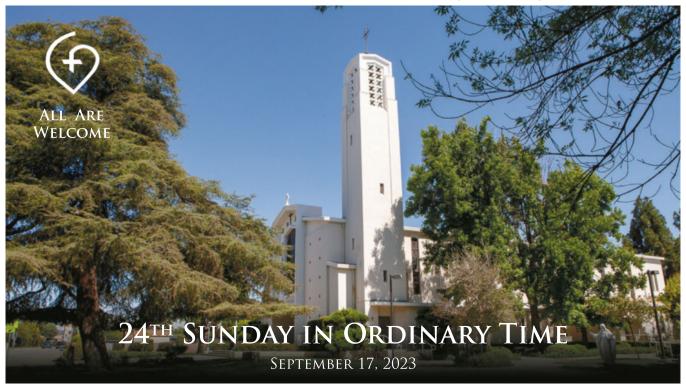
# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

A Roman Catholic Christian Community of Faith, Worship, and Service



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#### **PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS**

MON - THURS 9:00am to 9:00pm SAT 9:00am to 5:00pm + SUN 8:00am to 4:00pm (Office closed 12:30pm to 1:30pm everyday for Lunch)

CLOSED ALL DAY FRIDAY

**Emergency Sick Calls Anytime** 

#### **Pastor**

Rev. William T. Easterling, V.F.

#### **Priest Associates**

Rev. James Kelly Rev. Albert Avenido

#### **Deacons**

Dn. Ron Butler Dn. Jim Allgaier

#### Read the bulletin online at

www.sacredheart.cc/bulletin

#### Ministerios en Español:

Padre Bill y Padre Albert

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **Sunday Liturgy in English:**

- 5:30pm Saturday evening
- 6:30am + 9:30am\*
- 11:00am + 12:30pm
- 5:30pm LIFE TEEN MASS

#### Liturgia Domincal en ESPAÑOL:

• 8:00am\*

#### Weekday Masses Monday - Friday in English:

• 8:15am + 5:30pm

**Saturday morning Mass:** 8:15am

#### \*Mass for the Sick and Homebound

SUNDAY at 9:30am in English and 8:00am in Spanish Masses are provided on our YouTube & Facebook channels and webpage: www.sacredheart.cc

\*Mass for the Sick and Homebound is provided on Sundays only for those who are very seriously ill or homebound for major health issues.

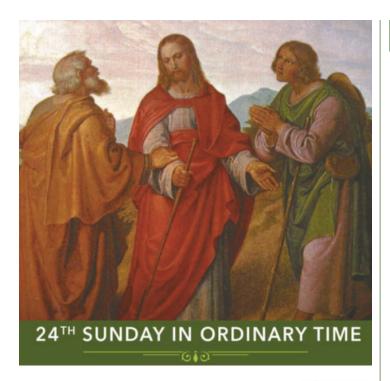
#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Every Friday 7:15pm to last person in the Parish Church









# Please pray...

for those who are **sick**, and their families, that they will feel God's presence and know his love, especially:



Orlando Neacato Moises Salazar Anthony Barreras Rosa Tan D.G. Escober Faith Garcia Amparo Bacon Leandra Anaya Linda Analoague Marichu Reyna Pauline Huang Mary Hellen Flores

**Please pray** for those who have **special needs**, and their families, that they will feel God's presence and know his love. **Specially**,

Arana Family, Rosa Tan, Bong & Nona Baromat & Fam., Gjurashaj Family

### Please Pray for the Soul of: Pierino Garbarino

Their funeral Masses were held at Sacred Heart Church.

May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

## SPECIAL COLECTI

**If You Misses Special Collections:** 

## HAWAII FIRESTORM VICTIMS Help Our Suffering Brothers and Sisters

If you missed our two special collections recently for the victims of the Hawaii firestorms you may mail or drop by our parish office a check or cash. Please specify that it is for: **Hawaii Fire Victims**. We will gladly send your gift on to the Archbishop's office.

There is another option, you can make a check payable to the: "Society for the Propagation of the Faith" and mail it to: Society for the Propagation of the Faith / Archdiocese of Los Angeles / 3424 Wilshire Blvd. - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor / Los Angeles, CA 90010. In the check memo please note "Maui Wildfires".

