



2018 THE YEAR IN REVIEW

RISING STAR

“Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.”

—*Matthew 2:2*



January 7, 2018
The Epiphany of the Lord

January

Drum Major for Justice

FIFTY YEARS AGO THIS SPRING, Dr. Martin King, Jr. was assassinated while in Memphis, Tennessee, to support a strike by the city's predominantly African American sanitation workers. On April 4, 1968, outside of room 306 at the Lorraine Motel, Dr. King was shot and killed. Two months before his death, on February 4, King preached "The Drum Major Instinct" from the pulpit of Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church.

In that sermon, he told the congregation what he would like said at his funeral. Dr. King asked to be remembered as one who "tried to give his life serving others" and for his attempts to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and comfort prisoners. "Yes," he said, "if you want to say that I was a drum major, say that I was a drum major for justice. Say that I was a drum major for peace. I was a drum major for righteousness."



Martin Luther King, Jr.
January 15, 1929
April 4, 1968

January 14, 2018
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January

"We Are All God's Children"

—Colossians 1:16

Nine-Hour Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague

Saturday
January 27

Beging 6:45 a.m.
in the church

Presentations by invited speakers,
concluding with the celebration of
the Holy Eucharist

*A joyous day of prayer
and reflection.*

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and
program details
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January 21, 2018
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January



St. Joseph the Worker School

Catholic Schools Week

January 28 – February 2



January 28, 2018
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January

Open House
with refreshments
Sunday, January 28
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Visit Us This Week
See page 4
for schedule of activities

HEALING TOUCH

"He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them."

--Mark 1:31



John Bridges
Healing Peter's Mother-in-Law (detail)
19th Century

February 4, 2018
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February

LIVE THE
FAITH
WITH YOUR
ACTIONS

- POPE FRANCIS



The love that Jesus calls us to is more than words and more than feelings. Christian love is a call to action. Jesus calls us to open our hearts and extend a helping hand to those who are most vulnerable and most in need.

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February 11, 2018
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February



Lent 2018

THE CHALLENGE

Entering into the season of Lent requires a commitment and decision on our part. We commit ourselves to change and decide to strive to become the person God wants us to be.

“Even now, says the LORD,
return to me with your whole heart,
with fasting, and weeping, and mourning;
Rend your hearts, not your garments,
and return to the LORD, your God.”

With these words we are challenged by God through the prophet Joel. Will you decide to take up the challenge? Will you commit yourself to your Lenten practices?

Whether you “give something up” for Lent or choose to work on a personal improvement, at the conclusion of Lent, you will be closer to fulfilling your commitment and decision to become the person God calls you to be.

Let us journey together and pray for one another.

—Fr. Beto, Pastor

February 18, 2018
First Sunday of Lent

February



Lent 2018

The Mountaintop

*Jesus took Peter, James, and
John and led them up a high
mountain apart by themselves.*

"We all need to go apart, to ascend the mountain in a space of silence, to find ourselves and better perceive the voice of the Lord. This we do in prayer. But we cannot stay there! Encounter with God in prayer inspires us anew to descend the mountain and return to the plain where we meet many brothers weighed down by fatigue, sickness, injustice, ignorance, and poverty, both material and spiritual."

—Pope Francis

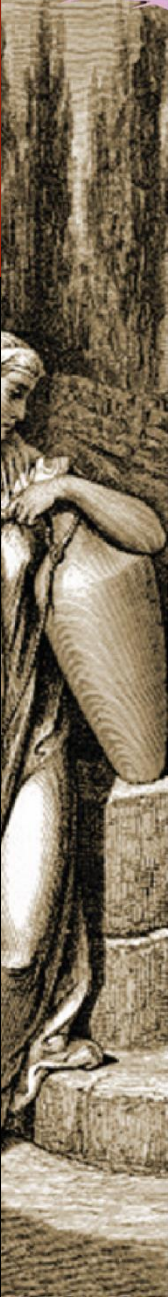
February 25, 2018
Second Sunday of Lent

February



Lent 2018

TheOther



Today's Gospel opens with a tired and thirsty Jesus. He stops at the well of Jacob, and there he finds a woman who had gone to draw water. Jesus asks her for a drink. The woman has a complicated past. Shunned and rejected, according to society's rules, she did not belong. She is also a Samaritan, a group that Jews traditionally disdained. She and Jesus talk, focusing on their common thirsts that spring from their shared humanity, allowing their perception of the other to shift. Jesus and the woman break down the walls of separation between their two peoples. They are willing to stay in the conversation and not give up when they stumble over their differences.

This Lenten season, let the waters of understanding wash away ignorance and fear of the other, and may the gift of living water well up within us, making each of us a spring from which others who thirst may drink.

March 4, 2018
Third Sunday of Lent

March



Lent 2018

ILLUMINATION

The ninth chapter of the Gospel of John is about light and faith. At the beginning of the story, Jesus gives sight to a man blind from birth. In their second encounter, later in the narrative, Jesus asks the man, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" The man responds, "I do believe, Lord." Jesus adds the gift of faith to the gift of sight. Have you ever tried to explain faith to someone who has never known it? It is every bit as much a free gift as Jesus gave to the man born blind. How often do we give thanks for it? Lent provides an opportunity to recognize the gift of faith, and ask for more.




