



*Glorify the Lord with me,
let us together extol his name.
I sought the Lord,
and he answered me
and delivered me
from all my fears
Psalm 34:4-5*

*Glorifica conmigo al Señor,
ensalcemos juntos su nombre.
Busqué al Señor,
y él me respondió
y me libró de todos
mis temores
Salmo 34:4-5*

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time | 21º 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 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: #989

Mass Intentions

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SUNDAY – 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 a.m. † Ric & Lorraine Forestiere by their children

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

11:00 a.m. † Angelo & Blanche Papagni

by Demetrio, Angelo, & Kathleen

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

6:00 p.m. † Michael Campos by Dennis & Chris Monahan

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MONDAY

NO MASS

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TUESDAY

6:45 a.m. † Marian Jennifer Kilgore by the Frye Family

8:00 a.m. † Hannah Beggs by the Fanucchi Family

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WEDNESDAY

6:45 a.m. † Souls in Purgatory by Deacon Jose Ordaz

8:00 a.m. † Anastasia Sibal by Catherine Irasusta

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THURSDAY

6:45 a.m. Intentions of the Cortes Family by Evelyn Cortes

8:00 a.m. † Daniel Hansen by Tessie Valdez

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FRIDAY

6:45 a.m. † Bennie & Lucy Leal by Debbie Fagundes

8:15 a.m. † Ric & Lorraine Forestiere by their children

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SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. Intentions of Alexander Domingos by Sandy Martinez

5:30 p.m. † David Almaraz por Jose Almaraz

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SUNDAY – 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 a.m. † George Jebian by Stella Jebian

9:30 a.m. † Antoinette Bianco by Rod & Catherine Christensen

11:00 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

1:00 p.m. † Aurelio Castaneda por Felipe & Maria Castaneda

6:00 p.m. † Aristeo Delgadillo by Andriana Delgadillo

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

**THIS WEEKEND, SATURDAY, AUGUST 24/
SUNDAY, AUGUST 25**

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.



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

General Meeting 7pm; Rosary 6:15 p.m.
New Location: St. Agnes Mission Social Hall
111 Birch Street, Pinedale



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



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA SILVER ANGELS MINISTRY

**Wednesday, September 11
11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. \$17.00/person**

St. Anthony's Silver Angels ministry meets monthly on the second Wednesday at the St. Agnes Social Hall (111 Birch Avenue, Pinedale) for fellowship, lunch, and a little fun. If you are looking for a fun outing and an opportunity to meet other parishioners, use the registration form on Page 9.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

General Meeting & Dinner
6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall



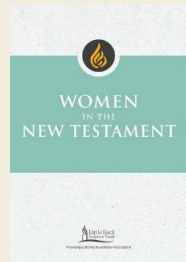
TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Facilitator: Professor Craig Bernthal. Tuesday, September 17, 6:30–8:00 p.m. in Room 23 (Front side of school building facing Maroa). Open to men, women, and couples. Bishop Robert Barron's series *David the King*.



WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (ROWDIES)

Wednesday, September 18, 8:30 a.m. in St. Anthony Conference Room (aka Donut Room). Women were essential to the ministry of Jesus and the flourishing of the early church. In *Women in the New Testament*, trusted guide Catherine Cory delves into the lives of the fascinating women who befriended Jesus, were healed and transformed by Him, followed Him as disciples, and proclaimed the good news of His Resurrection. Journey through the New Testament, exploring the social and religious world of first-century Palestine and the remarkable lives of these women of faith.



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



GRIEF SUPPORT

Saturday, September 28, 10:00 a.m. in Room 21 (front side of St. Anthony School facing Maroa). Dr. Sylvia Miller, Associate Profession of Nursing at Fresno State offers five grief support sections to help parishioners and family members navigate grief. These sections are offered twice a year so you don't have to walk alone.

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

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

Year of Mission

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

We invite you to pray the Mission prayer in silence after Mass in your pew.

God our Father,

You never cease to seek out Your children – the lonely, the frightened, the hurt, and the lost. We pray for all our parishioners who have been missing from our parish community and Eucharistic celebrations since COVID.

Through the intercession of St. Anthony of Padua, please pave the way for conversations and invitations that welcome them back to the Catholic Church and our St. Anthony of Padua Parish community. We trust in Your love and mercy for every one of Your children. Amen.

