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## Encounter Jesus, Be Disciples

OCTOBER 31, 2021 · THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Welcome to Our Newest Altar Servers!

Congratulations, and thank you to all our altar servers, especially the 18 recently installed servers.

# Remembrance

Saturday, November 13, 4:00 pm

All are invited to remember and celebrate the lives of our loved ones who have gone before us to live in the light of the Lord.

You may bring photos of your departed loved ones 30 minutes before Mass to be incorporated into the worship environment.

Please submit the names of those who have died by November 8 at www.padreserra.org/remembrance

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. "Hindi Kita Malilimutan ~ I Cannot Forget You."



# An Evening of Gratitude Tuesday, November 16 7:00 – 8:30 pm Serra <u>Center</u>

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, we turn our hearts and minds toward gratitude. Come for an evening of faith, fellowship, and stories of gratitude, particularly those people, moments and experiences for which we offer thanksgiving in these past eighteen difficult months.

RSVP at www.padreserra.org/gratitude Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Team



# Concern America Fair-trade Craft Sale

#### November 14 In the courtyard

Start your Christmas shopping today!

Concern America's fair-trade craft program will be selling beautiful handmade craft items from El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, and Bangladesh. Your purchase provides direct support to materially impoverished artisans and their communities.

After the courtyard sales, you may shop November 15 - 20 at www.marketplace.concernamerica.org. Enjoy free shipping when you spend \$75 or more by using coupon code #PS21 at checkout. Also, please add the name of your church (Padre Serra) to the 'note to sender' section of checkout! Learn more at www.padreserra.org/concern-america



## First Friday Adoration 2:00 - 7:00 pm

## **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

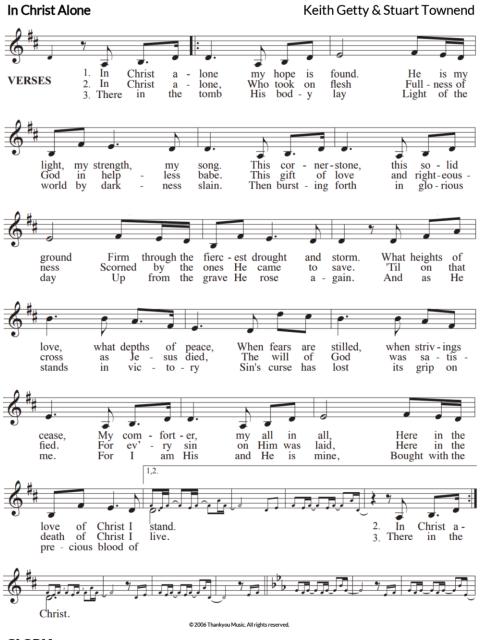
This devotional prayer practice allows us to praise and adore Jesus, and also for our gracious Lord to reach out and adore us.

Come spend some time for quiet prayer before our Lord Jesus.

To commit to one hour, contact teresa@padreserra.org

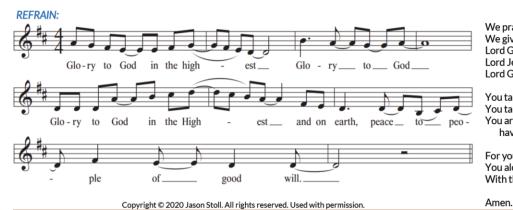


#### GATHERING



#### **GLORIA**





**Reading 2** Hebrews 7:23-28 **Gospel Reading** Mark 12:28b-34

**Reading 1** Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord; and my father will love him and we will come to him.

JN 14:23

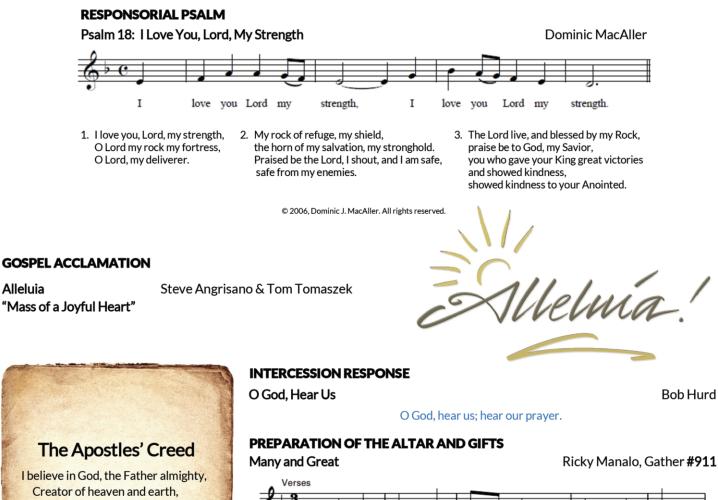
#### Jason Stoll

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, We give you thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

