

The Lord is my light and my

SALVATION;

whom should I fear?

El Señor es mi luz y mi

SALVACIÓN;

¿a quién he de temer?



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 3º domingo del tiempo ordinario

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

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Welcome to St. Anthony of Padua

The Catholic Christian community of St. Anthony Padua welcomes all to our celebrations of God's love. Through prayer, education, sacraments, caring and stewardship, we strive to serve the needs of God's people and to gain a richer understanding of the Gospel message of love. We invite you to become a part of our "Parish Life." Your talents are welcome!

Rev. Msgr. Robert D. Wenzinger, Pastor

Please register at www.stanthonyfresno.org.

Thanks for joining us!

TODAY'S READINGS CAN BE FOUND IN THE GREEN HYMNAL #934

Mass Intentions

22 SUNDAY – 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
9:30 a.m. † Baby Jose Maria Reyes by the Reyes Family
11:00 a.m. † Dr. Maximo Parayno, Jr. by Tessie & Family
1:00 p.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
6:00 p.m. † Ronald Magri by Pat Morgan

MONDAY

23 NO MASS

TUESDAY

24 6:45 a.m. Communion Service
8:00 a.m. Communion Service

WEDNESDAY

25 6:45 a.m. Communion Service
8:00 a.m. Communion Service

THURSDAY

26 6:45 a.m. Communion Service
8:00 a.m. Communion Service

FRIDAY

27 6:45 a.m. Intentions of Aly & Jim Cetro Family by Ron & MJ McClain
8:15 a.m. † Jennifer Prongos by Prongos Family

SATURDAY

28 4:00 p.m. † Charlotte Girado by Ed Girado & Family
5:30 p.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

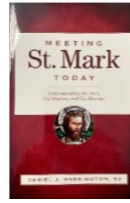
SUNDAY – 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

29 8:00 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
9:30 a.m. † John Messina by Marianne Messina
11:00 a.m. Intentions of Barbara Maroney by Hilda Maroney
1:00 p.m. Intentions of Bertha Quintana
6:00 p.m. Intentions of Susan Thompson-Rupe by Hilda Maroney

NOTE: There will be Communion Services offered in lieu of 6:45 & 8:00 a.m. Daily Mass January 24-26. There will be no Confessions on Tuesday, January 24 as the priests will be away.

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

6:30 p.m. in Room 22. Facilitator – Michael Danks-Ferguson
 Welcome Back as we continue our study of *Meeting St. Mark Today*.
 Open to all. *Meeting St. Mark Today* offers laypeople a clear, concise, and respectful presentation of Mark's Gospel while highlighting what Jesus' suffering means for us.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
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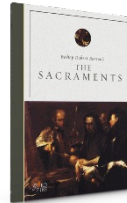
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21/SUNDAY, JANUARY 22
CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

Knights of Columbus volunteers will be available to accept your non-monetary donations of non-perishable food, clothing, household goods and more after each of the weekend Masses. In December, St. Anthony parishioners donated 528 lbs. of food and ¾ of the truck in household goods. Together we can make a difference.



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

Men's Bible Study, 7:00 p.m. in Room 21
 Facilitators – Sami Shwiyhat/Eliseo Cuellar
 Men of the parish, start the New Year off right by committing to bimonthly fellowship with other men of the parish. Their new study is entitled, "The Sacraments" by Bishop Barron. Hope to see you there.



2023-2028 COMPASS CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

Attention: All St. Anthony of Padua and St. Agnes volunteers, the 2023-2028 Compass Child Protection training is now open.

You have two choices:

Online at home,

www.fresno.safeenvironment.org
 Your login is your email address. The password is the one you set up when you took 2018-2023 Safe and Sacred training. You can click the "Forgot Password" to assign a new password. Take once, good for 5 years.

In-person instruction in the Social Hall (approx. 1.5 hrs):

Tuesday, February 7	6:30 p.m.	Spanish
Saturday, February 11	11:00 a.m.	Spanish
Wednesday, February 15	6:30 p.m.	English
Saturday, February 18	11:00 a.m.	English

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday (Vigil Mass)

4:00 p.m. – English
 5:30 p.m. – Español

Sunday

8:00 a.m.; 9:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. – English
 1:00 p.m. – Español
 6:00 p.m. – English

Livestream Mass Schedule

9:30 a.m. – English Mass
 1:00 p.m. – Misa Español

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday-Thursday (OLG Chapel)

6:45 a.m. – Daily Mass
 8:00 a.m. – Chapel open until 11:00 a.m.