As the death toll from the devastating firestorms on the island of Maui, Hawaii continues to climb, officials have confirmed this to be the deadliest disaster in the state's history. In a telegram addressed to the Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, Pope Francis expressed his deep sadness at "the loss of life and the destruction caused by the wildfires" in Hawaii and assured those affected by the fires of his prayers.

Please keep in your prayers all those who have died, their surviving family and friends, all the injured, the first responders and the thousands of people who have suffered the loss of their homes and businesses.



Worldwide Marriage Encounters is an opportunity for married couples to focus on the most important area of their lives - their marriage. When we're dating and starting our lives together, our couple relationship gets top priority. Then life takes over. Our marriages often get put on the back burner. At Worldwide Marriage Encounter, you get away from the distraction of everyday life and focus on each other. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is an experience you'll cherish for the rest of your lives.

#### **Upcoming weekend dates: Oct. 13-15.**

For more information or to register, contact Cameron & Barbara Troxel at (909) 938-2682.

## AN UPDATE ON FATHER BILL'S HEALTH ISSUES

#### **ONE PRIEST:**

## Father Bill Only Priest Here Most of September

**Father Jim on sick leave.** At his request his health issues are confidential. It is assumed that he may be on sick leave for 3 to 6 weeks.

**Father Albert on pilgrimage.** For most of September Fr. Albert will be away on pilgrimage. Arrangements and commitments were made months ago and he very much deserves this.

**Father Bill recovering:** While in good health, he continues to recover from 3 major orthopedic surgeries the past 18 months and must still use a walker. He tires easily. It will be impossible for him to respond to sick calls. He will be available only for a limited number of funeral Masses, but unable to cover graveside services.

**Shortage of Priests:** There is a severe shortage of priests worldwide and an aging priesthood. The average age of priests in SoCal is 71. Parishes and all aspects of Church life must adapt to this painful and disappointing situation. The Archdiocese is looking for a priest to help us for a month or two, but there are no promises. So that we are not making last minute decisions we are planning ahead to make necessary cutbacks in our Mass schedule.

**Fr. Bill's Concerns Are:** To cover Sunday and Holydays Masses, next emergency sick calls, then funerals, also hopefully one Mass daily on weekdays. Confessions may be put on hold till after this parish crisis.

With these temporary changes we are planning ahead to avoid any last minute crisis and confusion:

## Temporary Weekday Mass Changes Sept. 5 through 19 inclusive

**Mondays**: 8:15am communion service 5:30pm Mass

**Tuesdays**: 8:15am Mass

5:30pm communion service

Wednesdays: 8:15am communion service 5:30pm Mass

Thursdays: 8:15am Mass

5:30pm communion service

Fridays: 8:15am Mass\*

5:30pm communion service

Saturdays: 8:15am CANCELED^

5:30pm Vigil of Sunday MASS

#### No Communion Service Saturday mornings

Funerals Masses: Monday through Saturday **when possible**; limit one a day, no more than 2 a week.

Communion services will be led by a deacon.

\*On school days our student body will be present for our Friday 8:15am Mass.

^Saturdays are full and popular for weddings and other Masses including funerals.

## Temporary Sunday Mass Changes Sept. 5 through 19 inclusive Three Weekends

### 6:30am ONLY Temporarily Canceled

- 1. Saturday evening at 5:30pm will continue as the Vigil Mass for Sunday.
- 2. Sunday morning at 6:30am will be CANCELED for these three weekends, no Communion Service at 6:30am. This is because we are expected to participate in Mass on Sundays, and a Communion Service is NOT a Mass.
- 3. The remainder of Sunday Masses will continue with our regular schedule. We thank the Comboni Missionary priests for covering our 8:00am Spanish Mass. Fr. Bill will cover the Saturday eve Mass and 4 remaining Masses on Sunday. We hope the Archdiocese can send a priest to help, please pray.

## Confessions on Hold for Friday Nights Sept. 8 and Sept. 15

At this time because of our current parish situation we cannot promise that a priest will be available for Friday night confessions on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> and Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. **Therefore we deeply regret that confessions for these two nights are canceled.** Please watch the bulletin and our website for any changes.