March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Lent

March



Lent 2018

LifeFROMDeath



In John's Gospel, we find ourselves outside the tomb of Lazarus, viewing a dramatic scene unfold. Our Lord calls out to his friend, who has been dead for four days, "Lazarus, come out." And we watch in wonder as the dead man staggers out. When Lazarus emerges from the tomb, Jesus asks those around him to untie him and set him free. He wants Lazarus, as he does us, to have life and life to the fullest. This Gospel account points to the resurrection of Jesus, but it points even more to the power of Jesus to bring life out of death. In his final sign, Jesus calls Lazarus out of death to new life.

*"I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.
Do you believe this?"*

March 18, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Lent

March

Holy Week

“MY GOD,
MY GOD”

March 25, 2018

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March



PHOTO:
2017 LIVE PERFORMANCE OF
THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST BY
GRUPO DE JÓVENES
“NUEVA GENERACIÓN”

For the schedule of Holy Week services,
visit www.sjwchurch.com

HE IS NOT HERE HE IS RISEN

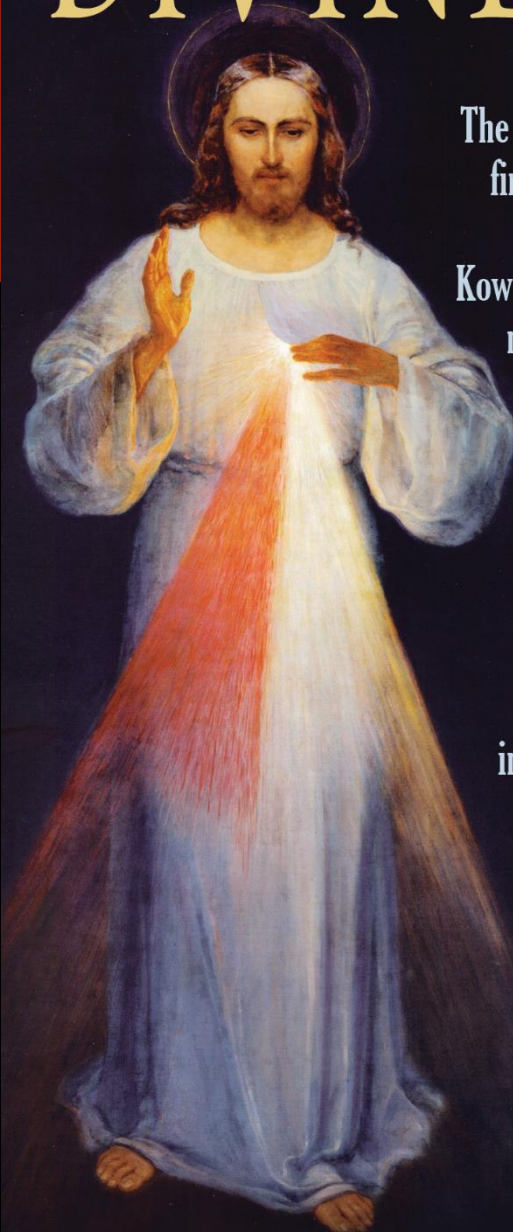


William-Adolphe Bouguereau - The Holy Women at the Tomb, 1890 - Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Antwerp, Belgium

April 1, 2018
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection
of the Lord

April

DIVINE MERCY



JESUS, I trust in YOU

The feast of Divine Mercy is celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. The observance is closely associated with St. Maria Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), a Polish nun who for much of her life reported having visions of Jesus and conversations with him, of which she wrote in her diary. We are told that one such vision was of Jesus with one hand raised in blessing and with two fingers of the other hand resting on his heart. Sister Faustina arranged for the first rendering of the image, by the artist Eugene Kazimierowski. Jesus is shown raising his right hand in blessing and pointing with his left hand on his chest from which flow two rays, one red and one translucent. The image is symbolic of charity, forgiveness, and the love of God.

Eugene Kazimierowski
Original painting of the Divine Mercy (1934)
Divine Mercy Sanctuary, Vilnius, Lithuania

April 8, 2018
Second Sunday of Easter

April

TEAM RCLA

We are grateful to the volunteer catechists who travel with our inquirers on the path to becoming Catholic and prepare them to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. At our Easter Vigil Mass ten Elect were baptized and fully initiated into the Catholic Church. The following

week, the Second Sunday of Easter, seven Candidates were confirmed and received Eucharist for the first time.



Front row, left to right: Claudia Lopez, Emilio Custodio, Gaudie Estrada, Leticia Velasquez, Reyna DePaz, Nam Phan.

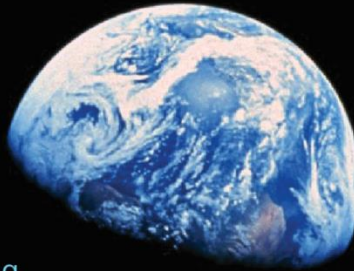
*Back row: Bill Sparks (Faith Formation Director), Liem Dinh, Kenn Hesley, Martha Aviles.
Not pictured: JP Barrientos, Dona Elepano, Melissa Gulick, Phuong Pham, Charity Rowsey.*

April 15, 2018
Third Sunday of Easter

April

OUR COMMON HOME

Today is Earth Day. The year 2018 is the fiftieth anniversary of Apollo 8, the first manned mission to the moon. The spacecraft entered lunar orbit on Christmas Eve, December 24, 1968. During the fourth orbit of the moon, Astronaut Bill Anders took the famous photograph, shown here, titled Earthrise, a view of the beauty, awe, and grandeur of the Earth rising against the blackness of space. The photo had a powerful impact on the astronauts and the world, offering a perspective that transcended national, political, and religious boundaries. It is widely credited with inspiring the environmental movement which led to the first Earth Day in 1970.



