



Welcome to Resurrection Catholic Community Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 1, 2019

*"You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God."
~ Hebrews 12:22a*

UPCOMING EVENTS



Labor Day Mass
Monday, September 2
9:00 AM in the Church

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sunday:

- Catholic Charities speaker at mass

Monday:

- Labor Day— Parish Office Closed
- 9:00 AM Labor Day Mass (church)

Tuesday:

- 10:00 AM Gardening Committee (outside)
- 2:00 PM Knitting Ministry (CCR)
- 5:00 PM Faith Community Shelter (MCC)
- 6:30 PM Core Team Meeting (YC)
- 6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Officer's Meeting (CCR)
- 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting (CCR)

Wednesday:

- Pacific Voices Rehearsal (church)

Thursday:

- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting (lounge)
- 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal (church)

Friday:

- 9:00AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (BSC)

Saturday:

- 8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC)
- 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)



SECOND COLLECTION TO BENEFIT CATHOLIC CHARITIES—September 7 & 8.

For 35 years, Catholic Charities Diocese of Monterey has answered the call to help our neighbors in need in the counties of Santa Cruz,

Monterey, San Benito, and San Luis Obispo. We are motivated by our mission to assist individuals and families of all backgrounds and beliefs providing them with tools, training and resources to help meet basic necessities for life. In addition, we provide information and referrals to social service agencies in each community we serve. Our three core areas of service are Tattoo Removal, Immigration and Citizenship and Family Supportive Services. We serve over 20,000 individuals a year.

Please consider making a prayerful donation during our Second Collection. Any donation, big or small, makes a positive impact in people's lives. Together as Catholics, we give our neighbors in need a chance to thrive and change lives for good! Questions? Call Catholic Charities at (831) 393-3110



Mark Your Calendars!

Parish Festival!

Sunday, September 22
11:30 AM —1:00 PM

"Food Court" provided by our parish ministries
Come and celebrate God's gifts!

LITURGY & SPIRITUALITY

ACOLYTES NEEDED! Is the Lord calling you to serve at his Table as an acolyte? This is a beautiful ministry of service that will draw you more deeply into God's presence and action at mass. If you'd like to learn more about it, please contact Deacon Patrick at 831-840-3750 or pfconway@sbcglobal.net



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED!

If you're a Confirmed Catholic and have a deep love and reverence for Jesus in the Eucharist, then you'll love being an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist! Your parish needs you. If you're interested in learning more about this wonderful way to serve, please contact Deacon Patrick at pfconway@sbcglobal.net or 831-840-3750.

GREETERS NEEDED AT ALL MASSES!

Have you ever thought about GREETING at the Mass you attend? Please call Bonnie Wolf at 831-684-1591 if you could greet at one Mass a month or agree to substitute on occasion, or if you have any questions about this ministry.

SATURDAY MORNING MEDITATION: Do you practice some form of silent prayer frequently? occasionally? never? If your answer is "Yes!" you are cordially invited to join the multi-denominational meditation group that gathers each Saturday morning in the Daily Mass Chapel here at Resurrection at 8:30 AM until approximately 9:00 AM. You don't need to pay anything or say anything! One of the lay leaders introduces the 25-minute period of meditation and ends it with a few inspirational words. Contact Pat O'Brien (831) 566-8234.

FR. ROMEO'S HOMILIES: Fr. Romeo's homilies can be found on our website at <https://resurrection-aptos.org>
Go to the Resource Center, Fr. Romeo's Homilies. His homilies are posted after he preaches.

