



September 22, 2024

“WHOEVER RECEIVES
ONE CHILD SUCH AS
THIS IN MY NAME,
RECEIVES ME.”
- MK 9:37A

25TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

National Migration Week

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Mass Times/Horarios de la misa

Monday—Friday~ Lunes—Viernes
9:00AM

Saturday—Sábado
8:00AM

Saturday Evening
English 5:00PM

Sábado Por la Noche
Español 6:30PM

Sunday Mass
English 7:30AM & 9:30AM

Misa Del Domingo
Español 11:30AM

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9:30AM—1:30PM or by appointment

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ~
SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
EXPOSICIÓN Y ADORACIÓN**

of the Blessed Sacrament ~
del Santísimo Sacramento



Thursday/Jueves 9:30AM-through
Saturday/Sabado morning Benediction 7:45AM

PRAYER LINE ~ LÍNEA DE ORACIÓN

Contact Parish Office

Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial
(805) 646-4338

<https://stacojai.org/worship/prayer-line>

WEDDINGS ~ BODAS

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BAPTISMS ~ BAUTISMOS

English: Dn. Phil Nelson

Spanish: Fr. Fernando Lopez OSA

FUNERALS ~ FUNERALES

Contact Parish Office ~ Póngase en contacto con
la oficina parroquial (805) 646-4338

PRIVATE PRAYER ~ ORACIÓN PRIVADA

Chapel open Mon-Sat ~ Capilla abierta
de lunes a sábado:
10AM-4PM

Rosario en Español

Lunes y Martes

A las seis de la tarde

Rosary in English

To the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Fridays after the 9am mass



INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday: 9/23/24	9:00AM	Bill Brannan † <i>By: The Teichert Family</i>
Tuesday: 9/24/24	9:00AM	Sharon Cline † <i>By: The Teichert Family</i>
Wednesday: 9/25/24	9:00AM	Jonathan Teichert's Birthday (L) <i>By: The Teichert Family</i>
Thursday: 9/26/24	9:00AM	
Friday: 9/27/24	9:00AM	
Saturday: 9/28/24	8:00AM 5:00PM	Sharon Cline † <i>By: Bereavement</i>
Sunday: 9/29/24	7:30AM 9:30AM	People of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Sharon Cline † <i>By: Dick & Kathy Sebek</i>

(L) Designates Special Intentions for someone living

Hospitality



New and Old
St. Thomas Welcomes You!
Stay awhile & enjoy time together
Coffee, juice,, & donuts are available

This Wednesday
Family to Family

Join us preparing and serving a hot meal
for hungry neighbors



Wednesday, September 25

(the 4th Wednesday of each month.)

303 N. Ventura Ave.

Ventura, CA

Next to Catholic Charities

Call the parish office for more information

(805) 646-4338

Volunteers needed and appreciated

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: The Jewish wisdom writer teaches us that wicked people revile and test those who are just and upright. What might be an effective way to win over a wicked person?

Second Reading: James encourages us to be sincere and consistent in cultivating peace. Can you think of a situation this week at home or at work where you could seek peace?

Gospel: We hear today that the disciples did not always understand Jesus and were afraid sometimes to ask him questions. How would you suggest dealing with tensions that arise in close relationships?

A REFLEXIONAR Y RESPONDER

Primera Lectura: El escritor de sabiduría judía nos enseña que los malvados insultan y prueban a los que son justos y rectos. ¿Cuál podría ser una manera eficaz de ganarse a una persona malvada?

Segunda Lectura: Santiago nos anima a ser sinceros y coherentes en el cultivo de la paz. ¿Puedes pensar en una situación esta semana en casa o en el trabajo donde podrías buscar la paz?

Evangelio: Hoy escuchamos que los discípulos no siempre entendieron a Jesús y a veces tenían miedo de hacerle preguntas. ¿Cómo sugerirías lidiar con las tensiones que surgen en las relaciones cercanas?

	Readings		Las lecturas
Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37	Domingo:	Sab 2, 12. 17-20/Sal 53, 3-4. 5. 6-8 (6)/Sant 3, 16—4, 3/Mc 9, 30-37
Monday:	Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18	Lunes:	Prov 3, 27-34/Sal 14, 2-3. 3-4. 5/Lc 8, 16-18
Tuesday:	Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21	Martes:	Prov 21, 1-6. 10-13/Sal 118, 1. 27. 30. 34. 35. 44/Lc 8, 19-21
Wednesday:	Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6	Miércoles:	Prov 30, 5-9/Sal 118, 29. 72. 89. 101. 104. 163/Lc 9, 1-6
Thursday:	Ecl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9	Jueves:	Ecl 1, 2-11/Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 y 9/Lc 9, 7-9
Friday:	Ecl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b & 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22	Viernes:	Ecl 3, 1-11/Sal 143, 1 y 2. 3-4/Lc 9, 18-22
Saturday:	Ecl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45	Sábado:	Ecl 11, 9—12, 8/Sal 89, 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14 y 17/Lc 9, 43-45
Next Sunday:	Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 (9a)/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48	Domingo siguiente:	Nm 11, 25-29/Sal 18, 8. 10. 12-13. 14 (9)/Sant 5, 1-6/Mc 9, 38-43. 45. 47-48


