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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

September 10, 2023

Mass Times

MONDAY - FRIDAY

7:30AM Mass

SATURDAY

4:00PM

(1st Saturday) 7:30AM

SUNDAY

7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM

1PM (Spanish)

5PM (LifeTeen)

Confessions

Thurs: 5-7PM

Sat: 8:15-9:30AM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday from 8AM-8PM

Friday - 24 hour Adoration at 8AM

Benediction at 7:45AM on Saturday
In the Adoration Chapel, in the Parish Hall

Holy Days Of Obligation

As announced in the Bulletin

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, September 9th

4:00 PM †Anita Temple
†Joy Zullo
†Margie Curletti

Sunday, September 10th

7:30 AM Vicente Diamzon - Happy Birthday
Mischa Rose Diamson - Happy Birthday
9:00 AM People of the Parish
†Candida Feliciano
11:00 PM †Daniel August
†Joseph Browne
1:00 PM †Olivia Medina
†Miguel J. Aguilar
5:00 PM †Marcelo Rodil
†Maria Gamez

Monday, September 11th

7:30 AM Jacob McGaughey – Happy Birthday
†Marcelina Chan Espeleta

Tuesday, September 12th

7:30 AM †Nicholas Reeze
Dean & Sheryl Schafer

Wednesday, September 13th

7:30 AM †Yrma Davila Villabos
†Filomena De Los Santos

Thursday, September 14th

7:30 AM †C. William Le Grand
†Valerie Jean Mejia

Friday, September 15th

7:30 AM Kai Cabison - Happy Birthday
†Mary O'Hary

Saturday, September 16th

4:00 PM †Zenaida Deveza Reyes
Denzil Fernandes - Happy Birthday

Sunday, September 17th

7:30 AM †Bette Monica
†Frank Jones Sr.
9:00 AM †Frances Heagney
†Frank Paglinawan
11:00 PM People of The Parish
†Patrick Duffy
1:00 PM †Jorge Haro
†Dora Mindreau
5:00 PM †Mary Teluch
†Andres Ladores



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	Music Coordinator	
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During hours the office is closed, call
909-477-3362 for Emergencies requiring a priest

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Children's Faith Formation & Baptism
Sacrament of Matrimony
(909) 980-9423

Office Hours: Mon. - Thur. 9 am to 3 pm
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***Please contact us through email so that we may
assist you as soon as possible**

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PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, September 11th

7:30 AM - Mass - Church
10:00 AM - Prayer Shawl - St. Bernadine
3:30 PM - Children's Faith Formation - JPll First Fl.
6:00 PM - Boy Scouts - Hall/Library
7:00 PM - Lectio Divina - St. Bernadine
7:00 PM - Meditación Cristiana - Chapel

Tuesday, September 12th

7:30 AM - Mass - Church
10:00 AM - Talleres de Oracion y Vida - St. Bernadine
6:00 PM - Confirmation - St. Bernadine
6:30 PM - Talleres de Oracion y Vida - Library
7:00 PM - Talleres de Oracion y Vida - St. Augustine
7:00 PM - RCIA - JPll - OLG Room
7:00 PM - Divorced, Widowed and Separated - Bosco

Wednesday, September 13th

7:30 AM - Mass - Church
8:15 AM - Adoration - Chapel
9:00 AM - Adult Faith Formation - JPll
3:30 PM - Children's Faith Formation - JPll First Fl.
6:00 PM - Grief Support - Conference Room
6:30 PM - ACTS - Library
7:00 PM - Hispanic Co. Comm. - St. Teresa
7:00 PM - St. Vincent de Paul - St. Augustine
7:45 PM - Benediction - Chapel

Thursday, September 14th

7:30 AM - Mass - Church
10:00 AM - Spiritual Motherhood Rosary
for Priests - Chapel
1:00 PM - Flame of Love Holy Hour - Chapel
6:30 PM - Boy Scouts - St. Theresa of Calcutta
7:00 PM - El Rezo del Santo Rosario - Chapel

Friday, September 15th

7:30 AM - Mass - Church
8:15 AM - Adoration - Chapel(24 hours)
6:00 PM - Marriage Everlasting - JPll
7:00 PM - Ministerio Con Pequeñas - St. Bosco