## Communion Service – Mass – Eucharist – Mass Intentions - Not the Same Thing

A communion service is not the same thing as a Mass. It lacks the fullness of the Eucharist. Without the Mass, there is no Eucharistic Sacrifice, no presence at Calvary. It provides the meal without the banquet of the Lord. It is like a wedding banquet, you are very late and miss the actual banquet but receive something at the door. While it is truly the Body of Christ it is something that remains, is left over, from a Mass celebrated before. And of course this service lacks the opportunity to receive the sacred Blood of Christ which cannot be reserved. The Church wants much more for you.

We are missing something far more important, more beautiful, more wonderful than a wedding. We are missing the opportunity to unite our hearts and souls to the love of Jesus Christ given through his sacrifice on the cross of Calvary; the fullness and completion of the Eucharistic banquet, the Eucharistic sacrifice.

With fewer and aging priests this is already happening in many parts of the United States on a regular basis.

Because there is no Sacrifice of the Mass, Mass intentions cannot be accepted, it is not Mass. Mass intentions already on the calendar will have to be rescheduled. Please consult our parish office if you need help with this.

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#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Figh School Confirmation

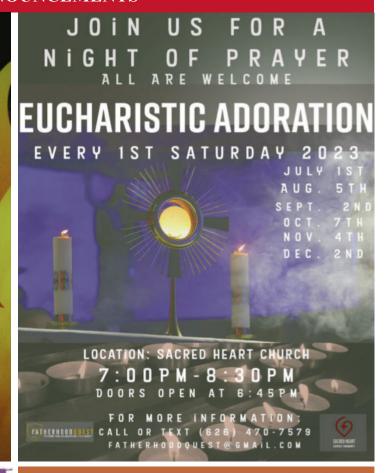
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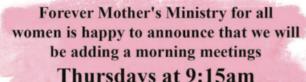
## PARENT ORIENTATION MEETINGS

Year One Confirmation: Tuesday, Sept 19th Year Two Confirmation: Tuesday, Sept 26th Both meetings will take place in Cavanagh Hall at 7:00 pm

This meeting is for families registered for the High School Confirmation Program 2023-2024. If you are a returning family and HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED, please email Mindy (melinda@sacredheart.cc) ASAP.

PURPOSE





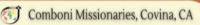
Thursdays at 9:15am at Parish Center in the Sister's Chapel.



We will continue to meet for prayer and support each

Tuesday at 7:00pm

in the Parish Center. Please join us for the time that works for you, or for both.



Join us for a delightful dinner in support of our missions



Saturday, 7th of October, 2023
Doors Open at 5:00PM | Dinner at 6:30PM



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#### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### THE HATEFUL THINGS WE HUG TIGHT

At the end of "Lord of the Rings: Return of the King," Gollum fights with Frodo for possession of the One Ring. He wins the fight, but in doing so topples over the edge of the mountain ledge, falling into the cavernous fires of Mount Doom. As he falls, we see him smile, and clutch the ring to his chest. He is happy. He has won what he spent his life pursuing.

It is only in the last millisecond before his face slips below the lava that we see his eyes widen in terror as he realizes the truth: the thing he clutches to his heart is the thing that killed him. In choosing the ring, he chooses death.

Sin, and the fallen nature of this world, makes us addicted to something that kills us.

Like any addiction, it is a vicious cycle. The less we forgive, the more hardhearted we become ... and the less we seek forgiveness ourselves.

What breaks the cycle? Reconciliation with God—or, Confession, as we call it. In fact, it does more than break the cycle. It turns it backward. Not only does it detoxify our souls of sin, it weakens our addiction to sin's effects—anger, vengeance, unforgiveness. The confession of evil works is the first beginning of good works, said St. Augustine.

Ultimately, I view our whole human life as a struggle on the ledge of a mountaintop. It is certain that we will choose sin — we always do. We will tumble over the side, toward ruin. But let us be Frodo, and not Gollum. Let us cling to the rock of the sacraments and accept the hand that would drag us away from the flames.

"Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight." — Sirach 27:30 ©LPi

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY

On October 8, 2023 our parish is having Bundle Sunday for the Society St. Vincent De Paul thrift stores. Please bring your *useable* clothing and *useable* household items on this day. Their truck will be here at our parking lot.

Please help them in their endless effort to assist the needy. They are in great need fo furniture and large appliances. Please phone (323) 224-6280 pt z(800) 974-3571 for free pick up of large items.





