



*The promises of the Lord
I will sing forever,
through all generations my mouth
shall proclaim your faithfulness.
~ Psalm 89:2*

*Las promesas del Señor
Las cantaré para siempre,
mi boca proclamará tu fidelidad
por todas las generaciones.
~ Salmo 89:2*

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 13º 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: #964

Mass Intentions

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SUNDAY

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 a.m.

Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

9:30 a.m.

Intentions (B-Day) for Deacon Edgar Briseño

11:00 a.m.

† Peter L. Mendez by Sandra S. Mendez

1:00 p.m.

† Bernabe & Salvador Fernandez por Graciela Fernandez

6:00 p.m.

† Don Visciglio by Visciglio Family

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MONDAY

6:45 a.m.

† Intentions of Jesus Estrada by Estrada Family

8:00 a.m.

† Intentions of Rafael & Maria Prado by Briseño Family

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TUESDAY

6:45 a.m.

† Beatrice L. Riley by Otero Family

8:00 a.m.

† Elijah Garcia by Garcia Family

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WEDNESDAY

6:45 a.m.

† Maria Esperanza Flores by Ernesto Castolo

8:00 a.m.

† Dolores Parras by Joe & Alicia Cuellar

2

THURSDAY

6:45 a.m.

Intentions of Paul Moeck by Frye Family

8:00 a.m.

† Braden McKieghan by Fanucchi Family

3

FRIDAY

6:45 a.m.

† Janis De Benedetto by Jane & Jim Dilling

8:15 a.m.

† Bill Nairn by Cassandra Menagh

4

SATURDAY

8:15 a.m.

St. Leopold Mandic by Mike & Angelina DiNuzzo

4:00 p.m.

† Frank Redondo, Jr. by Frank & Rose Marie Redondo

5:30 p.m.

† Lucio Zamarion por su familia

5

SUNDAY

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 a.m.

† Francisca Zacarias by John Zacarias

9:30 a.m.

† Ramon Rodriguez III by Pamela Rodriguez

11:00 a.m.

Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)

1:00 p.m.

† Raul Agredano por Maria Ponce

6:00 p.m.

† Deceased Members of Martinez Family by Christy Wood

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND – Peter's Pence**LA SEGUNDA COLECCIÓN – El Óbolo de San Pedro****SATURDAY, JUNE 27 & SUNDAY, JUNE 28**

The Peter's Pence Collection is an annual fundraising effort by the Catholic Church to support the Pope's charitable works and the activities of the Holy See.

La Colecta del Óbolo de San Pedro es una iniciativa anual de recaudación de fondos de la Iglesia Católica para apoyar las obras de caridad del Papa y las actividades de la Santa Sede.

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JUNE 27 & 28****CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK**

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

**NO ADORATION****FRIDAY, JULY 3**

In observance of Independence Day, there will be no morning or evening Adoration. Chapel will close directly after the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

FRIDAY, JULY 3**Parish Office Closed**

In observance of Independence Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Friday, July 3. We will reopen and resume normal business hours on Tuesday, July 7.

We wish everyone a safe and blessed holiday weekend!

**SATURDAY, JULY 4****First Saturday**

8:15 a.m. Mass

Followed by the Rosary and meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary honoring Our Lady of Fatima's Request.

Knights of
Columbus

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOSPITALITY:
NO DONUTS****SUNDAY, JULY 5 – SUNDAY, JULY 26**

There will be no donut hospitality during the month of July as Capital Donuts will be closed. Donuts will return in August!

The Knights of Columbus are not part of and not acting on behalf of the St. Anthony of Padua parish or the Diocese of Fresno

**SATURDAY, JULY 18****Monthly Memorial Mass**

4:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass

At the Memorial Mass, we remember those who celebrated their funeral Mass at St. Anthony of Padua or at St. Agnes Mission Church in July, 2025. We will light a candle for Martha Moreno Lomeli, Frances Lorraine Colmenero, Stephen William Carrasco & Jean Urubio Dichosa. We invite the family to take the candle home with them at the end of Mass as a Memorial of their loved one. If you would like to add your loved one who passed in July, 2025, call the Parish Office at ext. 106.

