

Our Lady of Lourdes Church and School

A Catholic Tradition in the foothills of Los Angeles since 1920



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Saturday Vigil Mass
5:00 pm (English)

Sunday Mass

7:00 am (English)
8:30 am (Spanish)
10:30 am (English)
12:30 pm (English)

Daily Mass

Monday through Thursday
7:45 am
Friday: 8:30 am

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday
8:30 am - 1:00 pm
2:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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Adoration and Benediction

First Fridays after 8:30 am Mass

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

Rosary

After Daily Mass

Baptism and Marriages

Please call the Parish Office
☎818-352-3218

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:

Isaiah 55:10-11

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 65

- The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading:

Romans 8:18-23

Gospel:

Matthew 13:1-23

There was a time when the people of Israel were exiled into Babylon for years and they wondered if they would ever return to their homeland. But one day, amidst these exiled people who were tired and disappointed, God raised up a prophet, who proclaimed that liberation was at hand. The people got ready, but years went by, and nothing happened. The Israelites thus fell into discouragement once again. When would God's word be realized? Is God keeping His promises?

The prophet answered them saying, "Just as from the heavens the rain and the snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth making it fertile and fruitful ..., so shall my word ... not return to me void. But shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it" (1st reading). In spite of all the difficulties and obstacles, the word of God will, without fail, bring about what it promises.

Jesus presents to us, in today's Gospel reading, some answers to the difficulties we go through each day in the parable of the farmer and the seed. In the time of Jesus, the farmer did not begin by hoeing or even plowing or weeding. He first sowed and then hoed or plowed. We can thus understand how the seed could fall among the stones, or among the weeds or thorns, or on the small paths formed in the field.

In this parable, Jesus says that in spite of all contradictions and obstacles, his word will yield abundant fruit because it holds in itself the irresistible force of life. There will be people who reject his word outright, others who receive it and reject it later; still others who receive it, treasure it and put it into practice. The problem,

therefore, is not in receiving God's word. The problem is in treasuring it and putting it into practice.

Mission Appeal in Our Lady of Lourdes.

It is this time of the year when Mission Appeals are made in parishes of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Fr. Francis Neissery will be with us this weekend on behalf of the Archdiocese of Verapoly in Kerala, India. A second collection will be taken in all the Masses this weekend to help the Archdiocese of Verapoly, India to support the following programs and projects:

Seminary Formation for young men to become priests for the Archdiocese;

1. Catechetical Formation;
2. Housing programs for the homeless;
3. Health Care programs;
4. Women Empowerment;
5. Rainwater Harvest programs;
6. Vocational Training to help the unemployed;
7. Orphanages and Nursing Home for the Aged; and
8. Upkeep of Catholic Schools (Grade Schools and High Schools);

We are a missionary Church. As we reach in to help each other in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, we reach out to different parts of the world, especially to the needy, by sharing what we have received from God. The Lord has spoken: "Anyone who gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones, because he is my disciple, I assure you, he will not go unrewarded." (Matthew 10:42) ❖

Parish Pictorial

From the month of June



June 7: Receiving the Body of Christ on Corpus Christi Feast



June 7: Corpus Christi Procession around the Church



June 11: Ringing the Church bell at 3:00 pm — a call to prayer—for the consecration of the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus



June 12: Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus—Reading the Consecration of the U.S. to the Sacred Heart of Jesus during Adoration.



June 14: Catholic Daughters, Court San Ysidro at the 10:30 Mass to witness and celebrate the installation of their new officers.



June 21: Father's Day Gift



June 27/28: Backpacks of Love fundraiser



June 28: Welcome Fr. Luther



Parish News



News Briefs



MISSION APPEAL IN OUR LADY OF LOURDES

While not an area of abject poverty as Calcutta, the Archdiocese of Verapoly has its own needs as enumerated on page one of this weeks bulletin. Of course their needs are not radically different from any other Archdiocese in the world: evangelization, sheltering homeless, and healthcare.

Your part is to give generously to this week's appeal. For further information see Page 5 of this week's ebulletin.

Backpacks of Love, sponsored by The Catholic Daughters, has supported our Local community schools and other organizations over the past several years. We donate schools supplies as well as backpacks for over 400 students. It is not too late to get your donations in.. Any amount donated will be greatly appreciated.

Cash and/or Check donations made payable to Catholic Daughters of the Americas may be mailed or dropped off at the Parish Office. Questions? Call Teresa at 818.648.9879 or Nancy at 818.279.5611. Thank you!



Around campus...

7/12 Confirmation and Youth Ministry
information—after all Sunday Masses

7/18 the pasture, your food bank 9 to 11 AM

Magnifica Humanitas

Magnifica Humanitas ("Magnificent Humanity"), On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence, is Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical, addressing human dignity and the ethical challenges posed by artificial intelligence. This encyclical invites us to consider the profound impacts that rapid technological advancement has on human work, social relations, and the common good of all people. It is a powerful reminder that no technology can replace a child of God, and all technology should be placed at the service of helping humanity thrive. (USCCB)

"...they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand."

Mt. 13:13

From Scripture to life... That's quite an indictment. Is Jesus talking about you?