### 70th Anniversary Celebration!!!

#### 2023-2024 School Festival is Almost Here!

The date is approaching fast and we're making preparations. Don't miss out!

#### **Festival Dates & Hours**

Friday - September 29, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Saturday - September 30, 2023 from 2:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Sunday - October 1, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

#### Entertainment

Sept 29 Cold Duck 8-11PM
Sept 30 Balance 3-6PM AND Soto 8-11PM
Oct. 1 Vintage Band 2-5PM
AND Bruno & the Hooligans 6-8PM

**♥Sacred Heart School is celebrating its 70th year anniversary of continuous service of faith-based education. ♥** 

Parent Involvement is needed -Come join in fun and community alongside Sacred Heart Parents, children. and family. Your time and efforts are appreciated and needed.

## LECTURAS PARA ESTE DOMINGO

#### **PRIMERA LECTURA:**

Perdona la injusticia de tu prójimo; entonces, cuando oréis, vuestros propios pecados serán perdonados. (Eclo 28:2)

#### **SALMO:**

El Señor es bondadoso y misericordioso, lento para la ira y rico en compasión. (Sal 103)

#### **SEGUNDA LECTURA:**

Ninguno de nosotros vive para sí mismo y nadie muere para sí mismo.

Porque si vivimos, vivimos para el Señor, y si morimos, morimos para el Señor;

Así que, ya sea que vivamos o que muramos, del Señor somos. (Romanos 14:7-8)

#### **EVANGELIO**:

"Señor, si mi hermano peca contra mí, ¿Con qué frecuencia debo perdonar? ¿Hasta siete veces?

Jesús respondió: "Te digo, no siete veces, sino setenta y siete veces". (Mt 18:21-22)

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#### LAS LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes**: 1 Tim 2, 1-8/Sal 27, 2. 7. 8-9/Lc 7, 1-10

**Martes**: 1 Tim 3, 1-13/Sal 100, 1-2. 2-3. 5. 6/

Lc 7, 11-17

**Miércoles**: 1 Tim 3, 14-16/Sal 110, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/

Lc 7, 31-35

**Jueves**: Ef 4, 1-7. 11-13/Sal 18, 2-3. 4-5/

Mt 9, 9-13

Viernes: 1 Tim 6, 2-12/Sal 48, 6-7. 8-10. 17-18.

19-20/Lc 8, 1-3

**Sábado**: 1 Tim 6, 13-16/Sal 99, 1-2. 3. 4. 5/

Lc 8, 4-15

#### Las conmemoraciones de la semana

Martes: San Jenaro, obispo y mártir

Miércoles: Santos Andrés Kim Taegon, presbítero, y

Paul Chong Hasang y compañeros,

mártires

Jueves: San Mateo, apóstol y evangelistaSábado San Pío de Pietrelcina, presbítero

#### VIVIR LA LITURGIA

Tómate un tiempo para reflexionar sobre la enormidad de lo que Cristo nos ofrece en la salvación. ¿Podemos encontrar la fuerza para ofrecer solo una fracción de eso a nuestros hermanos y hermanas? ©LPi

### MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

Perdonemos a los demás como Dios nos perdona. Son palabras muy fáciles pero muy profundas para llevar a cabo. El Evangelio nos habla de la necesidad del perdón. Pedro va al grano y pregunta a Jesús por una solución rápida y hasta es matemático, habla de números. ¿Cómo dar solución a los celos, envidia, infidelidad, y tensiones por mencionar algo? ¿En síntesis, cuantas veces debo perdonar al que me ofende? La respuesta de Jesús a Pedro y a nosotros ahora es la misma: "No te digo siete, sino setenta veces siete" (Mateo 18:22). Perdonar siempre. La Oración Colecta ayuda a que reflexionemos en la misericordia de Dios y nos ayude a perdonar: "Señor Dios, creador soberano de todas las cosas, vuelve a nosotros tus ojos y concede que te sirvamos de todo corazón, para que experimentemos los efectos de tu misericordia".

