

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 31, 2025

MISSION STATEMENT

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER is a Eucharistic community of believers commissioned through our Baptism to share the Gospel message of Jesus Christ with all people. Out of our diversity we create unity through respect for every person, common celebrations, sacramental worship, Christian education of all ages, and outreach programs.

WELCOME!

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship here today and hope you will find this community a place where your faith can be nourished. Visit the Parish Center or www.sjwchurch.com.

MASSES

Saturday

8:30 a.m.

5:30 p.m. (Vigil) English 7:00 p.m. (Vigil) Spanish

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Vietnamese 9:00, 10:30 a.m. English 12:00 p.m. Spanish

Monday - Friday 6:30, 8:30 a.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

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J. P. Fernandez

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The Rewards of Humility

Jesus loved the gatherings around meals. In this Sunday reading, he is among the Pharisees who always try to trick him into saying something they can criticize. There is no tricky question here, but Jesus notices how the guests, while gathering, were choosing the places of honor. That gives him the opportunity to tell a parable about meal seating and the importance of humility. The proud guests who seat at the table closest to the host risk the public humiliation of being asked to give up their place, but the humble guests who go to a more distant table may be asked to move to a better seat.

In the words of Jesus, as recorded by the Evangelist, "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Lk 14:11)



Paolo Veronese, Feast at the House of Simon, Pinacoteca di Brera, Milan

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Parish Center Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 -7:00 p.m. • Sat.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. • Sun.: Closed



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)/ Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44 Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11 Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39 Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5 Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/ Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

MASS INTENTIONS

To have a Mass said for a loved one or for another intention, stop by the Parish Center to make arrangements.

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Sunday	August 31			
7:30 a.m.	Phaolo Nguyen Van Hung (RIP)			
7:30 a.m.	Catharina Nguyen Thi Ly (RIP)			
9:00 a.m.	Pedro Marthel (RIP)			
9:00 a.m.	Charles Bruen (RIP)			
10:30 a.m.	SJW Parishioners (Intentions)			
10:30 a.m.	Corazon Cercado (RIP)			
12:00 p.m.	Cesar Contreras (RIP)			
12:00 p.m.	Victor Alejandro Orozco Rivas (RIP)			
Monday	September 1			
6:30 a.m.	No Mass			
8:30 a.m.	Kris and Mark Calabio (Birthday)			
8:30 a.m.	Alfredo and Caridad Velasquez (RIP)			
Tuesday	September 2			
6:30 a.m.	Tim De Ramos (Get Well)			
8:30 a.m.	Charisse Abad (Birthday)			
8:30 a.m.	Nonon Abad (Birthday)			
Wednesday	September 3			
6:30 a.m.	SJW Parishioners (Intentions)			
8:30 a.m.	Antonio Oabel (RIP)			
8:30 a.m.	Sheryl Fernandez (Birthday)			
Thursday	September 4			
6:30 a.m.	Danny Galang (RIP)			
8:30 a.m.	Albert Torralba (RIP)			
8:30 a.m.	Shiva and Tina Shivakumar (Anniversary)			
Friday	September 5			
6:30 a.m.	Maria Pham Thi Ngoi (RIP)			
6:30 a.m.	Vicent Dang Van Hien (RIP)			
8:30 a.m.	Alfredo and Caridad Velasquez (RIP)			
8:30 a.m.	Estrada Family (Thanksgiving)			
Saturday	September 6			
8:30 a.m.	Trina Mina (Birthday)			
8:30 a.m.	Memorial Society			
5:30 p.m.	Lino Mariano (RIP)			
5:30 p.m.	Valencia Family (Thanksgiving)			
7:00 p.m.	SJW Parishioners (Intentions)			
Sunday	September 7			
7:30 a.m.	Maria Pham Thi Ngoi (RIP)			
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9:00 a.m.	Lu TGardo Leo Ignacio (RIP)			
9:00 a.m.	Eulogio Ignacio (RIP)			