Sunday:	25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest; National Migration Week
Wednesday:	Peter Zuñega, Thomas of Augustine
Thursday:	Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Friday:	St. Vincent de Paul , Priest
Saturday:	St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
Next Sunday:	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

Domingo:	25° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes:	San Pío de Pietrelcina, sacerdote; Semana nacional del migrante
Miércoles:	Peter Zuñega, , Thomas of Augustine
Jueves:	San Cosme y San Damián, mártires
Viernes:	San Vicente de Paúl , sacerdote
Sábado:	San Wenceslao, mártir; San Lorenzo Ruiz y compañeros, mártires
Domingo siguiente:	26° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Domingo del sacerdocio

The Mass in Recognition of
All Immigrants 

Sunday, September 29, at 3:30 pm.
the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in
downtown Los Angeles.

Presided by Archbishop Jose H. Gomez
For more information (213) 637-7484

La misa en reconocimiento de
Todos los inmigrantes 

el domingo 29 de septiembre
a las 3:30 de la tarde.
en la Catedral de Nuestra Señora
de los Ángeles en el centro de Los Ángeles.
Para más información llame al (213) 637-7484

Religious Education

for Adults:

Confirmation &/or First Communion

18 years or older, not in high school.

(Must have a Batism Certificate)

Educación religiosa

Para adultos:

Confirmación y/o Primera Comunión

18 años o más, no en la escuela secundaria.

(Debe tener un Certificado de Bautismo)

For children & youth

First Communion & Confirmation

(A Baptism Certificate is required at registration)

Middle School Youth Group & continuing classes!

Para niños y jóvenes

Primera Comunión y Confirmación

(Se requiere un Certificado de Bautismo al momento de la inscripción)

Grupo de jóvenes de la escuela secundaria y clases continuas.

Contact Aina Yates 805-646-4338 x111
text 805-319-2170 or email aina@stacojai.org

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St. Thomas Middle School Youth!

HOLY FIRE

September 28, 2024

St. John Eudes Catholic Church

aina@stacojai.org



Childs Name:

What did you learn in Mass today?

Catechists Signature:

Villanova

Providing a quality well rounded Augustinian Education in the Ojai Valley for 100 years!

Part of the celebration will be an Anniversary Mass & Gala on Saturday, October 12.

To learn more about all of the festive events associated with our 100th Anniversary celebration

and to purchase your tickets for the Gala, please visit our website:

www.villanovaprep.org/100th.

We hope you can join us!



INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The apostles argue, each one claiming to be the greatest of Christ's followers. But Christ shows them who is truly the greatest — a child, one who has no thought of his own importance, one who has no ambition. Let's seek to be like that child.

INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Los apóstoles discuten y cada uno afirma ser el más grande de los seguidores de Cristo. Pero Cristo les muestra quién es verdaderamente el más grande: un niño, alguien que no piensa en su propia importancia, alguien que no tiene ambición. Busquemos ser como ese niño.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION 2024

Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?

We offer monthly gatherings after the 9:30am Mass on Sundays

¿Interesado en ser católica o le gustaría aprender más sobre el catolicismo?

Ofrecemos reuniones mensuales a la 1pm los domingos.

Date	Presentation in English	Presenter	Presentation en español	Presenter
Oct. 6	What Makes a Saint?	Annameik Schilder	Espiritu Santo	Judith Robles
Nov. 3	The Sabbath & the Release of our Bondage from Modern Day Pharaohs	Brian Campos	Maria y Los Santos	Laura Duran
Dec. 8	The Spirituality of Our Life's Journey	Fr. Peter	Los Sacramentos	Raul Vasquez

ANTHEM

Refrain

We are called, we are chosen. We are Christ for one another
We are promised to tomorrow, while we are for him today
We are sign, we are wonder. We are sower, we are seed
We are harvest, we are hunger. We are question, we are creed.

Verse 1

Then where can we stand justified? In what can we believe?
In no one else but he who suffered, nothing more than he who rose
Who was justice for the poor. Who was rage against the night
Who was hope for peaceful people. Who was light

Verse 2

Then how are we to stand at all, this world of bended knee?
In nothing more than barren shadows. No one else but he could save us
Who was justice for the poor. Who was rage against the night
Who was hope for peaceful people. Who was light

S A I N T V I N C E N T D E P A U L

Celebrate the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul

by bringing

non-perishable food and other needed items to church & placing them in the bins at the back of the church or by the doors to the church hall.

*For Monetary donations please put in an envelope designating
"St. Vincent de Paul"*

in the offering basket at church or leave at the Church Office.

(to volunteer please call the Parish Office and leave a message (805) 646-4338 x 104 Someone will return your call.)

