

# Saint Raphael Church

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## Parish Office

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## Religious Education

Karen Froelicher	English Coord	967-1641 x3
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## Masses

Monday to Friday/Lunes a Viernes: 8:00 am  
Wednesday and Friday/Miércoles y Viernes: 12:05 pm  
Saturdays/Sábados: 5:30 pm Vigil  
Sundays/Domingos: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am,  
12:30 pm Español; 5:30 pm Life Teen Mass

## Holy Days/Special Observances

Schedule of Holy Days varies.

## Confessions

Saturdays/Sábados: 4:00-5:00 pm

## Exposition

First Friday of every month, 24 Hours.  
Primer viernes del mes, 24 horas.

## LifeTeen & Confirmation

John Vasellina	Youth Minister	964-3466 x1
Claudia Renteria	Assoc Youth Minister	964-3466 x2

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### What Can You Do?

The crowd wanted to know, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" (*John 6:28*). They were looking for a way to do miracles, signs, wonders, and they expected Jesus to prove himself by doing this for them, too. They had just witnessed the multiplication of the loaves, yet it seemed not to impress them! They were asking for yet another "sign." Jesus directed their attention to the meaning of the miracles: God's loving faithfulness to them in their need. Manna in the desert and loaves in the wilderness were the signs of Jesus' gift of himself to us in love.

What Jesus was looking for in these people was an attentive heart. He wanted them to see that God was providing for their needs with love and faithfulness, and had always done so. But the people didn't get it. They had just witnessed a miracle, and yet they still were asking for "a sign." What counts as a sign? Do we need to be hit over the head? Every day we witness miracles, and yet we don't really see them, or believe that they really come from God. Every day we are bread for each other, or someone is bread for us, and yet we do not make the connection! No doubt the people in the desert failed to connect the quail and the manna with their crying out to God for food. God answers our prayers and knows our needs, and sends people to us and us to others, and yet we look for other explanations of these "miracles" in our lives.

### Believe!

God's faithful love is shown all around us, every day. We cry out to God, and yet we often explain away God's answers to our prayers, looking for something more spectacular than merely what we need or even what we have asked for. We have what we need: the Bread of Life.

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### Saints and Special Observances

Sunday:	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	St. John Mary Vianney
Wednesday:	Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome
Thursday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Friday:	St. Sixtus II and his companions; St. Cajetan; First Friday
Saturday:	St. Dominic

## God's Work

We are so busy! Most of us have more than one job to do, and we never seem to have enough time. We are workers, volunteers, parents, friends, and most of us are more than one thing at a time. But which of these is the work of God?

We seldom view our ordinary work as being the work of God. We may think that we have to be ministers or priests, missionaries or charity workers, engaged full-time in works formally identified as being "God's work." But everything we do with a faithful heart and with love for others is God's work. We each have our own role to fill in the world, and many gifts are necessary. We cannot always see the direct connection of our daily work to the plan of God. But we trust and we believe that God leads us to do what is needed, where it is needed. What is "God's work?" "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent" (*John 6:29*).

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### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The people of Israel receive bread from heaven in response to their grumbling (*Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15*).

**Psalms** — The Lord gave them bread from heaven (*Psalms 78*).

**Second Reading** — Put on the new self that has been created in God's way (*Ephesians 4:17, 20-24*).

**Gospel** — I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger (*John 6:24-35*).

### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

**Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25 -- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

**Friday:** Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34; Eph 4:30 -- 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger.

# Parish Community News

**Eucharistic Ministers** — Please contact Maureen no later than August 9 with any changes to your availability for the SEP-OCT-NOV schedule. If you are returning from an absence, please advise your availability to be scheduled again. Also, please contact Maureen with any changes to your contact information.

**Parish Breakfast** — Next Sunday, August 9, the Knights of Columbus will again be serving their delicious “gourmet” breakfast in the Parish Hall from 8:30 am until 11:00 am.



Whether you attend the Sunday morning Masses or not, you can stop by and enjoy scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes, fruit cocktail, applesauce, fruit juice and coffee, tea or hot chocolate. Price is \$5 for adults, \$4 for children under 12. **Take-out meals are also available.** You, your family, and friends are invited to join us on the second Sunday of each month for this wonderful breakfast treat. Proceeds are used to fund the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus, Council 5300.

**Blood Drive** — The Knights of Columbus, Council 5300 will be sponsoring a ‘United Blood Services’ blood donation drive at St. Raphael Parish Hall next Sunday, August 9 from 8:00 am until Noon. All community members are welcome. The Knights will provide a **free breakfast** to all blood donors. Please donate blood and give the gift of life.

