



## Encounter Jesus, Be Disciples

NOVEMBER 5, 2023 - THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## **Baptisms**

Congratulations and welcome to our Catholic Christian faith!

Elliott Martin Fernandez Son of Jerry Fernandez Jr & Mary Anne Martin

Trystan Reece Inocente Son of Ernest Inocente & Laura Lisa Crisostomo

Leonardo Gregory Sanchez Son of Gregory Sanchez & Nancy Espinoza

Alanah Sarahi Zuniga Daughter of David & Monica Zuniga

Jacob Marco Barragan Son of Miguel Barragan & Yvette Garcia

Luna Grace Gonzalez Daughter of David Gonzalez & Kayla Meza

Theodore Scott Lao Son of Jeddy & Sarita Lao

Mikayla Elise Segismundo Maralit Daughter of John Michael & Regine Madison Maralit

Grayson Matthew Ibarra Son of Gabriel Ibarra & Samantha Navarro

Elsie Annalee Keith Daughter of Michael & Katherine Keith

Carlos Munguia Son of Carlos & SanJuana Munguia

Nixon Jay Flores Son of Michael Flores & Alejandra Rodriguez

Derek Brian Fukutomi Son of Aaron & Christina Fukutomi

**Zoey Gutierrez** Daughter of Alexis & Bertha Gutierrez

Madeline Reiko Luce Daugther of Zachary & Danielle Luce

Axel Jesus Barranco Son of Victor Barranco & Theresa Araiza

Aziel Barranco Son of Victor Barranco & Theresa Araiza

Samantha Carbajal Daughter of Ramiro Carbajal & Griselda Arroyo

Grayson Theodore Labbé Son of Jamal & Cynthia Labbé













Let's welcome the newest members of one of the largest altar server ministries in the archdiocese and express our heartfelt gratitude to their parents and families!

All servers must be present. This is our tradition.

Visit www.padreserra.org/altar-servers



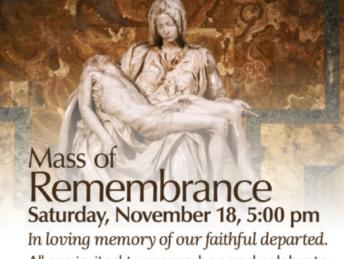
# Laughter is the Best Medicine

Camarillo Catholic Seniors

## Wednesday, November 15 10:00 am, Serra Center

Warren Murray returns to tickle our funny bones with hysterical anecdotes, jokes and hilarious stories of his "uncles" George Burns, Milton Berle, and many other comedy legends. An acclaimed script writer for such shows as All In the Family and Happy Days, Murray had a second career as a Crystal Apple Award-winning teacher and will share about his time in the classroom. An octogenarian, Warren shares his outrageously laughable observations and memories with you while he can still remember them.

Contact Jan Pirkl, seniors@padreserra.org Visit www.padreserra.org/seniors



All are invited to remember and celebrate

the lives of those who have gone before us to live in the light of the Lord.

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

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

www.padreserra.org/remembrance

## Christmas Poinsettias & Cards

November 11, 12 and 18, 19 In the courtyard

Brighten your home this season!

Pre-order your beautiful locally grown poinsettias and support moms & babies through Life Centers of Ventura County and local agricultural jobs.

Limited quantity so order early.

Pick up and buy while supplies last on December 2 - 3.

\$15/each, \$72/six plants, or order today online at www.padreserra.org/knights

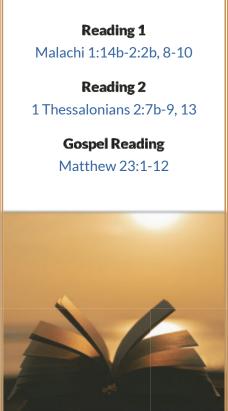
Keep Christ in Christmas holiday greeting cards will also be available.

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#### Glory to God (Mass of St. Ann)



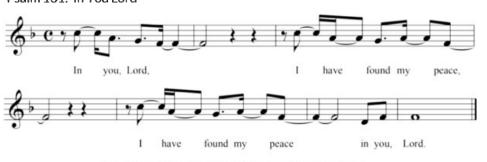
Text © 2010, ICEL Ed Bolduc Music © 2011, WLP We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

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.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 131: In You Lord



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#### **Trevor Thomson**

Ed Bolduc

O Lord my heart is not proud, nor are my eyes haughty I busy not myself with great things, nor things too sublime for me.

I have stilled, I have quieted my soul O Lord. Like a little child on his mother's lap so is my soul within me.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Easter Alleluia

Marty Haugen

You have but
one Father
in heaven
and one master,
the Christ.

