

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

A mosaic-style illustration of Jesus Christ with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a white robe with a blue sash. He is surrounded by a radiant halo of yellow and white rays. The background is a mosaic of blue and white tones with floral patterns. The text is overlaid on the lower part of the mosaic.

Jesus,
I TRUST IN YOU

Jesus,
CONFIO EN TI

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BULLETIN/WEBPAGE

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prior to publication.

Welcome to St. Anthony of Padua

The Catholic Christian community of St. Anthony of 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 #903B

Mass Intentions

7	<p>SUNDAY – 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER/DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</p> <p>8:00 a.m. † Maria Dolores Garcia by Juan M. Garcia 9:30 a.m. † Elvira Razo Alvarado by her Family 11:00 a.m. † Angelo & Blanche Papagni by Demetrio, Angelo, & Kathleen 1:00 p.m. † Abel Aparicio por la Familia Rubio 6:00 p.m. † Monica Baker by Rod & Catherine Christensen</p>
8	<p>MONDAY</p> <p>NO MASS</p>
9	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>6:45 a.m. † Beatrice & Edward Hernandez 8:00 a.m. Intentions of Rosie Pouliot by Jackie Winter</p>
10	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>6:45 a.m. † Jean Posson 8:00 a.m. † Steve Rontell by Phil & Dorothy Christensen</p>
11	<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>6:45 a.m. † Leonard Baptista 8:00 a.m. † Fr. Joel Davadilla by Jenny Sherrill</p>
12	<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>6:45 a.m. † Steve Fountain 8:00 a.m. † Ken Nicholson by Richard & Angelina Chavez</p>
13	<p>SATURDAY</p> <p>4:00 p.m. † Charlotte Girado by Ed Girado & Family 5:30 p.m. † Raúl Chacón por Norma Chacón y Familia</p>
14	<p>SUNDAY – 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER</p> <p>8:00 a.m. † Steve Rontell by Harvey Armas 9:30 a.m. † Hedwig & Richard Eisert by Maria Murray 11:00 a.m. † Cassandra Cedillo by Rachel Lybarger 1:00 p.m. † Enrique Montañó Rojas por la Familia Montañó 6:00 p.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)</p>



SILVER ANGELS MINISTRY

WELCOME TO SPRING

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

St. Agnes Mission Church Social Hall,
111 W. Birch Street, Pinedale

He has Risen! Hallelujah!! St. Anthony and St. Agnes parishioners (50+) are welcome to join us for our monthly luncheon. This month, we are getting Pulled Pork and Apple Bleu Salad from Westwood. Come join us for fun and a good meal! Cost \$17.00 per person.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall
(includes dinner).



ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION

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PARISH BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesday Night Co-Ed Bible Study

Next Session is April 10, 6:30 p.m. in Room 22

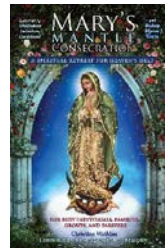
Sami/Dina Shwiyhat and Eliseo/Nivia Cuellar will lead men, women, and couples through the 10-week series: Jesus: The Way, the Truth and the Life. Please watch the bulletin for class dates.



Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study

10:00 a.m. in Room 21

We will begin a new study on April 18-May 30, using the *Mary's Mantle Consecration: A Spiritual Retreat for Heaven's Help* book which is available on Amazon or at www.queenofpeacemedia.com/marys-mantle for those who wish to order a copy.



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

ESTUDIO DE BIBLIA

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

Reflexionaremos
las Lecturas y
Evangelio
Dominicales



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



Monthly Memorial Mass

Saturday, April 20 – 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

At our Memorial Mass this month, we will remember those who celebrated their funeral Mass here at St. Anthony of Padua or at St. Agnes Mission Church in April 2023. They are Alfredo Sanchez, Anne Frances Nist, Manuel Joseph Manzula, and Paul Gerald Messner. We will light a candle for each person and invite the family to take it home at the end of Mass as a Memorial of their loved one.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

SATURDAY, APRIL 27/SUNDAY, APRIL 28

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.