10:30 a.m. Clarita and Mert Digirabigi (Thanksgiving) 10:30 a.m. Esguerra Navarro Family (Thanksgiving)

12:00 p.m. Ramiro Gonzalez (RIP)

12:00 p.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

PARISH LIFE

MISSION APPEAL - SEPTEMBER 6 AND 7 MARYKNOLL LAY MISSIONERS

Elvira Ramirez is a native of Mexico, raised in the San Joaquin Valley of California, currently serves as the executive director for Maryknoll Lay Missioners. Prior to coming to Maryknoll Lay Missioners, Elvira served as the executive director of Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Stockton, California, an agency that served seniors, immigrants, low-income individuals and families and veterans. Her life-long career in providing services to the poor and marginalized comes from a deep gratitude for many blessings, and from a desire to put faith into action.

Elvira will speak at St. Joseph the Worker during the weekend of September 6-7, 2025 to share her mission experience as part of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' Missionary Cooperation Plan 2025. The second collection will be taken to support Maryknoll Lay Missioners. Your kind welcome and generous support is most appreciated.

Maryknoll Lay Missioners is one of the largest U.S. Catholic organizations sending laypeople into global mission. Over the past five decades, we have prepared and sent more than 900 missioners who have accompanied people experiencing poverty and marginalization around the world.

Your donations will allow Maryknoll Lay Missioners to prepare and sustain laypeople in global mission and to help build a more just, compassionate and sustainable world. This once-a-year opportunity is a wonderful way for all of us to participate in the on-going global mission to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth! To learn more please visit www.mklm.org.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Once I was invited to a group meeting with Pope Francis. Entering the room, I paused, eyeing the seats next to the Pope's fancy chair. Someone saw my paralysis and invited me to sit in the seat farthest from what I wanted. Hiding my disappointment, I sat. We waited. To our surprise, an aid pointed out that those seats were still empty and invited me and another to have them. We calmly but gleefully strode across the room and sat. Pope Francis entered, and we enjoyed two hours of amazingly uplifting conversation.

Jesus says this week to us: "When you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table" (Luke 14:10). This is not about how to score free seat upgrades. Rather, it is a wise pattern for the whole of life. It is how to live free from the anxiety of constantly grasping for status and recognition.

Jesus perfectly embodies his seat-taking advice. He eschews his glorious throne for the lowest: death on a cross, that lonely chair we all deserve. In his resurrection, he calls us up higher to his marvelous banquet seats. This week, perhaps we should look for opportunities to choose the lowest seat. We'll be pleasantly surprised when we do.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Center will be closed from Saturday, August 30 to Monday, September 1st, in observance of Labor Day. There will be no 6:30 a.m. Mass

Have a safe holiday!

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PARISH LIFE

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

We invite you to be in the presence of the **Blessed Sacrament** every Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the church



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 7

Just a reminder! The St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday is next **Sunday September 7**, in the parish parking lot at 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We need your support! Remember to bring any useable items that will help needy individuals. For large items including furniture, large appliances, and vehicles, please phone (323) 224-6280 or (800) 974-3571 for home pickups.



PRAY FOR YOUR PARISH FINANCES

Bring your full tithe to the church so there will be ample provisions in my Church. Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams. (Malachi 3:10)

Weekly Goal	08/24/2025	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$11,827	\$13,797	-14.3%

2025 Env \$5,075 (42.9%) E-giving \$1,659 (14.0%) 2024 Env \$6,360 (46.1%) E-giving \$2,113 (15.3%)

DEVOTIONS/PRAYER GROUPS

Rosary

Monday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Church)

Friday 7:00 p.m. (Church)

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Church)

Grupo de Oración

Miércoles 7:00 p.m. (Salón Parroquial)

Charismatic Prayer Group

Thursday 7:00 p.m. (Church)

SACRAMENTS

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Confirmation Process (Grades 8th - 12th)

