



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

AUGUST 23, 2026

**TWENTY-FIRST
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday | **English:** 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday | **English:** 7:30am, 9:00am, 12:30pm
Sunday | **Spanish:** 10:45am, 2:00pm
Sunday | **Latin:** 5:00pm (Tridentine Form)

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday | **English:** 8am
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday | **Bilingual:** 8am
with Daily Rosary at 7:30am

CONFESSIONS/CONFESIONES

Tuesday | 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Saturday | 3:30pm - 4:30pm

CHAPEL/CAPILLA

Monday - Wednesday | 8:30am - 4:00pm
Thursday | Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm
with Holy Hour & Benediction at 5:00pm
Friday | Adoration 8:30am to Saturday 7:30am
with overnight Adoration in the Chapel

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**UPON
THIS ROCK.**

— MATTHEW 16:18 —

PARISH MISSION + MISION PARROQUIAL

*With Mary, we seek to know Christ better and to make Him better
known through our words and actions.*

*Con Maria, deseamos conocer mejor a Cristo y darlo
a conocer por medio de nuestras acciones y palabras.*

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PASTOR'S PAGE

Dear Families of the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

Our faith in Christ cannot be individualist, but it must be personal. As Christians, we are indeed a community of believers that spans centuries and across the entire globe. But one's belief in Christ must also be deeply personal. When Jesus asks Peter, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" He does not stop there. Rather, Jesus asks Peter specifically, "Who do you say that I am?" When it comes down to it, we cannot simply know about Jesus. We must know Jesus.

It is this relationship with Jesus that allows Peter to confidently proclaim, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And it is from this relationship that Jesus' trust of Peter stems, to whom he gives the keys to the kingdom of heaven. This may seem like an unlikely choice. Peter has failed Jesus in the past and he will continue to do so moving forward. Jesus, however, sees something in Peter that perhaps Peter cannot yet see in himself.

One of the most simultaneously joyful and challenging realities of the church is that it is made up of humans. Of course, it is God who calls and sustains, but it is an institution comprised of people—people who sometimes make poor, even hurtful choices. May Peter's example give us hope that God works among and through our humanness and may it inspire us to put our trust in what is divine.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

Queridas Familias del Inmaculado Corazón de María,

Nuestra fe en Cristo no puede ser individualista, pero debe ser personal. Como cristianos, somos en efecto una comunidad de creyentes que abarca siglos y en todo el mundo. Pero una creencia en Cristo también debe ser profundamente personal. Cuando Jesús le pregunta a Pedro: «¿Quién dice la gente que es el Hijo del Hombre? No se queda ahí. Más bien, Jesús le pregunta específicamente a Pedro: "¿Quién dices que soy? Al final, no podemos simplemente conocer a Jesús. Debemos conocer a Jesús.

Es esta relación con Jesús la que permite a Pedro proclamar con confianza: «Tú eres el Cristo, el Hijo del Dios viviente». Y es de esta relación de donde nace la confianza de Jesús en Pedro, a quien le entrega las llaves del reino de los cielos. Esto puede parecer una elección poco probable. Pedro ha fallado a Jesús en el pasado y seguirá haciéndolo en el futuro. Sin embargo, Jesús ve algo en Pedro que quizás Pedro aún no puede ver en sí mismo.

Una de las realidades más alegres y desafiantes de la iglesia es que está compuesta por humanos. Por supuesto, es Dios quien llama y sostiene, pero es una institución compuesta por personas—personas que a veces toman decisiones malas, incluso hirientes. Que el ejemplo de Pedro nos da esperanza de que Dios actúa entre y a través de nuestra humanidad y que nos inspire a confiar en lo divino.

Inmaculado Corazón de María, ruega por nosotros.

