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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

VIGÉSIMO TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO (A)

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MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIOS DE MISA

Monday/Lunes: No mass
Tuesday/Martes: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL
Wednesday/Miércoles: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL
Thursday/Jueves: **6:00 PM** (Spanish) - CHAPEL
Friday/Viernes: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL

Saturday/Sábado: **4:30 PM** (English) CHURCH
6:00 PM (English) LOUNGE
Neocatechumenal Way

Sunday/Domingo: **7:00 AM** (English) CHURCH
9:00 AM (Spanish) CHURCH
11:00 AM (English) CHURCH

CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES

SATURDAYS: 3:30 pm in the Church or any time by appointment.
SABADOS: A las 3:30 pm en la Iglesia o llame para una cita.

FUNERALS / FUNERALES

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De Lunes a Viernes. Favor de contactar la Oficina Parroquial.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK / UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

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BAPTISMS / BAUTIZOS

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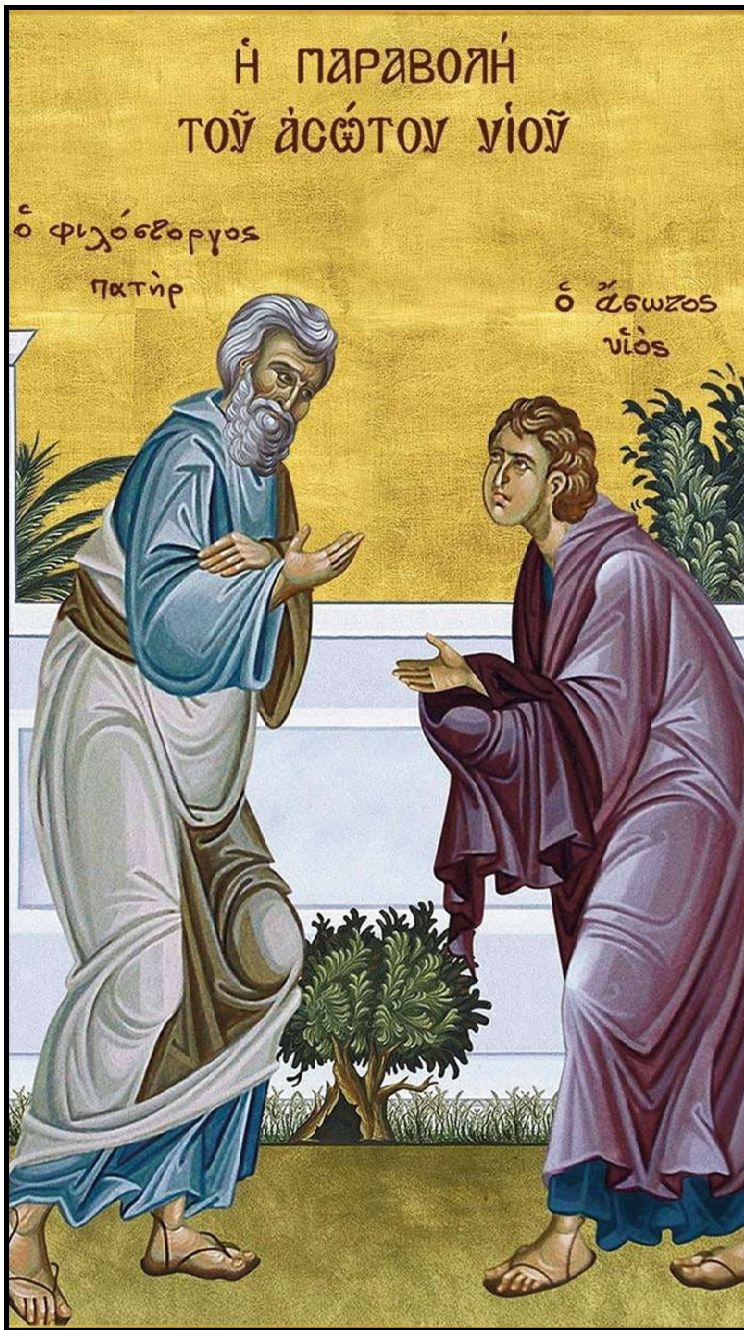
Please contact the priests at least 6 months before your wedding.
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READINGS FOR THE 23RD WEEK OF O.T. (A)