*We'll be dark in July and August.
We'll see you again come September!*



It's that time of year once again.
We're busy preparing for vacations, backyard barbecues, summer camps and the like. Don't forget to pledge to *Together in Mission This is the hour of Love.!*



MASS INTENTIONS

July 11 to 17, 2026



Saturday July 11

5:00 PM

Noel Windel † Robert Orsburn †
Joseph Pham †
Domingo Enriquez †--*Special Remembrance*
Everly Fuentes--*Birthday Blessing*
James Matthew Aseneta--*Thanksgiving*

Sunday July 12

7:00 AM

John Chapetta † & Virginia Garcia †
Joseph Pham †
All Souls in Purgatory
Marwin Willard--*Healing & Spiritual Peace*

8:30 AM

Samuel Sepulveda †
Ymel & Aldo Quesada †
Elmo & Pastora Quesada †
Mario Gonzalez †--*2nd Death Anniversary*
Teresa Martin Del Campo †
Gonzalez Family--*Healing*
Oliva Suarez--*Healing*
Sepulveda Family--*Blessings*

10:30 AM

Randall A. Garcia †
Raul Reyes Requistas †
Victims & Families of the Disaster in Venezuela--
God's Mercy

12:30 PM

Sherry Puga--*Comfort & Spiritual Peace*
Jennifer, Frencheska & Ocean--*God's Protection*

Monday July 13

7:45 AM

Anacleto & Dorotea Agamata † Joseph Pham †
Kristine Graf--*Successful Surgery*
Emmanuel Hanna--*Successful Surgery*
Henry Pereira--*Birthday Blessing*
Merceditha Lao--*Birthday Blessing*

Tuesday July 14

7:45 AM

Ralito C. Pahignalo † Andrew Casino †
John Zayas Casino † Joseph Pham †
Kristine Graf--*Successful Surgery*

Wednesday July 15

7:45 AM

Joseph Pham † All Souls in Purgatory
Victims & Families of the Disaster in Venezuela--
God's Mercy
Karen Freiheit--*Birthday Blessing*
Priests--*Wisdom & Compassion*

Thursday July 16

7:45 AM

All Souls in Purgatory
Teresa Alvarez †--*Death Anniversary*
Jorge Aguirre †--*Death Anniversary*
Peace in the World

Friday July 17

8:30 AM

Ana Barreno & Family--*Thanksgiving*
Jonathan Graf--*Birthday Blessing*
Ingrid Goodman--*Birthday Blessing*
Carmen Conde--*Birthday Blessing*

Summer and water safety at home



While parents are often hypervigilant around pools and lakes, drowning can happen at home in an instant, especially with very young children. This summer, watch children around water at home, including buckets, containers, and kiddie pools. Children and babies can drown in as little as an inch of water, so constant supervision is necessary. It's also important to empty water containers as soon as play is done. For more tips about home water safety, visit <https://www.safekids.org/watersafety>.

**Our Lady of Lourdes...
Pray for Us!**

Papal Prayer Intention for July

For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Por el respeto a la vida humana

Oremos por el respeto y la protección de la vida humana en todas sus etapas, reconociéndola como un don de Dios.



Daily Meditations with Pope Francis

WORLDLINESS IN THE CHURCH

God save us from a worldly Church with superficial spiritual and pastoral trappings! This stifling worldliness can only be healed by breathing in the pure air of the Holy Spirit who frees us from self-centeredness cloaked in an outward religiosity bereft of God.

For today, pray for an end to worldliness in the Church. Pray that the Holy Spirit would open the Church to pastoral concern for the needy and free it from any superficial focus on appearances.

Meditaciones diarias con el Papa Francisco **LA MUNDANIDAD EN LA IGLESIA**

¡Que Dios nos libre de una Iglesia mundana, revestida de una apariencia espiritual y pastoral superficial! Esta mundanidad asfixiante solo puede sanarse respirando el aire puro del Espíritu Santo, que nos libera del egocentrismo disfrazado de una religiosidad externa vacía de Dios.

Hoy, oren para que cese la mundanidad en la Iglesia. Oren para que el Espíritu Santo abra la Iglesia a la atención pastoral hacia los necesitados y la libere de cualquier enfoque superficial centrado en las apariencias.

El programa **"Backpacks of Love" (Mochilas de Amor)**, patrocinado por las **Catholic Daughters** (Hijas Católicas), ha apoyado a las escuelas de nuestra comunidad local y a otras organizaciones durante los últimos años. Donamos útiles escolares y mochilas para más de 400 estudiantes. Habrá mesas de donación en el patio de la iglesia después de todas las misas del sábado 27 y el domingo 28 de junio. Agradecemos profundamente cualquier donativo. Las donaciones en efectivo o con cheque (a nombre de **Catholic Daughters of the Americas**) pueden enviarse por correo o entregarse en la oficina parroquial. ¿Tiene preguntas? Llame a Teresa al 818-648-9879 o a Nancy al 818-279-5611. Gracias!

"Para los católicos, la inmigración no es una cuestión política. Es una cuestión de nuestras profundas creencias religiosas".

~ Declaración del arzobispo Gómez sobre cuestiones de inmigración. Véase la p. 19

"... porque aunque miran, no ven, y aunque oyen, no escuchan ni comprenden."

Mateo 13,13

De las escrituras a la vida... Es una acusación muy seria. ¿Está Jesús hablando de ti?

Prayer to St. Francis

(in this Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi)

Saint Francis, our brother, you who eight hundred years ago went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace, intercede for us before the Lord.