April 22, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Easter

April

Visit the parish website – www.sjwchurch.com – for resources on care for the environment and our common home.

Photo: Apollo 8, NASA

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

April 29, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Gerard van Honthorst, *Childhood of Jesus*, ca. 1620,
Hermitage, St. Petersburg



Tuesday of this week, May 1, we celebrate the feast of our beloved patron, St. Joseph the Worker. Much of what we know about Joseph comes from the opening chapters of Matthew's Gospel. We know he was a carpenter, a working man. Pope Pius XII established the feast day in 1955 to honor workers the world over. St. Joseph, who was given the noble task of caring for and watching over the Virgin Mary and Jesus, now cares for and watches over the Church and models for all the dignity of human work.

April

His commandment is Love

“LOVE
one another

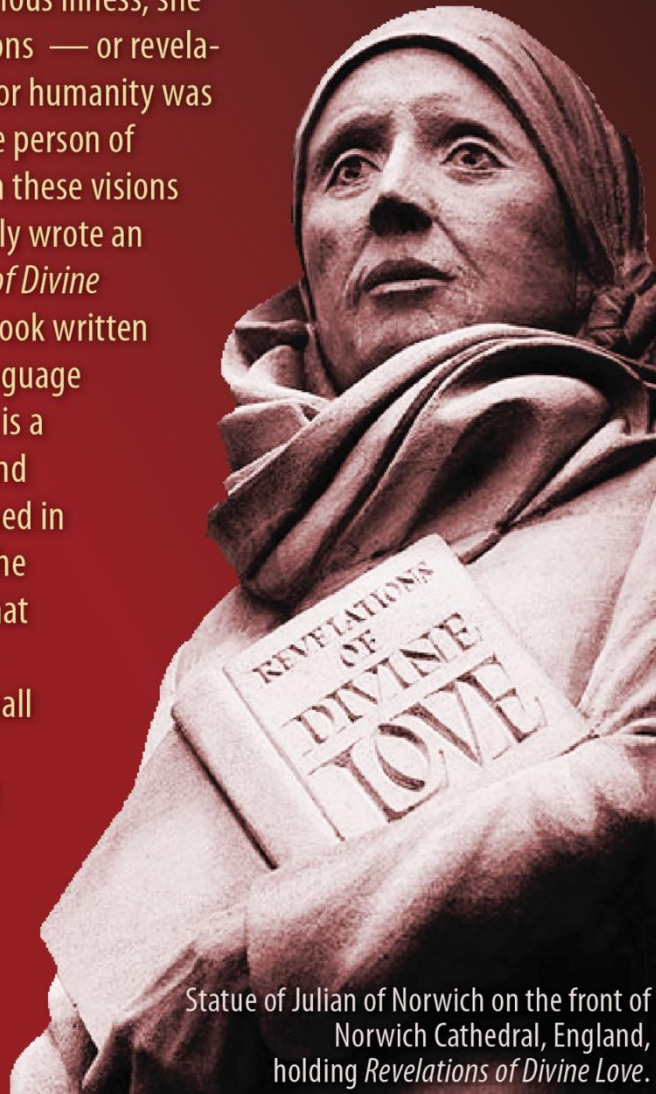
—John 15:17

May 6, 2018
Sixth Sunday of Easter

May

ALL SHALL BE WELL

Today is the feast day of a famous fourteenth-century Benedictine mystic and theologian, Julian of Norwich. In 1373, probably on May 13, after recovering from a serious illness, she experienced some fifteen visions — or revelations — in which God's love for humanity was made clear to her, through the person of Jesus Christ. She meditated on these visions for twenty years and eventually wrote an account of them, *Revelations of Divine Love*, believed to be the first book written by a woman in the English language (still in print today). Her book is a meditation on God's eternal and all-embracing love, as expressed in the Passion of Christ. During the visions, Our Lord said to her that whatever God does is done in love, and therefore that "all shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well." This became the signature teaching of Julian of Norwich, quoted by preachers, poets, and popes to this day.



Statue of Julian of Norwich on the front of
Norwich Cathedral, England,
holding *Revelations of Divine Love*.

May 13, 2018
Seventh Sunday of Easter

May

first HOLY COMMUNION *The Gift of Christ*

At Masses on May 5, May 6, and May 12, children from the Religious Education program, the Vietnamese community, and St. Joseph the Worker School received their First Holy Communion. Our gratitude to all involved in preparing these 224 children for this very special day.

