



St. Mary's Parish

Parroquia de Santa María

September 18, 2022

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**



"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other"

-Luke 16:13

Croatia is a predominantly Catholic country. When a man and woman make their wedding vows, they hold a crucifix together. It's a sign that they will both strive to put Christ first in their marriage above all else. He is their true master.

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Mass Schedule/ Horario de Misas

Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 5:00 PM (English) and 7:00 PM (Español)

Sundays (Español): 6:00 AM Y 12:00 MEDIODIA

Sundays (English): 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM

Sunday (Latin Mass in Extraordinary Form): 2:00 PM

Daily: Monday through Saturday: 8:00 AM

Tuesdays: 6:30 PM (Spanish)

Reconciliation/Confesiones

Tuesday/Martes 5:30-6:15 PM, Saturday/Sabado 3:30-4:45 PM, or By Appointment / Por cita (707) 448-2390

Mass Intentions

September 17-25, 2022

Saturday: September 17th

8:00 AM Jasmine Barga+
5:00 PM Int. Patti Tyler
7:00 PM Int. Raquel Gonzalez (Cumpleaños)

Sunday: September 18th

6:00 AM Leonor Muñoz+
8:00 AM Int. David Sells (Birthday)
10:00 AM Michael Gressel+
12:00 PM Todas las almas del purgatorio+
Int. Alondra Hernandez (Cumpleaños)
2:00 PM Int. St. Mary's Parishioners
5:00 PM Catalina Aspiras+

Monday: September 19th

8:00 AM Patrick J. MacFarlane+

Tuesday: September 20th

8:00 AM Phil Doherty+
6:30 PM Cristian Medina+, Juanita M. Lupercio+,
Jesus Carrazco+, Int. Familia Arriaga Soria

Wednesday: September 21st

8:00 AM Int. Reina Aspiras (Birthday)

Thursday: September 22nd

8:00 AM Enrico Macolino+, Michael Espinal+

Friday: September 23rd

8:00 AM Charles Walsh+, Leonor Muñoz+,
Marjorie Gore and Decease Fam. Members+,
Mary Ellen Lindley+,
Int. Bianca Velazquez (Birthday)

Saturday: September 24th

8:00 AM Leonor Muñoz+
5:00 PM Janet Lynch+
7:00 PM Int. Vocaciones Sacerdotales en especial por
Bryan Esquivias

Sunday: September 25th

6:00 AM ***
8:00 AM Uldarico Pascual Jr.+
10:00 AM Int. Erika Vandergraaf (Birthday)
12:00 PM Josefina Flores+, Antonio Flores+
2:00 PM ***
5:00 PM Debra Fuller+

Church Events

September 19-25, 2022

Monday, September 19th

- 8a Daily Mass
- 3-6:15p Adoration
- 6:15p Santo Niño de Cebu Novena/Mass

Tuesday, September 20th

- 8a Daily Mass
- 3-6:30p Adoration
- 5:30-6:15p Confessions
- 6:30p Spanish Mass

Wednesday, September 21st

- 8a Daily Mass
- 3-6:30p Adoration
- 6:30p Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
- 7:30-8:30p Music Rehearsal

Thursday, September 22nd

- 8a Daily Mass
- 3-6:30p Adoration
- 6:30p Quinceañera Rehearsal

Friday, September 23rd

- 8a Daily Mass
- 9a-2:30p Environment
- 3-5p Adoration
- 6:30p Monaguillos

Saturday, September 24th

- 8a Daily Mass
- 11a Quinceañera (LW)
- 3:30-4:45pm Reconciliation
- 5pm Sunday English Vigil Mass
- 7pm Sunday Spanish Vigil Mass

Sunday, September 25th

- 8am, 10am, and 5pm English Mass
- 6am and 12 noon Spanish Mass
- 2pm Latin (Extraordinary Form) Mass

Reflection question

How do I show love for my neighbor?