Friday (OLG Chapel)

6:45 a.m. – Daily Mass
 8:15 a.m. – Followed by Adoration

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday
 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Guadalupe Chapel

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday
 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Confessionals
Saturday
 10:00 a.m. – Chapel Confessionals

THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
 10:00 a.m. in Room 21
 Facilitators – Dina Shwiyhat/Nivia Cuellar
 New study, What We Believe starts January 26, 2023. You can order your book online.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1
 General Meeting 6:15 p.m. in the Social Hall (Rosary, Dinner, & Meeting)

SILVER ANGELS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8
11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
 St. Agnes Mission Church Social Hall – 111 W. Birch Street, Pinedale
 Join us for a sweet delight as we get ready for Valentine's Day. Cost is \$14.00 per person. See Page 9 for registration form and more details.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8
 General Meeting 6:15 p.m. in the Social Hall (includes dinner)

For more information on parish groups, call the Ministry Office at 439-0124, ext 106.

Marriage Banns

The following couple will marry in the coming weeks:

Toren Chung & Imelda Madera Hernandez



POSITION OPEN

St. Anthony of Padua Church


Intake Clerk



Call the parish office at (559) 439-0124, ext. 103 for more details.

STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US	
<i>Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!</i>	
January 1, 2023	\$17,210.00
Last year’s Plate Income	\$15,282.00
Difference	\$1,928.00
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • <i>Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha</i>	
July 1, 2021-November 30, 2022	\$417,479.00
July 1, 2020-November 30, 2021	\$378,566.00
Difference	\$38,913.00
WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD	
	GIVE ONLINE – <i>Easy, Safe, and Convenient: When you give to God, you discover that God gives to you. You can also drop your envelope in the mail slot located in the door on the south side of the parish office.</i>

<p>THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM EXT. 102 Baptisms are celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua. Godparent class and Baptism registration must be completed prior to scheduling your Baptism. Everything you need to know and forms are online at www.stanthonyfresno.org.</p>	<p>THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY EXT. 118 Couples should contact our parish marriage coordinator to make an appointment at least six months in advance of your wedding date to begin preparations.</p>
<p>SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION High School teens – 10th-12th grades Confirmation 1 and 2 registration is online. More information can be found on our website at stanthonyfresno.org.</p>	<p>THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Confessions will be heard at St. Anthony of Padua on: Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Confessionals Saturday at 10:00 a.m. – Chapel Confessionals</p>



ST. AGNES MISSION CHURCH

111 W. Birch Street, Pinedale, CA 93650 | (559) 439-2100

Sunday 9:00 a.m. English –
Mass Intention: Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Español –
Misa de Intención: Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

SHARING THE GIFTS
WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

January 1, 2023	\$1,320.00
YTD Total	\$36,850.82

WE GREATLY APPRECIATE
YOUR CONTINUED
GENEROSITY!
GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA
GENEROSIDAD

Please submit your 2023 Mass Intentions by filling out the Mass Intention form that is available in the entrance of the church English & Spanish. You may also email your Intentions to the church office to Annette Amparano – amparano@stagnes.comcastbiz.net. (you may also drop off your Mass Intention forms on Sundays in the collection baskets) Any questions, call the church office.

For the following Sacraments, please contact St. Anthony of Padua:
Anointing of the Sick • Baptisms • Confession • Funerals • Weddings

*We are looking for a volunteer musician to play for the 9:00 a.m. English Mass.
If you are able to help or know someone, please contact the church office. Thank you

ST. AGNES MISSION CHURCH STAFF | (559) 439-2100

Parish AdministratorAnnette Amparano
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Director of Religious Education.....Phyllis Carmona
For pastoral support, call St. Anthony of Padua Parish Office at (559) 439-0124.