Rev. Father Quang Dong
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WEEKLY SCRIPTURES & PRAYERS

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

8:00am † Frank Contreras
Jorge Rodriguez - Health
5:00pm † Al Peronetto

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

7:30am † Santos Mejia
† Sr. Rosario Reyes
9:00am † Heidi Hawkridge
† Jesus Sunga
10:45am † Vitalina Oseguera
† Abel Hernandez
12:30pm † Frank Henriquez
† Ricardo Pagulayan
2:00pm Jose Mateo Madrigal
Aguilera - Birthday
† Jesus Vega
5:00pm IHM Parishioners

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

8:00am † Paul Meyer Ilch
† Catherine Uwaechie

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

8:00am † Manuel Soliz
† Aurora Tavares

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

8:00am † Michael Burke
Rodrigo del Real

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

8:00am † Richard Heiy

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

8:00am † Tomas Jr. and Antonio Ooka
Kay Aviani - Special Inten.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

8:00am † Fr. John Garcia
† Salvador Casillas

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: AUGUST 24

Reading: Rv 21:9b-14
Psalm: Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18
Gospel: Jn 1:45-51

TUESDAY: AUGUST 25

Reading: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17
Psalm: Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13
Gospel: Mt 23:23-26

WEDNESDAY: AUGUST 26

Reading: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18
Psalm: Ps 128:1-2, 4-5
Gospel: Mt 23:27-32

THURSDAY: AUGUST 27

Reading: 1 Cor 1:1-9
Psalm: Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Gospel: Mt 24:42-51

FRIDAY: AUGUST 28

Reading: 1 Cor 1:17-25/
Psalm: Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11
Gospel: Mt 25:1-13

SATURDAY: AUGUST 29

Reading: 1 Cor 1:26-31
Psalm: Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21
Gospel: Mk 6:17-29

SUNDAY: AUGUST 30

1st Reading: Jer 20:7-9
Psalm: Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
2nd Reading: Rom 12:1-2
Gospel: Mt 16:21-2

PLEASE PRAY FOR

SICK RELATIVES & FRIENDS OF THE PARISH COMMUNITY:

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Angel Moreno, Natasha Cruz, Manny
Johnny O'Mallan, Elvi Tavares

SCHEDULE OF SECOND COLLECTIONS

AUGUST 30: St. Vincent de Paul
San Vicente de Paul

SEPTEMBER 6: Facility Improvement
Fondo del Mejoramiento
de las Instalaciones

SEPTEMBER 13: No Second Collection
No Habra Segunda Colecta

SEPTEMBER 20: Diocesan Priest Retirement
Jubilación de los
Sacerdotes de la Diocesis

Entrance Hymn

Church of God, Elect and Glorious HYFRYDOL

Church of God, elect and glorious,
Holy Nation, Chosen Race.
Called as God's own special people,
royal priests and heirs of grace;
know the purpose of your calling,
show to all God's mighty deeds;
tell of love which knows no limits,
grace which meets all human needs.

God has called you out of darkness
into his most marv'lous light,
brought his truth to life within you,
turned your blindness into sight.
Let your light so shine around you
that God's name is glorified;
and all find fresh hope and purpose
in Christ Jesus crucified.

Once you were an alien people,
strangers to God's heart of love;
but he brought you home in mercy,
citizens of heav'n above.
Let his love flow out to others,
let them feel a Father's care;
that they too may know his welcome
and his countless blessings share.



Gloria

Mass of Redemption



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

Psalm 138 · Michel Guimont



Lord, your love is e - ter - nal; do not for-sake the work of your hands.

I thank you, LORD, with all my heart;
you have heard the words of my
mouth.

On the day I called, you answered me;
you increased the strength of my
soul. R.

In the presence of the angels I praise you.
I bow down toward your holy
temple. R.

The LORD is high, yet he looks on the
lowly,
and the haughty he knows from afar.

I give thanks to your name
for your merciful love and your
faithfulness.

O LORD, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your
hands. R.

Gospel Acclamation

Mass of Redemption



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

"You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church /
and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it" R.

Preparation of the Gifts

O How Blessed Dan Schutte

- O how blessed are the poor in spirit,
the kingdom of God is theirs.
O how blessed those who dwell in sorrow,
they surely will be consoled.
- O how blessed are the meek and lowly,
for they shall possess the earth.
O how blessed those who thirst for justice,
they surely will have their fill.
- O how blessed are the pure of heart,
for they shall behold God's face.
O how blessed those who mend with mercy,



Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass of Redemption

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 Redemption

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

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Lamb of God

Mass of Redemption

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

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

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

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Communion Hymn

When We Eat This Bread

Michael Joncas

Refrain

When we eat this bread and we drink this cup,
we proclaim your death until you come.