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear St. Mary's Parishioners,

One of the towering figures of the Christian mystical and contemplative tradition is the extraordinary 16th century Spanish nun from Avila, Spain -- *St. Teresa of Jesus*. Highly gifted "both naturally and supernaturally", her extensive writings covers the remarkable struggle of the Christian endeavor toward union with God. "Her writings", says author Julianne McLean, "reveal a powerful and penetrating honesty and intimacy, a complete integrity, an essential pragmatism and compassion, but above all, a deep humanity that has hardly been surpassed in the whole corpus of Christian mystical literature."

Yet, her walk with Jesus began like it does for many of us. Her attachment to her sins and the allurements of the world acted like anchors chained to her legs, keeping her from advancing in her spiritual life. She struggled to serve "two masters", in the language of this Sunday's Gospel reading. St. Teresa writes:

I was living an extremely burdensome life, because in prayer I understood more clearly my faults. On the one hand God was calling; on the other hand I was following the world. All the things of God made me happy; those of the world held me bound. It seems I desired to harmonize these two contraries—so inimical to one another.... In prayer I was having great trouble, for my spirit was not proceeding as lord but as slave. And so I was not able to shut myself within myself (which was my whole manner of procedure in prayer); instead, I shut within myself a thousand vanities.

For nearly twenty years, she struggled in her quagmire of vanity. She was careless with regards to sin, especially indulging in useless gossip with people who visited her in the convent. Her attachment to her venial sins and other worldly pleasures kept Teresa from increasing her desire for God. In many ways she was like the rich man who asked Jesus, "'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'" (Luke 18:18) The answer shook the honest and earnest man to the core. He strove to follow God's will by keeping the commandments but failed where it mattered most, namely in his heart. He simply could not give himself completely over to the Lord. "'How hard it is,' Jesus said, 'for those who have wealth to enter the Kingdom of God!'" The rich man, like St. Teresa, simply could not let go of the world.

In an act of pure gift from God, the future saint was given the grace to detach itself from worldly affairs. If she continued to give Jesus half her heart, she'd be adrift in the abyss of spiritual mediocrity. For that reason, she exhorted her fellow nuns in the convent to uproot all worldly distractions in her book *The Way to Perfection*:

The whole point is that we should give ourselves to Him with complete determination, and we should empty the soul in such a way that He can store things there or take them away as though it were His own property. And since His Majesty has the rights of ownership, let us not oppose Him. And since He doesn't force our will, He takes what we give Him; but He doesn't give Himself completely until we give ourselves completely.

In Christ,

Fr. Brian J. Sullivan

St. Mary's Parish History Tidbits

History of the Bell

The peal of a church bell historically calls for the attention of the people to worship. Have you ever wondered about the large bell that is hanging in a frame just to the right of our main church entrance? It turns out that this is a significant part of our history! The 500-pound bell with its engraving of 1877 was cast by the W.T. Garrett Co. in San Francisco. Very little is known about its earliest years except that it was rescued from a Vacaville church that was torn down. In 1900 it was used at our church on Catherine Street. When that church burned down it was rescued once again and stored in a barn until it was hung in our new little Spanish-style church at Merchant and Walnut Street in 1930. It stayed there until 1956 when it was transferred to our new church on our present site. As we hear the peal of our modern church bells every Sunday, we can remember the generations of Vacaville Catholics called to Mass in just the same way by this old bell.



Religious Education
What's New

Coming up this week:

- SEPTEMBER 27TH
INTERVIEWS BEGIN 5PM
- OCTOBER 1ST
FAITH FORMATION
KICKOFF AT ST. MARY'S
ANNIVERSARY MASS AND
DINNER. ATTENDANCE IS
REQUIRED.

Reminders:

PLEASE SUBMIT
BIRTH AND
BAPTISM
CERTIFICATES, IF
NOT YET TURNED
IN.

Coming Next Month:

OCT 1ST : ST. MARY'S PICNIC
OCT 11TH: FIRST DAY OF FAMILY SESSIONS

Contact Us:
DRE: MARTHA MARTIN-BATRES
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PRAY FOR...

Please keep the following people in your prayers: for those suffering illnesses and those in need of our prayers...

Beverly Gessler, Mary Kacher, Cristina Camacho and the homebound.

