

ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Office Hrs: Mon. - Thurs. 9a-2p (Closed Friday)

MASS: *Sun. 1030a | Domingo Misa español 1230p*

Tue 6P | Wed 830A | Thur 830A | Fri. 830A

CONFESSION: *Tue 5p - 545p | Sat. 330p - 5p*

Important Dates

15SEP: ROSARY TODAY at 10A

17SEP: **Confession/Confesión** 5p to 545p

17SEP: **Mass Bilingual / Misa Bilingue 6P**

18SEP: & 19, 20Sep **Mass 830A Misa en inglés**

21SEP: **Confession / Confesión** 330p - 5p

24SEP: Grupo Guadalupano 10A

Sunday Readings

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXIV Domingo ordinario

1st Reading *Isaiah 50:5-9a*

Psalms *116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9*

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Caminaré en la presencia del Señor.

2nd Reading *James 2:14-18*

Gospel *Mark 8:27-35*

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

Thinking as God Does

Suffering is a part of our human existence. Suffering stems partly
Meditation of the Day continues on next page

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15TH

<i>Sunday; Sept. 15</i>	<i>Intentions of Fr. Chuck Kelly</i>	<i>1030A English</i>
<i>Sunday; Sept. 15</i>	<i>Intenciones de Elias & Alicia Barajas</i>	<i>1230P español</i>
<i>Tuesday; Sept. 17</i>	<i>Alan Balladares †</i>	<i>830A English</i>
<i>Wed.; Sept. 18</i>	<i>Intenciones de Elias Barajas</i>	<i>830A English</i>
<i>Thurs.; Sept. 19</i>	—————	<i>830A English</i>
<i>Friday; Sept. 20</i>	<i>Health and Intentions of Nancy Cornett</i>	<i>830A English</i>

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK LET US PRAY FOR

*Deacon Cavalli
Cathy Larsen
Linda Stultz
Angela Babcock
Sharon Calboun
Jeff Clark
Pat Mortensen
Ben Richards
Patrick Wallenan*

*Andrea Inzunza
Barbara Brown
Carrie Sue Sonsteng
Sam Kempner
Tylor Koski
Denise Hughes
Kimberly Helgeson Avoy
Denis Helgeson*

*Jim McManus
Rod Montgomery
David Porter
Barbara Maldonado
Adriana Sepulveda
Senona Gonzalez
Samia Zumout
Karen Reynolds
Lora Ginn*

SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

INTENCIONES DE SEPTIEMBRE DEL PAPA FRANCISCO

Por el clamor de la tierra

Oremos para que cada uno de nosotros escuche con el corazón el clamor de la Tierra y de las víctimas de las catástrofes naturales y del cambio climático, comprometiéndonos personalmente a cuidar el mundo que habitamos.

This Week's Readings

THE TWENTY-FOURTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Monday; Sept. 16th Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1st Reading: I Corinthians 11:17-26, 33

Psalm 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17

Proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes again.

Gospel: Luke 7:1-10

Tuesday; Sept. 17th

1st Reading: I Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a

Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5

We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

Gospel: Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday; September 18th

1st Reading: I Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Psalm 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel: Luke 7:31-35

Thursday; September 19th

1st Reading: I Corinthians 15:1-11

Psalm 118:1B-2, 16AB-17, 28

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

Gospel: Luke 7:36-50

Friday; September 20th Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, and Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

1st Reading: I Corinthians 15:12-20

Psalm 17:1BCD, 6-7, 8B and 15

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Gospel: Luke 8:1-3

Saturday; Sept. 21st Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and evangelist

1st Reading: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13

Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5

Their message goes out through all the earth.

Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13

*Meditation of the Day continued from front page.***MEDITATION OF THE DAY** Thinking as God Does*from our finitude, and partly from the mass of sin which has accumulated over the course of history, and continues to grow unabated today.*

Certainly we must do whatever we can to reduce suffering: to avoid as far as possible the suffering of the innocent; to soothe pain; to give assistance in overcoming mental suffering. These are obligations both in justice and in love, and they are included among the fundamental requirements of the Christian life and every truly human life.... Indeed, we must do all we can to overcome suffering, but to banish it from the world altogether is not in our power. This is simply because we are unable to shake off our finitude and because none of us is capable of eliminating the power of evil.... Only God is able to do this: only a God who personally enters history by making himself man and suffering within history. We know that this God exists, and hence that this power to take away the sin of the world (Jn 1:29) is present in the world. Through faith in the existence of this power, hope for the world's healing has emerged...hope that gives us the courage to place ourselves on the side of good even in seemingly hopeless situations....

It is when we attempt to avoid suffering by withdrawing from anything that might involve hurt, when we try to spare ourselves the effort and pain of pursuing truth, love, and goodness, that we drift into a life of emptiness, in which there may be almost no pain, but the dark sensation of meaninglessness and abandonment is all the greater. It is not by sidestepping or fleeing from suffering that we are healed, but rather by our capacity for accepting it, maturing through it and finding meaning through union with Christ, who suffered with infinite love....

Christ descended into "hell" and is therefore close to those cast into it, transforming their darkness into light. Suffering and torment is still terrible and well-nigh unbearable. Yet the star of hope has risen.... Instead of evil being unleashed within man, the light shines victorious: suffering—without ceasing to be suffering—becomes, despite everything, a hymn of praise. —Pope Benedict XVI

Benedict XVI († 2022) reigned as pope from 2005 until 2013. / From Encyclical Letter Spe Salvi #36-37, on Christian Hope. www.vatican.va.

Excerpt from Magnificat Magazine, Meditation of the Day, Sept. 15, 2024

HOMILY NOTES

¡Bienvenidos a septiembre! Este mes se dedica tradicionalmente al honor de Nuestra Señora de los Dolores en gran parte debido a la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de los Dolores que este año cae el domingo 15 de septiembre; También rezamos el Rosario hoy a las 10 a.m.

Todos los dolores de María se funden en el sufrimiento supremo de la Pasión. En la Pasión, María sufrió un martirio del corazón a causa de los tormentos de Nuestro Señor y de la grandeza de su amor por Él.

La Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de los Dolores conmemora la profunda unión de corazón que existió entre la Madre del Redentor y el Salvador, a través de la cual experimentó muchos dolores interiores como consecuencia de Su Misión, pero particularmente durante Su Pasión y Muerte.

El Cántico de María La Magnificat

Proclama mi alma la grandeza del Señor, mi espíritu se alegra en Dios mi salvador, porque ha mirado con favor a su humilde sierva. Desde este día todas las generaciones me llamarán bienaventurada: el Todopoderoso ha hecho grandes cosas en mí, y santo es su nombre. Él tiene misericordia de los que le temen en cada generación. Ha mostrado la fuerza de su brazo, ha dispersado a los soberbios en su vanidad. Derribó a los poderosos de sus tronos y exaltó a los humildes. A los hambrientos colmó de bienes, y a los ricos despidió vacíos. Ha venido en ayuda de su siervo Israel, porque se ha acordado de su promesa de misericordia, la promesa que hizo a nuestros padres, a Abraham y a sus hijos para siempre. Gloria al Padre, al Hijo y al Espíritu Santo, como era en el principio, ahora y será por los siglos. Amén.

FUENTE: <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/prayers/view.cfm?id=762&repos=3&subrepos=3&searchid=2419120> <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/liturgical-holidays/memorial-of-our-lady-of-sorrows.html>

Fuente de oración: <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/prayers/view.cfm?id=762&repos=3&subrepos=3&searchid=2419120>



Welcome to September! This month is traditionally dedicated to the honor of Our Lady of Sorrows largely due to the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows which falls this year on Sunday, Sept. 15; we also pray the Rosary at 10A today. All the sorrows of Mary are merged in the supreme suffering at the Passion. In the Passion, Mary suffered a martyrdom of the heart because of Our Lord's torments and the greatness of her love for Him.

The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows commemorates the profound union of heart that existed between the Mother of the Redeemer and the Savior, through which she experienced many interior sorrows as a consequence of His Mission, but particularly during His Passion and Death.

