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Masses

Monday to Thursday/Lunes a Jueves: 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

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
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The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

Dwelling Places

The rabbis of Israel had a saying: "When Israel wandered, God dwelt with them; when Israel had a dwelling, God wandered." Of course, God did not actually desert the chosen people. What the rabbis were saying was that it is a common human weakness to mistake concrete, physical people, places, and things for the actual presence of the Lord. Israel believed that — among others — the top of Mount Sinai, the Ark of the Covenant, and the Jerusalem temples were places wherein God truly dwelt. They were right, but they also learned that mountains get left behind, arks get lost, and temples get destroyed. When Thomas Aquinas was developing his understanding of the real and substantial presence of the Lord in the Eucharist, it was necessary for him to explain how the physical actuality of the bread and wine got left behind. He knew that, ultimately, our earthly, physical things cannot be, in and of themselves, the presence of God.

God's Forwarding Address

The scriptures today use many images for God's dwelling places: a temple filled with living, flowing water for a thirsty desert people; the flesh and blood of the baptized early Christians, who did not have the luxury of large public places to identify them; the Temple of Jerusalem, tainted by scandalous behavior, which would ultimately be destroyed. But finally, there is Christ, the only-begotten of God, the dwelling-place in flesh of God's eternal Word. For all the many places the Spirit might lead us to find God, only to Jesus Christ can we look for the eternal, living presence of the one true God. Like John the Baptist, for whom the Lateran cathedral is named, our mission is to know God's dwelling in us through the water and Spirit of our baptism, and to make our sole purpose in life the proclamation of the Good News of our salvation in Christ.



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Holy Places, Holy Lives

Roman Catholics in the United States at the beginning of the twenty-first century have had more than their share of experiences of unholy things going on in holy places. And, in light of the extreme reaction that Jesus has to this phenomenon at the Temple in today's Gospel, it may seem unusual to be celebrating what, on the surface, seems to be a feast of a building: the pope's cathedral church for his role as the bishop of Rome, the cathedral of St. John (the Baptist) Lateran. Throughout time, human beings have come to discern, through the Spirit, various physical locations for the work and activity of God: creation, the Ark of the Covenant, the Jerusalem temples, the womb of a Galilean girl, a cross and tomb, an upper room. All these physical places have the potential to be sources of holy things, of God's ongoing grace in the world. As we hear in today's Gospel, we must always look to Christ, the one, eternal, always-holy dwelling place of God. Then we who are baptized must pray that we always be guided to lead holy lives in holy places, in all places, at all times.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — I saw water flowing out of the temple; wherever the river flows, every living creature shall live (*Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12*).

Psalm — The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High (*Psalms 46*).

Second Reading — Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? (*1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17*).

Gospel — Stop making my Father's house a marketplace (*John 2:13-22*).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6
 Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10
 Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
 Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
 Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
 Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8
 Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128;
 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15,
 19-21]

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
 Monday: Thirty-second week in Ordinary Time;
 St. Leo the Great
 Tuesday: St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day
 Wednesday: St. Josaphat
 Thursday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
 Saturday: St. Albert the Great; Blessed Virgin Mary

Parish Community News

Parish Breakfast Today! — 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 for the bargain price of \$4 for adults, \$3 for children. You, your family, and friends are invited to join us on the second Sunday of each month for this wonderful breakfast treat. Proceeds fund the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus, Council 5300.



National “Donor Sabbath” — Today we observe National Donor Sabbath, a time to pray for the families of over 100 thousand Americans waiting for an organ to save their life and hundreds of thousands more who need tissue to see again or walk without pain. These life-saving and life-enhancing medical treatments are possible only through the generous gift of an individual: the gift of organ and tissue donation. As Catholics, we encourage organ and tissue donation in the spirit of love and generosity. If you are inspired to donate life, we encourage you to register on-line at DonateLifeCalifornia.org today and to talk to your family about your wishes as soon as possible. Even if you’ve already registered, a conversation with family informing them of your wishes is important. A representative of the organization “One Legacy” will be speaking at all Masses this weekend.