May 20, 2018
Pentecost Sunday



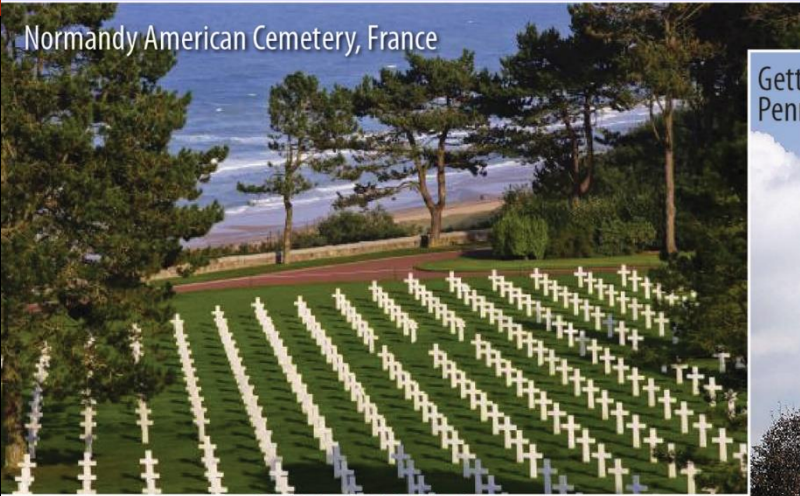
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They Lie in the Holy Ground of Our Memories

Memorial Day, originally known as Decoration Day, honors the women and men who died while serving in the U.S. armed forces.

May 27, 2018
The Most Holy Trinity

Normandy American Cemetery, France



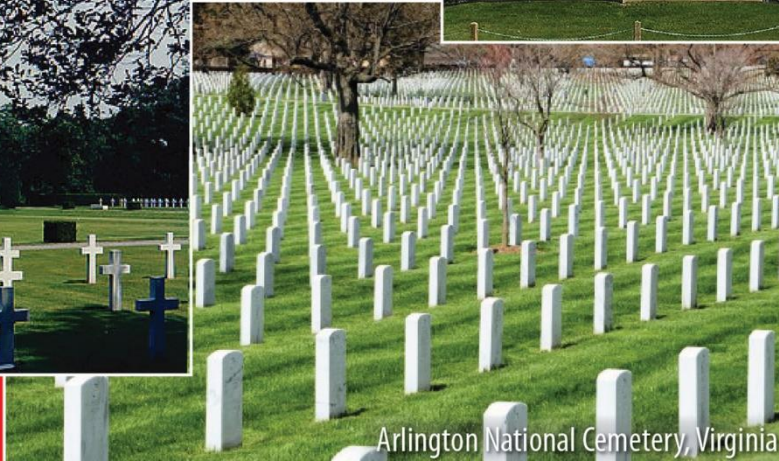
Gettysburg National Cemetery, Pennsylvania



Flanders Field American Cemetery, Belgium



Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia



May



The Gift of the Eucharist

June 3, 2018
The Most Holy Body and
Blood of Christ

Today's Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi, "Body of Christ," originated in France in the mid-thirteenth century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264. Corpus Christi is the time when we celebrate the great gift of the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist. Mark's Gospel reminds us that the Eucharist is a memorial of Christ's sacrifice on the cross. We believe that Jesus is truly present to us in the elements of bread and wine. This celebration, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, is the source and summit of the Christian life.

June

**ST. JOSEPH
THE WORKER**

THIS WEEKEND FESTIVAL

JUNE 8, 9, and 10

**Friday: 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday: 3:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.**

- **Bingo** •
- **Food** •
- **Rides** •
- **Entertainment** •
- **Silent Auction** •

Bingo Hours

Friday:
6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
**Saturday and
Sunday:**
3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER

June 10, 2018
10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June

St. Joseph the Worker School

GRADUATING CLASS of 2018

June 17, 2018
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Top row: Stanley Santoso, Nicolas Gutierrez, Antony Fam, Cameron Hatch, Ethan Ezzati, Ethan Riddle, Carlos Monje, Andrew Corzo, Ms. Coffman, Eighth Grade Homeroom Teacher

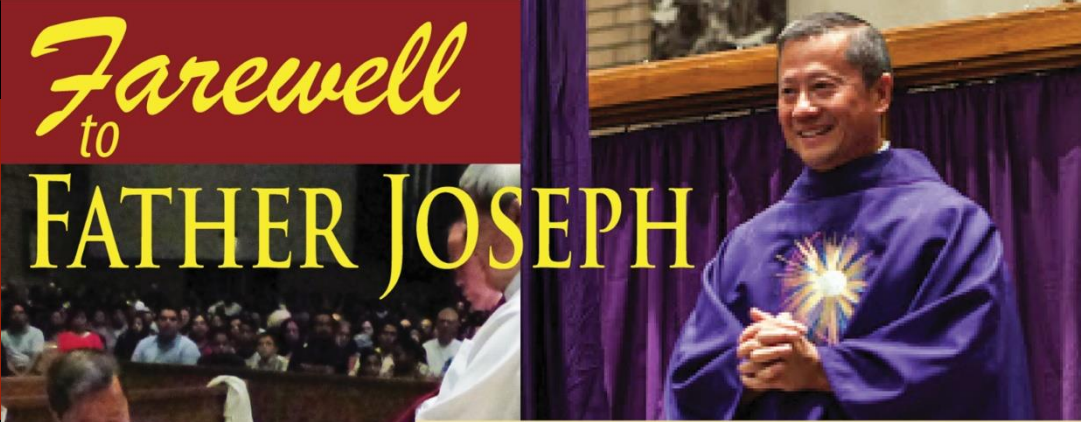
Middle row: Fr. Alberto Villalobos, Pastor; Karl Kostekiewicz, David Flores, Moises Bazan, Sal Ramirez, III, Joshua Maguerrero, Carlos Hernandez, Jaden Basiser, Antonio Ceja, Gabriel Soria, Christopher Acosta, Mr. CJ Kruska, Principal

