



Our Lady Of Lourdes Catholic Church

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The Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

El Decimooctava de Tiempo Ordinario

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The opening lines of the first reading today from Ecclesiastes may spark several memories, but the words are very real: "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity." Both this author and Saint Luke in the Gospel point out that vanity and the accumulation of treasures do not lead to lasting happiness. Saint Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, also discusses the need not to live as pagans and to always recognize that we have died to material things because we have been born to a new life in Christ. Today's readings do not aim to lead us to a "liturgical depression" but rather a "joyful conversion" by which we can celebrate our faith as people redeemed by Christ and willing to proclaim his message in the world.

Las primeras líneas de la primera lectura de hoy del Eclesiastés pueden despertar varios recuerdos, pero sus palabras son muy reales: «Vanidad de vanidades, todo es vanidad». Tanto este autor como San Lucas en el Evangelio señalan que la vanidad y la acumulación de tesoros no conducen a la felicidad duradera. San Pablo, en su carta a los Colosenses, también habla de la necesidad de no vivir como paganos y de reconocer siempre que hemos muerto a las cosas materiales porque hemos nacido a una nueva vida en Cristo. Las lecturas de hoy no pretenden llevarnos a una «depresión litúrgica», sino a una «conversión gozosa» mediante la cual podamos celebrar nuestra fe como personas redimidas por Cristo y dispuestas a proclamar su mensaje al mundo.

Attendance at Sunday Mass

Collection/Colección: \$4094.00

Asistencia de la Misa de Domingo:

Saturday/Sabado 4PM : 41

Sunday/Domingo 9 AM: 126

Sunday/Domingo 12 PM: 236

Office Hours:

9:00 am-2:00 pm

Monday-Friday

Church is open everyday for visitation

La Iglesia esta abierta todos los dias para visitas.

MASS & ROSARY

Sunday

9 AM English

12 PM Spanish

Monday/Lunes

8:30 AM Rosary/Rosario

Tuesday/Martes-Friday/Viernes

8:00 AM Rosary/Rosario

8:30 AM English Mass

Saturday/Sabado

3:15-3:45 PM Confession

4 PM English Mass

Confesion en Español sera el primero Sabado de cada mes de 6:30pm-8:30pm

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Dear Beloved Parishioners,

This week, the Church invites us to reflect on two important feasts. On August 4th, we celebrate the Feast of **St. John Mary Vianney**, the patron saint of parish priests. His life of simplicity, deep prayer, and tireless dedication to the confessional reminds us of the heart of priestly ministry—bringing souls to God with humility and compassion. Please keep all priests, especially those who serve you, in your prayers this week.

On August 6th, we mark the **Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord**—a moment when Jesus' divine glory was revealed on the mountain. This event gives us hope that in every trial, God's light will ultimately shine through. It is a call for us to listen to Christ and be transformed by His presence in our lives.

In the spirit of discernment and stewardship, I would also like to inform you that we are restructuring our **Parish Staff, Finance Council, and Pastoral Council** to better serve our community. These changes aim to bring fresh energy, and alignment with our mission as a parish. I ask for your prayers and support during this important transition.