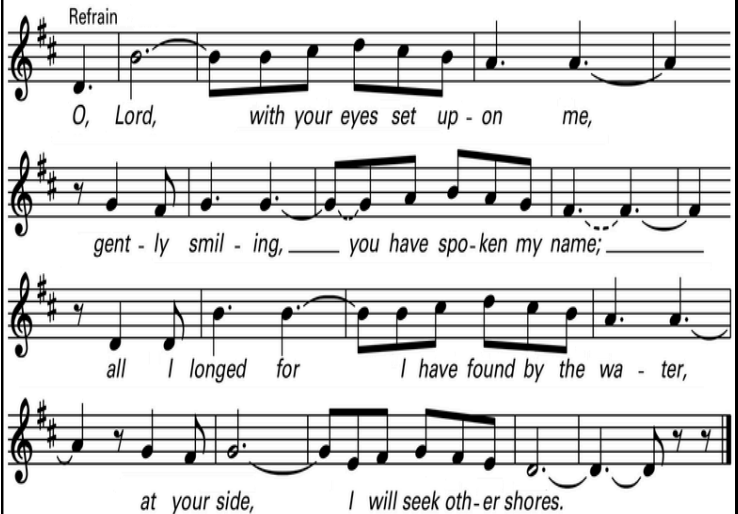
1. Where two or three are gathered in my name,
where two or three are gathered together, there I am.
How blessed are they who are called to the banquet of the Lord.
2. Come, you blessed of my father, come to me.
Enter into God's holy kingdom, full of joy.
How blessed are they who are called to the banquet of the Lord.
3. I saw the city Jerusalem come from God,
all clothed and adorned as a bride for her husband, filled with love.
How blessed are they who are called to the banquet of the Lord.
4. There will be no more weeping or mourning, nevermore:
and God will dwell with his holy people evermore.
How blessed are they who are called to the banquet of the Lord.
5. All praise to the Father, Creator most holy, praise to him.
All praise to the Son, our Savior and brother, praise to him;
All glory and praise to the Spirit of God who makes us one.

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Lord, You Have Come

Cesareo Gabarain

1. Lord, you have come to the seashore,
neither searching for the rich nor the wise,
desiring only that I should follow.
2. Lord, see my goods, my possessions;
in my boat you find no power, no wealth.
Will you accept, then, my nets and labor?
3. Lord, take my hands and direct them.
Help me spend myself in seeking the lost,
returning love for the love you gave me.
4. Lord, as I drift on the waters,
be the resting place of my restless heart,
my life's companion, my friend and refuge.



Recessional Hymn

Sing A New Church

NETTLETON

1. Summoned by the God who made us
Rich in our diversity,
Gathered in the name of Jesus,
Richer still in unity:
2. Radiant risen from the water,
Robed in holiness and light,
Male and female in God's image,
Male and female, God's delight:



Canto de Entrada

Piedras Vivas
Antonio Alcalde

Estribillo



So-mos pie-dras vi - vas, tem-plo del Se-ñor,
miem-bros de su cuer-po, I - gle-sia en cons-truc - ción.
Pue-blo re-u - ni - do, vi - ña de e - lec - ción,
pue-blo re-con-ci - lia - do, tes - ti - gos de su a-mor.

1. Celebremos todos juntos
este día del Señor,
el día de la alegría
y de la resurrección.
2. Renacidos del bautismo,
fuente de la salvación,
incorporados a Cristo,
somos la Iglesia de Dios.
3. Escuchando la palabra,
compartiendo el mismo pan,
nos llena de su alegría,
nos da el abrazo de paz.

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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

Salmo 138 · Ronald Krisman



Se-ñor, tu mi-se-ri - cor-dia es e - ter-na, no a-ban-do-nes la
o-bra de tus ma - nos.

Te doy gracias, Señor, de todo corazón,
porque has oído las palabras de mi boca.

