

"Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets."

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Gospel Meditation

ENCOURAGE YOURSELF TO A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE



"Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man," these words, uttered by Simon Peter, can be found on any one of our lips. What real significance do I have in the big picture of God's Divine plan? Even though we try our best to hide it, we all suffer from a lack of faith. We get tired, confused, and often lack any sincere desire to put anything into our relationship with God. It's easier to simply reap whatever benefits the world has to offer and call it a day. Floating along on the superficial currents of life doesn't require much effort and seems to get us through the day. Confronting our own infidelity, apathy, weakness of spirit, and doubt in God's providence, how can we even remotely be considered a worthy vessel of God's presence or credible voice for His message? This is the irony of faith. God doesn't seek the perfect vessels. He likes the broken ones. There is something to be said about living honestly and sincerely, and wrestling with sin, imperfection, and weakness rather than skipping through the peripheries of life with pretention, arrogance, and mendacity. If we believe ourselves to be our own "god" and serve only ourselves, we close the door to ever being used by the real and only True God. But, if we at least acknowledge that there is One greater than ourselves, then even in our deepest poverty and lowliness, God can enter. Lessons are best learned from those who suffer. Only someone who has been lonely and lost can attest to the beauty of both Divine and human friendship. Only those who have really lost their way know what happens when they are found. Only those who are afraid know what it is to be calmed by God. The Gospel is messy because life is messy. There are no black and white solutions to problems and challenges that are hazy and gray. When our hesitancy to encounter God gets replaced by friendship with God, we become more aware of our dignity and the fact that we are loved just as we are. We cannot be afraid to share our struggles, reservations, fears, and sinfulness with others. Our genuineness and sincerity will speak of the God who blesses us in our weakness. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

The gift of the Mission

Early on in my work in parish ministry, I had to deal with a tough human resources situation, letting some staff members go and stepping into a role that demanded more of my time and energy. In moments like this, stewardship can feel burdensome.

Things take a turn we didn't expect, perhaps in spite of our best efforts. Maybe more is asked of us than we want or feel prepared to give. But that's when we need to remember that stewardship isn't a job that we apply for. It's a gift bestowed directly from God, the Creator of all, and that can be scary all on its own, if we are preoccupied with our own unworthiness. What we might want to do is fall on our knees like Simon Peter and announce, "Depart from me, Lord — I am sinful." But what if we stop looking in the mirror and look instead to God? All those years ago, when I was faced with that ministerial challenge, I asked my wife to join me. What started as a tough situation turned into a decade of shared ministry with her — an experience I wouldn't trade for anything. It was a burden that became a gift.

We must remember that God knows what He is about. In His mercy, He gives us what we need as everyday stewards. When God calls out, "Whom shall we send?" we — in all our sinfulness — are allowed to cry out "Send me, Lord!" And He sends us out and behold — our nets tear with the bounty we harvest in His name.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

The Year of Grace

February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ABBREVIATIONS: K of C—Knights of Columbus MMLG—Mother Mary's Ladies Guild 						
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MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

Please join Bishop Ramon Bejarano for our second annual diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass & Reception at The Immaculata, 5998 Alcala Park, USD Campus, San Diego, on **Saturday, February 12 at 11:00 a.m.** A special invitation is extended to married couples celebrating a major anniversary. Join us to renew your commitment in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese! To learn more, please contact John at jprust@sdccatholic.org.

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Complaints about Sexual Abuse by a member of the Clergy, a parish Catholic Employee or a Volunteer can be made at <https://www.safeinourdiocese.org/> or call (858) 490-8353 misconduct@sdccatholic.org.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE COMMISSIONING MASSES

February 13, 10:00 a.m. at St. John of the Cross (8086 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 91945)

Life advocates, 40 days for Life leaders, Parish Culture of Life Coordinators, and parishioners are welcome to attend either of these bilingual masses and celebrate the upcoming 40 Days for Life Spring campaign (to be held from March 2 to April 10). Auxiliary Bishop Ramon Bejarano will be the main celebrant. For more information, please visit: <https://www.sdcatholic.org/event/40-days-for-life/>.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS

February 12, 10:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd Church (8200 Gold Coast Drive San Diego, CA 92126). Join Auxiliary Bishop Dolan for this bilingual Mass that will include anointing of the sick, blessing of caregivers and ministers of the sick, blessing with Lourdes water, and celebrating the Caring for the Whole Person Initiative. The Mass will be livestreamed at <https://www.goodshepherdparish.net/mass-streaming>. View the flyer at <https://www.sdcatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/life-peace-and-justice/events/2022-02-12-world-day-of-the-sick-mass>

WEEKLY STEWARSHIP

January 30, 2022

Envelope Giving	\$1,595.00
Plate Giving	\$1,887.00
Online Giving	\$825.90
Total	\$4,307.90
Weekly funds needed for church operations	\$5,000.00
Overage/Deficit	-\$692.10



Divorced, widowed, and separated persons can register now for a healing **Beginning Experience Weekend** retreat **April 29th to May 1, 2022**. The weekend focuses on healing and moving beyond grief in a supportive and caring environment with others that are going through and have gone through the same experiences. The retreat will be held at the beautiful and serene **Prince of Peace Abbey, in Oceanside, CA.** If you know someone experiencing the pain of loss, Beginning Experience can help. For further information : BeginningExperienceSD@gmail.com Or call Vicki Fach (858) 748-2273 ,or Nish Carmedy (330) 607-8774 **SPANISH**



Sunday's

10:00am—10:55am

FAMILY NIGHT



Friday
February 11, 2022
6:00pm to 9:30pm

Only \$2.00 per game—
Play all 10 games for only \$15.00
(When you purchase the 10 pack)

Dinner 6:00pm
Bingo 7:00pm



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Lord's Prayer

Question: Why don't Catholics add the "For yours is the Kingdom ..." prayer at the end of the Our Father like Protestants do? Where did it come from?

Answer: The conclusion of the Lord's Prayer that you refer to is called a doxology, which is a prayer of glory and praise. This particular doxology we do use in the Mass. After the Our Father, the priest prays the prayer that begins, "Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil..." and the people respond with the doxology. The doxology is not found in the Bible, but it is very ancient. It was first found in The Didache, also called "The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles," which dates probably from about the year AD 90. It was a letter of instruction to early converts to Christianity. Protestantism dates only to the sixteenth century, so the doxology is actually a Catholic prayer. Some scholars and the catechism (#2760) indicate that the doxology was connected to the celebration of the Eucharist and was not used apart from it. Remember, both the Lord's Prayer and the Eucharist were part of the "mysteries of faith," things taught only to believers. Ironically, a remnant of a prayer used during the celebration of the Eucharist has come to be used widely by many Christian churches that do not celebrate the Eucharist! Truth is indeed stranger than fiction! ©LPi



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: Isaiah eagerly volunteered himself to serve the Lord after seeing God's holy presence. How open are you to responding to God's call in your life?

Second Reading: Paul reminds the Corinthians of the gospel ("good news") tradition he received and taught about Jesus' resurrection appearances. What do you tell others about your faith in Christ?

Gospel: In Luke's account of the call of the first disciples, he focuses almost exclusively on Peter and his interactions with Jesus. What lessons are we to learn from Luke emphasizing Peter's humility and obedience to Jesus' call?

LIVE THE LITURGY

When we encounter or even ponder God's magnificence, power, and awesomeness, we easily begin to feel our own smallness and perceived insignificance. After all, who can compete with eternal greatness, seraphim, or the ability to catch great numbers of fish? We unfortunately think that God's presence somehow overrides us, reduces our importance, and only seeks to judge our inadequacies and doubts. Things begin to change a bit when we realize that what we may have seen as overwhelming and frightening is really only unconditional, unmerited love. Love has tremendous majesty and power. When we listen to this power and stop seeing it as threatening or dooming, our fear dissipates and Divine friendship takes root. Remaining close to what we once preferred at a distance, we can journey to places we never thought possible and do things we never thought we could do. Strengthened by Divine friendship and encouraged by its life-giving power, we can say "here I am, send me!" when God asks, "whom shall I send?" Sin and fear no longer are of concern to the one who remains close to God in a bond of trust. ©LPi

HOW CAN WE HELP WITH ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION IN OUR YOUTH?



