

CATHEDRAL CHAPEL of ST. VIBIANA

CATHOLIC CHURCH SINCE 1927

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JUNE 26, 2022



*Farewell & God Bless You,
Fr. Truc!*

A MESSAGE FROM FR. TRUC

LISTEN, LEARN, LAUGH, LEAD & LOVE MY REFLECTION AS A PASTOR & PRIEST AT CCSV

Looking back since December 2006, I came to CCSV as a priest in residence because I was appointed to work full time at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center. As a newly graduated canon lawyer from St. Paul University in Ottawa, Canada, I was asked to be a Director for the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity and a Judge in the Marriage Tribunal.

Our parish was only a 10-minute drive to work every day. After the sudden death of Father Chuck Schwehr in November 3, 2007, I became the Administrator of Cathedral Chapel for the next three years, and then a Pastor in 2010.

LISTEN – “God speaks in the silence of the heart. Listening is the beginning of prayer” (Mother Theresa).

I learned to be in silence, either early morning or late into the night, to pray and to be in union with God and my inner spirit.

The call of Samuel in 1 Samuel 3: “The LORD came and stood there, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” Then Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.” This call reminds me of my spiritual journey during those years of my discernment to the priesthood, and now to my new role as a pastor, then later as judicial vicar for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

“When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen.” – Ernest Hemingway

I learned to listen to everyone in the parish, from our church to our school; everyone’s story is unique, both objectively and subjectively.

I collected surveys from our parishioners to identify the areas where we need to grow. Eventually, I formed a new Pastoral Liturgy Council that encompasses both the mission

and the liturgical celebrations of our church. We gathered and listened to one another every month.

LEARN – “Read assiduously and learn as much as you can. Let sleep find you holding your bible, and when your head nods let it be resting on the sacred page” (St. Jerome).

Read the bible, study and learn from the bible commentary, church history and ecclesiology, and current events. From the bible, I learned God’s Words and God’s Ways on how best I can respond to God’s Will in my vocation and my ministry.

“Learning is the eye of the mind” (French Proverb). I was ignorant of the Catholic Education system. Growing up in Cypress with my family, we were not able to experience Catholic education. We all attended public school.

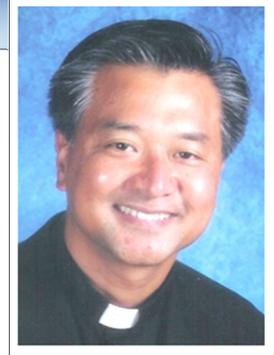
I learned from the very best, Bishop Edward Clark. Every evening during and after dinner, I would ask him questions. I learned by listening to his experiences as an educator, principal, and regional bishop.

I also made it my number one priority as a pastor to attend our school faculty meetings every Wednesday. I would just sit, listen, and learn from Ms. Kipp and all the teachers.

LAUGH – “Laughter has been implanted in our soul, that the soul sometime be refreshed” (St. John Chrysostom).

Laughter is the fruit of our joy and happiness. Life can be even more stressful or difficult if there was no laughter. We smile for many reasons, but our soul is renewed or invigorated when we laugh.

Celebrations of special events in life can bring a lot of laughter and gratitude to our body and soul. There have been many occasions for laughter and happiness through the various celebrations



of the sacraments of the Church from baptism to wedding, first communion and confirmation celebrations, school activities and graduations.

Honoring Bishop Clark's retirement at seventy-five and his fiftieth anniversary to his priesthood this year was very special for us as a parish. I cherish these moments of laughter.



At CCSV, I celebrated my tenth and twentieth anniversaries of my priesthood, and my fiftieth birthday with my family, friends, and parishioners during and after the Sunday masses. My twentieth anniversary on January 15, 2020, was the best celebration of my priesthood. It was very simple but meaningful because as a family, we all decided to wear our Vietnamese traditional clothing for the reception after mass. This was my very first time wearing it too.

Little did we know later that this would be my father Trung Nguyen's, last year on earth. He died on January 23, 2021, during the time that Covid-19 pandemic turned the world up side down, turning laughter into tears.



LEAD – “The greatest kindness one can render to any man consists in leading him from error to truth” (St. Thomas Aquinas).

As a priest and pastor, teaching and preaching are two of the most effective methods to lead God's people in prayer and catechesis. Four to five times per year, I organized a Day of Prayer for our Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and volunteers. Once a year, we hosted a three-day weekend



retreat that was usually held at Serra House in Malibu.