“Christ has made my soul beautiful with jewels of grace and virtue.
I belong to Him Whom the Angels serve.” – St. Agnes



**ASH WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 22**

Ash Wednesday Schedule

6:45 a.m.	Mass & Ashes	4:00 p.m.	Ash Service
8:00 a.m.	Mass & Ashes	5:30 p.m.	Mass & Ashes
12:15 p.m.	Ash Service	7:00 p.m.	Misa y Cenizas



STATIONS of the CROSS

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6:00 p.m. in English
In the Main Church
Starts Friday, February 24th



**VÍA CRUCIS |
ESTACIONES DE LA
CRUZ:**

7:00 p.m.
Viernes durante la Cuaresma
En la Iglesia Principal

'THE KENOSIS OF JESUS'
"He humbled himself by becoming obedient to death, and death on a cross." (Phil 2:7)

Lenten Parish Mission
Tuesday-Thursday
March 14, 15, & 16
8:30 a.m. – English

Evening Talk & Eucharistic Adoration
Charla Vespertina y Adoración Eucarística
5:30 p.m. – English
7:00 p.m. – Español

Led by:
Br. José María Vero
OFM, Cap.

ESTUDIO DE BIBLIA "Tu palabra es una lámpara a mis pies; es una luz en mi sendero". SALMO 119

Jueves, en salón #22 de la escuela
7:00pm

Reflexionaremos las Lecturas y Evangelio Dominicales

INFORMES: HERMANA EDITH (559)439-0124 Ext: 122

JUEVES – ESTUDIO DE LA BIBLIA

7:00 p.m. en el salón #22

Acompáñenos para reflexionar en las lecturas de la biblia y el Evangelio Dominical. "Tu Palabra es una lámpara a mis pies, es una luz en mi sendero." Salmo 119

Grupo de Oración



JUEVES –

GRUPO DE ORACIÓN ENCUENTRO CON DIOS.

Te invitamos al grupo de oración todos los jueves desde las 6:30 p.m. empezando con El Rosario, en la Iglesia de Santa Inés

"Ven y llénate del Señor."

111 W Birch Street, Fresno, CA 93650

Parish Ministry Guide –

Christ said, "I have come to serve, not to be served."

The prayers during the Mass invite us to offer our prayers and gifts to the Lord. Liturgical Ministry calls the faithful to be part of the Mass. We all feel unworthy to serve, just as Christ's disciples, who were fishermen before Christ called them.

Is Christ calling you?

ALTAR SERVER

We invite parents of youth (4th grade and up, who have received their First Holy Communion) to prayerfully consider the unique opportunity for your child to grow closer to Our Lord and His Church as an Altar Server. You can register online at stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, then click on Altar Servers or call the parish office at 439-0124 for more details.



SERVIDOR DE ALTAR

Invitamos a los padres de los jóvenes (de 4º grado en adelante, que hayan recibido su Primera Comunión) a considerar en oración la oportunidad única de que su hijo crezca más cerca de Nuestro Señor y de Su Iglesia como Monaguillo. Usted puede registrarse en línea en stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, luego haga clic en Altar Servers o llame a la oficina de la parroquia en 439-0124 para más detalles.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Considered the unique honor to offer the "Body of Christ" to the faith community. Ministers are commissioned by our pastor to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. Candidates should be 18 years of age and be in full communion with the church (all sacraments).



MINISTROS DE LA EUCARISTÍA

Se considera el honor único de ofrecer el "Cuerpo de Cristo" a la comunidad de fe. Los ministros son comisionados por nuestro párroco para asistir en la distribución de la Sagrada Comunión en la Misa. Los candidatos deben tener 18 años de edad y estar en plena comunión con la iglesia (todos los sacramentos).

LECTORS

Do you remember the joy of reading to your children before bed? If so, chances are you're a Lector candidate. Persons, 5th grade and older, who have made their First Holy Communion with good reading skills can serve as a Lector at Mass.



LECTORES

¿Recuerda la alegría de leer a sus hijos antes de dormir? Si es así, lo más probable es que usted sea un candidato a Lector. Las personas, de 5º grado en adelante, que han hecho su Primera Comunión con buenas habilidades de lectura pueden servir como Lector en la Misa.

Interested Lector and Eucharistic Minister candidates should contact Martha in the parish office at 439-0124, ext. 114 or by email. Los candidatos Ministerio Eucarístico y lectores interesados deben contactar a Martha en la oficina parroquial al 439-0124, ext. 114 o por correo electrónico.

