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Sunday Masses

SATURDAY EVENING VIGILS

English 5:00PM & Spanish 6:30PM

SUNDAY MORNING

English 7:30AM & 9:30AM
Spanish 11:30AM

WEEKDAYS

M-F 9:00AM
Saturday 8AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

EXPOSITION AND ADORATION

Of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 9:30AM-10:30PM

PRAYER LINE

Contact Parish Office

WEDDINGS

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BAPTISMS

English: Dn. Phil Nelson
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FUNERALS

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PRIVATE PRAYER

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JANUARY 17, 2021

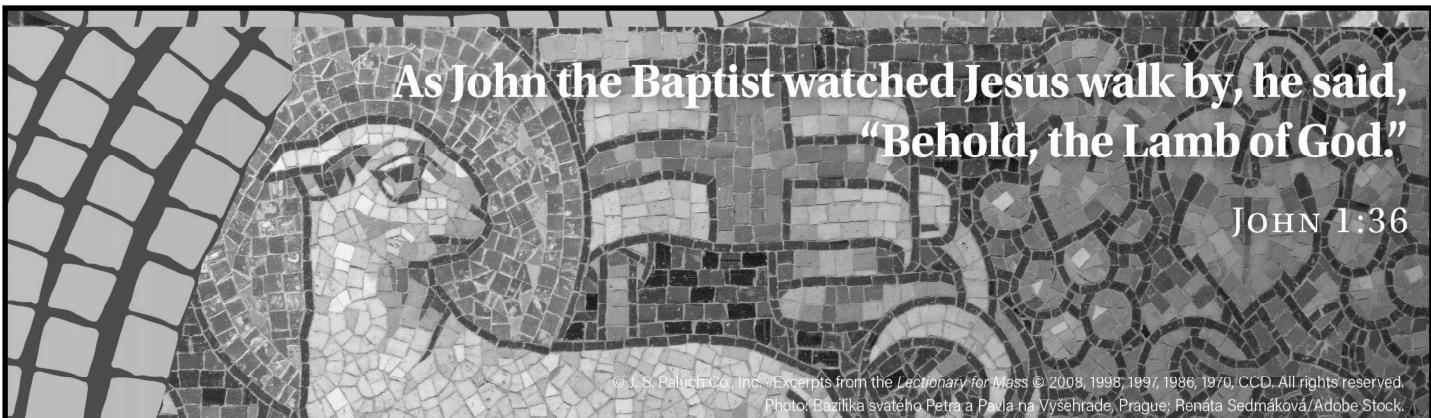
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



AS JOHN THE BAPTIST WATCHED
JESUS WALK BY, HE SAID,

"Behold, the Lamb of God."

JOHN 1:36



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JOY

The fullness of joy is to behold God in everything.
—St. Julian

WORRIES

The greatest of worries can't pay the smallest of debts.
—Anonymous

ALEGRÍA

La alegría plena reside en ver a Dios en todas las cosas.
—San Julián

PREOCUPACIONES

Las más grandes preocupaciones no pueden pagar las más mínimas deudas.
—Anónimo



DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Jan 16	5:00PM	Br. Mike Bube †	By: Les & Mary Baker
Sunday	Jan 17	9:30AM	Frank Aversa Sr †	By: Nicole Aversa
Monday	Jan 18	9:00AM	Joan Davis †	By: Joe & Lisa Roussel
Tuesday	Jan 19	9:00AM	Gary & Christina Orthuber ☽	By: Susan Orthuber
Wednesday	Jan 20	9:00AM	Colleen Beck †	By: Mary Kazmer
Thursday	Jan 21	9:00AM	Joan Davis †	By: Linda Desch
Friday	Jan 22	9:00AM	Scott Dominguez †	By: The Wood Family
Saturday	Jan 23	8:00AM	Victoria Zapata †	By: Sr Barbara & Sr Ana Luz



Family Sacramental Preparation Mass

Please attend regular Mass either 9:30AM or 11:30 AM on Sunday and
then the video is available to view on
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Misa de preparación sacramental familiar

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Your legacy to St. Thomas Parish

Your legacy to St. Thomas Parish Did you know that you can make a gift to St. Thomas by naming it as a beneficiary in your will, trust or retirement account? Such a gift is not difficult or costly to arrange. But it would support the parish in its mission to evangelize and bless future generations of parishioners. Questions?

Call the rectory at 805-646-4338.

Su legado a la Parroquia de Santo Tomás

Su legado a la Parroquia de Santo Tomás ¿Sabías que puedes hacer un regalo a Santo Tomás nombrándolo como beneficiario en tu cuenta de voluntad, fideicomiso o jubilación? Tal regalo no es difícil o costoso de organizar. Pero apoyaría a la parroquia en su misión de evangelizar y bendecir a las generaciones futuras de feligreses. ¿Preguntas? Llame a la rectoría al 805-646-4338.

