Sunday, September 27

World Day of Migrants and Refugees / Priesthood Sunday / 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

*Tentative Schedule Based on Air Quality/COVID 19 Guidelines: Check the website for updates*

**MASS**

**Monday-Friday | Lunes-Viernes**
7:30 am—Livestream Only

**Saturday/Sábado:**
NO VIGIL MASS

**Sunday/Domingo:**

*English:*
7:30 am—Jazz Alley
11:00 am—Livestream Only

*Spanish | Español:*
9:00 am—Jazz Alley
1:00 pm—Livestream Only

*Chinese:*
3:00 pm—Livestream Only

**RECONCILIATION**

**Monday-Friday:**
11:30 am to 12:00 noon

**Saturday:**
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

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“John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.”

Matthew 21:32
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Inspire: Catholic Viewpoint
CATHOLIC VIEWPOINT,
FAITH, HOPE and LOVE
hosted by Fr. Michael Kiernan.
Link on the Cathedral website under “Resources”.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Sunday 9/27 World Day of Migrants and Refugees/Priesthood Sunday
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Monday 9/28
St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs
Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday, 9/29
Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday, 9/30
St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor
Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday, 10/1
Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor
Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday, 10/2
The Holy Guardian Angels
Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 10-11 [11]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday, 10/3
Memorial of the Bl. Virgin Mary
Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 [135]/Lk 10:17-24

Sunday 10/4
Respect Life Sunday
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
Wendy Nichols S.I.; People of the Parish S.I.; The Mejia Family S.I.; Anthony Ray Mejia S.I.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
Joseph Minh +; Dumalig Family S.I.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Patricia & Joe Tamarit S.I.; John Kaiser +

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Mike & Mary Allan S.I.; Joseph Nghi +

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1
Father Michael O’Reilly S.I.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2
Maria Ngoc Han S.I.

Want to become Catholic or know someone who should be? Join the RCIA! RCIA@cathedralsacramento.org
I did not anticipate that a random summer thunderstorm would change my community for a month and counting. On August 17th, a couple of fires started due to lightning strikes a few miles away from my small town in Northern California. These seemingly small fires grew and shortly after a large part of my town was experiencing mandatory evacuations from their home.

These fires continued to grow, connecting with each other to create the North Complex and suffocating the town with smoke, resulting in record breaking hazardous air quality. About 3 weeks later the blanket of smoke left but the wind arrived. On the night of Labor Day, our town lost power for two days. It was refreshing to finally see blue sky, but the wind threatened to fuel the current fires as well as heightened the possibility of new ones to ignite.

We looked forward to the power potentially coming back on Wednesday night yet did not realize that we’d have yet another problem. That morning we received an advisory evacuation notice. It didn’t feel real as we sprung into action and packed up everything we could from photos on the wall and decades of photo albums to our clothes and toiletries. We did not know when we would have to leave our home, but we quickly prepared.

It’s easy to immediately blame God in these times of crisis and this specific week felt like each day fell into chaos. When we received that evacuation warning, we were still without power and with no certainty of when it would come back on. I felt frustrated thinking that just when we might get our power back on and our lives would feel somewhat normal again (or as normal as one can feel in this pandemic), we might have to evacuate our home. All I wanted was for everything to stop. I wanted to have our power back on, smoke gone from the air, and to take a hot shower.

I am so grateful that I had the Young Adults during this time. They offered prayers and support as I went through one of the craziest weeks of my life. I found that by being a part of this community, I didn’t turn from God but came closer to Him, asking for His guidance, protection, and peace. My prayers were answered and I did feel peace through it all. Everything was out of my control, but in God’s hands and that is exactly what I needed to remember. When everything felt like it was crumbling down around me, I looked up to Him and found peace and protection. The hardworking firefighters established a controlled edge near my neighborhood and we were not forced to evacuate. Our power came back on and my family was able to rest easy believing that we were going to be okay. Even in the uncertainty, I felt peace and knew that whatever happened was in God’s control, not mine. Letting go of the need to control and the fear of the uncertainty was the most liberating experience and was exactly what I needed to do to be closer to our Lord.