Dios, Padre nuestro,

Tú nunca dejas de buscar a tus hijos: los solitarios, los asustados, los heridos y los perdidos. Oramos por todos nuestros feligreses que han estado ausentes de nuestra comunidad parroquial y de las celebraciones eucarísticas desde el COVID.

Por intercesión de San Antonio de Padua, allane el camino para conversaciones e invitaciones que les den la bienvenida a la Iglesia Católica y a nuestra comunidad parroquial de San Antonio de Padua. Confiamos en tu amor y misericordia para cada uno de tus hijos. Amén.

STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US

Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!

August 4, 2024	\$23,334.00
Last year’s Plate Income	\$24,675.00
Difference	(\$1,341.00)
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • <i>Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha</i>	
July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025	\$91,563.36
July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024	\$105,293.45
Difference	(\$ 13,730.09)

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.

First Friday Schedule – September 6

- 8:45-11:00 a.m. Morning Mass and Adoration/Benediction
- 6:00 p.m. Adoration/Benediction Adoración Eucarística con Bendición Main Church



First Saturday Mass – September 7

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

SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

July 14, 2024	\$1,011.25
2024-2025 YTD Total	\$2,268.70

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



**SEPTEMBER 14, 2024
ON CHURCH GROUNDS
ALL ARE INVITED!**

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@stanthonysfresno.org
Director of Religious Education..... Phyllis Carmona

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



First Friday
Eucharistic Adoration
 Primer Viernes de Adoración Eucarística

Adoration, Worship, and
 Communion
 Adoración, Alabanza y Comunión

Friday: September 6, 2024
 Viernes 6 de Septiembre

@ 6:00 p.m.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
 ¡Todos son Bienvenidos!

St. Anthony of Padua

COME SPEND AN
 HOUR WITH ME!
 ¡Ven a pasar una hora
 con migo!

YEAR OF MISSION
JULY 2024-JUNE 2025



AÑO DE MISIÓN
JULIO 2024-JUNIO 2025




Jesús te espera
Jesus is
 waiting for
YOU

WOULD YOU JOIN US FOR MASS?
 There is always room for you.

NATIONAL
 Eucharistic
 Revival

Year of Mission
 Año de Misión
 2024 - 2025

Welcome Home

Bienvenido a casa

¡ÚNETE A NOSOTROS EN LA CELEBRACIÓN DE LA
 EUCARISTÍA ESTE FIN DE SEMANA!
 Siempre hay un lugar para ti y tu familia en nuestra comunidad de fe.

Avivamiento
 Eucarístico
 NACIONAL

INVITE ONE BACK INITIATIVE – LAUNCH 9/7 & 9/8

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...

Accepting Registrations for RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – GIFT “Growing In Faith Together”



Faith Formation & Sacrament Preparation for Children in Kindergarten-6th Grade

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION & SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Classes are held on Sundays at 3:00-4:15 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 and continue to have this program, contact Mary Briseno at 559-439-0124, ext. 113 or by email mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org.

Aceptando Inscripciones para EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA – GIFT “Creciendo Juntos En Nuestra Fe” 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 3:00-4:15 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 nuestro sitio web: stanthonyfresno.org

Para más información o para ser voluntario en el ministerio de niños y poder continuar con este programa, comuníquese con Mary Briseño al 559-439-0124, ext. 113 o por email: mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org.

EDGE

2024-2025 Registration for Grades 6th through 8th begins mid-August (only available online).

Tuesday Evenings in Room 22 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. beginning October 1st.

Youth can prepare for the Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion while attending EDGE.

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.



Para Jóvenes Bilingües

> DÍA DE ORIENTACIÓN <

OBLIGATORIO PARA PAPÁS Y ESTUDIANTES

DOMINGO 25 DE AGOSTO, 2024

SALÓN SOCIAL

2:30 P.M. – PARA 1er AÑO DE CONFIRMACIÓN

3:30 P.M. – PARA 2do AÑO DE CONFIRMACIÓN

CLASES COMIENZAN EL 8 DE SEPTIEMBRE 2024

Si aun no se han registrado visite nuestra pagina WEB o ESCANEE el CÓDIGO QR abajo para registrarse.



LIFETEEN High School Youth Ministry

2024-2025 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.



Confirmation 1 and 2 – High School Teens

2024-2025 Registration begins mid-August (only available online)

Confirmation is a two-year program for students who are Freshmen or older. Candidates for Confirmation must be at least 16 years of age to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation candidates meet Sunday evenings with our Life Teen Youth Group. Confirmation meetings consist of attending: The Life Teen 6:00 p.m. Mass, and the Life Teen Youth Group which begins immediately after Mass until 8:30 p.m.