With prayers and gratitude,

Fr. Jose

Pastor, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Prayer List <i>Please call our office to add your sick and deceased to our prayer list. They will remain on the list that Father read for 2 weeks and then placed on the list that is unspoken but still prayed for silently.</i>	Our Catechism Program for Grades 1-8. Adult RCIA Classes in Spanish. Catechism will begin at 10:30 AM to 11:45 AM. Please contact the Church office at (205) 836-2274 if you or your child needs to register for classes.	Prayer for the Sick Father God, we lift up all those facing illness today. We ask that you bring healing, comfort, and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of your love. In the name of Jesus. Amen. Christian Bernal Felite Cauasito Martha Eisendurg Daniel Brown Rick Wilcox Jessica Murfee Sandra Brewster	Prayer Group Every Saturday from 6:45 pm to 9 pm the prayer group come together to listen to the Word of God and lift up our voices in prayer, worship, and hymns of praise. Come and join us at this feast of Our Lord! After the service, there is also clean-up. Any help provided is also appreciated. <i>For any questions, please contact Triny Pesina (205) 774-4650</i>
Prayer for Priests Lord Jesus Christ, in your communion with <i>Father Jose Ambooken</i> and all your priests throughout the world, I ask you to bless and sanctify them and make them holy. Strengthen and protect them against evil and temptation. Be a joy and a companion, a comfort and a consolation, and lead them forever on the narrow path that leads to Your Eternal Kingdom. Eternal Father, in your infinite mercy, overlook my sins and failings and hear my prayer.	Confession Before 4 pm Mass on Saturday, Father Jose' will do half an hour of Confession Confession in Spanish will be the 1st Saturday of every Month 6:30 pm-8:30 pm	The Co-Responsibility of the Treasury Learn more about your faith every day and ask God for the wisdom to live it out every day through your actions. Then you should share it with your friends as much as possible. Read the Bible, the most important work written by the hand of men through the inspiration of God. It is the blueprint for your life's purpose here on earth.	The Six Sins against the Holy Spirit 1. Despair of one's salvation (of God's mercy) 2. Presumption of saving oneself without of merit 3. Resisting the known truth 4. Envy of the graces received by others 5. Obstinacy in one's sins 6. Final impenitence

Lista de oraciòn <i>Llame a nuestra oficina para agregar a su enfermo y difunto a nuestra lista de oracion. Permaneceràn en la lista que el Padre leyò durante 2 semanas y luego se colocò en la lista que no se menciona, pero aùn se ora en silencio.</i>	Nuestro programa de catecismo para los grados 1 a 8 clases de RCIA para adultos en español El catequismo comenzará de 10:30 AM a 11:45 AM. Comuníquese con la oficina de la Iglesia (205) 836-2274 si usted o su hijo necesitan registrarse para clases.	Oraciòn por los enfermos Padre Dios, levantamos a todos los que hoy enfrentan enfermedades. Te pedimos que traigas sanaciòn, consuelo, y paz a sus cuerpos. Calma sus miedos y dèjales experimentar el poder sanador de tu amor. En el nombre de Jesus. Amen. Christian Bernal Daniel Brown Felite Cauasito Rick Wilcox Martha Eisendurg Daniel Brown Jessica Murfee Snadra Brewster	Grupo de Oraciòn Todo los Sabados de 6:45 pm a 9 pm, el Grupo de Oraciòn se reùne para escuchar la Palabra de Dios y elevar nuestras oraciones en oraciòn, adoraciòn e himnos de alabanza. ¡Ven y ùnete a nosotros en esta fiesta del Señor! Despuès del servicio, tambien se hace la limpieza. Se agradece cualquier ayuda. <i>Para cualquier pregunta, comuníquese con Triny Pesina (205) 774-4650</i>
Oraciòn para los Sacerdotes Señor Jesucristo, en tu comuniòn con el <i>Padre José Ambooken</i> y todos tus sacerdotes del mundo, te pido que los bendigas, los santifiques y los hagas santos. Fortalécelos y protégelos contra el mal y la tentaciòn. Sé alegría y compañía, consuelo y consuelo, y guíalos para siempre por el camino estrecho que conduce a tu Reino Eterno. Padre Eterno, en tu infinita misericordia, olvida mis pecados y faltas, y escucha mi oraciòn.	Confesiòn Antes de la misa de las 4 pm del Sábado, el Padre José hará media hora de confesiòn. Confesiòn en Español será el primer Sábado de cada mes de 6:30 pm-8:30 pm	La Corresponsabilidad del Tesoro Aprende más sobre tu fè cada día y pide a Dios por la sabiduría para vivirla cada día a través de tus acciones. Entonces debes compartirla con los amigos lo más posible. Leer la biblia, la obra más importante escrita por la mano de los hombres por la inspiraciòn de Dios. Es el plano del propósito de tu vida aquí en la tierra.	Los Seis Pecados contra el Espíritu Santo 1. Desesperanza de la propia salvaciòn (de la misericordia de Dios) 2. Presunciòn de salvarse sin mérito 3. Resistirse a la verdad conocida 4. Envidia de las gracias recibidas por otros 5. Obstinaciòn en los propios pecados 6. Impenitencia final