-W Kendall Hicks

WATER FOR ALL

The BBL Ministry & Cathedral Young Adults Feeding team are having a WATER DRIVE during September. Please help by donating cases of water for our unhoused friends. Collections will take place on Sundays before & after the outdoor Masses.
This week’s Gospel speaks to us of a parable about two sons who hear the father’s request to get involved in the family vineyard. One says “yes” and one says “no”. But the one who agrees to work never actually does and the one who refuses actually goes out and works. The point of the parable is to reveal that the people who appear to ignore the Father are the ones who are actually listening to Him and obeying Him.

These days, the concern may not be whether we are obeying the Father’s commands but whether we are hearing His voice at all. The Father is asking each one of us to work in His vineyard, His Church. During this time, it can be hard to figure out how you might be able to get more involved. September is traditionally the month we present our Ministry Fair. Because of Covid-19, our Ministry Fair is not happening, or at least, not this month. Still, this is an important time for each of us to pray about how we can stay involved in helping the Cathedral Parish continue our ministry in downtown Sacramento.

I thank all of you who have continued to support the parish financially during this time and encourage anyone who has missed giving their Sunday offering to understand how important your sacrifice is, both for the good of the parish and your own spiritual journey. As well, many ministries have continued to function during this time. This includes the Pastoral and Finance Councils, the teams who set up for Mass outside, do contact tracing, and camera work, religious education, bulletin and website information, Brown Bag Lunch ministry and many others. Consider reaching out to see if you might be of help in these ministries. However, praying for the parish will always be the most significant “work” we can accomplish in God’s vineyard. Please pray for our world and country, for an end to abortion, for unity amongst all God’s children, for an embrace of all life and a rejection of fear and all that leads to darkness and evil. Our prayers respond to the Father’s call and reveal our love for both the Father and His church. May God continue to bless you and your families.

Fr. Michael

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING #1: Life and Dignity of the Human Person

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and euthanasia. The value of human life is being threatened by cloning, embryonic stem cell research, and the use of the death penalty. The intentional targeting of civilians in war or terrorist attacks is always wrong. Catholic teaching also calls on us to work to avoid war. Nations must protect the right to life by finding increasingly effective ways to prevent conflicts and resolve them by peaceful means. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.
El evangelio de esta semana nos habla de una parábola sobre dos hijos que escuchan la petición del padre de involucrarse en el viñedo familiar. Uno dice "sí" y otro dice "no". Pero el que acepta trabajar nunca lo hace y el que se niega sale y trabaja. El objetivo de la parábola es revelar que las personas que parecen ignorar al Padre son las que realmente lo escuchan y lo obedecen.

En estos días, la preocupación puede no ser si estamos obedeciendo los mandamientos del Padre, sino si estamos escuchando Su voz. El Padre nos pide a cada uno de nosotros que trabajemos en Su viña, Su Iglesia. Durante este tiempo, puede ser difícil averiguar cómo podría involucrarse más. Septiembre es tradicionalmente el mes en que presentamos nuestra Feria del Ministerio. Debido a Covid-19, nuestra Feria de Ministerios no se llevará a cabo, o al menos no este mes. Aún así, este es un momento importante para que cada uno de nosotros ore sobre cómo podemos mantenernos involucrados en ayudar a la Parroquia de la Catedral a continuar nuestro ministerio en el centro de Sacramento.

Les agradezco a todos los que continúan apoyando económicamente a la parroquia durante este tiempo y ánimo a todos los que han fallado dar la ofrenda dominical para que comprendan lo importante que es su sacrificio, tanto por el bien de la parroquia como por su propio camino espiritual. Además, muchos ministerios han seguido funcionando durante este tiempo. Esto incluye los Consejos Pastorales y Financieros, los equipos que se preparan para la Misa al aire libre, hacen seguimiento de contactos y trabajo de cámara, educación religiosa, información de boletines y sitios de internet, ministerio Brown Bag Lunch y muchos otros. Considere ayudar en uno de estos ministerios. Sin embargo, orar por la parroquia siempre será el "trabajo" más importante que podamos lograr en la viña de Dios. Oren por nuestro mundo y nuestro país, por el fin del aborto, por la unidad entre todos los hijos de Dios, y para acoger la vida y un rechazo al miedo y todo lo que conduce a la oscuridad y al mal. Que nuestras oraciones respondan al llamado del Padre y revelemos nuestro amor tanto por el Padre como por Su iglesia. Que Dios continúe bendiciéndonos a ustedes y a sus familias.