The Cantic of Mary The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my savior, for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His Name. He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation. He has shown the strength of His arm, He has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has come to the help of His servant Israel, for He has remembered His promise of mercy, the promise He made to our fathers, to Abraham and His children for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

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PARISH UPDATES

STM Key Dates | Fechas Claves de STM

- ☑ **Tuesday, Sept. 17 | martes 17 de septiembre**
Confession | Confesión 5p to 545P
Mass Bilingual/Misa Bilingue 6P
- ☑ **Wed., Sept. 18 | miércoles 18 de septiembre**
MASS/MISA 830A | English/inglés
- ☑ **Thurs., Sept. 19 | jueves 19 de septiembre**
MASS | MISA 830A | English/inglés
- ☑ **Friday, Sept. 20 | viernes 20 de septiembre**
MASS | MISA 830A | English/inglés
- ☑ **Saturday, Sept. 21 | sábado 21 de septiembre**
Confession | Confesión 330p to 5p



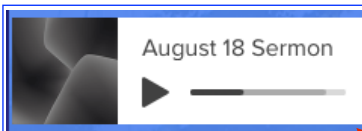
Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday; Oct. 5 at 10A
and
Friday; Oct. 11 after 830A
Mass



SAVE THE DATE!

The Women of St. Thomas More present the
5th Annual Taste of Heaven on Earth: Chocolate & Wine Tasting! Saturday; October 19, 2024
Tickets will go on sale soon! Can you believe its been five years!?



SERMON ARCHIVES

SUNDAY HOMILIES
NOW AVAILABLE
ONLINE!

IMMEDIATE PAST SUNDAY here.
PAST SERMONS HERE.

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In re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento, Case No. 24-21326
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: October 1, 2024

YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

On April 1, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento aka Diocese of Sacramento filed a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition for protection under title 11 of the United States Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim so as to be received by October 1, 2024, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Diocese.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Diocese that occurred before April 1, 2024, must be filed on or before October 1, 2024, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before April 1, 2024.



For more information on how to file a claim or about the bankruptcy, please visit: <https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsacramento>, or contact the Debtor's claims agent Donlin, Recano, & Company, Inc. via email at rcbsacramentoinfo@drc.equiniti.com or by phone at 1-866-714-7301; or visit the Debtor's website at <https://scd.org> and follow the links for Chapter 11 filing.

In re: El Obispo Católico Romano de Sacramento, Caso No. 24-21326
Tribunal de Bancarrota de los Estados Unidos Para el Distrito Este de California

Notificación de fecha límite para presentar reclamaciones:
1 de Octubre de 2024

USTED PUEDE TENER UNA DEMANDA DE ABUSO SEXUAL U OTRA DEMANDA CONTRA LA DIÓCESIS DE SACRAMENTO

El 1 de abril de 2024, el Obispo Católico Romano de Sacramento, también conocido como Diócesis de Sacramento, presentó una petición de bancarrota del capítulo 11 para obtener protección bajo el título 11 del Código de los Estados Unidos.

Si usted fue abusado sexualmente por cualquier persona relacionada con la Diócesis, debe presentar su reclamo para que se reciba antes del 1 de octubre de 2024, o de lo contrario, se le prohibirá y excluirá para siempre hacer valer dicha reclamación contra la Diócesis.

Las reclamaciones basadas en actos u omisiones de la Diócesis que ocurrieron antes del 1 de abril de 2024, deben presentarse el 1 de octubre de 2024 o antes, incluso si dichas reclamaciones no están ahora fijas, liquidadas o ciertas o no se vencieron o se volvieron fijas, liquidadas o ciertas antes del 1 de abril de 2024.



Para obtener más información sobre cómo obtener y presentar un reclamo o sobre la bancarrota, visite: <https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsacramento>, o comuníquese con el agente de reclamos del Deudor, Donlin, Recano & Company, Inc., por correo electrónico al rcbsacramentoinfo@drc.equiniti.com o por teléfono al 1-866-714-7301; o visite el sitio web del Deudor en <https://scd.org> y siga los enlaces para la presentación del Capítulo 11.