Intentions for August 31—September 8

Saturday 08/31

5:00 PM (RE) Men & Women in the Armed Forces, those in harms way & those wounded physically & spiritually
+Cathy Chinchar

Sunday, 09/01

8:15 AM (RE) +Basil & Carmen Brunner
10:15 AM (RE) +Alfred Petrocelli, Sr.,
+Marjorie Shaffer,
+Jeanne O'Reilly

6:00 PM (LP) The People of the Parish

Monday, 09/02

9:00 AM (LP) +Joe Lucas

Tuesday, 09/03

8:30 AM (LP) +Robert Abundis

Wednesday, 09/04

8:30 AM (RE) +Peggy Olich

Thursday, 09/05

8:30 AM (RE) +JoAnne Brokaw

Friday, 09/06

8:30 AM (RE) +Herb Kain

Saturday, 09/07

5:00 PM (LP) The People of the Parish

Sunday, 09/08

8:15 AM (RE) +Phyllis Casey
10:15 AM (RE) +Carole Petrie, +Jeanne O'Reilly
6:00 PM (RE) +Norma & Brian Heath



LP=Fr. Larry Percell, RE=Fr. Romeo Evangelista,

GOOD NEWS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18,20,28-29; Ps 68:4-7,10-11;
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1,7-14
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6,9-11; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6,12-14,17;
Phlm 9-10,12-17; Lk 14:25-33



THE MASS NEVER ENDS—IT MUST BE LIVED!

We are invited to continue to reflect upon the Gospel reading (Luke 14:1, 7-14) and homily as we live out our Eucharist this week. Reflect upon it in your heart and mind, and discuss it with your family, friends and faith community members.

- How often do you do things for others and expect absolutely nothing in return?
- When was the last time that you personally did something for someone in need, for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind?"
- Do you ever catch yourself envying those who get greater honor and esteem than you? How do Jesus' words today both challenge and comfort you?

**PLEASE PRAY for ALL THOSE
in NEED OF HEALING**

Adam	Sean Enright	Judy Navarro
Cross/Boettcher/ Burghart families	Alicia Enriquez	Zoe Nink
Lorenzo Abeyta	Irma Enriquez	Leo Olson
Gregory Ackerson	Terry Erwin	Gina Orlando
Marc Adato	Dee Feci	Teresa Orosco
Javier Anaya	Trent Feliss	Kathy Osmonson
Baby Luke	Greg Finegan	Renetta Parry
Becki Bailey	Mark Emmet Fisher	Connor Paulbitski
Adeline Bautista	Roy G.	Dave Peasley
Maria Bernstein-	Sue Gibson	Anita Perry
Brumbaugh	Andre Grier	Gabe Ponce
Stacy Bischoff	Mary Ann Herlihy	Oliver Potts
Jeraldine Boger	Robert Higgins	Heidi R.
Jim & Lill	Debra Hightower	Pablo R.
Bombardieri	Rick Housouer	Chris Randolph
Vera Borroel	Allan Hughes	Dawn Renz
Tracy Boyd	Jim Jackson	Mary Repetti
Rick Braun	Faye Jahnigen	Joel Rivera
Michelle Brown	Johnathan	Chellie Roberts
Betsy Burrows	Ariel Johnson	Rosel
Caitlin Jane Buse	John Jones	Jon Roberts
Carlos C.	D.B.K.	Jose Rufino
Tony Cacache	Tony K.	Valerie Ruschke
Dante Calcagno	Baby Karleen	John Sargetis
Ardith Campbell	Julie Watts Kenner	Joseph Saucier
Delores Carano	Dylan Kinion	Anna Seely
Chelsea & Family	Kathy Klapheke	Kim Sessa
Mary Church	Mary Klaus	Jill Schauf
Cindy Conti	Joshua Kobinski	Alisha Smith
Trish Cronin	Michael Laflin	William Smith
Ralph Cross	Matt Lane	Diane Spoto
Edith Cuevas	Ed Laverone	Greg Stewart
Nancy Daves	Joan Lawlor	David Stocker
Larry Davis	Eric Lee	Agnes Subbiondo
Betty deHart	Frank Leonetti	Olivia T.
Carrie deHart	Carrie Levin	Bob Tanner
Tavish deHart	Donald Lowery	Kathleen Tavares
Sr. Joan Derry	Matthew Ludlow	Paul Thompson
Ralph Desmond	Michael Lucas	Estelle Turner
Mary Donatoni	Sylvia Lucas	Sharon Turner
Sharon Dougan	Paul Madsen	Amy V.F.
Mark Duggan	Ginny Solari Mazry	Mark Vaught
Robert Duggan	Connie McGill-	Lawrence W.
Wyatt Duino	Fergus	Tannis Welch
Pat Emard	Jackie McDow	Maggie Young
Sophia Emmons	Mary McMenamy	Rosemary Zamora
Peter Empson	Lisa McMenamy	
Annie Enright	George Mungai	
	Joleen Munoz	

Please let the office know when a name can be removed from this prayer list. Thank you.

