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Fr. Patrick Mullen, Pastor

Mass Times Monday - Friday 8:00 am Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Saturday 3:45 - 4:45 pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel Hours Sunday - Friday 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Saturday 3:00 - 9:00 pm

Office Hours

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Contact Dave Gutierrez at militaryministry@padreserra.org









Faith Formation for Children and Teens Registration Final Days!

Come make friends, have fun and learn about our Catholic faith!

- · Little Church 3 years to K
- · Spark! Grades 1 through 5
- Three:Sixteen Grades 6 through 8
- · 4:12 High School
- · Baptism for Grades 1 through 8
- · First Reconciliation and First Communion Grades 1 through 8
- · Youth Confirmation High School

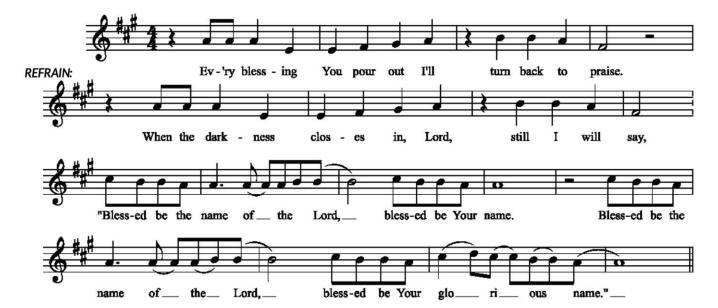
Contact tere@padreserra.org. Registration packets available in the parish office or visit padreserra.org/news/faith-formation-registration

GATHERING

Blessed Be Your Name

Matt Redman & Beth Redman

Blessed be Your name In the land that is plentiful Where Your streams of abundance flow Blessed be Your name Blessed be Your name When I'm found in the desert place Though I walk through the wilderness Blessed be Your name



Blessed be Your name When the sun's shining down on me When the world's all as it should be Blessed be Your name Blessed be Your name On the road marked with suffering Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise...

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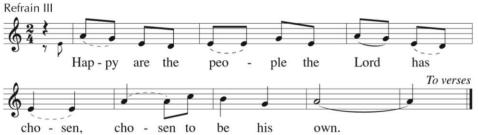
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Reading 1

Wisdom 18:6-9

Reading 2

Hebrews 11:1-2; 8-19

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:32-48

Stay awake and be ready!

For you
do not know
on what day
your Lord
will come.

Matthew 24:42a, 44

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker, Gather #334



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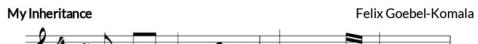
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A Celtic Rune Liam Lawton



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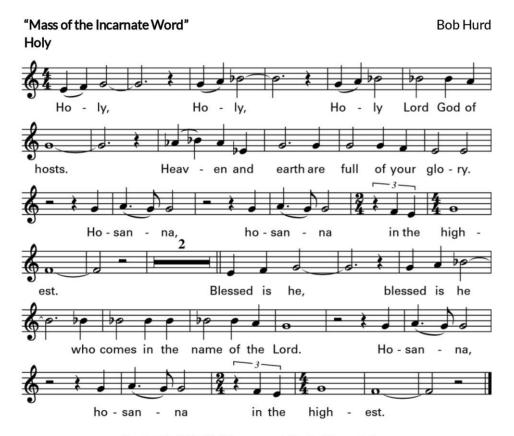
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Lamb of God

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Center of My Life

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SENDING FORTH

Soon and Very Soon

Andraé Crouch, Gather #865

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... for at an hour you do not expect ...

I confess that the summer is my forever-favorite time of year. The longer days are such a delight. To wake up to the sun, and occasionally, to get back to my house while the sun is still up, are simple, yet sweet, pleasures. I wonder how much of that fair-going, beach-time, long-day love comes from the forty-seven years of my life spent either receiving or giving an education. The "first day of vacation" is as loud for me at 60 as it was for me at 16. And the opposite is true of the passage of the summer: "school is starting" is also loud. It can be *very* exciting ... and yet can't compare with the first days of childhood freedom, can it?

But here we find ourselves, fifty-two days into the ninety some days of summer. Today is a full forty minutes shorter than that first day of summer, the 21st of the solstice. And this next week is the last full week for our children at St. Mary Magdalen School, as they will be back in the classrooms on the 21st, with our Pleasant Valley School children returning a week later on the 28th.

I myself will be returning for the last time (I think) to the seminary to teach on August 26th. At 60 years, I can feel in my bones, in my energy level, in the small changes, adding up each year, the passage of time. As a few of you know, I visited the rector at the seminary early in the summer to step down as a faculty member. I have taught there for twenty years, since the fall semester of 1999. My assignment was only for fourteen years, but it was good and important work, and I was happy to carry on, especially as I have been able to remain so close to the seminary while pastoring at Padre Serra. I will teach one last course, Beginning Greek, as it so happens, and then hang up my hat. It was a good run, a happy one, with lots to look back on with pleasure and satisfaction. I set it aside, very much at peace with the decision.