The following couples will marry in the coming weeks:

CHRISTOPHER DE YOUNG & NAVA GHAVA

LEONARDO RODRIGUEZ & LISETTE HERNANDEZ

If you know of any canonical reason for them not to be married, please contact the Parish Office.

**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

Grupo de Oración**MIÉRCOLES – GRUPO DE ORACIÓN
ENCUENTRO CON DIOS.**

Te invitamos al grupo de oración todos los miercoles desde las 6:30 p.m. empezando con El Rosario, en el salon #23 de nuestra parroquia.
"Ven y llénate del Señor."



DIOCESE OF FRESNO
OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

WRITTEN BY MONSIGNOR PATRICK MCCORMICK

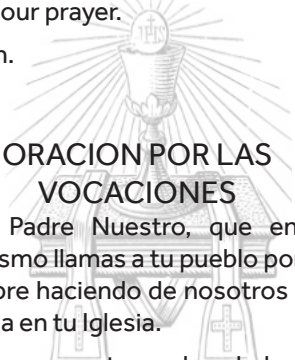
A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, in Baptism, You call Your people by name and make us one family in Your Church. We praise Your goodness. We thank You for Your gifts.

Father, bless our Church with Your love. Raise up in the Diocese of Fresno good and holy families: loving husbands and wives, devoted parents, and children. Raise up from our families dedicated and generous men and women who will serve Your people.

Send Your Holy Spirit to call, guide, and strengthen our future priests, deacons, nuns, sisters, and brothers in religious vocations, so that they may serve Your people by following the example of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we offer our prayer.

Amen.



ORACION POR LAS
VOCACIONES

Dios Padre Nuestro, que en el bautismo llamas a tu pueblo por su nombre haciendo de nosotros una familia en tu Iglesia.

Alabamos—tu bondad y agradecemos tus dones. Bendice a nuestra Iglesia con tu amor, suscitando en la Diócesis de Fresno buenas y santas familias: matrimonios amorosos, padres e hijos con gran devoción. Que de nuestros hogares nazcan personas dedicadas y generosas que sirva a tu pueblo.

Envía tu Espíritu Santo para guiar, dirigir y fortalecer a nuestros futuros sacerdotes, diáconos, monjas y personas consagradas a la vida religiosa. Que ellos puedan servir a tu pueblo siguiendo el ejemplo de tu Hijo Jesucristo, en cuyo nombre ofrecemos nuestra oración.

Amen.

STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US

Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!

June 7, 2026	\$ 27,493.00
Last year’s plate income:	\$ 26,894.00
Difference:	-\$ 599.00
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha	
July 1, 2025 – August 30, 2025	\$ 745,760.54
July 1, 2024 – August 30, 2024	\$ 718,110.39
Difference:	\$ 27,650.15

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.

ST. AGNES MISSION CHURCH

111 W. Birch Avenue, Pinedale, CA 93650

(559) 439-2100

Sunday 9:00 a.m. – English

Sunday 10:30 a.m. – Español

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

“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

Plate Collection: June 7, 2026	\$1,132.55
Total YTD Plate Collection	\$76,806.94

WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR
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CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD

SUMMER TEEN BIBLE STUDY

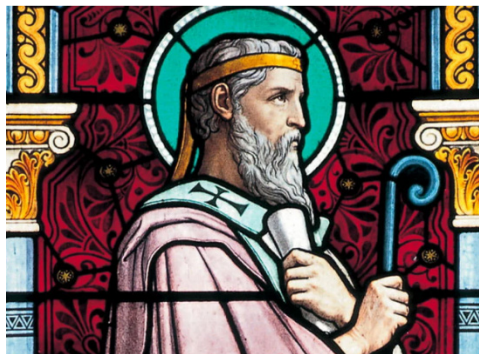
Teens, join us for a four-week Bible study on the Gospel of Matthew.