A note from Father Kirk

We learned this week that we will be receiving a 'Deferred Maintenance Grant' in the amount of \$307,000 from the Called to Renew Campaign. This funding will enable us to resurface our parking lot, along with addressing other long overdue maintenance issues on our campus. I'm meeting with the construction coordinator for the Archdiocese of LA this week and will be able to offer more specific information and timelines in the next week or two. We are also close to completing two of the four items on our case study for Called to Renew: Restoring our Church Bell, and Soundproofing Parish Offices. I'll be offering updates on our Church Restroom Project in the coming weeks as well. It feels very good to be making progress on these essential projects, and I thank you all for your continued support.

God's peace,

Fr. Kirk

Una nota del padre Kirk

Esta semana nos enteramos de que vamos a recibir una "subvención de mantenimiento diferido" por un monto de \$307,000 de la Campaña Llamados a Renovar. Esta financiación nos permitirá renovar la superficie de nuestro estacionamiento, además de abordar otros problemas de mantenimiento que se habían atrasado mucho tiempo en nuestro campus. Esta semana me reuniré con el coordinador de construcción de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles y podré ofrecer información más específica y plazos en la próxima semana o dos. También estamos cerca de completar dos de los cuatro elementos de nuestro estudio de caso para Llamados a Renovar: restaurar la campana de nuestra iglesia y aislar acústicamente las oficinas parroquiales. También ofreceré actualizaciones sobre nuestro proyecto de baños de la iglesia en las próximas semanas. Se siente muy bien estar avanzando en estos proyectos esenciales y les agradezco a todos por su continuo apoyo.
Paz y bien, p. Kirk

daily expenses continue...

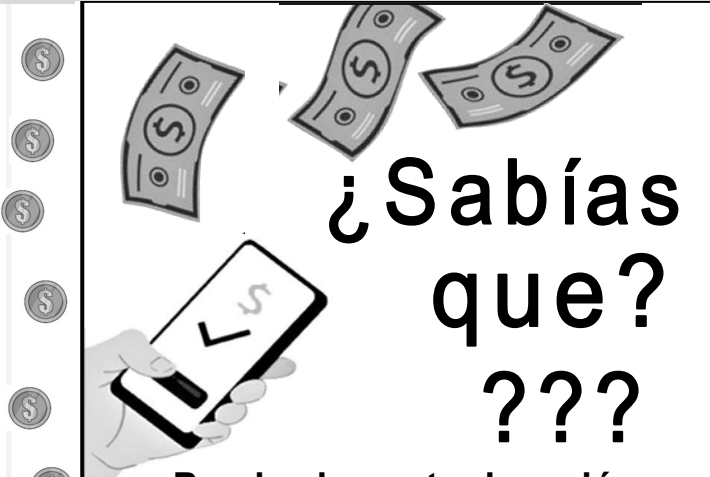
Los gastos diarios continúan...



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???**

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your weekly donation
using online giving at
onlinegiving@stacojai.org**

!!! It's Super easy !!!



**¿Sabías
que?
???**

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semanal fácilmente
usando la función de donaciones
en línea en
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¡¡¡Es súper fácil!!!

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St. Vincent de Paul	(805) 646-4338 x104	
Food Pantry	(805) 646-4338 x112	

Prayer for protection of our children.

Oración por la protección de nuestros hijos.

Lord God, we praise you that you are fully in control of all things. I pray you would protect my child. Keep them healthy and help them to thrive. I thank you that you know every hair on their head. You know exactly when they rise and when they fall. Watch over my child in every area of their life and keep them safe I pray, Amen

Señor Dios, te alabamos porque tienes el control absoluto de todas las cosas. Te pido que protejas a mi hijo, que lo mantengas sano y que lo ayudes a crecer. Te agradezco porque conoces cada cabello de su cabeza, que sabes exactamente cuándo se levantan y cuándo caen. Cuida de mi hijo en cada área de su vida y mantenlo a salvo, te lo pido, amén.



DID YOU KNOW?

Protecting God's
Children

Promise to Protect; Pledge to Heal **Shop safely with your children**

When you are with your children in a crowded shopping area — think mall, grocery store, farmer's market — it is important to have a plan of action to keep your group together and your children safe. Keep children as close as possible, ideally either in a cart or holding hands. Always go as a group to the bathroom, or at least in pairs, and have a designated spot to meet back up. For more tips, visit missingchildrensnetwork.ngo.

Promesa de Proteger: Medidas de seguridad cuando **vaya de compras con sus hijos**

Cuando esté con sus hijos en una zona comercial llena de gente (como un centro comercial, un supermercado, o un mercado de agricultores), es importante tener un plan de acción para mantener a su grupo junto y a sus hijos seguros. Mantenga a los niños lo más cerca de usted posible, idealmente en un carrito de la tienda o tomados de la mano. Siempre vaya al baño con todo el grupo o al menos en parejas, y establezca un lugar designado para reunirse nuevamente. Para obtener más consejos en inglés, visite missingchildrensnetwork.ngo.