PRAYER LINE: Please call Rosalie Flores-Aguon (831-359-9799) or Mary Soltis (688-8326) if you or someone you know is in need of prayer.

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND.....

If you or a member of your family are hospitalized or homebound, please call to let us know. We want to visit you in the hospital or home, but are often unaware of your situation. Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals will not contact parishes unless you specifically request it.

Stewardship of Treasure PLATE COLLECTIONS August 24 & 25, 2019	
Weekly Plate Collection:	
• Weekend Masses	\$6,144.75
• Electronic	<u>\$1,160.00</u>
• Total	\$7,304.75
Weekly Plate Collection Need (Budget)	\$11,300.00
Liturgical Ministries	\$1,897.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL SUPPORT!

If you miss a week your donation can be mailed to the parish office at P.O. Box 87, Aptos, CA 95001-0087 or you go to <https://resurrection-aptos.org> and click on the donate now button. Thank you.

Remember Resurrection Catholic Community in your will. Contact Karen Victorino in the parish office.

AMAZON SMILE: Support Resurrection Church's Building Fund for Markey Community Center by using Amazon Smile. Log into your Amazon account by going to smile.amazon.com, using your same credentials to log in and choose Resurrection Church in Aptos, CA as your charity of choice. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible smile.amazon.com purchases made by supporters to Resurrection Church. Help spread the word! As a reminder items purchased through the app on your phone or tablet aren't linked to the smile.amazon.com link. To use the app and contribute to Resurrection—add items to your cart and then log into the smile.amazon.com on your browser to check out. Thank you for your support!



Did you forget your check book or cash today and want to give to the church? You can give easily to Resurrection electronically by scanning the QR Code with your cell phone.



CHILDREN'S COLLECTION: During the offertory at all the masses, we encourage the children, if they have something to offer or give, to come to the altar and place it in the basket.



\$10,000 RAFFLE



- We need volunteers to **sell tickets** after all the masses now through October 20. Sign up after mass this weekend or online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094AADA823A4FF2-raffle1>
- We need volunteers to **donate a prize** (gift certificates, new items, a service, etc.)

The \$10,000 Raffle will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at our parish potluck. Tickets are \$100.00 each.



Don't delay in getting your raffle tickets! We will have an Early Bird Drawing for \$500.00 on Sunday, September 8!

Please contact Karen Victorino or Jolene McFeely in the parish office via email: resurrectionparish@sbcglobal.net or 688-4300 if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

Prizes to Date:

- Gift cards from Café Sparrow, Gayle's Bakery, Jim Booth Swim School, Juicy Sweet, Kayak Connection, O'Neill Yacht Charters, Roaring Camp Railroads, Shadowbrook/Crow's Nest, Soquel Vineyards, Byington Vineyard & Winery, Café Cruz, Palapas Restaurant & Cantina, Santa Cruz Symphony, Seachange Design Studio
- \$150 Cash Prize in memory of Tim Freitas
- \$100 Cash Prize in memory of Todd Schouten
- \$200 VISA Gift Card
- Annieglass serving bowl & serving utensils
- Four \$250 Deluxe Foods Gift Cards
- Four VIP Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk Tickets
- Bracelets from My Saint My Hero
- Bargetto Winery Reserve Wine
- Spy+ Aviator Sunglasses from Aptos Optometric
- Norma Jean Coffee Basket
- Three Wine Baskets & Wine Picnic Basket
- Immaculate Waters Spa Basket
- Two Espresso Coffee Gift Baskets
- Tea Basket

As of August 27, we have sold 220 tickets. Thank you for your support of Resurrection parish and our many ministries. Our goal is to sell 405 tickets.