**St. Raphael Preschool: Fall 2009** — We welcome parishioners with children ages 2.9 to 5 years of age for Fall of 2009. For more information about this program, please call Jo Bittner at 967-4435.

**Religious Education** — See page five of this bulletin for information on Religious Education registration.

**RCIA** — Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the process which welcomes those who are inquiring into the life and mission of the Catholic Church. Beginning in September, the Community of Saint Raphael’s will present weekly sessions which share the Faith of the People of God. If you or someone you know is interested in learning how we imitate God and walk in his love, please contact the Parish Office at 967-5641.

**Rev. Msgr. Henry A. Van Son Celebrated 60th Anniversary July 11 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Montecito** — Coverage of the entire Mass, including Msgr. Van Son's 27-minute homily and the beautiful singing and music is available on DVD. 80 minutes. For copies, contact Joe Kovach at 964-0881. \$10 per copy (add \$3 for postage and handling if you need it mailed).

## This Week at St. Raphael Church

**Sunday, August 2**

Open

**Monday, August 3**

Guadalupanos Meeting, PC, Rm. A, 7:30 pm

**Tuesday, August 4**

Spanish Bible Study, PC, Multipurp. Rm., 7:00 pm

**Wednesday, August 5**

“Summer Saints” Class, PC, Rm. A, 10:00 am

**Thursday, August 6**

Open

**Friday, August 7**

24 hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8:00 am

**Saturday, August 8**

Benediction, Church, 8:00 am

**Sunday, August 9**

Parish Breakfast, Parish Hall, 8:30 am to Noon  
Blood Drive, Parish Hall, 8:00 am to Noon

PC=Parish Center

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### Attention!

#### Parish Volunteers Working with Children!

If your volunteer position here at the parish or parish school involves interacting with minors (anyone under age 18), you need to complete the following:

- 1) A Volunteer Application
- 2) A Signed Acknowledgement of “Guidelines for Interacting with Minors”
- 3) A VIRTUS Class
- 4) Fingerprinting done by the Archdiocese

You should obtain a Volunteer Application and “Guidelines for Interacting with Minors” from the group with whom you are volunteering. If you need a VIRTUS class, you can call the Parish Office to find out the date of the next class. Fingerprinting is done occasionally in our area and is announced by the Archdiocese. If you have questions or are not sure if your position requires these steps, you can call Jenny Lafferty at 967-5566.

**Need help?**  
Call St. Vincent de Paul: 683-8535.

## Year for Priests

June 19, 2009 - June 19, 2010

### A Prayer for Our Priests

You came from among us to be, for us, one who serves.

We thank you for ministering Christ to us  
and helping us minister Christ to each other.

We are grateful for the many gifts you bring  
to our community.

God our Father, we ask you to bless our  
Priests and confirm them in their calling.

Give them the gifts they need  
to respond with generosity and a joyful heart.

We offer this prayer for our priest,  
who is our brother and friend.

**Amen**

### Vocation Information

A Priesthood Discernment Retreat is offered twice a year for men with a college degree who are considering the diocesan priesthood. Call Father James Forsen at (213) 637-7515, or you may email: frjrforsen@la-archdiocese.org.



Additionally, a network of 13 discernment groups throughout the Archdiocese has been established to give you support and guidance. For the location of the group meeting in your area, contact the Office for Vocations at (213) 637-7248. [www.archdiocese.la/ministry/vocations/discernment/groups.html](http://www.archdiocese.la/ministry/vocations/discernment/groups.html).

**St. John's Seminary** — Access the seminary website at [www.stjohnsem.edu](http://www.stjohnsem.edu).

### Protecting Our Children

Because children can be the target of Internet predators, the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office offers Internet Safety Lectures for parents and school age children from 5th grade and up and community groups. These presentations are approximately one hour in length and deal with issues including Internet safety issues, social networking sites such as MySpace, Instant Messenger (AOL/AIM), Internet predators, Megan's law, Internet chat rooms and popular weblogs. For more information or to request an Internet Safety presentation, please contact the Child Abuse Policy Division at (213) 978-8095.

For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

### Mass Intentions

August 1, 2009 — August 7, 2009

Aug 01 Sat Vigil	5:30 pm	Our Parish Community
Aug 02 Sun	7:30 am	Madelyn Burtsfield (L)
	9:30 am	David Perkins (D)
	11:00 am	Mary Jo Durenberger (D)
	12:30 pm	Manuel, Francisco y Ma. De Jesus Plascencia (D)
	5:30 pm	Ernesto Rodriguez (L)
Aug 03 Mon	8:00 am	Naomi Conley (L)
Aug 04 Tues	8:00 am	Ken Mlodzik (D)
Aug 05 Wed	8:00 am	Laura Cyr (L)
	12:05 pm	Jean Huff (D)
Aug 06 Thu	8:00 am	Veronica Ibarra (L)
Aug 07 Fri	8:00 am	To End Abortion
	12:05 pm	All Travellers

### Devotions

**Circle of St. Therese Women's Apostolate** — Monthly fellowship and prayer. Contact Lisa at 967-2152.

**Discalced Carmelites Secular Order** — Usually meets the second Saturday of the month at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 9:30 am. Call Reid or Nancy at 681-7150.