USHER & GREETER MINISTRY

Are you the type to get to church early? Why not join the Usher Ministry and greet your fellow parishioners as they enter the church? Ushers assist with the collection and act as Eucharistic Guards during Communion. Join the team and serve when you can. Call the parish office at 439-0124, ext. 106 for more details or complete the Volunteer Registration at www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries.



MINISTERIO DE UJIERES Y SALUDADORES

¿Eres de los que llegan temprano a la iglesia? ¿Por qué no te unes al Ministerio de Ujieres y saludas a tus feligreses cuando entran en la iglesia? Los ujieres ayudan con la colecta y actúan como guardias eucarísticos durante la comunión. Únase al equipo y sirva cuando pueda. Llame a la oficina parroquial al 439-0124, ext. 106 para obtener más detalles o complete el registro de voluntarios en www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Are you a Eucharistic Minister who is being called to serve the members of our parish who are unable to come to Mass on Sunday due to illness or other limitation? We are looking for Eucharistic Ministers who are willing to take Holy Communion after Mass to the members of the parish who are Homebound. If you are interested, please contact the Office of Ministry at 439-0124, ext. 106.



MINISTERIO DE LOS CONFINADOS EN CASA

¿Es usted un Ministro Eucarístico que está siendo llamado a servir a los miembros de nuestra parroquia que no pueden asistir a Misa el domingo debido a una enfermedad u otra limitación? Estamos buscando un Ministro Eucarístico que esté dispuesto a llevar la Sagrada Comunión después de la Misa a los miembros de la parroquia que están en sus hogares. Si está interesado, comuníquese con la Oficina del Ministerio al 439-0124, ext. 106.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
(GRADES K-6)**

Director, Mary Briseno, ext. 113
mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org

Sundays at 3:00 p.m. (plus one Thursday per month at 6:30 p.m. for second year students and parent(s)).

The GIFT Religious Education & First Communion program for grades K-6th is preparing to return to IN-PERSON classes. Please visit our website for more information and to register online. Space is limited, so please register soon!

If you like working with children and want to share your faith in this ministry, please contact Mary Briseno.



**MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY
(GRADES 6 TO 8)**

Director, Sharon Christison, ext. 117
schristison@stanthonyfresno.org

Room 21, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Registration is online at www.stanthonyfresno.org, click on Faith Formation then scroll down to Edge. EDGE, Middle School Ministry provides a safe place for youth (Grades 6-8) to explore their faith in a fun, faith building program as well as sacrament preparation for youth exploring Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation.



**HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY
(HIGH SCHOOL TEENS)**

Director, Sharon Christison, ext. 117
schristison@stanthonyfresno.org

Registration is online now and can be found at www.stanthonyfresno.org on the drop-down menu Sacraments under Confirmation. Come be a part.

What is Life Teen? Life Teen is a movement within the Roman Catholic Church. Life Teen leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.



RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

In-person, St. Anthony Conference Room (aka Donut Room)



Director, Martha Danks-Ferguson
439-0124, ext. 114
mdanksferg@stanthonyfresno.org

See our website to register:
www.stanthonyfresno.org

Click on Faith Formation or scroll down to the RCIA icon.

We welcome adults seeking any of the Sacraments of Initiation: **Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist**

*New folks are welcome to join us any time during the year.
If you have any questions, please contact Martha by phone or email.*

LECTIONARY STUDY – (Rowdies' - Women's Bible Study) with Martha – Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room. We will delve into the readings for the upcoming weekend and prepare our hearts to receive the Good News anew.



Educación Religiosa (Catecismo)

El programa de Educación Religiosa y Primera Comunión de GIFT para los grados K-6 se está preparando para regresar a las clases EN PERSONA que se llevarán a cabo los domingos a las 3:30 p.m. (más un jueves por mes a las 6:30 p.m. para estudiantes de segundo año y padres). Visite nuestro sitio web para obtener más información y registrarse en línea. ¡El espacio es limitado, así que por favor regístrese pronto!

Si le gusta trabajar con niños y quiere compartir su fe en este ministerio, comuníquese con Mary Briseno.