Resurrection Catholic Community

FAITH FORMATION

FAITH SHARING GROUP will reconvene on Monday, September 9 at 9:15 AM in the Daily Mass Chapel. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Susan Crovo at 429-1785.

BIBLE STUDIES WITH ELIZABETH KNAPP: This fall two Bible studies will be available to those seeking to know and understand scripture better. On Wednesday mornings a Beginner's Bible Study will be offered for the beginner to intermediate Bible student. For the intermediate to experienced student an in-depth scripture study will be presented on Thursday mornings.



The **Beginners Bible Study** will begin a yearlong study on the Gospels seeking to know better the Word who became flesh. This study is designed for those new to scripture study and those seeking to strengthen their understanding of the period of Jesus' ministry. This study will draw us closer to Jesus as we study events, parables, and stories from his life that will help us to answer the question Jesus once posed to Peter, "*Who do you say I am?*" We will focus on building a personal relationship with our Savior as we ponder another question Jesus asked his disciples, "*Who do people say the Son of Man is?*" We will explore what it means to have a personal relationship with Jesus and how that can help us to always have an answer for our faith. Class begins Wednesday, September 18 from 9:30-11:30. We will meet Wednesdays through November 13, take a break for the winter holidays, and start up again February 12 and conclude April 22.

The Thursday morning **Women's Bible Study** class will begin a yearlong study of *A Woman's Heart: God's Dwelling Place*. This in-depth study explores the fascinating Old Testament account of the building of the tabernacle, the significance of its design, its role in God's eternal plan, and the grand fulfillment of its purpose by Jesus Christ. This study will be grounded in the Old Testament book of Exodus and the New Testament book of Hebrews as scripture comes together to reveal God's dwelling place in our heart. Class begins Thursday, September 19 from 9:30-11:30. We will meet on Thursday mornings through November 14, take a break for the winter holidays and start up again on February 6 and will conclude May 7.

Contact: Elizabeth Knapp at eknapp@ix.netcom.com or 475-3850 for questions or to sign-up.
Materials fee: TBD

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

We're getting ready to kick off our fall season! Registration forms are available now. They have been emailed & they are posted on our website. The forms are also available in the church entrance and in the parish office.



FIRST EUCHARIST—Parent/Child meeting Sunday, September 15 at 11:30 AM in the church. Pre-registration requested!

K-5 CLASSES—begin Thursday, September 12 at 3:45 PM in hall. Pre-registration requested!

HIGH SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION YEAR 1 & 2 - Parent/Student meetings Sunday, September 8 at 11:30 AM in hall and on Monday, September 10 at 6:30 PM in Youth Center (choose one to attend)

MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8) - regular sessions start Thursday, September 19 at 6:30 PM

HIGH SCHOOL—regular sessions start Sunday, September 15 at 11:30 AM in hall/youth center

Please call the parish office for more information!

(If you have a financial hardship your child will not be denied. Please speak to Deborah or Deacon Patrick.)

OUTREACH



FOOD FOR GOD'S PEOPLE:

Our monthly collection to help fill our food pantry for the poor will be September 7 & 8. Please bring your non-perishable food items with you to mass or to the parish hall during the week. Thank you for your continued generosity.

SPIN (SOCKS FOR PEOPLE IN NEED): The SPIN program has a new partner – Hope's Closet of Santa Cruz County. Hope's Closet is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization which assists children in need by providing new and gently used baby, toddler and youth clothing, shoes, books and toys to children and families in need. The Closet works directly with local schools and more than 25 social service agencies. If you are interested in supporting this important mission, please consider contributing new socks and/or underwear for children (any size, Newborn and up). You can place these items in the SPIN Socks Box located in the church entrance. For further information, please contact Pat Lorenzo (pat.lorenzo@yahoo.com).



A Holy Travel Experience, from Sue Bruemmer:

In July of this year my daughter and I traveled to Turkey and we had the good fortune to be able to visit what is believed to be the last home of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In Turkey, you ask? Why so far from the Holy Land?

