

AUGUST 14, 2022 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



St. Pancratius CHURCH

3519 ST. PANCRATIUS PLACE, LAKWOOD, CA 90712

PROPHETS

We reflect upon the voice of the prophet in this Sunday's readings. We hear of the suffering and the rescue of Jeremiah. We hear how Jesus anticipates his suffering and death.

As with Jeremiah and Jesus, the prophets were sent by God to the leaders and people of Israel. A prophet is one who speaks truth to the powerful, exposing their darker hidden motives and injustices. The prophet presents a way forward that aligns with God's purposes.

A prophet can force people away from a comfortable neutrality or indifference. The

prophet creates an urgency to make a choice. Are we content with the status quo, or are we to change our ways and pursue a new and better path? Today, we may also ask, how do we identify and respond to prophets of our time? How might we provide a prophetic voice in our Church and in our world?

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Lord, come to my aid! (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith (Hebrews 12:1-4).

Gospel — I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing (Luke 12:49-53).

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SATURDAY: 8 AM, 4:30PM

SUNDAY: 6:30, 8, 9:30 (SPANISH), 11 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY: 3:30-4:30 PM

DEVOTIONS: MIDDAY PRAYER & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY
DAILY AT 12PM VIA LIVESTREAM

ADORATION: MONDAY- FRIDAY 5PM TO 7:15 PM

ROSARY: MONDAY- FRIDAY 6:15 PM



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WEEKLY OFFERING

Month of August 2022

Sunday	Church	School	Family Ministries
August 7 Contributions	\$11,400.27	\$244.00	\$591.00
August 14 Contributions			
August 21 Contributions			
August 28 Contributions			
Faith Direct - August 4			
Faith Direct - August 14			
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$11,400.27	\$244.00	\$591.00

Goals for August	\$60,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
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We continue to update the rectory office and have finished updating the floor in the Family Ministry Center. With your generosity, we continue to not only build and maintain, but form a FAMILY united in prayer and service. I look forward to seeing you all at the Parish Picnic this Friday!

Thank you and God bless!

- Fr. Andrew

DID YOU KNOW?

Meet all of your child's teachers this year. As children head back to school, parents should make every effort to meet the people their children will come in contact with — from their classroom teachers to those who teach the special subjects like art, music, or other extracurriculars. Make the effort to have a face-to-face meeting with these people and know the school's policies on abuse prevention and awareness. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article, "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done," at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

¿SABIA USTED?

Conozca a todos los maestros de su hijo este nuevo año escolar.

A medida que los niños regresan a la escuela, los padres de familia deben hacer todo lo posible por conocer a las personas con las que sus hijos entrarán en contacto, desde los maestros de su salón de clases hasta aquellos que enseñan materias especiales como arte, música u otras actividades extracurriculares. Haga el esfuerzo de tener una reunión cara a cara con estas personas y conozca las políticas de la escuela sobre prevención y concientización sobre el abuso. Para obtener más información, solicite una copia del artículo de VIRTUS® en inglés, "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done" (Tres cosas que simplemente se deben hacer), en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

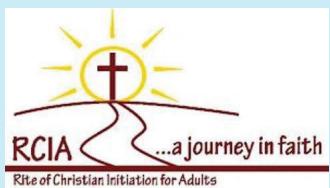


In today's Gospel Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it be accomplished!"

Your gift to the Society to assist those suffering in poverty will help set the earth on fire with the help of God's love.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Corner

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO.....



- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has never been baptized, or someone that has been baptized in a different Christian faith & is interested in learning about the Catholic faith?
- Has been baptized in the Catholic faith but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) provides you with an opportunity to study and reflect on Sacred Scripture and Church teaching, to learn about Catholic tradition and practice, and to pray and worship with us. The Catholic Community of St. Pancratius RCIA team welcomes everyone who may be at this point in their spiritual journey. Classes will commence on September 25, 2022.

For more information on this invitation, please call the rectory office at 562-634-6111 or email us at stpanrectory@gmail.com



Mass Schedule

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Monday, August 15th. It is a solemnity, but in the United States, it is not a holy day of obligation. However, since it is a very significant day, we will have Mass at 6:30 a.m. as usual. In the evening, we will have adoration from 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. followed by Mass in the evening at 6:00 p.m.

ST. PANCRATIUS

SUMMER PARISH PICNIC

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19TH | 6PM - 8PM

Bring a meal for your family, a blanket or lawn chairs to join us for a fun, summer night out!

The Parish will provide the drinks, dessert, music, fun & games!



ST. PANCRATIUS NEW VOLUNTEER *Information Session*

Sunday, Aug. 28th at 12:00 pm
Family Ministries Center



If you have never volunteered at our Parish before but feel called to serve, we invite you to come learn more about the ways you can share your gifts and talents with our community.