Delante de los ángeles tañeré para ti,
me postraré hacia tu santuario. *R.*

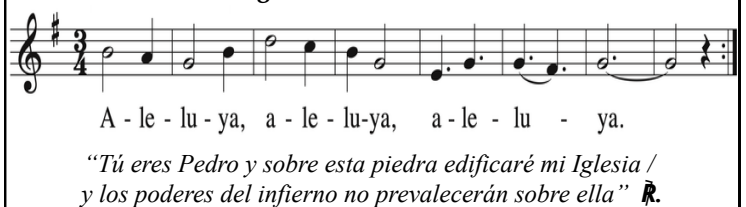
Daré gracias a tu nombre:
por tu misericordia y tu lealtad.

Cuando te invoqué, me escuchaste,
acreciste el valor en mi alma. *R.*

El Señor es sublime, se fija en el humilde,
y de lejos conoce al soberbio.
Señor, tu misericordia es eterna,
no abandones la obra de tus manos. *R.*

Aclamación del Evangelio

Misa Sol de Justicia



A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.
"Tú eres Pedro y sobre esta piedra edificaré mi Iglesia /
y los poderes del infierno no prevalecerán sobre ella" *R.*

Preparación de las Ofrendas

Aquí Estamos, Señor
Mauricio Centeno

Estribillo

Aquí estamos, Señor,
unidos en la misma fe.
Acepta, Señor, nuestros dones
y transforma nuestras vidas.
Aquí estamos, Señor,
unidos en la misma fe.
Realiza con tu Espíritu,
la obra salvadora.

1. Estos dones de tu bondad,
que has puesto en nuestras manos,
por tu sacrificio,
santifican nuestras vidas.
2. Mantengamos lazos de paz,
unidos con el mismo Espíritu.
En oración y cantos,
muéstranos tu presencia.
3. Uno es el Señor,
una la fe, uno el bautismo.
Sirvámonos unos a otros,
como un solo cuerpo en Cristo.
4. Con los dones que Tú nos das,
muestras tu presencia.
Guíanos en tu camino,
unidos en la misma fe.

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 el nombre del Señor.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna en el cielo.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna en el cielo.

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Aclamación Conmemorativa

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

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Gran Amén

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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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Canto de Comunión

Todos Esperamos de Ti
Alberto Taulé



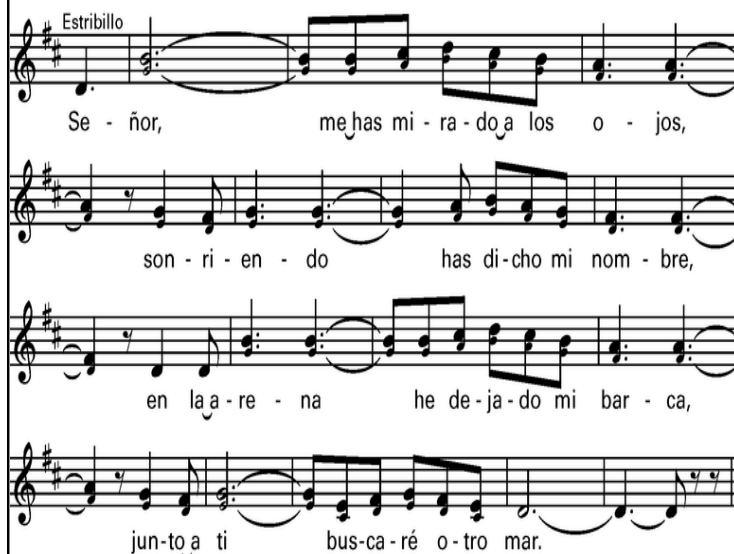
To-dos es-pe-ra-mos de ti, Se-ñor, que nos des el pan del cie-lo.

1. Bendice, alma mía, al Señor:
¡Dios mío, qué grande eres!
Te vistes de belleza y majestad,
la luz te envuelve como un manto.
2. Desde el cielo riegas los montes,
y la tierra queda saciada;
brota la hierba para los ganados,
y forraje a los que sirven al hombre.
3. El hombre saca pan de los campos
y vino que le alegra el corazón;
y aceite que da brillo a su rostro,
y el alimento que repara sus fuerzas.
4. Todos están aguardando
a que les des comida a su tiempo.
Se la das y ellos la toman,
abres tu mano y se sacian de bienes.
5. Les retiras el aliento y expiran
y vuelven a ser polvo;
envías tu aliento y los creas,
y repueblas la faz de la tierra.