The facts as found in the Scriptures:

- The Gospel of St. John tells us that before dying on the Cross Jesus entrusted to him the care of his Mother when he said "Here is your Mother" and from that hour St. John took her as his own.
- The "Acts of the Apostles" describes how after Christ's death, his followers were persecuted in Jerusalem: St. Stephen was stoned in 37 A.D. and St. James was beheaded in 42 A.D.
- The "Acts of the Apostles" further describes how the Apostles divided the world between them for preaching the Gospel. St. John was given Asia Minor, which includes modern day Turkey. It is believed that in order to protect her and care for her the Virgin Mary travelled with him to Ephesus, Turkey.

At the site in Ephesus is the home (rebuilt upon the original foundations) that she is believed to have lived in for her last eight years. There is also a prayer wall where you can leave messages and a spring to collect water from the source. Popes have visited the site and many scholars have provided evidence to support the assumption that this is, indeed, where the Virgin Mary also died.



I felt very privileged to have visited this shrine to our Blessed Virgin Mary, who is so important for followers of Christ. But I came to learn that the House of the Virgin Mary also has enormous significance to Muslims, for whom Mary was the mother of one of the great prophets of Islam, Isa ibn Maryam or Jesus, and who is the only woman mentioned by name in the Qur'an (and chapter 19 is named after her).

This is an important religious site. I humbly left a message at the wall and brought back some water from the source. It is a memory to treasure.



UPCOMING EVENTS!

PRIME TIMERS



Will meet **Sunday, September 8** after the 10:15 Mass in the church conference room. Join us and help plan for the coming year.

Coffee and refreshments will be served.



Santa Cruz Symphony Events

Souvenir de Florence

Sunday, September 15, 2019, 2:00 PM—4:00 PM

Samper Recital Hall, Cabrillo College

Tickets available online at www.CabrilloVAPA.com



Featuring: Nigel Armstrong, violin; Rebecca Jackson, violin; Daniel Stewart, viola; Chad Kaltinger, viola; Jonah Kim, cello; Saul Richmond-Rakerd, cello

Watsonville Music in the Plaza

Thursday, September 19, 2019, 6:00 PM—8:00 PM

Music From the Heart/Musica Para El Corazon

Free! Bring a blanket, lawn chair, picnic and enjoy the music!

Featuring: Esperanza Del Valle Huapango and Students from PVUSD; Nigel Armstrong, violin; Daniel Stewart, viola





CLOTHING NEEDED: The Salvation Army Shelter in Watsonville is seeking donations of clothing (shirts, pants, underwear, socks and any other garments) for the men, women, and children who stay there. Donations may be dropped off at the shelter (104 Grant Ave. in Watsonville) seven days a week between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. (Please do not bring items to Resurrection.)

MANTLES OF CARING: The ministry of our knitting group, Mantles of Caring, is to provide support to those suffering loss, illness or other sorrows with the gift of a hand-knitted or crocheted shawl or lap robe. These beautiful items have been made with loving prayer for the receiver who may be a shut-in, undergoing medical treatment, or has a life-threatening or chronic illness. If you are such a person or know of someone who would benefit from one of these items, we offer it to you. In addition, Mantles of Caring, offers lovely handmade gifts such as scarfs, hats, ponchos and baby items, for sale at very reasonable prices to support our ministry. You are welcome to knit or crochet with us in the church conference room on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 2:00—3:30 PM. Contact Pat O'Brien at 685-8639.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



APTOS RESURRECTION COUNCIL 9580 OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is pleased to announce the 2019 winner of the \$1000 youth scholarship award to Ireland Conti. Ireland is planning to attend UCLA.

LAST CALL FOR NEW BULLETIN ADVERTISERS! We are now working on the new bulletin for the next quarter (Oct/Nov/Dec). And YES, we do have space for YOUR AD! Reasonable rates are as follows:

- Grand Slam: \$455 per quarter
- Home Run: \$375 per quarter
- Triple: \$310 per quarter
- Double: \$230 per quarter
- Single: \$130 per quarter
- "Memorial" space: \$230 per quarter



Payments can be electronically deducted each month or you can pay quarterly. We are happy to work with you to design an attractive and effective ad (no additional cost for this). Advertising income contributes vital funds to our parish. If you have any questions about advertising or know of a business that might be interested in advertising contact Ann Fitts, 818-1417, ann@growingupsc.com by September 1. And please support our bulletin advertisers. Thank you!