CONFIRMACIÓN EN ESPAÑOL

Para Jóvenes Bilingües en High School

¡INSCRIPCIONES!

Las inscripciones para la confirmación en español ya están abiertas. Visite nuestra pagina de web a stanthonyfresno.org o escanee el QR Code al lado para registrarse.



LAS CLASES COMIENZAN EN EL MES DE AGOSTO, 2022.

Para más información comuníquese con el Diacono Edgar al 439-0124, ext. 111 o ebriseno@stanthonyfresno.org.



SACRAMENTOS PARA ADULTOS

Adultos mayores de 18 años interesados en los Sacramentos de Primera Comunión, Confirmación o Bautismo hablar con Hermana Edith, ext. 122 o sisteredith@stanthonyfresno.org.

FOLLOW ME

Reflection on Matthew 4:12-23

What did Jesus see in these four fishermen? Did He see in them some special talent? A capacity to accomplish the work He had in mind for them? Jesus simply says, "follow me; I have need of you," and without hesitation, they abandon their livelihoods and follow Him. Jesus does not interview them, or ask them to believe anything specific. They are not required to show some particular aptitude, or somehow convince Jesus that they are worthy of being His close followers and entrusted with the mission of Apostleship. They are invited, and they follow. Is this trust, or recklessness? Perhaps a bit of both.

What does Jesus see in me? What does Jesus see in any of us when He calls? And how do we respond?

These are good questions for reflection, but a deep truth revealed in every call and response is not so much our faith to follow as it is the fact that God believes in us. God looks at each of us and sees a beloved child, a likely ally, an able partner in proclaiming the Good News of God's Kingdom. At the end of every Mass we are told to, "Go and announce the Gospel," which is just a different way of Jesus saying to you and me: "Follow me." Are you convinced that your discipleship is deeply desired by God?

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, January 22, 2023

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Is 8:23-9:3
 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14
 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17
 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday, January 23, 2023

Weekday
 Heb 9:15, 24-28
 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6
 Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Heb 10:1-10
 Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11
 Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle
 Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22
 Ps 117:1bc, 2
 Mk 16:15-18

Thursday, January 26, 2023

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops
 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5
 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10
 Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 27, 2023

Weekday
 Heb 10:32-39
 Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40
 Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 28, 2023

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Preist and Doctor of the Church
 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
 Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75
 Mk 4:35-41

Access Daily Readings from the New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE) online at <https://bible.usccb.org>

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

Feast Day: January 24

Patron Saint of: Authors, writers and journalists

Francis was destined by his father to be a lawyer so that the young man could eventually take his elder's place as a senator from the province of Savoy in France. For this reason Francis was sent to Padua to study law. After receiving his doctorate, he returned home and, in due time, told his parents he wished to enter the priesthood. His father strongly opposed Francis in this, and only after much patient persuasiveness on the part of the gentle Francis did his father finally consent. Francis was ordained and elected provost of the Diocese of Geneva, then a center for the Calvinists. Francis set out to convert them, especially in the district of Chablais. By preaching and distributing the little pamphlets he wrote to explain true Catholic doctrine, he had remarkable success.

At 35, he became bishop of Geneva. While administering his diocese he continued to preach, hear confessions, and catechize the children. His gentle character was a great asset in winning souls. He practiced his own axiom, "A spoonful of honey attracts more flies than a barrelful of vinegar."

Besides his two well-known books, the Introduction to the Devout Life and A Treatise on the Love of God, he wrote many pamphlets and carried on a vast correspondence. His writings, filled with his characteristic gentle spirit, are addressed to lay people. He wants to make them understand that they too are called to be saints. As he wrote in The Introduction to the Devout Life: "It is an error, or rather a heresy, to say devotion is incompatible with the life of a soldier, a tradesman, a prince, or a married woman.... It has happened that many have lost perfection in the desert who had preserved it in the world."

Read the full article: "Saint Anthony of Egypt" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-anthony-of-egypt/>. (Accessed 6 Jan 2023).