**Divine Mercy Group** — Meets monthly at 7:00 pm in the church. Next meeting is **Tuesday, August 18**. Contact Martha at 964-4945.

**Grupo de Oración** — Fridays in the Parish Center, Rm. B, 7:00 pm.

**"Intercessors of the Lamb" Prayer Group** — Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center Lounge. Contact Cecilia Marks at 968-6008 for more information.

**Lay Apostle Prayer Group** — Monthly "Hour of Holiness" (silence and rosary). Contact Cindy at 967-4511.

**Praise & Worship** — Wednesdays in the Conference Room, 7:30 pm.

**Rosary Group** — Thursdays in the Crying Room, after 8:00 am Mass.

**Rosary & Divine Mercy Prayer Group** — Thursdays, in the church, 8:30 am.

**St. Joseph Men's Prayer Group** — Wednesdays, in the church, 6:30 pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration** — Please join us on **Friday, August 7** (and every First Friday of the month) for Eucharistic Adoration. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 8:00 am on Friday, **August 7** until Solemn Benediction at 8:00 am on Saturday, August 8. We will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy together at 3:00 pm on Friday. If you sign up for a Holy Hour, it is important that you come at your committed time. Info: 967-7391.

### Saint Raphael School

*"From The Principal's Desk"*

**eScrip Program** — Parishioners can help Saint Raphael Parish School by joining our eScrip Program. If you shop at Vons, Albertson's or Ralph's, these companies are willing to contribute thousands of dollars to our school. These monies can then be used at St. Raphael's School to fund programs that directly benefit our children. Register at [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com). Please enter our Group Number 137105283 when you register. Thank you!



### Religious Education

*We're Back!*

Join us for the 2009-2010 Religious Education Program. Classes will be offered for grade levels 1-6! We also offer a 2 yr sacramental program to accommodate all grades.

**Registration** will be **Sunday, August 30** after all Masses. Please bring the registration form, birth certificate, baptism certificate, and registration fee. You may pre-register at the Religious Education Office beginning August 10 (please call first to check office hours).

Registration forms can be found outside the Religious Education Office at the Parish Center, or online at [straphaelsb.com](http://straphaelsb.com).

Classes begin September 16, and are Wednesdays, 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm for the English program, or Saturdays, 9:00 am to 10:15 am for the Bilingual program.

For more information, call the Religious Education Office **after** August 10.

- ◆ English Program – Karen, **967-1641 x3**
- ◆ Bilingual Program – Ana, **967-1641 x4**

### Sociable Seniors

BBQ! Door prizes! Hat contest! Join us at Stow Park on Wednesday, **August 19** at 11:00 am. Fr. Tomas Elis has graciously offered to do the outdoor Mass again this year — under God's beautiful redwood trees. Please be on time!

Chef Paul Coyne will be at the BBQ with his faithful crew preparing our lunch. Please bring one piece of cut-up fruit and our own Betty Wittak will put together a salad (with the help of her friends). We always need volunteers. If you would like to help in any area, please call!

Questions: Call Bea at **964-2431**.

### The Senior Travelers

All "land trips" are customized for seniors by a senior travel expert.

**Branson. September 1-9.** Non-demanding and fun-filled. Itinerary now available. Cost (including Santa Barbara air roundtrip, most meals, all shows, transportation and other activities) is \$1,599 per person, double.

**Washington D.C.** Postponed at this time.

**Oceano Melodrama Holiday Show. December 6.** Sunday matinee. Limited to 40 people. Price to be announced.

Please call Joan Magenheimer at **967-5444** for all your travel needs and for more information.

**Important!** — Two waivers per person are required for all participants on trips. This is an Archdiocesan requirement. **These waivers must be submitted at the time of payment.** No checks or reservations will be accepted unless the two signed waivers are included.

It is the Sociable Seniors policy to offer these trips to active members. Additional space, when available, can be offered to family members and friends.

If you have suggestions for trips, need info, or to request a newsletter, please call **Joan Magenheimer, 967-5444**. Leave your name **and** phone number; please speak slowly and clearly! Thank you.