Year One - Bimonthly

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 pm OR Sundays 9:30 - 11:00 am

Year Two - Bimonthly

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 pm OR Sundays 9:30 - 11:00 am

Information: JP Fernandez, ext. 1018

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Information: Bill Sparks, ext. 1012. Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals

Call the Parish Center.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This sacrament of healing is received by those who are seriously ill, approaching serious surgery, or near death. Please contact the Parish Center to arrange a convenient time. If a parishioner who has not been anointed is near death, please call the Parish Center at any hour.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Wendy Pelamati, Hazel Villanueva, Sofia Mckee, Raul Andia, Juana Ibañez, Joseph Alvarez, Kurt Backe, Sisters Erlinda and Angelina Pocasangre Escobar, Victoria Spinoza, Dolores Rodriguez Calle, Maria Ines Medina, Brenda Aguilar, Ana Cristina Seabra, Natalia Camarillo, Mary Zangari, Benny De La Cueva, Carlos Saenz, Gilberto Venegas, Daniel Argott, Barbara Darcy

If you have a loved one or friend in our parish community who would like a visit from a Eucharistic Minister to the Sick please call the Parish Center.

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently lost a loved one.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Information: Karina Villanueva, ext. 1016.

Schedule of Classes

Elementary Grades 1-5 English

Wednesday, 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. or

Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Elementary Grades 1-5 Spanish

Saturday, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Middle School Grades 6-8 English

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Special Education

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Elementary (Vietnamese)

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

RCIA

(RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Curious about Catholicism and want to know more? Interested in becoming a Catholic? Would you like to receive the Sacraments of Initiation?

Information: Bill Sparks, ext. 1012.

Inquiry Classes:

Adults (English)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room Sundays 12:00 p.m.

Adults and Youth or Teens (Spanish)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Room Fridays 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Adults (Vietnamese)

St. Therese of Lisieux/St. Martin de Porres Room Mondays 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Youth or Teen 12-18 years (English)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room Tuesdays 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Children 7-12 years (English)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Children 7-12 years (Spanish)

St. Therese of Lisieux/St. Martin de Porres Room Fridays 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

VIRTUS RECERTIFICATION

This is for all ministers. VIRTUS RECERTIFICATIO is open for sign up. This is for ministers that have been previously trained. The session is scheduled for Saturday, September 27, at 9AM, in the Parish Hall. This session is presented in Spanish. To sign up please call the Parish Center (818) 341-6634.

EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION

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CHRISTIAN INITIATION PROCESS

The Christian Initiation Process invites unbaptized adults and children age 7 and older who wish to prepare to receive the sacraments of Christian initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Also invited are those who wish to complete their Initiation sacraments by receiving Confirmation and Eucharist, and those non-Catholics and who wish to integrate into the Catholic Church. Please contact Bill Sparks at (818) 341-6616 ext. 1012.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Last registration days for Children and Youth catechesis sessions beginning in the Fall, in preparation for First Communion or Post Communion:

Wednesday, September 3

4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Inside the school building

Saturday, September 6

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Inside the school building Hurry up, spaces are limited, FIRST COME FIRST SERVE

Baptism and birth certificates required.

PICK REGISTRATION FORMS in the parish office or check our website: sjwchurch.com

BECOME A CATECHIST

Religious Education is looking for new team members! Interested? Contact Karina at the Parish Office, (818) 341-6634, ext. 1016

PRE - BAPTISMAL CLASSES

Pre-Baptism Classes are available in English and Spanish for parents and godparents, once a month. Please call the Parish Center (818) 341-6634 for more information.



