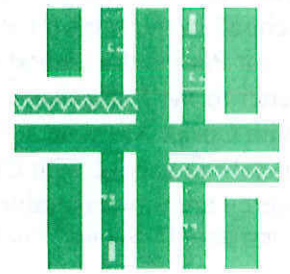


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Liturgy

Wednesday - Thursday : 8:00 AM (Mass)

Monday: 8:00 AM (Prayer Service)

Friday: 8:00 AM (Communion Service)

Rosary: Monday - Friday: 7:30 AM

Saturday Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

Sacraments

Baptism - Contact Margaret Roncalli

Marriage - Contact pastor 6 months in advance

Reconciliation

3:30 PM - 4:00 Saturday

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

For communion/visits to the sick & homebound; mass intentions, prayer request & funerals

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Through African American traditions, we are moved
by the Spirit to serve.

*“Misericordia: Making
Mercy Visible”*

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As high as the heavens are above the earth,
so high are my ways above your ways
and my thoughts above your thoughts.

Isaiah 55:9

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017



Please **turn off** Cell Phones before
entering Church. Thank you!

CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

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Today's Good News ~ Living With Christ

Each Mass, before receiving the Eucharist, we repeat the words of the Roman centurion in today's Scripture: "Lord...I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof." It is good for us to recall from whence these words come. The centurion was a non-Jew, apparently an unbeliever, an officer in the ruling army that occupied Jerusalem. As a centurion, he commanded a Roman centuria, up to 100 men. He was a leader in the army that put Jesus to death. But it was his act of humility that we recall each Mass. It was his faith in Jesus that our Savior commended and to which we aspire. Jesus himself was "amazed at him." True faith can come from unexpected places. Can we take off our blinders and be open to surprising moments of faith? Perhaps this day, we might even have an opportunity to profess our faith in an unexpected way. **MSGR. STEPHEN J. ROSSETTI**

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul
Thursday: St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions
Friday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset
Saturday: St. Jerome



- September 24, 2017 - All Family Faith Day
- October 7, 2017 - Proclaimer's Workshop
- October 14, 2017 - Old School Dance
- October 15, 2017 - Gospel Choir Salad Bar
- October 21, 2017 - Health Cabinet CPR Saturday
- October 22, 2017 - All Family Faith Day
- November 1, 2017 - All Saints' Day

Bulletins / Announcements

Please remember to submit all information for the Bulletin and/or Sunday Announcements **no later than Tuesday before 10:00 am/inserts before 4:00 p.m.** Thank you.

Scripture Study

Come and join Scripture Study every Thursday evening with Sr. Amora at 7:00 pm in Mother Lydia's Chapel. For more information call Gillian Small at (510) 501-9726 or ggms@att.net

We welcome all who come to celebrate with us. If you would like to register or if you need to update your information, please complete this registration form and place it in the collection basket, return to office or send us an email. Be Blessed!

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- New Parishioner
- Change of Information
- Moving: Remove from list
- Please Call me - best time _____
- I would like to serve as _____