

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SURELY NOT
LOSE HIS
REWARD.

MARK 9:41

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

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Our Mission / Nuestra Misión

Our community follows Jesus by praying, loving and serving God.
Nuestra comunidad conoce y sigue a Jesús rezando, amando, y sirviendo a Dios.
St. Anthony, pray for us. / San Antonio, ruega por nosotros.

SACRAMENTS

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm	Eng
Sunday	8:00 am	Eng
	10:00 am	Eng
	12:00 pm	Esp.
	2:00 pm	Esp.
	5:00 pm	Esp.

Daily Mass Times

Daily	8:30 am	Bilingual
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Esp.
Friday	6:30 pm	Bilingual

Confession/Confesión

Saturday 3:30pm to 4:30pm,
Thursday 6:30 pm
or by appointment.

All other Sacraments

Please call the office for more information.

CLERGY

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday
(Lunes, Miércoles, Viernes)

9AM to 12PM and 1PM to 6PM

BULLETIN

Submissions to the Sunday Bulletin

Deadline by noon on Monday, six (6) days prior to the desired Sunday of publication. Send files to parish@stanthonyoakley.com.

WEBSITE

All church ministries are invited to share their upcoming events or news to our website. Send your info to parish@stanthonyoakley.com

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Sunday's Collection—Totals for September 22, 2024

	PLATE	GIVE +
1st Collection	\$8,955.00	\$1,049.03
2nd Collection	\$1,203.00	\$262.42

Thank you for your generous support / Gracias por su generoso apoyo.

Second Collection Schedule

September 22	Maintenance of Padua Hall-Mantenimiento de Padua
September 29	St. Vincent de Paul/ San Vicente de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) St. Anthony Conference

If you need assistance, or like to volunteer or donate, contact the St. Vincent de Paul St. Anthony Conference at 925-325-7424. We provide various forms of assistance which may include food, clothes, furniture, housing assistance, and referrals to other professional agencies. **(Food Pantry) Open on the 2nd and 4th Saturday from 8:30AM to 10:00AM.** / *Si necesita ayuda, o desea ser voluntario o donar, comuníquese con la Conferencia de San Vicente de Paul San Antonio al 925-325-7424. Brindamos diversas formas de asistencia que pueden incluir alimentos, ropa, muebles, asistencia para vivienda y referencias a otras agencias profesionales. (Despensa de alimentos) Abierto el segundo y cuarto sábado de 8:30 am. a 10:00 am.*

We are now on



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Parishioners Registration



English Form

Registracion de Parroquianos



Forma en Español

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

“Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!” (Nm 11:29)

Psalm:

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart. (Ps 19)

Second Reading:

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away. (Jas 5:1-2)

Gospel:

“There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us.” (Mk 9:39-40)

Gospel Meditation

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Maggots, grubs, worms. When I imagine one or many of these nasty slimy buggers living inside my body — unseen, feeding off my flesh, slowly rotting me out — I feel deeply disgusted. If I knew I had a worm, I would do anything to remove the alien invader, and fast. But what if I couldn't ever get it out?

This is precisely the image Jesus uses to describe those who cause others to sin and fail to cut out what leads them to sin. He contrasts the kingdom of God with Gehenna, “where the worm does not die.” If we can stomach it for a moment, there is much wisdom in this nauseating metaphor.

First, sin is always parasitic. It feeds on what is good like a worm in a host. It's not symbiotic or additive, as virtue and love always are. Sin invades, devours, and damages the sinner. Second, sin is always social. No matter how hidden, it quietly eats away at others — usually the most poor and vulnerable, the “little ones,” as the Lord says. How healthy it is for us to acknowledge this! Our gossiping, greed, over-indulgence, lying, pride, laziness, lust for power and reputation, and so on ... they do not add anything to life. They are worms eating away at others and ourselves.

We cut out these filthy parasites through genuine repentance and bold action. Imagine the peace and relief that follows the removal of a sickening worm from your body. How much greater is the peace we enjoy when the spiritual worms are gone for good. We'd never wait to act against physical parasites. Neither should we with the worms of sin.

— *Father John Muir*

(PRACTICING)—CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS *By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

The Angel in the Marble

If you show up to the gates of heaven completely whole, I kind of doubt you'll be let inside.

I know that sounds pretty awful, because what kind of God doesn't want all of you, exactly as you are? “Be yourself,” we tell our kids. “If someone expects you to change to be their friend, you don't want to be that person's friend.”

And sure, all of that is true ... to an extent. But I think if we really analyze our closest friendships, we'll see that we *have* been changed by them. We aren't the same person we were on the day we met our best friend or before we fell in love with our spouse. The good relationships should always change us, form us. They should call us to some higher plateau on the mountain climb that is life. But to be nimble enough for the climb, there will be parts of ourselves that we have to jettison — preconceived notions, prejudices, selfish tendencies, habits that we cling to like a security blanket.

This is how we become who we are meant to be: by discerning what isn't helpful and good in our own nature, and letting it go.

“I saw the angel in the marble,” Michelangelo once said of his artistic process, “and I carved until I set him free.”