Matthew 23:9b. 10b



Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950 Tune: O FILII ET FILIAE, 10 10 10 with alleluias; adapt. by Marty Haugen, b.1950 © 1986, GIA Publications, Inc.

#### INTERCESSION RESPONSE

In Memory We Hold You

**Bob Hurd** 

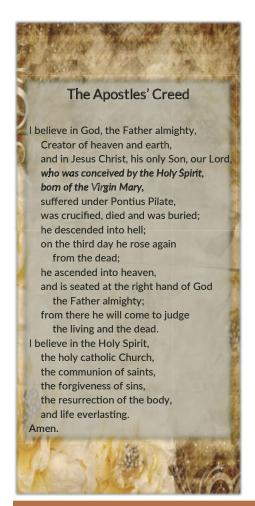


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#### PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

O God, You Search Me

Bernadette Farrell, Gather #581





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**Bob Hurd** 



"Mass of the Incarnate Word"

May the Lord accept
the sacrifice at your hands.
for the praise and glory of
His Name.

for our good and the good of all His holy Church.



Holy, Holy, Holy Ho Lord God of Ho - Iy, Но ly hosts. Heav - en and earth are of your Ho - san in the high ho - san Blessed is blessed is he he, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san na,

Memorial Acclamation

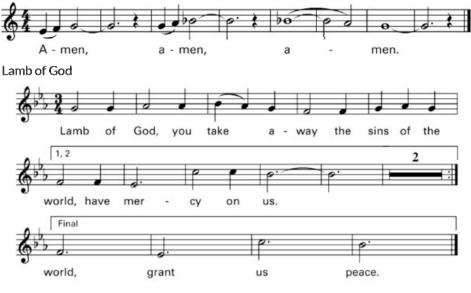
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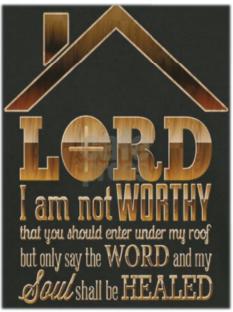


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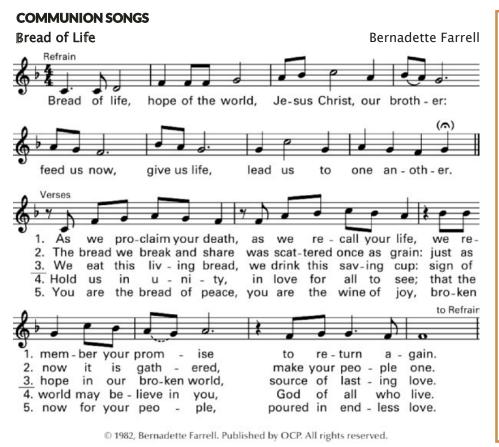
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Matthew 8:8



The Pure In Heart

Patrick Hawes

#### God of Wonders

Marc Byrd & Steve Hindalong

Lord of all creation Of water, earth and sky The heavens are Your tabernacle Glory to the Lord on high

God of wonders beyond our galaxy You are holy, holy The universe declares Your majesty You are holy, holy Lord of heaven and earth; Lord of heaven and earth

Early in the morning I will celebrate the light And as I stumble in the darkness I will call Your name by night

God of wonders beyond our galaxy...

Hallelujah! to the Lord of heaven and earth.

# Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

#### **SENDING FORTH**

#### Canticle of the Turning

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great.

And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.

You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn.

So from east to west shall my name be blest.

Could the world be about to turn?

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
You show your might, put the strong
To flight, for the world is about to turn.



Text: Luke 1:46-58; Rory Cooney, b.1952 Tune: STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN; Irish traditional; arr. by Rory Cooney, b.1952 © 1990, GIA Publications, Inc.



## **Genuine Discipleship**

Dear friends on the journey,

For several weeks now our gospels have been focused on Jesus' ministry in Judea and Jerusalem. His teachings and miracles have created considerable tension with the Jewish religious leaders who feel challenged by Jesus' authority. Jesus has not backed down to this point and in today's gospel, he calls out the scribes and Pharisees about their own preaching that is not backed up by their practice. They seem to have the proverbial "do as I say, not as I do" attitude.

As important as those words were then, they are equally important for us today. Jesus challenges us to gauge our own attitude of "walking the talk." He invites us to reflect on our religious integrity by asking ourselves: Do my words and actions match up? In what area of my life might I be a hypocrite, preaching but not acting accordingly? Am I condemning those who cast judgment on others all the while judging my next-door neighbor's yard? Am I quick to point out others who complain and in the next breath grumble about a relative's behavior? There's the old joke about Catholics who have just gone to Mass and navigate the parking lot like the devil. Am I outwardly appearing to be a good Christian but lack the true motivation? Or am I simply unaware that a deeper relationship can exist with God? I call this being religious but not spiritual. I realized this was my early Catholic faith experience, until about twelve years ago when I had an "aha" moment that I was "doing" all the right things but lacked a true personal relationship with God.

