

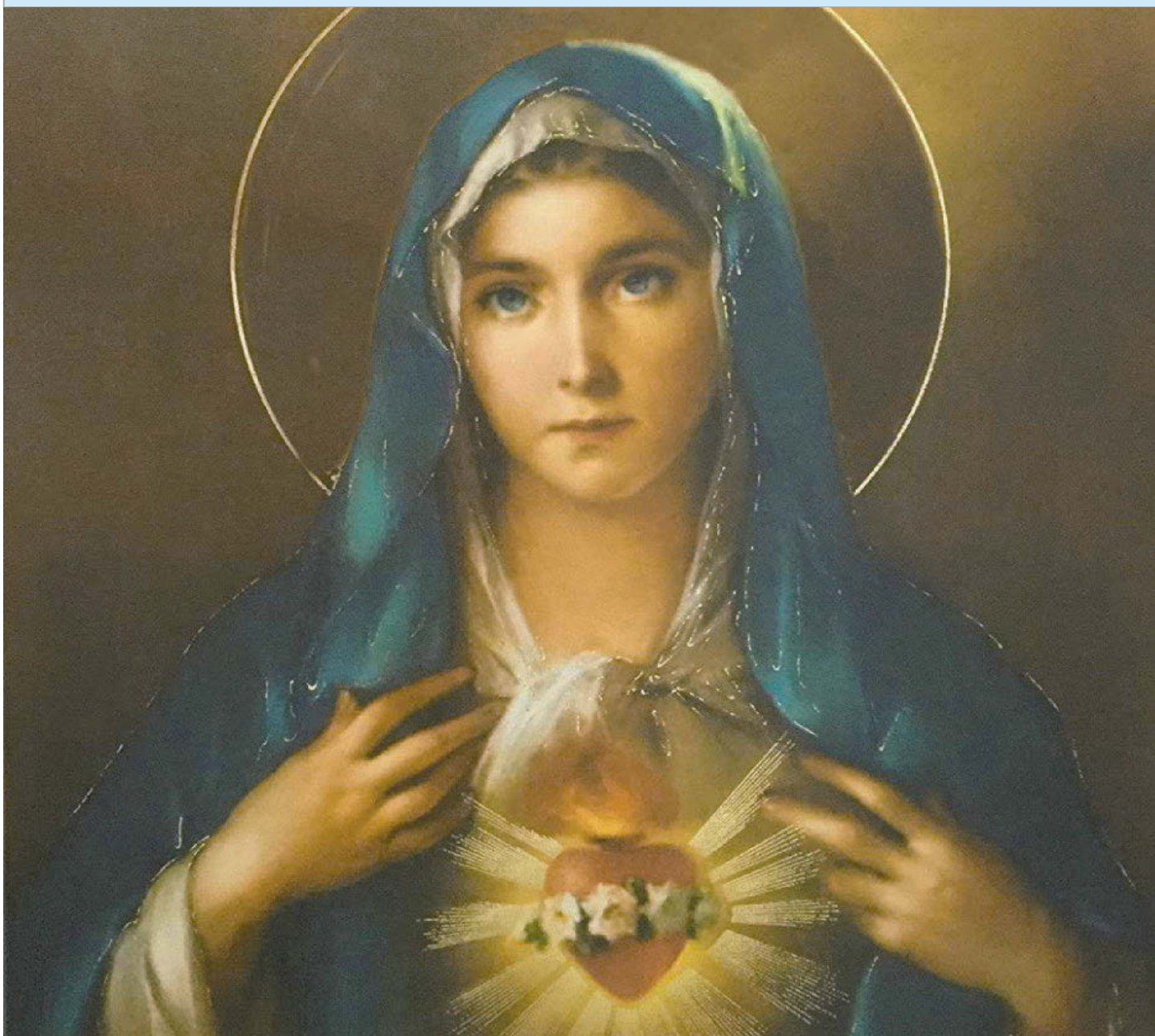


# IMMACULATE HEART OF *M*ARY

— Parish Mission + Mision Parroquial —

*With Mary, we seek to know Christ better and to make him better known through our words and actions.  
Con María, deseamos conocer mejor a Cristo y darlo a conocer por medio de nuestras acciones y palabras.*

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Dear families of the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

The prophet Isaiah inspires us with these words: "Light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday." All of us celebrating the liturgy today praise God for these words of encouragement.