Welcome! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place in the collection basket or mail to the parish office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

New Parishioner New Address

New Phone Number

Moving—Remove from List

Please send contribution envelopes

Please send information on Electronic Giving

TAIZE PRAYER:



The Sisters of the Holy Names at Villa Maria del Mar invite you to an evening of prayer on the second Thursday of every month, (September 12th), from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. This hour-long Taize style prayer of contemplative prayer includes chants, scripture and time for quiet reflection. For information call Mary 475-1236. All are welcome. 21918 East Cliff Drive (in the chapel).

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE – Retrouvaille simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10's of 1000's headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 27-29. Call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.org



GOSPEL MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

In the Gospel today, Jesus warns us not to give in hopes of repayment, but to give open-handedly to the poor and needy. That sort of giving mirrors the bountiful giving of God, and Jesus assures us it is blessed indeed!



Growing in FAITH™

Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith.

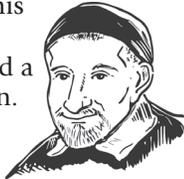
September 2019

Resurrection Catholic Community
Aptos, California

One Minute Meditations

St. Vincent de Paul

Born in France in 1580, St. Vincent was born to peasant farmers, but his father, seeing his potential, made sure he received a good education. Vincent was ordained a priest, and served as chaplain to the countess of Gondi. Seeing the poor were spiritually neglected, he founded the Ladies of Charity and the Sisters of Charity to help. To reform the priesthood, he founded the Lazarites to train priests. He is the patron of charitable institutions.



Another reason to attend Sunday Mass

Masses have intentions for which the Mass is offered. By attending Mass, we help those people or causes - including the priest who offers the Mass.

Bless, don't curse

When you are angry at someone else, don't judge or criticize. Instead offer a prayer, a Rosary, or a Mass for his or her intention and ask God to bless you both. It's so much more effective.



Build up your trust in God

Are you afraid to trust God with your life? Do you give him your problems but take them back when he doesn't do what you want? It is only when we have complete trust in God that our lives work well.

God is trustworthy. A trustworthy person has high moral integrity and character. We have thousands of years of history in the Bible that prove God means what he says and says what he means. He always does what he promises.

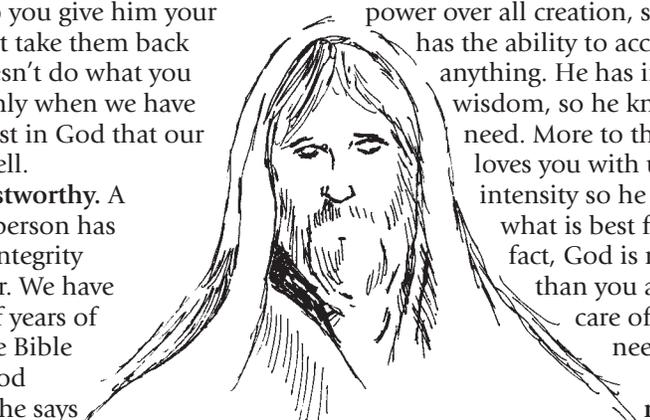
God is capable. Certainly God took excellent care of King David, Job, Moses and even Jesus and his family. He is certainly capable and

interested in taking care of you. God has power over all creation, so he clearly has the ability to accomplish anything. He has infinite wisdom, so he knows what you need. More to the point, God loves you with unimaginable intensity so he always wants what is best for you. In fact, God is more qualified than you are to take care of what you need.

Are you ready to really trust God?

Start by thanking him no matter what. Everything that he allows to happen to us is for our good. Then remind yourself that God is fully in charge.

Finally, ask him what you should do next and do it.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics use bells during Mass?