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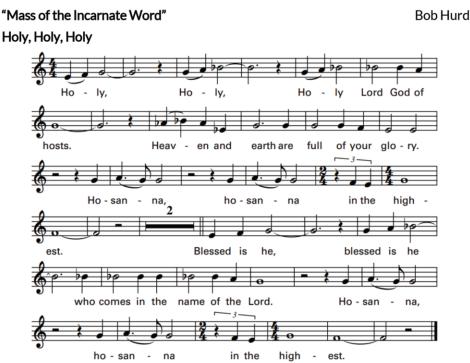
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried: he descended into hell: on the third day he rose again from the dead: he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty: from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

#### Ricky Manalo, Gather #911



Alleluia

#### **EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS**





#### We Proclaim Your Death



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**LORD,** *J am not worthy* that you should Enter under my ROOF, BUT ONLY SAY **the word** *and my soul* SHALL BE HEALED.

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#### **COMMUNION SONG**

Your Words, Lord, Are Spirit and Life



3. Cour-age dark - ness, com - fort in our in our sor - row, 4. Praise him with sing - ing, praise him with the your trum - pet, 1 come him and bless his name. Mer - cy he has shown us. to 2. ris - en from the snares of death. His word he has spo - ken, 3. Spir - it of God most high; so - lace for the our wear - y, 4. praise God with the lute and harp; praise him with the cym-bals, 1. his love is for - ev - er, faith - ful to the end of days. 2. one bread he has bro-ken, new life he now gives to all. 3. par - don for the sin - ner, splen - dor of the liv - ing God. 4. praise him with your danc-ing, praise God till the end of days. Refrain Come, then, all you na-tions, sing of your Lord's good-ness, mel-o-dies of praise and thanks to God. Ring out the Lord's glo-ry, praise him with your mu-sic, wor-ship him and bless his name. JOHN 14:1 © 1981, Ernest Sands. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.

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### You Are Not Far from the Kingdom of God

During the month of October, the Church asked us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life. In November we remember the dead. It is also Indigenous Peoples month. Recently those involved in parish ministry signed that we received and would comply with the guidelines of the Archdiocese for those adults who interact with minors.

I offer an article, *Young Women, #MeToo and Clergy Sex Abuse: Lessons from My Students*,\* in America Magazine. Written by Jessica Coblentz, an assistant professor in the Department of Religious Studies and Theology at Saint Mary's College in Notre Dame, Ind., she provides insight of the impact the changes made by the Church have had in the fifteen years since she was their age when the guidelines and training began. Hearing victims' stories and the acknowledgment of their victimization were crucial to this process. I believe such action has brought us closer to what is meant by the Kingdom.

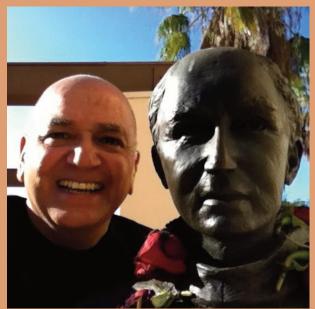
I mention the article in the hope that such transformation of hearts by hearing and minds by recognizing the truth of oppression, violence, and the apartheid that instilled self-hate, despair, and death. My return to daily mass was greeted by the massive statue of St. Junipero while my heart and spirit were dealing with the discoveries at Kamloops Residential School in Canada. I pray for the intercession of our patron that we might receive the grace to know the stories of the women of Juarez, the Red Dresses of Canada, and the horse-whipped of Haiti. May the God of love inspire us to transformative love.

The love God desires is not for him alone, but for all the people he has created. Jesus affirms God cannot be loved without loving his creation, his image in our neighbor. Jesus tells

us to what degree and with what we are to love. Our strength and understanding include loving ourselves. May it be so for our neighbor.

God in Deuteronomy teaches we write the law upon our heart such that our children will learn as we go about our daily life from the awakening to our sleeping. As Catholics, may they learn their call to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end. Together with our children, we change those laws that separate us from our neighbor and from God.

## Deacon Arnold Reyes



\*https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2021/10/14/catholic-clergy-abuse-metoo-students-241609

#### Children

12 months to Grade 8.