Surely each of us knows the gloomy side of life, but today's readings propose a brilliant antidote to misery: the light of service. Isaiah focuses on physical suffering, telling us to provide food, clothing, housing, and equal opportunity to those with limited resources. Moving beyond material needs, Saint Paul demonstrates how to proceed humbly when attending to people's spiritual needs. Saint Matthew's Gospel stirs us to bold action: whatever gifts we have, we must put them at the service of our communities. As Christians, we must engage with one another without holding back, letting our light shine before all.

If you do not know how you can provide for the material needs and spiritual needs of others you can go to a Friday, to see St. Vincent de Paul and observe both material and spiritual needs being covered. So, few work so hard for so many with meeting their needs with smiles on their faces.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

Fr. Quang

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Queridas familias del Inmaculado Corazón de María,

El profeta Isaías nos inspira estas palabras: "En las tinieblas nacerá la luz para ustedes, y la oscuridad será para ustedes como el mediodía". Todos los que celebramos hoy la liturgia alabamos a Dios por estas palabras de aliento.

Seguramente cada uno de nosotros conoce el lado sombrío de la vida, pero las lecturas de hoy proponen un brillante antídoto contra la miseria: la luz del servicio. Isaías se centra en el sufrimiento físico, diciéndonos que proporcionemos comida, ropa, vivienda e igualdad de oportunidades a los que tienen recursos limitados. Más allá de las necesidades materiales, san Pablo nos muestra cómo proceder con humildad al atender las necesidades espirituales de las personas. El Evangelio de san Mateo nos impulsa a actuar con valentía: sean cuales sean nuestros dones, debemos ponerlos al servicio de nuestras comunidades. Como cristianos, debemos comprometernos con los demás sin reprimarnos, dejando que nuestra luz brille ante todos.

Si no sabe cómo puede proveer a las necesidades materiales y a las necesidades espirituales de los demás, puede venir un viernes a ver a San Vicente de Paúl y observar cómo se están cubriendo tanto las necesidades materiales como las espirituales. Son tan pocos los que trabajan tan duro por tantos satisfaciendo sus necesidades con sonrisas en sus rostros.

Inmaculado Corazón de María, ruega por nosotros.

Padre Quang

#### Weekday Masses/Misas Diarias

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00AM (English) - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:00AM (Bilingual)

#### Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00PM (English)

#### Sunday Mass/Domingo Misa

7:30AM (English) - 9:00AM (English) - 10:45AM (Español) - 12:30PM (English) - 2:00PM (Español)

5:00PM - Traditional Roman Rite (Latin)

#### Confessions

Tuesdays 6:00PM - 7:00PM & Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

## Prayers & Weekly Scriptures/Oraciones y Lecturas de la Semana

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK INTENCIONES PARA MISAS DE LA SEMANA

#### Sat. Feb. 4th

8:00 am † Socorro Ortega  
5:00 pm † Julie Halpin

#### Sun. Feb. 5th

7:30 am † John Grgurina  
9:00 am † Gina Simonetti Lilly  
10:45 am Pedro y Vitalina Oseguera - Anniversary  
12:30pm † Arlie Blackshear  
2:00 pm Javier & Veronica Bañales - Anniversary  
5:00 pm IHM Parishioners

#### Mon. Feb. 6th

8:00 am † Alvin Victorio Cunanan Ko

#### Tues. Feb. 7th

8:00 am Lou Sablan - Birthday

#### Wed. Feb. 8th

8:00 am † Esther Aguilar

#### Thurs. Feb. 9th

8:00 am † Antal Erdos

#### Fri. Feb. 10th

8:00 am † Gilbert Roque, Sr.