Mon. Sept. 7

1 Cor 5:1-8
Lk 6:6-11

Tue. Sept. 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wed. Sept. 9

Saint Peter Claver

1 Cor 7:25-31
Lk 6:20-26

Thur. Sept. 10

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13
Lk 6:27-38

Fri. Sept. 11

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27
Lk 6:39-42



Sat. Sept. 12

1 Cor 10:14-22
Lk 6:43-49

Sun. Sept. 13

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 27:30—28:7
Rom 14:7-9
Mt 18:21-35

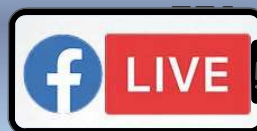
SEPTEMBER 6

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Owe nothing but to love one another.” These words from St. Paul convey an important message that relates closely with today’s gospel. Jesus uses a parable to give a practical instruction about what to do when someone has wronged us. The passage ends with a promise that where two or three are gathered in Christ’s name, he is there among them. What is significant is that Jesus gives us this encouragement in the middle of a passage about conflict resolution and reconciliation. Recalling these words will assist our attempts to listen better and achieve a loving resolution when needed and “owe nothing but to love. . . .”

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Mass will be "Live" on Saturdays at 4:30 pm and on Sundays at 7 am, 9 am (Spanish), and 11 am.

PARISH PASTORAL WORK

Pro-Life Rosary - Fridays @ 4:30 pm
Santo Niño - First Saturday @ 4:00 pm
Divine Mercy - Every Other Saturdays @ 4:00 pm
Sacred Heart Society - First Sunday @ 8:30 am
Cursillo de Cristiandad - Sundays @ 10:00 am
Our Lady of Fatima - First Saturday @ 7:00 am
Neocatechumenal Way - Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm
Grief and Loss Seminar - Last Tuesdays @ 1:00 pm



The Saints of the Week

The Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

celebrates the birth of Mary, the Mother of Jesus and the Mother of the Church. Though Sacred Scripture does not give us the details of her birth, the Church has celebrated this feast since ancient times, recognizing Mary’s unique role in God’s plan of salvation. Her birth marks the dawn of a new era: the woman chosen to give flesh to the Son of God enters the world in preparation for her mission. Mary’s humble and faithful “yes” reminds us that God can accomplish great things through those who place their lives completely in His hands.

Saint Peter Claver (1580–1654) was a Spanish Jesuit priest who dedicated his life to serving enslaved Africans brought to Colombia. Known as the “slave of the slaves,” he welcomed those arriving in Cartagena, bringing them food, medicine, and spiritual care. He baptized and instructed many thousands in the Catholic faith, defending their dignity and treating each person as a beloved child of God. His life challenges us to recognize Christ in those who suffer and to respond with compassion, courage, and love. Saint Peter Claver died in 1654 and was canonized in 1888. His feast is celebrated on September 9.

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sat. 5	4:30 pm	+Joan and +David Alexis	req. by the family.
	6:00 pm		
Sun. 6	7:00 am	+Sylvester and +Teresa “Grace” Fontenelle	req. by the family.
	9:00 am	+Carmen Cruz and +Olga Lopez	req. by Carmen Romero.
	11:00 am	For the good of the people of St. Joseph Church.	
Tue. 8	6:30 am	+Lyndon Mitchell	req. by the family.
Wed. 9	6:30 am	Birthday blessings for Devi-Ann and Portia Leonce	req. by their mother.
Thu. 10	6:00 pm	Special intentions	req. by Marvlyn Roberts.
Fri. 11	6:30 am	Special intentions	req. by Marvlyn Roberts.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION - For the Solidarity Fund of the Church in Africa. Thanks.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Tuesday from 7:00 am until 5:00 pm, in Saint Michael's Chapel.

PROLIFE ROSARY - Every Friday at 4:30 pm, in Saint Michael's Chapel. All are welcome.

GROW IN YOUR FAITH - You have not yet received Baptism, First Communion, Confession, or Confirmation? Or do you want to refresh your knowledge of the Sacraments? Join Sister Floriane's Adult Formation class! Don't miss out! ☎ Office: 340-692-2005.

DIACONATE ORDINATION - Let us pray for Paul Prince Nnamdi Duru, who will be ordained a deacon on September 16 at 4:00 pm at Holy Cross, St. Croix. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this celebration and to accompany him with our prayers as he takes this important step on his journey toward the priesthood.

SEPTEMBER 2026 - SECOND COLLECTIONS

September 6, 2026 - Solidarity Fund of the Church in Africa

September 13, 2026 - Maintenance

September 27, 2026 - Religious Education



Catholic Questions Answered

Why do Catholics honor Mary?

