

*20th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 20° domingo del tiempo ordinario*

## *St. Anthony of Padua Church*

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*May your way be  
known upon earth;  
among all nations,  
your salvation.*

*Psalm 67:3*

*Para que se conozcan en  
la tierra tus caminos,  
tu salvación entre  
todas las naciones.*

*Salmo 67:3*

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**2023**

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Tuesday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

(closed 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for lunch)

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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](http://www.stanthonyfresno.org).

**Thanks for joining us!**

TODAY'S READINGS CAN BE FOUND IN THE GREEN HYMNAL #985

## Mass Intentions

**20****SUNDAY – 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

9:30 a.m. † Elvira Razo by Lilli Antonio

11:00 a.m. † Gregorio Hernandez by Tessie Parayno &amp; Family

1:00 p.m. † Uriel Aguirre Espinoza por Noemi Gomez

6:00 p.m. † Erlyn Batulan by Monica Simpson

**21****MONDAY**

NO MASS

**22****TUESDAY**

6:45 a.m. Intentions of Mr. Jaime Robles by Barbara Zambrano

8:00 a.m. Intentions of Faye Martinez by Hilda Maroney

**23****WEDNESDAY**

6:45 a.m. † Anita Pinasco Marciochi by Anthony &amp; Michelle Donato

8:00 a.m. † Lida Ruby Bruzzoni by MJ &amp; Ron McClain

**24****THURSDAY**

6:45 a.m. † Adrian Alvarado by John &amp; DeAnna Driscoll

8:00 a.m. † Michael Berberian by Kate King

**25****FRIDAY**

6:45 a.m. † Chuck Stephens by the Reynolds Family

8:15 a.m. † Jasmelino Coelho by Sami &amp; Dina Shwiyhat

**26****SATURDAY**

4:00 p.m. † Ann Nist by Sami &amp; Dina Shwiyhat

5:30 p.m. † José y Martha Medina de Nubia Rios

**27****SUNDAY – 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**


8:00 a.m. † Efren Zano by Nerish G.

9:30 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

11:00 a.m. † Anastacia Sibal by Catherine Irasuta

1:00 p.m. Intenciones de Diego Guerra por Martha Guerra

6:00 p.m. † Elvira Razo Alvarado by Sami &amp; Dina Shwiyhat



## Monthly Memorial Mass

Saturday, August 19, 2023 – 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

At this Saturday Vigil Mass, we will remember those who celebrated their funeral Mass here at St. Anthony of Padua in August 2022. They are Bernadette Ann Paschetta and Jim Hickcox. We will light a candle for each person and we invite the family to take it home at the end of Mass as a Memorial of their loved one.

### 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




## Jesus and the Eucharist Study

**PARISH EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL  
CORE GROUP PLANNING MEETING**

This Thursday, August 24 – Room 23 at 6:30 p.m.  
CORE Group team members and those wishing to help as  
Table Facilitators are welcome to attend.  
Online training will be available soon,

### 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

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

#### Friday

9:00-11:00 a.m. – Guadalupe Chapel

### FRIDAYS – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION/ ADORACIÓN EUCHARISTICA

Friday morning until 11:00 a.m. immediately following the 8:15 a.m. Mass in Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel. Come and encounter Jesus in the Eucharist.



### RECONCILIATION

#### Tuesday


6:00 p.m. – Chapel Confessionals

#### Saturday

10:00 a.m. – Chapel Confessionals

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26/  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27  
CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK**

Knights of Columbus volunteers will be available to accept your nonmonetary donations of nonperishable food, clothing, household goods and more after each of the weekend Masses. Together we make a difference.



### 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


**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**  
General Meeting, 6:15 p.m. in the Social Hall (Rosary, Dinner, Meeting)



**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 lampara a mis pies, es una luz en mi sendero." Salmo 119

Next General Meeting will be  
**SEPTEMBER 13 AT 6:15 P.M.**  
in the Social Hall (includes dinner)



## 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




## SILVER ANGELS

Our next luncheon will be  
**OCTOBER 11, 2023**  
11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Enjoy your summer.