#### Sat. Feb. 11th

8:00 am Dorothy Jobe - Birthday

### FUNERALS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Eulogio Oseguera  
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Lyndsey Burrow, Ryan McLeod, Ramon Antonio Toledo, Giselle Honore, Clarence Cichon, Marion Cichon, Joseph Oliver, Therese Brantome, Trevor Rogers, Carlos Arias.\*\*\*

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Monday:	329: Gn 1:1-19 12, 24, 35	Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	330: Gn 1:20—2:4a Mk 7:1-13	Ps 8:4-9
Wednesday:	331: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17 27-30	Ps 104:1-2, Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	332: Gn 2:18-25 Mk 7:24-30	Ps 128:1-5
Friday:	333: Gn 3:1-8 Mk 7:31-37	Ps 32:1-2, 5-7
Saturday:	334: Gn 3:9-24 12-13	Ps 90:2-6, Mk 8:1-10
Sunday:	76: Sir 15:15-20 17-18, 33-34 Mt 5:17-37	Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 1 Cor 2:6-10

### Entrance Hymn

Christ, Be Our Light  
Bernadette Farrell

Verses  


1. Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, — man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, — man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



1. truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —
2. hope, — man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone —
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, —
4. warmth, — man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



1. your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth-ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth-ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth-er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain  


Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

### Gloria

Mass of Redemption



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on



earth — peace to peo - ple of — good will.

We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory;  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

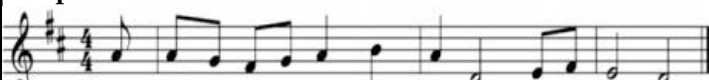
Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, son of the Father;  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us,  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ  
with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.

Amen, Amen.

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps. 112 • Michel Guimont



The just man is a light in dark-ness to the up-right.

A light rises in the darkness for the upright;  
he is generous, merciful, and just.

He has no fear of evil news;  
with a firm heart, he trusts in the LORD. R.

It goes well for the man who deals generously and lends,  
who conducts his affairs with justice. R.

With a steadfast heart he will not fear.  
Openhanded, he gives to the poor;  
his justice stands firm forever.

His might shall be exalted in glory. R.

He will never be moved;  
forever shall the just be remembered.

### Gospel Acclamation

Mass of Wisdom



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



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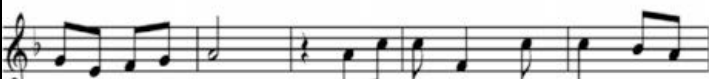
*I am the light of the world, says the Lord /  
whoever follows me will have the light of life R.*

### Preparation of the Gifts Your Light Will Come, Jerusalem

Bob Hurd

Refrain  

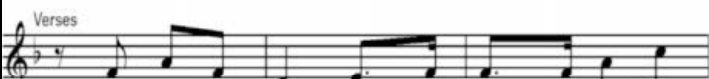

Your light will come, Je - ru - sa - lem; for on you will dawn the



glo - ry of the Lord, and all na - tions will walk in your



light, al - le - lu - ia, — al - le - lu - ia.

Verses  


1. Christ is the light of the world, a light dis -
2. His light is mer - cy and peace, a peace sur -
3. His light is jus - tice and truth, and love which



1. pel - ling the dark-ness. May we, his
2. pass - ing all tell - ing. May we, his
3. casts out all ha - tred. May we, his

to Refrain  


1. bod - y, re - flect that ho - ly light.
2. bod - y, be in - stru - ments of peace.
3. bod - y, pre - pare the reign of God.

## Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass of Wisdom

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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## Memorial Acclamation

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We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection  
until you come again.

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## Great Amen

Mass of Wisdom

Amen, Amen, Amen.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.

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## Lamb of God

Mass of Wisdom

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.

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## Communion Hymn

In Remembrance of You  
Paul Tate



1. Je - sus, hope for all, teach us to be - lieve.
2. Je - sus, Son of God, you are liv - ing Word.
3. Je - sus, Lamb of God, bear - er of our sin,



1. Reach us, hope for all, in wa - ter, wine, and wheat.
2. Teach us, Son of God, to share what we have heard.
3. Free us, Lamb of God; come heal us from with-in.

### REFRAIN



Gath-ered at ta-ble, gath-ered in love, food for the jour-ney



sent from a-bove. Strength-en and feed us in all that we do,



gath-ered at ta-ble in re - mem - brance of you.

## I Have Loved You

Michael Joncas



I have loved you with an ev - er - last - ing love, I have called you



and you are mine; I have loved you with an ev - er - last - ing love,



I have called you and you are mine. 1-3. Seek the face of the Lord and



to Refrain

1. long for him: he will bring you his light and his peace.
2. long for him: he will bring you his joy and his hope.
3. long for him: he will bring you his care and his love.

