



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.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 24, 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

The Narrow Gate and the Closing Door

In this Sunday Gospel, we hear how Jesus tells us that the Kingdom of God will extend to people from all over, but those who reject his Word will find themselves left out wailing and grinding teeth. Once more, Jesus reiterates that there is salvation only through true repentance. Only acceptance of his message can bring harmony with God.

All people will attempt to enter the Kingdom before the door is closed, but the gate is narrow, and many, although they strive, will not be strong enough.

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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: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8 (429)/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mk 6:17-29

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

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

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Sunday August 24

7:30 a.m. Agatha Nguyen Thu Thuy (RIP)
7:30 a.m. Guise Vu Hung Cuong (RIP)
9:00 a.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)
9:00 a.m. Linda Dulay (Thanksgiving)
10:30 a.m. Gina Ilustre (RIP)
10:30 a.m. Ramon S. Esguerra (RIP)
12:00 p.m. Ines Martinez (RIP)
12:00 p.m. Marciano and Antonia Vazquez (RIP)

Monday August 25

6:30 a.m. Steve Kollen (Birthday)
8:30 a.m. Rosa Tajaran (Birthday)
8:30 a.m. Adorable Manabat (Birthday)

Tuesday August 26

6:30 a.m. No Mass
8:30 a.m. No Mass

Wednesday August 27

6:30 a.m. No Mass
8:30 a.m. No Mass

Thursday August 28

6:30 a.m. No Mass
8:30 a.m. No Mass

Friday August 29

6:30 a.m. Gus Mora (Birthday)
6:30 a.m. Herminigildo Villanueva (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Paulina Resurrection Ver (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Agustine Anglo (RIP)

Saturday August 30

8:30 a.m. Prospero T. Abad Santos (RIP)
8:30 a.m. Auston and Adelaida Alvarez (RIP)
5:30 p.m. Lew T. Caoili (RIP)
5:30 p.m. Armando Marasigan (Get Well)
7:00 p.m. SJW Parishioners (Intentions)

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)

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 missionaries 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.mkmlm.org.



Support 1357

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

I've been hiking Camelback Mountain in Phoenix, Arizona most of my life. It is a vigorous forty-five minutes to the top. Near the peak, the end suddenly appears much further away, and steeper. At that moment, a descending hiker often offers encouragement: "Keep going! The peak is right there. It's not as far as it looks. You can do it!" It usually works. After another five minute push, you summit and enjoy a glorious panorama of the Sonoran Desert in the Valley of the Sun.

When Jesus is asked about how many people are saved, he says: "Strive to enter through the narrow gate" (Luke 13:24). How many? Strive! Focus on your journey. What does heavenly census taking have to do with you or me? How would it help a hiker on a mountain to ask the others coming down, "How many people are going to make it to the top?" A normal response would be something like: "How is that a relevant question? Carry on!"

Jesus links one virtue directly to salvation: perseverance (cf. Matt 24:13; hypomone in Greek). Strive! Endure! Keep going! The one absolutely necessary virtue is perseverance, to not give up on our journey. The mountain we struggle to climb is often our own weakness, failures, and sins. Persevere in prayer. Keep celebrating the sacraments. Embrace daily duties. With God's grace, you are strong enough to keep going. Perhaps the peak is not as far away as you might fear. Keep going!

— 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



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.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY

Sunday, September 7 is Bundle Sunday for our Parish. The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here at 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to receive your donations. Bring useable clothing, shoes, small appliances, household items, linens, books, etc. For large items including furniture, appliances, and vehicles, please phone (323) 224-6280 or (800) 974-3571 for a special pick free pick up at your home. Remember your contributions will be helping the needy.

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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	08/17/2025	Last Year	Change
\$20,000	\$11,588	\$11,146	+4.0%

2025 Env \$4,479 (38.7%) E-giving \$1,739 (15.0%)
2024 Env \$4,811 (43.2%) E-giving \$1,399 (12.6%)

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

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)

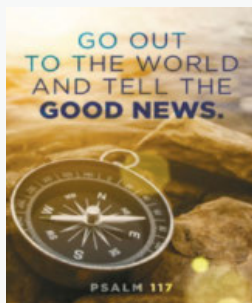
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

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.