I'm also aware that it's part of the human process of fading. We spend our early years focused on becoming, our middle years on trying and, perhaps, succeeding, and then our later years on stepping back again, hopefully reflecting. So when I ponder the dying of the summer, the movement towards shorter and cooler days, and the passing of months and years, it seems so timely to hear our Lord Jesus speaking, in today's Gospel, of being "ready to open immediately when the master comes and knocks."

Will we, can we, ever be ready for the Lord's return? The days of our lives are numbered, though they seem limitless when we are young. But we age, and the body reminds us, without subtlety, that there aren't so many days as we might have thought. If we are reflective people, we might well ask ourselves, "What is the purpose of the time we have?"

And Jesus instructs us of a Master who returns, a keeper of our days, who hopes to find us awake and attentive to the welfare of His household. And so I ask myself, in these early fading days of summer, how attentive am I, really, to readiness for the Lord? There is an urgency in Jesus' words: "You also *must* be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come" (Luke 35:40).

Can I encourage you, in these last days of vacation, to consider that the preparation for a new school year is nothing when weighed against the readiness for the Lord? Is there a selfless act waiting to be done, a personal quirk to set aside, a lost soul needing our finding? Is there an awareness of the holy presence of God awaiting our attention? Is there a personal fault to overcome, an undeveloped talent to grant attention? Give it some thought and consider one big thing or a few small ones to grant some

attention and effort.

Catrick

Siempre adelante!

Fr. Patrick Pastor

Sign-up Time!

Faith Formation for Children and Teens ~ Final Days!

We are fortunate to have many kids enrolled already. Although spaces are still available, please register right away to get your preferred day and time. Live a life of faith, understanding, and love! Sacrament preparation is included if needed. Join a group! Registration Packets available in the parish office or visit www.padreserra.org/news/faith-formation-registration

Married Couples Retreat ~ Reserve your spot now!

Registration is still open. All couples are encouraged to participate in this opportunity to enrich and strengthen your marriage, sacrament, and relationship with one another and God. \$400 per couple / \$100 deposit required at registration. Visit the parish office or contact Christine Olsen christine@padreserra.org. More info at https://www.padreserra.org/news/couples-retreat

Alpha ~ Begins September 5 (see page 12)

Children

12 months to Grade 8.

Stay and Play ~ August 11, 18, 25

Miss Nicole and Miss Andrea lovingly care for your little one (12 - 36 months) while you go to Mass. Stop by to see all the toys and fun. You are welcome to stay to be sure your toddler is settled. This is a no-cost service. Sundays during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. San Juan Bautista room. teresa@padreserra.org

Little Church Summer Sessions ~ August 18, 25

Sunday preschool for age 3 through kindergarten during 11:00 am Mass time only. Register your child as soon as they turn 3. soraya@padreserra.org

Baptism for School-Age Children

We have a loving and welcoming process through which children 6 years of age and older are prepared to be received into the Church. catherine@padreserra.org

Spark at Home ~ Grades 1 to 5

People who plan are much less likely to be taken by surprise. In today's Gospel, Jesus talks about how important it is for us to be watchful and alert. What is it that we are preparing for? We are waiting for Jesus' return, and that he may find us doing our job — that is to be His disciples. tere@padreserra.org

Three: Sixteen at Home ~ Kids Grades 6 to 8

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we need to be alert disciples. Jesus wants us to be alert for his return. Jesus has saved us, but we should not just sit back and do nothing. He teaches us that we should pay attention to others and notice how we can help them. That way, when Jesus returns, he will find us acting as his loving disciples. Let's all plan to pay special attention to how we can help our family and friends today. tere@padreserra.org

High School

Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome!

4:12 (Pronounced four-one-two)

High school teens meet weekly to make connections, share their insights and concerns, and grow in faith. They gather with young adult small group leaders and our Youth Minister. The name is from the first book of Timothy. youth@padreserra.org

Young Adults

Everyone 18 to 29ish is welcome! For those who want to grow deeper in their Catholic faith through discussion, community building, spiritual activities, and service projects.
7:00 - 9:00 pm, Carmel room. youngadults@padreserra.org

Holy Day of Obligation ~ August 15

Join the Young Adults for Mass.

Adoration in the Chapel ~ August 22

Come spend time with Jesus! The young adults will be in adoration in the chapel.

Adults

Toastmasters ~ August 12, 19, 26

Want to learn to become a confident communicator, speak in public and develop leadership skills? Come check out our Toastmasters at 7:00 pm, San Juan Bautista room. Virginia (805) 443·5186

Summer Bible Study ~ August 13, 20, 27

Tuesdays through August we'll get together to read, study and reflect on the upcoming Sunday's readings. Bring your Bible 8:30 - 10:00 am, San Fernando room. Living Liturgy will Paul Ford will resume in September!

Prayer in Motion ~ August 13, 20, 27

Women and men, any age, can join instructor Sheila Montgomery for meditative movement using Tai Chi. 2:00 - 3:00 pm, Santa Barbara room. \$5/class.