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## Recessional Hymn

We Are the Light of the World

Jean Grief



1. Bless - ed are they who are poor in spir - it,
2. Bless - ed are they who are meek and hum - ble,
3. Bless - ed are they who will mourn in sor - row,
4. Bless those who hun - ger and thirst for jus - tice,



1. Theirs is the king - dom of God. Bless us, O Lord, make us
2. They will in - her - it the earth. Bless us, O Lord, make us
3. They will be com - fort - ed. Bless us, O Lord, when we
4. They will be sat - is - fied. Bless us, O Lord, hear our,



1. poor in spir - it; Bless us, O Lord, our God.
2. meek and hum - ble; Bless us, O Lord, our God.
3. share their sor - row; Bless us, O Lord, our God.
4. cry for jus - tice; Bless us, O Lord, our God.



Ref. We are the light of the world, may our light shine be - fore all,



That they may see the good that we do, and give glo - ry to God. 5

**Entrada****Vamos Cantando al Señor**

Juan Espinosa

*Estribillo*

Va - mos can - tan - do al Se - ñor: Él  
es nues - tra a - le - gri - a.

*Estrofas*

1. La luz de un nue - vo dí - a ven - ció a  
2. La ro - ca que nos sal - va es Cris -  
3. Los cie - los y la tie - rra a - cla -  
4. U - ni - dos co - mo her - ma - nos ve - ni -

1. la os - cu - ri - dad, que bri - lle en nues - tras  
2. - to nues - tro Dios, lle - gue - mos dan - do  
3. - man al Se - ñor: "ha he - cho ma - ra -  
4. - mos a tu al - tar, que lle - nes nues - tras

*al Estribillo*

1. al - mas la luz de la ver - dad.  
2. gra - cias a nues - tro Re - den - tor.  
3. vi - llas, in - men - so es su a - mor".  
4. vi - das de a - mor y de a - mis - tad.

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**Gloria***Misa Sol de Justicia*

Glo - ria a Dios en el cie - lo, y en la tie - rra  
paz a los hom - bres que a - ma el Se - ñor.

Por tu inmensa gloria te alabamos, te bendecimos,  
te adoramos, te glorificamos, te damos gracias,  
Señor Dios, Rey Celestial,  
Dios Padre todopoderoso.

Señor, Hijo único, Jesucristo;  
Señor, Dios, Cordero de Dios, Hijo del Padre;  
tú que quitas el pecado del mundo, ten piedad de nosotros;  
tú que quitas el pecado del mundo, atiende nuestra súplica;  
tú que estás sentado a la derecha del Padre,  
ten piedad de nosotros;

Porque sólo tú eres Santo, sólo tú Señor,  
solo tú Altísimo, Jesucristo,  
con el Espíritu Santo en la gloria de Dios Padre. **R.**

**Salmo Responsorial**

Sa. 111 • Pedro Rubalcava

**R.** El jus - to bri - lla en las ti - nie - blas co - mo u - na luz.

1. En las tinieblas brilla como una luz  
el que es justo, clemente y compasivo.  
Dichoso el que se apiada y presta y administra rectamente sus asuntos.
2. El justo jamás vacilará, su recuerdo será perpetuo.  
No temerá las malas noticias, su corazón está firme en el Señor.
3. Su corazón está Seguro, sin temor, repartee limosna a los pobres,  
su caridad es constante, sin falta, y alzarla la frente con dignidad.

**Aclamación del Evangelio***Misa Sol de Justicia*

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.  
*Yo soy la luz del mundo, dice el Señor /  
el que me sigue tendrá la luz de la vida R.*

**Preparación de las Ofrendas****Donde Hay Fe**

Eleazar Cortes

*Estribillo*

Don - de hay fe, hay a - mor. Don - de hay a - mor,  
e - xis - te paz. Don - de hay paz, a - hí - es - tá  
Dios. Don - de es - tá Dios, no fal - ta na - da. na - da. Don - de  
Dios es - tá, no fal - ta na - da.

1-3 a las Estrofas Final

1. La fe, cual un granito de mostaza,  
siendo una semilla tan pequeña  
se convierte en un árbol robusto  
que florece y fructifica amor.
2. Cuando el amor inunda nuestras vidas,  
viene y nos transforma la existencia  
porque así es el gran mandamiento  
que nos ha encomendado el Señor.
3. Si el precepto del amor cumplimos  
nos vendrá la paz en recompensa,  
esa paz que tan solo se alcanza  
si andamos los caminos de Dios.