1st year, sessions begin Sunday, September 8th.

2nd year, sessions begin Sunday, September 15th.

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.



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.

GOING FURTHER

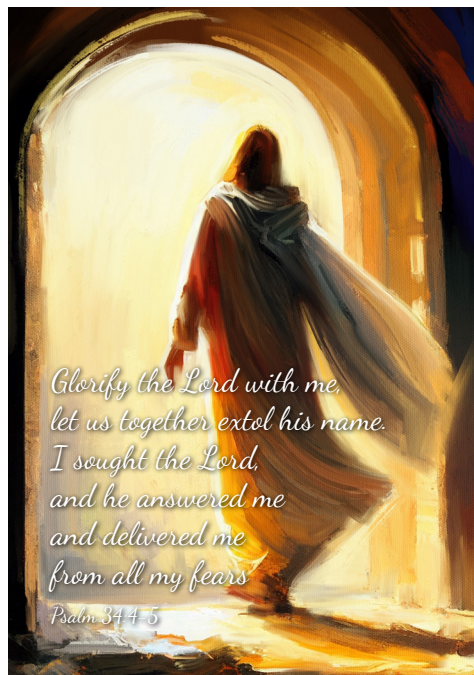
Reflection on John 6:60-69

There is both some painful questioning (*How can anyone take this seriously? Does this shake your faith? Do you want to leave me, too? But where else would we go?*), and some deep affirming (*As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord! You have the words of eternal life. I have come to believe you are God's Holy One!*) in our Scripture readings this weekend. I would suggest that the paradox is that both are necessary for a lively faith.

I know that my life has been a journey of discovery, in the truth of Graham Green's observation that "if we really believe in something, we have no choice but to go further." Going further and deeper into the discovery of what I believe, affirm, value is a lifelong project, as the depths of God's call will have different implications for the many seasons of our lives. I have found that it is often through wrestling with the hard questions in life that I can affirm what is good and true and beautiful.

One of the dangers in this faith journey is falling into the trap of seeing God as an object of my thoughts, when the truth is that I am a reality in the mind of God. This truth frees me to be in right relationship, with God and with others, knowing that growing in God means submitting to, deferring to, being subject to one another in love.

– Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, August 25, 2024

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

Jn 6:60-69

Monday, August 26, 2024

Weekday

2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12

Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5

Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Saint Monica

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17

Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13

Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Saint Augustine,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18

Ps 128:1-2, 4-5

Mt 23:27-32

Thursday, August 29, 2024

Passion of Saint John the Baptist

1 Cor 1:1-9

Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

Mk 6:17-29

Friday, August 30, 2024

Weekday

1 Cor 1:17-25

Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11

Mt 25:1-13

Saturday, August 31, 2024

Weekday

1 Cor 1:26-31

Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21

Mt 25:14-30

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

MARTYRDOM OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Saint of the Day: August 29

Patron Saint of: First Communicants and pilgrims

The drunken oath of a king with a shallow sense of honor, a seductive dance and the hateful heart of a queen combined to bring about the martyrdom of John the Baptist. The greatest of prophets suffered the fate of so many Old Testament prophets before him: rejection and martyrdom. The "voice crying in the desert" did not hesitate to accuse the guilty, did not hesitate to speak the truth. But why? What possesses a man that he would give up his very life?

This great religious reformer was sent by God to prepare the people for the Messiah. His vocation was one of selfless giving. The only power that he claimed was the Spirit of Yahweh. "I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11).

Scripture tells us that many people followed John looking to him for hope, perhaps in anticipation of some great messianic power. John never allowed himself the false honor of receiving these people for his own glory. He knew his calling was one of preparation. When the time came, he led his disciples to Jesus: "The next day John was there again with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God.' The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus" (John 1:35-37).

It is John the Baptist who has pointed the way to Christ. John's life and death were a giving over of self for God and other people. His heart was centered on God and the call that he heard from the Spirit of God speaking to his heart. Confident of God's grace, he had the courage to speak words of condemnation, repentance, and salvation.

Read the full article: "Martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/martyrdom-of-saint-john-the-baptist/> (Accessed July 29, 2024).

