

# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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In Residence: Father Michael McFadden O.S.A Retired  
and Deacon Phil Nelson



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 06, 2019



## LITURGIES

Saturday  
8:00AM Daily Mass

Vigils  
5:00PM English & 6:30PM Spanish

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

Weekdays  
M-F 9:00AM Parish

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays  
3:30-4:30PM or  
by appointment 646-4338 X105

ROSARIES  
Wednesday 6:15PM ~ Spanish  
Friday 9:30AM ~ Cenacles of Life  
Sunday 7:00AM

ADORER CHAPEL HOURS  
Thursday morning through  
Saturday mornings

## PRAYER LINE

805-276-3799 or  
deaconphil@stacojai.org

## WEDDINGS

Call for appointment with the Pastor

## BAPTISMS

(Call for appointment)  
Spanish-Father Fernando  
English-Deacon Phil

## FUNERALS

Please call 646-4338 X101

**Pastor's Message**

**Mensaje del Pastor**



Pastor's Message – October 6, 2019

A huge THANK YOU to you all for a wonderful welcome party last Sunday. I'm so very grateful to be here with you, and that so many of you participated in the event. You obviously know how to

throw a party—I look forward to more opportunities to come together and celebrate as a community in the coming weeks, months and years!

I spent this past week at the Vallombrosa Retreat Center in Menlo Park, CA attending a new pastor's workshop. There were over 50 new pastors, administrators and parish life directors in attendance from dioceses around California and the West. Topics carried the general theme of Pastoral Ministry and included: Leadership, Culture, Stewardship, Personnel and Balance. I found the talks and activities to be both practical and inspiring, and the interaction with the team leaders and the pastors attending to be most reassuring.

This week I will be meeting for the first time with our parish Financial Council. We all owe the representatives of the council our gratitude for their willingness to help us navigate the practicalities of responsibly managing our resources. Our Gospel this Sunday reminds us that an important way we can increase our faith is through action. I invite you all to prayerfully consider how your own talents and passions might be put in the service of our community.

God's peace,  
Fr. Kirk

Mensaje del Pastor – 6 de octubre de 2019

Un enorme GRACIAS a todos ustedes para una maravillosa fiesta de bienvenida el domingo pasado. Estoy muy agradecido de estar aquí con ustedes, y que muchos de ustedes participaron en el evento. Obviamente sabes cómo hacer una fiesta: ¡espero más oportunidades de reunirme y celebrar como comunidad en las próximas semanas, meses y años!

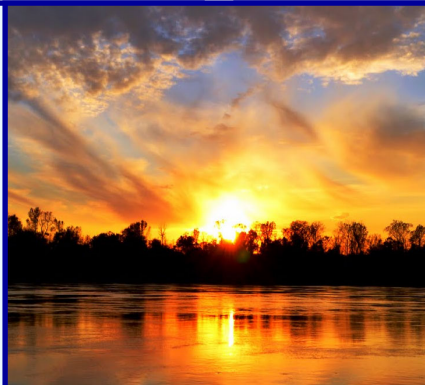
Pasé la semana pasada en el Centro de Retiro Vallombrosa en Menlo Park, CA asistiendo a un taller para nuevos pastores. Asistieron más de 50 nuevos pastores, administradores y directores de vida parroquial de diócesis de California y Occidente. Los temas llevaban el tema general del Ministerio Pastoral e incluían: Liderazgo, Cultura, Administración, Personal y Equilibrio. Las charlas y actividades me consideraron prácticas e inspiradoras, y la interacción con los líderes del equipo y los pastores que asisten para ser más tranquilizadoras.

Esta semana me reuniré por primera vez con nuestro Consejo Financiero parroquial. Todos debemos a los representantes del consejo nuestra gratitud por su disposición a ayudarnos a navegar por los aspectos prácticos de la gestión responsable de nuestros recursos. Nuestro Evangelio de este domingo nos recuerda que una manera importante de aumentar nuestra fe es a través de la acción. Los invito a todos a considerar con espíritu de oración cómo sus propios talentos y pasiones podrían ponerse al servicio de nuestra comunidad.

La paz de Dios,  
P. Kirk

**LIVING A FAITH**

'Tis not the dying for a faith  
that's so hard every man of every  
nation has done that  
'tis the living up to it that's  
difficult.