Saturday, September 16th

7:45 AM - Benediction - Church
7:30 AM - Mass - Church
8:15 AM - Confessions - Church
10:00 AM - Hopeful Loving Memory Ministry - St. Bernadine
3:00 PM - Cub Scouts - Playground
4:00 PM - Mass - Church

Our Parish Financial Corner

08/27/2023

Sunday Envelopes:	\$14,339.00
Sunday Plate:	\$3,984.29
Sunday Online:	\$12,576.50
Total Sunday	\$30,899.79
Total Miscellaneous	\$3000.00

DDF 2023

Diocese Goal: \$133,500.00
Pledges Made: \$89,931.00
Gifts Received: \$83,502.77
Donors: 294
Percent of Goal: 62.55 %

Let us pray for those
serving our country:

Ryker Convento
 Kyle Marquez
 Robert Wilson
 Zackarey Schade
 David Messing
 Jeffrey Combalecer
 William Joseph Wright
 Sean Ball Jr.
 Michael Rivera
 Jeremiah Apodaca
 Manuel Juarez
 Devin Narmore
 Seth Harrison

Dear Parishioners,

For your convenience we have provided several ways you can send your offering.



- Safely drop off in the office between the hours 8:30 am to 4:30pm Mon-Thurs.
Fri. 9am-12.
- Drop in the mail slot in the Serra Building which is checked daily
- Mail in to St. Peter & St. Paul, 9135 Banyan St., Alta Loma, 91737
- Through your bank
- Online giving via our website (Use our QR Code)



Thank you for your continued support of our parish and we are so grateful to be back in the pews! May God bless you and keep you and your families safe.



Rom 13:8-10



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Tagalog Corner

Huwag kayong magkaroon ng sagutin kaninuman, maliban na kayo'y magmahalan sa isa't isa, sapagkat ang nagmamahal sa kapwa ay nakatupad na sa Kautusan. Ang mga utos gaya ng, "Huwag kang mangangalunya; huwag kang papatay; huwag kang magnanakaw; huwag mong pagnanasaang maangkin ang pag-aari ng iba;" at alinmang utos na tulad ng mga ito ay nauuwing lahat sa iisang utos, "Ibigin mo ang iyong kapwa gaya ng pag-ibig mo sa iyong sarili." Ang umiibig ay hindi gumagawa ng masama kaninuman, kaya't ang pag-ibig ang katuparan ng Kautusan.

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.



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In Memoriam

†**Saul Macias**
 †**Angela Gargano**
 †**Mary Lee Blow**
 †**Mirna Ibarra**
 †**Patrick Richard Carriveau**
 †**Carlos Mayora**
 †**Arnold Soto**
 †**Art Estrella**
 †**Arlene Morbete**

Pray for the Sick

Brian Dahm,
 Kevin & Yolanda
 Suchoza, Evie Ontiveros,
 Suzanne Killingsworth,
 Henry & Esther Torres, Naida Fabi,
 Natalie Arrellano, Frank Perea, Corey Mittwer,
 Baby Evelyn Perez,
 Carol Conway, Jan Yerkey,
 Eddie Farias, Michael Boyington,
 Ann Davis, Pat Simpson, Jan Shively,
 David Ramirez, Michael Anton,
 Jose Zolotoff, Marco Arana,
 Angelina Knight, Zenia Payne,
 Vince Diamzon, Mariscelle Dehzo,
 Linda Jacques, Marcy Solano,
 Yolanda Sanchez, Richard Ferriola,
 Fred Sanchez, John Roque, Maria Roque,
 Brian Cox, Sonia Costa, Denzil Fernandes,
 Ryan Fedorsic, Judy Fedorsic, Henry Morales,
 Katie Montalvo, Judy Ruiz, Teresa Calderon,
 Rochelle Muñoz



Last weekend we were blessed to have a visiting priest from Cross Catholic Outreach. More than ever, poor families in developing countries are depending on Catholic missions for assistance with food, water, shelter, medical care and spiritual nourishment. It's not too late to support Cross Catholic Outreach and the efforts of these vital international missions. To participate, please go to **CrossCatholic.org/outreach**, text BLESSINGS to 474747, or scan this QR code:



SAVE THE DATE !!!