#### **Catechists for Faith Formation Needed**

If you are fully vaccinated and love sharing your faith with children, we need YOU! Contact tere@padreserra.org

#### Little Church ~ October 31

Age 3 through Kindergarten. Little Church has returned to in-person sessions on Sundays during the 11:00 am, and 9:00 am Mass times. Because of the pandemic, only children who are registered may participate. Please register your little one at www.padreserra.org/registration. Limited spaces are available.

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#### Spark! Grades 1 - 5 ~ November 1 and 3

This week children will learn about the True Love of God and Neighbor.

#### Three:Sixteen ~ Grades 6 - 8 ~ November 3

Middle School Ministry, this week teens will learn about the True Love of God and Neighbor. We meet in Carmel room at 6:45 pm. See you there.

#### Living Faith

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home with your kids. Send your pics to photo@padreserra.org



#### **High School**

Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome! youth@padreserra.org

#### **Confirmation Y1** ~ November 7

No session today, see you next week! Contact youth@padreserra.org for more information.

#### **Confirmation Y2**

Teens are participating in weekly parish ministry this semester; please get in touch with youth@padreserra.org for your ministry assignments.

#### 4:12

Join Brett and peer leaders for fun and fellowship on most Wednesday nights. Teens make connections, share insights and concerns, and grow in faith. Ask brett@padreserra.org or follow us on Instagram.

#### Youth Leadership

Everyone 14 to 39ish is welcome!

#### Peer Leaders ~ Tuesdays

Peer leaders help engage our Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly Confirmation sessions, annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. We meet every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Ask brett@padreserra.org to add you to our GroupMe to keep you updated. If you are confirmed and are interested in joining our team contact youth@padreserra.org

#### Young Adults

Everyone 18 to 39ish is welcome! www.padreserra.org/young-adults

#### **Bible Study and More**

We gather the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. On the first Thursday, we do a Bible study, and on the third Thursday, we play a game. See our Instagram @pspyoungadult or Facebook @PadreSerraYA for other events! Contact brett@padreserra.org

#### Adults

#### Faith Sharing Groups ~ November 1, 2, 3

Virtual Gospel Hangout, Tuesday 11:30 - 12:30 pm and Wednesday 7:00 - 8:00 pm teresa@padreserra.org In-person Bible Faith Share, Mondays 8:45 - 9:45 am. Sherry Reynolds sherryr2256@gmail.com

#### Living Liturgy Bible Study ~ November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Dr. Paul Ford offers a weekly reflection and study of the Sunday scriptures, which helps us better understand the good news message of Jesus Christ and how He is present in our lives. Resource books are available for purchase or bring your Bible or smart device. Tuesdays, 8:30 - 9:30 am, San Juan Capistrano room. Masks required.

#### Social Spanish ~ November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

All levels and ages are welcome. Learn and practice conversational Spanish to communicate practically with friends, neighbors, and people in our community, and to learn a new language and experience the benefits in mind and spirit. Tuesdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am. Masks required. Patricia patty.g.q14@gmail.com

#### Adults

#### Divorce Support ~ November 2, 16

We offer a welcoming environment for people dealing with divorce, whether in the earliest stages of grief, the initial stages of coping with severe changes, or through the worst of it and now looking to move forward, grow, and serve. 7:00 - 8:30 pm, online. Contact Cynthia cjonescampbell@yahoo.com

#### Bereavement Support ~ November 4, 18

We offer support to those who have lost a loved one. 10:00 am, San Fernando room. Contact Betty Bright-Martinez (805) 407.3000, bettybright41@gmail.com

#### First Friday Adoration ~ November 5

Come spend 10, 30, 60 minutes with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 2:00 - 7:00 pm. teresa@padreserra.org

#### **Becoming Catholic**

#### Various Paths to Becoming Catholic

The process of becoming a Catholic is not one-size-fits-all. It always takes into account the individual background, circumstances, and needs of each person. Have you been thinking about investigating becoming Catholic, but have not yet taken the step to email or call the parish? Now is the time to meet with Catherine to explore the possibilities and work out a plan for you. Or perhaps you just want to learn more about your spouse's faith. It's OK to "test the waters" by attending an Inquiry meeting or two to see what it's like. We meet on Tuesday evenings in a relaxed setting where you can ask all your questions with no judgment or pressure to join the Church. Call or email Catherine Shadduck today for more information: (805) 482.6417 x331 or catherine@padreserra.org

#### Safeguard the Children



#### Have a Spooky and Safe Halloween

Here are a few tips to keep your holiday safe and fun! Before they go trick-or-treating, talk with your children about safety and set the ground rules. Young children should always trick or treat with an adult. Join up with friends or family and stick to neighborhoods you know, with houses that are lit and ready for trick-or-treaters. Stay on sidewalks when possible, and if children have a hard time walking between places, make a game of it — take significant steps, or march from house to house. For more information, please visit www.catholiccharitiesaz.org/item/140-tips-for-a-treat-filled-halloween

#### **Faith Sharing Question**

#### Reflection questions for every gathering around any table Mark 12:28-34 ~ Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength; and love your neighbor as yourself.