**VIVIR UNA FAITH**

"No es la muerte por una fe que  
es tan duro cada hombre de cada  
nación ha hecho que  
Eso es difícil.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK****TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The just ones, because of their faith, shall live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

**Gospel** — The apostles said to Jesus, "Increase our faith" (Luke 17:5-10).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37  
**Tuesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42  
**Wednesday:** Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4  
**Thursday:** Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13  
**Friday:** Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26  
**Saturday:** Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28  
**Sunday:** 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday  
**Monday:** Our Lady of the Rosary  
**Tuesday:** Yom Kippur (Jewish Day of Atonement) begins at sundown  
**Wednesday:** St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi  
**Friday:** St. John XXIII  
**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary

**A LITTLE FAITH**

Today our readings are about faith, frustration, and how much is enough. Habakkuk is a complainer having an argument with God. Timothy is encouraging a community challenged by cowardice and the apostles want more faith than they have. Things aren't happening fast enough for any of them or for us. All of them and we want God to do something sooner rather than later and we want God to give us a reason to believe that it will all work out. What does God do? God puts it back on them—and us—telling Habakkuk to describe the world he wants; telling the apostles to do more than the expected. Doing more with less is a familiar phrase today and a reminder that a little faith may be enough even for the most difficult times.

**LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA****LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** - A pesar de violencia, destrucción y ruina, el justo vivirá a causa de su fe (Habacuc 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

**Salmo** - Señor, que no seamos sordos a tu voz (Salmo 95)

**Segunda lectura** - Tolera dificultades con la fuerza que viene de Dios (2 Timoteo 1:6-8, 13-14).

**Evangelio** - ¡Señor, aumentanos la fe! (Lucas 17:5-10).

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

**Lunes:** Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lc 10:25-37  
**Martes:** Jon 3:1-10; Sal 130 (129):1b-4ab, 7-8; Lc 10:38-42  
**Miércoles:** Jon 4:1-11; Sal 86 (85):3-6, 9-10; Lc 11:1-4  
**Jueves:** Mal 3:13-20b; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 11:5-13  
**Viernes:** Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Sal 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lc 11:15-26  
**Sábado:** Jl 4:12-21; Sal 97 (96):1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lc 11:27-28  
**Domingo:** 2 Re 5:14-17; Sal 98 (97):1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lc 17:11-19

**LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES**

**Domingo:** Vigésimo Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Domingo Respetemos la Vida  
**Lunes:** Nuestra Señora del Rosario  
**Martes:** Yom Kipur (festividad judía conocida como Día del Perdón) comienza a la puesta del sol  
**Miércoles:** San Dionisio y compañeros; San Juan Leonardi  
**Viernes:** San Juan XXIII  
**Sábado:** Santa María Virgen

**UN POCO DE FE**

Hoy nuestras lecturas acerca de la fe, la frustración y cuánto es suficiente. El profeta Habacuc es un quejoso que tiene una discusión con Dios. Timoteo está animando a una comunidad desafiada por la cobardía y los apóstoles quieren más fe de la que tienen. Las cosas no suceden lo suficientemente rápido para ninguno de ellos. Todos ellos y nosotros queremos que Dios haga algo mucho más antes que después y queremos que Dios nos dé una razón para creer que todo saldrá bien. ¿Qué es lo que quiere Dios? Dios se lo devuelve a ellos, y a nosotros, diciéndole a Habacuc que describa el mundo que él quiere; diciéndole a los apóstoles hacer más de lo que se espera. Haciendo más con menos es una frase muy conocida hoy y un recuerdo que un poco de fe puede ser suficiente incluso en los momentos difíciles.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

Sun:	10-06	10:30AM	RCIA
		4:00-6:00PM	Confirmation
Mon:	10-07	<b>Our Lady of the Rosary</b>	
		<b>2:00PM</b>	<b>Bereavement</b>
		6:00-7:30PM	Youth Group High school
Tue:	10-08	<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>Liturgy meeting</b>
		7-8:30PM	English Class
		7:00PM	Choir
Wed:	10-09	3:30-4:45PM	Middle School Youth Group
		3:30-5:00PM	Religious Education
		6-7:30PM	Religious Education-SP
		6:15PM	Rosary-Sp
		6:30PM	Guadlupano
Thurs:	10-10		Adoration
Fri:	10-11		Adoration
		9:30AM	Rosary
Sat:	10-12		Adoration
		3:30-4:30PM	Reconciliation
Sun:	10-13	10:30AM	RCIA
		4-6:00PM	Confirmation