EDUCATION/FAITH FORMATION

YOUTH NEWS / CONFIRMATION

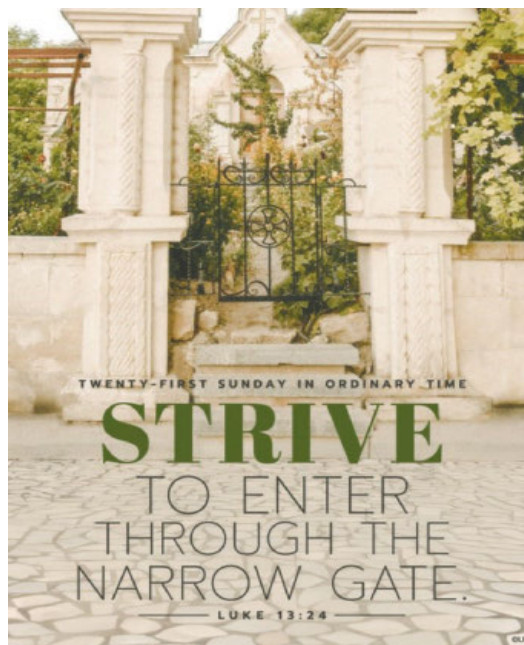
Confirmation Orientation:

Tuesday, August 26, 7:00 p.m. (Hall)

Orientation for Parents and Returning Candidates (year 2)

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 1

Having a “healthy caution” about adults in your life does not mean treating all adults as potential perpetrators. It is important to increase awareness about the dangers and the signs of abuse without creating paranoia. Safe adults should not be vigilante protectors, but should have a perspective of caution and should not ignore warning signs of inappropriate behavior. To learn more, read the VIRTUS® article “Why Should We Have a ‘Healthy Caution’ Toward Adults” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



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: Is 66, 18-21/Sal 116, 1. 2 (Mc 16, 15)/Heb 12, 5-7. 11-13/Lc 13, 22-30

Lunes: 1 Tes 1, 1-5. 8-10/Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 y 9/Mt 23, 13-22

Martes: 1 Tes 2, 1-8/Sal 138, 1-3. 4-6/Mt 23, 23-26

Miércoles: 1 Tes 2, 9-13/Sal 138, 7-8. 9-10. 11-12/Mt 23, 27-32

Jueves: 1 Tes 3, 7-13/Sal 127, 1-2. 4-5/Mt 24, 42-51

Viernes: 1 Tes 4, 1-8 (429)/Sal 96, 1 y 2. 5-6. 10. 11-12/Mc 6, 17-29

Sábado: 1 Tes 4, 9-11/Sal 97, 1. 7-8. 9/Mt 25, 14-30

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

PROTEGIENDO A LOS NIÑOS

Como pueden tener una "precaución saludable" hacia los adultos, parte 1

Tener "precaución saludable" con respecto a los adultos en tu vida no significa tratar a todos los adultos como perpetradores potenciales. Es importante saber sobre los peligros y las señales de abuso sin crear paranoia. Los adultos seguros no deben ser vigilantes protectores, sino tener una perspectiva de precaución y no ignorar las señales de advertencia de comportamiento inadecuado. 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 que inician en el otoño 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 el sitio web de la parroquia: sjwchurch.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

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.



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

¿Has intentado alguna vez o has tenido la experiencia de entrar por alguna puerta angosta? Es incómodo y te sientes apretado si intentan entrar más de dos personas al mismo tiempo. Nos gustan las puertas anchas, altas y bonitas. La puerta angosta es para entrar de uno en uno, no más. *"Esfuércense por entrar por la puerta angosta, porque yo les digo que muchos tratarán de entrar y no lo lograrán"* (Lucas 13:24). La manera de hablar de Jesús es diferente a otras ocasiones. Habla claro y directo: dice "esfuércense". Nada es fácil; moldear la arcilla de lo que estamos hechos requiere de esfuerzo.

El Evangelio de hoy también nos advierte: *"Unos que estaban entre los últimos son ahora los primeros, mientras que los primeros han pasado a ser los últimos"* (Lucas 13:30). ¡Qué sorpresa tan grande! Dios no nos reconocerá por nuestros títulos ni por los puestos de importancia en la sociedad, mucho menos por la riqueza y las propiedades. Así que, ahora sí, se comprende el mensaje de esforzarse para entrar por la puerta angosta. *"Ahora considero un deber mío explicarles por qué la puerta es angosta. Cualesquiera que desee entrar, primero, y antes que nada, tiene que poseer una fe honrada e incontaminada; en segundo lugar, una vida sin mancha, sin pecado, en la que no existan posibilidades de culpa, conforme a la medida de la justicia humana"* (San Cirilo de Alejandría, 375-444, Comentario al Evangelio de San Lucas).

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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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Parish Center Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 -7:00 p.m. • 1st Sunday in Ordinary Time • August 24, 2025