

Thank you!

Thank you again to everyone who made this past fiesta possible! I am grateful to the committee chairs, Michelle Quintanilla, Erick Luna, and Rosemary Gamez, who spent countless hours organizing this event. The subcommittee chairs who poured hours and energy in preparation and execution of the day.. Thank you to the parish, school, and ministry volunteers who offered so much to make this possible. I am grateful to our sponsors and everyone who made donations, those who bought raffle tickets, those who brought drinks and everyone who attended. It really takes a whole community to put this event together and I am grateful to each one of you!

Even while we calculate the final numbers, I count the tremendous success of this event in the perseverance, joy, and welcome that took place. The sudden outburst of wind and weather could have canceled the event before it started. Nevertheless, the regrouping of our volunteers enabled it to not only go on but become one of the most successful fiestas we ever had hosted. The great joy, community and excitement was felt by many people who attended. Thank you!

¡Gracias a todos los que hicieron que la fiesta de la semana pasada fuera un gran éxito! Agradezco a los presidentes del comité, Michelle Quintanilla, Erick Luna y Rosemary Gamez, quienes dedicaron innumerables horas a organizar este evento. Los presidentes del subcomité que dedicaron horas y energía a la preparación y ejecución del día. Gracias a los voluntarios de la parroquia, la escuela y el ministerio que ofrecieron tanto para hacer esto posible. Agradezco a nuestros patrocinadores y a todos los que hicieron donaciones, a los que compraron boletos para la rifa, a los que trajeron bebidas y a todos los que asistieron. ¡Realmente se necesita toda una comunidad para organizar este evento y estoy agradecido a cada uno de ustedes!

Incluso mientras calculamos las cifras finales,uento el tremendo éxito de este evento en la perseverancia, la alegría y la acogida que tuvo. El repentino estallido de viento y mal clima podría haber cancelado el evento antes de que comenzara. Sin embargo, la reagrupación de nuestros voluntarios permitió no sólo continuar sino convertirse en una de las fiestas más exitosas que jamás hayamos organizado. Muchas personas que asistieron sintieron una gran alegría, comunidad y entusiasmo. ¡Gracias!

Rev. Jesse Martinez
Pastor

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 24, 2023 XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time	Journey Songs	24 de septiembre de 2023 XXV Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario	Flor y Canto
First Reading Is 55:6-9 (p 384)	Gathering song Come to the feast (p.768)	Primera lectura Is 55, 6-9(p 385)	Canción de reunión Caminare (p.537)
Responsorial Psalm Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (p 384)	Preparation of the gifts Be thou My vision (p.646)	Salmo Responsorial Salmo 144, 2-3. 8-9. 17-18 (p 385)	Preparación de los regalos Espero en ti, Señor (p. 318)
Second Reading Phil 1:20c-24, 27a(p 384)	Communion song Bread of Life (805)	Segunda lectura Fil 1, 20-24. 27 (p 385)	Canción del communion Eres, tu Señor (p. 573)
Gospel Mt 20:1-16a(p 386)	Sending forth Now thank we all our God (p. 603)	Evangelio Mt 20, 1-16 (p 387)	Canción de cierre Gracias, Señor (p 614)

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Book Study

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ALTAR SERVERS

There will be an Altar Server mandatory refresher training session for all that serve at the English and Spanish Masses. It will be on Sunday, October 15 th from 2:30 pm to 4 pm. Please make plans to attend.

If you are not currently serving and our interested in serving in our ministry, please join us at this training. Parents are encouraged to attend with the new interested altar servers to obtain information about the ministry. Having made your First Communion is a requirement.

MONAGUILLOS

Padres o Guardianes, habrá una sesión de capacitación de actualización obligatoria para los monaguillos que sirven en las misas de inglés y las misas en español. Será el domingo 15 de octubre de 2:30 a 4:00 de la tarde. Por favor haga planes para asistir.

Todos los niños/jóvenes interesados en servir en este ministerio tienen que asistir a esta capacitación. Se invita a los padres a asistir con los nuevos monaguillos interesados para obtener información. Los niños/jóvenes interesados en ser monaguillos, deben de ya haber hecho su Primera Comunión.

25º DOMINGO DE TIEMPO ORDINARIO



EVENING OF PRAYER FOR PARENTS OF TEENS AND TWEENS

We know parenting teens and tweens is a big job filled with hope, excitement, activities, and joy AS WELL AS moments of exhaustion, worry, and even confusion. Teens and their parents face so much throughout these formative years. The Santa Cruz Office of Youth Ministry recognizes and honors this big job and is hosting an evening of guided prayer to give parents and guardians a chance to pause, gather and pray for themselves and their teens.