Thursday, July 23rd, 2026 through August 13th, 2026. We will meet every Thursday from 4:30-6:00 p.m. in Room 22 of St. Anthony's School.

In this short study, teens will be introduced to the main theme of the Gospel of Matthew: "the kingdom of heaven."

Don't forget to bring a Bible, a pen, and a notebook!

For teens ages 13-17.



SAINT OF THE DAY – JUNE 28

SAINT IRENAEUS OF LYONS, BISHOP AND MARTYR

Saint Irenaeus of Lyons was an early and influential bishop of the Church in Lyons (modern-day France). Born in the 2nd century, he is best known for defending the Christian faith against early heresies and preserving the unity of Church teaching.

A disciple of Saint Polycarp, who himself learned from the Apostle John, Saint Irenaeus is an important link to the apostolic tradition. His major work, *Against Heresies*, clearly explains and defends the teachings of the Church, emphasizing the goodness of creation, the centrality of Christ, and the unity of the faith.

He served as Bishop of Lyons during a time of persecution and is believed to have died as a martyr around the year 202. In 2022, the Church officially named him a Doctor of the Church with the title **Doctor Unitatis (Doctor of Unity)**.

(Sources: Vatican News, USCCB Liturgical Calendar, Catholic Culture, New Advent.)

SAN DEL DÍA – 28 DE JUNIO

SAN IRENEO DE LYON, OBISPO Y MÁRTIR

Saint Irenaeus of Lyons fue un obispo importante de la Iglesia primitiva en Lyon (actual Francia). Nació en el siglo II y es conocido por defender la fe cristiana contra las primeras herejías y por ayudar a preservar la unidad de la enseñanza de la Iglesia.

Fue discípulo de San Policarpo, quien a su vez fue discípulo del apóstol San Juan, lo que lo convierte en un vínculo directo con la tradición apostólica. Su obra más conocida, *Contra las Herejías*, explica y defiende claramente la enseñanza cristiana, resaltando la bondad de la creación, la centralidad de Cristo y la unidad de la fe.

Sirvió como obispo durante un tiempo de persecución y se cree que murió mártir alrededor del año 202. En 2022, la Iglesia lo declaró oficialmente Doctor de la Iglesia con el título **Doctor Unitatis (Doctor de la Unidad)**.

(Fuentes: Información compilada de Vatican News, el Calendario Litúrgico de la USCCB, Catholic Culture y New Advent.)






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New Student Admission Applications

St. Anthony's School
2026-2027 School Year

CREATE YOUR
BRIGHT FUTURE WITH US

At St. Anthony's School, our Catholic faith is at the heart of everything we do — guiding our students to grow in faith, knowledge, and service. We are excited to announce that applications for new students are now open! We invite prospective students to join our vibrant community, where you'll find dedicated faculty, diverse programs, safe environment, opportunities for personal and academic growth. To apply, please visit our website or scan the QR code for detailed instructions on the application process, required documents, and important deadlines. We look forward to welcoming you and helping you achieve your educational goals!

Contact: mchambers@sasfresno.com

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 (3rd 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.



SERVIDOR DE ALTAR

Invitamos a los padres de los jóvenes (de 3º 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.

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.

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.



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.

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.



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.

To sign up to help with parish ministries, go to www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, or call the Parish Office at 439-0124 for more details.

Para inscribirse para ayudar con los ministerios parroquiales, visite www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/ o llame a la Oficina Parroquial al 439-0124 para obtener más detalles.

