

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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.

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 5, 2025

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

Pastor

Rev. Alberto Villalobos

Associate Pastors

Rev. Eric Mejia

Rev. Quoc Vo

Deacon

Dn. Augusto "Gus" Mora

School Principal

Stephanie Guilbault

Faith Formation Director

Bill Sparks

Youth Ministry and Confirmation

J. P. Fernandez

Religious Education

Karina Villanueva

Business Manager

Mike Stafford

Parish Secretary

Angela Escobar

Strengthening Faith

In this Sunday Gospel, as they travel through Galilee, the disciples ask Jesus "Increase our faith". Jesus answers by emphasizing humility and service to God and by comparing faith, in the vivid imagine of a tiny mustard seed growing into a large mulberry tree. Even a very small amount of faith can lead to great results.

We can strengthen our faith by growing in humility, approaching our responsibilities with a servant's heart, and acknowledging that our faithfulness itself is a gift of God's love.



Vincent Van Gogh, *Mulberry Tree*, Norton Simon Museum, Pasadena, California

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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: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Sunday October 5

- 7:30 a.m. Phero Nhuong Trong Dinh (RIP)
- 7:30 a.m. Giuse Oanh Nguyen (RIP)
- 9:00 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
- 9:00 a.m. Manuel Fernandez (RIP)
- 10:30 a.m. Yolanda and Jimmy Uy (Get Well)
- 10:30 a.m. Maria Graciela Mejia (RIP)
- 12:00 p.m. Maria Amparo Velazquez (RIP)
- 12:00 p.m. Juan Carlos Medina Rangel (RIP)

Monday October 6

- 6:30 a.m. Rosario Bergante (Birthday)
- 6:30 a.m. Norma Fortaleza (Birthday)
- 8:30 a.m. Alejandro C. Hilao (RIP)
- 8:30 a.m. Carlos Sollano (RIP)

Tuesday October 7

- 6:30 a.m. Elena Castellanos Garay (Birthday)
- 8:30 a.m. Vidiamor Morales, Sr. (RIP)

Wednesday October 8

- 6:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
- 8:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

Thursday October 9

- 6:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
- 8:30 a.m. Rosalina C. Abad Santos (Birthday)

Friday October 10

- 6:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
- 8:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

Saturday October 11

- 8:30 a.m. Lien Dinh (Birthday)
- 5:30 p.m. Romeo Valderrama (Intentions)
- 7:00 p.m. Alfredo and Angelina Romero (Anniversary)
- 7:00 p.m. Jesus and Maria Barajas (RIP)

Sunday October 12

- 7:30 a.m. Teresa Bui Thi Thi (RIP)
- 7:30 a.m. The Nguyen Family (Thanksgiving)
- 9:00 a.m. Catalina Palacios Alas (RIP)
- 9:00 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mendoza (Thanksgiving)
- 10:30 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
- 10:30 a.m. Flora and Fernando Uy (RIP)
- 12:00 p.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

PARISH LIFE

FR. BETO'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

In the late spring of 1985 while on retreat for ordination, I took a walk by myself and took along my Bible. I was still uncertain as to whether God wanted me to be a priest. In the middle of the road, I stopped and prayed. "Lord if you really want me to be a priest, you have to show me here and now or I will go to my room, pack my bags and leave. I randomly opened my Bible and read:

"Before you were born, I knew you. In your mother's womb I consecrated you. A prophet to the nations I appointed you."

There was my answer. I said "Yes" to His call.

I was ordained on June 15, 1985, by the laying on of hands by Timothy Cardinal Manning at St. Vibiana Cathedral in Los Angeles.

I would have celebrated on June 15 but as many of you know, I lost my older brother Manuel, and I celebrated his funeral mass on June 12th. I was in no frame of mind or spirit to celebrate.

So now, it is with gratitude to God that I celebrate this wonderful and challenging gift of priesthood. It would be an honor to have you join me in celebrating 40 years of service to God's people.

Mass: October 18, 2025 - 5:30 P.M.