We also started a novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help with mass every Wednesday. We also led by example. Through the collaboration and participation of our pastoral liturgy council, we established many outreach programs to help those who are poor.

During the last several years, we started two new ministries: Hike for your Health and Senior ministry luncheon.

“A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don't necessarily want to go, but ought to be” (Rosalynn Carter). This quotation resonates with me a lot as I pray and reflect upon who I am as a priest and pastor.

During the last ten years, my homilies or preaching took a new approach. I incorporated a lot of psychology, philosophy, mindfulness, scripture and spirituality which gave one a chance to reflect on this question after coming home from church: “how could my life be different or ought to be?”

There were moments that I was called to make challenging decisions concerning our school and parish. Decisions to either delay or make immediate ones. Being able to handle situations like these is truly a virtue of prudence and wisdom. Virtues that can only be attained with prayers, discernment, and by consultations, expertise, and experiences.

The new construction of the science lab and art center at CCS required all of the above qualities for the completion of the project. CCS became one of the few elementary private Catholic schools that have an incredible and amazing science lab and art room for many generations to come.

LOVE – “Love is patient, love is kind” (1 Cor. 13).

The bridging of history from the old to the newness of our church, the continuity of leadership for God’s people, from the past to the present, requires the love of patience and kindness.

I did not have the chance to know Monsignor James Dolan, who was CCSV’s pastor from 1938 to 1971. However, I was able to get to know Father Earl Walker, our pastor from 1972 to 1998, very well. I briefly knew Father Charles (Chuck) Schwehr, our pastor from 2002 to 2007. I lived with both of them, and they welcomed me with open arms. I had the sad honor to bury both Father Walker (Oct 2010) and Father Schwehr (Nov 2007) in our church.

Love encompasses the walls of our church from the past to the present, from the outside to the inside, both architecturally and artistically during the last sixteen-year tenure.

We have historical arts from St. John Vianney Chapel which used to be a part of Daniel Murphy high school campus after it was sold in 2009: the stations of the cross, the confessional wood frames, and all the sanctuary artworks.

We have historical arts from the old St. Vibiana Cathedral that were incorporated into our church after the major repairs and renovations in September 2012: the four dedication candles, the stained glass window adjacent to the pipe organ, and the Lamb of God mosaic at the altar.

The flower arrangements and liturgical environment in our church are very unique, especially during the Lenten season where we would have the Lenten nails and the cross.

I could not have done all the years of listening, learning, laughing, leading, and loving, without your prayers and support. Your participation and giving of your time, talents and treasures with the

various ministries came from a deep love for our church.

I had the best supporting staff in the world, and the same staff that has been with me throughout my sixteen years here in the parish. The two pillars who worked tirelessly and sacrificed many sleepless nights are Ms. Tina Kipp (CCS Principal) and Nancy Sheehan (CCSV Business Manager). I love and will forever love Cathedral Chapel school and church.

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FUTURE OF MY PRIESTHOOD

“You learn to speak by speaking, to study by studying, to run by running, to work by working, and just so you learn to love by loving. All those who think to learn in any other ways deceive themselves” (St. Francis de Sales).

From my past and beautiful experiences of your love, prayers and support at CCSV, I can look forward to the future of our Catholic Church with great optimism and my priesthood with joy and love. Each one of you have laid for me a foundational stone for my journey ahead.

I am grateful to Father Doan Pham who will be my successor starting next week. My prayers will always be with him.

For many years I began every mass, and now I conclude this farewell message with my prayers of hope and well wishes to you and all your loved ones. I look forward to meeting you again somewhere, somehow in the future.

“Create in me a clean heart, O Lord, and renew in me a steadfast spirit.”



Prayer & Thank You Cards for Fr. Truc

Beginning this Sunday we invite all our parishioners and friends to take a prayer/thank you card especially made for Fr. Truc. You will have an opportunity to honor Fr. Truc with a prayer or thank you card already created and printed for your use.

You can choose from various designs and add your own personal message. Cards are available beginning this Sunday at the back of the church.

Please return the cards on or before Sunday, June 26th so that we can present them all together to Fr. Truc during his farewell reception. You may drop them in the collection basket or the parish office. Thank you for your cooperation!