Funeral Planning Workshop — Please join us for, “Life is Changed: Roman Catholic Funeral Planning Workshop” in St. Raphael Parish Center, Room A on Wednesday, **November 19**, 10:00 am to 11:00 am. Come hear what the Roman Catholic Church offers for those who have died. Get a head start on information for your loved ones. The Church’s view on the following topics will be discussed: Burial and Cremation, Medical Treatment/Advance Directives, Donation of Organs and Body. Explanation and preliminary planning for The Order of Christian Funerals, which includes: Vigil or Wake Service, The Funeral Liturgy, The Committal. Presentation and Discussion facilitated by Noël; refreshments provided and reservations encouraged. Call (805) 683-9090 x7.

Parish Picnic Information — The information about the Parish Picnic that was in the bulletin last week should have included the following information: We are excited to have two new Co-chairs for the 2009 Parish Picnic, Joe Salcedo and Tad Varesio. Thank you for stepping forward, gentlemen!

This Week at St. Raphael Church

Sunday, November 9

Parish Breakfast, Parish Hall, 8:30 am to 11:00 am
Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

Monday, November 10

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, Conf. Rm., 2:00 pm
Confirmation Sponsor Night, Church, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, November 11

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

Wednesday, November 12

Adult Bible Study, PC, Rm. A/B, 10:00 am
Religious Education (English), 6:00 pm
St. Joseph’s Men’s Prayer Group, Church, 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 13

Rosary/Divine Mercy Group, 8:30 am
Lay Apostle Prayer Group, Church, 6:30 pm

Friday, November 14

Grupo de Oración, PC, Rm. A, 7:00 pm

Saturday, November 15

Educación Religiosa (bilingüe), 9:00 am

Sunday, November 16

Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

PC=Parish Center

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Accepting food after ALL Masses on **November 22, 23 and 24** in the vestibule of the church. Accepting and distributing food in the Conference Room on Monday, November 24, 11:00 am to 6:00 pm; Tuesday, November 25, 8:30 am to 6:00 pm; Wednesday, November 26, 8:30 am to 11:00 am.



Christmas Boutique

Mark your calendars for Sunday, **November 23**, our annual Christmas Boutique! Proceeds will benefit Youth Ministry programs and Women’s Auxiliary projects. To make the Boutique a success, we need everyone (young and old) to help. We need items to sell. We would like to offer a wide variety of unique gifts, one-of-a-kind hand-crafted items, theme baskets, and Silent Auction items. We especially need gift items for children to buy in the Children’s Shopping Corner. If you have new gift items to donate, or if you can solicit a gift certificate from a business contact, please let us know. Everyone’s participation is welcome and appreciated. Contact Barbara Bonsell, **967-0375**.



Eucharistic Adoration

You are invited to join us on **Friday, December 5** (and every first Friday of the month). The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 8:00 am on Friday, **December 5** until Solemn Benediction at 8:00 am on Saturday, December 6. 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. For more information, call **967-7391**. Thank you!

Treasures From Our Tradition

What is the name of the pope's cathedral? If you said the Vatican, or St. Peter's, you were off by a few miles, since the answer is the Basilica of St. John, the Lateran, the "Mother Church" of all the churches of the world and the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome. It takes its name from the Lateran family, the Trumps of their day, who somehow ran afoul of the Emperor Nero. He seized all their property, including their vast Roman palace and estate. We don't know how Plautius displeased Nero so badly, but eventually all the Lateran property came to Constantine, the first Christian emperor, through his wife, Fausta. Early in the fourth century, when Christianity was at last legalized, Constantine gave the property to the church. Soon the great meeting halls were expanded and adapted.

Over the centuries, the church building has been sacked by armies, ruined by fire, torn down, and rebuilt. The oldest and most unchanged part of the Lateran is a vast, separate baptistery with steps leading down to a huge green basalt pool. Imagine what a triumphal moment the dedication of this public church building was for a community that had worshiped in secret for so long! Today's feast is really about the tradition of consecrating space for worship, and so by extension, a feast for your parish church building and, given the beautiful second reading, for its baptistery as well.

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Mass Intentions

November 8, 2008 — November 14, 2008

Nov 08 Sat	Vigil 5:30 pm	Paul Covell (D)
Nov 09 Sun	7:30 am	Our Parish Community
	9:30 am	John Yee (L)
	11:00 am	Clem Wehe (D)
	12:30 pm	Trini Valenzuela (L)
	5:30 pm	Esmeralda Rodriguez (L) & Natalia Rodriguez (L)
Nov 10 Mon	8:00 am	Alfredo Solis (L) & Leobardo Solis (L)
Nov 11 Tues	8:00 am	All Veterans
Nov 12 Wed	8:00 am	Dolores Hart (D)
	12:05 pm	Thomas Eulberg (D)
Nov 13 Thu	8:00 am	Robert Letourneau (D)
Nov 14 Fri	8:00 am	John Mayne (D)
	12:05 pm	Ellen Martin (L)

Devotions

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

Discalced Carmelites Secular Order — Usually meets 2nd Saturday of the month at Our Lady of Mt. 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, **November 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.