Reception: Immediately after mass in parish hall.

Please keep me and all priests in your daily prayers as we keep you in ours.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

October 5, 2025

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 17:5-10

A priest friend of mine received a call from a family whose elderly mother was dying. Within thirty minutes, he was at her bedside, offering the consolation of the sacraments, anointing her with the oil of the sick, and commending her soul to God. She passed not long after, and for months, her family spoke of their deep gratitude for his presence. When I phoned him to commend his faithful ministry, he simply said, "I was just doing my job."

His words brought to mind Jesus' teaching this week in Luke 17:10: "**So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'**" In a world that often seeks recognition and applause, the Lord invites us into a different mindset — one of humble service. The priest did not see his response as extraordinary; he saw it as a grace to fulfill his vocation.

How tempting it is to seek affirmation for doing what I ought to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that true discipleship is not about grandstanding but about quiet faithfulness. It is enough to have served. It is enough to have loved. It is enough to be grateful that we were given the chance to do our duty in the first place. Whether in priesthood, parenthood, or any vocation, what peace-soaked freedom there is in simply doing what is asked of us. No more, no less. Jesus, that is how you quietly love us.

— Father John Muir

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PARISH LIFE

EUCCHARISTIC 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



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

Your food donation is very well appreciated. Please bring the items to the SVDP donation bins at the entrances of the church or on Saturday morning at the SVDP pantry. When making donations to the needy of the parish please make checks payable to: The St. Vincent de Paul Society and take them to the Parish Center or visit the SVDP page on the parish website and you can donate online through PayPal.

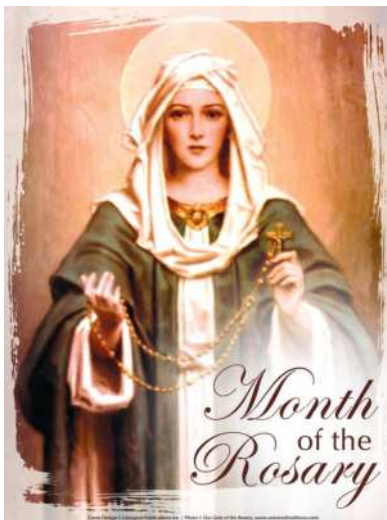
CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Are you seeking to grow spiritually? Come and join us in the church or via Zoom (ID: 832 8380 4536 PW: 760419) every Thursday night from 7:00pm to 9:00pm for an evening of praise and worship, bible reflection, group sharing, video presentation and talks to help us grow in faith.

Learn about the activities of our various ministries: Intercessory, Healing, Liturgy, Marian, Evangelization, Pastoral, Service and be an active participant in our Charismatic community.

Healing Service Date:

October 16 - Fr. Ramon Valera, Pastor, St. John Baptist De La Salle, Granada Hills



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	09/28/2025	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$16,109	\$12,445	+29.4%

2025 Env \$8,628 (53.6%) E-giving \$1,534 (9.5%)
2024 Env \$5,265 (42.3%) E-giving \$2,199 (17.7%)

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.

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.

EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION



St. Joseph the Worker School

Creating Tomorrow's Leaders Through Faith, Academics, and Service for Over 65 Years!

St. Joseph the Worker School's Philosophy

Our Saint Joseph the Worker School community has a values-centered education committed to the fourfold ministry of the Church: worship, love, service, and witness. Parents are the primary educators of their children; the faculty and staff are vital collaborators with parents in nurturing each student's spiritual, social, physical, and academic growth in order to foster a love of learning as a lifelong adventure. We affirm that each child is unique; with dignity and respect, we guide each student to attain his/her fullest potential while recognizing the presence of God within themselves and all they do. We are committed to nurturing a community who encourages understanding and appreciation of cultural diversity, we define ourselves as members of the one Body of Christ.