¿No debías tú también tener compasión como yo tuve de ti? Compasión y misericordia son las palabras claves del mensaje de Jesús. No tiene sentido llevar cuentas del perdón, tiene más sentido ver la bondad de Dios hacia nosotros y que siempre nos perdona. "Perdono, pero no olvido". Demuestra que no se es capaz de perdonar desde el fondo del corazón. ¿Has experimentado el perdón de Dios? ¿Cómo ves a la familia, comunidad y sociedad en general en cuestión de perdonar? ¿Puedes ser tú instrumento de Dios para llevar el perdón donde se necesite? No olvides que: "El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso" (Salmo 102).



## READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

#### **First Reading:**

Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. (Sir 28:2)

#### Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion. (Ps 103)

#### **Second Reading:**

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. (Rom 14:7-8)

#### Gospel:

"Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive?

As many as seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." (Mt 18:21-22)

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#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday**: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Lk 7:1-10 **Tuesday**: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab,

5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/

Lk 7:31-35

**Thursday**: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/

Mt 9:9-13

**Friday**: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18,

19-20/Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday**: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/

Lk 8:4-15

#### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK**

**Tuesday**: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Wednesday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and

Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions,

Martyrs

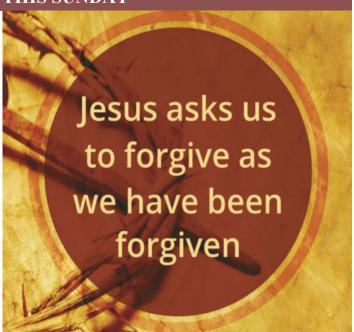
**Thursday:** St. Matthew, Apostle and Evange

Saturday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

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#### LIVE THE LITURGY

Take some time to reflect on the enormity of what Christ offers us in salvation. Can we find the strength to offer just a fraction of that to our brothers and sisters?



#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

When I was in second grade, my prized possession was a metal Star Wars-themed lunch box. After school one day, another student ripped it from my hands. I helplessly watched in horror as my classmate threw it to the ground and violently stomped it into an unrecognizable heap of junk. I came home covered in tears of shame and rage. After a few months, I never thought about it again ... until I was almost thirty years old and on a retreat to prepare for ordination to the priesthood.

That childhood memory — and the attendant outrage — came back afresh. My spiritual director helped me in the process of acknowledging that I was angry because that kid *owed* me my lunch box. Then she helped me, through the grace of Jesus, to forgive the debt. Almost immediately I felt a new peace. I was amazed that I hadn't forgotten what I had lost, even from years before. Aren't we human beings simply amazing at remembering what people owe us?

We see this week in Jesus' parable a servant who is forgiven much but then commands another servant: "Pay back what you owe!" He can't forget or let go of how he was wronged. He *remembers* — and he becomes a monster because of it. If only he had remembered not only the debts owed to him, but also his greater debt owed to — and forgiven by — his master. It's natural for us to remember what others owe us. But when we contextualize those offenses in Jesus' mercy toward us and them, we're free to be merciful like the Master and less like a monster who never forgets.

— Father John Muir

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#### XXIV DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

#### PRIMERA LECTURA

Ec (Sir) 17, 33-28, 9

Cosas abominables son el rencor y la cólera; sin embargo, el pecador se aferra a ellas. El Señor se vengará del vengativo y llevará rigurosa cuenta de sus pecados.

Perdona la ofensa a tu prójimo, y así, cuando pidas perdón, se te perdonarán tus pecados. Si un hombre le guarda rencor a otro, ¿le puede acaso pedir la salud al Señor?

El que no tiene compasión de un semejante, ¿cómo pide perdón de sus pecados? Cuando el hombre que guarda rencor pide a Dios el perdón de sus pecados, ¿hallará quien interceda por él?

Piensa en tu fin y deja de odiar, piensa en la corrupción del sepulcro y guarda los mandamientos.

Ten presentes los mandamientos y no guardes rencor a tu prójimo. Recuerda la alianza del Altísimo y pasa por alto las ofensas.

#### **SALMO**

Salmo 102, 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

#### R. El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso.

Bendice, al Señor, alma mía; que todo mi ser bendiga su santo nombre. Bendice, al Señor, alma mía, y no te olvides de sus beneficios.

#### R. El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso.

El Señor perdona tus pecados y cura tus enfermedades; él rescata tu vida del sepulcro y te colma de amor y de ternura.