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.

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

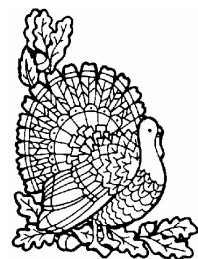
Just a Reminder

If you lost a loved one this past year and were unable to attend a Mass on Sunday, November 2, you can drop by the Parish Office and pick up the wooden cross with your loved one's name on it. We also have crosses that were not picked up at the 2007 Bereavement Mass.

Saint Raphael School

"From The Principal's Desk"

Food for the Needy



The school children will be collecting food for the needy in our community and giving baskets to Catholic Charities. Our parents and students generously make Thanksgiving a special time for those in need. We are thankful for all the blessings we have received and our wonderful parishioners.

Saint Para-Liturgy

We invite all parishioners to a special Saint Para-Liturgy on Wednesday, **November 19**, at 10:00 am in the Church.

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Father, in every generation you provide ministers of Christ and the Church.

We come before you now, asking that you call forth more men to serve our Archdiocese in the ministerial priesthood.

Give us priests who will lead and guide your holy people gathered by Word and Sacrament.

Bless us with priestly vocations so that we can continue to be a truly Eucharistic Church, strengthened in our discipleship of Jesus Christ, your Only Son.

Raise up, we pray, men who are generous in their service, willing to offer their lives and all their gifts for your greater glory and for the good of your people.

We make our prayer in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ, Our Lord

Amen

Sister Mina's Bible Study

Class will meet **November 12**, 10:00 am to 11:30 am in Room A/B of the Parish Center. There will be **no** class on November 19, the third Wednesday of the month, or on November 26, the day before Thanksgiving. We are studying the Gospel According to John. New members welcome.



Sociable Seniors

There will be **no** Sociable Seniors meeting in November. Our next meeting will be the Christmas Party on **December 17** (third Wednesday in December). Check upcoming bulletins for details. Questions? Call Bea at **964-2431**.

~ The Senior Travelers ~

Holiday Entertainment: "White Christmas" at PCPA Santa Maria. Saturday Matinee, **November 22**. Depart at **9:30 am** (changed from 9:00 am). **Please do not arrive before 9:15 am** (to minimize interference with children arriving for CCD) and **please carpool** (so as to not take up parking spaces for the 5:30 pm Mass). We will return at approximately 7:00 pm. \$69 per person includes bus, performance, and dinner at Hometown Buffet. There will be time for shopping at the Santa Maria Mall. **A few additional tickets are available!** Join us by paying the \$69 by check made out to *St. Raphael Sociable Seniors*.

More Holiday Entertainment: Palm Springs Follies Christmas Show. **December 4-6**. Depart St. Raphael Church at 9:00 am December 4 and return by dinner time on December 6. \$269 per person (double), \$319 single. Price includes bus, two nights at Comfort Inn, two full breakfasts and the Palms Springs Arts and Crafts Festival the evening of December 4. **A few more spaces available! Full payment due now.** Checks payable to *Sociable Seniors*. Call Joan at **967-5444**.

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.

Need help?

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

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).

St. Raphael Parish Building Fund Updated

Our Parish has established a Building Fund and we are asking for donations, 100% of which will be directed to the following (figures approximate):

- ◆ New roof: school (\$180,000)
- ◆ School fumigation (\$10,000)
- ◆ Property line fence (\$60,000)
- ◆ Parking lot repairs (\$50,000)

Total costs will be almost \$300,000. So far, we have collected \$114, 171.85**. Not one penny of this money goes to the Archdiocese, as they are restricted funds to be spent at St. Raphael's for these building projects.

We know that in this economy everything seems to be pulling at us from all directions. Please consider these very important needs and pray about how you might be able to help. We thank you for your prayers and for your generosity.

Please remember to **write** "*Building Fund*" on the **memo line** of your check and the word "*pledge*" if it's a partial payment. Thank you!