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

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

STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US

Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!

March 17, 2024	\$21,521.00
Last year’s Plate Income	\$22,090.00
Difference	-\$569.00
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha	
July 1, 2023 – February 29, 2024	\$818,556.86
July 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023	\$664,532.00
Difference	\$154,024.86

WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD



GIVE ONLINE – 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.



SECOND COLLECTION/ SEGUNDA COLECCIÓN

Our annual collection goal is divided into 12 monthly installments. At St. Anthony, we do a Second Collection every other month to meet our annual goal. This collection supports our seminarians as well as Diocesan programs that reach beyond our parish boundaries. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Nuestra meta de cobro anual se divide en 12 cuotas mensuales. En St. Anthony hacemos una Segunda Colecta cada dos meses para alcanzar nuestra meta anual. Esta colección apoya a nuestros seminaristas y a los programas diocesanos que van más allá de los límites de nuestra parroquia. Tu generosidad es muy apreciada.



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 Intencion:

Pro Populo (Por las intenciones de la comunidad parroquial)

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

Please mail any correspondence, contributions, Mass intentions to:
St. Anthony of Padua – 5770 N. Maroa Avenue, Fresno, CA 93704

Sacraments & Pastoral Support..... Chris Shiveley (559) 439-0124, ext. 103
cshiveley@stanthonyfresno.org
Director of Religious Education..... Phyllis Carmona

SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

March 17, 2024	\$1,296.35
2023-2024 YTD Total	\$57,621.10

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

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



"Humanity will not find peace until it turns trustfully to divine mercy."
(St. Faustina's Diary, p. 132)

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 2:15 p.m. in the Main Church



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Required for all New and/or
Current Altar Servers

Tuesday, April 9 at 6:00 p.m.
in the Main Church

Wednesday, April 10 at 6:00 p.m.
in the Main Church



Congratulations to our 2024 Confirmands!
By the Most Reverend Armando Ochoa Bishop of Fresno
March 16, 2024 | St. Anthony of Padua Fresno

Over 1,200 family and friends attended the Confirmation Mass at St. Anthony of Padua - Fresno to witness 98 parish youth receive their Confirmation from the Most Reverend Armando Ochoa.

Allison Alvarado
 Miguel Angel Alva Ortiz
 Guadalupe Alva Ortiz
 ErikaMaria Angeles Diaz
 Alexis Ayala-Perez
 Wendy Balderas Rendon
 Natalia Barriente
 Julissa Calderon
 Liliana Camacho
 Ernesto Camacho
 Esther Cardenas
 Anadelia Casas Torres
 Natalie Castaneda
 Leonardo Castillo
 Angel Josue Cervantes
 Saavedra
 Matthew Chavez
 Steven Chavez
 Kiera Christensen
 Leonardo Corona
 Justice De Anda
 Alessandra Ahtziri De Arcos
 Adrian Dimayuga
 Alex DiViccaro
 Ryan Esqueda
 Sienna Evans
 Reagan Faretta
 Aliana Fierro
 Alan Fino
 Rhiannon Flores
 Armando Joey Flores
 Yahir German Flores
 Aaden Garcia
 Katie Garcia

St. Anthony of Padua

Miguel Garcia-Arce
 Anthony Gonzalez
 Lucy Gonzalez
 Natalie Gonzalez
 Monica Gutierrez
 Kimberly Heras
 Stacey Heras
 Dali Hernandez
 Dominic Huerta
 Sonya Karpoff
 Gabriella La Mattina
 Rebecca Lima
 Marisol Lomeli Razo
 Alixandro Lopez
 Angelina Lujan
 Christian Jesus Lustre
 Duvan Hernan Lustre-Porras
 Joshua Issac Madrigal
 Brianna Martinez
 Arberto Martinez-Marquez
 Boden Mason
 Mick Mason
 Jimmy Gerardo Medina-Zamora
 Ahisa Meneses
 Esmeralda Moreno
 Lupe Muniz
 Giovanni Nava Mendez
 Julia Nicolet
 Oscar Manuel Noriega Ordaz
 Elizabeth Abigail Olivas
 Diego Pantoja
 Christian Perez
 Brianna Perez