St. Joseph the Worker School's Mission Statement

St. Joseph the Worker is a Catholic parish school in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. By affirming and modeling the virtues Jesus lived and taught, the school community reflects the parish's Catholic identity. As a parish school, we serve the community foremost by providing a caring, Catholic, educational environment dedicated to fostering each student's ability to grow academically, spiritually, physically, and socially. Together with the family, the faculty and staff provide the students with a foundation for success from Transitional Kindergarten through 8th grade to high school and college, helping students develop into autonomous, moral, and responsible adolescents and adults.

St. Joseph the Worker School's Student Non-Discrimination Policy

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color, national origin, and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single-sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic, and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.



Let it be known to all who enter St. Joseph the Worker School that Jesus Christ is the reason for our school, the unseen but ever-present teacher in all its classes, the model of its faculty, and the inspiration for its staff and students.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

AI-generated explicit images

With the rising use of AI, explicit nonconsensual images can be generated easily and without the victim's knowledge. An offender now may not even need an explicit image to work from. When threatened with explicit AI-generated images being published or distributed online, victims often succumb to demands for money, in-person meetings or worse. This can affect anyone, regardless of age or gender – but children are most at risk. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "The Take It Down Act: Combating Non-Consensual Intimate Imagery and Sexual Exploitation" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

We are accepting Mass Intention Requests for 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.

KỶ NIỆM 40 NĂM LINH MỤC

Vào cuối mùa xuân năm 1985, trong những ngày tĩnh tâm chuẩn bị chịu chức, tôi đi dạo một mình và mang theo Kinh Thánh. Lúc đó, tôi vẫn còn phân vân không biết Thiên Chúa có thật sự muốn tôi trở thành linh mục hay không.

Giữa đường, tôi dừng lại và cầu nguyện:

“Lạy Chúa, nếu thật sự Chúa muốn con làm linh mục, thì xin Chúa tỏ cho con thấy tại đây và ngay bây giờ.

Nếu không, con sẽ về phòng, thu dọn hành lý và ra về.”

Tôi mở ngẫu nhiên Kinh Thánh và đọc được:

“Trước khi người được sinh ra, Ta đã biết người.
Trong lòng mẹ, Ta đã thánh hiến người.
Ta đã đặt người làm ngôn sứ cho muôn dân.”

Đó chính là câu trả lời. Tôi đã thưa “Xin Vâng” với tiếng gọi của Ngài.

Ngày 15 tháng 6 năm 1985, tôi được Đức Hồng Y Timothy Manning đặt tay truyền chức linh mục tại Nhà Thờ Chính Tòa Thánh Vibiana, Los Angeles.

Lẽ ra tôi đã mừng vào ngày 15 tháng 6, nhưng như nhiều người biết, anh trai cả của tôi là Manuel vừa qua đời, và tôi đã cử hành Thánh Lễ An Táng cho anh vào ngày 12 tháng 6. Trong tâm trạng lúc đó, tôi không thể vui mừng để mừng lễ được.

Hôm nay, với lòng biết ơn Thiên Chúa, tôi cử hành hồng ân linh mục — một hồng ân vừa tuyệt vời vừa đầy thử thách. Tôi hân hạnh được mời anh chị em cùng chung vui kỷ niệm 40 năm phục vụ Dân Chúa.

Thánh Lễ: ngày 18 tháng 10, 2025 - 5:30 chiều
Tiệc mừng: Ngay sau Thánh Lễ tại hội trường giáo xứ

Xin anh chị em nhớ cầu nguyện hằng ngày cho tôi và cho tất cả các linh mục, cũng như chúng tôi cũng luôn cầu nguyện cho anh chị em.