January 17, 2021

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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17 de enero de 2021

Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En el Evangelio de Juan que se leyó hoy, escuchamos las primeras palabras de Jesús. "¿Qué están buscando?" Esta pregunta penetrante resuena a lo largo del Evangelio de Juan. Los discípulos que formaron la primera comunidad de Jesús, y muchos otros que conocieron a Jesús durante su vida, se sienten atraídos por él, buscando algo que no pueden nombrar. Cuando Jesús llamó y formó a su primera comunidad, él examinó sus corazones y les permitió que examinaran el de él. Compartieron sus necesidades, esperanzas y compromisos más profundos.

Las palabras de Jesús podrían estar dirigidas hacia nosotros, aquí y ahora. A veces nos esforzamos por nombrar lo que realmente queremos. En nuestro viaje de fe, en la oración y en la experiencia vivida, aprendemos a compartir nuestros sueños y también a abrir nuestros corazones para conocer los sueños de Dios. Con el tiempo, con mucha práctica, con varios éxitos y fracasos, aprendemos a confiar en Dios para dar forma y cumplir nuestros deseos más profundos.

TU SIERVO ESCUCHA

Hoy escuchamos a un joven Samuel, dedicado a una vida de servicio a Dios, bajo la guía de Elías, un sacerdote del Templo. Dos veces Samuel escucha el llamado de Dios y responde a Elías "Aquí estoy". Por fin Elías reconoce que es Dios quien está llamando a Samuel. Cuando Samuel escucha el llamado por tercera vez, Samuel no responde "Aquí estoy", sino "Habla Señor, que tu siervo escucha". Podemos ver un sutil cambio cuando Samuel se aleja de anunciar su intención y se abre más claramente a la voz de Dios. Samuel permite que Dios tome la iniciativa, y atiende primero a las intenciones de Dios en lugar de las suyas propias.

La historia de Samuel nos ayuda a recordar que aceptar la llamada de Dios no es sólo acerca de un nuevo capítulo en nuestra historia personal. Nuestra aceptación es más profunda, un momento nuevo en la historia de Dios. Incluso en nuestro más pequeño "sí", Dios celebra nuestra participación en su gran obra. A través de nuestra apertura y aceptación, Dios tiene nuevas oportunidades para llevarnos a todos a una amorosa unidad con Dios.

Lecturas de hoy: 1 Sam 3:3b-10, 19; Sal 40 (39):2, 4, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10;
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening (1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19).

Psalm — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Your bodies are members of Christ; glorify God in your body (1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20).

Gospel — The first disciples saw where Jesus was staying and they stayed with him (John 1:35-42)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day;
	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
Tuesday:	Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
Wednesday:	St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
Thursday:	St. Agnes
Friday:	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Saturday:	St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — “Habla, Señor, tu siervo te escucha” (1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19).

Salmo — Aquí estoy, Señor, para hacer tu voluntad (Salmo 40 [39]).

Segunda lectura — Tu cuerpo es un templo del Espíritu Santo (1 Corintios 6:13-15, 17-20).

Evangelio — Los primeros discípulos empiezan a seguir a Jesús y declaran que es el Mesías (Juan 1:35-42)

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Heb 5:1-10; Sal 110 (109):1-4; Mc 2:18-22
Martes:	Heb 6:10-20; Sal 111 (110):1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mc 2:23-28
Miércoles:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Sal 110:1-4; Mc 3:1-6
Jueves:	Heb 7:25- 8:6; Sal 40:7-10, 17; Mc 3:7-12
Viernes:	Heb 8:6-13; Sal 85:8,10-14; Mc 3:13-19, O cualquiera de lecturas para el Día de Oración
Sábado:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9; Mc 3:20-21
Domingo:	Jon 3:1-5, 10; Sal 25 (24):4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mc 1:14-20

SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo:	Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes:	Día de Martin Luther King, Jr.;
	Semana de Oración por la Unidad Cristiana
Martes:	Teofanía (Epifanía) en el calendario juliano
Miércoles:	San Fabián; San Sebastián
Jueves:	Santa Inés
Viernes:	Día de oración por la protección legal de la criatura en el vientre materno
Sábado:	San Vicente; Santa Mariana Cope



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of,

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

Amen.

Please keep all of them in your daily prayers

PARISH STAFF & PARISH DIRECTORY

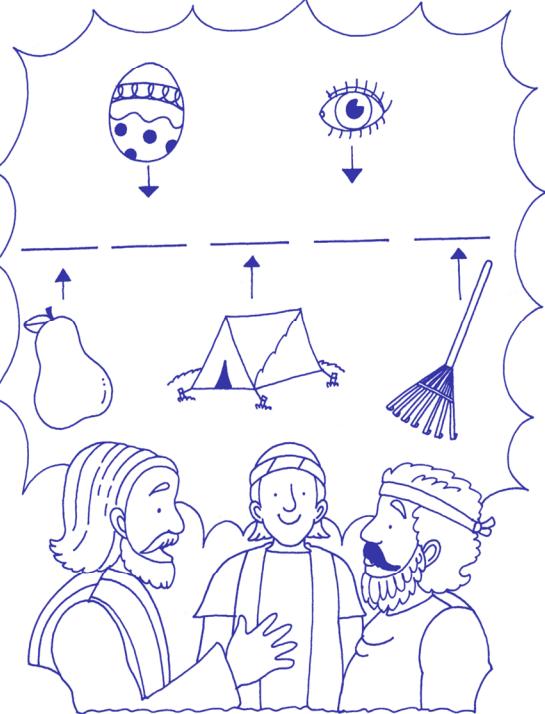
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BULLETIN DEADLINES

Please submit your bulletin requests to the office or by email to bulletin@stacojai.org by 3:00PM Friday

GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN

Andrew and his brother, Simon, went to see Jesus.
Jesus told Simon he would be called by a different name.
Write the first letter of each picture to spell it out.