**ESTA SEMANA EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA**

Dom:	10-06	10:30AM	RCIA
		4:00-6:00PM	Confirmación
Lunes:	10-07	<b>Nuestra Señora del Rosario</b>	
		<b>2:00PM</b>	<b>Bereavement</b>
			Escuela Secundaria Grupo Juvenil
Mar:	10-08	<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>Reunión de liturgia</b>
		7-8:30PM	Clase De Inglés
		7:00PM	Coro
Mie:	10-09	3:30-4:45PM	Grupo Juvenil de la Escuela Secundaria
		3:30-5:00PM	Educación Religiosa
		6-7:30PM	Educación Religiosa-SP
		6:15PM	Rosario-Sp
		6:30PM	Guadlupano
Jueves:	10-10		Adoración
Viernes:	10-11		Adoración
		9:30AM	Rosario
Sat:	10-12		Adoración
		3:30-4:30PM	Reconciliación
Sol:	10-13	10:30AM	RCIA
		4-6:00PM	Confirmación

**DAILY MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday	Oct 06	9:30AM	Rose Ulrich †	By: William Ulrich
Monday	Oct 07	9:00AM	John Kazmer †	By: Mary Kazmer
Tuesday	Oct 08	9:00AM	Joseph Nocero †	By: Charles Coscarelli
Wednesday	Oct 09	9:00AM	David Sinclair & Family ☼	
Thursday	Oct 10	9:00AM	Jim Kazmer †	By: Mary Kazmer
Friday	Oct 11	9:00AM	Marie Coscarelli †	By: Charles Coscarelli
Saturday	Oct 12	8:00AM	The Bowman ☼	By: The Doran Family
		5:00PM	Eddie & Bobbi Del Toro and Family ☼	By: The Morgan Family



**BOOK OF MEMORY**

Remembering Our Departed Loved Ones The Book Memory is in the Mother's Chapel for the month of October. Please feel free to write in the book the names of those you love who have passed away. The book will be presented at the All Soul's Day Mass of Remembrance. For your convenience, All Soul's Day envelopes will also be available next to the book. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during the month of November and our loved ones will be prayed for at all the Masses.



**LIBRO DE MEMORIA**

Recordando a nuestros seres queridos difuntos La Memoria del Libro está en la Capilla de la Madre para el mes de octubre. Por favor, siéntase libre de escribir en el libro los nombres de las personas que ama y que fallecieron. El libro será presentado en la Misa de recuerdo del día de todos los ángeles. Para su comodidad, todos los sobres del Día del alma también Estar disponible junto al libro. Los sobres serán colocados en el altar durante el mes de noviembre y nuestros seres queridos serán orados



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**CONFIRMATION**

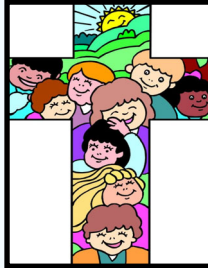
**YOUTH MINISTRY**

Upcoming Confirmation Classes:  
 Adult Confirmation - Sunday 10/06/19 @ 10:45am

**Year 1 High School - Sunday 10/06/19 from 2:00pm - 4:00pm in Aquinas Center**

**Year 2 High School - Sunday 10/06/19 from 4:00pm-6:00pm in Bethany Hall**

For more information please contact Brian Campos at (805)646-4338 ext. 102 or email him at [brianc@stacojai.org](mailto:brianc@stacojai.org). Or visit our website at [stacojai.org/confirmation](http://stacojai.org/confirmation)



**Come join us for Youth Group!**

**High School Youth Group** (9th-12th grade) meets this Monday 10/07/19 from 6:00pm-7:30pm

**Middle School Youth Group** (6th-8th grade) meets this Wednesday 10/09/19 from 3:30pm-5:00pm

For more information about our youth groups please visit our website at [stacojai.org/youthgroup](http://stacojai.org/youthgroup)

Próximas Clases de Confirmación:  
 Confirmación para adultos -Domingo 10/06/19 a las 10:45am