## Santo

Misa Sol de Justicia

Santo, Santo, Santo  
es el Señor, Dios del universo.  
Llenos están el cielo y la tierra de tu gloria.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna en el cielo.  
Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor,  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna en el cielo.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna en el cielo.

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## Aclamación Conmemorativa

Misa Sol de Justicia

Anunciamos tu muerte, proclamamos tu resurrección.  
Ven, Señor, oh ven, Señor.  
Ven, Señor Jesús.

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## Gran Amén

Misa Sol de Justicia

Amén, Amén, Amén.  
Amén, Amén, Amén.

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## Cordero de Dios

Misa Sol de Justicia

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,  
ten piedad de nosotros, ten piedad de nosotros.

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,  
ten piedad de nosotros, ten piedad de nosotros.

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,  
danos la paz, danos la paz, danos, danos, danos la paz.

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## Comunión

El Viñador  
Cesáreo Gabaráin

1. Por los caminos sedientos de luz,  
levantándose antes que el sol,  
hacia los campos que lejos están,  
muy temprano se va el viñador.  
No se detiene en su caminar,  
no le asusta la sed ni el calor.  
Hay una viña que quiere cuidar,  
una viña que es todo su amor.
2. Él te protege con un valladar  
levantado en tu derredor,  
quita del alma las piedras del mal  
y ha elegido la cepa mejor.  
Limpia los surcos con todo su afán,  
y los riega con sangre y sudor.  
Dime si puede hacer algo más  
por su viña, el viñador.

### Estribillo

Dios es tu amigo, el viñador,  
el que te cuida de sol a sol.  
Dios es tu amigo, el viñador,  
el que te pide frutos de amor.

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## Yo Canto Amor

Coralia Busquets

Yo can - to a - mor por - que Tú e - res a - mor. Yo can - to  
paz por - que Tú e - res la paz. Yo can - to a - mor por - que  
Tú e - res a - mor. Yo can - to paz por - que Tú e - res la paz.

1. Canto con todos los pueblos, Señor,  
con los que esperan de ti redención.  
Canto con todos los que sufren, con todos los que ríen,  
con todos los que buscan amor.  
Canto, Señor, con la confianza que vive en la esperanza  
del día que vendrás a salvar.
2. Canto con todos los pobres, Señor,  
los que llamaste a tu mundo mejor.  
Canto con todos los que lloran,  
con los que nada tienen, los que sólo Tú puedes saciar.  
Canto, Señor, con la confianza que vive en la esperanza  
del día que vendrás a salvar.

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## Salida

Te Den Gracias  
Eduardo de Zayas

Te den gra - cias to - dos los pue - blos, que to - dos los  
pue - blos te den gra - cias.  
1 a las Estrofas (Fin)  
Estrofas  
1. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, Se - ñor, gra - cias te da - mos por  
2. Se - ñor, qué bien se vi - ve en tu ca - sa, en  
1. es - ta mi - sa que he - mos ce - le - bra - do. Tu  
2. Cris - to siem - pre u - ni - dos co - mo her - ma - nos. Se -  
1. Cuer - po y San - gre ya he - mos re - ci - bi - do, vol -  
2. ñor, que se - a es - te un an - ti - ci - po del  
al Estribillo  
1. ve - mos a la vi - da en tu - sias - ma - dos.  
2. cie - lo que ya he - mos co - men - za - do.

February 5, 2023

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10 | 1 Cor 2:1-5 | Mt 5:13-16

### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

It's amazing how one interaction can brighten an otherwise gloomy day. I love a nice sunrise on a wintry morning or a crackling fire on an autumn night. But whatever the weather, nothing quite lights up my day like a shared laugh with a friend, a snippet of real conversation with my teen son, or a hot cup of coffee delivered by my husband. In today's reading, Jesus continues the Sermon on the Mount, telling the disciples: "Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." We, too, can be light for others – through good deeds large and small, ordinary and extraordinary. As we go about our days, we can ask the Lord to show us how to serve others. We will have days when we don't feel up to the task but, like St. Paul, we can ask the Holy Spirit to light the way.