In reality, it happens to all of us but, as Christian disciples, we are called to a higher standard, to move beyond just following the commandments, rules, and checking the boxes, nor concerning ourselves with saying the right words, wearing the tassels, and having the titles. Living out our faith goes beyond just words or rituals.

Living out our faith is about how we connect with others and lead by example. Today's second reading from I Thessalonians gives us a model to live out and share our faith through loving relationships, like a mother's care for her children, through heartfelt, genuine connections with others. Discipleship is not a one-time agreement. Rather it is a life of humble servanthood, a lifelong journey of mini conversions and aha moments that stretch us, that bring about spiritual growth, and that deepen our personal relationship with God. Discipleship is the ongoing review and adjustment of our lives to align ourselves with Jesus' teachings and example.

That strengthened relationship with God will then be authentically reflected in our words, actions, and relationships. True faith shines in our actions, our care of one another, and our commitment to living by the values we profess.

Siempre Adelante,

Juesa Rungon

Teresa Runyon Pastoral Associate



#### **Family**

#### La Posada ~ December 4

Visit www.padreserra.org/posada

#### Children

Age 3 to Grade 8.

#### Cherubs Music Program ~ We are back!

For kids in Preschool through Grade 2. Did you know that the most critical age for a child's music development is from birth to age 9? Preregistration is required. Please email Lisa at cherubs@padreserra.org for more information. Visit www.padreserra.org/cherubs

#### Stay and Play ~ November 5, 12 and December 3, 10, 17

Ms. Soraya and helpers will lovingly care for your little one (12-36 months) while you attend Mass. Stop by to see all the toys and fun. You are welcome to stay to be sure your toddler is settled. No-cost service. Sundays during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. Gather in Carmel rooms.



#### Little Church ~ November 5, 12 and December 3, 10, 17

Age 3 through Kindergarten. Sunday preschool during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. Children learn so much! From the Sign of the Cross to the Bible stories, songs, and more. It's super fun to make friends and be at Church on Sundays! Registrations for the new program year are now open; visit www.padreserra.org/registration. For more information, contact soraya@padreserra.org

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ Offered during 11:00 am Mass

Grades 1 - 5. Children are invited to listen to the readings and Gospel, read and explained at their level. No preregistration is required. Leaders Needed! No Experience is Necessary; contact tere@padreserra.org for more information.

#### Spark! ~ November 6 and 8

Grades 1 - 5. This week, the children will learn about our "Longing for the Living God." For more information, contact jennifer@padreserra.org or christine@padreserra.org

#### Children's & Middle School Choir ~ Registration is open!

All children grades 3 to 8 are invited! No experience is necessary. Weekly rehearsals, every Wednesday, 5:00 pm. For more info, visit www.padreserra.org/cmsc

#### Three:Sixteen ~ November 8

Middle school ministry ~ Grades 6, 7, and 8. This week, the children will learn about our "Longing for the Living God." Kids gather from 6:45 to 8:00 pm in the Carmel rooms. For more information, please get in touch with tere@padreserra.org

#### **High School**

Everyone from 14 to 18 is welcome!

#### 4:12 ~ Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome!

Youth group gatherings return! Join Brett and peer leaders for fun and fellowship on Wednesdays from 7:30 - 9:00 pm in San Juan Capistrano rooms. Follow us on Instagram @pspyouth for more information, or contact brett@padreserra.org

#### Confirmation Y1 ~ November 5

We will gather for liturgy at 11:00 am, followed by lunch, and conclude with our sessions in the Serra Center. Contact youth@padreserra.org for more information.

#### Confirmation Y2 ~ Weekly Ministry

If you have not yet gotten started or have any questions regarding sessions, please get in touch with youth@padreserra.org or tere@padreserra.org

#### **Peer Leaders**

Every confirmed teen and young adult is welcome!