Would it not be a terrible tragedy if we all remained shapeless hunks of marble, untouched by the chisels of experience and relationship, thinking ourselves perfect exactly as we are?

God looks at us and he sees the angel hidden in the marble, imprisoned there by the constraints of earthly life: original sin, the weakness of our flesh, the unceasing enticement of the evil one. He sees past what we need to excise, what we need to lop off, what we need to relinquish. He knows we are greatly attached to every part of ourselves, even those parts that lead us to sin.

He sees more than what is. He sees what can be.

“*Cleanse me from my unknown faults!*” — *Psalm 19:13*

Mass Intentions For The Week

Sunday, September 29

8:00 AM Randy Mass †
Stacy Gonzalez (B-day)
10:00 AM Feliberto Marquez †
Ricardo y Maria Martinez (Wedd. Anniv)
12:00 PM For the Community

2:00 PM Joel Lopez †
Gonzalo y Jajahira (Wedd. Aniv)

5:00 PM John A. McHugh
Juan Velasco (B-day)

Monday, September 30

8:30 AM Claudette Guye †
Carmela Castro (Accion de Gracias)

Tuesday, October 1

8:30 AM Sofia Gutierrez †
Carlos Lopez (B-day)

Wednesday, October 2

8:30 AM Isabel Abdon †
Gwendolyn Racelis (Health)
6:30 PM Agustin Viveros Cendejas †
Alondra Caballero (B-day)

Thursday, October 3

8:30 AM Ernesto Mendoza †
Steven Neubanet (b-day)

Friday, October 4

8:30 AM Isaias Melgoza †
6:30 PM Jesus Salvador Catellanoz †

Saturday, October 5

8:30 AM San Miguel Arcangel
5:00 PM Feliberto Marquez †
Linda Elston (B-day)



Please Pray For
Por favor Oremos Por

Esther Gallardo
Jaime & Juana Gomez
Angelo Jace Marayag
Sigfredo Alcaraz Jr.
Jurith Martinez

Johanna Jauregui

Our Men and Women of the military services.

St. Anthony's Prayer List

If you wish to add a loved one who is in need of our prayers, please call the Parish office at 625-2048, Names will be posted for a month.

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"If your foot causes you to sin, cut it off," Jesus says. It's easy to gasp in horror at the thought of going through life deprived of a limb. But our horror should be even greater at the thought of going through life deprived of God's grace.

Observances for the week of September 29, 2024

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday
Monday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday: The Holy Guardian Angels
Friday: St. Francis of Assisi
Saturday: Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
Next Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday through Friday: 9:30am to 6:30pm, Friday: 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm
Scheduling Coordinator: Linda Hipólito (925) 493-0976

EXPOSICIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO

Lunes a Viernes: 9:30 am a 6:30pm, Viernes: 7:00 pm a 11:00 pm
Coordinadora del Horario: Linda Hipólito 925-493-0976

Oración Semanal, Adoración & Meditación

LECTURAS DEL DOMINGO

Primera lectura:

“¿Tenéis celos por mí? ¡Ojalá todo el pueblo del Señor fuese profeta!” (Nm 11,29)

Salmo:

Los preceptos del Señor alegran el corazón. (Sal 19)

Segunda lectura:

Vamos, ricos, llorad y lamentaos por vuestras miserias inminentes. Vuestras riquezas se han podrido. (St 5,1-2)

Evangelio:

“Nadie que haga un milagro en mi nombre podrá al mismo tiempo hablar mal de mí. Porque el que no está contra nosotros, está a nuestro favor.” (Mc 9,39-40)

Meditación del Evangelio

26º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Gusanos, larvas, lombrices. Cuando imagino a uno o muchos de estos bichos repugnantes y viscosos viviendo dentro de mi cuerpo —sin ser vistos, alimentándose de mi carne, pudriéndose lentamente— siento un profundo asco. Si supiera que tengo un gusano, haría cualquier cosa para eliminar al invasor alienígena, y rápido. Pero ¿y si nunca pudiera sacarlo?

Esta es precisamente la imagen que Jesús usa para describir a quienes hacen que otros pequen y no eliminan lo que los lleva a pecar. Contrasta el reino de Dios con la Gehena, “donde el gusano no muere”. Si podemos soportarlo por un momento, hay mucha sabiduría en esta repugnante metáfora.

En primer lugar, el pecado siempre es parasitario. Se alimenta de lo que es bueno como un gusano en un huésped. No es simbiótico ni aditivo, como siempre lo son la virtud y el amor. El pecado invade, devora y daña al pecador. En segundo lugar, el pecado siempre es social. No importa cuán escondido esté, silenciosamente corroe a los demás, generalmente a los más pobres y vulnerables, los “pequeños”, como dice el Señor. ¡Qué saludable es para nosotros reconocer esto! Nuestros chismes, avaricia, excesos, mentiras, orgullo, pereza, ansia de poder y reputación, etc., no agregan nada a la vida. Son gusanos que corroen a los demás y a nosotros mismos.