Introduction to THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

Given to us by Pope John Paul II, "Theology of the Body" is renewing marriages, awakening vocations, healing deep personal wounds, and setting people free to live life of greatness they were created.

In An Introduction to the Theology of the Body, an adult faith formation program, renowned author and theologian Christopher West unfolds God's extraordinary plan for humanity. If you desire to discover and live out the fullest meaning and purpose of your life, then this study is for you!

This DVD and workbook study will be held on 8 consecutive Sundays beginning 25 SEP thru 13 NOV from 1900 to 2030 in Saint Mary's Parish Hall. For more information contact Greg at (707) 448-8598

You can't have a complete relationship with Jesus by yourself!
"Why not?"

Because Jesus has so much more to offer!
*The Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation,
Reconciliation, and the Eucharist
are an encounter with Jesus.*

Want to complete your sacraments?
*New Christian Initiation for Adults
classes are starting!*
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ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

KICK-OFF EVENT

Kick off the new school year by joining the youth group! Meet fellow 7-12th graders through fellowship, faith and fun!

SUNDAY, SEPT 25, 2022
6:30-8:30 PM
ROOMS 1 & 2

A Friend of the Poor:

Prays for those who walk the difficult road of providing for themselves and their families,

Refers those in need to the SVdP Helpline 707-421-5488, and

Donates to SVdP so that we may help Vacaville residents who are in need. Place your donations into the Poor Box located in the church vestibule

Pick up a footprint from the Poor Box to display in your home or at work as a reminder that we walk with each other, especially with those in need.



Volunteers - we need YOU! Will you consider helping us to answer calls one day each month? Please email Lorraine at svdpvacaville@gmail.com for more info.



*Thank you for your generosity!
~ St. Mary/St. Joseph Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul*

St. Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Day Celebration

We will have the St. Lorenzo Ruiz Feast Day Celebration on Sep. 23 at 6p at Good Shepherd Parish in Elk Grove with our very own Most Reverend Jaime Soto. He will be joined by a Filipino bishop from the Philippines, Most Reverend Bishop Patrich Buzon, of the Diocese of Bacolod.

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Theology of the Body

TEEN CLASSES

Sept 25 - Nov 13, 2022
8-week session
Sundays
6:30 - 8:30 PM
FREE

*adult & parent classes offered simultaneously.
See other ad for more info. Great way to learn how to talk with your child regarding life, sexuality, and what it means to be a person created by God for love.



CLASSES LOCATED IN ROOMS 1 & 2
DINNER PROVIDED

To register, just come first day of classes!!
Or for more information contact Andreya Arevalo-
707.446.4231 | andreya@stmarysvacaville.com

VIGÉSIMO QUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

18 de septiembre de 2022

Sé responsable en todo. No pueden ustedes servir a Dios y al dinero (Lucas 16:1-13).



DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados Feligreses de Santa María,

Una de las figuras destacadas de la tradición mística y contemplativa cristiana es la extraordinaria monja española del siglo XVI de Ávila, España: *Santa Teresa de Jesús*. Altamente dotada “tanto natural como sobrenaturalmente”, sus extensos escritos cubren la notable lucha del esfuerzo cristiano hacia la unión con Dios. “Sus escritos”, dice la autora Julianne McLean, “revelan una honestidad e intimidad poderosa y penetrante, una integridad completa, un pragmatismo y una compasión esenciales, pero, sobre todo, una humanidad profunda que apenas ha sido superada en todo el corpus de la literatura mística cristiana.”

Sin embargo, su caminar con Jesús comenzó como lo hace para muchos de nosotros. Su apego a sus pecados y a las tentaciones del mundo actuaron como anclas encadenadas a sus piernas, impidiéndole avanzar en su vida espiritual. Luchó para servir a “dos amos”, como lo dice el lenguaje del Evangelio de este domingo. Santa Teresa escribe:

Llevaba una vida sumamente pesada, porque en la oración comprendía más claramente mis faltas. Por un lado, Dios estaba llamando; por otro lado, yo estaba siguiendo el mundo. Todas las cosas de Dios me hacían feliz; las cosas del mundo me tenían atada. Parece que deseaba armonizar estos dos contrarios, tan enemigos entre sí... En la oración tenía grandes problemas, porque mi espíritu no proseguía como amo, sino como esclavo. Y así no podía enfocarme en mí misma (que era toda forma de proceder en la oración); en cambio, me enfocaba en mi interior, mil vanidades.