2024 Confirmands

William Plemons
 Anthony Portugal
 Keilana Powers-Puahi
 Valeria Ramirez Camacho
 Eric Ramirez Villalobos
 Roy Ramirez Villalobos
 Rudolfo Ramos
 Francisco Reyes
 Jesus Reyes
 Julissa Rios
 Joselyn Rivera
 Valerie Rivera Martinez
 Kamryn Rodriguez
 Angel Salazar
 Angeline Anelle Santiago
 Juan Carlos Sardina Cano
 Nandini Singh
 Elena Somilleda
 Maryana Arelyz Tablas-Ayala
 Ileana Tafolla
 Joshua Tapia
 Alonzo Tiscareno
 Kalista Trejo
 Fernanda Karina Trinidad
 Miguel
 Naomi Trujillo
 Venizia Valdez
 Jacob Varela
 Kathryn Vega
 Bryan Velazco
 Moses Vived
 Alayna Ybarra
 Leila Zinzun

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.

We Need You...

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Faith Formation & Sacrament

Preparation for Grades K through 6th

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION & SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Classes are in session, Sundays at 3:00 p.m.

Additionally, Second Year students and parent(s) attend one

Thursday per month at 6:30 p.m.

Registrations available on our website: stanthonyfresno.org

For more information or to volunteer in children's ministry, contact Mary Briseno at (559) 439-0124 ext. 113 or by email: mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org

GIFT EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

Formación de Fe y Preparación Sacramental para niños del Kinder – 6to grados

PRIMERA RECONCILIACION, PRIMERA COMUNION, Y SACRAMENTOS DE INICIACION

Las Clases son los domingos a 3:00 p.m. Adicional, en el Segundo Año escolar los estudiantes y sus padres asisten a un jueves por mes a las 6:30 p.m.

Inscripciones disponibles en nuestra página web: stanthonyfresno.org

Para mas información o para ser voluntario en el ministerio de niños, comuníquese con Mary Briseno al (559) 439-0124 ext. 113 o por email: mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org

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.

Register at 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.

LIFETEEN High School Youth Ministry

2023-2024 for Grades 9 through 12

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:

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:

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 began in September for all high school teens. Invite a friend and grow together.

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS
Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00 p.m. 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.



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 COMENZARON EN EL MES DE AGOSTO, 2023.

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.

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.

DOUBTS

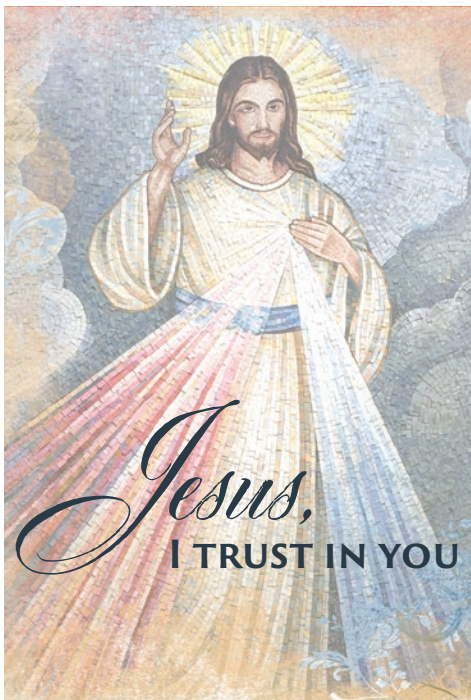
Reflection on John 20:19-31

With the Apostle Thomas, there is both vulnerability and capability, both suspicion and consent, both doubt and faith. He is at first suspicious of the report of the Risen Jesus, wishing to not get "caught up" in what might be fake news. But when confronted in person with the presence of the Risen Lord, he does not push that suspicion to the edge of the ridiculous, but affirms the truth of what he has now arrived at.