Pescador de Hombres

Cesáreo Gabaráin

1. Tú has venido a la orilla,
no has buscado ni a sabios ni a ricos;
tan sólo quieres que yo te siga.
2. Tú sabes bien lo que tengo;
en mi barca no hay oro ni espadas,
tan sólo redes y mi trabajo.
3. Tú necesitas mis manos,
mi cansancio que a otros descansen,
amor que quiera seguir amando.
4. Tú, pescador de otros lagos,
ansía eterna de almas que esperan,
amigo bueno, que así me llamas.



Canto de Salida

Ven y Sígueme
Santiago Fernández

Estribillo

Ven y sígueme, deja lo que tienes,
reparte ya tus bienes, no mires para atrás.
Ven y sígueme, que mi yugo es bueno,
y mi carga liviana, nueva vida en mí tendrás.

1. Por nombre me has llamado,
tú me invitas, Jesús,
a seguirte los pasos
por tus senderos de paz y luz.
2. Me ofreces agua viva,
mi sed conoces bien;
Señor dador de vida,
renueva mi corazón también.
3. Señor, he decidido
contigo caminar;
tu fuerza necesito
para seguirte sin regresar.

WEEKLY CALENDAR / CALENDARIO SEMANAL

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Sunday, August 23rd</u> 8:00am CDA Officers Training Library			<u>Thursday, August 27th</u> 10:30am Widow/Widowers Group Veterans Park 4:00pm IHM Good Shepherd Mtg Library 6:30pm Youth Group Hall A/B 7:00pm Men's Emmaus/Sp Luke 7:00pm C.O.V. Coordinator's Mtg John		
<u>Monday, August 24th</u> 8:45am Men's Fellowship Library 5:00pm Legion of Mary/Eng Library 7:00pm Escuela de la Cruz John 7:00pm Men of St. Joseph Library			<u>Friday, August 28th</u> 9:00am SVDP Food Pantry Hall A/B/C 3:30pm IHM Good Shepherd Training Hall C/Jn 7:00pm Divine Mercy Cenacle/Sp Matthew		
<u>Tuesday, August 25th</u> 10:00am IHM Crafters Library 12:00pm Food Bank Parking Lot 6:00pm Legion of Mary/Sp Chapel 6:00pm Confessions Church			<u>Saturday, August 29th</u> 8:00am IHM Good Shepherd Training Hall C/Jn 3:30pm Confessions Church		
<u>Wednesday, August 26th</u> 7:00pm Emmaus Board Mtg Library					

<u>Devotions/Devociones</u> Holy Rosary/Santo Rosario Monday to Saturday/Lunes a Sábado 7:30AM (before the 8am Daily Mass) Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Novena de Madre del Perpetuo Socorro Wednesday/Miércoles following the 8am Daily Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia Thursday/Jueves & Friday/Viernes following the 8am Daily Mass Holy Hour for Vocations/ Hora Santa de Vocaciones Thursday/Jueves 5pm in the Church			<u>Sacraments/Sacramentos</u> Anointing of the Sick/ Unción de los Enfermos contact a priest/llame a un sacerdote Communion to the Homebound/ Comunión a los Enfermos contact a priest/llame a un sacerdote Marriage/Matrimonios 6 month preparation/6 meses de preparación contact the office/contacte la oficina Baptisms/Bautismos contact the office/contacte la oficina Funerals/Funerales Holy Cross Catholic Funeral Services (925) 757-0658			<u>To schedule the use of facilities:</u> submit a request online with the "Facility Request Form" at www.ihmbrentwood.com <u>To publish in the IHM Bulletin:</u> submit your request in a PDF or JPG format to bulletin@ihmbrentwood.com (20 days prior to requested placement date) <u>To publish pictures of ministries/</u> <u>events/liturgies/socials/etc:</u> email to bulletin@ihmbrentwood.com		
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August 23, 2026

Written by
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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23 | Rom 11:33-36 | Mt 16:13-20