GIFT— RELIGIOUS EDUCATION | CATECISMO-EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

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

FIRST RECONCILIATION,
FIRST COMMUNION &
SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Classes are held on Sundays from 3pm-4:15pm
Additionally, Second Year students and parent(s)
attend one Thursday per month at 6:30pm

Registrations are in July



Formación de Fe y Preparación Sacramental para niños del Kinder - 8vo grados

PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN,
PRIMERA COMUNIÓN, Y
SACRAMENTOS DE INICIACIÓN

Clases son los domingos a 3pm-4:15pm
Adicional, en el Segundo Año escolar los
estudiantes y sus padres asisten a un jueves por
mes a las 6:30pm **Inscripciones son en julio**

For more information or to volunteer in this children's ministry contact | Para más información o para ser voluntario en el ministerio de niños, comuníquese con Mary Briseño (559)439-0124 / mbrisen@stanthonyfresno.org

EDGE Middle School Formation

EDGE is a Catholic youth group for middle schoolers (grades 7th through 8th) and their families that welcomes all in the name of Jesus, inviting youth and their families into a deeper relationship with Christ and His Church. **The EDGE Program provides faith formation and preparation for the Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion.**

Preparation for any Sacrament is always a 2-year process.

Registration for the 2026-2027 year will open August 4th and end August 28th. Registration is only available online via the St. Anthony website (www.stanthonyfresno.org). Click the Faith Formation tab, in the drop-down menu select "Edge Youth Ministry." Classes are held on Tuesday Evenings in the Social Hall at St. Anthony's School, 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m., beginning September 8th, 2026. Schedule available online.

Director, Jaime Torkelson, ext. 117, jtorkelson@stanthonyfresno.org.



LIFETEEN High School Formation

Life Teen is a Catholic youth group for high schoolers (grades 9th through 12th) that is designed to bring teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. Life Teen prepares teens for Confirmation, First Communion, or Baptism.

Preparation for any Sacrament is always a 2-year process. Candidates for Confirmation must be at least 16 years of age to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Registration for the 2026-2027 year will open August 4th and end August 28th. Registration is only available online via the St. Anthony website (www.stanthonyfresno.org). Click the Faith Formation tab, in the drop-down menu select "Life Teen."

Please refer to our website for upcoming dates and schedules.

Director, Jaime Torkelson, ext. 117, jtorkelson@stanthonyfresno.org



EDGE/LIFETEEN Volunteers Needed

We're looking for volunteers interested in helping with Edge (6th-8th grade youth group) and/or LifeTeen (9th-12th grade teens). If you feel called to help our youth connect with Christ and His Church, please contact the Parish Office. You are more than needed, you are wanted!

OCIA: ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00 p.m. St. Anthony Conference Room (aka Donut Room)



SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

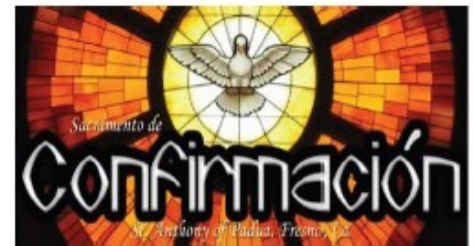
Tuesdays: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

St. Anthony of Padua Conference Room
(aka Donut Room)

To register go to www.stanthonyfresno.org
Click on Faith Formation and scroll to Sacraments
of Initiation for Adults.

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

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



PARA JÓVENES BILINGÜES

CURSO DE FORMACIÓN PARA EL SACRAMENTO DE CONFIRMACIÓN

CLASES YA COMENZARON
PRÓXIMAS INSCRIPCIONES EN EL

Para mas información comuníquese al
(559) 439-0154 con el
Diacono Edgar #111 o
Hna. Lupita #107



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.

WORTH THE LOSS

Reflection on Matthew 10:37-42

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the pep talk Jesus gave the twelve before sending them on mission. It started several Sundays ago with the specific charge that they were to go to all the towns and villages of Israel proclaiming that God's kingdom was at hand. Next came instructions about how they were to make the journey – traveling light and relying on hospitality. Now, Jesus asks them to be faithful to the mission, faithful to this loving Father, who deserves a love from them that supersedes their love for anyone or anything else.

