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PERMANENT DEACONS

SUNDAY MASSES

5PM SATURDAY VIGIL

7AM; 9AM (WITH DRIVE-IN)

11:00AM (WITH ZOOM)

1:00PM MISA EN ESPAÑOL

5PM MASS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

September 21, 2025

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon." - Lk 16:8b, 13

Speaking Truth in Love

Speaking Truth in Love: Guiding Children Through Life's Hard Questions

This week, many of us witnessed a heartbreaking moment—a man lost his life while simply trying to speak. Regardless of our personal views, the image of someone dying with only a microphone in hand is difficult to process. It reminds us how vital it is to teach our children how to engage with difficult topics, especially when emotions run high and opinions differ.

As parents and faith leaders, we often want to shield our children from pain. But silence around trauma doesn't protect—it confuses and isolates. When we speak honestly and lovingly, we give our children tools to process, to question, and to trust. We show them that faith is not the absence of struggle, but the presence of God in the midst of it.

I've been walking through a personal storm this week—one that's tested my health and my faith. In preparing for our Family Faith Formation parent discussion, I realized I hadn't let my own children into that space. I was trying to protect them. But they already sensed the storm. And in the absence of truth, fear grew.

So I invited them in. We cried. We prayed. We asked God to meet us in the unknown. And He did.

That moment reminded me: our children don't need perfect parents. They need present ones. They need to see us turn to Jesus—not just when things are good, but when we're scared, uncertain, and clinging to hope. That's how they learn to do the same. God's embrace is not gentle—it's fierce. It holds us when we're falling apart. It anchors us when the waves rise. And it never lets go.

Let's teach our children to trust that embrace. To speak truth in love. To ask hard questions. And to know that even in the darkest storms, *God is with us*.

Riding Out the Storm with Love,
Maureen Spiro, Director of Faith Formation

Decir La Verdad con Amor

Decir la verdad con amor: Guiar a los niños a través de las preguntas difíciles de la vida

Esta semana, muchos de nosotros fuimos testigos de un momento desgarrador: un hombre perdió la vida mientras simplemente intentaba hablar. Independientemente de nuestros puntos de vista personales, la imagen de alguien muriendo con solo un micrófono en la mano es difícil de procesar. Nos recuerda lo vital que es enseñar a nuestros hijos cómo involucrarse con temas difíciles, especialmente cuando las emociones son altas y las opiniones difieren.

Como padres y líderes religiosos, a menudo queremos proteger a nuestros hijos del dolor. Pero el silencio en torno al trauma no protege, confunde y aísla. Cuando hablamos honesta y amorosamente, les damos a nuestros hijos herramientas para procesar, cuestionar y confiar. Les mostramos que la fe no es la ausencia de lucha, sino la presencia de Dios en medio de ella.

He estado caminando a través de una tormenta personal esta semana, una que ha puesto a prueba mi salud y mi fe. Al prepararme para nuestra discusión de padres de Formación de Fe Familiar, me di cuenta de que no había dejado que mis propios hijos entraran en ese espacio. Estaba tratando de protegerlos. Pero ya sentían la tormenta. Y en ausencia de la verdad, el miedo creció.

Así que los invité a entrar. Lloramos. Oramos. Le pedimos a Dios que nos encontrara en lo desconocido. Y lo hizo.

Ese momento me recordó: nuestros hijos no necesitan padres perfectos. Necesitan padres presentes. Necesitan vernos volvernlos a Jesús, no solo cuando las cosas están bien, sino cuando estamos asustados, inseguros y aferrados a la esperanza. Así es como aprenden a hacer lo mismo.

El abrazo de Dios no es suave, es feroz. Nos sostiene cuando nos estamos desmoronando. Nos ancla cuando se levantan las olas. Y nunca lo suelta.

Enseñemos a nuestros hijos a confiar en ese abrazo. Decir la verdad con amor. Hacer preguntas difíciles. Y saber que incluso en las tormentas más oscuras, Dios está con nosotros.

