



# SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 23, 2020 ❖ 23 de Agosto 2020  
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
XXI Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

## REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS FOR THE 21st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

God's ways always have been allusive and incomprehensible for man – especially His Chosen People. Constantly, throughout Sacred Scripture, God has repeatedly attempted to bridge the gap between His omniscience and man's intellect. For some reason, the human mind takes His message and twists it to conform to the human will. Today's Liturgy of the Word reveals God's desire to bring justice and love to mankind despite human interference. The message is clear. God's compassion and love for mankind desires to restore order and to eradicate the evils of man. This restoration will draw all unto the Creator who desires nothing but love from His creation. Yet this ...

### DAILY MASS READINGS

#### LECTURAS DIARIAS DE MISA

##### **Sunday, August 23**

Isaiah 22: 19-23  
Romans 11: 33-36  
Matthew 16: 13-20

##### **Domingo, 23 de Agosto**

Isaias 22, 19-23  
Romanos 11, 33-36  
Mateo 16, 13-30

##### **Monday, August 24**

Revelation 21: 9-14  
John 1: 45-51

##### **Lunes, 24 de Agosto**

Apocalipsis 21, 9-14  
Juan 1, 45-51

##### **Tuesday, August 25**

2 Thessalonians 2: 1-3;  
14-17  
Matthew 23: 23-26

##### **Tuesday, 25 de Agosto**

2 Tesalonicenses 2, 1-3.  
14-17  
Mateo 23, 23-26

##### **Wednesday, August 26**

2 Thessalonians 3: 6-10,  
16-18  
Matthew 23: 27-32

##### **Miercoles, 26 de Agosto**

2 Tesalonicenses 3, 6-10.  
16-18  
Mateo 23, 27-32

##### **Thursday, August 27**

1 Corinthians 1: 1-9  
Matthew 24: 42-51

##### **Jueves, 27 de Agosto**

1 Corintios 1, 1-9  
Mateo 24, 42-51

##### **Friday, August 28**

1 Corinthians 1: 17-25  
Matthew 25: 1-13

##### **Viernes, 28 de Agosto**

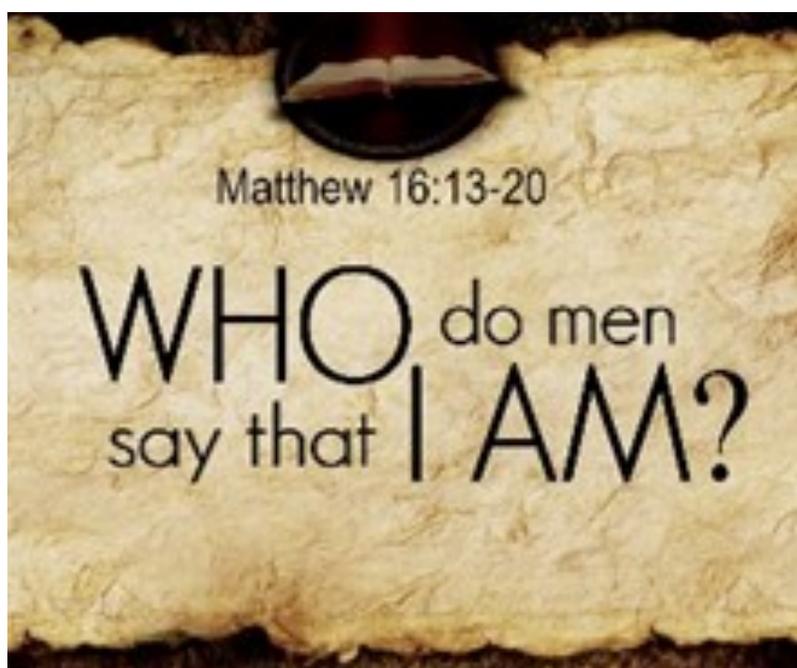
1 Corintios 1, 17-25  
Mateo 25, 1-13

##### **Saturday, August 29**

1 Corinthians 1: 26-31  
Mark 6: 17-29

##### **Sabado, 29 de Agosto**

1 Corintios 1, 26 –31  
Marcos 6, 17-29



*(Deacon Rob's Reflections continues inside)*

## THIS WEEK ♦ ESTA SEMANA



### ARCHBISHOP SAMPLE TO VISIT HERE

Friday, August 28

### EL ARZOBISPO SAMPLE PARA VISITAR AQUI

Viernes, 28 de Agosto

Mass at 10:00 am / Misa a la 10:00 am

Blessing of Modulars at 11:00 am /

Bendición a las 11:00 am

- ♦ Seating is Limited to 100 due to the pandemic. You will have to reserve your seats by calling Maria Addessi or Gloria Ahumada.
- ♦ Los asientos son limitados debido a la pandemia. Tendrás que reservar tus asientos. Contacto Maria Addessi o Gloria Ahumada.