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

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: Hab 1, 2-3; 2, 2-4/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9 (8)/2 Tim 1, 6-8. 13-14/Lc 17, 5-10

Lunes: Jon 1, 1-2, 1. 11/Jon 2, 3. 4. 5. 8/Lc 10, 25-37

Martes: Jon 3, 1-10/Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4. 7-8/Lc 10, 38-42

Miércoles: Jon 4, 1-11/Sal 85, 3-4. 5-6. 9-10/Lc 11, 1-4

Jueves: Mal 3, 13-20/Sal 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6/Lc 11, 5-13

Viernes: Jl 1, 13-15; 2, 1-2/Sal 9, 2-3. 6 y 16. 8-9/Lc 11, 15-26

Sábado: Jl 4, 12-21/Sal 96, 1-2. 5-6. 11-12/Lc 11, 27-28

Domingo: 2 Kgs 5, 14-17/Sal 97, 1. 2-3. 3-4 (ver 2)/2 Tim 2, 8-13/Lc 17, 11-19

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

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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

ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

Los invitamos a estar en la presencia del Santísimo Sacramento todos los viernes de 5:00pm a 7:00pm en la iglesia. Los Primeros Viernes tenemos el Santo Rosario a las 7:00 p.m. seguido de la misa en español a las 7:30 p.m.



40° ANIVERSARIO DE ORDENACIÓN SACERDOTAL DEL PADRE BETO

A finales de la primavera de 1985, durante un retiro para mi ordenación, di un paseo solo con mi Biblia. Aún no estaba seguro si Dios quería que fuera sacerdote. En medio del camino, me detuve y oré:

"Señor, si de verdad quieres que sea sacerdote, tienes que mostrármelo aquí y ahora o iré a mi habitación, haré las maletas y me iré".

Abrí mi Biblia al azar y leí:

"Antes de que nacieras, te conocí. En el vientre de tu madre te consagré. Profeta para las naciones te designé".

Ahí estaba mi respuesta. Dije "Sí" a su llamado.

Fui ordenado el 15 de junio de 1985, mediante la imposición de manos del Cardenal Timothy Manning en la Catedral de Santa Vibiana de Los Ángeles.

Lo habría celebrado el 15 de junio, pero como muchos saben, perdí a mi hermano mayor Manuel y celebré su funeral el 12 de junio. No estaba con humor ni ánimo para celebrar.

Así que ahora, con gratitud a Dios, celebro este maravilloso y desafiante don del sacerdocio. Será un honor que me acompañen en la celebración de 40 años de servicio al pueblo de Dios.

Misa: 18 de octubre de 2025 a las 5:30 P.M.
Recepción: Inmediatamente después de la misa en el salón parroquial.

Por favor, ténganme presentes en sus oraciones diarias, y a todos los sacerdotes, como nosotros los tenemos presentes en las nuestras.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

A lo largo del Evangelio encontramos diferentes pasajes donde Jesús elogia a las personas que tienen fe. Por ejemplo: "Levántate, tu fe te ha salvado" (Lucas 17:19). Un buen reto podría ser darnos a la tarea de leer los cuatro evangelios y tomar nota de estos pasajes, para así poder comparar a las personas de aquel tiempo con nosotros hoy, en lo que respecta a la fe. ¿En qué creemos actualmente? ¿Cómo podemos medir la fe que hay en nosotros? ¿Seguimos a Jesús solo para pedirle favores y que nos haga milagros, o porque de verdad tenemos fe en Él?

El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en sus números 176 y 184, nos dice lo siguiente sobre la fe: "La fe es una adhesión personal del hombre entero a Dios que se revela. Comprende una adhesión de la inteligencia y de la voluntad a la revelación que Dios ha hecho de sí mismo mediante sus obras y sus palabras". Y añade: "La fe es un gusto anticipado del conocimiento que nos hará bienaventurados en la vida futura". La vida de fe no se construye en solitario. Para su crecimiento, intervienen muchos factores. El primero nos fue dado desde el bautismo, y nuestros padres y abuelos participaron de primera mano en su desarrollo. La comunidad de fe es otro factor esencial. Después, el crecimiento de la fe depende de cada uno. Hoy, hagamos la misma petición que hicieron los apóstoles: "Señor, auméntanos la fe". Seguramente, la respuesta será la misma. ¿Verdad? ©LPI

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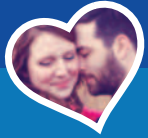
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REQUESTING USE OF PARISH FACILITIES

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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