Capeando la tormenta con amor,
Maureen Spiro, Directora de Formación en la Fe

Wednesday
October 1
6:30pm
Save-the-date

Healing and Hope

MASS OF RECONCILING & RESTORING

All are welcome — especially those who carry grief, anxiety, trauma, or the weight of accompanying others in their suffering. May St. John Eudes community be a space of tender encounter, shared lament, and the quiet strength of communion.

Rooted in the Church's observance of Jubilee of Consolation & World Mental Health Day, this mass affirms the dignity of every person and the presence of a God who embraces us amidst our pain. Inspired by the US Bishops campaign for Mental Wellness, we echo the words of our bishops:
"YOU ARE A BELOVED CHILD OF GOD — A GOD OF HEALING AND HOPE."

In a time marked by deep wounds—personal, social, and global — this Mass is offered in solidarity with all who suffered violence, recognizing the mental, emotional and spiritual toll such suffering brings.



With Burning Hearts

Building Momentum

Our parish has entered an exciting phase of its Stewardship Commitment Program. In recent weeks, we've been recruiting volunteer leaders, updating parish records, and developing materials to share our vision with every family.

Soon, every member of our parish will receive an invitation to participate in this **transformative** initiative. We hope you'll respond with generous hearts and open spirits.

This week brings the first major mailing—a letter from Father Ethan Southard explaining this program and the difference your participation will make. This is your opportunity to actively contribute to our parish's growth while practicing the Christian principle of stewardship:

*joyfully returning
a portion of God's blessings*



If your weekly giving is currently:	Please consider increasing your weekly giving to:
\$100 or more	30% increase
\$70 - \$99	\$102 - \$135
\$40 - \$69	\$60 - \$101
\$24 - \$39	\$39 - \$59
\$16 - \$23	\$24 - \$39
\$10 - \$15	\$16 - \$27
\$5 - \$9	\$10 - \$15
\$3 - \$4	\$7 - \$9
\$1 - \$2	\$4 - \$6

On **October 11 & 12**, every parishioner will be invited to make a commitment to our regular collection. Please pray about your participation in this vital effort.

"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Cor 9:7



September 20	5pm	John Berry Kurako Grozenski + Helen Clauser +
September 21	7 am	Vocations in the priesthood and religious Florence Guest + Leticia Cuizon Relatos +
	9 am	Linda Tuazon Michael Stamets Maria Esperanza Perez
	11 am	People of the Parish
	1 pm	Leonor Velasquez de Herrarte + Maria Genara Velasquez + Kimberly Rodriguez Rosa Alicia Garcia
	5 pm	Victor Ramos Ruiz + Gina Luna Eugenia De los Santos-Del Rosario +
September 22	8:15 am	Allen Iler + Thomas P. Joseph + All Souls in Purgatory
	6:30 pm	Enrico Roxas + Blessings on Marriages Camille Curtain
September 23	8:15 am	Audrey Suzan Lee Paul Choondakaran + Sam & Rose De Frisco
	6:30 pm	Nelson Dizon + Victor Gonzalez Azucena Alvarez
September 24	8:15 am	All Souls in Purgatory Maria Elena Alaniz + Leila Iler
	6:30 pm	Persons suffering from Addictions Carmen McCarty Young Kim
September 25	8:15 am	Bernard Burgos + Nita Pacheco +
	6:30 pm	Natalia Suaste + Jose Torres Joshua Enzo Arteaga +
September 26	8:15 am	All souls in purgatory Florence Guest + Jovenal Santos +
	6:30 pm	Irene Saiju Chacko & Anisha Mutholath + Maria Josefa Crawford +
September 27	8:15 am	Phillip Nguyen + Holy souls in purgatory Michael Sakamoto +

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:

Never will I forget a thing they have done! (Am 8:7)

Psalm:

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. (Ps 113)

Second Reading:

There is also one mediator between God and men,
the man Christ Jesus,
who gave himself as ransom for all. (1 Tm 2:5-6)

Gospel:

"No servant can serve two masters.

He will either hate one and love the other,

or be devoted to one and despise the other.