### WRITE A NOTE TO OUR ARCHBISHOP

There is a stack of index cards available for you to write a short note for Archbishop Sample. Place completed note in the baskets provided. These messages will be given to him during his parish visit.



### ESCRIBA UNA NOTA A NUESTRO ARZOBISPO

Hay una pila de fichas disponibles para que pueda escribir una nota corta para Archbishop Sample. Coloque la nota completa en las cestas provistas. Estos mensajes le serán entregados durante su visita a la parroquia.



**FREE FOOD BOXES** will be available for pick-up, at the church, on the morning of **TUESDAY, AUGUST 25**. Check the parish's Facebook page for the times.

Las **CAJAS DE ALIMENTOS**

**GRATUITAS** estarán disponibles para que las recojan en la iglesia el **MARTES 25 de AGOSTO** por la mañana. Consulte la página de Facebook de la parroquia para conocer los horarios.

### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE HORARIO DE MISAS DE ESTA SEMANA

8/25 Tuesday / Martes

10:00 am, in English

8/26 Wednesday / Miercoles

6:00 pm, en Español

8/27 Thursday / Jueves

10:00 am, in English

8/28 Friday / Viernes

10:00 am, Bilingual w/Archbishop Sample

8/29 Saturday / Sabado

5:00 pm, in English

7:00 pm, en Español

8/30 Sunday / Domingo

9:00 am, in English

11:00 am, en Español

### ADORATION THIS WEEK

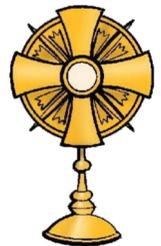
8/26 Wednesday / Miercoles

5:30—6:30 pm

8/28 Friday / Viernes

3:00 pm—8:00 pm

(Benediction at 7:00 pm)



### RECONCILIATION RECONCILIACIÓN SATURDAY / SABADO

3:30—4:30 pm

(Also available by individual appointment //  
Por cita individual con el Padre Kiko)

### August 15—16, 2020

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 1,780.00

Loose: \$ 227.00

#### COLECCIÓN SEMANAL

Building Fund \$ 50.00

Faith Formation \$ 25.00

Youth Ministry \$ 25.00

**TOTAL GIVING: \$ 2,107.00**



**REMINDER:** All Masses & Adoration are also live-streamed on the St.PatrickChurchIndependence Facebook page

**RECORDATORIO:** Todas las Misas y Adoración también se transmiten en vivo en la página de Facebook de St.PatrickChurchIndependence

## REFLECTIONS ON THE READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY, CONTINUED

... elusive love will be accomplished, but only, because God is persistent.

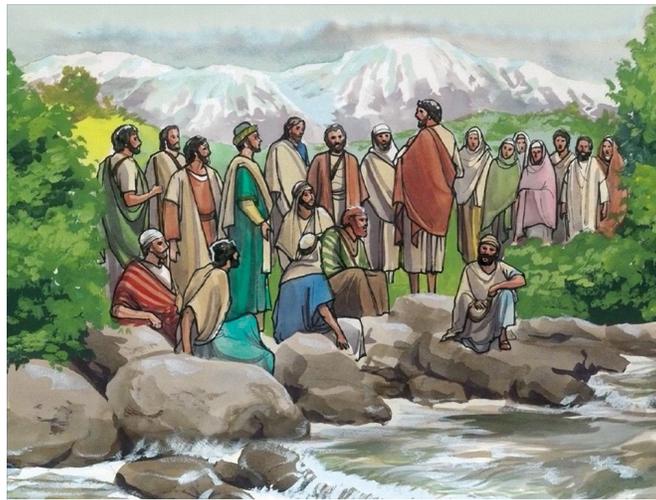
In the first reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, God tells the royal steward of King Hezekiah that the Lord is going to replace him, Shebna, due to his abuse of power. Shebna has freely chosen to exercise the Lord's gift selfishly as a result, the Lord intends to install Eliakim, a just and faithful servant, into the role of royal steward. This descriptive process of replacement is interesting as it uncovers the Divine subtle implications. First, God declares that Eliakim will be called, "Father". This word, and the role it implies, is extremely significant in antiquity. The word entails a special relationship between them through which children owe fidelity, love, obedience and gratitude to their "Father". In return, the Father is expected to love, provide, protect and guide his children. This relationship strengthens the family and the tribe to which all belong. It is the cornerstone of society. Secondly, besides being a "Father", the steward's role was one of access to the King. In antiquity, the royal steward was second only to the king. His power and authority were represented by the symbols of his office – title, robe and sash, and key to the palace's rooms. This position in the hierarchy culminated in great power. It was this power that needed to be used carefully, selectively, and not selfishly. The power given here could determine one's position in life and even life itself. Access to the caretaker of all could only be determined through this royal steward. Thus, God's Will desired a selfless person – a man that would "father" His people and think of their welfare not of his own. Therefore, the Lord, while respecting the free will He gave mankind, moved to intervene in order to set right that which went awry through the constant selfish acts of Shebna.