You recognized true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano, teach us to seek in Him the source of all reconciliation that breaks down every wall.

You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding, give us the courage to build bridges where the world raises up boundaries.

In this time afflicted by conflict and division, intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers, unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ. Amen

Oración a San Francisco

(en este Año Jubilar de San Francisco de Asís)

San Francisco, hermano nuestro, tú que hace ochocientos años fuiste al encuentro de la Muerte como un hombre en paz, intercede por nosotros ante el Señor.

Reconociste la verdadera paz en el Crucifijo de San Damián, enséñanos a buscar en Él la fuente de toda reconciliación que derriba todo mur.

Tú que, desarmado, cruzaste las líneas de la guerra y la incomprensión, danos el valor para construir puentes donde el mundo levanta barreras.

En este tiempo afligido por el conflicto y la división, intercede por nosotros para que seamos pacificadores: testigos desarmados y que desarmen la paz que viene de Cristo. Amén.

**Nuestra Señora de Lourdes,
¡ORA POR NOSOTROS!**

a/o July 1, 2026

Goal: \$44,772.00

Pledged: \$39,889.91

Paid: \$34,723.91



This is the Hour of Love. Please pledge today and be sure to give to Together in Mission 2026. Thank you.

*Esta es la Hora del Amor. Por favor, haga su promesa hoy y asegúrese de contribuir a *Together in Mission 2026*. Gracias.*

Parish Stewardship:

Collections for the Month of May:

1st Week (5/3)	\$ 10,080
2nd Week (5/10)	\$ 7,864
3rd Week (5/17)	\$ 6,264
4th Week (5/24)	\$ 10,905
TOTAL	\$ 35,113

Incl Ordinary Sunday Collections and Holy Days.

El verano y la seguridad en el agua



Aunque los padres suelen estar muy atentos cerca de piscinas y lagos, el ahogamiento puede ocurrir en casa en un instante, sobre todo

con niños muy pequeños. Este verano, vigila a los niños cuando estén cerca del agua en casa, incluyendo cubos, recipientes y piscinas infantiles. Los niños y los bebés pueden ahogarse incluso en tan solo una pulgada de agua, por lo que es imprescindible vigilarlos constantemente. También es importante vaciar los recipientes de agua en cuanto terminen de jugar. Para obtener más consejos sobre la seguridad en el agua en el hogar, visita <https://www.safekids.org/watersafety>.

Magnifica Humanitas

Magnifica Humanitas, sobre la salvaguarda de la persona humana en la era de la inteligencia artificial, es la primera encíclica del Papa León XIV, la cual aborda la dignidad humana y los desafíos éticos que plantea la inteligencia artificial. Esta encíclica nos invita a reflexionar sobre los profundos impactos que el rápido avance tecnológico ejerce sobre el trabajo humano, las relaciones sociales y el bien común de todas las personas. (USCCB)

The Franciscan Jubilee Year



Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed a Franciscan Jubilee Year — from January 10, 2026, to January 10, 2027 — to mark the 800th anniversary of the passing of St. Francis of Assisi. The Holy Father invites all Christians to follow Francis' example of holiness, a life that was simple and essential, open to peace, fraternity, and respect for creation.

A plenary indulgence, under the usual conditions: sacramental confession,

reception of Holy Communion, prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, and detachment from sin, may be obtained for oneself or for the souls of the faithful departed.

This grace is open to all the faithful who make a pilgrimage to any Franciscan church or shrine dedicated to St. Francis. The faithful are encouraged to spend time in prayer and meditation at a pilgrimage site, and then concluding with the Our Father, the Creed, and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Clare, and all the Saints of the Franciscan Family.

In the San Fernando Region, these are the designated public Pilgrimage sites:

- Poverello of Assisi Retreat Center
1519 Woodworth Street, San Fernando, California 91340
- Provincial House & Chapel (Glory to God) 13367
Borden Avenue, Sylmar, California 91342
- Mother Gertrude Balcazar Home
11320 Laurel Canyon Boulevard, San Fernando,
California 91340
- Poor Clare Missionary Sisters
13026 Angeles Trail Way, Kagel Canyon, California
91342

The elderly, the sick, and the homebound may also receive the indulgence by uniting themselves spiritually to the Jubilee and offering their prayers and sufferings to God.

May this Holy Year deepen our love for Jesus Christ, strengthen our care for creation, and renew our commitment to peace.

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4th of July at OLL: The U.S. flag was unfurled and displayed while we sang Star-Spangled Banner, then carried out with the procession down the aisle.



Mission Appeal



The Roman Catholic
Archdiocese of Verapoly

It's summertime and the time of the year when Mission Appeals are made throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

On July 11 and 12, we will welcome Fr. Francis Neissery, a priest from the Archdiocese of Verapoly which is located in Kerala, the Southwest State of India. He will give a Mission Appeal to support the work of the Archdiocese of Verapoly. There will be a second collection in all the Masses on these days to benefit the following:

- The Education of Seminarians for the Archdiocese of Verapoly;
- Catechetical Formation;
- Housing Project for the Homeless;
- Health Care Programs;
- Women Empowerment;
- Rain Water Harvest Program;
- Self-Employment through Vocational Training;
- Orphanages and Nursing Home for the Aged;
- The Upkeep of Catholic Grade Schools and High School.