#### Peer Leaders ~ November 16

Peer leaders help engage our youth and Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly confirmation sessions, annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. We usually meet on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm. If you are confirmed, 14 to 39 years old, and interested in joining, contact brett@padreserra.org. To sign up, scan the QR Code or visit www.padreserra.org/peer-leaders

#### Young Adults

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

#### Bible Study and More ~ November 15

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

#### **Adults**

#### Bible Faith Share ~ November 6, 13, 20, 27

Faith sharing on Sunday's readings, Mondays 8:45 - 9:45 am, San Juan Capistrano room. Sherry Reynolds sherryr2256@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

#### Bible Study ~ November 7, 14, 21, 28

Dr. Ford leads a weekly study of the upcoming Sunday readings, which helps us better understand scripture, the Gospel message, and how it applies to our lives. Resource books are available for purchase, or bring your Bible or smart device. 8:30 - 9:30 am, Serra Center. Contact Paul Ford paulfford@stjohnsem.edu



#### Healing from Divorce ~ November 7, 21

A support group for those 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. First and third Tuesday of the month, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Zoom. Cynthia cynthia@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/divorce

#### Cancer Support Group ~ November 9

We provide hope, empowerment, love, and prayer in a comforting atmosphere of encouragement. It is a safe environment for people touched by cancer to connect with others in a productive and spiritual way. Second Thursday, 6:30 - 8:00 pm, San Fernando room. Contact teresa@padeserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/cancer

#### **Chronic Pain Support Group ~ November 13**

Living (or suffering) with chronic pain is a challenge that can strain both spirits and relationships, but that journey can be lightened by those who understand. Join us as we share our stories, resources, and other life tips. We offer one another comfort, hope, and support, journeying toward God's loving peace. Second Monday, 10:30 am. Marcia mjgalles@gmail.com or Dave dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/chronic-pain

#### Giving

#### **Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

St. John's Pleasant Valley Hospital is in need of Eucharistic Ministers to bring communion to patients on Wednesdays and Fridays. Current qualified ministers are encouraged. Orientation and training provided. Questions: Liz Leung eksleung@aol.com

#### Other Notes



#### **Phishing Alert**

Scammers posing as Fr. Patrick are sending fraudulent emails and texts. Perpetrators use various techniques to gain your trust and may provide specific instructions, which, if followed, could result in monetary loss. Do Not Become a Victim. Fr. Patrick, or any other member of Padre Serra Parish, will never request money from any parishioner by email or text. Please do not email or text these individuals, divulge personal information, or provide money/credit card/gift card payments. When in doubt, contact us to authenticate the text message. Please forward any questionable emails/text screenshots claiming to be from Fr. Patrick to gaby@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/scams

#### Faith Sharing Question

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table

Matthew 23:1-12 ~ True discipleship is based on conversion.

Jesus criticizes the religious leaders for not practicing what they preach. This theme highlights the importance of congruency between one's words and actions in religious life. Do I practice what I preach? Am I receptive to God's message in my life, allowing it to affect me deeply? How can I avoid seeking material gain or praise in my efforts to share my faith?

#### **Prayer Life**

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

Mary Ahearn, Blanca Alegría de Rivera, Hector Alvarado, Angela Aparicio, Calvin Apodaca, Joaquin Cardonez, Michelle Cervantes, Fermin Cortes, Tere Delgado, Ben Fisco, Bobby Floyd Jr., Bobby Floyd III, Rita Fonseca, Joanie Forte, Jose Galvan, Tim Graf, Wendy Grasso, Jasna Haller, Barbara Humphrey, Kate Johnson, Amber Lewing, Matthew Lewing, Sheila Lewing-Floyd, Max Lippel, Maria Maldonado, Dave McDonnell, Bob McNally, Amy Moeller, Mary Mullen, Binh Ninh, Maria Dave Proett, Steve Ridley, Mike Robles, Laurie Schulze, Dorothy Simmons, Kimberly Valentine, Terri Vosper and Jerry Zins Sr. (Names are refreshed monthly.)

#### Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently:
Nita Augustin, RIP
Bob Dickie, RIP
Mary Ruth Sanchez, RIP
May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

#### Funerals

- Mary Castillo ~ November 4, 10:00 am
- Christine Kennedy ~ November 7, 10:00 am
- Patricia Andrus ~ November 10, 11:00 am
- Edward Mora ~ November 18, 10:00 am

For more information, visit www.padreserra.org/funerals

#### **Becoming Catholic**

#### Various Paths to Becoming Catholic

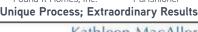
The process of becoming a Catholic is not one-size-fits-all. It always considers each person's unique background, circumstances, and needs. Have you been thinking about investigating becoming Catholic but have not yet taken the step to email or call the parish? Now is the time to meet Mary to explore the possibilities and create a plan for you. Or perhaps you 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 every other Tuesday evening in a relaxed setting where you can ask all your questions without judgment or pressure to join the Church. Call or email Mary Huebner today for more information: (805) 482·6417 x321 or becomingcatholic@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/becoming-catholic

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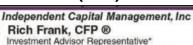
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