ALL men are invited to the next

Men's Community Meeting

hosted by **ACTS MINISTRY** on:

Wednesday, September 13th @ 7:00PM

Please join us for Prayer, Discussion, and Sharing!

Please bring your favorite snack and/or drink to share starting @ **6:30PM**.

***We will be meeting in the Parish Hall.**
 Feel free to bring family and friends.

All are welcome!



MEN'S BREAKFAST

FOOD | FELLOWSHIP | FAITH

COME JOIN US FOR OUR ST. PETER & ST. PAUL
 MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST ON
**SATURDAY
 SEPTEMBER 23RD**
 FROM 8:30 AM TO 10 AM IN THE PARISH HALL.

SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP

ENJOY A FREE HOT BREAKFAST AND ENRICHING FELLOWSHIP

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of September 10, 2023

Sunday:

Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Monday:

Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday:

Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday:

Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday:

Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Friday:

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday:

1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday:

Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

What are you supposed to do about the bad behavior of the people around you? You know who I'm talking about. That family member, friend, coworker, or acquaintance who is quite immoral. On this front there are two lively options in our culture: bash the person to others (probably online) or pretend everything's fine. The former damages the person. The latter ignores reality. What to do?

Jesus' strategy in the Gospel of Matthew is as wise as it is difficult: go directly to the person, and then gradually expand the circle of intervention. Simple, often effective, and hard. But what we often miss is the context of the Lord's strategy, "If your *brother* sins against *you*..." Notice the italicized words. Is the person in a Christian familial bond with you? And was the action in question against *you*? If so, proceed with the plan. Fine. But how often we fret over the sins of those who either aren't our spiritual siblings or have done nothing directly to us. This is not an invitation to ignore injustice in the world. Rather, we should build bonds of fraternal love, and carefully discern when and how others' sins are indeed our concern. Sometimes they are. Other times — frequently, perhaps — they simply are not.

— Father John Muir

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Your St. Vincent de Paul Corner



Thanksgiving 2023

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(Checks can be made payable to SVDP)

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me. Matthew 25: 31-46"

For those in need, our helpline: **1-800-716-0646**

Leave a message and your call will be returned.

This rewarding ministry can be a fulfilling part of your life. Please consider volunteering as a Call taker or member of a Visiting team. Our members will train you.

Contact: SVDPAtaloma@aol.com

September 10, 2023

YOUTH MINISTRY



High School Confirmation

Year 1

Sunday: Sept. 10th + 17th

Tuesday: Sept. 12th + 19th

Year 2

Parent Meeting on Sept. 15th

Sunday: Sept. 17th

Tuesday: Sept. 19th



Middle & High School 1st Communion Prep.