## Parish Office and Catholic Community News

**Parish Staff and Office Hours** — The Parish Staff is usually available to serve you during the following hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-7:30 pm, Friday: 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-5:00 pm, Saturday: 9:00 am-2:00 pm; Sunday: 8:30 am-2:00 pm. After hours **emergency** pager: 897-6371.

**Room Scheduling Procedure** — Requests for room space at St. Raphael are accepted **in writing** on the forms available in the Parish Office. Requests are processed one day a week (on Mondays).

### Together In Mission 2009

*Together in Mission* provides substantial financial support to 35 parishes and 48 schools in our Archdiocese. These parishes and schools provide education, ministry and a Catholic presence for tens of thousands of people. *Together in Mission* provides an opportunity to show our concern for those served by the parishes and schools that need your financial support. Our 2009 goal is \$84,097.69.

As always, what you give should be given in gratitude for what God has given to you. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

### Food Items Needed by Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities provides supplemental food **all year long** to those in need. You can help by donating **non-perishable** items that will provide "Healthy Staple Foods":

Canned peas, corn, string beans, canned mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, peaches, rice, dried pinto beans, canned pinto beans, boxed macaroni and cheese, bran cereal, bran flake cereal, oatmeal, low-sugar juices i.e. apple, cranberry etc., peanut butter (creamy), light tuna (in water), Top Ramen™, Cup O' Noodles™, pasta, pasta sauce.

**Thank you!**

**Medical Network** — Pregnancy options, counseling, post-abortion support groups, parenting and adoption support. All info is free and confidential. Call **967-9096**.

### Catholic Community News

**Young Adults** — If you are between the ages of 18-39, you are invited to the 8th annual summer speaker series, "Theology on Tap" where you can meet other young adults for fun, networking and discussions about faith. Sundays: **August 2**, and **August 9** at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall, 3175 Telegraph Rd., Ventura. 5:15 pm: Young Adult Mass. 6:30 pm: "doors open." Call **(805) 642-7966**, or you can email: sholaway@ola-vta.org. Visit the website: [archdiocese.la/mya](http://archdiocese.la/mya).

**Marriage Encounter** — The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are **Nov. 6-8** in Woodland Hills, and **Sept. 25-27** in Ventura. For info, call Russ and Jeanine Walker, **(805) 648-4244**. You can also email [walkerrjb@sbcglobal.net](mailto:walkerrjb@sbcglobal.net). Visit: [www.wwme-la-north.org](http://www.wwme-la-north.org).

**Magnificat Prayer Breakfast** — Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women, will host its quarterly breakfast on Saturday, **August 22**, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Santa Maria Inn. The featured speaker will be Kathleen Beckman who is a wife, mother, businesswoman and author. Cost is \$25 per person. For reservations, call Dolly Van Horn at **878-0420** or **934-1857**, or Marie Schaefer at **938-1254**.

**SCRC Convention** — Southern California Renewal Communities (SCRC) invites you to the 38th Annual "Catholic Renewal" Convention. Labor Day Weekend (**September 4-6**) at the Anaheim Convention Center. Speakers, conferences, liturgies. For more information or registration, call **(818) 771-1361**, email [spirit@scrc.org](mailto:spirit@scrc.org), or visit [www.scrc.org](http://www.scrc.org).

**A Celebration of Cultures** — The Office of Ethnic Ministry of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is sponsoring a "Celebration of Cultures — Holy Mass and Festival — 'Renewing Hope, Restoring Justice'" on Saturday, **September 12**, starting at 10:00 am with Holy Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, followed by a festival at the Los Angeles County Mall.

**Retrouvaille Weekend** — Retrouvaille is a discovery program designed to provide the tools for better communication between husband and wife. Registration is open for a weekend retreat, **September 25-27**, in Ventura. Call **(805) 642-4023**. Space is limited.

**Catholic Counseling** — Sliding scale fee based on family income. For more information, call **965-7045 x102** (English), and **extension 114** for Bilingual-Spanish.

**Bishop Garcia Diego High School** — Learn more about your Catholic High School. Call Debbie Herrera at **967-1266 x118** or visit the website [www.bishopdiego.org](http://www.bishopdiego.org).

## Saint Raphael Youth Ministry

### St. Raphael's "Teen" Confirmation Program

This program takes two years to complete. Both years, the candidates meet in small groups taught by adult and peer leaders. This approach teaches the candidates more about their faith while letting them explore their own spirituality. Classes meet monthly from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Candidates are also required to attend "Large Group Gathering" nights with their sponsor. These are held four times a year, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. For info, call John, **964-3466 x1**, or email: srym12@yahoo.com.