It is not a sign of weakness to question one's faith. On the contrary, accepting doubt as a natural part of what it means to be human, one's questioning is a sign of an engaging and curious mind and heart. Through this journey of doubting and questioning, we move ever deeper into our relationship with God. Doubts and questions are an opportunity for spiritual growth.

This is spiritual integration. Rather than judge one side as unworthy of being a disciple (the experiences of doubt we all have), and accept faith as the absence of all questioning (which it clearly is not), Thomas represents the real and authentic journey we all make as we move ever more deeply into the recognition that God, in the Risen Christ, is present in every human experience, and that, as Richard Rohr says, "Everything belongs!"

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Divine Mercy Sunday
Acts 4:32-35
Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24
1 Jn 5:1-6
Jn 20:19-31

Monday, April 8, 2024

The Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7:10-14; 8:10
Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11
Heb 10:4-10
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Easter Weekday
Acts 4:32-37
Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5
Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

Easter Weekday
Acts 5:17-26
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Jn 3:16-21

Thursday, April 11, 2024

Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr
Acts 5:27-33
Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20
Jn 3:31-36

Friday, April 12, 2024

Easter Weekday
Acts 5:34-42
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14
Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, April 13, 2024

Easter Weekday
Acts 6:1-7
Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19
Jn 6:16-21

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

SAINT STANISLAUS

Saint of the Day: April 11

Patron Saint of: Poland

Anyone who reads the history of Eastern Europe cannot help but chance on the name of Stanislaus, the saintly but tragic bishop of Kraków, patron of Poland. He is remembered with Saints Thomas More and Thomas Becket for vigorous opposition to the evils of an unjust government.

Born in Szczepanow near Kraków on July 26, 1030, he was ordained a priest after being educated in the cathedral schools of Gniezno, then capital of Poland, and at Paris. He was appointed preacher and archdeacon to the bishop of Kraków, where his eloquence and example brought about real conversion in many of his penitents, both clergy and laity. He became bishop of Kraków in 1072.

During an expedition against the Grand Duchy of Kiev, Stanislaus became involved in the political situation of Poland. Known for his outspokenness, he aimed his attacks at the evils of the peasantry and the king, especially the unjust wars and immoral acts of King Boleslaus II.

The king first excused himself, then made a show of penance, then relapsed into his old ways. Stanislaus continued his open opposition in spite of charges of treason and threats of death, finally excommunicating the king. Enraged, the latter ordered soldiers to kill the bishop. When they refused, the king killed Stanislaus with his own hands. Forced to flee to Hungary, Boleslaus supposedly spent the rest of his life as a penitent in the Benedictine abbey in Osiak.

Saints John the Baptist, Thomas Becket, Thomas More, and Stanislaus are a few of the prophets who dared to denounce corruption in high places. They followed in the footsteps of Jesus Himself, who pointed out the moral corruption in the religious leadership of His day. It is a risky business.

Read the full article: "Saint Stanislaus" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-stanislaus/. (Accessed March 25, 2024).

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SAN ESTANISLAO

Santo del día: 11 de abril

Patrón de: Polonia

Cualquiera que lea la historia de Europa del Este no puede evitar toparse con el nombre de Estanislao, el santo pero trágico obispo de Cracovia, patrón de Polonia. Se le recuerda con los santos Tomás Moro y Tomás Becket por su vigorosa oposición a los males de un gobierno injusto.

Nacido en Szczepanow, cerca de Cracovia, el 26 de julio de 1030, fue ordenado sacerdote tras ser educado en las escuelas catedralicias de Gniezno, entonces capital de Polonia, y en París. Fue nombrado predicador y archidiácono del obispo de Cracovia, donde su elocuencia y su ejemplo provocaron una verdadera conversión en muchos de sus penitentes, tanto clérigos como laicos. Fue nombrado obispo de Cracovia en 1072.