PARISH LIFE

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

What having a "healthy caution" toward adults can mean, part 2 Having a healthy caution towards adults means requiring all adults to follow safety rules, outlined in policies or codes of conduct, no matter what position they hold in an organization. Adults must also be willing to look at their own behavior and ensure that it is aligned with safety policies and practices. Monitoring the behavior of all adults and speaking up if something is uncomfortable or unsettling — no matter what the relationship between the adults is — it's critical to keeping children safe. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Why Should We Have a Healthy Caution Toward Adults" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

MASS INTENTIONS

We are accepting Mass Intention Requests for September, October, November and December. You may download and print the Mass Intention Request form from our website or get one at the Parish Center. Complete the form and deliver or mail it to the Parish Center with your \$10 per Mass donation. A check payable to St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church is preferred; cash is accepted (exact amount, please). There is a limit of four requests per family. We do not accept phone requests.

SJW MEMORIAL SOCIETY

St. Joseph the Worker Memorial Society is intended as a meaningful and beautiful way for persons to remember their beloved deceased or to express their condolences to friends who have lost a loved one. Persons enrolled in the Memorial Society will share in the spiritual benefits of special Masses and prayers offered throughout the year, every year. A Mass is offered for those enrolled every first Saturday of the month at our 8:30 a.m. Mass. The enrollment list is kept in the Parish Center and is accessible during office hours. Each memorial is presented in a handsome leatherette folder, containing an enrollment card where the name of the person remembered is inscribed, along with the person who enrolled the deceased. The leatherette folder with personalized enrollment card is particularly suitable on the occasion of a death, to bring to a viewing or funeral, or to send as an anniversary remembrance. Call the Parish Center to make arrangements.



IN THE COMMUNITY

RESPECT LIFE

Crisis Pregnancy Hotline (800) 973-7334 Abortion Recovery Help (877) 467-3463; www.rachelsvineyard.org Angels Way Maternity Home (818) 346-2229

VALLEY FAMILY CENTER

We are located in the city of San Fernando. All services are in English/Spanish. Counseling services include: Marriage, family and child. Special groups: Teen girls, children 5 - 12, children of divorced couples, victims of abuse, children's bereavement group, parenting educational classes, domestic violence perpetrator groups (as needed) Sliding scale fees. Call (818) 365-8588.

RETROUVAILLE

Marriage Help – Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about, or to register for the next program call: (661) 257-7980 or email: ornelasdachs@sbcglobal.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

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Share your lifetime of skills, wisdom and life experiences with poor and marginalized members in one of the Ignatians West partner agencies. We will match your interests and talents with the needs of children, adults and seniors in a variety of non-profit settings. Our volunteers work 1-2 days/week from September through June in schools, food pantries, hospitals, etc.

In addition, volunteers also meet once a month and attend two inspiring retreat days per year for group sharing and reflection in the Ignatians tradition. This Jesuit-affiliated ministry invites you to assist those in need, work for a more just society, care for the earth and grow deeper in your faith. The benefits are priceless! Check us out at www.ignatianswest.org

You can make a difference in the life of another! For further information, contact Anne Hansen ahansen@ignatianswest.org 805-443-0812

EMAIL SCAMS

Don't be a victim!

If you receive suspicious emails, do the following:

- Take time to consider your actions before responding to suspicious email messages.
- If in doubt, call the published main number of the parish, school or administrative office from whom the email claims to have been sent to authenticate the email message.
- Do not respond to the email if you doubt its origin.
- Please know that your priests at St. Joseph the Worker would never email you asking for money.



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo: Eclo 3, 17-18, 20, 28-29/Sal 14, 2-3. 3-4. 4-5 (1)/Heb 12, 18-19. 22-24/Lc 14, 1. 7-14

Lunes: 1 Tes 4, 13-18/Sai 95, 1 y 3. 4-5. 11-12. 13/Lc 4. 16-30

Martes: 1 Tes 5, 1-6. 9-11/Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14/Lc 4, 31-

