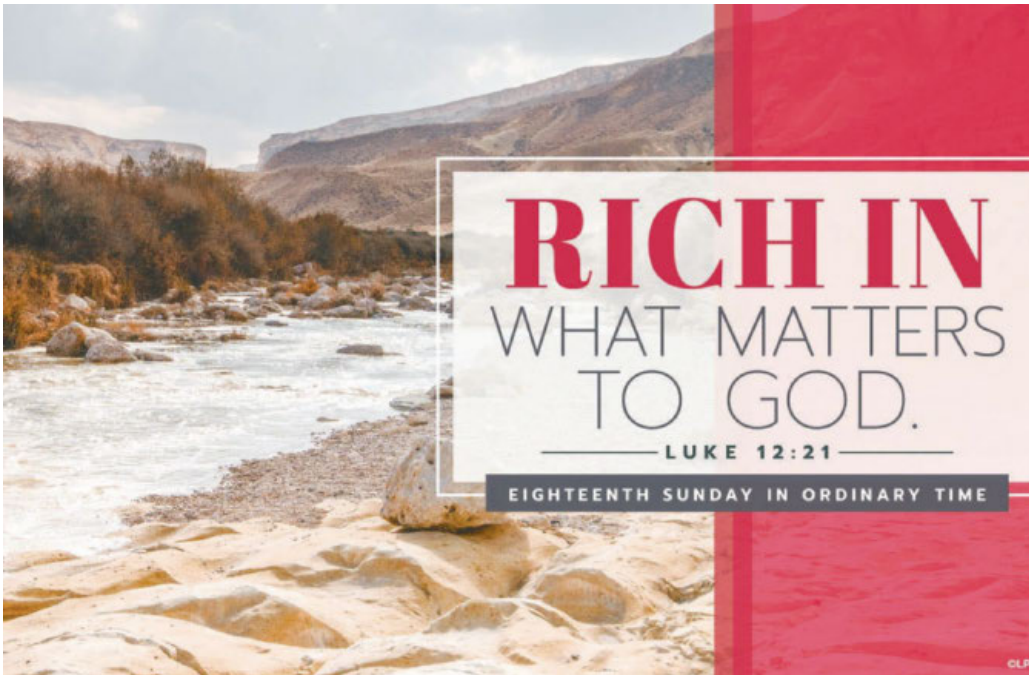
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AUGUST 3, 2025

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### OUR MISSION:

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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

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### 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 - 7:00-8:00pm**

### PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Thursday  
9:00am - 3:00pm

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## OPEN POSITIONS

**Contact Christie, the 2025 Fair Chair, if you're interested!**  
[christieboskovich@gmail.com](mailto:christieboskovich@gmail.com)

**THIS YEAR'S COUNTRY FAIR:**

**OCT. 3-5,  
2025**



### Rental Coordinator

*Coordinate vendor rentals to keep the fair running smoothly.*

- Reorder equipment, tents, and tables, used in past years
- Check with booth chairs about needs or changes
- Optional: consolidate or research new vendors

### Supplies Co-Chairs

*Critical Booth Support Role!!*

- Make sure every booth has what it needs
- Help organize supply distribution during the fair
- **2 Co-Chairs** would be ideal!!

## REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

### First Reading:

The author of Ecclesiastes speaks of the futility of an anxious heart and restless mind. *What helps to ground you in your day-to-day living?*

### Second Reading:

Paul encourages the Colossians to put to death the “old self” (bad behavior) and to live into the “new self” (life in Christ). *What could you do this week to practice this “new self”?*

### Gospel:

Jesus tells the crowds the parable of the rich fool, warning against excessive material wealth. *How do you balance your material needs with “what matters to God”?*

### TODAY’S READINGS

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23;  
Psalm 90;  
Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11;  
Luke 12:13-21

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Today’s readings come as a pat on the back from Heaven for all of us striving to live a stewardship way of life. They remind us why we live the way we do, make the choices we make, and leave other things aside. Let’s face it, if we truly embrace this way of life, there will be people who find our choices downright foolish. Today we will see what God thinks. Spoiler alert: turns out Christian stewards are not the fools!

Our First Reading from the book of Ecclesiastes contains the famous line, “Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!” The narrator, Qoheleth, points out that we toil and labor all day, worry all night about our work and all we still have to do, and for what? Essentially, he asks what is the point of constantly “stressing out” about things that won’t last anyway? That’s no way to live! Christian stewards already know this. We live for a higher purpose — we live for our God and for the things that matter to Him. Our time, talents, and treasure have an everlasting focus because we recognize that these things are all gifts from God and we use them in gratitude to give Him glory.

Our Second Reading, from St. Paul’s letter to the Colossians, reminds us how to go about making decisions so that we can make the best use of the gifts we have been given. In making decisions about our use of time, talent and treasure, he gives us this advice: “Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.” He adds, “Take off the old self with its practices and put on the new self which is being renewed for knowledge in the image of its creator.” This is precisely what is taking place within us as we embrace the spirituality of stewardship. We find ourselves living in a continuous process of sloughing off our selfishness (the “old self”) and living more and more for God and others.

