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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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9:00AM - 5:00PM

"Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law."
MATTHEW 5:18

Mass Times/Tiempos de misa

MONDAY—FRIDAY ~ LUNES—VIERNES
9:00AM

SATURDAY—SÁBADO
8:00AM

SATURDAY ~ SÁBADO POR LA NOCHE
English 5:00PM Español 6:30PM

SUNDAY MASSES~ MISAS DEL DOMINGO
English 7:30AM & 9:30AM
Español 11:30AM

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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/Friday ~ Jueves/Viernes 9:30AM-10:30PM

PRAYER LINE ~ LÍNEA DE ORACIÓN
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Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial
(805) 646-4338

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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
Church open Mon-Sat ~ Iglesia abierta de lunes a sábado
10AM-4PM

INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday: 9:00AM **February 13, 2023**	**Paul Hennigan ✝** ***By: The Hennigan Family***
Tuesday: 9:00AM **February 14, 2023**	**Mati Tynan ✝** ***By Mary Kazmer***
Wednesday: 9:00AM **February 15, 2023**	**Margaret Weisel ✝** ***By Les & Mary Baker***
Thursday: 9:00AM **February 16, 2023**	**Mark Allen ✝** ***By The Quackenbush Family***
Friday: 9:00AM **February 17, 2023**	**Zgambo ✝** ***By: The Quackenbush Family***
Saturday: ……..8AM **February 18, 2023 5PM**	**Devin A. ✝** ***By: Charles Perera*** **Rafael & Conchita Moreno✝** ***By Linda Desch***
Sunday 9:30AM **February 19, 2023**	**Socorro Valencia ✝** ***By: Valencia Family***

Did you know?
Did you know the signs of online enticement

When children are unsupervised online, it is difficult to know who they come in contact with, so knowing the warning signs that they might be talking to an online predator is important. Talk to your children about appropriate and inappropriate conversations online. Red flags of online enticement include engaging in sexual conversation, asking for sexually explicit images, or offering incentives like gift cards, free lodging, transportation, or food. For more information,
Visit missingkids.org/theissues/onlineenticement. For more information about support for victim-survivors and abuse prevention and protection efforts of the Archdiocese, visit: lacatholics.org/protect.

Conozca los signos de la tentación en línea

Cuando los niños no están supervisados en línea, es difícil saber con quién entran en contacto, por lo que es importante conocer las señales de advertencia de que podrían estar hablando con un depredador en línea. Hable con sus hijos sobre conversaciones apropiadas e inapropiadas en línea. Las señales de alerta de la tentación en línea incluyen participar en una conversación sexual, pedir imágenes sexualmente explícitas u ofrecer incentivos como tarjetas de regalo, alojamiento, transporte o comida gratis. Para obtener más información, visite missingkids.org/theissues/onlineenticement. Para obtener más información sobre el apoyo a las víctimas-sobrevivientes y los esfuerzos de protección y prevención del abuso de la Arquidiócesis, visite lacatholics.org/protect.

Music

God of Mercy

Refrain

God of mercy, holy myst'ry, ever faithful one
You have pitched your tent among us, reconciling love
Heart and mind of Christ, live within our lives
Form us into people of mercy and grace

Verse 1

You have called us each by name
In your great compassion
Encompassing our failings with mercy
God of mercy, lead us

Verse 2

Slow to anger, rich in love
You bestow forgiveness
May we, in turn, forgive those who harm us
God of mercy, lead us

Augustian Youth Encounter and World Youth Day

To be held in Lisbon, Portugal this summer

This journey is specifically tailored to young people between the ages of 16 and 36.

We will depart California on **July 24 and return on August 9.**

The estimated cost of the pilgrimage is $2250 inclusive of airfare, accommodation and meals.