Miércoles: Col 1, 1-8/Sal 51, 10. 11/Lc 4, 38-44 Jueves: Col 1, 9-14/Sal 97, 2-3. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 5, 1-11 Viernes: Col 1, 15-20/Sal 99, 1-2. 3. 4. 5/Lc 5, 33-39 Sábado: Col 1, 21-23/Sal 53, 3-4. 6 y 8/Lc 6, 1-5 Domingo: Sab 9, 13-18/Sal 89, 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14-17

(1)/Flm 9-10. 12-17/Lc 14, 25-33 **PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS**

Como pueden tener una "precaución saludable" hacia los adultos, parte 2

Tener una "precaución saludable" con los adultos significa exigir a todos ellos que sigan las normas de seguridad, recogidas en políticas o códigos de conducta, independientemente del cargo que tienen en una organización. Los adultos también deben estar dispuestos a analizar su propio comportamiento y asegurar que cumplen con las políticas y prácticas de seguridad. Supervisar el comportamiento de todos los adultos y alzar la voz si algo resulta incómodo o inquietante – independientemente de cuál sea la relación entre los adultos – es fundamental para mantener la seguridad de los niños. Para saber más, lea el artículo de VIRTUS® "¿Por qué debemos tener una 'precaución saludable' hacia los adultos?" (Why Should We Have a 'Healthy Caution' Toward Adults) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

NOTICIAS DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

Últimos días de inscripción para las sesiones de Catequesis para niños y jóvenes en preparación a la Primera Comunión o seguimiento después de la comunión:

Miércoles, 3 de septiembre de 4:00pm a 6:30pm Sábado, 6 de septiembre de 9:00am a 1:00pm En el edificio de la escuela

Cupo limitando. Certificados de Nacimiento y Bautismo son necesarios. Formas de inscripción disponibles en la oficina parroquial o visite siwchurch.com

REQUISITOS PARA LA CELEBRACION DE QUINCE AÑOS

- 1. Reunirse con la secretaria parroquial o llamarla al (818) 341-6634, ext. 1003 para hacer arreglos no antes de 5 meses de la fecha deseada.
- 2. Presentar una copia u original de los certificados de Bautismo y Primera Comunión.
- 3. Deben estar ya confirmadas, en el programa de confirmación o mostrar prueba de que están registradas, ANTES DE QUE UNA FECHA PUEDA SER RESERVADA.
- 4. Asistir a misa regularmente.
- 5. La familia debe ser feligrés de la iglesia San José Obrero, ya sea porque vive dentro de los límites de nuestra parroquia, o es miembro registrado.
- 6. Bajo circunstancias especiales, podemos considerar familias de otras parroquias, si la fecha deseada está disponible. La cuota para los que no son feligreses es lo que su propia parroquia cobre por una misa de 15 años. 7. Requerimos un depósito no reembolsable de \$200 para reservar la fecha.

VIDA PARROQUIAL

LLAMADA MISIONERA - 6 Y 7 DE SEPTIEMBRE MISIONEROS LAICOS DE MARYKNOLL

Elvira Ramírez, originaria de México y criada en el Valle de San Joaquín, California, actualmente se desempeña como directora ejecutiva de los Misioneros Laicos de Maryknoll. Antes de unirse a los Misioneros Laicos de Maryknoll, Elvira se desempeñó como directora ejecutiva de Caridades Católicas en la Diócesis de Stockton, California, una agencia que atendía a personas mayores, inmigrantes, personas y familias de bajos ingresos, y veteranos. Su trayectoria de toda la vida brindando servicios a los pobres y marginados nace de una profunda gratitud por las muchas bendiciones recibidas y de un deseo de poner su fe en práctica. Elvira compartirá en San José Obrero durante el fin de semana del 6 y 7 de septiembre del 2025 contándonos su experiencia misionera como parte del Plan de Cooperación Misionera 2025 de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles. La segunda colecta se destinará a apoyar a los Misioneros Laicos de Maryknoll. Agradecemos enormemente su amable bienvenida y generoso apoyo. Los Misioneros Laicos de Maryknoll son una de las organizaciones católicas más grandes de Estados Unidos que envía laicos a la misión global. Durante las últimas cinco décadas, hemos preparado y enviado a más de 900 misioneros que han acompañado a personas en situación de pobreza y marginación en todo el mundo.