**Registration Packets for Confirmation and The EDGE are Available.** — Confirmation preparation classes start in September for both Year 1 and Year 2. **Please register by September 1.** The EDGE begins in October. You may pick up a registration packet at the Parish Office from 8:30 am – 11:30 am and 12:30 pm – 5:00 pm, and after the 5:30 pm Sunday evening LIFE TEEN Mass, or by calling John at **964-3466 x1**.

**The EDGE — 7th and 8th Grade Youth Ministry** — Junior High students are perched on the edge of many changes in their lives. We want every Junior High student to have the opportunity to be "plugged-in" to a solid Catholic Church program that supports and fosters their spiritual, social and emotional growth. The EDGE usually meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm. The EDGE starts in October and is open to all 7th and 8th grade students. Call **964-3466 x1**.

**Volunteers Needed** — The Youth Ministry is looking for adult and young adult leaders to help with our Jr. High (7th and 8th grade) program, "The EDGE" which meets twice a month, typically on the first and third Thursday of the month from October to May. To volunteer, please call John at **964-3466 x1**.

**XLT** — We are all searching for truth. We are all searching for love. We are all searching for Jesus! **XLT** is a powerful "praise experience" attended by high school teens and adults from parishes all around Santa Barbara. Encounter the living Christ through praise, fellowship, inspiring talks, and His True Presence in Eucharistic Adoration. Parish Center, Rm. A/B, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, after 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass. **Dates will be announced in advance.**



### Leading Teens Closer to Christ

**LIFE TEEN® Mass** — All High School teens are invited to celebrate the Eucharist in this special Liturgy geared toward young people. The goal is to bring teens closer to Christ through Jesus in the Eucharist. People of all ages are invited to join us at 5:15 pm for Praise and Worship. LIFE TEEN® Mass is every Sunday evening, 5:30 pm. High School Life Night immediately follows.

**Life Nights for High School Teens grades 9-12** — This group meets every Sunday evening, 7:15 pm to 9:00 pm after the LIFE TEEN® Mass. It gives teens an environment in which to explore their faith and nurture their relationship with God. A typical session includes ice-breaker games, activities, discussions centered on the night's topic, and prayer. For info, call John at the Youth Ministry Office, **964-3466 x1**, or email srym12@yahoo.com.

**Bass and Flute Player Needed** — The 5:30 pm Sunday Evening LIFE TEEN Band is looking for a bass and flute player. Commitment is Sunday evenings from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm (Mass is at 5:30 pm) We are also looking for teens and young adults who have singing experience to sing in the choir. Call John at **964-3466 x1**.

**You Can Help Our Teens!** — "Friends of Life Teen" is a group of people who have become donors for the High School LIFE TEEN® and Youth Ministry programs. These individuals have chosen our LIFE TEEN® program as an organization worth donating to (above and beyond their regular contribution to the church). If you are interested in finding out more about "Friends of Life Teen" or would like to become a donor, call Mike Murphy at **453-7242**.

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### Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-26)

For info about the Young Adults Group, contact Phyllis at **692-1546**.

## Decimoctavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

### ¿Qué Puedes Hacer?

La multitud quería saber: "¿qué podemos hacer para realizar las obras de Dios?" Buscaban la manera de hacer milagros, señales y maravillas, y esperaban que Jesús mostrara quién era, haciendo lo mismo para ellos. Acababan de ser testigos de la multiplicación de los panes, pero no parecían muy impresionados. Pedían otra "señal". Jesús dirige su atención al significado de los milagros: la fidelidad amorosa de Dios para con ellos en sus necesidades. El maná del desierto y los panes en medio del campo eran las señales del regalo que Jesús, en su gran amor nos ofrece. Lo que Jesús buscaba en estas personas era un corazón atento. Quería que vieran que Dios respondía a sus necesidades con amor y fidelidad y que siempre lo había hecho. Pero la gente no entendía. Acababan de ser testigos de un milagro, pero seguían pidiendo "una señal". ¿Qué cuenta como señal? ¿Es necesario que se nos golpee en la cabeza? Todos los días somos testigos de milagros, pero en realidad no los vemos ni creemos que en realidad vengan de Dios. Cada día, somos pan para los demás, o alguien es pan para nosotros, pero nosotros no le encontramos ninguna relación. Sin duda la gente en el desierto no relacionó las codornices y el maná a su petición a Dios por comida. Dios responde a nuestras oraciones y conoce nuestras necesidades, y envía a personas a nosotros y, de la misma manera, nos envía a los demás, pero todavía seguimos buscando otras explicaciones para esos "milagros" en nuestra vida.

### ¡Cree!

El amor fiel de Dios se expresa cada día a nuestro alrededor. Clamamos a Dios, pero frecuentemente no queremos entender la respuesta de Dios a nuestras oraciones, y buscamos algo más espectacular de lo que realmente necesitamos o hasta de lo que pedimos. Tenemos lo que necesitamos: el Pan de Vida.