**For the early Sunday mornings
For the middle of the night calls
For the wise counsel and advice
For the patience, love & sacrifice**

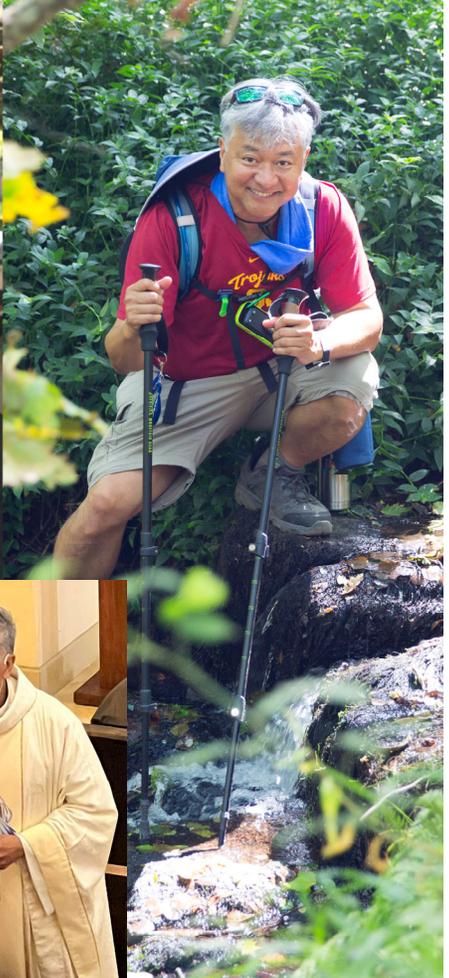
Thank You, Fr. Truc

For always giving your all!

You are so appreciated and will be missed!

**We love you,
Cathedral Chapel Parish**



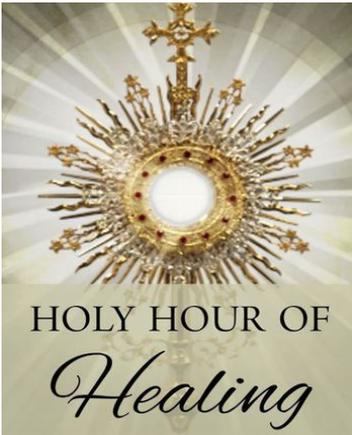


FR. TRUC TRIVIA QUIZ

Write the letter for your answer for each of the questions in the space provided.

- _____ 1. Where was Fr. Truc born?
A) Cambodia B) Laos C) North Vietnam D) South Vietnam
- _____ 2. How many siblings does Fr. Truc have?
A) 3 B) 5 C) 7 D) 9
- _____ 3. When did Fr. Truc come to the U.S.?
A) 1970 B) 1975 C) 1980 D) 1985
- _____ 4.. Before Fr. Truc became a priest, what was his occupation?
A) electrical engineer B) lawyer C) programmer D) software engineer
- _____ 5. When did Fr. Truc enter the seminary?
A) 1991 B) 1992 C) 1993 D) 1994
- _____ 6. Where was Fr. Truc ordained?
A) Beatitudes Church B) OLA Cathedral C) St, Paul Church D) St. Vibiana Cathedral
- _____ 7. Who ordained Fr. Truc?
A) Bishop Edward Clark B) Cardinal Roger Mahoney C) Bishop Joseph Sartoris D) Bishop Gerald Wilkerson
- _____ 8. Where did Fr. Truc receive his Master's Degree in Canon Law?
Catholic University B) Notre Dame University C) Pontifical Institute D) St. Paul University
- _____ 9. Where was Fr. Truc's first assignment after his ordination?
A) All Saints, LA B) Cathedral Chapel, LA C) Holy Family, Glendale D) St. Andrews, Pasadena
- _____ 10, In what year did Fr. Truc become a resident at Cathedral Chapel?
A) 2005 B) 2006 C) 2007 D) 2008
- _____ 11. When did Fr. Truc become pastor at CCSV?
A) 2009 B) 2010 C) 2011 D) 2012
- _____ 12. Who was the pastor at CCSV just before Fr. Truc?
A) Msgr. James Dolan B) Fr. Marshall Juan C) Fr. Charles Schwehr D) Fr. Earl Walker