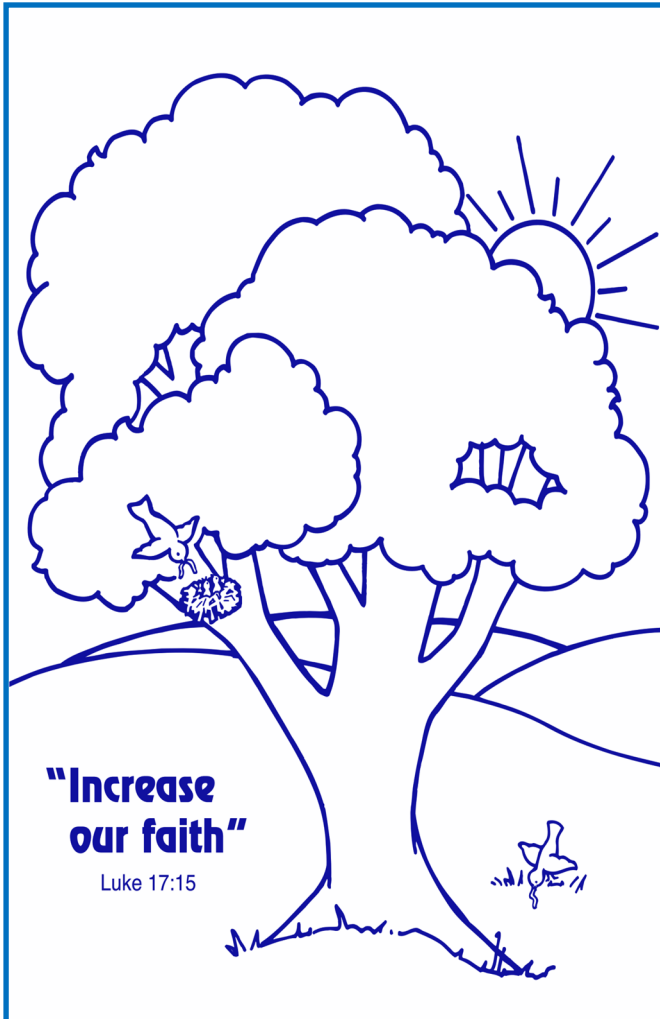
**Escuela Secundaria Del Año 1 - Domingo 10/06/19 de 2:00pm - 4:00pm en Aquinas Center**

**Escuela Secundaria Year 2 - Domingo 10/06/19 de 4:00pm-6:00pm en Bethany Hall**

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**¡Ven y únete a nosotros para el Grupo de la Juventud!**  
**El Grupo Juvenil de la Escuela Secundaria** (9o-12o grado) se reúne este lunes 10/07/19 de 6:00pm-7:30pm

**El Grupo Juvenil de la Escuela Secundaria** (6o-8o grado) se reúne este miércoles 10/09/19 de 3:30pm-5:00pm  
 Para obtener más información sobre nuestros grupos de jóvenes, visite nuestro sitio web en [stacojai.org/youthgroup](http://stacojai.org/youthgroup)



**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY**

On October 7 we remember Our Lady of the Rosary.

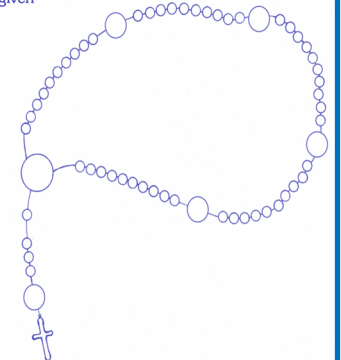
In the ninth century Irish monks would chant the 150 psalms of the Bible as part of their prayer. People who lived nearby and heard this beautiful devotion wanted to pray as the monks did. But many people could not read, and it was difficult to memorize the psalms without written copies, so they were encouraged to recite 150 prayers. Very often they prayed the Our Father 150 times.

With such a large number of prayers, people needed a way to keep count of how many they said. They began by putting 150 small pebbles into a container. Each time they said a prayer they moved a pebble from one container to another. Eventually they tied fifty knots in a thin rope and counted it three times to add up to 150 prayers. Finally they settled on using a string connecting small pieces of wood or beads in groups of ten.

Throughout Europe at that time many people recited a prayer known as the Angelic Salutation. This prayer, the angel's greeting to Mary, is what we know today as the Hail Mary. While people prayed they meditated on the life of Jesus and Mary. These meditations were referred to as *rosaria*, a word referring to roses or rose gardens. Appropriately, this collection of prayers was compared to a bouquet of roses given to Mary.

Our rosary today is composed of five groups of ten beads called decades. Each decade is prayed by saying the Our Father, then ten Hail Mary, one on each bead. We also pray the Glory Be after the tenth bead of the decade. The rosary has a long and beautiful history of people creating a special way to pray and think about Jesus and Mary.

During October, the month dedicated to the rosary, gather with your family to pray the rosary together. It is a beautiful way to honor Mary and unite your family. On this rosary color the large Our Father beads blue. Color each Hail Mary bead red, the color of roses.