Parent Meeting - Sept. 21st @ 5:30pm

Classes Begin - Sept. 28th



Middle School Ministry

Sept. 18th + 25th



High School Ministry

Events will start in October



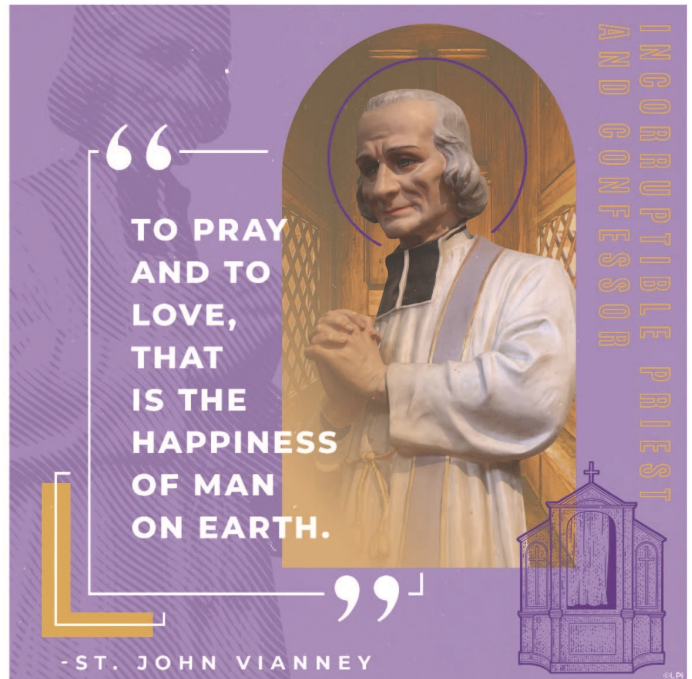
Young Adult Ministry

Thursdays 7:30pm-8:30pm

September 28th - XLT

Spiritual Warfare w/ Fr. Okoro

Follow us on Instagram @renewedspsp



Upcoming Events

YOUNG ADULTS

How can we serve you better?

Take our survey!



Mon 10:30AM - 4PM | Tues/Wed 10:30AM - 5:30PM | Thurs/Fri CLOSED | Sun 2PM-4PM

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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

- 4: LABOR DAY HOLIDAY; NO SCHOOL**
- 5: EXTENDED CARE, CATER TOTS & CO-CURRICULAR CLASSES BEGIN**
- 7: PATRIOTS' DAY (FIRST RESPONDERS) MASS**
- 8: 100 MILE CLUB KICKOFF**
- 24: SUNDAY SCHOOL MASS**
- 26: LIFE TOUCH PICTURE DAY (PRESCHOOL T/TH & KINDERGARTEN-3RD GRADE)**
- 27: LIFE TOUCH PICTURE DAY (PRESCHOOL M/W, MWF, & FOURTH—EIGHTH GRADE)**




ADMINISTRATION

Diana Armenta—Principal
 Lisa Frank—Preschool Director
 Laura Onopa—Business Manager
 Maria Trujillo—Administrative Assistant


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All gift card purchases supports our school.

*"To be Saints
 is not a privilege for the few,
 but a vocation for EVERYONE"*

Pope Francis



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| <p>Smaller Class Sizes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preschool Classes = 12 • Avg. in Grade School Classes = 16:1 | <p>Co-curricular Subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computers • Art • Spanish • Choir • Physical Education • School Library | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WCEA/WASC Accredited • Diocesan & CA Common Core Standards • Credentialed Teachers • Weekly School Mass | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accelerated Reader & Math • ICSL Sports Program • Before & after school care 7 a.m.—6 p.m. • Catered hot lunch program | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovated classrooms • S.T.E.A.M. Lab • 100 Mile Club® • AHA Kids Heart Challenge • Community Service & Outreach |
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Ladies, you're invited

to join us for the Holy Rosary,
followed by a Meet & Greet
to learn about the Catholic Daughters

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023
5:30 pm in the Library

Refreshments will be served. Bring a friend!

Hosted by Court Our Lady of Fatima #1387
CatholicDaughtersOntario.org



**Catholic Daughters
of the Americas®**



BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS

We invite you and your families to join us
at mass the weekend of 9/23 and 9/24.

Blessing will be conducted at all masses.

For questions contact:

Andrea Giles @ (909)251-9311



SAVE THE DATE !!!

ALL women are invited to the next
**Women's Community
Meeting**

hosted by ACTS MINISTRY on:

Tuesday, September 19th @ 7:00PM

Please join us for Prayer, Discussion, and
Sharing!

Please bring your favorite snack and/or drink
to share starting @ **6:30PM**.

***We will be meeting in the Parish Library**
Feel free to bring family and friends.

All are welcome!



It Begins With You!

Members of a welcoming and evangelizing
community take seriously Jesus' call to
"Go out into the whole world and proclaim the
Gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15)

RCIA ~ Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

A place to ask questions and seek understanding.

♦ Not baptized, or	Start Date: Tues, Aug. 22, 2023
♦ Baptized as a non-Catholic	Time: 7:00 to 9:00 PM
♦ At least 18 years old	Location: JPII Pastoral Center, Our Lady of Guadalupe Room
♦ No pressure	Coordinator: Jenny Campbell, M. A.
♦ Inquire—Learn about the Faith— Reflect—Pray— Discern	Phone: (909) 987-9312 ext 1122 Email: jcampbell@stpeterstpaul.com

Be a part of our RCIA Team!