“

**You are the salt of the earth, you are the light of the world.”**

### GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus used images that resonate with us as much as they did with his followers 2,000 years ago: salt and light. Salt serves many purposes, preserving our food and giving it flavor, for example. And of course we cannot live without light. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples: "You are the salt of the earth ... You are the light of the world." Like the disciples we, too, can be salt and light for others by giving witness to our faith. What that involves will be different for each of us. For ideas, we can turn to today's reading from Isaiah, which calls us to share our bread, shelter the oppressed and clothe the naked. In doing so, our light "shall break forth like the dawn."

**ACTION** We all know people we'd call "the salt of the earth." Who are those people in your life? Make a list of the characteristics they exhibit or actions they take that you can learn from and try to imitate. Ask God for the grace to see and do likewise for his glory.



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San Miguel Arcángel,  
defiéndenos en la batalla.  
Sé nuestro amparo contra la  
perversidad y asechanzas del  
demonio. Reprímale Dios,  
pedimos suplicantes,  
y tú Príncipe de la  
Milicia Celestial,  
con el divino poder de Dios,  
arroja al infierno a Satanás  
y a todos los espíritus malignos  
que andan dispersos  
por el mundo  
para la perdición de las almas.  
Amén.



#### Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle,  
be our protection  
against the wickedness and  
snares of the devil.  
May God  
rebuke him we humbly pray;  
and do thou, O Prince of the  
Heavenly host,  
by the power of God,  
cast into hell Satan  
and all the evil spirits  
who prowl about the world seeking  
the ruin of souls.  
Amen



## Information/Información

### St. Vincent de Paul for Friday's Food Pantry

For the weekend of February 12, please bring canned scanned milk. THANK YOU!

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Para el fin de semana del 12 de febrero, por favor traigan leche enlatada. GRACIAS!

### SCHEDULE OF SECOND COLLECTIONS

February 19 - Maintenance Fund  
February 26 - Bishop's Appeal

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### FECHAS DE SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

19 de febrero - Fondo del Mantenimiento  
26 de febrero - Apelación del Obispo

**Hours of Adoration** are on Thursdays from 9:00AM to 6:00PM. On Fridays, Adoration begins at 9:00am and Continues until 7:00am on Saturday. Please pray for increased vocations.



**Horas de Adoración** son los jueves de 9:00AM a 6:00PM. Adoración los viernes empieza a las 9:00AM y continúa hasta el sábado a las 7:00AM. Por favor recen Para que aumenten las vocaciones.



Go to our website to schedule your Mass intentions. You may schedule one per month and not to exceed 6 intentions per year.

Vaya a nuestra página web para reservar sus intenciones de Misa(s). Puede reservar una por mes y no exceder de 6 intenciones para todo el año.



### Oakland Diocese 24 hours for the Lord at IHM — Brentwood.

On Friday, February 24th. after the 8:00am Mass, we will have 24 hours with the Lord Adoration in the Church until the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm.

During the Stations, we will move Adoration into the Chapel and then back into the Church until 7:30am Saturday before the 8:00am Mass.

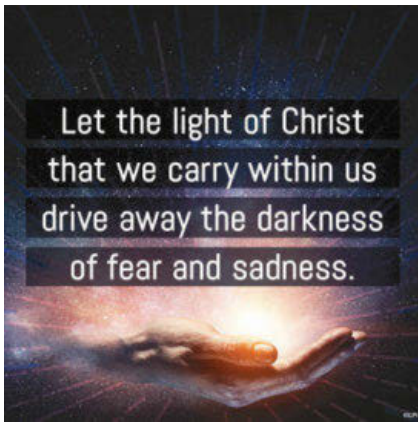
### Food Festival for World Youth Day - February 12 after all Masses

In 2023, teen pilgrims are headed to World Youth day in Lisbon, Portugal, and are fundraising by selling a variety of amazing food selections after all Morning Masses on Sunday, February 12.

Please stop by the plaza after Masses and support our youth as they prepare to travel to Portugal and meet with the Pope! We thank you in advance for your support!

We now have a code for the website **FORMED.ORG** - Simply open a web browser and type in: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). - Go to the lower right hand side and click on "Register" and follow the prompts. Our IHM code is: **CM7TFZ**

This is a dynamic website that has all things Catholic, on demand, all the time! Check it out!



*You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.*

—Matthew 5:14-16

Were you afraid of the dark as a child? Are there little ones (or even “grown-ups”) in your life who can’t stand being left in a room with no lights?