Durante casi veinte años, luchó en su atolladero de vanidad. Era descuidada con respecto al pecado, especialmente se entregaba a chismes con las personas que la visitaban en el convento. Su apego a sus pecados veniales y otros placeres mundanos impedían que para Teresa aumentara su deseo de Dios. En muchos sentidos, ella era como el hombre rico que le preguntó a Jesús: “Maestro bueno, ¿qué haré para heredar la vida eterna?” (Lucas 18:18). La respuesta sacudió hasta la médula al hombre honesto y sincero. Se esforzó por seguir la voluntad de Dios guardando los mandamientos, pero fracasó donde más importaba, es decir, en su corazón. Simplemente no podía entregarse completamente al Señor. “¡Qué difícil es”, dijo Jesús, “para los que tienen riquezas entrar en el Reino de Dios!” El hombre rico, como Santa Teresa, simplemente no podía dejar el mundo.

En un acto puro del don de Dios, a la futura santa se le concedió la gracia de desligarse de los asuntos mundanos. Si continuaba dándole a Jesús la mitad de su corazón, estaría a deriva del abismo de la mediocridad espiritual. Por esa razón, exhortó a sus compañeras monjas en el convento a desarraigar todas las distracciones mundanas en su libro *El Camino a la Perfección*:

El punto es que debemos entregarnos a Él con toda determinación, y debemos vaciar el alma de tal manera que Él pueda almacenar cosas allí o quitarlas como si fueran de Su propiedad. Y como Su Majestad tiene los derechos de propiedad, no nos opongamos. Y como no fuerza nuestra voluntad, toma lo que le damos; pero Él no se da completamente hasta que nosotros nos damos completamente.

En Cristo ,

Padre Brian J. Soliven

Poco de Historia de la Parroquia de Santa María

Historia de la campana

Históricamente, el repique de la campana de una iglesia llama la atención de la gente para dar culto ¿Alguna vez se ha preguntado acerca de la gran campana que cuelga en un marco justo a la derecha de la entrada principal de nuestra iglesia? ¡Resulta que esta es una parte importante de nuestra historia! La campana la cual pesa 500 libras con su grabado de 1877 fue fundida por W.T. Garrett Co. en San Francisco. Se sabe muy poco sobre sus primeros años excepto que fue rescatada de una iglesia de Vacaville que fue demolida. En 1900 se usó en nuestra iglesia cuando estábamos en la calle Catherine. Cuando esa iglesia se incendió, fue rescatada una vez más y almacenada en un granero hasta que fue colgada en nuestra nueva pequeña iglesia de estilo español en la calle Merchant y Walnut en 1930. Permaneció allí hasta 1956 cuando fue transferida a nuestra nueva iglesia en nuestro sitio presente. Cuando escuchamos el repique de las campanas de nuestras iglesias renovada todos los domingos, podemos recordar las generaciones de católicos de Vacaville llamados a Misa de la misma manera por esta vieja campana.

Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento

Le invitamos que pase un momento en compañía de Jesus. El Santísimo Sacramento esta expuesto y lo espera de lunes a viernes de las 3pm a 6:30pm y el primer viernes del mes de las 8:30am a las 7pm Venga a darle gracias por sus bendiciones, a rogarle ayuda por sus necesidades, a orar, a platicar con Él. Nos espera.

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS

Eres mayor de 18 años y aun no has recibido todos o alguno de los sacramentos de bautismo, comunión y/o confirmación, la Iglesia Santa María te brinda la oportunidad de recibirlas. Las clases de preparación comienzan el **28 de Septiembre**, comunícate a la Rectoría 707-448-2390.



En el Evangelio de hoy vemos que prudencia decisiva significa que reconocemos que todas nuestras opciones diarias son verdaderamente opciones para la vida eterna. Admisión al cielo es algo que dinero no compra. La única moneda que tiene el valor de asegurar nuestra entrada al paraíso es el amor.