Seniors Adaptive Exercise Class ~ August 14, 21, 28

All seniors are invited to a weekly adaptive exercise class from 8:45 - 9:30 am, Santa Barbara room. Marg (805) 405·9901.

Men's Ministry ~ August 14, 28

Illuman is a ministry for men, by men, to honor the uniqueness of male spirituality. Bimonthly group gatherings are designed to help guys become better, more authentic men. 7:00 pm, San Miguel room. Dave dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com

Ladies Night Out ~ August 21

Lemons on the Loose is a women's social gathering to share fellowship and laughter while playing Bonkers. \$5/person. Proceeds benefit Alex's Lemonade Stand. 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Kathy quannys5@yahoo.com or Michelle mcpaschens@gmail.com



Bereavement Support ~ August 15

We offer support to those who have lost a loved one. 10:00 am, San Fernando room. Betty Bright-Martinez, bbright41@verizon.net, (805) 407·3000.

Seeds of Faith ~ August 19

Do you notice a sense of restlessness and hunger for something more? Do you wish for a relationship with God in the busyness of life and don't know where to start? Join our women's evening of spirituality 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Santa Barbara room.

Gwen gwendolynjoy1@hotmail.com

Evening for Moms ~ August 22

All moms are invited for an evening out for friendship and learning *Theology of Home* with Noelle Mering. 7:30 pm. Locations/details: Kristen kmariebright@gmail.com

In the Community

Grief Support Workshop ~ Starts August 13

St. Mary Magdalen hosts a nine-week series with a religious emphasis on the grief process, using *The New Day Journal: A Journey from Grief to Healing* by Mauryeen O'Brien. 6:30 - 8:00 pm, St. Mary Magdalen Chapel Museum at 2532 Ventura Blvd. \$10 donation for the book. Questions/registration:

Barbara Murray (805) 482·3668

Catholic Renewal Convention ~ August 30 - September 1

Jesus, Hope of the World, a spiritually enriching weekend of inspiring talks, healing services, and liturgies with tracks for children, teens, young adults and adults in English and Spanish at the Anaheim Convention Center. Learn more and register www.scrc.org

Giving

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Memorial & Honorarium

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Faith Sharing

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table.

Luke 12:35-40 ~ We must be ready for God to act in our lives at any time!

We do not know the hour or the day when Jesus will come or when we will go to meet him. If Jesus were to knock on your door today and give you a report card on your life as his disciple, what grade would you get? Where would be your areas for improvement?

Prayer Life

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary ~ August 15 A holy day of opportunity to celebrate Our Blessed Mother. Masses: 8:00am, 7:00pm.

Pray for Our Sick

Terry Allman, Luz Amador-Rodriguez, Muriel Bannatz, Lorna Boulger, Brad Burr, Chris Comeau, Liesa Comeau, Shari Edie, Dennis Fanning, Eduardo Francisco, Lizzy Hammond, Cindy Linz, Akemi McLaren, Mark Medina, Marge Moran, Joe Presutto, Ed Sandell, Helen Shields, Forrest Sickler, Dorothy Simmons, Jackson Soyster and Kylie Wilson. (Names are refreshed monthly.)

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently: Gilbert Sotelo, RIP

Beloved father of Theresa Trejo

May he enjoy peace in his life with Christ Jesus.

Prayer Opportunities

Daily Readings: www.usccb.org
Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday 7:45 am, Church
Rosary: Monday - Friday 8:30 am, Church
Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays 6:30 pm, Church
Centering Prayer: Wednesdays 6:45 pm, Brides Room
Adoration: First Fridays 2:00 - 7:00 pm, Chapel

Prayer Chain: prayers anytime

Bette (805) 482·0067 bette_church@hotmail.com Shirley (805) 482·2617 brownshehorn@gmail.com Mass Intentions: Monthly list is available in the parish office.

Becoming Catholic

Confirmation Preparation for Adults

Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist are called the Sacraments of Initiation because they are the foundation of the Christian life. Through these sacraments, we are immersed in the mystery of Jesus's saving death and resurrection. To be a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church, one needs to have celebrated all three of these sacraments. For various reasons, some adults have not yet celebrated Confirmation. At Padre Serra we have a comprehensive four-month process, beginning on Jan. 9, 2020, to prepare adults to be confirmed. We will meet every Thursday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm through May. Confirmation will be celebrated by the bishop at the parish sometime in May (date to be determined in the fall). For more information or to register, please contact Catherine Shadduck at (805) 482·6417 x331 or catherine@padreserra.org

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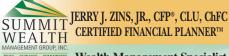
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Who is Alpha for?

Alpha is for everyone! People attend from all backgrounds and viewpoints, from those who don't believe at all, to those who are just curious, to those Christians who desire more.

How do I register?

Register online www.padreserra.org/news/alpha

For more information:

Teresa Runyon, (805) 482-6417 x322, teresa@padreserra.org

Alpha