You cannot serve both God and mammon." (Lk 16:13)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/
1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/
Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13
Lk 9:43b-45

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**Adoration of the
Blessed
Sacrament**

Monday - Friday

9:00 am - 9:30 am

6:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Confession

(Saturday)

9AM to 10:30AM

DAILY MASSES

MORNING MASS 8:15AM

EVENING MASS 6:30PM

(JUEVES EN ESPAÑOL)

HOLIDAYS @ 9AM,

NO EVENING MASS

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY IS BACK! [JOIN US AFTER SUNDAY MASS]

Coffee and donuts are back after Mass—come break bread (and pastries!) with us in the parish hall as we share joy and fellowship. See you there!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK



The Friends of the Poor® Walk/Run began as a national program with the purpose of providing local Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Conferences and Councils the additional funds to help support their special works projects. Today, that philosophy continues, with Conferences and Councils using the funds from this event to help people living in poverty.

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. John Eudes may be small, but we are passionate about assisting others. But we need your help to do so!

We are having our Friends of the Poor Walk on September 27th, 2025. We are conducting it in conjunction with our brothers and sisters from the St Finbar Conference. It will be held at:

Johnny Carson Park
400 Bob Hope Dr. Burbank, CA 91505
The entrance to parking is on Buena Vista

**Register or
Donate
for FOP Walk**



RETIRO PARA VARONES 2025

COMUNIDAD CATOLICA SAN PABLO CALIFORNIA

Fecha: 26,27,28 de Septiembre



"Mira, aquí estoy llamando a la puerta. Si alguien escucha mi voz y abre la puerta, entraré, cenaré con él y él conmigo."

Apocalipsis 3:20

**\$180
OFRENDA**



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18651 Pine Canyon Rd
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RICA

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana, esta invitando a todas las personas adultas y Jóvenes que aún no tienen sus Sacramentos. Y desean abrasar nuestra fe católica este es el proceso para ustedes ya sea que no tienen ningún Sacramento o necesita complementar bautismo, primera comunión y confirmación. Las clases comienzan el Miércoles 10 de septiembre 2025 salón "C" de 7:00 pm a 8:45 pm.

¡Los esperamos!

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17TH ANNUAL REGIONAL CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST DAY OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ DE MANILA

SATURDAY, SEPT. 27, 2025

HOST PARISH:

St. John Eudes Catholic Church
9901 Mason Ave. Chatsworth, CA 91311

Procession & Pre-Liturgy begins @ 1:00pm

Mass @ 2:00pm.

Reception following Mass at Grill Hall

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT:

Most Reverend Albert Bahhuth

Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles San Fernando Pastoral Region



Hosted by:



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2025 SCHEDULE OF NOVENA OF MASSES
(EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION) WITH NOVENA PRAYERS

1st Day - Sept 18, 2025 Thursday, 7:00 pm

Our Lady of Grace, 5011 White Oak Avenue, Encino, 91316

2nd Day - Sept 19, 2025, Friday, 7:00 pm

St. Genevieve, 14061 Roscoe Blvd, Panorama City, 91402

3rd Day - Sept 20, 2025, Saturday, 5:30 pm

St. Mary, 1600 E. Ave. R-4, Palmdale, 93550

3rd Day - Sept, 20, 2025, Saturday, 5:30 pm

St. Joseph the Worker, 19855 Sherman Way, Winnetka, 91306

4th Day - Sept 21, 2025, Sunday, 2:00 pm

Incarnation, 1001 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale, 91202

4th Day - Sept 21, 2025 Sunday, 5:00 pm

Holy Trinity, 3722 Boyce Avenue, Los Angeles, 90039

5th Day - Sept 22, 2025, Monday, 7:00 pm

St. Elisabeth of Hungary, 14655 Kittridge Street, Van Nuys, 91405

6th Day - Sept 23, 2025, Tuesday, 6:30 pm

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, 13001 Victory Blvd., N. Hollywood, 91606

7th Day - Sept 24, 2025, Wednesday, 6:30 pm

St. Catherine of Siena, 18115 Sherman Way, Reseda, 91335

8th Day - Sept 25, 2025 Thursday, 7:00 pm

St. John Baptist Dela Salle, 16545 Chatsworth St., Granada Hills, 91344

9th Day - Sept 26, 2025 Friday, 5:30 pm

St. Mel, 20870 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills, 91364