In ***Financial aid is available.***

To express interest and/or request more information, please contact ***Fr. Kirk Davis, OSA - frkirk@stacojai.org***

Ojai Valley Family Shelter
December 1 – March 31
381 Cruzero St. in Mira Monte
at the Ojai Valley Grange
Between Tico Road and Loma Drive

Guests may check in around 5 pm and will receive a hot dinner, accommodations and a bagged lunch before departing the next morning

Showers are available every other night;

Guests are required to have a current Covid Vaccination and a negative TB test or X-Ray

PLAN NOW

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Ash Wednesday

Mass Times
February 22, 2023
Masses with distribution of Ashes
9am
4pm
6:30pm

Fridays during Lent
Beginning Friday, February 24
5:30 pm
Stations of the Cross in English
6 pm Soup Supper
7 pm
Stations of the Cross in Spanish
A las siete
Estaciones de la cruz en Espanol

Open Pantry
3rd Saturday of each Month
Sign in: 8 to 9:30am
Distribution: 9:30 -10:30
No Pets Allowed

Share The Harvest
1st Thursday of each Month Sign in: 9am
Distribution:
9:30 to 10:30am

Monetary Donations can be made payable to:
St. Vincent de Paul
enclosed in an envelope marked
St. Vincent de Paul
drop off at the church office or in the Sunday collections.

Volunteers Needed
For more information call (805) 646-4338 Ext 112.
Please leave a message & your call will be returned.

Father Kirk's Letter

I spent a couple of days in Tijuana earlier this week. While there I was able to catch up with Cruz Flores, a young man who grew up at the Augustinian sponsored orphanage Casa Hogar La Gloria. Cruz also has a connection to Ojai, having spent his Sophomore, Junior and Senior years of high school at Villanova Prep, graduating in May of 2022. Cruz is now living independently, working part time, and going to school full time. With our continuing support he has just begun his second semester of a three-year program at Culinary Art School in Tijuana. His future is bright.

Lent is just around the corner, and as in past years we will gather for Stations of the Cross and a Soup Supper each Friday during the season. There you will have the opportunity to make a free will donation in support of our shared mission at Casa Hogar La Gloria and beyond. I would ask for your continued prayers as well: for Cruz as he makes the often-difficult transition from high school to college studies and beyond, and for all the children in our care at Casa Hogar. To learn more about our work in Tijuana please visit: www.hogar-infantil.org

God's peace,
Fr. Kirk

Una Carta de Padre Kirk

Pasé un par de días en Tijuana a principios de esta semana. Mientras estuve allí pude alcanzar a Cruz Flores, un joven que creció en el orfanato patrocinado por los agustinos Casa Hogar La Gloria. Cruz también tiene una conexión con Ojai, ya que pasó su segundo, tercer y cuarto año de secundaria en Villanova Prep y se graduó en mayo de 2022. Cruz ahora vive de forma independiente, trabaja a tiempo parcial y asiste a la escuela a tiempo completo.

Con nuestro apoyo continuo, acaba de comenzar su segundo semestre de un programa de tres años en Culinary Art School en Tijuana. Su futuro es brillante.

La Cuaresma está a la vuelta de la esquina y, como en años anteriores, nos reuniremos para las Estaciones de la Cruz y una Cena de Sopa todos los viernes durante la temporada. Allí tendrá la oportunidad de hacer una donación voluntaria en apoyo de nuestra misión compartida en Casa Hogar La Gloria y más allá.

También les pediría sus oraciones continuas: por Cruz mientras hace la transición, a menudo difícil, de la escuela secundaria a los estudios universitarios y más allá, y por todos los niños a nuestro cuidado en Casa Hogar. Para conocer más sobre nuestro trabajo en Tijuana por favor visite: www.hogar-infantil.org

la paz de Dios,

P. Kirk

Consider during Lent
Attending one or more in person sessions of
THE UNIVERSITY SERIES
Feb 23 to March 31 in person.

A multi-parish adult education program during the season of Lent.