This is a reaffirmation of the First Commandment and a proclamation, not a lesson. Love is proclaimed again with Jesus' New Commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves. How are you really doing with loving God, your neighbor, and yourself? Which is easiest? Which is more difficult?

#### **Prayer Life**

#### **Pray for Our Sick**

Bob Alexander, Michelle Alexander, Rich Bergman, Shirley Brown, Michele Burger, Pearl Canon, Maeve Castillo-Reyes, Maria Castillo-Reyes, Thomas Collins, Morton Cook, Wyatt Davis, Sharon Garcia, Esper Divina Gracia, Tim Graf, Jun Grey, Eugene Hatton, Tina Herford, Mary Hopple, Salvador Jimenez, Tom Keens, Shirley Koval, Mary Little, Minerva Ortiz, Chuck Purcell, Dorothy Reason, Cristina Reyes, Esther Reyes, Lolita Reyes, Hilda Soller, Kylie Wilson and Shirley Witlin. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)* 

#### **Remember Our Dead**

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently: Lisa Alonzo, RIP Beloved wife of Isaac Beloved mother of Isaac Jr. and Jacob May she enjoy peace in her life with Christ Jesus.

#### **Prayer Opportunities**

Daily Readings: bible.usccb.org Parish Book of Intentions: www.padreserra.org/intentions Prayer Chain: Prayers anytime Bette (805) 482·0067 bette\_church@hotmail.com Shirley (805) 482·2617 brownshehorn@gmail.com or visit www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests Stations of the Cross: www.padreserra.org/stations Our Lady of Perpetual Help: www.padreserra.org/news/olph Blessed Sacrament Chapel: www.padreserra.org/prayer

#### In the Community

#### Preparing for the Holidays ~ November 6

For those experiencing the loss of a marriage or loved one, holidays can trigger feelings of sadness, loss, and emptiness. No rules or guidelines exist to take that hurt away. This virtual presentation is designed to provide hope, guidance, and support to find a balance and a spirit of hope. Register here. Questions: Julie jmonell@la-archdiocese.org

#### Holiday Boutique ~ November 6 - 7

Over 70 vendors selling crafts, gift items, clothing, jewelry, home decor, food, gift card basket raffle, 50/50 drawing, photos with Santa, and a baked goods table. Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at St. Peter Claver, Simi Valley. Contact: Lisa (805) 583.0466.





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## All Saints Day Mass Monday, November 1, 8:00 am

Each year the Church honors all the saints, named and unknown, with a special feast day. The saints are not just those we look up to as examples of living holy lives; they are our friends in heaven. We believe that, together with them, we are one Church. They care about us, and we can ask them to pray for us as we journey to join them in heaven.

Pope Francis reminds us that we can all be holy in the context of our ordinary lives. Come to Mass to thank God for their example and friendship and strengthen us on our journey to be saints in our ordinary lives. Not a holy day of obligation this year.

## Christmas Poinsettias © Life Centers

Available for your home and gift-giving! Pre-order November 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21 Pick-up December 4, 5 In the courtyard

Your generous support benefits the life-saving work of Life Centers for women and men who are facing an unplanned pregnancy.

- Full carton of six for \$60
- Half carton of three for \$30
- Individual plant for \$10

Place your order today at www.padreserra.org/poinsettia (\$1.00 online transaction fee)



#### 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

Reconciliation (Confession) Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel Hours Sunday - Friday, 8:00 am - 9:00 pm Saturday, 2:00 - 9:00 pm

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Saturday 3:00 - 6:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

(805) 482·6417 After Hours Emergency (805) 512·3208

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## Adopt-A-Family this Christmas

St. Vincent de Paul invites parish families who have been blessed this year to bring joy to a local community family in need.

As an adopting individual or family, you are asked to purchase a gift for each adult and child from a list of gift ideas/needs provided by the family.

Questions/participate: Melissa Romero (818) 640·1790; melr0869@gmail.com

For more information, visit www.padreserra.org/news/svdp