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE**

**St. Thomas Aquinas Financial Status- September 2019**

	Monthly (July 2019)	Monthly (August 2019)	Fiscal Year 19/20 (7/1/19-8/31/2019)
Unrestricted Income*	\$57,469	\$34,964	\$92,433
Restricted Income**	\$5,358	\$10,043	\$15,401
Expenses	\$68,716	\$54,900	\$123,616
Net	\$-5,890	-\$9,894	\$-15,782

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

\*\* Restricted income includes: sales from Parish Thrift Store (supports Religious Education) and the Building Fund

As shown in the table above, the parish expenses for both July and August exceeded income. The month of August had twice the shortfall in comparison to July. This may be partly due to reductions in mass attendance associated with summer vacations. Contributions to the Building Fund were also lower than for these months as compared to last year.

Many parishioners make up for absences when they return by submitting multiple contribution envelopes. The parish had to dip into reserves to meet these shortfalls. This is an example of some of the cash flow issues the parish has to address when there are downturns in mass attendance/contributions. The Finance Council wishes to remind parishioners that they have the option to utilize Online Giving for their contributions which can be regularly scheduled which will reduce these cash flow issues for the parish. You may sign up for Online Giving on the parish website (stacojai.org) or via this web address: <https://stacojai.org/give/online-giving-st-thomas-aquinas>

God Bless

\* Los ingresos sin restricciones incluyen: colecciones de placas y sobres, donaciones en línea, donaciones, recaudaciones de fondos, etc. \*\* Los ingresos restringidos incluyen: ventas de Parish Thrift Store (apoya la Educación Religiosa) y el Fondo de Construcción. Como se muestra en la tabla anterior, los gastos parroquiales de julio y agosto excedieron los ingresos. El mes de agosto tuvo el doble de déficit en comparación con julio. Esto puede deberse en parte a la reducción de la asistencia masiva asociada con el verano Vacaciones. Las contribuciones al Fondo de Construcción también fueron menores que en estos meses en comparación con el año pasado. Muchos los feligreses conforman las ausencias cuando regresan presentando múltiples sobres de contribución. La parroquia tuvo que sumergirse en reservas para hacer frente a estos déficits. Este es un ejemplo de algunos de los problemas de flujo de efectivo que la parroquia tiene que abordar cuando hay recesiones en la asistencia/contribuciones masivas. El Consejo de Finanzas desea recordar a los feligreses que tienen la opción de utilizar la donación en línea para sus contribuciones que se pueden programar regularmente, lo que reducirá estas cuestiones de flujo de efectivo para la parroquia. Puede inscribirse en la donación en línea en el sitio web de la parroquia (stacojai.org) o a través de esta dirección web: <https://stacojai.org/give/online-giving-st-thomas-aquinas> Dios bendiga

**Thank you to all who came out for  
The Blessing of the Animals**

Good St. Francis, you loved all of God's creatures. To you they were your brothers and sisters. Help us to follow your example of treating every living thing with kindness. St. Francis, Patron Saint of animals, watch over my pet and keep my companion safe and healthy.

Amen



**Gracias a todos los que salieron por  
La bendición de los animales**

Francisco, amabas a todas las criaturas de Dios. Para ti eran tus hermanos y hermanas. Ayúdanos a seguir tu ejemplo de tratar a cada ser vivo con bondad. San Francisco, Santo Patrono de los animales, vela por mi mascota y mantén mi compañero seguro y saludable.

Amén



**PARISH INFORMATION CONT.**

**INFORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL CONT.**



**Fall In Love With Jesus Festival  
(Catholic Halloween)**

**Thursday, October 31st**

**A few things needed will be:  
Donations of your Time and Talent for  
games, decoration, set up, clean up,  
bags of candy, And giveaways.**

**Please contact:**

**Laura Garcia (805) 794-6039  
And  
Maya Ruiz (805) 607-8894**

**Fiesta enamorarse de Jesús  
(Halloween católico)**

**Jueves 31 de octubre**

**Algunas cosas necesarias serán:  
Donaciones de su tiempo y talento para jue-  
gos, decoración, configuración, limpieza,  
bolsas de caramelos, y los sorteos.**

**Por favor, póngase en contacto con:**

**Laura Garcia (805) 794-6039  
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**BULLETIN DEADLINES**

Please submit your bulletin requests to the office or by email to [bulletin@stacojai.org](mailto:bulletin@stacojai.org) by 3:00PM Friday the week BEFORE to be printed. All requests must have the Pastor's approval.