Seminars are presented for the purpose of spiritual and personal growth.
Season Passes $75 (only available for purchase through Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22).
The Season Pass allows access to ALL sessions.
Single Session Option is for the Discounted price of $5 per class
(only available for purchase until Ash Wednesday,or
Pay full cash price of $10 per class at the door.
Bring a friend for free

For more information Email office@theuniversityseries.org any time, or
call 805-496-0222 Ext. 119 during regular business hours.

All in-person presentations are subject to the Archdiocese and County Health Directives at that time, including, but not limited to, mask mandates, and hospitality guidelines. If an in-person presentation must be cancelled at the last minute, a replacement session will be substituted. Please watch the website for current, up-to-date information

Calendar Update

The Fellowship of Christ We Share

Join us this week

after the 9:00 daily Mass

Tuesday, February 14,2023

For a chance to get to know each other

Clubhouse, *(between the church and the parish hall)*

Your welcome to bring a snack to share. There will be coffee.

For more information call either Mary Wood 805 640-5243 or Greg Sinicrope 805 455-4619.

Faith Formation Program for Adults!

Many Thanks to
Fr. Emmanuel Issac, O.S.A.
For his presentation of Catholic Traditions

Mark your Calendars for future Presentations
Next Presentation will be March 5
The Liturgy by Brian Campos

Dates	Topics	Presenters
March 5, 2023	*Liturgy*	*Brian Campos*
April 2, 2023	*Triduum*	*Fr. Barney, OSA*
April 30, 2023	*Mary & the Saints*	*Mary Nelson*
June 4, 2023	*Spiritual & Corporal Works*	*James Valadez*
July 9, 2023	*Catholic Social Justice*	*Caryn Brady & Virginia Aguirre*
August 6, 2023	*Ministries of our Church*	*Phil Smith*

Villanova Preparatory School
Middle School

Villanova Prep is planning to open a middle school

serving students in 6th—8th grades.

Scholarships will be available based on need

Opening in fall 2023.

If you would like to learn more about our plans,
contact our Admissions Team at:
www.VillanovaMiddleSchool.org

Support our Catholic Youth by donating today
They are the future of Our Church

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

Psalm — Happy are those who observe God's commands (Psalm 119).

Second Reading — God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

Gospel — Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Dios nos permite tomar decisiones, pero no debemos optar por la injusticia o el pecado (Sirácide 15:15-20).

Salmo — Felices son aquellos que observan los mandamientos de Dios (Salmo 119 [118]).

Segunda lectura — La sabiduría de Dios es misteriosa y escondida (1 Corintios 2:6-10).

Evangelio — Jesús no ha venido a abolir la ley ni los profetas, sino a darles plenitud (Mateo 5:17-37).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 -9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Sal 50 (49):1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mc 8:11-13

Martes: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Sal 29 (28):1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mc 8:14-21

Miércoles: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Sal 116 (116):12-15, 18-19; Mc 8:22-26

Jueves: Gn 9:1-13; Sal 102 (101):16-21, 29, 22-23; Mc 8:27-33

Viernes: Gn 11:1-9; Sal 33 (32):10-15; Mc 8:34 - 9:1

Sábado: Heb 11:1-7; Sal 145 (144):2-5, 10-11; Mc 9:2-13

Domingo: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

Tuesday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day

Friday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Día Mundial del Matrimonio; Natalicio de Lincoln

Martes: Santos Cirilo y Metodio; Día de San Valentín

Viernes: Los Siete Fundadores de la Orden de los Siervos de María

Sábado: Santa María Virgen

PRESIDENTIAL GARDENING

After I die, I want it said of me that I plucked a weed and planted a flower wherever I thought a flower would grow.—Abraham Lincoln

JARDINERÍA PRESIDENCIAL

Cuando muera, quiero que se diga que arranqué malezas y planté flores dondequiera que pensé que podría crecer una flor.- Abraham Lincoln

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