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

*Year of Parish Revival*  
**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**  
 We invite you to pray the Revival prayer in silence after Mass in your pew.  
*My God, I believe, I adore, I hope, and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifference by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners. Amen*  
*¡Oh, mi Dios, yo creo en Ti! ¡Te adoro! ¡Confío en Ti y tu amor! ¡Te pido perdón por los que no creen, no te adoran, no confían en Ti y no te aman! ¡Oh, Santísima Trinidad, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo, os adoro profundamente! Os ofrezco el preciosísimo Cuerpo, la preciosísima Sangre, El Alma y Divinidad de Cristo Jesús, presente en todos los tabernáculos del mundo, en reparación de todos los ultrajes, sacrilegios y la indiferencia con que es ofendido, y por los méritos infinitos del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús y del Inmaculado Corazón de María, os ruego por la conversión de los pecadores. Amén*

<b>STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US</b>	
<i>Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!</i>	
July 30, 2023	\$20,025.00
Last year's Plate Income	\$17,647.00
Difference	\$2,378.00
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha	
July 1, 2022 – July 31, 2023	\$105,293.45
July 1, 2021 – July 31, 2022	\$92,788.00
Difference	\$12,505.45
<b>WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY</b>	
<b>GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD</b>	
	<b>GIVE ONLINE –</b> <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>



**2nd Collection**  
**Cathedral Maintenance**  
**2da colección**  
**Mantenimiento de la Catedral**


*First Friday Schedule*

- September 1st  
 8:15 a.m. Morning Mass and Adoration/Benediction  
 6:30 p.m. Adoration/Benediction  
 Adoración Eucarística con Bendición

*First Saturday Mass*

- September 2nd  
 8:15 a.m. Morning Mass in OLG Chapel  
 10:00 a.m. Confession





**ST. AGNES MISSION CHURCH**  
 111 W. Birch Street, Pinedale, CA 93650  
**(559) 439-2100**

**Sunday 9:00 a.m. English –**  
 Mass Intention: † Mike Amparano (9 yr Memorial)

**Sunday 10:30 a.m. Español –**  
 Misa de Intención: † Juan Reynaga

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

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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*

**SHARING THE GIFTS  
 WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN**

July 30, 2023	\$1,127.71
2024 YTD Total	\$6,366.90

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


**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Sacraments for K-6 grades  
FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION & SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION



**REGISTRATIONS FOR GIFT ARE NOW OPEN**

**REGISTER HERE**

**CATECISMO Y PRIMERA COMUNIÓN**  
Inscripciones ¡YA ESTÁN ABIERTAS! del Kder al 6to grados



**NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival**

**Jesus and the Eucharist Study**

**Coming September 20 & 21  
7-Session Study**

**MEN & WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES/  
ESTUDIOS BÍBLICOS PARA HOMBRES Y MUJERES**

Men's and Women's Bible Studies will combine for a 7-Part Series starting September 20th. You are invited to join us for our Parish Eucharistic Revival Series ("Jesus and the Eucharist"). Los estudios bíblicos para hombres y mujeres se combinarán en una serie de 7 partes a partir del 20 de septiembre. Usted está invitado a unirse a nosotros para nuestra Serie de Avivamiento Eucarístico Parroquial ("Jesús y la Eucaristía").

- Morning Sessions in English, 8:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. – Room 21
- Sesiones vespertinas en español, 6:30 p.m. a las 20:30 – Centro de eventos
- Evening Sessions in English, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. – Event Center

**ENCOUNTER NIGHTS  
NOCHES DE ENCUENTRO**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**



Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration, Music, and Scripture. Come and Encounter Jesus Personally in the Eucharist. Bilingual Celebration will be held in the Main Church. Invite a friend.

Hora Santa Eucarística, Música y Escritura. Ven a encontrarte personalmente con Jesús en la Eucaristía. La celebración Bilingüe se llevará a cabo en la Iglesia.

**First Friday | Cada Primer Viernes de Mes  
6:30 p.m. Main Church**

# 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/](http://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/](http://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](http://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](http://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

## Religious Instruction / Sacraments for Grades K through 6th

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION  
& SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

CATECISMO Y PRIMERA COMUNIÓN

Inscripciones ¡YA ESTAN ABIERTAS! Del Kder al 6to grados

Director, Mary Briseño, ext. 113, mbrisen@stanthonyfresno.org

GIFT, Growing in Faith Together, offers religion instruction for children in Grades K through 6th Grade.

Sundays at 3:00 p.m. starting in the Fall

Second Year Students and parent(s) plus one Thursday per month at 6:30 p.m.

REGISTRATIONS FOR GIFT ARE NOW OPEN at [www.stanthonyfresno.org](http://www.stanthonyfresno.org).



**GIFT** GROWING IN  
FAITH TOGETHER  
Creciendo Juntos En Nuestra Fe

### 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 Briseño.

## EDGE

### 2023-2024 for Grades 6th through 8th

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

Catholic Youth Ministry Sessions are Tuesday Evenings in Room 22 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. EDGE starts Tuesday, September 12th

Registration is now open at [www.stanthonyfresno.org](http://www.stanthonyfresno.org). Click on Faith Formation tab and scroll down to click one of the EDGE options.

EDGE is a Catholic youth group that is designed to meet the educational, spiritual, emotional, and social needs of young adolescents. As young adolescents, they are trying to figure out who they are and what they believe. Youth can prepare for sacraments of Baptism and First Communion while attending Edge.