Bottom row: Amy Villanueva, Amy Coreas, Isabella Soto, Isabella Rangel, Victoria Sacaguing, Angela Alfaro, Nghi Nguyen, Marlet Villanueva, Fame Cayabyab, Kandace Bowens, Angela Tran

June

Farewell to

FATHER JOSEPH



It is with great sadness that we bid farewell to Fr. Joseph Vu, who will be leaving us on June 30. During his five years as Associate Pastor at St. Joseph the Worker, Fr. Joseph has touched our lives in so many ways, particularly in the Vietnamese community. We thank him for sharing his gift of priesthood with us, and we wish him all God's blessings as he begins a new assignment at Our Lady of Loretto parish in Los Angeles.

Join us today, Sunday, for a parish farewell reception in the Conference Center Hall following the 5:30 p.m. Mass. You may also say goodbye to Fr. Joseph in the gazebo area after the morning Masses and after 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Mass today.



June 24, 2018

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

June

Forming Today's Disciples *for* World

July 1, 2018
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Confirmation Team
with Bishop Brennan and Fr. Beto



Holy Week

Year Two Retreat

Our Youth Ministry/Confirmation team has developed a comprehensive approach to empowering young people to live as disciples of Jesus in today's world. Emphasis is placed on catechesis and preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation, participation in the life of our parish, justice and service projects, leadership development, and prayer and worship activities. On May 11, 2018, The Most Reverend Joseph V. Brennan, Episcopal Vicar of the San Fernando Pastoral Region, conferred the sacrament of Confirmation on our Year Two candidates.



Congress Youth Day

July

Welcome to Fr. Thuan Nguyen

Associate Pastor

With great pleasure, we welcome Fr. Thuan Nguyen to our parish family. Fr. Thuan (as he prefers to be called) comes to us from Our Lady of the Assumption parish, Claremont. He joined the Vietnamese Dominican vocation center at the age of thirteen where he completed studies in philosophy and theology. When the government did not allow his ordination, he escaped his homeland and lived in a refugee camp in Thailand for nearly two years. He eventually settled in Canada and was ordained in 1993.



From 1993 to 1996, he served as associate pastor in three different parishes. After further study in Northern California, he relocated to Most Holy Trinity church in Phoenix, Arizona, a multicultural Dominican parish. Fr. Thuan then served as pastor of Vietnamese Martyrs parish in Phoenix for ten years while also leading the Vietnamese community in the Phoenix diocese before coming to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

July 8, 2018
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July



Vacation Bible Camp

Children Ages 5–11

July 30 – August 3 (Monday-Friday)

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Conference Center Hall

At “Splash Canyon” we will joyfully celebrate
God’s promise that He is with us today and always.

Songs • Games • Bible Stories • Skits • Snacks

REGISTER NOW!

\$65.00 – One child

\$105.00 – Two children (Siblings)

\$130.00 – Three children (Siblings)

Includes T-shirt, daily snacks, craft materials

Registration form at www.sjwchurch.com and the Parish Center
Religious Education Program 818.341.6634, ext. 1016

July 15, 2018

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July

The Divine Shepherd



**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.
He guides me in right paths
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
with your rod and your staff
that give me courage.
You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for years to come.**