#### R. El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso.

El Señor no nos condena para siempre, ni nos guarda rencor perpetuo. No nos trata como merecen nuestras culpas, ni nos paga según nuestros pecados.

#### R. El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso.

Como desde la tierra hasta el cielo, así es de grande su misericordia; como un padre es compasivo con sus hijos, así es compasivo el Señor con quien lo ama.

#### R. El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso.

#### SEGUNDA LECTURA

Rom 14, 7-9

Hermanos: Ninguno de nosotros vive para sí mismo, ni muere para sí mismo. Si vivimos, para el Señor vivimos; y si morimos, para el Señor morimos. Por lo tanto, ya sea que estemos vivos o que hayamos muerto, somos del Señor. Porque Cristo murió y resucitó para ser Señor de vivos y muertos.

## ACLAMACIÓN ANTES DEL EVANGELIO Jn 13, 34 R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Les doy un mandamiento nuevo, dice el Señor: que se amen los unos a los otros, como yo los he amado.

#### R. Aleluya.

#### **EVANGELIO**

Mt 18 21-35

En aquel tiempo, Pedro se acercó a Jesús y le preguntó: "Si mi hermano me ofende, ¿cuántas veces tengo que perdonarlo? ¿Hasta siete veces?" Jesús le contestó: "No sólo hasta siete, sino hasta setenta veces siete".

Entonces Jesús les dijo: "El Reino de los cielos es semejante a un rey que quiso ajustar cuentas con sus servidores. El primero que le presentaron le debía muchos millones. Como no tenía con qué pagar, el señor mandó que lo vendieran a él, a su mujer, a sus hijos y todas sus posesiones, para saldar la deuda. El servidor, arrojándose a sus pies, le suplicaba, diciendo: 'Ten paciencia conmigo y te lo pagaré todo'. El rey tuvo lástima de aquel servidor, lo soltó y hasta le perdonó la deuda.

Pero, apenas había salido aquel servidor, se encontró con uno de sus compañeros, que le debía poco dinero. Entonces lo agarró por el cuello y casi lo estrangulaba, mientras le decía: 'Págame lo que me debes'. El compañero se le arrodilló y le rogaba: 'Ten paciencia conmigo y te lo pagaré todo'. Pero el otro no quiso escucharlo, sino que fue y lo metió en la cárcel hasta que le pagara la deuda.

Al ver lo ocurrido, sus compañeros se llenaron de indignación y fueron a contar al rey lo sucedido. Entonces el señor lo llamó y le dijo: 'Siervo malvado. Te perdoné toda aquella deuda porque me lo suplicaste. ¿No debías tú también haber tenido compasión de tu compañero, como yo tuve compasión de ti?' Y el señor, encolerizado, lo entregó a los verdugos para que no lo soltaran hasta que pagara lo que debía.

Pues lo mismo hará mi Padre celestial con ustedes, si cada cual no perdona de corazón a su hermano".

#### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### FIRST READING

Sir 27:30-28:7

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

## R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

## R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

## R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

## R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

## R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

#### **SECOND READING**

Rom 14:7-9

Brothers and sisters:

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord,

and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

#### **ALLELUIA**

Jn 13:34

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; love one another as I have loved you.

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### **GOSPEL**

Mt 18:21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive?

As many as seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventyseven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting,

a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount.

Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt.

At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan.

When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants

who owed him a much smaller amount.

He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.'

Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused.

Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt.

Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair.

His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant!

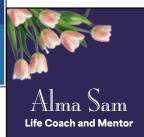
I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?'

Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt.

So will my heavenly Father do to you,

unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."







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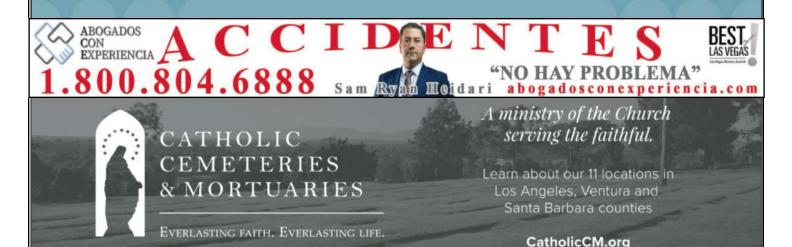
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