Cuando pongas tu regalo en la Caja Pobre de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl, reconoce que tú eres un signo del amor de Dios a aquellos que están sufriendo.

Para asistencia, favor de llamar al (707) 421-5488

BAUTISMOS

El sábado, **15 octubre**, será la próxima fecha de la celebración de los bautismos. Los padres y padrinos del niño que será bautizado necesitan asistir a la reunión de preparación pre - bautismal. Si viene de otra parroquia, favor de presentar una carta de permiso de parte de su párroco. La siguiente clase pre - bautismal será el jueves, **30 de septiembre de 2022** a las 6:45 pm.

Favor de registrarse en la oficina parroquial antes de asistir a la clase Pre-Bautismal.

GRAN VENTA DE COMIDA EN CELEBRACIÓN DE LAS FIESTAS PATRIAS

Acompáñanos este domingo 18 de Septiembre del 2022 desde las 9 a.m. hasta las 2 p.m. a las afueras de la Iglesia Santa María (Stinson Av. y Hemlock St. En Vacaville) tendremos venta de tacos (de asada, pastor y pollo) y sopes mexicanos, aguas frescas.

Todos los fondos recaudados serán para las festividades de la virgen de Guadalupe a realizarse en el mes de Diciembre. ¡Participa, disfruta y apoya!

RESERVA LA FECHA

Gran festival de música de Mariachi a beneficio de las festividades de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Acompáñanos a una tarde de diversión en un ambiente completamente familiar, donde podrás escuchar música amenizada por el Mariachi Tonantzin , tendremos la participación del grupo Folklorico, música para bailar, entretenimiento, además habrá venta de antojitos, comida típica, postres y bebidas, la cita es el próximo Sábado 29 de Octubre/2022 de las 6:00 pm a las 10:00 pm en los salones de la parroquia Santa María (350 Stinson Ave, Vacaville Ca 95688).



Costo del boleto:
Adultos \$20.00
niños de 5 a 12 años \$10.00 ,
niños menores de 4 años entran gratis

¡Participa,
diviértete y
apoya!

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA DE 19 al 25 de septiembre de 2022

Lunes: Prov 3:27-34; Sal 15 (16):2-5; Lc 8:16-18
Martes: Prov 21:1-6, 10-13; Sal 119 (118):1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lc 8:19-21
Miércoles: Ef 4:1-7, 11-13; Sal 19 (18):2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Jueves: Ecl 1:2-11; Sal 90 (89):3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lc 9:7-9
Viernes: Ecl 3:1-11; Sal 144 (143):1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lc 9:18-22
Sábado: Ecl 11:9 — 12:8; Sal 90 (89):3-6, 12-14, 17; Lc 9:43b-45
Domingo: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Sal 146 (145):7-10; 1 Tim 6:11-16; Lc 16:19-31

Pregunta de reflexión

¿Cómo muestro el amor a mis prójimos?

Catecismo
Que hay de nuevo?

Esta Semana:

- ENTREVISTAS COMIENZAN
- GRUPO MARTES: 9/20 5PM
- GRUPO MIERCOLES: 9/21 5PM

• 1 DE OCTUBRE
INICIO DE CATECISMO, CON LA
MISA Y CENA DE ANIVERSARIO
DE SANTA MATÍA. SE REQUIERE
ASISTENCIA.

Recordatorio:

ENVIE LOS CERTIFICADOS DE NACIMIENTO Y EL CERTIFICADO DE BAUTISMO, SI AUN NO LOS HA ENTREGADO.

Próximo mes:

— 1 DE OCTUBRE: PICNIC DE SANTA MARÍA —
— 4 Y 5 DE OCTUBRE: PRIMER DÍA DE SESIONES FAMILIARES

Como comunicarse con nosotros:

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Catequesis para niños de 5 a 18 años de edad

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M-W, F 10 - 11:45 a.m., TH 5-6:30 PM 707-446-4613

St. Vincent de Paul Society 707- 421-5488
Assist the needy in Christ's name

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If you have a question, please email us at:

Para mas información por favor mande un correo electrónico a:
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