## High School Youth Ministry

### LIFETEEN

#### 2023-2024 for Grades 9th through 12th

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

LifeTeen is a movement within the Roman Catholic Church. LifeTeen leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. We create a dynamic space where the youth can develop friendships with their peers, learn more about their faith, and encounter Jesus in the Sacraments.

#### First Year Confirmation starts:

September 10th – 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Registration is online only. All forms must be submitted by September 6th.

Confirmation is a two-year program for High School students who are sophomores and older. Confirmation candidates usually meet Sunday evenings with our Life Teen Youth Group. Meetings would consist of attending the Life Teen 6:00 p.m. Mass and then the Life Night until 8:30 p.m.

#### Second Year Confirmation starts:

September 17th – 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Registration is online only. All forms must be submitted by September 13th.

**Confirmation 2** is open to juniors and seniors who have completed their first year of preparation. Second-year sessions are on Sunday evenings.

LifeTeen Life Nights begin in September for all high school teens. Invite a friend and grow together.



### 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](http://stanthonyfresno.org) o escanee el QR Code al lado para registrarse.

**LAS CLASES COMIENZAN EN  
EL MES DE AGOSTO, 2023.**

Para más información comuníquese con el Diacono Edgar al 439-0124, ext. 111 o [ebrisen@stanthonyfresno.org](mailto:ebrisen@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](mailto:sisteredith@stanthonyfresno.org).

**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.

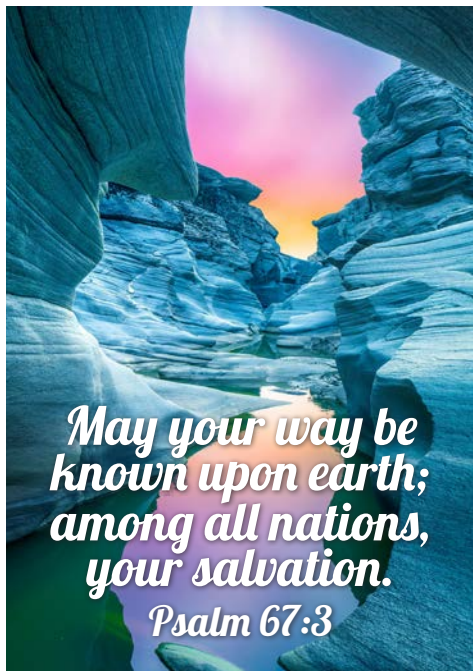
**BOLDLY PRAY***Reflection on Matthew 15:21-28*

Early in life, our parents begin to teach us our manners, how to be polite – our “please” and “thank-you” – all the words and actions we will need to be respectful of others and not embarrass ourselves (or our parents!) in public. All of this socialization serves us well as we move through life, even in how we relate to God.

Today’s Gospel compels us to consider a different dimension of relating to God: with boldness, persistence, even a bit of an argumentative spirit. There is precedence for how this Canaanite woman converses with Jesus. Think of Abraham arguing with God as to whether the city of Sodom might be spared destruction. Think of the Psalmist demanding of God better treatment than his people are getting at the moment (Psalm 44). These are the prayers that end with exclamation points!

Some would argue that this is how Jesus Himself taught us to pray: “Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive our sins. Deliver us from evil.” These are straightforward and confident requests. However, whatever our prayer request might be, and however boldly we bring it to the altar, we always must submit to God’s veto, precisely because He is our Lord. “Your will be done” is always a good ending to every prayer.

~ Fr. Jay



*May your way be  
known upon earth;  
among all nations,  
your salvation.  
Psalm 67:3*

**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE****Sunday, August 20, 2023**

*20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Is 56:1, 6-7  
Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32  
Mt 15:21-28

**Monday, August 21, 2023**

*Saint Pius X, Pope*  
Jgs 2:11-19  
Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44  
Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday, August 22, 2023**

*The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
Jgs 6:11-24a  
Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14  
Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday, August 23, 2023**

*Saint Rose of Lima*  
Jgs 9:6-15  
Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday, August 24, 2023**

*Saint Bartholomew, Apostle*  
Rv 21:9b-14  
Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18  
Jn 1:45-51

**Friday, August 25, 2023**

*Weekday*  
Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22  
Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10  
Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday, August 26, 2023**

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**SAINT ROSE OF LIMA***Feast Day: August 23**Patron Saint of: Florists*

She was born to parents of Spanish descent in Lima, Peru, at a time when South America was in its first century of evangelization. She seems to have taken Catherine of Siena as a model, in spite of the objections and ridicule of parents and friends. When her parents fell into financial trouble, she worked in the garden all day and sewed at night. Ten years of struggle against her parents began when they tried to make Rose marry. They refused to let her enter a convent, and out of obedience she continued her life of penance and solitude at home as a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic. So deep was her desire to live the life of Christ that she spent most of her time at home in solitude.