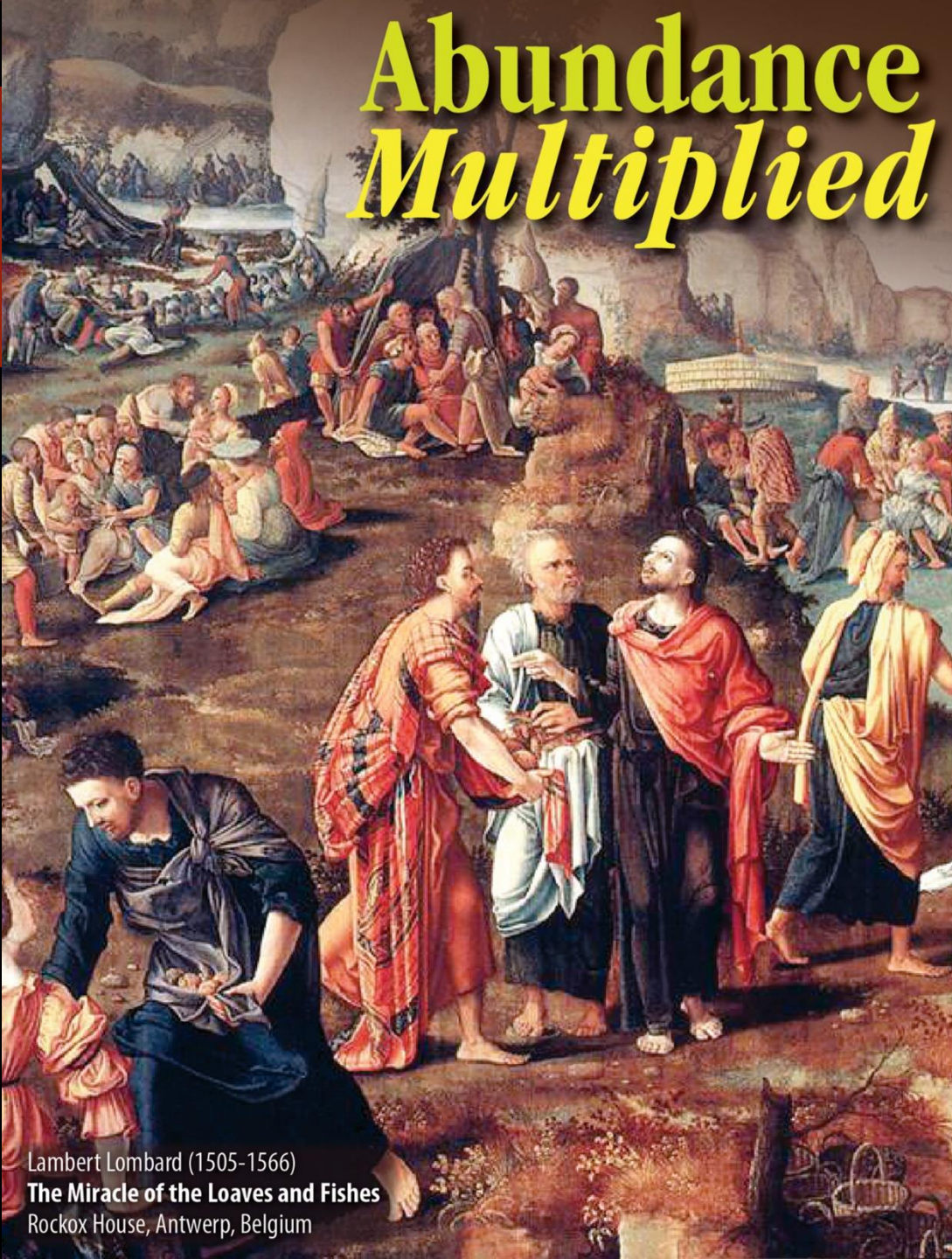
—Psalm 23

July 22, 2018
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July

Abundance *Multiplied*

July 29, 2018
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Lambert Lombard (1505-1566)
The Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes
Rockox House, Antwerp, Belgium

July



The Transfiguration of the Lord

Tomorrow (August 6) is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. Scripture tells us that Jesus took his closest friends up to a mountain, and before their eyes Jesus was transfigured by a radiant light. Then came a cloud, and the disciples were fearful. From the cloud came a voice declaring Jesus' identity as "my beloved son." The disciples – and we – are to listen to him.

Paolo Veronese

The Transfiguration of Christ

(1555-1556)

Cathedral of Santa Maria Assunta,
Montagnana, Italy

August 5, 2018
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August

Assumption *of the* Blessed Virgin Mary

August 12, 2018
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Peter Paul Rubens • **Assumption of the Virgin** (1626)
Cathedral of Our Lady, Antwerp, Belgium

“ . . . she shines
forth on earth, . . .
a sign of certain
hope and comfort
to the pilgrim
people of God.”

—*Lumen Gentium*
(Dogmatic Constitution
on the Church), 68
(Second Vatican
Council, 1964)

The Solemnity of the
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary, a
holy day of obligation,
is celebrated on
August 15.

August

Behind the Scenes

We arrive for Sunday or weekday Mass and quiet ourselves in the presence of the Lord. Behind the scenes, many people have assured that all is in order for what is about to take place. Pictured here are the volunteers who offer their time day after day, week after week, to preparing the linens, vestments, accessories, and supplies needed for the holy sacrifice of the Mass.



Ministers "Behind the Scenes"

Back row left to right: Veronica Rosete, Teresita Horario, Maria Rosel, Frank Hernandez

Front row left to right: Phyllis Brunner, Lucila Danan, Mila Cooney, Maria Pomposo, Maude Castillo, Rosa Hernandez

Not pictured: Clarita Daryabigi, Angela Huynh, Gloria Sandoval



Sacristans

Dinh Phan and Veronica Rosete

August 19, 2018
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August

For more about those who serve "behind the scenes," see page 5.



“NEW GENERATION” YOUNG ADULTS



For more about the “New Generation” Young Adults, see page 5.



The Hispanic Young Adults (Jóvenes Adultos “Nueva Generación”) meet every Friday for an evening of joyful prayer, praise, and worship. The purpose of the gatherings is to help the “new generation” – today’s Church – find God in their lives and develop a personal relationship with our Lord. In addition to their weekly meetings, the group is active in parish activities. The Young Adults present “The Passion of Christ” annually on Good Friday afternoon and participate in the Christmas Pastorela (Shepherd’s Play), a dramatic re-creation of the shepherds’ journey to the holy site of the Nativity.

August 26, 2018
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August

MEDELLIN *at* 50



A landmark conference took place fifty years ago this week in Medellín, Colombia. The Latin American bishops gathered there for the second annual assembly of CELAM, the Conference of Bishops of Latin America, August 24 – September 6, 1968. The work of the conference marked a sea change in the Latin American church, denouncing unjust social structures and articulating for the first time the concept of a “preferential option for the poor,” a core principle of Catholic social teaching. The bishops in Medellín concluded that the church must work with the poor for their liberation from the “institutionalized violence” of poverty. Fifty years later, Medellín continues to inspire the church in Latin America and the rest of the world. When Pope Francis speaks about a poor church for the poor, he reminds us that the wisdom and insights from Medellín are very much alive today.