Sus donaciones permitirán a los Misioneros Laicos de Maryknoll preparar y apoyar a los laicos en la misión global y contribuir a construir un mundo más justo, compasivo y sostenible. Esta oportunidad anual es una forma maravillosa de participar en la misión global continua de llevar la Buena Nueva de Jesucristo hasta los confines de la tierra. Para obtener más información, visite www.mklm.org.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

El Reino de Dios se construye en la vida de cada día, donde cada uno de nosotros somos los protagonistas. Se debe trabajar duro y se exige perfección; sin embargo, al mismo tiempo se nos pide no aparentar, no presumir, sino, por el contrario, ser humildes y servir al que lo necesite. Porque tu Reino, Señor, se construye con dedicación, esfuerzo y amor. No se trata de prestigio ni de comodidad. "No debemos buscar por nuestra propia iniciativa la atención y consideración de los demás, sino más bien dejar que otros nos la presten. Jesús siempre nos muestra el camino de la humildad. ¡Debemos aprender el camino de la humildad! Porque es el más auténtico, lo que también nos permite tener relaciones auténticas" (Papa Francisco).

Los primeros asientos en las fiestas deben tomarse con humildad, no con protagonismo. Jesús, este domingo, nos da una lección de lo que es la humildad en los banquetes o fiestas a las que somos invitados. "Cuando alguien te invite a un banquete de bodas, no escojas el mejor lugar. Puede ocurrir que haya sido invitado otro más importante que tú, y el que los invitó a los dos venga y te diga: 'Deja tu lugar a esta persona' Y, con gran vergüenza, tendrás que ir a ocupar el último lugar" (Lucas 14:8-9). Todos los servidores del Señor debemos ocupar su lugar en el servicio que realizamos, ya sea en la familia, en el trabajo o en la comunidad. Servir implica siempre ocupar el último lugar.

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RECERTIFICACION VIRTUS

Esto es para todos los ministros. La inscripción para la RECERTIFI-CACIÓN VIRTUS está abierta. Es para ministros que ya han recibido capacitación. La sesión está programada para el **sábado 27 de septiembre** a las 9:00 a. m. en el Salón Parroquial. Esta sesión se presenta en español. Para inscribirse, llame al Centro Parroquial, (818) 341-6634.



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PARISH REGISTRATION

To promote a spirit of belonging, we encourage all who worship here to become registered parishioners. Having registered makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school or religious education enrollment, weddings, when asked to be a baptismal or confirmation sponsor, and funerals. Simply attending Mass here does not make you a registered parishioner. Please call or visit the Parish Center to request a registration form or complete the form online at the parish website: www.sjwchurch.com. Also, please contact the Parish Center if you have a new address or phone number. The staff is able to serve you better if the parish records are accurate.

REQUESTING USE OF PARISH FACILITIES

Parish and School groups that would like to reserve any facility in the parish must contact Angela Escobar in the Parish Center (818) 341-6634, ext. 1003. Only rooms reserved in advance are open. If your group needs to cancel a reservation, please let Angela know so that the room can be made available to another group. Also, if your group needs a particular room arrangement, please bring a copy of the requested floor plan to the Parish Center a week ahead.

BULLETIN AND MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The deadline (strictly observed) for submission of **Bulletin** and **Mass** announcements is the previous Monday at noon. Deliver a copy of the bulletin or Mass announcement to the Parish Center or email it to Angela Escobar: angela_escobar4@hotmail.com. To submit a photo to accompany the bulletin text, send a digital file (jpeg or TIF), color or black/white, 300 dpi. See the front cover for the parish mailing address and fax number. For more information please contact Angela Escobar, (818) 341-6634, ext. 1003.

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