Durante una expedición contra el Gran Ducado de Kiev, Estanislao se involucró en la situación política de Polonia. Conocido por su franqueza, dirigió sus ataques contra los males del campesinado y del rey, especialmente las guerras injustas y los actos inmorales del rey Boleslao II.

El rey primero se excusó, luego hizo un acto de penitencia y después volvió a las andadas. Estanislao continuó oponiéndose abiertamente a pesar de las acusaciones de traición y las amenazas de muerte, y finalmente excomulgó al rey. Éste, enfurecido, ordenó a los soldados que mataran al obispo. Cuando se negaron, el rey mató a Estanislao con sus propias manos. Obligado a huir a Hungría, Boleslao pasó supuestamente el resto de su vida como penitente en la abadía benedictina de Osiak.

Los santos Juan Bautista, Tomás Becket, Tomás Moro y Estanislao son algunos de los profetas que se atrevieron a denunciar la corrupción en las altas esferas. Siguieron los pasos del propio Jesús, que señaló la corrupción moral de los dirigentes religiosos de su tiempo. Es un asunto arriesgado.

Lea el artículo completo en inglés: "Saint Stanislaus" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-stanislaus/. (consultado el 25 de marzo de 2024).

DUDAS

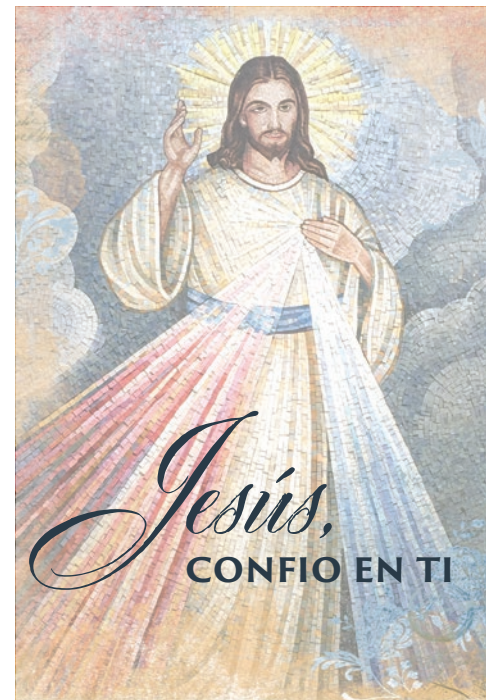
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En el apóstol Tomás hay a la vez vulnerabilidad y capacidad, a la vez sospecha y consentimiento, a la vez duda y fe. Al principio desconfía de la noticia de Jesús resucitado, deseando no dejarse "atrapar" por lo que podría ser una noticia falsa. Pero cuando se ve confrontado en persona con la presencia del Señor resucitado, no lleva esa sospecha al límite de lo ridículo, sino que afirma la verdad a la que ha llegado.

Cuestionar la propia fe no es un signo de debilidad. Al contrario, aceptando la duda como parte natural de lo que significa ser humano, el cuestionamiento es señal de una mente y un corazón comprometidos y curiosos. A través de este camino de dudas y preguntas, nos adentramos cada vez más en nuestra relación con Dios. Las dudas y las preguntas son una oportunidad para el crecimiento espiritual.

Esto es integración espiritual. En lugar de juzgar a una parte como indigna de ser discípulo (las experiencias de duda que todos tenemos), y aceptar la fe como la ausencia de todo cuestionamiento (que claramente no lo es), Tomás representa el viaje real y auténtico que todos hacemos a medida que nos adentramos cada vez más en el reconocimiento de que Dios en Cristo resucitado está presente en toda experiencia humana, y que, como dice Richard Rohr, "¡Todo pertenece!".

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