Despite the somber tone of the first few verses, both parts of this Gospel encourage the follower of Jesus. If true life is found only in Jesus, then anyone who lays aside anything for the sake of Jesus will reap a bumper crop. The sacrifices a person makes in following Jesus are more than outweighed by the benefits that come from being Jesus' friend. Jesus does not pretend that discipleship is cost-free, but He does insist that the gain is worth the loss.

– Father Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, June 28, 2026

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a
Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19
Romans 6:3-4, 8-11
Matthew 10:37-42

Monday, June 29, 2026

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
Acts 12:1-11
Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
Matthew 16:13-19

Tuesday, June 30, 2026

Weekday
Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12
Psalm 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8
Matthew 8:23-27

Wednesday, July 1, 2026

Weekday
Amos 5:14-15, 21-24
Psalm 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17
Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday, July 2, 2026

Weekday
Amos 7:10-17
Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Matthew 9:1-8

Friday, July 3, 2026

Saint Thomas, Apostle
Ephesians 2:19-22
Psalm 117:1bc, 2
John 20:24-29

Saturday, July 4, 2026

Weekday
Amos 9:11-15
Psalm 85:9 and 10, 11-12, 13-14
Matthew 9:14-17

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

SAINT JUNIPERO SERRA

Saint of the Day: July 1

Patron Saint of Vocations to Church Ministry, California, and Hispanic Americans

Born on Spain's island of Mallorca, Serra entered the Franciscan Order. Until he was 35, he spent most of his time in the classroom – first as a student of theology and then as a professor. He also became famous for his preaching. Suddenly, he gave it all up and followed the yearning that had begun years before when he heard about the missionary work of Saint Francis Solano in South America. Junipero's desire was to convert native peoples in the New World.

Arriving by ship at Vera Cruz, Mexico, he and a companion walked the 250 miles to Mexico City. He became president of the missions there. Other missions followed: Monterey/Carmel (1770); San Antonio and San Gabriel (1771); San Luis Obispo (1772); San Francisco and San Juan Capistrano (1776); Santa Clara (1777); San Buenaventura (1782). Twelve more were founded after Serra's death.

Because the Native Americans were living a nonhuman life from the Spanish point of view, the friars were made their legal guardians. The Native Americans were kept at the mission after Baptism lest they be corrupted in their former haunts – a move that has brought cries of "injustice."

Junipero Serra's missionary life was a long battle with cold and hunger, with unsympathetic military commanders and even with danger of death from non-Christian native peoples. Through it all his unquenchable zeal was fed by prayer each night, often from midnight till dawn. He baptized over 6,000 people and confirmed 5,000. His travels would have circled the globe.

He brought the Native Americans not only the gift of faith but also a decent standard of living. He won their love, as witnessed especially by their grief at his death. He is buried at Mission San Carlo Borromeo, Carmel, and was beatified in 1988. Pope Francis canonized him in Washington, D.C., on September 23, 2015.

Read the full article: "Saint Junipero Serra" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-junipero-serra/> (Accessed May 19, 2026).

VALE LA PENA PERDERLO

Reflexión sobre Mateo 10:37-42

El Evangelio de hoy es la conclusión del discurso motivador que Jesús dirigió a los doce antes de enviarlos a la misión. Comenzó hace varios domingos con la orden específica de que fueran a todas las ciudades y aldeas de Israel para proclamar que el reino de Dios estaba cerca. Luego vinieron las instrucciones sobre cómo debían hacer el viaje: viajando ligeros de equipaje y confiando en la hospitalidad. Ahora, Jesús les pide que sean fieles a la misión, fieles a este Padre amoroso, quien merece un amor de su parte que supere su amor por cualquier otra persona o cosa.

A pesar del tono sombrío de los primeros versículos, ambas partes de este Evangelio animan al seguidor de Jesús. Si la verdadera vida solo se encuentra en Jesús, entonces cualquiera que deje de lado cualquier cosa por amor a Jesús cosechará una cosecha abundante. Los sacrificios que una persona hace al seguir a Jesús se ven más que compensados por los beneficios que provienen de ser amigo de Jesús. Jesús no pretende que el discipulado no tenga un costo, pero insiste en que la ganancia vale la pena la pérdida.