Please contact Teresa for any questions:
stpanre@gmail.com

50+ GROUP

Join the 50+ Senior Group of St. Pancratius Church. We meet every 4th Sunday of the month in the conference room from 1:30pm-4:30pm. We invite all seniors. The club offers health, fitness, dance, and senior trips through various recreation and community facilities. For more information please contact Winnie Butler (562) 746-3769. Refreshments will be served, our next meeting is on August 28.

FEEDING THE HOMELESS

We will be providing food and clothing to our homeless brothers and sisters in Downtown LA on August 28th. If you would like to join us, please meet behind the rectory garage at 1:30 p.m. Donations of hygiene products, clothing suitable for living on the street, socks, tennis shoes, towels and tents are needed. If you have any questions please contact George McCurdy 562-477-0485 or Mary McCurdy at 562-477-7494.



FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Our Faith Formation Team is currently accepting online registration for First Communion and Confirmation students.

Nuestro Equipo de Formación en la Fe está aceptando inscripciones en línea para estudiantes de Primera Comunión y Confirmación.

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www.stpancratius.org/family-ministries

If you don't have access to register online, call us at (213) 926-1307
Si no tiene acceso para registrarse en línea, llámenos al (213) 926-1307

First Communion Info/Questions, Contact Araceli at: stpanresec@gmail.com
Confirmation Info/Questions, Contact Matt at: stpansaints@gmail.com



For students in 3rd through 12th grade who have not received the Sacrament of Baptism and/or Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, please contact our Family Ministries Director, Teresa, at: stpanre@gmail.com to discuss faith formation options.

Para estudiantes de grados 3 al 12 que no han recibido el Sacramento del Bautismo y/o los Sacramentos de la Primera Reconciliación y Primera Comunión, comuníquese con nuestra Directora de Ministerios Familiares, Teresa, a: stpanre@gmail.com para analizar las opciones de formación en la fe.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,**The Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

The great prophet Jeremiah finds himself in a deep, dark pit, starving to death in today's First Reading. He had been warning the people of Israel that there was no point in continuing to fight the Babylonians who were invading their country; they should just surrender or else all of Jerusalem would be destroyed. He was accused of being unpatriotic, demoralizing for the people, and a traitor. So, they threw him into a cistern where he sank into the mud. Fortunately, a compassionate court official pleaded with the king and Jeremiah was rescued.

In the city of San Clemente, California, a member of their city council has proposed a resolution that San Clemente become a "sanctuary for life." He based his proposal on the consideration that human life begins with conception, and also on the desire to honor God, who gives life. The resolution was seconded by the mayor but opposed by 3 other councilmembers. One of the opposing councilmembers said that if this proposal passes, it will make half the people in the city of San Clemente unhappy. The resolution will be discussed at the council's Aug. 16 meeting. May Our Lady of the Assumption and St. Clement pray for them.

Jesus says in the Gospel today: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! ... Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." Division is not comfortable, nor is following Jesus easy. If you should find yourself in the "doghouse" because of your faithfulness to Jesus and his truth, you are not alone. Others have been there before you, so you are in very good company.

*Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. John, Associate Pastor*

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,**El vigesimo domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

El gran profeta Jeremías se encuentra en un pozo oscuro y profundo, muriéndose de hambre en la Primera Lectura de hoy. El había estado advirtiendo al pueblo de Israel que no tenía sentido seguir luchando contra los babilonios que estaban invadiendo su país; simplemente deberían rendirse o de lo contrario toda Jerusalén sería destruida. Es por eso que él fue acusado de ser antipatriótico, desmoralizador para el pueblo y traidor. Así que lo arrojaron a una cisterna donde se hundió en el lodo. Afortunadamente, un funcionario de la corte compasivo suplicó al rey y Jeremías fue rescatado.

En la ciudad de San Clemente aquí en California, un miembro del consejo municipal ha propuesto una resolución para que San Clemente se convierta en un "santuario para la vida." Basó su propuesta en la consideración que la vida humana comienza con la concepción, y también en el deseo de honrar a Dios, que da la vida. La resolución fue secundada por el alcalde pero se opuso por otros 3 consejales. Uno de los consejales opositores dijo que si se aprueba la propuesta, la mitad de la gente en San Clemente estará descontenta. La resolución se discutirá en la reunión del consejo del 16 de agosto. Que Nuestra Señora de la Asunción y San Clemente rueguen por ellos.

Jesús dice en el Evangelio de hoy: "He venido a prender fuego a la tierra, ¡y como quisiera que ya estuviera ardiendo! ... ¿Piensan que he venido a establecer la paz en la tierra? No, les digo, sino mas bien división." La división no es comoda, ni es fácil seguir a Jesús. Si te encuentras en la "caseta del perro" debido a tu fidelidad a Jesús y a su verdad, no estás solo. Otros han estado allí antes que tú, así que estás en muy buena compañía.

*Atentamente en Cristo,
P. Juan, Pastor Asociado*



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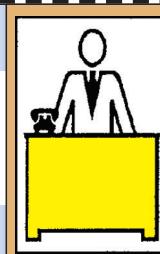
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