As members of the Catholic Church, we are part of a tremendous force for good in the world. When we support these mission groups, we are responding to Jesus' call to serve the "least of these." It isn't solely about monetary aid — it's about participating in the Body of Christ's work on Earth. It is in giving that we receive; in supporting the missions, we find ourselves more deeply rooted in the universality of the Church.

National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week July 19 to July 25, 2026

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week is a national educational campaign to focus attention on Natural Family Planning methods and Church teachings that support their use in marriage.

The dates of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week

highlight the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae Vitae* (July 25) which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, conjugal love, and responsible parenthood.

For more information, See pages 10/ 11 (English) and pages 12/13 (Spanish)



XV Domingo Del Tiempo Ordinario**Primera Lectura: Isaías 55, 10-11****Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 65***- La semilla cayó en tierra buena y dio fruto.***Segunda Lectura: Romanos 8, 18-23****Evangelio: Mateo 13, 1-23**

Hubo un tiempo en que el pueblo de Israel fue exiliado a Babilonia durante años y se preguntaba si alguna vez regresarían a su patria. Pero un día, en medio de este pueblo exiliado, cansado y desanimado, Dios suscitó un profeta que proclamó la liberación. El pueblo se preparó, pero pasaron los años y nada sucedió. Los israelitas volvieron a desanimarse. ¿Cuándo se cumpliría la palabra de Dios? ¿Cumplía Dios sus promesas?

El profeta les respondió: “Como bajan del cielo la lluvia y la nieve y no vuelven allá, sino después de empapar la tierra, de fecundarla y hacerla germinar ... así será la palabra que sale de mi boca, no volverá a mí sin resultado, sino que hará mi voluntad y cumplirá su misión”. (Primera lectura). A pesar de todas las dificultades y obstáculos, la palabra de Dios, sin falta, cumplirá lo que promete.

Jesús nos presenta, en la lectura del Evangelio de hoy, algunas respuestas a las dificultades que enfrentamos cada día en la parábola del sembrador y la semilla. En tiempos de Jesús, el agricultor no comenzaba removiendo maleza con azadón ni desyerbando. Primero sembraba y luego araba. Así podemos comprender cómo la semilla podía caer entre las piedras, entre la maleza o los espinos, o en los pequeños senderos del campo.

En esta parábola, Jesús dice que, a pesar de todas las contradicciones y obstáculos, su palabra dará fruto abundante porque contiene en sí misma la fuerza irresistible de la vida. Habrá quienes rechacen su palabra rotundamente, quienes la reciban y la rechacen después; y quienes la reciban, la atesoren y la pongan en práctica. El problema, por lo tanto, no radica en recibir la palabra de Dios, sino en atesorarla y ponerla en práctica.

Llamamiento Misionero en Nuestra Señora de Lourdes.

En esta época del año se realizan Llamamientos Misioneros en las parroquias de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles. El P. Francis Neissery estará con nosotros este fin de semana en representación de la Arquidiócesis de Verapoly en Kerala, India. Se realizará una segunda colecta en todas las misas de este fin de semana para ayudar a la Arquidiócesis de Verapoly, India, a apoyar los siguientes programas y proyectos:

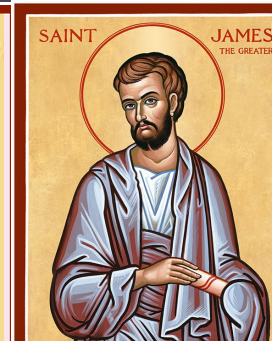
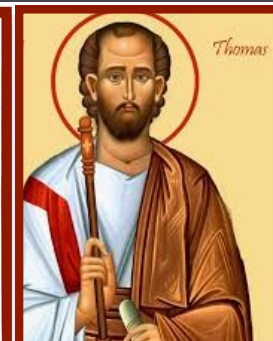
1. Formación en el seminario para jóvenes que se convertirán en sacerdotes de la Arquidiócesis;
2. Formación catequética;
3. Programas de vivienda para personas sin hogar;
4. Programas de atención médica;
5. Empoderamiento de la mujer;
6. Programas de recolección de agua de lluvia;
7. Capacitación vocacional para ayudar a los desempleados;
8. Orfanatos y residencias de ancianos; y
9. Mantenimiento de escuelas católicas (primarias y secundarias);

Somos una Iglesia misionera. Al ayudarnos mutuamente en la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, extendemos nuestra ayuda a diferentes partes del mundo, especialmente a los necesitados, compartiendo lo que hemos recibido de Dios. El Señor ha dicho: “Cualquiera que dé siquiera un vaso de agua fría a uno de estos pequeños, porque es mi discípulo, les aseguro que no quedará sin recompensa”. (Mateo 10,42) ❖



July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
28 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	29 Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles	30 Tuesday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time	1 Wednesday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time	2 Thursday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time	3 Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle	4 Saturday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time
5 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	6 Monday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	7 Tuesday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	8 Wednesday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	9 Thursday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	10 Friday of the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time	11 Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot
12 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	13 Monday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time	14 Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin [In the Dioceses of the United States]	15 Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	16 Thursday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time	17 Friday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time	18 Saturday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time
19 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	20 Monday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time	21 Tuesday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time	22 Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene	23 Thursday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time	24 Friday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time	25 Feast of Saint James, Apostle
26 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	27 Monday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time	28 Tuesday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time	29 Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus	30 Thursday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time	31 Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest	



Saints of the Week

July 13
St Henry

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nqszVaZXXac&t=7s>



July 14
St Kateri Tekekwitha, Virgin

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RbZbgbreSgU>



July 15
St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E1FDiaJ038k>



July 16
Our Lady of Mount Carmel

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9utrCoDdI6k>



July 18
St Camillus de Lellis, Priest BVM

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eP2yc60IVFY>



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Catholic Kids Bulletin



Attention Parents and Grandparents:

Catholic Kids Bulletins for you to use with your little ones in Church or at home are available every week in the side racks of the Church.