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Young Samuel heard a voice call for him three times!

The words below are written backwards.

Write them correctly to find out
what Eli told Samuel to say
if he was called again.

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St. Thomas Aquinas Financial Status- December 2020

	Monthly (Aug. 2020)	Monthly (Sept. 2020)	Monthly (Oct. 2020)	Monthly (Nov. 2020)	Fiscal Year 20/21 (7/1/20-11/30/20)
Unrestricted Income*	\$30,671	\$24,919	\$32,609	\$33,354	\$161,044
Restricted Income**	\$1,938	\$102,773	\$3,570	\$8,379	\$118,945
Expenses	\$50,955	\$22,034	\$55,872	\$55,375	\$207,698
Net	\$-18,345	\$105,658	\$-19,692	\$-13,641	\$72,291

* Unrestricted income includes: plate and envelope collections, online giving, donations, fundraisers, etc.

** Restricted income includes: The Building Fund, Religious Education, and donations with specific use designations by the donor.

The Finance Committee apologizes for the absence of financial status reports the last few months. This is the first report since July 2020. The table above indicates the financial status through November 30, 2020 and represents annual totals for Fiscal Year 20/21. The Parish was blessed to receive a large donation in September from the estate of a previous parishioner. However, this donation is earmarked for the support of evangelization and is not available to be utilized for operational expenses.

The comparison of donations through service collections, the mail and online donations are comparable to last Fiscal Year (19/20). However, special services such as Baptisms, Funerals, etc. as well as the ability to use Aquinas Hall for rentals are below last year or completely shut down in the instance of the Hall. As shown in the Table above, expenses are exceeding income by approximately \$15,000 per month. With ongoing COVID restrictions, it is unlikely that any significant rental income will be realized this Fiscal Year. Parish Administration realizes these are very challenging times, but if it is possible to increase your contributions, even slightly, this will greatly assist the Parish meet its expenses and reduce the need for withdrawals from the Parish Contingency Fund.

God Bless



The St. John Paul II Foundation,
in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles,
invite all health care professionals to the first
Converging Roads medical ethics conference
held virtually on Saturday, February 27, 2021
from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm PT.

The conference theme is
Comprehensive Care in Times of Crisis, and
continuing education credits for healthcare professionals
will be offered.

Topics include: Corporal Works of Mercy; Grappling with
Moral Distress; Suffering, Compassion, and Hope; and
Addressing Mental Health Issues in Medicine!

For more information, please visit convergingroads.com or
email amelia@forlifeandfamily.org.



La Fundación San Juan Pablo II
en colaboración con la Arquidiócesis de Los Angeles
invita a todos los profesionales de Salud a la primera
conferencia de ética médica de Converging Roads
celebrada prácticamente el sábado
27 de febrero de 2021 de 8:00am a 1:00pm

El tema de la conferencia es la atención integral en tiempos
de crisis créditos de educación continua para profesionales
de la salud se ofrecerá

Los temas incluyen: Obras corporales de misericordia; Lidiando
con la angustia moral; Sufrimiento, Compasión y Esperanza; y abor-
dar el problema de la salud mental en medicina!
para obtener más información, visite
convergingroads.com
Or
Email: amelia@forlifeandfamily.org

ST VINCENT DE PAUL'S PANTRY
Next Saturday, January 16, 2020

We have served 296 families this month and served 1091 individuals just with the pantry on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Pop Ups will change to 2nd and 4th Mondays starting in January and will go through April

Food Share we will 10:00am to 12:30pm every Monday.

We can still use help bagging and handing out packages, please be there by 8:00 am and for bagging 2:30pm on the Friday before. We are very grateful for all the donations and for any money donated, which can be dropped off at the church office or put through the mail slot by the office door. Thank you to all who have helped and prayed for us in anyway. You have been a part of helping those in need and I know you will be rewarded in heaven, Bonnie (805) 646-4338 X104

The pantry is in much need of the following Items:

Canned foods: veggies, fruit, tuna, spam, chicken, ham...etc.

Paper towels, toilet paper, cereal of all kinds, pasta of all kinds, rice, beans, jam, jelly, peanut butter, crackers, soups. Baby products are also in need, Diapers of any size, Canned and non-perishable needed as well.

We need volunteers to help bag on "EVERY" Friday at 2:30PM before and help distribute on Saturday 8:00 AM.

Monies donations: Please make checks out to: "**ST VINCENT DE PAULS**" and place it in a **CLEARLY MARKED ENVELOPE** and drop off your envelope at the church office.

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