Padre Miguel

**ENSEÑANZA SOCIAL CATÓLICA #1:**
La Vida y La Dignidad de la Persona

La Iglesia Católica proclama que la vida humana es sagrada y que la dignidad de la persona es la base de una visión moral para la sociedad. Esta creencia es el fundamento de todos los principios de nuestra enseñanza social. En nuestra sociedad, la vida humana está bajo el ataque directo del aborto y la eutanasia. La vida humana está amenazada por la clonación, las investigaciones sobre las células madre embrionarias y por la aplicación de la pena de muerte. El poner intencionalmente la mira en la población civil durante una guerra o un ataque terrorista siempre está mal. La enseñanza católica nos llama siempre a hacer todo lo posible para evitar una guerra. Las naciones deben proteger el derecho a la vida encontrando maneras eficaces para evitar los conflictos y para resolverlos por medios pacíficos. Creemos que toda persona tiene un valor inestimable, que las personas son más importantes que las cosas y que la medida de cada institución se basa en si amenaza o acrecienta la vida y la dignidad de la persona humana.
From September 23 through November 1, 2020, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer, vigil and fasting for an end to abortion. **You are invited to stand and peacefully pray with us during a 40-day vigil in front of FPA Abortion Clinic at 2322 Butano Dr., Sacramento, and to help spread the word about this important community outreach.** We will be a presence Monday through Friday, from 8:00am to 6p.m. For more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Liliana Balderrama (916) 912-8256 or Veronica Avina (916) 205-0713 or go to 40daysforlife.com/sacramento.

**CHRISTIAN BROTHERS TO SUPPORT THE BBL!**

All are invited to participate in the first Christian Brothers High School (CBHS) Dropoff Drive to benefit the Cathedral Brown Bag Lunch (BBL) Ministry!

**Saturday, October 3, 2020**
9:00 am until Noon
Christian Brothers High School
4315 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd
Sacramento, CA  95820

For details of how you can help, go to: www.cathedralsacramento.org/copy-of-donate

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**DIVINE MERCY SUMMIT**

**OCTOBER 3-5, 2020**
A TIME HAS COME FOR A MOVEMENT OF RADICAL TRUST IN JESUS AND DEVOTION TO HIS MOST UNFATHOMABLE MERCY.

www.divinemercysummit.com

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**HELP CHRIISTSANS IN THE HOLY LAND**

October 3/4
**Special Collection: for the Holy Land**

Join us in praying for our nation
Annual Rosary Rally
Saturday, October 10— 12:00 noon
Starting in front of the Cathedral, near K street

Contact Marlene:  916-628-6775

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Registration 2020-2021
Online Registration for Family Faith Formation began. See the Cathedral website for details. See above link.
Sessions Begin First Week of October.

The beginning of our catechetical year is a little behind due to the Sacramental preparation, so our First Sessions for this Year will launch online the first Week of October! Watch your email this week for confirmation of your registration and a link for our first session. Thank you for your patience!

Inscripción 2020-2021
La inscripción en línea para la formación de fe familiar comenzada. Vea el sitio web de la Catedral para más detalles. Las clases comienzan la primera semana de octubre.

El comienzo de nuestro año catequético está un poco atrasado debido a la preparación sacramental, así que nuestras primeras sesiones de este año se lanzarán en línea la primera semana de octubre! Mire su correo electrónico esta semana para confirmar su registro y un enlace para nuestra primera sesión. ¡Gracias por su paciencia!

RCIA for Youth
All families with children older than six and in need of baptism—or if your child is continuing in the RCIA—please register for family faith formation so we can update your information. Sessions for them begin in October.

RCIA for Adults
SUN 09.13: online BOW - 11:30AM
MON 09.14: RCIA online - 7:00PM

New Sessions for inquirers begins Monday, September 14th, 7PM. Contact us for more information: RCIA@cathedralsacramento.org

Are you thinking about becoming Catholic and don’t know where to start? Complete the RCIA registration on the Faith Formation Page of the Parish Website.

Families of those children who were scheduled to receive the Sacrament of 1st Communion in Spring 2020. Please see below the Schedule for Retreat 1st Communion.