Pick one up today!

**OLL live stream
Mass is available on**



Saturday at 5:00 PM in English and

Sundays at 8:30AM in Spanish

If you are unable to attend Mass in person or if you want to listen to the homily again, access the live streamed Mass. Simply visit our website and click on the "Live Stream" button on the homepage or go to www.youtube.com/@ollchurch.



THIS IS THE
HOUR FOR
love

OUR MISSION DURING THIS TIME FOR *love*

...is to provide a lifeline for underserved parishes and schools across the Archdiocese of Los Angeles that would otherwise struggle to meet their most urgent and vital financial needs.



Catholic Schools

A Lifeline for Catholic Classrooms

Seventy-nine Catholic schools stand as living witnesses to Christ's love - places where families find belonging, where teachers serve as missionary disciples, and where children discover their purpose in God's plan.

Your gifts to **Together in Mission** help ensure that the doors of our schools stay open to all who seek a Catholic education. In doing so, it sustains communities of hope and faith where the next generation of saints and scholars is being formed each day.

"Without the financial support of Together in Mission, we would not be able to provide the level of assistance we currently offer, ensuring our mission remains accessible."

—Evangeline Garay, Principal at Immaculate Conception STEM Academy



Parishes

Where the Gospel Lives and Nurtures Faith and Service

Keeping parish doors open means more than worship. It means offering refuge: feeding the hungry, welcoming the lonely, and supporting families in need. Twice a month, Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church in Jefferson Park, Los Angeles, opens its parish hall to more than 100 families. Along with groceries, families take home the reassuring support of their parish community. Such acts of love reflect that Christ is alive in His Church today.

"The hour for love means helping people and giving to others in need. It is a blessing to serve others through our mini-kitchen."

*—Yvette, St. Theresa Mini-Kitchen Parish Volunteer,
Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church*



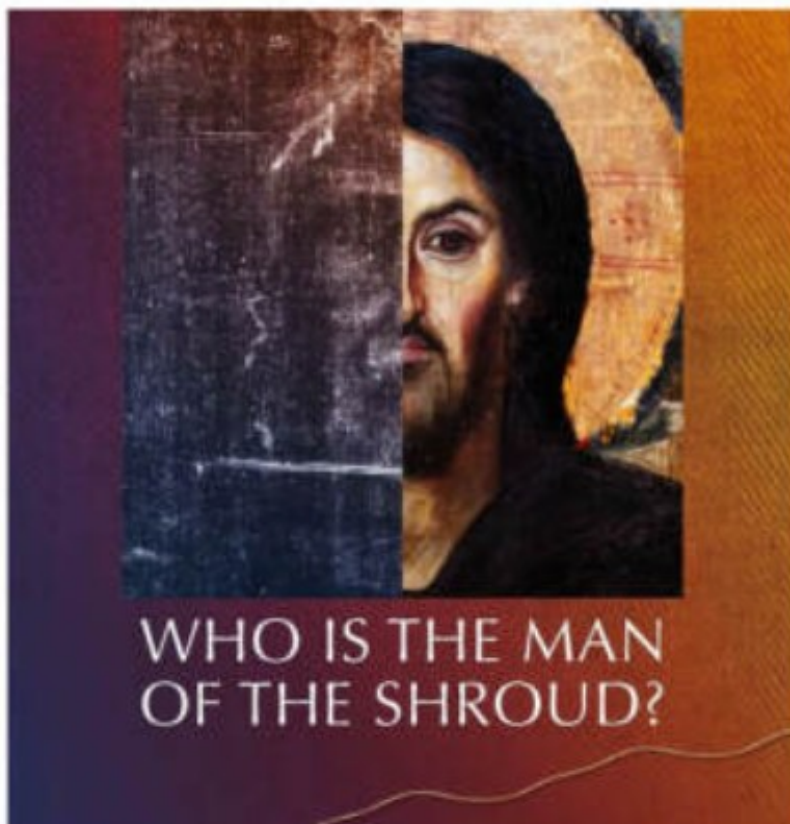
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Designed by God Guided by Love Open to Life

Rev. Msgr. Robert R. Cannon

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

The natural beauty of creation has the power to draw us into the mystery of God. We can see, feel, smell, and sense God's creative handiwork in so many ways. Consider when we pause to savor the burst of colors in a sunset or the rhythmic sound of waves rolling upon a beach. It might be in the playful antics of a kitten or a child's first step. Everything reflects and proclaims God's glory and love. The Church teaches that through natural revelation, "even before revealing Himself to man in words of truth, God reveals Himself ... in the universal language of creation, the work of His word, of His wisdom" (CCC, 2500).