September 2, 2018
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September

Vietnamese Community Leadership

September 9, 2018
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Vietnamese Council (pictured here) and leadership team meet monthly with Fr. Thuan Nguyen, Associate Pastor, to make preparations for community events, design programs to build the faith of parishioners, and coordinate the community's participation in parish activities. The members of the leadership team are Binh Nguyen (Chairman), Hai Le (Internal Affairs), Lien Le (Public Affairs), Annie Dang (Treasurer), and Alex Doanh Vu (Secretary).



Front, left to right: Loc Tran, Binh Nguyen, Annie Dang, Trang Pham, Loi Olsen, Lien Le, Long Tran, Bao Dinh, Hai Le

Back: John Vu, Hung Vu, Chau Tran, James Dao, Fr. Thuan Nguyen, Nam Phan, Thai Nghiem, Dinh Phan, Alex Vu

Not pictured: Hong-Dao Nguyen, Phong Nguyen, Tien Nguyen

September

Catechetical Sunday

Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ

September 16, 2018
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Religious Education Catechists



St. Joseph the Worker School



Confirmation Team



RCIA Team



Vietnamese Religious Education

Each year the Church designates the third Sunday in September as Catechetical Sunday. This year's national theme, "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ," celebrates the women and men who present the story of faith to children, teens, and adults of our parish in a way that enables them to see and experience faith as a living reality. Through our catechists, may those whom they teach be transformed into lifelong witnesses for Our Lord Jesus Christ.

September

San Lorenzo Ruiz

FIRST FILIPINO SAINT

*“If I have a
thousand lives
to offer, I will
offer them
to the Lord.”*



PARISH CELEBRATION

Saturday
September 29
Mass: 5:30 p.m.
Celebration follows
in the
Conference Center Hall
6:30-10:00 p.m.

POTLUCK DINNER
ENTERTAINMENT • DANCING
Bring a dish to share!

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About San Lorenzo Ruiz, see page 5

September 23, 2018
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September

The Hispanic Council is one of our three community councils. Like the Vietnamese and Filipino councils, it is a representative body of the community's ministries, assures that the community is actively engaged in the mission of St. Joseph the Worker parish, and develops initiatives that nurture faith and spirituality.

HISPANIC COUNCIL



Top, left to right: Jaime Espinoza, Fr. Roberto Rueda, Daniel Becerra, Eduardo Rodríguez, Blanca Rodríguez, Rigo Trejo, Edward Trejo
Middle: Carmen Ochoa, Vicky Rivera, Rosa Arévalo, Sebastián Arévalo, Juan Garrido, Ismael Ramírez
Bottom: Vilma Hernández, Maricela Sandoval, Matty Gutiérrez, Yessenia Rivera, Imelda Jiménez, Flavia Valadez, Rosa Trejo, Marta Aviles, Zulma López
Not pictured: Lupe Díaz, Jorge Durón, Jesús Escobar, Ana Fisher, Raúl Hernández, Guadalupe Rivas, Julio Rodezno, Miriam Rodríguez, Lucy San Martín

September 30, 2018
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September

THE Holy Rosary

The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, celebrated today, was introduced by Pope St. Pius V (1504-1572). Known for several centuries by the title "Our Lady of Victory," the feast day commemorates the victory of the Christian forces over the Ottoman Turks in the Battle of Lepanto, October 7, 1571.

October 7, 2018
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Juan Antonio García de Bouzas
(c. 1680-1755)
Our Lady of the Rosary
Museum of the
Church of San Paio
Santiago de Compostela, Spain

*Our parish prays the rosary year-round, Monday through Saturday,
at 9:00 a.m. in the church. All are welcome!*

October



Pope Paul VI
and Archbishop
Oscar Romero
at the Vatican,
June 21, 1978

October 14, 2018
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

VOICES FOR THE POOR

Pope Paul VI and Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Romero will be canonized by Pope Francis today (October 14) at the Vatican. That they will be declared saints together is significant because they were close to each other in life. Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, spoke out on behalf of victims of violence, torture, and poverty at the hands of the repressive Salvadoran government. He was shot and killed while saying Mass in a hospital chapel on March 24, 1980. Paul VI, elected pope in 1963 following the death of Pope John XXIII, brought the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965) to a conclusion and led the implementation of the Council's vision. The first pope to travel to Latin America, Paul VI presided over the Conference of Latin American Bishops meeting in Medellín, Colombia (1968). A watershed event, that assembly declared the church's "preferential option for the poor."

For more about Archbishop Romero and Pope Paul VI, see page 5.

October

FILIPINO COUNCIL

St. Joseph the Worker is home to people from around the world. As our mission statement says, "Out of this diversity we create unity." The Filipino Council plays an important role in fulfilling this aspect of our parish mission. The group coordinates the Filipino community's participation in parish events and organizes celebrations and liturgies to promote an appreciation of the diversity in our parish. Annual events include the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz, Simbang Gabi (Advent novena), and the celebration of Santo Niño (Infant Jesus of Prague).