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### Santos y Días Especiales de Observancia

domingo: Decimoctavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
 martes: San Juan María Vianney  
 miércoles: Dedicación de Santa María la Mayor en Roma  
 jueves: La Transfiguración del Señor  
 viernes: San Sixto II y compañeros; San Cayetano;  
 Primer viernes  
 sábado: Santo Domingo

*El que viene a mí no tendrá hambre,  
 y el que cree en mí nunca tendrá sed.*

## El Trabajo Que Dios Quiere

¡Estamos tan ocupados! Muchos de nosotros tenemos más de un trabajo y parecería que nunca tenemos suficiente tiempo. Somos trabajadores, voluntarios, padres, amigos y la mayoría es más de una cosa a la vez. Pero, ¿cuál de estos es el trabajo que Dios quiere? Rara vez vemos nuestro trabajo común como el trabajo que Dios quiere. Quizás pensamos que debemos ser ministros o sacerdotes, misioneros o benefactores, que debemos realizar trabajos de tiempo completo que se consideran como "las obras de Dios". Pero todo lo que hacemos con un corazón fiel y con amor por el prójimo es una obra de Dios. Cada uno tiene un papel que cumplir en el mundo y muchos dones son necesarios. No siempre podemos ver la relación directa que existe entre nuestro trabajo diario y los designios de Dios. Pero confiamos y tenemos fe en que Dios nos guía a hacer lo que es necesario, cuando es necesario. ¿Cuál es "la obra de Dios?" "La obra de Dios consiste en que crean en aquél a quien él ha enviado" (*Juan 6:29*).

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### Lecturas De Hoy

**Primera lectura** — Voy a hacer que llueva pan del cielo (*Exodo 16:2-4, 12-15*).

**Salmo** — El Señor les dio pan del cielo (*Salmo 78 (77)*).

**Segunda lectura** — Revístanse del nuevo yo, creado a imagen de Dios (*Efesios 4:17, 20-24*).

**Evangelio** — El que viene a mí no tendrá hambre, y el que cree en mí nunca tendrá sed (*Juan 6:24-35*).

### Lecturas De La Semana

**lunes:** Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21

**martes:** Nm 12: 1-13; Mt 14:22-36 o Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

**miércoles:** Nm 13:1-2, 25 -- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28

**jueves:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Sal 97 (96); 2 Pe 1:16-19; Mc 9:2-10

**viernes:** Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28

**sábado:** Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20

**domingo:** 1 Re 19:4-8; Sal 34 (33); Ef 4:30 -- 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

### ¿Necesita Ayuda?

Recuerde llamar al **683-8535**, San Vicente de Paul.

## Noticias de la Parroquia

**Adoración de la Eucaristía** — Invitamos a todos ustedes a unirse a nosotros **el viernes 7 de agosto** para la Adoración de la Eucaristía. El Santísimo Sacramento estará expuesto ese día **viernes 7 de agosto**, desde las 8 de la mañana hasta la Bendición Solemne, a las 8 de la mañana del sábado 8 de agosto. El viernes 7 de agosto, a las tres de la tarde, rezaremos la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia. Si usted se registró para una Hora Santa, es importante que esté presente a la hora señalada. Se requiere que por lo menos dos personas estén presentes en la Adoración. Si necesita más información, por favor llame al teléfono **967-7391**.

**Gran Noche Mexicana** — Los Guadalupeños les invitan a su: "Gran Noche Mexicana" Con El Mariachi Lobo y D. J. Carlos Guillen. El sábado, **5 de septiembre** de 7:00 pm a 12:00 de la noche en el Salón de la Iglesia de San Rafael. La Cena se Servirá de 7:00 pm a 8:30 pm. Las Puertas se habrán a las 6:00 pm. Información: llame al **967-6377** ó **967-5641**. Donación por persona: \$40. Coopere y diviértase.

**Escuela de San Rafael para Preescolares** — Otoño 2009 Damos la bienvenida a los feligreses con hijos desde 2 años y 9 meses a 5 años de edad,, para ingresar en el Otoño 2009. Para más información acerca de este Programa, por favor llame a Jo Bittner al teléfono: **967-4435**.