– Padre Jay



ESCRITURA SEMANAL

Domingo, 28 de junio de 2026

13º domingo del tiempo ordinario
2 Reyes 4:8-11, 14-16a
Salmo 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19
Romanos 6:3-4, 8-11
Mateo 10:37-42

Lunes, 29 de junio de 2026

Santos Pedro y Pablo, apóstoles
Hechos 12:1-11
Salmo 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-92
Timoteo 4:6-8, 17-18
Mateo 16:13-19

Martes, 30 de junio de 2026

Día de la semana
Amós 3:1-8; 4:11-12
Salmo 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8
Mateo 8:23-27

Miércoles, 1 de julio de 2026

Día de la semana
Amós 5:14-15, 21-24
Salmo 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17
Mateo 8:28-34

Jueves, 2 de julio de 2026

Día de la semana
Amós 7:10-17
Salmo 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Mateo 9:1-8

Viernes, 3 de julio de 2026

Santo Tomás, Apóstol
Efesios 2:19-22
Salmo 117:1bc, 2
Juan 20:24-29

Sábado, 4 de julio de 2026

Día de la semana
Amós 9:11-15
Salmo 85:9 y 10, 11-12, 13-14
Mateo 9:14-17

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SAN JUNÍPERO SERRA

Santo del día: 1 de julio

Patrono de las vocaciones al ministerio eclesial, de California y de los hispanoamericanos

Nacido en la isla española de Mallorca, Serra ingresó en la Orden Franciscana. Hasta los 35 años, pasó la mayor parte de su tiempo en las aulas, primero como estudiante de teología y luego como profesor. También se hizo famoso por sus sermones. De repente, lo dejó todo y siguió el anhelo que había comenzado años antes cuando escuchó sobre la labor misionera de San Francisco Solano en Sudamérica. El deseo de Junípero era convertir a los pueblos indígenas del Nuevo Mundo.

Al llegar en barco a Veracruz, México, él y un compañero caminaron las 250 millas hasta la Ciudad de México. Allí se convirtió en presidente de las misiones. Le siguieron otras misiones: Monterrey/Carmel (1770); San Antonio y San Gabriel (1771); San Luis Obispo (1772); San Francisco y San Juan Capistrano (1776); Santa Clara (1777); San Buenaventura (1782). Se fundaron doce más tras la muerte de Serra.

Dado que, desde el punto de vista español, los indígenas llevaban una vida «no humana», se nombró a los frailes sus tutores legales. Tras el bautismo, se retenía a los indígenas en la misión para evitar que se corrompieran en sus antiguos lugares de residencia, una medida que ha suscitado protestas por «injusticia».

La vida misionera de Junípero Serra fue una larga batalla contra el frío y el hambre, contra comandantes militares poco comprensivos e incluso contra el peligro de muerte a manos de los pueblos indígenas no cristianos. A lo largo de todo ello, su celo inagotable se alimentaba de la oración cada noche, a menudo desde la medianoche hasta el amanecer. Bautizó a más de 6.000 personas y confirmó a 5.000. Sus viajes habrían dado la vuelta al mundo.

Llevó a los nativos americanos no solo el don de la fe, sino también un nivel de vida digno. Se ganó su amor, como lo atestigua especialmente el dolor que sintieron por su muerte. Está enterrado en la Misión San Carlos Borromeo, en Carmel, y fue beatificado en 1988. El papa Francisco lo canonizó en Washington, D.C., el 23 de septiembre de 2015.

Lea el artículo completo en inglés: "Saint Junipero Serra" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-junipero-serra/> (Consultado el 19 de mayo de 2026).

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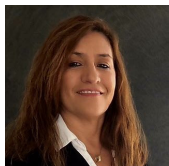
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