ESCRITURA SEMANAL

Domingo, 22 de enero de 2023

3º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
 Is 8:23-9,3
 Sal 27:1, 4, 13-14
 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17
 Mt 4:12-23 o 4:12-17

Lunes, 23 de enero de 2023

Día de la semana
 Heb 9:15, 24-28
 Sal 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6
 Mc 3:22-30

Martes, 24 de enero de 2023

San Francisco de Sales,
 obispo y doctor de la Iglesia
 Heb 10:1-10
 Sal 40:2 y 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11
 Mc 3:31-35

Miércoles, 25 de enero de 2023

La conversión del apóstol san
 Pablo
 Hch 22:3-16 o Hch 9:1-22
 Sal 117:1bc, 2
 Mc 16:15-18

Jueves, 26 de enero de 2023

Santos Timoteo y Tito, obispos
 2 Tim 1:1-8 o Ti 1:1-5
 Sal 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10
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Francisco fue destinado por su padre a ser abogado para que el joven pudiera ocupar el puesto de su padre como senador de la provincia de Saboya en Francia. Por esta razón, Francisco fue enviado a Padua a estudiar Derecho. Tras doctorarse, regresó a casa y, a su debido tiempo, comunicó a sus padres su deseo de ingresar en el sacerdocio. Su padre se opuso enérgicamente, y sólo después de mucha paciencia y persuasión por parte del gentil Francisco, su padre finalmente consintió. Francisco fue ordenado y elegido preboste de la diócesis de Ginebra, entonces centro de los calvinistas. Francisco se propuso convertirlos, especialmente en el distrito de Chablais. Predicando y distribuyendo los pequeños folletos que escribió para explicar la verdadera doctrina católica, tuvo un éxito notable.

A los 35 años, fue nombrado obispo de Ginebra. Mientras administraba su diócesis, continuó predicando, confesando y catequizando a los niños. Su carácter afable era un gran baza para ganar almas. Practicaba su propio axioma: "Una cucharada de miel atrae más moscas que un barril lleno de vinagre".

Además de sus dos conocidos libros, Introducción a la vida devota y Tratado sobre el amor de Dios, escribió muchos folletos y mantuvo una vasta correspondencia. Sus escritos, llenos de su característico espíritu amable, están dirigidos a los laicos. Quiere hacerles comprender que también ellos están llamados a ser santos. Como escribió en La introducción a la vida devota: "Es un error, o más bien una herejía, decir que la devoción es incompatible con la vida de un soldado, un comerciante, un príncipe o una mujer casada..... Ha sucedido que han perdido la perfección en el desierto muchos que la habían conservado en el mundo."

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SÍGUEME

Reflexión sobre Mateo 4:12-23

¿Qué vio Jesús en estos cuatro pescadores? ¿Vio en ellos algún talento especial? ¿Una capacidad para realizar la obra que Él tenía en mente para ellos? Jesús les dice sencillamente: "Seguidme, os necesito", y ellos, sin dudar, abandonan su medio de vida y le siguen. Jesús no les entrevista ni les pide que crean en nada concreto. No se les exige que demuestren ninguna aptitud particular, ni que convengan de algún modo a Jesús de que son dignos de ser sus seguidores íntimos y de que se les confíe la misión del Apostolado. Se les invita y le siguen. ¿Es esto confianza o temeridad? Tal vez un poco de ambas.

¿Qué ve Jesús en mí? ¿Qué ve Jesús en cada uno de nosotros cuando nos llama? ¿Y cómo respondemos?

Son buenas preguntas para reflexionar, pero una verdad profunda que se revela en cada llamada y en cada respuesta no es tanto nuestra fe para seguir como el hecho de que Dios cree en nosotros. Dios nos mira a cada uno de nosotros y ve un hijo amado, un aliado probable, un socio capaz de proclamar la Buena Nueva del Reino de Dios. Al final de cada Misa se nos dice: "Id y anunciad el Evangelio", que no es más que una forma diferente de decirnos Jesús a ti y a mí: "Sígueme". ¿Estás convencido de que tu discipulado es profundamente deseado por Dios?

~ P. Jay



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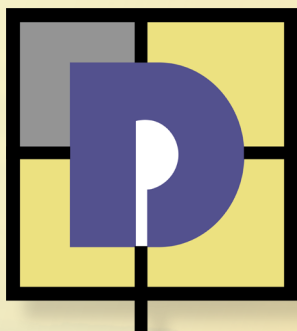
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