- _____ 13. For how many years has Fr. Truc been a priest?
A) 15 B) 18 C) 22 D) 25
- _____ 14. What was Fr. Truc's job at the LA Archdiocese Office?
A) Cardinal McIntyre Fund B) Judicial Vicar C) Marriage Tribunal D) All of these
- _____ 15. What is his favorite sports team?
A) Dodgers B) Lakers C) Rams D) All of these
- _____ 16. What was the name of Fr. Truc's dog?
A) Elijah B) Joshua C) Moses D) Rover
- _____ 17. When is Fr. Truc's birthday?
A) March 25 B) May 1 C) July 15 D) Sept 12
- _____ 18. Where is Fr. Truc's favorite place to shop?
A) BestBuy B) Costco C) Staples D) The Mall
- _____ 19. How many times has Fr. Truc led pilgrimages from CCSV?
A) 3 B) 4 C) 5 D) 6
- _____ 20. In how many languages is Fr. Truc fluent?
A) 1 B) 2 C) 3 D) 4



HOLY HOUR OF
Healing

FIRST FRIDAY is July 1st

9:00am Mass followed
by Exposition of the
Holy Eucharist at 9:30am-
10:00am. Holy Hour of
Healing follows
immediately.

Many thanks

to all of you who
contributed to
our Senior
Luncheon.
Special thanks
to the Senior
Committee for
organizing the
happy event.

WEEK OF June 26-July 2, 2022
SAINTS, SPECIAL OBSERVANCES, MASS
INTENTIONS AND PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, June 26: 13th Sunday in
ORD Time, Fr. Truc's Parish Farewell
Party

8:00 **Celebrant: Fr Truc;**
Francisco & Beatriz
Montalvo 59th Wedding
Anniversary

10:00 **Celebrant: Fr. Truc;**
†Lucy and Delfin
Magpantay Sr.

12:00p **Celebrant: Fr. Truc;**
Special Intentions of Fr. Truc
and the Rubrico Family

MONDAY, June 27

9:00 *No Mass

TUESDAY, June 28: *St. Irenaeus*

9:00 **Celebrant: Fr. Truc;**
†Lucy Magpantay

WEDNESDAY, June 29: *Sts. Peter
and Paul*

9:00 **Celebrant: Fr. Truc;**
†Delphin Magpantay Sr.

THURSDAY, June 30: *The Martyrs of
the Holy Roman Church*

9:00 **Celebrant: Fr. Truc;**
†Aldon Thomas

FRIDAY, July 1: *St. Junipero Serra,
First Friday*

9:00 **Celebrant: Fr. Doan;**
†Mai Nguyen

SATURDAY, July 2

5:00p **Celebrant: Fr. Doan;**
†Miriam Espejo Guillermo

Priest's schedule subject to change.

*Confessions are on Sundays after each
Mass or by appointment (subject to
change.)

* We are grateful for all Mass Intentions
that were offered online. Mass
intentions received after our bulletin
deadline may not be reflected on this
list. If offering mass online, please allow
at least 2 weeks.

**LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
SCHEDULE: July 2-3
TEAM 1**

*Be a sign of
mercy.*

Second Collection
June 25-26, 2022

I SHOULD NO LONGER SAY THAT I HAVE
NEIGHBORS TO HELP, BUT THAT I MUST
MYSELF BE A NEIGHBOR TO OTHERS.

—POPE FRANCIS, FRATELLI TUTTI, NO. 81

*Our heartfelt thanks
to the Rubrico Family
for hosting our Farewell
Celebration for Fr. Truc.
May God's blessings be
with your family always!*

*The Peter's Pence Collection has a long
tradition as a sign that Catholics around
the world are joined in support of the
Holy Father. With funds collected
through the Peter's Pence, the Holy
Father provided an immediate response
of \$250,000 to the Church in Lebanon,
which made medical care, temporary
shelter, and other basic needs available
to victims... this is a concrete sign of
Mercy. Thank you for your generosity.*

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA

Living – Rudy Tidalgo, Ernest Tidalgo, Marc
Tidalgo, Ben Schuur, Harold Cormier,
Mikels Rilloraza, Roberto Maggaradia,
Gerald Wilkins, Prof. C. Udeze, Dr.
Tochukwu Nwosu, Emmanuel Odingbe,
Nonso Nwagbo, Mike Sheehan, Edmund
Lagman, Jimmy Navarro, Gary Herman Sr.,
Loreto Soriano, Jiggs Ibarrola, Tyler Craft,
Ed Rubrico, Rigo Mora, Jason Sias