To many people in our materialistic world, setting priorities that are not focused on earthly goals like wealth, status and power, is foolish and naive. But look at what Jesus has to say about priorities in today’s Gospel passage from Luke. He makes it clear that life is not about “stuff.” “Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.”

Then Jesus goes on to tell the parable of the wealthy businessman who thought he had everything figured out. The man had such an abundance of “stuff” that he didn’t have room to store it all. So, thinking of earthly things and not on what is above, he decided to build a bigger place to store all that stuff. Patting himself on the back, he thought about what good times he would have in the years ahead. But Jesus tells us that day would turn out to be the man’s last day on the earth. And he had spent it thinking only of himself. How foolish! What vanity of vanities!

Don’t be ashamed of living differently from the people around you. Be confident as you set priorities based on what is above. You are wise in God’s eyes, Christian steward. And you will be rich in what matters most.

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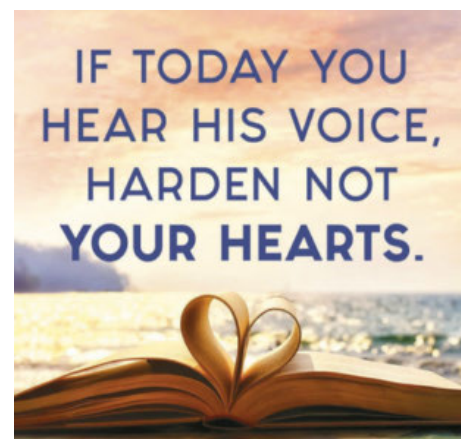
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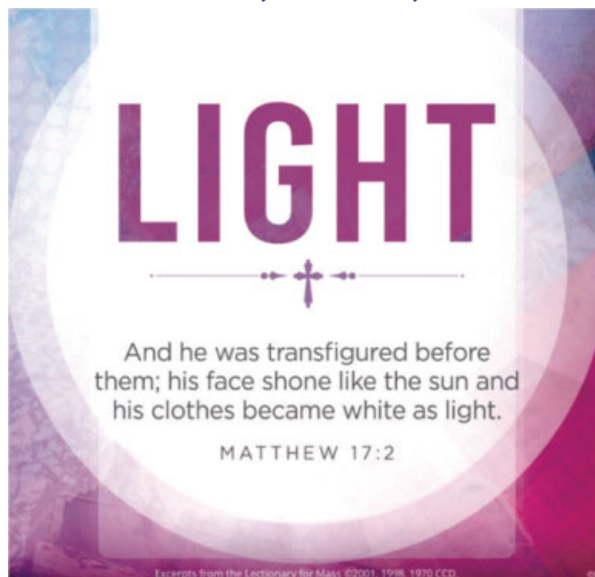
## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun	8/3	<b>18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21
Mon	8/4	St. John Vianney, Priest Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
Tues	8/5	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:1, 3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wed	8/6	<b>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</b> Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
Thu	8/7	St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
Fri	8/8	St. Dominic, Priest Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
Sat	8/9	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20
Sun	8/10	<b>19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	8/4	8:30 am	Joan Kraljev Langholff ( <i>birthday</i> )
Tues	8/5	8:30 am	Robert Hapgood Cowden †
Wed	8/6	8:30 am	Radigunda Lourdes Mabutas †
Thu	8/7	8:30 am	Pat Hurley †
Fri	8/8	8:30 am	Terry Stuglik ( <i>birthday</i> )
Sat	8/9	8:30 am	Mya Coffey ( <i>birthday</i> )
		5:00 pm	Elizabeth Anne Walther †
Sun	8/10	9:00 am	Nancy Ottoboni †
		11:00 am	Diane Piziali †
		5:00 pm	Marion Jean Jones †

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2025



## 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

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God. What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?

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## POPE LEO XIV's UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION: AUGUST

*For mutual coexistence :*

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.



# 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:  
**Mary Elen Fox; Magdolma O'Brien; Ken Ardent; Marietta Riney; Honora Hannan**

For those who have recently died:

**Barbara White; Christine Russell; Frederick Cunningham III; Rose Arnaudo; John Thomas Armstrong**

*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.*



**AUGUST 9 & 10**

5:00pm Saturday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

9:00am Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

11:00am Sunday: Cantor & Piano/Organ

5:00pm Sunday: 5pm Sunday Ensemble

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 the Junior High Library.



Visit us at [stmaryslg.org/st-vincent-de-paul](http://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 [sue.ahmadian@gmail.com](mailto:sue.ahmadian@gmail.com)

**ST. MARY BIBLE STUDY** - Did you know we have a bible study group that meets every other Thursday 9:30am - 11am? We are currently studying Dr. Luke Timothy Johnson's program on the bible. Feel free to drop in whenever you have time. Please check the parish calendar for the schedule.