CHRISTINE MARIE FREY

FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 25
@ 6:30PM



KRISTIN CADENEHEAD, M.Ed.

This will be a zoom and in-person event!!!

zoom

Meeting ID: 890 4461 5206
Passcode: 450526



Good Shepherd Parish
Parish Hall
8200 Gold Coast Drive
San Diego, CA 92126

Tue Feb 08: Movie night
Fri Feb 11: Roller skating at Skate World with Deanery; Bingo
Sun Feb 13: Super Bowl Sunday
Tue Feb 15: Youth Gathering
Sun Feb 20: Youth Breakfast – after 8:30 mass
Tue Feb 22: Youth Gathering




FEBRUARY 6, 2022 V SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Masses 8:30am 11:00am 12:30pm (Spanish) Pray for: Very Rev. Nicholas Clayton Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8/1 Cor 15:1-11	Bible Study 7:00pm Pray for: Rev. Ronald Cochran 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56	Daily Mass 7:30am Youth Group 6:30pm Pray for: Rev. Donald Coleman 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3-4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13	Daily Mass 7:30am Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm Pray for: Rev. Joseph Collier 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23	Daily Mass 7:30am Adoration 8:30am - 5:00pm Pray For: Rev. Giles Conwill 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30	Daily Mass 7:30am Bingo Night Dinner 6p Bingo 7p Pray for: Rev. Brian Corcoran 1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37	St. Valentine's Dinner/Dance 6:00pm Reconciliation 4:00pm Sunday Vigil 5:00pm Pray for: Rev. Edward Corcoran 1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10

MASS Intentions

Feb 06	Sun	8:30am	For the Parishioners
Feb 06	Sun	11:00am	(SI) Ramon & Sandra Romero
Feb 06	Sun	12:30pm	+Benjamin +Maria de Jesus
Feb 07	Mon		NO MASS
Feb 08	Tues	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Feb 09	Wed	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Feb 10	Thur	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Feb 11	Fri	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Feb 12	Sat	5:00pm	+Pinedo Family



St. Josephine Bakhita | February 8

The story of St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is a story that many people taken into slavery have experienced. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan, she was kidnapped at the age of 8 and sold into slavery many times. As she passed from owner to owner, she experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery. It was only at the age of 13 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul in Sudan. It was here that she was fortunate to receive kindness, respect, and peace from her new master. She was later handed over to the Canossian Sisters when she made the case that slavery had been outlawed in Italy for years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, where she took the name Josephine. She later entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later. St. Josephine Bakhita's next 50 years were spent serving people through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and housekeeping. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity. Today she is known as the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking.



ADORATION
THURSDAYS
8:30am - 5:00pm

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. — Lk 5:10-11



Observances for the week of February 6, 2022	
Sun:	St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Tue:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
Thu:	St. Scholastica, Virgin
Fri:	Our Lady of Lourdes

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From the Bishop's office ...

in response to the latest state mandate regarding indoor mask-wearing starting **December 15 and at least until February 15** (subject to change) Everyone over the age of 2 is required to wear a mask while indoors in all public places, regardless of your vaccination status. We ask all parishioners, out of concern for the personal health risk due to the Omicron variant and the general concern for the health of others, to comply with these requirements. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

THE YEAR OF GRACE



JOIN US FOR A
Valentines Day Dinner

Hosted by the Hispanic Group
Saturday February 12, 2022 6:00pm to Midnight
\$35 per couple \$20 single pre-sale
\$40 & \$25 at the door
get your ticket after every Mass
or stop by the parish office

The committee is planning on having a couple of raffles during the St. Valentine's Dinner Dance and is in need of Gift baskets. Please call the Parish Office if you are interested in donating. As always, we appreciate your continuous kindness, support and generosity.