As usual, this account has a parallel with God's relationship with His Chosen People. The exclusiveness of the Jews will be shared with the Gentiles in the Kingdom of God. The Covenant Yahweh made with His People will be re-established through Christ with His Church. Jesus will address God as "Father" and urge his disciples to do the same. Christ will create a new "Family". The expectations and reciprocal actions will remain. Wisdom, Justice and Righteousness, reflected in human actions, will be paramount in the Kingdom of God. They are the key to all relationships – both human and Divine.

It is this same Wisdom about which Paul elucidates to the Romans in the second reading. Short, but to the point, Paul expounds on the Wisdom of God and on His Paternal nature. The Apostle to the Gentiles exhorts the wisdom and knowledge

of God – something that cannot possibly be comprehended by the human mind. He concludes using a phrase that is paraphrased at the end of the Christian Eucharistic Prayer, "...For from Him and through Him and for Him are all things. To Him be glory forever, Amen." Paul is emphasizing the paternal nature of God. The Apostle to the Gentiles asserts the love the Creator has for His Children and the Divine guidance He offers. Paul reveals the Christian Family to the Romans. This "family" is inclusive of all – free men, slave, male, female, Gentile and Jew.

In today's Gospel by Matthew, Jesus initiates, on a higher and greater level, a similar intervention event such as was proclaimed in our first reading. Here, Christ asks his disciples a very revealing question. Referring to himself, He inquires as to



who do people say the "Son of Man" is? They respond naming John the Baptist (who was beheaded), Elijah, Jeremiah, or a prophet. Then, seeking to discover his Father's choice as to a leader of His Church, he inquires who do they think he is? At this point, Peter speaks and proclaims that Jesus is the Christ and the Son of God. Jesus, being the Divine Royal Steward, proclaims that God has chosen Peter to be the new "steward". With that proclamation, Jesus renames Simon, "Peter", thereby, creating a new person and establishing Christ's own successor. Signifying this, Christ gives Peter the "keys" to the kingdom of Heaven. With the keys, goes the authority of a steward. Christ passes on the power to bind or loose things on Earth and in Heaven. In essence, Christ hands mankind the power to determine his own eternal fate. With this stunning empowerment, Jesus mysteriously enjoins them all to tell no one that he is the "Christ", at least, for the moment.

Today's liturgy certainly inspires us to reflect upon the ways of God. His Plans seem strange to us who have finite understanding. What may appear to be a "*carte blanche*" ticket to mankind really is not. Just as God ministered and tended the ancient Jewish kingdoms, He does the same with the New Kingdom Jesus establishes. The salient point though is that God has included mankind in His Family's decision-making process. As Father, He will guide us, protect us and bestow upon us all the love, care, protection and guidance we need. At the same time, as His children, we owe Him unequivocal obedience, respect, service and love. We, too, through our "adoption" as "children" of God, have been reborn and accepted as brothers and sisters of Christ. It is, therefore, our responsibility to accept in faith whatever the Father gives, knowing that His love and intent is to draw us to Himself.

*Deacon Rob*

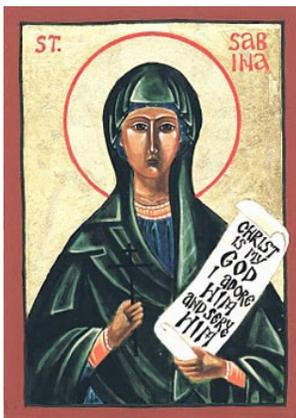


**TIME TO SIGN UP!**

If you are interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation, please fill out a registration form for the RCIA classes that will begin in September. *Class sign-up forms are available at the parish office. Weekly classes will last about 6 months.*

**¡HORA DE REGISTRARSE!**

Si está interesado en convertirse en miembro de pleno derecho de la Iglesia Católica a través de los sacramentos de Bautismo, Comunión y Confirmación), complete un formulario de inscripción para las clases de RICA que comenzarán en septiembre. *Los formularios de inscripción a las clases están disponibles en la oficina parroquial. Las clases semanales durarán unos 6 meses.*



**SAINT OF THE WEEK:  
SABINA  
August 229**

We know of St. Sabina only through legend, and there is some question as to its trustworthiness. Even the century in which she lived is unknown. Supposedly Sabina was converted to Christianity by her Syrian servant, Serapia. During the

persecution of Emperor Hadrian, Serapia suffered martyrdom for her Christian Faith. It is believed that St. Sabina was murdered for the Faith about a month later. The renowned basilica on the Aventine in Rome is dedicated to and named after her. Some sources hold that Sabina herself had it constructed in the third or fourth century. In an age when our Faith is ridiculed as being outmoded, we take heart in the lives of so many martyrs, like St. Sabina, who gave their lives under terrible conditions to defend and sustain their Faith. This confers on us a strong desire to persevere in God's love.

**PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER**

There are fellow parishioners who will pray for your requests & intentions, however we have to know what they are! Please consider placing your request through our parish website. On the main page, you will see this picture.



Just click on that picture and fill out the request form. The information is sent to Chris Block, our prayer chain coordinator and will be posted on the Prayers & Intentions page of our website.

If you are technically challenged, you can contact Chris directly at 503-623-2864.



*If you would like to pray for the prayer requests and intentions of other parishioners, you can see their requests entered on the website by clicking on "Prayers & Intentions" under the "Events & News" tab.*

**MASS REMINDERS**

- Reserve your seat(s) by calling Maria or Gloria.
- Arrive early to be checked in.
- Sit in your assigned seat(s).
- Exterior seats go to communion first.

**RECORDATORIOS SOBRE LA MISA**

- Reserve su (s) asiento (s) llamando a Maria o Gloria.
- Llegue temprano para registrarse.
- Siéntese en su asiento asignado (s).
- Los asientos exteriores van primero a la comunión.

**SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

August 24: Bartholomew	August 29: Augustine
August 25: Louis	<b>August 29: Sabina</b>
August 26: Pandwyna	August 30:
August 27: Monica	Jeanne Jugan

**PARISH CONTACTS**

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**CONTACTOS PARROQUIALES**





## FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION (First Communion & Confirmation)

Please bring your completed registration forms to one of the following registration times. Forms are available in the rack outside the Parish Office.

### REGISTRO DE FORMACIÓN DE FE (Primera Comunión y Confirmación)

Traiga sus formularios de registro completos a uno de los siguientes horarios de registro. Los formularios están disponibles en el estante fuera de la Oficina Parroquial.

Tuesday/Martes	8/25	6:00—8:30 pm
Thursday/Jueves	8/27	6:00—8:30 pm
Tuesday/Martes	9/1	6:00—8:30 pm
Thursday/Jueves	9/3	6:00—8:30 pm

In the parish parking lot



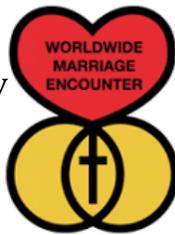
**CATECHISTS NEEDED  
FOR ALL FAITH  
FORMATION CLASSES /  
CATEQUISTAS**

### NECESARIOS PARA TODAS LAS CLASES DE FORMACIÓN DE LA FE

Comuníquese con Cynthia Cisneros /  
Please contact Cynthia Cisneros  
503-939-3163  
cynthiacisneros19@hotmail.com

*"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon  
this rock I will build my church."*

Let the Church feed your marriage by going on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Our next weekend experience will be virtual on November 6-8, in Portland, Oregon. To apply for **YOUR** WWME Weekend or search other dates go to [rediscoverthespark.org](http://rediscoverthespark.org). For information about WWME call 503-853-2758 or by email at [reservations@rediscoverthespark.org](mailto:reservations@rediscoverthespark.org)



## CLASS SCHEDULE: FIRST COMMUNION

First year students will meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month from 7pm-8:30pm. Parent(s) MUST attend with student. Classes begin October 11.

Second year students will meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month from 10am-11:30am. Parent(s) MUST attend with student. Classes begin October 13.



## HORARIO DE CLASES: PRIMERA COMUNIÓN

Los estudiantes de primer año se reunirán cada segundo martes del mes de 7 pm a 8:30 pm. Los padres DEBEN asistir con el estudiante. Las clases comienzan el 11 de octubre.

Los estudiantes de segundo año se reunirán cada segundo domingo del mes de 10 am a 11:30 am. Los padres DEBEN asistir con el estudiante. Las clases comienzan el 13 de octubre.



## CLASS SCHEDULE: CONFIRMATION

First year students will meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month from 1pm-3pm. Classes begin September 20.

Second year students will meet every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month from 1am-3pm. Classes begin September 6.

## HORARIO DE CLASES: CONFIRMACIÓN

Los estudiantes de primer año se reunirán cada tercer domingo del mes de 1 pm a 3 pm. Las clases comienzan el 20 de septiembre.

Los estudiantes de segundo año se reunirán el primer domingo del mes de 1 am a 3 pm. Las clases comienzan el 6 de septiembre.

## GOOD NEWS!!

*Communion to the Homebound has again been approved by the Arch-diocese. We will begin once our ministers have been trained in the safety procedures according to the pandemic guidelines. Please contact Rick Block (503-623-2864 or by email [rick.chris76@gmail.com](mailto:rick.chris76@gmail.com)) for this ministry.*