Eliminamos estos parásitos inmundos mediante un arrepentimiento genuino y una acción audaz. Imagine la paz y el alivio que sigue a la eliminación de un gusano repugnante de su cuerpo. ¡Cuánto mayor es la paz que disfrutamos cuando los gusanos espirituales se han ido para siempre! Nunca esperaríamos para actuar contra los parásitos físicos. Tampoco deberíamos hacerlo con los gusanos del pecado.

— Padre John Muir

CATOLICA - (PRACTICANTE) RECONOCE A DIOS EN TUS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

Por Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

El Ángel en el Mármol

Si llegas a las puertas del cielo completamente sano, dudo que te dejen entrar.

Sé que suena bastante horrible, porque ¿qué clase de Dios no los quiere a todos ustedes, exactamente como son? “Sé tú mismo,” les decimos a nuestros hijos. “Si alguien espera que cambies para ser su amigo, no querrás ser amigo de esa persona.”

Y claro, todo eso es cierto... hasta cierto punto. Pero creo que, si realmente analizamos nuestras amistades más cercanas, veremos que ellas *nos han* cambiado. No somos la misma persona que éramos el día que conocimos a nuestro mejor amigo o antes de enamorarnos de nuestro cónyuge. Las buenas relaciones siempre deben cambiarnos, formarnos. Deberían llamarnos a alguna meseta más alta en la escalada de la montaña que es la vida. Pero para ser lo suficientemente ágiles para ascender, habrá partes de nosotros mismos que tendremos que desechar: nociones preconcebidas, prejuicios, tendencias egoístas, hábitos a los que nos aferramos como a una manta de seguridad.

Así es como nos convertimos en quienes debemos ser: discerniendo lo que no es útil ni bueno en nuestra propia naturaleza y dejándolo ir.

“Vi al ángel en el mármol,” dijo una vez Miguel Ángel sobre su proceso artístico, “y tallé hasta dejarlo libre.” ¿No sería una tragedia terrible si todos siguiéramos siendo pedazos de mármol informes, intocados por los cinceles de la experiencia y las relaciones, pensando que somos perfectos exactamente como somos?

Dios nos mira y ve al ángel escondido en el mármol, aprisionado allí por las limitaciones de la vida terrena: el pecado original, la debilidad de nuestra carne, la incesante seducción del maligno. Él ve más allá de lo que debemos eliminar, de lo que debemos cortar, de lo que debemos renunciar. Él sabe que estamos muy apegados a cada parte de nosotros mismos, incluso a aquellas partes que nos llevan al pecado. Él ve más de lo que es. Él ve lo que puede ser.

“¡Límpiame de mis faltas desconocidas!” — Salmo 19:13

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BY FR. JUAN CARLOS PONCE

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Blessing of the Animales
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Saturday/Sabado

10/5/24

9:15 am

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971 O'Hara Ave. Oakley, CA 94561

Friday October 11, 2024

9am – 3pm



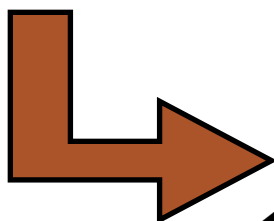
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KID'S CORNER



GOSPEL

The disciples started to feel proud because they thought they were the "in" group of friends of Jesus. One day they saw a complete stranger working powerful miracles in the name of Jesus. The disciples told the stranger to stop because he was not part of their special group. The disciples should have encouraged him instead.

PRAYER

Dear God, help me to work side-by-side with other people who love Jesus, no matter who they are.


MISSION

Pray for missionaries around the world who teach others about Jesus.

Find 10 differences.



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La Escuela Bíblica de San Jerónimo Apóstoles de la Palabra les hace la invitación a todos a ser parte de esta escuela.

Todos los jueves a las 7 pm en Padua Salón 5.

Venga y conozca mas de Dios por medio de Su Palabra!!

Para mas Información puede contactarse con: Yulma Diaz al (925) 470-9367



Daily Rosary/ Rosario Diario
 Only through live FB / Solo en vivo por FB **6:30 pm.**
 M., W. —English,
 Martes, Jueves, y Sábado—Esp.
 Viernes/Friday—Bilingüe/Bilingüe.
 Sunday/Domingo—Before Mass/Antes de Misa.

Join the Columbiettes
 An organization of Catholic women, who are affiliated with the Knights of Columbus. They support different charities and participate in the community while working collectively with our Brother Knights to promote Faith and unity.
 Call Patty Loosli at (925) 348-6064

Únete a las Columbiettes
 Una organización de mujeres católicas, que son afiliado a los Caballeros de Colón. Ellos Apoyan a diferentes organizaciones benéficas y participant en la comunidad mientras trabajan colectivamente con nuestros Hermanos Caballeros para promover la Fe y la unidad.
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Holy Family Ministry
 Join us every 1st and 3rd Thursday of Every Month.
 Location: 1st Thursday at St. Anthony Parish Hall
 3rd Thursday via Zoom.
 Time: 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Please join our Mailing List at:
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Throughout the year we will also plan fun family activities so visit our page for updates!

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- Liturgy
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- Marriage & Family Life Ministries
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- Youth Retreat Center
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- Young Adult Ministries
- Children & Youth Ministries
- Stewardship Education

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*Call the Parish Office,
(925) 625-2048*

*for more program information
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