The Church teaches that through "natural reason, man can know God...on the basis of His works" (CCC, 50). When we allow ourselves to be attentive to the wonder of creation, we begin to see that creation is not random or accidental, but ordered and purposeful. God has established laws within creation on which humanity can rely with confidence, laws that are to be respected by the stewardship of men and women (see CCC, 346).

Designed by God

In creating man and woman in His image and likeness, God enables us to share in His own life (see CCC, 225). Human dignity flows from this divine design. And, because God is love, divine love is inscribed in the human body itself. St. John Paul II taught that the body has a "spousal meaning" (see General Audience, April 14, 1982), as God has written into human nature the vocation and responsibility of love and communion (see FC, 14). It is found in every man and woman, expressed in sexuality and fertility, marriage, and procreation. And here is where the modern methods of Natural Family Planning (NFP) stand ready to help. NFP supports the

Creator's sublime design for marriage, guided by love, and open to life.

God's creation of male and female is not incidental but intentional. Sexuality, therefore, is purposeful. It draws people out of isolation and toward communion. It affects "every aspect of the human person" and it allows man and woman to unite in the unique communion of persons called marriage (see CCC, 371–372; 2332–2335). Flowing from this reality of community, marriage reflects God's own inner life—a communion of love that is both life-giving and faithful.

Guided by Love

Guided by love means to be directed toward the good of the other. Love, by its nature, is relational. St. John Paul II powerfully expressed this truth when he wrote that man cannot live without love; without it, life becomes senseless and incomprehensible (see RH, 10).

Of all creatures, only human beings can know and love God and consciously participate in His life. St. Paul teaches, "we are created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance" (Ephesians 2:11). To be guided by love is to participate in God's creative plan and to help build a culture of life and love (see EV, 77).

Marriage is neither a social invention nor a product of chance. "It is ... the wise...institution of God the Creator, whose purpose was to effect in man His loving design" (HV, 8). Because of this divine origin, the Church teaches that married love is freely given, faithful, permanent, and fruitful (see HV, 9). Marital love reflects God's own love!

When a man and a woman freely exchange consent, they establish a covenant for "the whole of life" that is

“ordered by its very nature to the good of the spouses and to the procreation and education” of children (see Canon 1055). God Himself is present within this union. When the spouses are baptized Christians, marriage becomes a sacrament, receiving its strength and permanence from Christ Himself.

Open to Life

A unique gift and responsibility contained in the marital vocation is stewardship over the powers of life. God calls husband and wife to embrace their shared fertility as a gift. The Lord God created marriage to be the home of the family. Spouses give “themselves to one another” and at the same time give beyond themselves to the reality of “children, who are a living reflection of their love, a permanent sign of conjugal unity” (see FC, 14).

As stewards of the gift of fertility, married couples are invited to seek God’s will together in a spirit of trust and humility. It is in this spirit that God helps them make prudent decisions about welcoming children. It is within this discernment that NFP finds its proper place.

NFP methods are evidence-based approaches to fertility education that can assist couples in identifying when fertility is at its peak so that couples can attempt to achieve or postpone pregnancy. When avoiding pregnancy, no drugs or devices are used that can harm God’s gifts. NFP differs fundamentally from contraception. Rather than interfering with God’s design for married couples, NFP respects the integrity of married love and the gift of life.

When pregnancy has been attempted and a child is conceived, parents speak of the great joy and gratitude that they have. They also say that the time of childbirth is one of the most meaningful moments in their lives. Mothers will speak of God’s presence when first holding their newborn baby. Fathers proudly admit they finally understand the meaning of fatherhood when looking into their newborn’s eyes. This self-realization is due to the natural and “the fundamental task of family,” which is “to serve life, to actualize...the original blessing of the Creator ...of transmitting by procreation the divine image from person to person” (see FC, 28).

The fruitfulness of spousal love is not limited to the gift of children. Some couples, despite their desires, are unable to conceive. In this case, a married couple’s openness to life can be expressed in other ways through adoption, foster

care, or generous service to the Church and community. The vocation of marriage is wide—it calls all married couples to create homes where love is shared and others are nurtured. They are all called to mirror God’s love.

All of creation proclaims the glory of God and the handiwork of His love! Whether single or married, every person is created in God’s image and likeness, given the capacity to love, and invited to share in His life. Within the arms of God’s love, marriage stands as a unique gift to humanity—a sacred communion in which husband and wife live the fullness of human sexuality and become stewards of life. Marriage is not merely for the good of husband and wife, but for the good of the world. Truly, marriage is designed by God, guided by love, and open to life!

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To learn about the Church’s teaching about married love and the gift of life and the ethical methods of NFP, see www.usccb.org/nfp

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Plan de Dios Guiado por el amor Abierto a la vida

P. Mons. Robert R. Cannon

PLANIFICACIÓN FAMILIAR NATURAL

La belleza natural de la Creación tiene el poder de atraernos hacia el misterio de Dios. Podemos ver, sentir, oler y percibir la obra creadora de Dios de muchísimas maneras. Pensemos en esos momentos en los que nos detenemos a saborear la explosión de colores de un atardecer o el sonido rítmico de las olas que rompen en la playa. Puede ser en las travesuras de un gatito o en el primer paso de un niño. Todo refleja y proclama la gloria y el amor de Dios. La Iglesia enseña que, a través de la revelación natural, “antes de revelarse al hombre en palabras de verdad, Dios se revela ..., mediante el lenguaje universal de la Creación, obra de su Palabra, de su Sabiduría” (CIC, 2500).