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NOCHE DE ORACIÓN PARA PADRES DE PREADOLESCENTES Y ADOLESCENTES

Sabemos que la crianza de los adolescentes y preadolescentes es un gran trabajo lleno de esperanza, emoción, actividades y alegría, ASÍ COMO de momentos de agotamiento, preocupación e incluso confusión. Los adolescentes y sus padres se enfrentan a muchas cosas a lo largo de estos años formativos. La Oficina de Santa Cruz de la Pastoral Juvenil reconoce y honra este gran trabajo y está organizando una noche de oración guiada para dar a los padres y tutores la oportunidad de hacer una pausa, reunirse y orar por sí mismos y sus hijos adolescentes.

Miércoles 27 de septiembre, 6:30 pm,
en Deane Hall



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VOCATION CHALICE

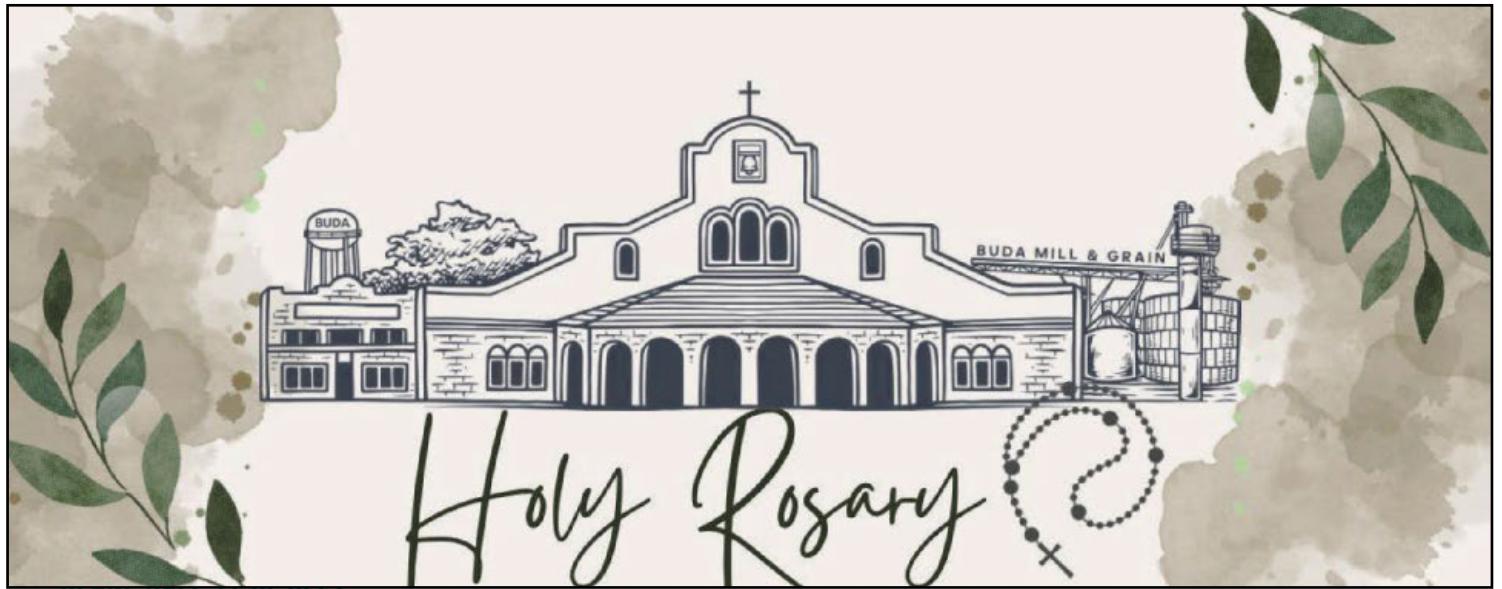
AS WE ANNOUNCED EARLIER, SANTA CRUZ CATHOLIC CHURCH IS HOSTING THE PRIESTLY ORDINATION FOR DEACON MATTHEW ON JUNE 8, 2024. IN PREPARATION FOR THIS IMPORTANT EVENT IN THE LIFE OF OUR DIOCESE, OUR CHURCH, AND DCN. MATTHEW IN PARTICULAR, WE WILL REMAIN CONSTANT IN PRAYER. WE WILL BE SHARING THE VOCATION CHALICE FOR FAMILIES THAT SIGN UP. THE VOCATION CHALICE IS A SYMBOL OF PRIESTLY MINISTRY, ESPECIALLY EXERCISED IN THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST. FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO TAKE THE CHALICE HOME FOLLOWING THEIR PARTICULAR SUNDAY MASS AND PRAY WITH THE CHALICE EACH DAY. A BOOK OF PRAYERS WILL ACCOMPANY THE CHALICE SO THAT FAMILIES CAN PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS AND FOR MORE VOCATIONS FROM OUR PARISH AND HOUSEHOLDS.