Share your love for Jesus, learn more about your faith and
deepen your own spirituality. Contact Jenny for info.

Eucharistic Miracle of SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI

ITALY, 1240



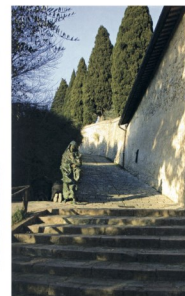
The History of Saint Clare, Virgin, tells of various miracles performed by Saint Clare. There are episodes of multiplications of loaves and of bottles of oil that appeared in the convent when there was none before. But Clare performed the most famous of the miracles in 1240 on a Friday in September, in which she turned away an attack by Saracen soldiers who had broken into the convent cloister by showing them the Sacred Host.



Saint Clare and the Assault on Assisi, Giuseppe Cesari (1568-1640).
Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg



Enrico de Vroom (1587),
Miracle of Saint Clare



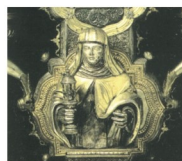
Convent of San Damiano in Assisi



Urn containing the body
of Saint Clare, Assisi



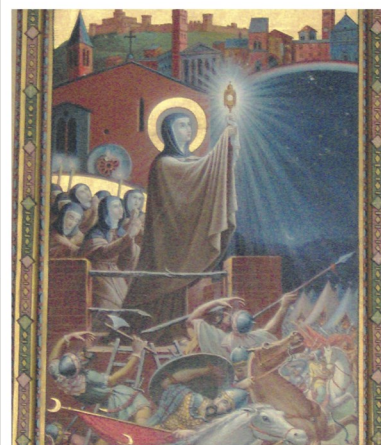
Ancient depiction of the Miracle of Saint Clare



Saint Clare, detail of the great
Cross of Gianfrancesco dalle
Croci



Saint Clare and the Saracens.
Painting by Piero Casentini.
Holy Cross Monastery,
Pignataro Maggiore



Icon in the Basilica of Saint Clare, Assisi. Clare's faith in the Son
of God and Mary, hidden in the poverty of Eucharistic Bread,
destroyed the strength of the enemies

This Eucharistic miracle is cited in *The History of Saint Clare, Virgin* written by Tommaso da Celano, and describes how Saint Clare of Assisi succeeded, with the Blessed Sacrament, in turning away Saracen troops in the pay of Emperor Frederick II of Sweden.

The history goes like this: "By imperial order, regiments of Saracen soldiers and bowmen were stationed there (the convent of San Damiano in Assisi, Italy), massed like bees, ready to devastate the encampments and seize the cities. Once, during an enemy attack against Assisi, city beloved of the Lord, and while the army was approaching the gates, the fierce Saracens invaded San Damiano, entered the confines of the monastery and even the very cloister of the virgins. The

women swooned in terror, their voices trembling with fear as they cried to their Mother, Saint Clare.

"Saint Clare, with a fearless heart, commanded them to lead her, sick as she was, to the enemy, preceded by a silver and ivory case in which the Body of the Saint of saints was kept with great devotion. And prostrating herself before the Lord, she spoke tearfully to her Christ: 'Behold, my Lord, is it possible You want to deliver into the hands of pagans Your defenseless handmaids, whom I have taught out of love for You? I pray You, Lord, protect these Your handmaids whom I cannot now save by myself.' Suddenly a voice like that of a child resounded in her ears from the tabernacle: *'I will always protect you!'*" "My Lord," she added, "if it is Your wish, protect also this city which is

sustained by Your love.' Christ replied, *'It will have to undergo trials, but it will be defended by My protection.'* Then the virgin, raising a face bathed in tears, comforted the sisters: 'I assure you, daughters, that you will suffer no evil; only have faith in Christ.' Upon seeing the courage of the sisters, the Saracens took flight and fled back over the walls they had scaled, unnerved by the strength of she who prayed. And Clare immediately admonished those who heard the voice I spoke of above, telling them severely: "Take care not to tell anyone about that voice while I am still alive, dearest daughters."