**This number (as of 9/30/08) reflects \$30,000 from the St. Raphael School Development Committee.

~ Protecting Our Children ~ Join in to Help Protect our Kids

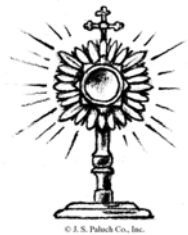
Safeguard the Children Committees have been established in parishes throughout the Los Angeles Archdiocese. A primary goal of these committees is to ensure that all children and youth experience safe environments in all parish activities and events. These committees also inform all parish personnel, committees, ministries and volunteers of the available resources for educating their constituencies on all aspects of child and youth abuse and neglect. For more information, call the Parish Office or the Archdiocese's Safeguard the Children Program Office, (213) 637-7227. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

Catholic Community News

Parent Information Nights at Bishop Garcia Diego High School — Parents of 5th - 8th grade students are invited to an evening specifically designed for families who want to learn more about Bishop Garcia Diego High School. Families of all faith backgrounds are welcome. **November 12** or January 14, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, Room 202, Computer Lab. For info, call: **967-1266 x118** or email dherrera@bishopdiego.org. BGDHS, 4000 La Colina Rd., Santa Barbara, 93110.

"Praise and Worship Celebration" — The Santa Barbara Area Catholic Prayer Groups invite you to attend a "Praise and Worship Celebration" at the 2008 Area-wide Catholic Charismatic Prayer meeting on **November 14**, 7:00 pm, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall. Guest speaker will be Deacon Steve Montross of St. Raphael Church. Deacon Steve's teaching is entitled, "Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?" Refreshments will be provided. Love offering will be taken. For information, contact Phil and Chris Luna at **962-1438**.

Santa Barbara Area-Wide Eucharistic Adoration — In addition to 24 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration every First Friday of the Month, St. Raphael Church will sponsor Eucharistic Adoration at the Bishop High School Chapel every weekday, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, starting **December 1** (the first Monday of Advent). All parishioners in the Santa Barbara area are invited. Additionally, if you would like to sign up for a Holy Hour of Adoration once each week (or need more information) call Coordinator Margaret Priest at **967-7391**.



Free "Drop-In" Math Tutoring (For grades 3-8) — Offered by member of Mu Alpha Theta, the math honors society of Bishop Diego High School. **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**, 3:05 pm to 4:00 pm at Bishop Diego High School, Room 310, 4000 La Colina Rd., Santa Barbara. Students may drop in any time, without appointment. Parents and guardians are welcome at any time and a faculty member supervises at all times. For more info: **967-1266 x222**, email: mfay@bishopdiego.org.

Marriage Encounter — Call (805) 648-4244 or email info@wwme-la-north.org. www.wwme-la-north.org.

Catholic Counseling — Catholic Charities of Santa Barbara offers counseling on a sliding scale basis. Contact Sr. Maria Inez Martinez at **965-7045 x114** for more info.

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. Registration packets are available in the Parish Office, the Youth Ministry Office and after the Sunday evening 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass. Registration is \$65 for the year and \$85 after September 12. Classes have begun. For info, call John, **964-3466 x1**, or email: srym12@yahoo.com.

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.

Registration for the EDGE has begun. The EDGE starts in October and is open to all 7th and 8th grade students. Call **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.**

Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-26)

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



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.

Please Pass the Mustard — The Sunday Night High School Life Night needs people to provide food for about 75 people. Please consider signing up for once a month or however often you can help! Food is eaten after the 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass, and meals can be very simple. Call John at **964-3466 x1** for more information. Thank you!



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. If you are interested in volunteering, call John at **964-3466 x1**.



La Dedicación de la Basílica de Letrán

Lugares Donde Vivir

Los rabinos de Israel tenían un dicho: "Cuando Israel estaba en el desierto, Dios moraba entre ellos; cuando Israel tuvo un lugar dónde morar, Dios ya no estaba". Por supuesto, en realidad Dios no abandonó al pueblo escogido. Los rabinos se referían a la debilidad humana común de confundir personas, lugares y cosas concretas, físicas, con la presencia real del Señor. Israel creía — entre otros lugares — que la cumbre del Monte Sinaí, el Arca de la Alianza y los templos de Jerusalén eran los lugares donde realmente vivía Dios. Estaban en lo correcto, pero también aprendieron que las montañas se quedan atrás, las arcas se pierden y los templos se destruyen. Cuando Tomás de Aquino desarrollaba su conocimiento sobre la presencia real y sustancial del Señor en la Eucaristía, consideró necesario explicar cómo quedaban en segundo plano la realidad física del pan y del vino. Sabía que, al final, nuestras cosas terrenales, físicas, no podían ser en sí mismas la presencia de Dios.