IN SIGNING UP BELOW, YOU ARE PROMISING:

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1. TO ATTEND AND RECEIVE THE VOCATION CHALICE AT THE MASS THAT YOU DESIGNATE.
2. PLACE THE CHALICE IN A PLACE OF REVERENCE AND PRAY WITH IT EACH DAY FOR ONE WEEK FOR THE INTENTIONS OF MORE PRIESTLY AND RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS.
3. RETURN THE CHALICE TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY 3 PM FRIDAY AFTERNOON SO THAT THE NEXT FAMILY WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE THE CHALICE. SO ASK THE MASTER OF THE HARVEST TO SEND OUT LABORERS FOR HIS HARVEST. MT. 9:38





MISSION APPEAL WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1 ALL MASSES SUNDAY MASSES

Maranatha Caring Mission was established to provide free medical clinics in the developing countries, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, provide clean water to the thirsty, and other worksas the Spirit directs. It is in keeping with the injunction of our Lord Jesus in Matthew 25:40 "whatever you do to the least of my brethren that you do unto me." Our mission at Maranatha is to share the love of Jesus and reach out to the poor.

MEN'S GROUP OCTOBER 4, 2023 AT 6:30 PM IN DEANE HALL IN SACRED HEART ROOM

Men are invited to the men's group meeting on Wednesday October 4th in Deane Hall from 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM. The guest speaker for October will be Fr. Fernando Ricaud, parochial vicar of Saint Anthony in Kyle, who will speak on the Real Presence in the Eucharist. You may email ministry@santacruzcc.org for more information.

1ST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH FAMILY DEVOTION MASS - ENGLISH OCTOBER 7, 2023 AT 8 AM

Join us for our first Saturday family devotion Mass in english. Families are invited to a short children's adoration following Mass and fellowship on the playground.

PRIMER VIERNES DEL MES MISA DE DEVOCIÓN FAMILIAR - ESPAÑOL 6 DE OCTUBRE A LAS 7PM

Únase a nosotros para la primera misa de devoción en español a las 7 de la tarde.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday September 24th

8:00 am Maria Escalante Macias (Special Intention)
10:30 am Pro populo
1:00 pm † Jose Alfredo Alba
5:00 pm † Luis Garza

Monday September 25th

8:00 am † Maria Muniz

Tuesday September 26th

8:00 am † Ana Gaona

Wednesday September 27th

8:00 am † Zulema Garcia

Thursday September 28th

8:00 am Leonardo Guzman (Special Intention)

Friday September 29th

8:00 am † Elida Benavidez

Saturday September 30th

5:00 pm † Maria Muniz

Sunday October 1st

8:00 am † Serafin Loredo Mendez
10:30 am † Agustin & Maria Amaro
1:00 pm Pro populo
5:00 pm † Chester & Alice Kopeck

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September 17, 2023 • Matthew 18:21-35

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

A servant owed his master more money than he had. He begged for mercy and it was granted to him.

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The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

Peter asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive someone who sins against me? Up to seven times?"

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Jesus answered,

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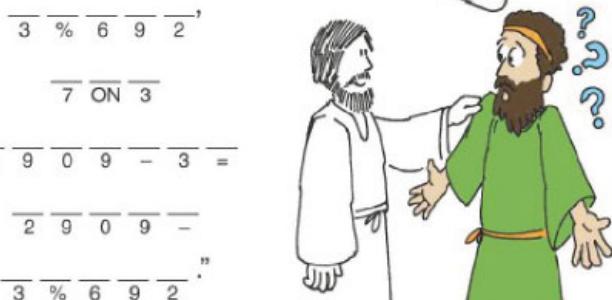
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SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Debt Reduction St. Vincent de Paul
\$311 \$2,193

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Sept 17, 2023

\$24,663.12

Last Week

\$22,089.00

Last Year
Sept 19, 2022

\$26,365.48

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\$10,000

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Sept 30th
Oct 14th

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Mass Attendance

Saturday, Sept 16, 2023

5:00 PM - 242

Sunday, Sept 17, 2023

8:00 AM - 605

10:30 - 946

1:00 PM - 550

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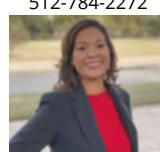


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