Deceased - Dr. Joseph Udeze, Udeze Ilo,
Romanus Asoegwa, Jeptha Nwosu, Ignatius
Opene, Arturo Santiago, Filemon Celso,
Edwin Celso, Perfecto Bermudez, Herbert
Coom, Jesus Tidalgo, Paterno Tidalgo,
Perfecto Rasco, Perfecto Rasco Jr., Gene
Galicia, Eugenio Lim, Trung Nguyen,
Antonio Albarran, Michael Manion, Ike
Hernandez, Delfin C. Magpantay Sr., John
Joseph McQuaide, Francis Pennartz, Joe
Sias, Michael Neglia, John J. Norton

CATHEDRAL CHAPEL PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE: TUESDAY—FRIDAY 9:00 AM;
SATURDAY, 5 PM Vigil
SUNDAY, 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM

Confessions: Sundays following the Masses or
by appointment. Private Prayers: MON-FRI 9:30
AM-3:00 PM (Please call ahead.)

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SUNDAY READINGS: JUNE 26, 2022, 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God, with shouts of joy!

FIRST READING 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21

The LORD said to Elijah: "You shall anoint Elisha, son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah, as prophet to succeed you." Elijah set out and came upon Elisha, son of Shaphat, as he was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen; he was following the twelfth. Elijah went over to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Please, let me kiss my father and mother goodbye, and I will follow you." Elijah answered, "Go back! Have I done anything to you?" Elisha left him, and taking the yoke of oxen, slaughtered them; he used the plowing equipment for fuel to boil their flesh, and gave it to his people to eat. Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord. .

SECOND READING GAL 5:1, 13-18

Brothers and sisters: For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

For you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love. For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. But if you go on biting and devouring one another, beware that you are not consumed by one another. I say, then: live by the Spirit and you will certainly not gratify the desire of the flesh. For the flesh has desires against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh;

these are opposed to each other, so that you may not do what you want. But if you are guided by the Spirit, you are not under the law

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL Lk 9:51-62

When the days for Jesus' being taken up were fulfilled, he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem, and he sent messengers ahead of him. On the way they entered a Samaritan village to prepare for his reception there, but they would not welcome him because the destination of his journey was Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?" Jesus turned and rebuked them, and they journeyed to another village.

As they were proceeding on their journey someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head."

And to another he said, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, let me go first and bury my father." But he answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

Discipleship's Costs

In today's first reading, God tells the prophet Elijah to prepare Elisha to succeed him. Succeeding Elijah will be no easy task; he has spent his life facing threats from the kings he has confronted about their infidelity to the God of Israel. The psalm illustrates the emotional and spiritual distress that the prophets' steadfast faithfulness to God brought them. Paul's description of the Christian's freedom from the law as opposed to "the desire of the flesh" puts this struggle at the very heart of Christian identity. The reading from Luke's Gospel recounts Jesus' decision to journey toward Jerusalem, where he knows he will meet his earthly fate. Following Jesus—like succeeding Elijah as prophet—will now become more difficult. Unlike his calls to the first disciples, Jesus encounters those who are not ready or are not strong enough to journey with him.

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Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday:** Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Cyril of Alexandria
Tuesday: St. Irenaeus
Wednesday: Ss. Peter and Paul
Thursday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Friday: St. Junípero Serra; Canada Day; First Friday
Saturday: First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8
Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13
Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17
Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]

Today's Readings

First Reading — The LORD tells Elijah to anoint Elisha as prophet to succeed him (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

Psalm — You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

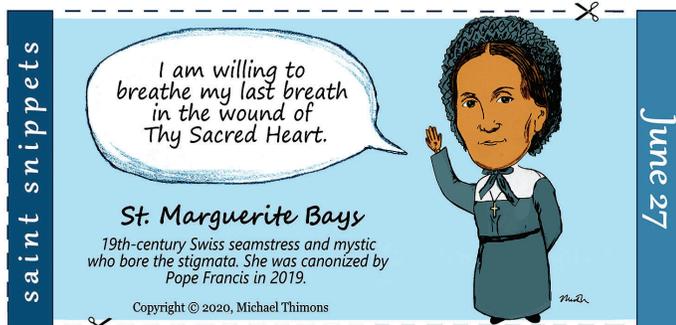
Second Reading — Use your freedom in Christ to serve one another through love (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

Gospel — While journeying to Jerusalem, Jesus speaks of the costs of discipleship (Luke 9:51-62).

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Prayer Of The Week

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



Reflection question:

Am I someone whom others see as standing in the bright light of truth?