La Nueva Dirección de Dios

Las Escrituras usan hoy muchas imágenes de los lugares donde Dios habita: un templo lleno de agua viva que fluye para un pueblo sediento en el desierto; el cuerpo y la sangre de los primeros cristianos bautizados que no se daban el lujo de identificarse con grandes lugares públicos; el templo de Jerusalén, manchado por una conducta escandalosa, que al final sería destruido. Pero finalmente ahí está Cristo, el engendrado de Dios, el centro de la Palabra eterna de Dios. Entre los muchos lugares donde el Espíritu nos conduce a Dios, solamente en Jesús podemos encontrar la presencia eterna viviente del Dios verdadero. Como Juan Bautista, en cuyo honor se ha nombrado la Catedral de Letrán, nuestra misión es saber que Dios vive en nosotros por medio del agua y del Espíritu de nuestro bautismo, y conocer que nuestro único propósito en la vida es la proclamación de la Buena Nueva de nuestra salvación en Cristo.



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Lugares Santos, Vidas Santas

Los católicos romanos en Estados Unidos al comienzo del siglo XXI han tenido más que suficientes experiencias de cosas profanas ocurridas en lugares sagrados. Y, a la luz de la extrema reacción de Jesús en el Templo en el Evangelio de hoy, puede parecer inusitado celebrar lo que, en la superficie, parece ser la fiesta de un edificio: la iglesia catedral del papa en su papel de obispo de Roma, la catedral de San Juan (Bautista) de Letrán. En el transcurso del tiempo, los seres humanos han llegado a discernir, por la luz del Espíritu, los varios lugares físicos donde Dios obra y actúa: la Creación, el Arca de la Alianza, el templo de Jerusalén, el vientre de una muchacha de Galilea, una cruz y una tumba, una habitación en la sala superior. Todos estos lugares físicos tienen el potencial de ser fuentes de cosas sagradas, de la continua gracia de Dios en el mundo. Al escuchar el Evangelio de hoy, siempre debemos fijar la mirada en Cristo como la única, eterna y siempre santa morada de Dios. Entonces, nosotros los bautizados debemos rezar pidiendo ser siempre guiados a llevar vidas santas en lugares santos, en todo lugar y en todo tiempo.

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Lecturas De Hoy

Primera lectura — Siempre que las aguas frescas del templo fluyen, todo florece (*Ezequiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12*).

Salmo — Un río alegra la ciudad de Dios (*Salmo 46 (45)*).

Segunda lectura — Tú eres el templo de Dios y el Espíritu de Dios vive en ti (*1 Corintios 3:9c-11, 16-17*).

Evangelio — "Destruyan este templo y yo lo reedificaré en tres días", Jesús dijo hablando del templo de su cuerpo (*Juan 2:13-22*).

Lecturas De La Semana

lunes: Ti 1:1-9; Lc 17:1-6

martes: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lc 17:7-10

miércoles: Ti 3:1-7; Lc 17:11-19

jueves: Flm 7-20; Lc 17:20-25

viernes: 2 Jn 4-9; Lc 17:26-37

sábado: 3 Jn 5-8; Lc 18:1-8

domingo: Pro 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Sal 128(127); 1 Tes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

¿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 **el viernes 5 de diciembre (y el Primer Viernes de cada Mes)** para la Adoración de la Eucaristía. El Santísimo Sacramento estará expuesto ese día viernes **5 de diciembre**, desde las 8 de la mañana hasta la Bendición Solemne, a las 8 de la mañana del sábado 6 de diciembre. El viernes 7 de noviembre, 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**. ¡Gracias!