The practice of ringing bells during Mass is an old tradition. It is used to mark the crucial parts of the Mass: the Epiclesis (the prayer invoking the Holy Spirit to transform the bread and wine into the body and blood of

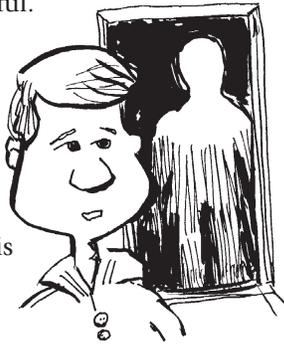


Christ), and after the elevations of the host and the chalice (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, #150). Today, the ringing of bells invites us to make a sacred response and reflect on the mysteries of God's presence.

No need to fear death

Death can be a fearful unknown but Christians know that it is a doorway that leads to something wonderful. Still, the idea can produce anxiety in even the strongest Christian. Consider taking steps to reduce that anxiety.

Pray daily. Talking to God each day, reading Scripture, and spending time in prayer is the best way to nurture a personal relationship with him. When we know God intimately and personally, we trust him and know to rely on his justice.



Go to Confession weekly. The Precepts of the Catholic Church require Catholics to attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) at least once a year or when aware of serious sin. However, to stay as close to a state of grace as possible, consider going weekly. Confess all sins of which you are aware.

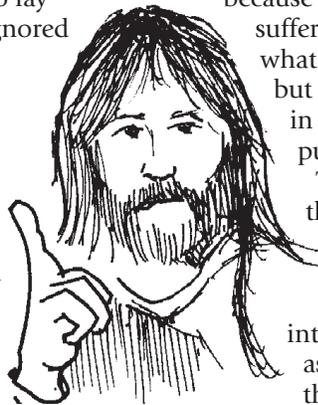
Attend Mass weekly or even daily, if possible. *“For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink”* (John 6:55). Jesus initiated the Eucharist to fortify us against the temptations and sin of this world.

from Scripture

Luke 16:19-31, Our brother’s keeper

This is one of the clearest and most direct parables Jesus told. It starts with Lazarus, a beggar who lay suffering, miserable and ignored outside the home of a rich man. By contrast, the rich man had a wonderful and comfortable life on earth, oblivious to what was happening outside his very door. In the afterlife, however, there is a reversal of fortunes. It is the rich man who suffers torment and begs for relief.

The rich man wasn’t a bad man. The parable didn’t say he had gotten his wealth



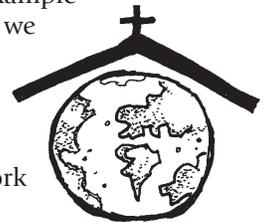
through dishonest means or had done anything evil. He was condemned because he’d become blind to the suffering of others. He knew what God expected of him, but didn’t do it. His suffering in the afterlife was a just punishment.

The Bible makes it plain that Jesus wants us to love each other as he loves us.

When we live our faith, we transform our prayers into deeds of love as Jesus asked. As he demonstrates in this parable, the reward for doing what Jesus asked will be eternal joy.

Q Why does Scripture & A say God “rested” on the sabbath?

God didn’t rest because he was tired; he was setting an example for us. He rested so we would do the same (Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), #2172). We weren’t made to work non-stop, but for a balance of work and rest.



God rested to enjoy the goodness of creation (Genesis 1:31). We can get so focused on work we lose perspective. God knew the world wouldn’t always be perfect but still made sure to appreciate goodness when he saw it.

Lastly, God rested to make the sabbath holy—a day for prayer and worship. God doesn’t need our acts of worship, but we do. At every Mass we affirm his goodness, power, wisdom, and mercy to us. We receive our Lord, with countless graces, into our hearts.

“No one is father like God is Father” (CCC, #239). He knows we need time off, so he requires us to rest. He knows we need to know we’re loved, so he commands us to visit him every Sunday so he can remind us.

Feasts & Celebrations

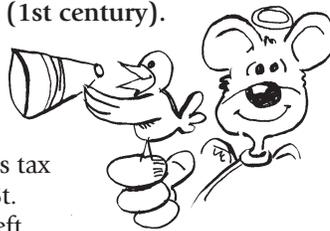
September 1 – St. Giles (8th Century). A saint shrouded in mystery, he was a hermit who lived near the Rhône River in France. He was also known as a miracle worker and his fame drew crowds and disciples to his side and even attracted the attention of King Charles. The king offered to fund a monastery if St. Giles agreed to be its first abbot, which he did. St. Giles is patron of the poor, cripples, beggars, and the disabled.