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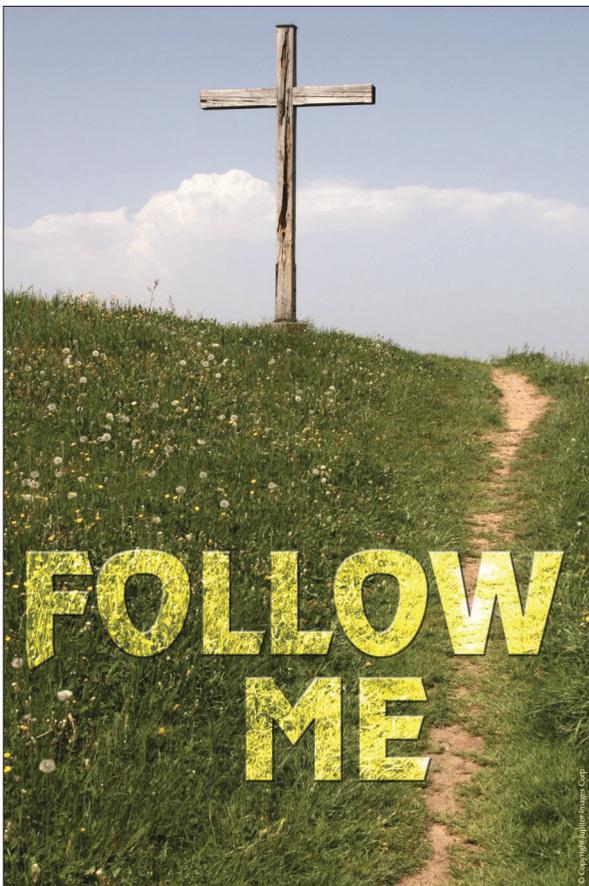
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Treasures From Our Tradition

The pilgrim experience of going by foot to Santiago de Compostella, the shrine of St. James, reaches its high point a month from now at the feast of the Apostle. By now, tens of thousands of pilgrims are already on the road. Typically, they cover twelve to twenty miles a day through rough territory. The difficult journey and the often primitive lodging facilities are made bearable by the joy of the pilgrims, their songs and prayers. When their journey is documented properly, they receive the scallop shell, a reminder not only of James the fisherman, but also his call to fish for human beings and to baptize the nations. In the Middle Ages, those who wore this badge on their hats were granted lodging and hospitality wherever they went. Next to the palm, the sign of a Jerusalem pilgrim, the scallop shell was most highly prized.

In the Middle Ages, some people so enjoyed the pilgrim road, although it was filled with discomfort and danger, that they spent most of their lives on the road. Today, some people take up the route for exercise, but are drawn gradually into the spirituality of the journey. As you make your summer travels, always fold in an element of pilgrimage: a long walk through beautiful countryside, a visit to a church, a prayer of gratitude for your journey through life's hills and valleys.

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Laws of Love

St. Paul has a unique vision of freedom. We often think that freedom means I can do what I want without interference from an outside source, such as a bureaucracy or a dictator. For most Americans, it means being able to take care of myself and my family, hopefully without having to pay too much in taxes. We usually associate that with the "pursuit of happiness" without thinking too much about what happiness is. What makes Paul's idea unique is that his vision of happiness means serving one another in love. For Paul, freedom is not so much being free from oppression as being free to love and serve those around us.

What would stop us from loving others? It could be fear: "I'm not sure I would be able to do any good. I'm afraid of going into a bad neighborhood to help the homeless. I fear that if I were more generous to the poor (church, Red Cross, life issues, etc.), I would not have enough for my family." Or it could be attachment to possessions or even to our family--the man in the Gospel wasn't free to follow Jesus because he thought it meant leaving his family behind. Paul talks about another kind of freedom when he says that following the Spirit means freedom from the Law (Galatians 5:18). He was not talking about ignoring the speed limit or pirating DVDs. He meant people who were obsessed with keeping all the laws and customs that were part of the Jewish tradition. It would be like someone who goes to Mass on Sunday only because he doesn't want to break a Church law, or someone who drives the speed limit only because he doesn't want to pay a fine. Taken to an extreme, you would have to memorize every law on the books to be sure you did not break one. The freedom of the Spirit is a life lived out of love. A person would go to Mass out of love for God; a driver would obey the speed limit to protect other drivers. As long as we love one another, we wouldn't have to worry about breaking the law, for God's laws are all examples of how to love one another.

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Tested By Fire

Since gold and silver, which are only corruptible metals, are purified and tested by fire, it is but reasonable that our faith, which surpasses all the riches of the world, should be tried.

—St. Peter Claver

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