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

In today's second reading, St. Paul reflects in awe over the "depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God." God's judgments are inscrutable, his ways unsearchable, he goes on to say. While on our own, we cannot know the depth of who God is and the beauty of his plan for us, we have been given access to this knowledge by the Holy Spirit. In the Gospel, Peter is able to grasp that Jesus is "the Christ, the Son of the living God," not by "flesh and blood," but by a revelation from our heavenly Father. The Church that is still led by Peter's successor continues to be guided by the Spirit into the fullness of truth. (Jn 16:13) As individual believers, we, too, have received the Spirit in our hearts. By living in communion with our Holy Father and by seeking to listen to the Spirit who also speaks into the depths of our hearts, we can rest assured that we are in a "sure spot" where we can receive all that the Lord wishes to reveal to us about what it means to live in him.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's Gospel demonstrates that Christ desired to place Peter – and his successors – as the visible head of his Church. Yes, God willed from the beginning to leave his Church with a leader who could safeguard the quintessential confession of Christ as the "Son of the living God," but there's more to it than this. Peter is given *keys to the kingdom of heaven*. And what are keys for if not to open doors? In a very real way, the mission of our Holy Father is to open up access to God's kingdom, and there are many examples of this. On World Mission Sunday in 2011, Pope Benedict said, "The proclamation of the Gospel is intended for all peoples." And Pope Francis, speaking at World Youth Day in 2023, emphasized that the Gospel is for todos, todos, todos – everyone, everyone, everyone, without exception. As we pray for our Holy Father and the immense task with which he has been entrusted, let us work in our own way to ensure that the doors of our churches, the way to the kingdom of heaven, remain open for all.

PRAY

As we reflect on the gift that Jesus left us by making Peter and his successors the visible head of his Church on earth, take some time to pray for our Holy Father and his intentions. You can pray along with the Pope at the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (a site which contains a short video of the Pope's monthly prayer intention and other prayer resources) at www.popesprayer.va.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL, DEFEND US IN BATTLE,
BE OUR PROTECTION AGAINST THE WICKEDNESS AND SNARES OF THE DEVIL.
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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.

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AMÉN.



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September 13

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September 20

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10:00am at IHM
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September 25

10am at IHM
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Bulletin Announcement for Women's Faith Sharing Women's Faith Sharing/Bible Study Fall Session!

Our next session will begin on Thursday, September 10, 10:00-11:30 AM in the parish Library, and our featured study will be The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation 2025 available through Ascension Press. The Bible Timeline®: The Story of Salvation is a powerful journey through Scripture from Creation to the establishment of the Church. Filmed in breathtaking locations across the Holy Land, Egypt, Rome, and beyond, this updated edition brings God's Word to life.

This is a 24-week study, and a workbook is available on the Ascension Press website for \$39.95. Online access is \$12.95. It is not necessary to purchase the workbook, but having one is useful for in-depth study. All women are welcome to attend the fall session, and no registration is required. Each meeting will take place on Thursdays beginning at 10:00 AM in the parish library and will consist of prayer, a video presentation, and discussion. Come try out this opportunity to grow in your faith and knowledge of Scripture. If you have questions, please contact Sharon Calhoun by email at calhoun_sharon@hotmail.com 'Hope to see you there!

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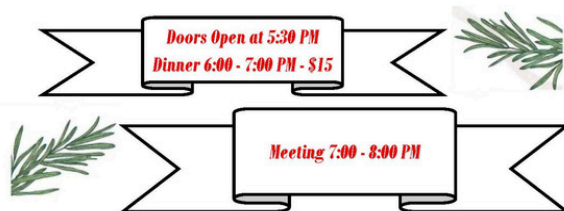


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Monday, August 31, 2026

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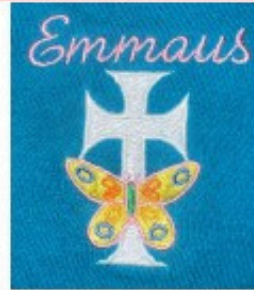
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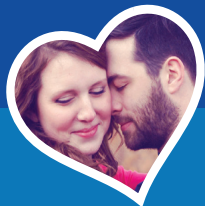
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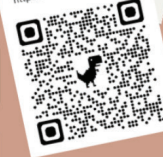
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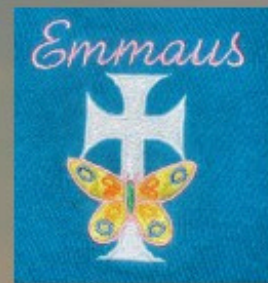
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