If so, you might be happy to know that science now has some insights to offer.

Centuries and millennia ago, our ancestors lived in a world in which darkness was a time when people were especially vulnerable. In order to stay safe outside of the small ring of light that a fire or, later, a lamp might provide, human beings developed what would become an innate fear of the dark. It’s perfectly reasonable, if we stop and think about what was at stake. While there have been numerous studies and articles about this in the last decade, science writer Josh Hrala summed things up in an article for [sciencealert.com](http://sciencealert.com): “Our ancestors were constantly on the look-out for predators that wanted nothing more than to chow down on human sandwiches. To make that even scarier, most of these predators hunted at night — a time of day when we are especially vulnerable to attack because of our relatively poor eyesight.” He continues, “Over the years, this nightly fear became instinctual, and we still experience it today as a form of mild anxiety.”

This danger of darkness remained in force until the modern era when streetlights and flood lights began to push away the darkness more effectively than anything that we ever had before. But there still remains, in each of us, a certain fear of what may be lurking just beyond the reach of the light or hiding in the shadows.

Ultimately, fear of the dark is a fear of the unknown.

In [this Sunday’s Gospel](#), Jesus uses the image of salt and light to remind his followers of what they — we — are called to be in and for the world. Part of this means that we are called to live lives that, like salt and light, enhance the “flavor” of the world and dispel the darkness of fear and doubt.

We can see what this looks like when we think of so many of the great saints of our faith tradition. [Saint Francis of Assisi](#) certainly embodied this ideal in his willingness to commit his life wholeheartedly to living out the demands of Gospel poverty and joy in an age when the Church was becoming more and more mired in bureaucracy and the quest for power. With his band of “Lesser Brothers,” the light of Francis’ faith and the “salt” of his joy brightened and enhanced the world in which he lived.

At the heart of Jesus’ message and Francis’ mission is love.

Certainly, this means our experience of God’s love and our love for God. But, on a more practical level, this means the love that we show to one another. The first reading this Sunday brings this point home, as we hear these words from the Prophet Isaiah:

*Share your bread with the hungry,  
shelter the oppressed and the homeless;  
clothe the naked when you see them,  
and do not turn your back on your own.  
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn...  
If you remove from your midst  
oppression, false accusation and malicious speech,  
if you bestow your bread on the hungry  
and satisfy the afflicted;  
then light shall rise for you in the darkness,  
and the gloom shall become for you like midday.*

This is what love looks like and when we reflect on all of the acts of mercy Isaiah describes, we can see how these good works — expressions of our love — can help drive away the ugliness, fear, and, yes, darkness that brings grief, despair, and death into the world.

In the end, the liturgy this Sunday is reminding us that we don't have to be afraid of the dark any longer. If we have love — and live that love — then the light of Christ that we carry within us will drive away the darkness of fear and sadness. — Br. Silas Henderson, S.D.S.

## **PRAYER**

### ***A Prayer for the Faith the Overcomes All***

O Lord,  
grant us faith,  
the faith that removes the mask from the world  
and manifests God in all things;  
the faith that enables everything to be seen  
in another light:  
that shows us the greatness of God  
and lets us see our own littleness;  
that shows us Christ  
where our eyes see only a poor person;  
that shows us the Savior  
where we feel only pain.

O Lord,  
grant us the faith  
that inspires us to undertake  
everything that God wants  
without hesitation,  
without shame,  
without fear,  
and without ever retreating;  
that faith that fears  
neither danger, nor sorrow, nor death;  
the faith that knows how to go through life  
with calm, peace, and profound joy,  
and that makes the soul completely indifferent  
to everything that is not you. Amen.

—*from the writings of Saint Charles de Foucauld*

## Bible Study



Are you interested in deepening your understanding of, and engagement in the Mass and drawing closer to Jesus? Come join us for a scripture study to delve into the coming weekly readings from our Priests and Deacons. We will discuss the historical context, in both Jewish and Catholic faith traditions, and then explore together practical applications of the readings. This will make us all more alert and receptive to Homilies at Mass, a modest investment that reaps major blessings! Each week we will cover the reading from the Old and New Testament in our Sunday/Holy Day Mass readings.

Group meets on Fridays at 3:30pm in the Library. Our facilitator, Dr. Allan Steinhardt, will go over background context and Catholic understanding of the readings, and then we will break into groups to discuss applications.