**ST. MARY MARIAN PRAYER GROUP** - Tuesday mornings at 10:15am in Hoffman Center. We pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary and meditate on a reading from daily Mass. We pray for the intentions of the school and parish. All are welcome!

**ST. MARY SENIORS** - If you are free the 3rd Monday of the month, please join us in Hofmann Center at 12 noon for a meeting of social activity and service to our parish. Bring a sack lunch.

## Stewardship of TREASURE

### *Managing God's Gift To Us*

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF TREASURE!

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### OFFERINGS AND ONLINE GIVING

**Week Ending July 20, 2025**

**Sunday Collection**

**\$ 9,679.00**

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### 2nd OFFERING:

### SCHOOL SUPPORT

Thank you for remembering St. Mary School for the monthly Sunday Second offering. 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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## OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

### AMERICANS ON THE PATH TO SAINTHOOD - *multi-part series*

Nearly 100 American men and women from the United States are currently being considered for sainthood. And many Catholics hope that Pope Leo XIV, the first U.S. born pope, will soon beatify or canonize some new American saints — perhaps even the first African American saint. In the coming weeks, we will take a look at some of these holy American men and women and the status of their sainthood causes.

#### SERVANT OF GOD JOSEPH VERBIS LAFLEUR

Remembered for his heroic service during World War II, Father Lafleur was born on Jan. 24, 1912, in Ville Platte, Louisiana. He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Lafayette on April 2, 1938, and became a military chaplain.

He was deployed to the Philippines and spent two and a half years as a prisoner of war of the Japanese. He ended up on a ship with other Japanese POWs that was torpedoed by an American submarine that did not realize the ship was carrying POWs.

Father Lafleur was last seen Sept. 7, 1944, helping men out of the hull of the sinking ship, for which he posthumously earned a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star and a second Distinguished Service Cross for his acts as a POW. His body was never found, but a shrine and monument exist at St. Landry Catholic Church, where he grew up. Each year Mass is celebrated in honor of his life around the date of his death.

Bishop Douglas Deshotel of Lafayette opened Father Lafleur's cause for canonization in 2020.



Jonah McKeown - National Catholic Register

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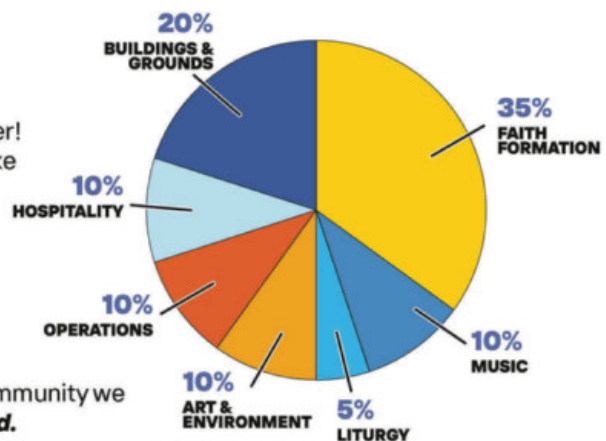


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## 8TH GRADE BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Looking back to the 8th grade boys volleyball tournament, and all the joy that came with it. It was their last time on the court together, and they gave it their all—laughing, cheering, and soaking in every moment. A perfect way to end the season and celebrate the friendships that made it so special.



## AROUND THE DIOCESE

**MARRIAGE RENEWAL WORKSHOP: AUGUST 8 EVENING THRU SUNDAY 4:00PM, MEALS ARE INCLUDED.** Married and engaged couples desiring a deeper connection with one another, seek a “tune up” or want to rekindle their connection. Register for a weekend workshop at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos. Fees: \$350/couple. Please don't let finances prevent attendance, assistance with registration fees is available, contact [Tuankvan@gmail.com](mailto:Tuankvan@gmail.com). Lodging is available at the Retreat Center for a fee. RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/MRWSanJose>.

**AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE MASS CELEBRATION: AUGUST 17 @ 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM** St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish – 1971 St Lawrence Dr, Santa Clara, CA 95051.

**ILM - NEW ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS SEPTEMBER 2025.** The ILM offers a 3-year course of study for lay leaders in the Church. Responding to their baptismal call, ILM graduates return to their parish to serve in various leadership roles in Liturgy, Catechetics, Social Justice, Pastoral Care, and others. Find more about the ILM at [bit.ly/ilm\\_eng](https://bit.ly/ilm_eng)

### INTRODUCTION TO FAMILY MINISTRY

The Institute for Leadership in Ministry, in collaboration with the Office of Adult Spirituality and Family Life, is pleased to offer an Introduction to Family. **The course consists of two sessions per week over three weeks, followed by one Saturday session focused on how to establish a parish team.** Visit [bit.ly/Intro\\_Family\\_Ministry\\_Course](https://bit.ly/Intro_Family_Ministry_Course)

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