**Educación Religiosa** — ¡Estamos de vuelta! Únanse a nosotros en el Programa de Educación Religiosa 2009-2010. Se ofrecerán clases para los niveles de grados 1 al 6 - También ofrecemos un programa sacramental de 2 años, para acomodar todos los grados. El proceso de matrícula, se llevará a cabo el **domingo 30 de agosto**, después de todas las misas. Por favor traiga el formulario de inscripción, el certificado de nacimiento, el certificado de Bautismo y el dinero para la matrícula. Usted puede inscribir a sus hijos por adelantado, en la Oficina de Educación Religiosa, a partir del 10 de agosto, (por favor llame primero para informarse del horario de oficina). Los formularios de matrícula puede encontrarlos afuera de la Oficina de Educación Religiosa, en el Centro de la Parroquia, o conectándose con: straphaelsb.com. Las clases comienzan el miércoles 16 de septiembre y todos los miércoles de 6 pm a 7:15 pm para el programa en inglés, o los sábados de 9 am a 10:15 am para el programa bilingüe. Para más información, llame a la Oficina de Educación Religiosa, después del 10 de agosto:

- ◆ Programa en Inglés - Karen, **967-1641 ext 3**
- ◆ -Programa Bilingüe - Ana, **967-1641 ext 4**

**Anuncio** — Grupo de estudio de Biblia. Se reúne todos los martes de 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm en el salón de usos múltiples. Nuevo curso incluye apologética, evangelización, consejería, compromiso y espiritualidad. Todos son bienvenidos.

**Grupo de Oración** — Se juntan todo los viernes en el Centro Parroquial, Salón B, a las 7:00 de la noche. Todos están bienvenidos.

**Consejero de Caridades Católicas** — Los honorarios dependen de los ingresos de las familia. Para más información, llame al teléfono **(805) 965-7045 x114**.

## Año Sacerdotal

Junio 19, 2009 - Junio 19, 2010

### Oración por Nuestros Sacerdotes

Tú saliste de entre nosotros  
para ser, para nosotros, aquel que sirve.  
Te damos las gracias por servir a Cristo  
en nosotros y ayudarnos a servir a Cristo  
los unos en los otros  
Estamos agradecidos por los muchos dones  
que traes a nuestra comunidad.

Dios, nuestro Padre, te pedimos que bendigas  
a nuestros sacerdotes y los confirmes en su vocación.

Dales los dones que necesitan  
para responder con generosidad y con  
corazón lleno de gozo.

Nosotros ofrecemos esta oración por nuestro  
sacerdote, aquél que es nuestro hermano  
y amigo,

**Amen**

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**Vocaciones** — Dos veces al año, se ofrece un Retiro de Discernimiento Sacerdotal para varones con grado universitario, que estén considerando el sacerdocio diocesano. Los interesados pueden llegar el día anterior y asistir a las clases y ver cómo se desarrolla un día normal en el Seminario. Para más información, póngase en contacto con Padre James Forsen, vía correo electrónico: frjrforsen@la-archdiocese.org o telefónicamente al **(213) 637-7515**.

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**Protegiendo a los Niños** — Los niños pueden ser objetos de obsesión para los perpetradores del Internet, y es por eso que la Oficina del Procurador de la Justicia de la Ciudad de Los Ángeles ofrece charlas para los padres, los niños de quinto grado en adelante, y a los grupos comunitarios sobre la Seguridad del Internet. Estas presentaciones duran aproximadamente una hora e incluyen los siguientes temas: Seguridad del Internet, Sitios Sociales en la red como MySpace, Instant Messenger (AOL/AIM), los perpetradores del Internet, Megan's Law, salas de charla y Weblog en la red. Para más información o para solicitar una presentación sobre estos temas, por favor comuníquese con la oficina "Child Abuse Policy Division" del Procurador de la Justicia de la Ciudad de Los Ángeles al **(213) 978-8095**.

Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Ayuda al **(213) 637-7650**.

**¿Es usted viudo/a, separado/a o divorciado/a?** — Hay una pena especial para los que se encuentran solos otra vez. ¡Ahora hay ayuda! Para mas información llame a Arcelia Vargas **(909) 599-3662** (después de las 6 pm) o joyfulagv@juno.com.

**Red Médica** — Red Médica ofrece: opciones para el embarazo, consejos, apoyo para crianza y adopción y grupos de apoyo posterior al aborto. **967-9096**. Toda la información es libre y confidencial.

## Parish Directory/Directorio de la Parroquia

### Adult Education (English):

Confirmation: Fr. Mark Strader, 967-5641

### Adult Educacion (Spanish):

Bible Study: Marina Rodriguez, 967-7432

**Altar Servers:** Deacon Wayne Rascati

**Baptism:** Register at the Parish Office.

**Bautismos en Español:** Regístrate en la oficina Parroquial.

**Bereavement Committee:** Noël Fuentes, 683-9090x7

**Catecismo Bilingüe:** Ana Cervantes, 967-1641 x4

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Nancy Panizzon, 964-5462

**Comite de Liderazgo Hispano:** Jesus Lopez, 685-9427

**Confirmation, Youth:** John Vasellina, 964-3466 x1

**Early Childhood Education:** Cecilia Marks, 968-6008

**Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration:** First Friday of every month, 24 hours. Margaret Priest, 967-7391