ESCRITURA SEMANAL

Domingo, 25 de agosto de 2024

21° domingo del tiempo ordinario
Jos 24,1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Sal 34, 2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21
Ef 5,21-32 o 5,2a, 25-32
Jn 6,60-69

Lunes, 26 de agosto de 2024

Día de la semana
2 Ts 1,1-5.11-12
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MARTIRIO DE SAN JUAN BAUTISTA

Santo del día: 29 de agosto

Patrón de: Primeros comulgantes y peregrinos

El juramento ebrio de un rey con un sentido superficial del honor, una danza seductora y el corazón odioso de una reina se combinaron para provocar el martirio de Juan el Bautista. El más grande de los profetas sufrió el destino de tantos profetas del Antiguo Testamento antes que él: el rechazo y el martirio. La "voz que clama en el desierto" no dudó en acusar a los culpables, no dudó en decir la verdad. Pero, ¿por qué? ¿Qué posee a un hombre para que entregue su propia vida?

Este gran reformador religioso fue enviado por Dios para preparar al pueblo para el Mesías. Su vocación era la entrega desinteresada. El único poder que reclamaba era el Espíritu de Yahvé. "Yo os bautizo en agua para que os arrepintáis, pero el que viene detrás de mí es más poderoso que yo. Él os bautizará con Espíritu Santo y fuego" (Mateo 3:11).

La Escritura nos dice que mucha gente seguía a Juan buscando en él esperanza, quizá en previsión de algún gran poder mesiánico. Juan nunca se permitió el falso honor de recibir a estas personas para su propia gloria. Sabía que su vocación era de preparación. Cuando llegó el momento, condujo a sus discípulos hasta Jesús: "Al día siguiente, Juan estaba de nuevo allí con dos de sus discípulos y, al ver pasar a Jesús, dijo: 'He aquí el Cordero de Dios'. Los dos discípulos oyeron lo que decía y siguieron a Jesús" (Jn 1,35-37).

Es Juan el Bautista quien ha señalado el camino a Cristo. La vida y la muerte de Juan fueron una entrega de sí mismo a Dios y a los demás. Su corazón estaba centrado en Dios y en la llamada que oía del Espíritu de Dios que hablaba a su corazón. Confiado en la gracia de Dios, tuvo el valor de pronunciar palabras de condenación, arrepentimiento y salvación.

Lea el artículo completo en inglés: "Martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/martyrdom-of-saint-john-the-baptist/> (Consultado el 29 de julio de 2024).

YENDO MÁS LEJOS

Reflexión sobre Juan 6:60-69

Hay tanto cuestionamiento doloroso (¿Cómo puede alguien tomarse esto en serio? ¿Esto hace tambalear tu fe? ¿Tú también quieres dejarme? Pero, ¿adónde íbamos a ir si no?), y algunas afirmaciones profundas (En cuanto a mí y a mi familia, ¡serviremos al Señor! Tú tienes palabras de vida eterna. He llegado a creer que eres el Santo de Dios) en nuestras lecturas de las Escrituras de este fin de semana. Yo sugeriría que la paradoja es que ambas son necesarias para una fe viva.

Sé que mi vida ha sido un viaje de descubrimiento, en la verdad de la observación de Graham Green de que "si realmente creemos en algo, no tenemos más remedio que ir más allá". Ir más allá y profundizar en el descubrimiento de lo que creo, afirmo y valoro es un proyecto para toda la vida, ya que la profundidad de la llamada de Dios tendrá diferentes implicaciones en las muchas estaciones de nuestra vida. He descubierto que, a menudo, es luchando con las preguntas difíciles de la vida como puedo afirmar lo que es bueno, verdadero y hermoso.

Uno de los peligros en este camino de fe es caer en la trampa de ver a Dios como un objeto de mis pensamientos, cuando la verdad es que yo soy una realidad en la mente de Dios. Esta verdad me libera para estar en una relación correcta, con Dios y con los demás, sabiendo que crecer en Dios significa someterse, diferir, estar sujetos unos a otros en el amor.

– P. Jay



Glorifica conmigo al Señor,
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y él me respondió
y me libró de todos
mis temores

Salmo 34:5



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All 145 of our priests who are active in ministry were fingerprinted and submitted background checks over the last year.

****Statistics above were reported in audits conducted by the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.**

The chart above illustrates the diligent work done within our Diocese to create a Safe Environment for all. *Promise to Protect; Pledge to Heal* posters at our parish entrances provide additional information.

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