October 21, 2018
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Top row, left to right: Ronald Lacap, Tess Lacap, Ressa Maschino, Marilou Fabros, Eden Flores, Nelly Sandan, Deacon Gus Mora

Second row: Tessie Millado, Annie Uy, Onie Mora

Third row: Vicky Morales, Fe Gonzales

Fourth row: Melita Bernabe, Lulu Mercado, Gaudie Estrada, Sr. Aurora Solano

Not pictured: Roy Cacacho, Cora Diamse, Norma Fabregas, Lydia Queza, Linda Ricafrente, Ada Rocas, Erlinda Tuazon

October

**"Get up,
Jesus is calling
you."**

October 28, 2018
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



El Greco (Domenikos Theotokopoulos)
Christ Healing the Blind, c. 1567, detail
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

October

REST IN PEACE

During the month of November we remember our beloved departed, whom our Lord has called through death to eternal life. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

November 4, 2018
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



November

LEST WE FORGET

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO TODAY, November 11, 1918, the armistice was signed that ended major hostilities of World War I, "the war to end all wars." November 11 was known as Armistice Day until 1954, when the observance was renamed Veterans Day to remember and thank all who have served in the U.S. armed forces.

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Written in 1915, during the First World War,
by Canadian physician Lieutenant-Colonel
John McCrae. First published on December 8
of that year in the British magazine *Punch*.

November 11, 2018
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November

Gratitude

THE MEMORY
OF THE
HEART



November 18, 2018
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November

Christ the King

November 25, 2018
Our Lord Jesus Christ
King of the Universe

Christ Pantocrator
(Ruler Over All),
c. 1261
Detail from
the deesis
mosaic,
Hagia Sophia,
Istanbul



November

Advent

EXPECTATION

On this First Sunday of Advent,

let us remember what this season is all about.

"Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the solemnities of Christmas, in which the first coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight" (USCCB).

With excitement and anticipation, we prepare for the celebration of our redemption and the love of God manifested in His Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. The sacrament of reconciliation, daily prayer, and thoughtful meditation on the Advent scripture readings help to turn our minds and hearts to the celebration of the birth of Christ.

Let us journey together toward an encounter with our Lord as we encounter one another.

Blessings for this holy season.

—Fr. Beto

December 2, 2018
First Sunday of Advent

December



Advent

PREPARATION

In today's Gospel, Luke introduces us to John the Baptist, who begins preparing the people of his time for the coming of the Prince of Peace. John's preaching about the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. The prophet Isaiah is quoted to show how John is preparing the people for Christ's coming. When the Jews were held captive in Babylon, they built roads for their captors. A day would come, Isaiah wrote, when they would build a highway for their God to prepare the way for His coming. Valleys would be filled in, and hills would be lowered.

As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming.

December 9, 2018
Second Sunday of Advent

December



Advent

JOY

The third Sunday of Advent is a day of joy in the midst of our spiritual preparation for the coming of our Lord. It is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday. The Latin word *gaudete* ("rejoice") comes from the entrance antiphon for today's Mass, heard again in the second reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians: *Gaudete in Domino semper*, "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near" (Philippians 4:4-5). The antiphon captures the mood of the entire liturgy, a sense of joyful expectation. Today is all about joy and the source of *true* joy. We light the pink candle of our Advent wreath in anticipation of the joy that is Christmas



December 16, 2018
Third Sunday of Advent

December

“GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST
AND ON EARTH PEACE TO THOSE
ON WHOM HIS FAVOR RESTS.

—Luke 2:14

Peace



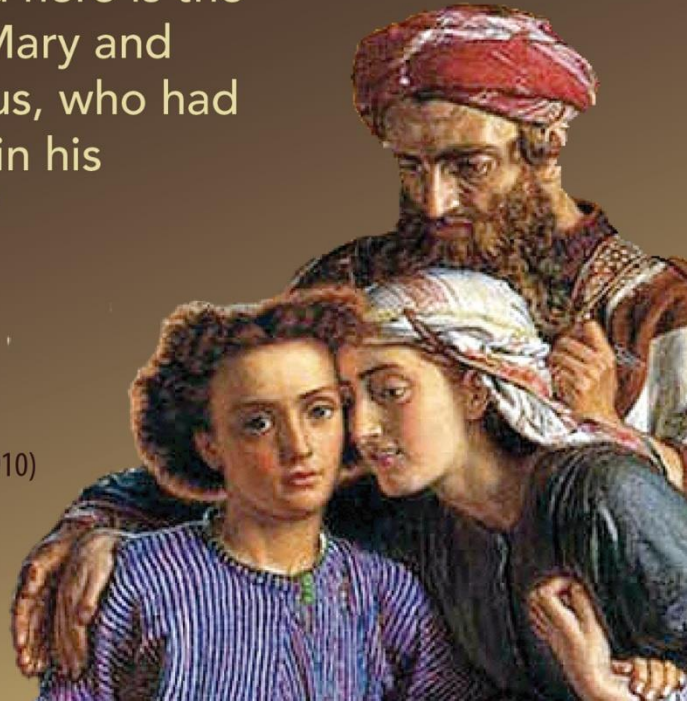
December 23, 2018
Fourth Sunday of Advent

December

LOST *and* FOUND

Scripture tells us of the Holy Family's journey to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover. On the trip home, Mary and Joseph discover that Jesus is missing and set about looking for him. For three days they did not know where the child Jesus was. Imagine the anguish in their hearts. Depicted here is the moment when Mary and Joseph find Jesus, who had stayed behind "in his Father's house."

William Holman Hunt (1827-1910)
**The Finding of the Saviour
in the Temple**
(1854-1860)
Birmingham (England)
Museum and Art Gallery



December 30, 2018
The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

December