Dr. Steinhardt has been teaching Bible studies for Adult RE, and RCIA, for over thirty years. He is a Jewish convert, and has corresponded with various Bishops and Cardinals on Jewish Catholic relations, including Cardinal Dulles, and Bishop Gregory, as well as the late Father John Neuhaus. Contact: Dr. Allan Steinhardt; Cell: 925-200-0115, or email: [asteinhardt@aeye.ai](mailto:asteinhardt@aeye.ai).

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Been away from the Church for a while? Non-Christian? Non-Catholic Christian? Catholic who has not completed your sacraments?

Have you ever wondered about the meaning of life? What would our life be if you had a close relationship with Jesus Christ?



**Discovering Christ** is a small-group discussion course that will answer today's questions about how the life and teachings of Jesus Christ provide guidance and direction to those looking to explore. We meet on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the Library.

Contact Linda Kortuem: 925-634-4154 Ext. 117 or Email: [lkortuem@ihmbrentwood.com](mailto:lkortuem@ihmbrentwood.com)

**The Greeter Ministry** is looking to become active once again now that we can accommodate a greater number of participants at each of our weekend Masses. We would like to have 2 at the front door and one at the side double doors at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering to help in this Ministry, please call Carol Smith, Greeter Coordinator, at 925-390-6980.

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- 1 Chronicles 29:9*

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### + Confessions / Confesiones

Tuesday/Martes: 6:00 - 7:00PM  
Saturday/Sabado: 3:30 - 4:30PM

### Devotions/Devociones

Monday to Friday/Lunes a Viernes  
7:30AM

### **Holy Rosary/Santo Rosario**

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Wednesday/Miércoles  
8:30AM

### **Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Novena Madre del Perpetuo Socorro**

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Friday/Viernes  
8:30AM

### **Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia**

### Anointing of the Sick Unción de los Enfermos

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### Weekly Calendar/Calendario Semanal

#### Sun. Feb. 5th

10:30am Library Open Library

#### Mon. Feb. 6th

8:45am Men's Fellowship Library  
4:00pm Educated Angels Lk/Matt  
5:00pm Legion of Mary/Eng Library  
7:00pm Bible Study/Sp Hall A  
7:00pm Men of St. Joseph Library  
7:00pm Escuela de la Cruz John  
7:00pm C.O.V. Circulos de Oracion y Vida Church  
Hall A/B

#### Tues. Feb. 7th

10:00am IHM Crafters Library  
3:00pm First Communion/Eng. All classrooms/  
Hall A/B/C/Library  
4:15p Edge/Middle School Hall A/B/C/  
All classrooms/Library  
6:00pm Legion of Mary/Sp. Chapel  
6:00pm Confessions Church  
7:00pm First Communion/Sp All Classrooms/  
Hall A/B/C  
7:00pm SPRED Classes Library/Matt

#### Wed. Feb. 8th

10:00am SVDP—Genera Meeting Hall C  
4:00pm IHM Good Shepherd Hall A/B/C/Jn  
4:00pm Educated Angels Lk/Matt  
5:00pm Confirmation/Teen Mark/Library  
7:00pm Confirmation/Teen Hall A/BC/  
All Classrooms/Library/Church

#### Thurs. Feb. 9th

10:00am Women's Faith Sharing Library  
4:00pm IHM Good Shepard Hall A/B/C/John  
4:00pm RCIC Mark  
5:00pm Widow/Widowers Library  
7:00pm Confirmation/Adult Hall A  
7:00pm Discovering Christ Library  
7:00pm RICA/Faith Formation Mark  
7:00pm Pre-Baptismal Class/Eng Hall C  
7:00pm Emmaus Men/Sp Retreat Luke  
7:00pm RCIA-Eng Church

#### Fri. Feb. 10th

8:00am St. Vincent de Paul Hall A/B/C  
3:30pm Bible Study/Eng Library  
4:00pm CCD/Sp Choir Practice Church  
6:00pm Emmaus Men/Eng. Monthly Matthew  
7:00pm Confirmation Adult/Sp/RICA John  
7:00pm Youth Group Hall C  
7:00pm Divine Mercy Cenacle Luke

#### Sat. Feb. 11th

9:00am Faith Formation/Eng All classrooms/  
Library  
3:30pm Confessions Church

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