### Eucharistic Ministers:

Mass: Maureen Espinoza, 968-0915; email: 10s4menu@cox.net

To the Sick/Homebound: 967-5641

### Eucharistic Ministry (Spanish):

Mass: Carlos Sanchez, 570-1838, or Estela Santos, 683-6542

To the Sick/Homebound: Carlos Sanchez, 570-1838 or Anna Lopez, 689-5087

**Evangelización:** Maria Pacheco, 692-9220

**Finance Council:** Ron Cortez, Gordon Durenberger, Marie Mlodzik, Ralph Modugno, Glenn Scheel, Terry Strickler, Tony Vallejo

**Grupo de Oración:** Jesús Lopez, 685-9427

**Guadalupanos:** Carlos Valenzuela, 967-6377

**Jail Ministry (Restorative Justice):** Marciano Avila, 898-7008

**JustFaith:** Melissa Colborn, 964-4570

### Knights of Columbus:

Grand Knight: Bill McLafferty

4th Degree: Jack Turney

**Lectors:** Charles Kriech, 967-8886

**Medical Network:** 967-9096

**Liturgia Dominical Para Niños:** Arcelia Hinojosa, 696-6525

**Liturgy Ministry Committee:** Melissa Colborn, Maureen Espinoza, Arcelia Hinojosa, Charles Kriech, Nancy Kunze, Bernardo Lule, Jesús Lopez, Marie Lundfelt, Nancy Panizzon, John Vasellina, Ray Zaida

**Liturgy Planning:** Fr. Bruce Correio, Fr. Mark Strader, Melissa Colburn, Noël Fuentes, Marie Lundfelt, Dorothy Turner

**Monaguillos:** Jesús Lopez, 685-9427 y Diácono Wayne Rascati

**Parish Council:** Sam Alfano, Peter Devoy, Mell Hueston, Brian Klinge, Robert Marks, Manny Rey, Lars Schmidt, Terry Strickler, Carlos Valenzuela, Mark Vampola, Tad Varesio

**Parish Office/Oficina de la Parroquia:** 967-5641. M-Th 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-7:30 pm, Fri 8:30-11:30 am / 12:30-5 pm, Sat 9:00 am-2:00 pm, Sun 8:30 am-2:00 pm

**Pastoral Care:** Call the Parish Office, 967-5641

**Praise and Worship:** Ray Lyra, 331-8101

**Presentación de Niños a los Tres Años de Edad:** Los segundos domingo después de la Misa de 12:30 pm

**Preschool:** Jo Bittner, 967-4435

**Quinceañeras:** Lupe Luna Martinez, 637-9280 (cell )

### Religious Education (CCD):

English Coordinator: Karen Froelicher, 967-1641 x3

Bilingual Coordinator: Ana Cervantes, 967-1641 x4

**Respect for Life:** Rita Duley, 964-0121

**RCIA:** Parish Office, 967-5641

**Rosary Makers:** Janet Fanucchi, 964-7288

**Military Rosary Makers:** Janet Fanucchi, 964-7288

**Safeguard the Children:** Lupe Luna Martinez, 637-9280, or Jenny Lafferty, 967-5566

**School:** Principal, Ellen Manning, 967-2115, school email: sraph@sbceo.org.

**School of Religion (CCD):** See *Religious Education*

**St. Raphael Bowling League:** Donna Yamasaki, 967-2898

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** 683-8535

### Scouting:

Boy Scouts: Glenn Schiferl, 964-6013, www.goleta105.com

Girl Scouts/Brownies: Rebecca Aasted, 683-1064

Brownie Troop 204: Liz Ruelman, 740-1578

Cub Scouts: Mark Vampola, 968-9815

Venture Crew: Joe Bauer, 967-2211

**Sociable Seniors:** Bea Scheel, 964-2431

**Spanish Liturgy Coordinator:** Dr. Roberto Pacheco, 687-1106

**Ujieres/Hospitalidad:** Bernardo Lule, 964-9194

**Ushers/Hospitality:** Ray Zaida, 968-4895

**Women's Auxiliary:** Parish Office, 967-5641

**Word and Life:** Alice MacDonald, 967-4013, www.wordandlife.us

**Youth Ministry:** John Vasellina, 964-3466x1, email: srym12@yahoo.com

**Changes? Incorrect? Add a number?** Contact the Parish Office: **967-5641**

### Parish Registration

Name (Mr., Mr. & Mrs., Mrs., Miss): \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Names and birth dates of children residing at home: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like church envelopes? \_\_\_\_\_