Adoración de la Eucaristía de toda el área de Santa Bárbara — En adición a las 24 horas de Adoración de la Eucaristía cada Primer Viernes del Mes, la Iglesia de San Rafael estará patrocinando la Adoración de la Eucaristía en la Capilla de Bishop High School, cada día de la semana de Lunes a Viernes, de 8 de la mañana a 8 de la noche. Comenzará el primer Lunes de Adviento, **1 de diciembre**. Todos los feligreses de toda el área de Santa Bárbara, están invitados a participar. Para inscribirse por una Hora de Adoración en la Capilla de Bishop High School, una vez a la semana y para información adicional, por favor póngase en contacto con Eva Valenzuela, al teléfono **967-6377**.

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

Anuncio — Grupo de estudio de Biblia. Se reúne todos los martes de 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm en el salón de usos múltiples. Todos son bienvenidos.

Regulación de Venta de Alimentos — El Departamento de Salud y Medio Ambiente del Condado De Santa Bárbara, ha requerido su cooperación en evitar la compra de alimentos de las carretas instaladas al costado de la Iglesia, los días Domingos, debido a que la preparación de estos alimentos no cumple con las leyes sanitarias del Departamento de Salud del Condado.

Santos y Días Especiales de Observancia

domingo: La Dedicación de la Basílica de San Juan de Letrán
 lunes: Trigésimosegunda Semana del Tiempo Ordinario; San León Magno
 martes: San Martín de Tours; Día de los Veteranos
 miércoles: San Josafat
 jueves: Santa Francisca Xavier Cabrini
 sábado: San Alberto Magno; Santa María Virgen

Caridades Católicas — Caridades Católicas de Santa Bárbara ofrece servicios de asesoramiento por un costo basado en una escala proporcional. Para más información, por favor póngase en contacto con Hermana María Inez Martinez, **(805) 965-7045 extensión 114**.

¿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

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**. Adicionalmente, se ha establecido una red de 13 grupos de discernimiento a través de la Arquidiócesis, para darles apoyo y orientación vocacional. Para saber dónde exactamente, en su área, estos grupos se reunirán, por favor visite: www.archdiocese.la/ministry/vocations/discernment/groups.html o llame a la Oficina para Vocaciones: **(213) 637-7248**.



~ Protegiendo a los Niños ~

Participe en la Protección de Nuestros Niños

En parroquias a lo ancho de la Arquidiócesis se han establecido comités del programa “Protegiendo a Los Niños”. El objetivo principal de estos comités es asegurar que niños y jóvenes experimenten un ambiente seguro en las actividades y eventos parroquiales. Estos comités también dan información al personal, a los otros comités, a los ministerios y a los voluntarios sobre los subsidios disponibles para educar a todos sus miembros sobre todos los aspectos del abuso o descuido de menores. Para más información, llame a la oficina parroquial o la oficina Arquidiocesana del programa “Protegiendo a Los Niños”, al **(213) 637-7227**. Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Ayuda al **(213) 637-7650**.

Empezar Desde Abajo

¿Deseas elevarte? Comienza por descender. ¿Planeas una torre que penetre las nubes? Construye primero los cimientos en la humildad.

— San Agustín

Parish Directory

Directorio de la Parroquia

Adult Education (English):

Bible Study, Adult: Sr. Mina Riggs, 683-9090 x5
Confirmation: Fr. Mark Strader, 967-5641

Adult Education (Spanish):

Bible Study: Marina Rodriguez, 967-7432

Altar Servers: Deacon Wayne Rascati**Baptism:** Register at the Parish Office.**Bautismos en Espanol:** Registrese 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: Sister Mina Riggs, 683-9090x5

Eucharistic Ministry (Spanish):

Mass: Carlos Sanchez, 685-6613 or Estela Santos, 683-6542
To the Sick/Homebound: Carlos Sanchez, 685-6613 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 Oracion:** Jesús Lopez, 685-9427**Guadalupanos:** Gustavo Gutierrez, 964-9545**Jail Ministry (Restorative Justice):** Marciano Avila, 898-7008**JustFaith:** Melissa Colborn, 964-4570**Knights of Columbus:**

Grand Knight: Dan Knauss
4th Degree: Jack Turney

Lectors: Charles Kriech, 967-8886**Life Network:** 967-9096**Liturgia Dominical Para Ninos:** 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 & Worship:** Ray Lyra, 684-5373**Presentación de Niños a los Tres Anos 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**School:** Principal, Ellen Manning, 967-2115, school email: sraph@sbceo.org.**School of Religion (CCD):** See *Religious Education***St. Raphael Bowling League:** Eleanor Paulazzo, 968-5240**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? _____