During the last few years of her life, Rose set up a room in the house where she cared for homeless children, the elderly, and the sick. This was a beginning of social services in Peru. Though secluded in life and activity, she was brought to the attention of Inquisition interrogators, who could only say that she was influenced by grace.

What might have been a merely eccentric life was transfigured from the inside. If we remember some unusual penances, we should also remember the greatest thing about Rose: a love of God so ardent that it withstood ridicule from without, violent temptation, and lengthy periods of sickness. When she died at 31, the city turned out for her funeral. Prominent men took turns carrying her coffin.

We enjoy the most comfort-oriented life in human history. We eat too much, drink too much, use a million gadgets, fill our eyes and ears with everything imaginable. Commerce thrives on creating useless needs on which to spend our money. It seems that when we have become most like slaves, there is the greatest talk of “freedom.” Are we willing to discipline ourselves in such an atmosphere?

Read the full article: “Saint Rose of Lima” Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,  
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-rose-of-lima/>. (Accessed July 28, 2023).



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## SANTA ROSA DE LIMA

Día de la fiesta: 23 de agosto

Patrona de: Floristas

Nació en Lima, Perú, de padres de origen español, en el primer siglo de evangelización de Sudamérica. Parece que tomó como modelo a Catalina de Siena, a pesar de las objeciones y burlas de sus padres y amigos.

Cuando sus padres tuvieron problemas económicos, ella trabajaba en el jardín todo el día y cosía por la noche. Diez años de lucha contra sus padres comenzaron cuando intentaron obligarla a casarse. Se negaron a que ingresara en un convento y, por obediencia, continuó su vida de penitencia y soledad en casa como miembro de la Tercera Orden de Santo Domingo. Tan profundo era su deseo de vivir la vida de Cristo que pasaba la mayor parte del tiempo en casa, en soledad.

Durante los últimos años de su vida, Rose habitó una habitación en la casa donde atendía a niños sin hogar, ancianos y enfermos. Fue el comienzo de los servicios sociales en Perú. Aunque recluida en vida y actividad, fue llamada la atención de los interrogadores de la Inquisición, que sólo pudieron decir que estaba influida por la gracia.

Lo que podría haber sido una vida meramente excéntrica se transfiguró desde el interior. Si recordamos algunas penitencias insólitas, también debemos recordar lo más grandioso de Rosa: un amor a Dios tan ardiente que resistió el ridículo exterior violentas tentaciones y largos periodos de enfermedad. Cuando murió a los 31 años, la ciudad se volcó en su funeral. Hombres prominentes se turnaron para llevar su ataúd. Disfrutamos de la vida más cómoda de la historia de la humanidad. Comemos demasiado, bebemos demasiado, utilizamos un millón de artilugios, nos llenamos los ojos y los oídos con todo lo imaginable. El comercio prospera creando necesidades inútiles en las que gastar nuestro dinero. Parece que cuando más nos hemos convertido en esclavos es cuando más se habla de "libertad". ¿Estamos dispuestos a disciplinarnos en un ambiente así?

Lea el artículo completo en inglés: "Saint Rose of Lima" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars  
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## ORAR CON VALENTÍA

Reflexión sobre Mateo 15:21-28

A una edad temprana, nuestros padres empiezan a enseñarnos modales, a ser educados, a decir "por favor" y "gracias", todas las palabras y acciones que necesitaremos para ser respetuosos con los demás y no avergonzarnos (¡ni avergonzar a nuestros padres!) en público. Toda esta socialización nos sirve para avanzar en la vida, incluso en nuestra relación con Dios.

El Evangelio de hoy nos obliga a considerar una dimensión diferente de la relación con Dios: con audacia, persistencia e incluso un poco de espíritu argumentativo. Hay precedentes de cómo esta mujer cananea conversa con Jesús. Piensa en Abraham discutiendo con Dios si la ciudad de Sodoma podía librarse de la destrucción. Piensa en el salmista exigiendo a Dios un trato mejor que el que está recibiendo su pueblo en este momento (Salmo 44). Éstas son las oraciones que terminan con signos de exclamación.

Algunos dirían que así es como Jesús mismo nos enseñó a rezar: "Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestros pecados. Líbranos del mal". Son peticiones directas y seguras. Sin embargo, sea cual sea nuestra petición de oración, y por muy audazmente que la llevemos al altar, siempre debemos someternos al veto de Dios, precisamente porque Él es nuestro Señor. "Hágase tu voluntad" es siempre un buen final para toda oración.

~ P. Jay





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