September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (326). St. Helena (mother of Emperor Constantine) discovered

three crosses while on pilgrimage in Jerusalem. One of them was thought to be the Cross on which Jesus died. On the site Constantine built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher.

September 21 – St. Matthew the Evangelist (1st century).

Also known as Levi, he was a notorious tax collector. St. Matthew left everything when Jesus called him to spread the Gospel. He wrote the Gospel According to Matthew.



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September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Catholic Charities Speaker at Mass	Labor Day - Parish Office Closed 9:00 AM Labor Day Mass (Church)	10:00 AM Gardening Group (Outside) 2:00 PM Knitting Ministry (CCR) 5:00 PM Faith Community Shelter (MCC) 6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Officer's Mtg. (CCR) 6:30 PM Youth Core Team Meeting (YC) 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus Mtg. (CCR)	6:45 PM Pacific Voices Rehearsal (Church)	9:30 AM Staff Meeting (Lounge)	9:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (BSC)	8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
11:30 AM Early Bird Raffle (Outside) 11:30 AM Prime Timers (CCR) 11:30 AM Youth Group & Confirmation Information Meeting & Registration (MCC)	9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC) 11:00 AM Women's Guild Board Mtg. (CR 3,4,5) 6:30 PM Youth Core Team Meeting (YC) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (Hall & Lounge)	10:00 AM Gardening Group (Outside) 5:00 PM Faith Community Shelter (MCC) 6:30 PM Youth Group & Confirmation Information Meeting & Registration (YC)	6:45 PM Pacific Voices Rehearsal (Church) 7:00 PM Pastoral Council (YC)	3:45 PM K-5 Faith Formation (MCC & YC) 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal (Church)		8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
10:15 AM Youth Mass & Catechist Blessing (Church) 11:30 AM 1st Eucharist Parent/Child Meeting (Church) 11:30 AM COPA Core Mtg (Lounge) 11:30 AM Youth Group & Confirmation (MCC & YC)	9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC) 1:00 PM Women's Guild Mtg. (CR 2,3,4,5) 6:30 PM Youth Core Team Meeting (YC) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (Hall & Lounge)	10:00 AM Gardening Group (Outside) 2:00 PM Knitting Ministry (CCR) 5:00 PM Confirmation 1st Year Parent/Teen Meeting (YC) 5:00 PM Faith Community Shelter (MCC)	9:30 AM -11:30 AM Beginning Bible Study (CR 2 &3) 5:00 PM Confirmation 1st Year Parent/Teen Meeting (YC) 6:45 PM Pacific Voices Rehearsal (Church)	9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Women's Bible Study (CR 2 &3) 9:30 AM Staff Meeting (Lounge) 12:30 PM Bible Study (DMC) 3:45 PM K-5 Faith Formation (MCC & YC) 6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group (MCC & YC)		8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)

September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
11:30 AM Parish Ministry Festival (MCC)	9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC) 6:30 PM Youth Core Team Meeting (YC) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (Hall & Lounge)	10:00 AM Gardening Group (Outside) 5:00 PM Confirmation 1st Year Parent/Teen Meeting (YC) 5:00 PM Faith Community Shelter (MCC)	9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Beginning Bible Study (CR 2 & 3) 12:30 PM Card Making Class (CCR) 6:00 PM Finance Council (YC) 6:45 PM Pacific Voices Rehearsal (Church)	9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Women's Bible Study (CR 2 & 3) 12:30 PM Bible Study (DMC) 3:45 PM K-5 Faith Formation (MCC & YC) 6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group (MCC & YC) 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal (Church)		8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)
29	30					
10:15 AM 1st Eucharist Rite of Enrollment (Church) 11:30 AM Youth Group & Confirmation (MCC & YC)	9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC) 6:30 PM Youth Core Team Meeting (YC) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (Hall & Lounge)					