La Iglesia enseña que, “mediante la razón natural, el hombre puede conocer a Dios ... a partir de sus obras” (CIC, 50). Cuando nos permitimos estar atentos a la maravilla de la Creación, comenzamos a ver que esta no es aleatoria ni fortuita, sino ordenada y con un propósito. Dios ha establecido leyes dentro de la Creación en las que la humanidad puede apoyarse con confianza; leyes que los hombres y mujeres deben respetar (ver CIC, 346).

En el diseño de Dios

Al crear al hombre y a la mujer a Su imagen y semejanza, Dios nos hace partícipes de Su propia vida (ver CIC, 225). La dignidad humana nace de este diseño divino. Y, porque Dios es amor, el amor divino está inscrito en el propio cuerpo humano. San Juan Pablo II enseñó que el cuerpo tiene un “significado esponsalicio” (ver Audiencia General, 14 de abril de 1982), ya que Dios ha inscrito en la naturaleza humana la vocación y la responsabilidad del amor y de la comunión (ver FC, 14). Esto se encuentra en cada hombre y mujer, y se expresa en la sexualidad y la fertilidad, el matrimonio y la procreación. Y es aquí donde los métodos modernos de Planificación Familiar Natural (PFN) están listos para ayudar. La PFN sostiene el

sublime diseño del Creador para el matrimonio, guiado por el amor y abierto a la vida.

La creación del hombre y la mujer por parte de Dios no es casual, sino intencional. Por lo tanto, la sexualidad tiene un propósito. Saca a las personas del aislamiento y las conduce hacia la comunión. Incluye “todos los aspectos de la persona humana” y permite que el hombre y la mujer se unan en la comunión única de personas llamada matrimonio (ver CIC, 371–372; 2332–2335). A partir de esta realidad de comunidad, el matrimonio refleja la propia vida íntima de Dios: una comunión de amor que es, a la vez, dadora de vida y fiel.

Guiado por el amor

Estar guiado por el amor significa estar dirigida hacia el bien del otro. Por su propia naturaleza, el amor es relacional. San Juan Pablo II expresó esta verdad de manera poderosa cuando escribió que el hombre no puede vivir sin amor; sin él, la vida carece de sentido y se torna incomprensible (ver RH, 10).

De todas las criaturas, solo los seres humanos pueden conocer y amar a Dios y participar de manera consciente en su vida. San Pablo enseña: “fuimos creados en Cristo Jesús, a fin de realizar aquellas buenas obras, que Dios preparó de antemano” (Efesios 2, 10). Estar guiado por el amor es participar en el plan creador de Dios y ayudar a construir una cultura de la vida y del amor (ver EV, 77).

El matrimonio no es una invención social ni un producto del azar. “Es una sabia institución del Creador para realizar en la humanidad su diseño de amor” (HV, 8). Debido a este origen divino, la Iglesia enseña que el amor conyugal se da libremente, es fiel, permanente y fecundo (ver HV, 9). ¡El amor matrimonial refleja el propio amor de Dios!

Cuando un hombre y una mujer intercambian libremente su consentimiento, establecen una alianza para “toda la vida”, que está “ordenad[a] por su misma índole natural al bien de los cónyuges y a la generación y educación de la prole” (ver Canon 1055). Dios mismo está presente en esta unión. Cuando los esposos son cristianos bautizados, el matrimonio se convierte en sacramento, y reciben su fortaleza y permanencia de Cristo mismo.

Abierto a la vida

Un don y una responsabilidad únicos dentro la vocación matrimonial es la administración de las facultades de la vida. Dios llama al esposo y a la esposa a acoger su fertilidad compartida como un don. El Señor Dios creó el matrimonio para ser el hogar de la familia. Los esposos “se dan entre sí” y, al mismo tiempo, se dan más allá de sí mismos a la realidad “del hijo, reflejo viviente de su amor, signo permanente de la unidad conyugal” (ver *FC*, 14).

Como administradores del don de la fertilidad, las parejas casadas están invitadas a buscar juntas la voluntad de Dios en un espíritu de confianza y humildad. Es en este espíritu que Dios los ayuda a tomar decisiones prudentes sobre la acogida de los hijos. Dentro de este discernimiento es donde la PFN encuentra su lugar adecuado.

Los métodos de la PFN son enfoques basados en la evidencia para la educación sobre fertilidad que pueden ayudar a las parejas a identificar cuándo la fertilidad está en su punto máximo, de modo que puedan intentar lograr o posponer un embarazo. Cuando se busca evitar el embarazo, no se utilizan fármacos ni dispositivos que puedan dañar los dones de Dios. La PFN difiere fundamentalmente de la anticoncepción. En lugar de interferir con el designio de Dios para las parejas casadas, la PFN respeta la integridad del amor conyugal y el don de la vida.

Cuando se ha buscado el embarazo y se concibe un hijo, los padres hablan de la gran alegría y gratitud que sienten. También dicen que el momento del nacimiento es uno de los más significativos de sus vidas. Las madres hablan de la presencia de Dios al sostener por primera vez a su recién nacido. Los padres admiten con orgullo que finalmente comprenden el significado de la paternidad al mirar los ojos de su bebé recién nacido. Esta autorrealización se debe a la tarea natural y “el cometido fundamental de la familia”, que es “el servicio a la vida, el realizar [...] la bendición original del Creador, transmitiendo en la generación la imagen divina de hombre a hombre” (ver *FC*, 28).