GROUP 3
Retreat - Starts week of Sept. 21
First Check-In - September 25
1st Communion - OCT 10 - 9AM

GROUP 4
Retreat - Starts week of Sept. 21
First Check-In - September 25
1st Communion - OCT 10 - 11AM

GROUP 5
Retreat - May 2021
1st Communion - May 2021
Is It the Thought That Counts?

I can remember times when I received a gift that I would not have chosen for myself. At those times I certainly thought to myself that “it was the thought that counts.” I was happy that the gift-giver thought of me at all. Then there have been times when my children have not given me a gift and then chose to tell me all about what they were going to give me. They would then follow it up by saying, “it was the thought that really counts.” Really?! I don’t think so. I could think of sending my wife on a cruise, but that is not in any way the same as going on the cruise. I think there are times when all of us think we are more generous than we are, simply because we were thinking about being generous.

This way of thinking can be dangerous. Jesus teaches us to say what we mean and mean what we say. The intentional-ity of our actions is important, but intentionality without action is meaningless. How we act and what we give serves as evidence of our intentions and indicates where our heart truly lies. If we fool ourselves into thinking we are someone we are not, it can become difficult to see the truth. We need to look for the fruit in our lives. We need to make sure our desires and thoughts are moving us to act. You know that other saying about intentions, don’t you? Don’t pave the road to a place no one wants to end up with your intentions. Instead, let your intentions and actions lead others to another place where Jesus can be found.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
The HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS
Until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, Masses are broadcast daily via livestream on our Facebook and YouTube channels. See bulletin cover for details.

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION (Covid schedule)
Mon—Wed—Thu: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
Friday: 11:30 am to 12:00 pm
Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 pm

ANKING OF THE SICK
Make an appointment by calling the parish office.

MATRIMONY
To celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at the Cathedral, contact Titi Kila at tkila@cathedralsacramento.org.

CONVALIDATION of MARRIAGE
If you would like your civil marriage blessed in the Catholic Church, or if you have been together for a number of years and would like to be married in the Church, contact Deacon John at extension 11, or jgisla@cathedralsacramento.org.

BAPTISM
Registration is required to schedule a baptism of children (6 years of age or younger). Contact Deacon John at the Parish Office. Baptisms are scheduled:
3rd Saturday of each month, 9 am (English), y 4to Sabado del mes, 9 am (Espanol).
For anyone six years or older, contact Sr. Lisa Marie.

HOLY EUCHARIST
Following at least two years of faith formation, and signs of readiness, Children and Teens prepare for the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist through a series of workshops for immediate preparation for the Sacrament. Adults prepare for the Sacrament through the RCIA. Contact Sister Lisa Marie for details.

CONFIRMATION
The diocese admits young people in eighth grade or older for the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you are a teen or adult, contact Sister Lisa Marie to register.

HOLY ORDERS
Priests and deacons are ordained to perform ministerial roles in the community. To know more about the priesthood and/or deaconate, contact Fr. Hernandez.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION
The Diocese requires all engaged couples to prepare for their union with a marriage preparation program no less than two months before the date of their wedding. Contact Deacon Omar & Janet Bardales at matrimonyprep@att.net or 916-427-9160.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION AND EDUCATION
English and Spanish Online
The Cathedral offers weekly encounters for families to grow in faith together. This year we will study the Creed, taking a tenant each month and learn how to live it through weekly activities.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults/Children (RCIA)
Adults: Mondays, 7 pm
Children and Teens: Follow Family Program Online

RCIA is for those wanting to explore the Catholic faith in a community of prayer, scripture and weekly lessons. We also help prepare for their full initiation into the life of the Church through the Sacraments. For more information, Sister Lisa Marie Doty, FdCC at 916-444-5364, or lmdoty@cathedralsacramento.org.

INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION
No registration is required. Classes are held:
- 1st Thursday of the Month, 7 pm (English)
- 2do Jueves del mes, 7 pm (Espanol)

CATECHIST PREPARATION
 Desire to help us pass on the faith to adults and children? Complete your application today at: https://is.gd/cathedralvolunteer

MATRIMONY
To celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at the Cathedral, contact Titi Kila at tkila@cathedralsacramento.org.
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FORMATION AND CATECHESIS
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for ages 3+, visit youngsheep.org, or call 916-910-3435
Faith Formation and Education / Catechists
Sr Lisa Marie Doty, lmdoty@cathedralsacramento.org
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