La fecundidad del amor conyugal no se limita al don de los hijos. Algunas parejas, a pesar de sus deseos, no pueden concebir. En este caso, la apertura a la vida de un matrimonio puede expresarse de otras maneras mediante la adopción, la acogida temporal o el servicio generoso a la Iglesia y a la comunidad. La vocación del matrimonio es amplia: llama a todas las parejas casadas a crear hogares donde se comparta el amor y se nutra a los demás. Todos están llamados a ser reflejo del amor de Dios.

¡Toda la creación proclama la gloria de Dios y la obra de Su amor! Ya sea soltera o casada, cada persona ha sido creada a imagen y semejanza de Dios, dotada de la capacidad de amar e invitada a participar en Su vida. En los brazos del amor de Dios, el matrimonio se erige como un don único para la humanidad: una comunión sagrada en la que el esposo y la esposa viven la plenitud de la sexualidad humana y se convierten en administradores de la vida. El matrimonio no es meramente para el bien de los esposos, sino para el bien del mundo. Verdaderamente, ¡el matrimonio es el plan de Dios, guiado por el amor y abierto a la vida!

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Para aprender acerca de la enseñanza de la Iglesia sobre el amor conyugal y el don de la vida y los métodos éticos de PFN, ver www.usccb.org/nfp

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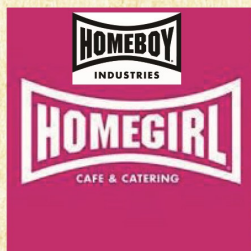
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STATEMENT ON IMMIGRATION ISSUES BY ARCHBISHOP JOSÉ H. GOMEZ

Statements and actions from the new administration in Washington have caused fear in our parishes, schools, and communities. That is not good for anybody. I pray that our leaders will proceed with restraint and compassion, with respect for the law, and with respect for the rights and dignity of all concerned.

No one wants violent criminals living in our communities. But any enforcement actions should be prudent, and should be matched by immediate action in Congress to fix our immigration system, which has been broken for decades now.

"For Catholics, immigration is not a political issue. It is a matter of our deeply held religious beliefs."

For Catholics, immigration is not a political issue. It is a matter of our deeply held religious beliefs. Jesus Christ commanded us to love God as our Father and to love our brothers and sisters, especially the most vulnerable, and regardless of what country they came from or how they got here. Our love for Jesus compels us to continue our works of love and service in our parishes, schools, and other ministries.

The Catholic Church has long been committed to working with our national leaders for immigration reform that is just and humane. My commitment also continues, and we look forward to working with the new administration and Congress.

In this current moment of uncertainty, the U.S. bishops have provided good practical guidance. We have gathered this guidance and other resources on our website. Please visit: lacatholics.org/immigration/.

May Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of Jesus and Mother of all the peoples of the Americas, keep us close to her Son in this moment. And may she help us to work together as neighbors, in a spirit of unity, to truly become one nation under God.

*Archbishop Jose H Gomez
January 23, 2025*

[Compendium of Catholic Social Teaching on Immigration with additional resources.](#)



DECLARACIÓN SOBRE TEMAS DE INMIGRACIÓN

POR ARZOBISPO JOSÉ H. GÓMEZ

Las declaraciones y acciones de la nueva administración en Washington han causado miedo en nuestras parroquias, escuelas y comunidades. Eso no es bueno para nadie. Rezo para que nuestros líderes procedan con moderación y compasión, con respeto por la ley y con respeto por los derechos y la dignidad de todos los involucrados.

Nadie quiere criminales violentos viviendo en nuestras comunidades. Pero cualquier acción coercitiva debe ser prudente y debe ir acompañada de una acción inmediata en el Congreso para arreglar nuestro sistema de inmigración, que ya no funciona desde hace décadas.

Para los católicos, la inmigración no es una cuestión política. Es una cuestión de nuestras creencias religiosas profundamente arraigadas. Jesucristo nos ordenó amar a Dios como nuestro Padre y amar a nuestros hermanos y hermanas, especialmente a los más vulnerables, sin importar de qué país vengan o cómo llegaron aquí. Nuestro amor por Jesús nos obliga a continuar nuestras obras de amor y servicio en nuestras parroquias, escuelas y otros ministerios.

La Iglesia Católica ha estado comprometida durante mucho tiempo a trabajar con nuestros líderes nacionales para una reforma migratoria que sea justa y humana. Mi compromiso también continúa y esperamos trabajar con la nueva administración y el Congreso.

En este momento actual de incertidumbre, los obispos estadounidenses han brindado una buena orientación práctica. Hemos recopilado esta guía y otros recursos en nuestro sitio web. Visite: lacatholics.org/immigration/.

Que la Virgen de Guadalupe, Madre de Jesús y Madre de todos los pueblos de América, nos mantenga cerca de su Hijo en este momento. Y que ella nos ayude a trabajar juntos como vecinos, en un espíritu de unidad, para convertirnos verdaderamente en una nación bajo Dios.

*Arzobispo José H Gómez
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