Catholics honor Mary because God Himself chose to honor her. At the Annunciation, the angel Gabriel greeted Mary as "full of grace" and announced that she had been chosen to become the Mother of the Savior (Lk 1:28-31). Mary's greatness does not come from being separate from Christ but from her unique relationship with Him. She is the Mother of Jesus, who is truly God and truly man, and therefore the Church honors her with the title Mother of God.

Catholics do not worship Mary. Worship belongs to God alone. The Church gives Mary a special honor called veneration because of the extraordinary work God accomplished in her life. She is the first and greatest disciple of Christ, the woman who perfectly responded to God's will: "Let it be done to me according to your word" (Lk 1:38).

Mary's entire life points us toward her Son. At Cana, she told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you" (Jn 2:5). Her mission continues to lead Christians closer to Jesus. Through her example of faith, humility, and obedience, Mary teaches us how to follow Christ.

The Church honors Mary because she is a sign of hope for all believers. In her we see what God desires for every Christian: a life completely united with Christ and a future participation in the glory of heaven.

References: Lk 1:26-56; Jn 2:1-11; Gal 4:4; CCC 484-511, 963-975; Lumen Gentium 52-69; Marialis Cultus.



St. Joseph's Gem

WISDOM ON OUR SPIRITUAL FATHER

"I know by experience the astonishing influence which St. Joseph exercises over God. I have always seen those who honored him with particular devotion advance in virtue. This heavenly protector favors in a striking manner the spiritual progress of souls who commend themselves to him."

St. Teresa of Ávila

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(Please call the Church Office to add or remove names to/from this list)



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ANUNCIOS

SEGUNDA COLECTA DE HOY - Fondo de Solidaridad de la Iglesia en África

ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO - Martes de 7:00 am a 5:00 pm, en la Capilla de San Miguel.

ROSARIO PRO-VIDA - Todos los viernes a las 4:30 pm en la Capilla de San Miguel. Todos son bienvenidos.

CRECE EN TU FE! - ¿Aún no has recibido el Bautismo, la Primera Comunión, la Confesión o la Confirmación? ¿O quieres refrescar tus conocimientos sobre los Sacramentos? ¡Únete a la clase de Formación de Adultos de la Hermana Floriane! ¡No te lo pierdas! ☎ Oficina Parroquial: 340-692-2005.

ORDENACIONES DIACONALES - Oremos por Paul Prince Nnamdi Duru, quien será ordenado diácono el 16 de septiembre a las 4:00 pm en Holy Cross, St. Croix. Todos están cordialmente invitados a participar en esta celebración y acompañarlo con nuestra oración en este importante paso de su camino hacia el sacerdocio.



Preguntas Católicas Respondidas

¿Por qué los católicos honran a María?

Los católicos honramos a María porque Dios mismo la honró primero. En la Anunciación, el ángel Gabriel la saludó diciendo: «¡Alégrate, llena de gracia!» y le anunció que había sido escogida para ser la Madre del Salvador (Lc 1,28-31). La grandeza de María no viene de estar separada de Cristo, sino precisamente de su relación única con Él. Ella es la Madre de Jesús, quien es verdadero Dios y verdadero hombre, y por eso la Iglesia la reconoce como Madre de Dios.

Los católicos no adoramos a María. La adoración pertenece únicamente a Dios. La Iglesia le ofrece un honor especial llamado veneración, porque reconoce la obra extraordinaria que Dios realizó en ella. María es la primera y más perfecta discípula de Cristo, la mujer que respondió con total confianza a la voluntad de Dios: «Hágase en mí según tu palabra» (Lc 1,38).

Toda la vida de María nos conduce hacia su Hijo. En las bodas de Caná dijo a los servidores: «Hagan lo que Él les diga» (Jn 2,5). Su misión continúa ayudando a los cristianos a acercarse más a Jesús. Con su ejemplo de fe, humildad y obediencia, María nos enseña a vivir como verdaderos discípulos.

La Iglesia honra a María porque en ella contemplamos una imagen de esperanza. Ella muestra lo que Dios quiere realizar en cada creyente: una vida plenamente unida a Cristo y destinada a participar de la gloria eterna.

Referencias: Lc 1,26-56; Jn 2,1-11; Gál 4,4; CIC 484-511, 963-975; Lumen Gentium 52-69; Marialis Cultus.

SEPTIEMBRE 2026 - SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

6 de septiembre de 2026 - Fondo de Solidaridad de la Iglesia en África

13 de septiembre de 2026 - Mantenimiento

27 de septiembre de 2026 - Educación Religiosa



6 DE SEPTIEMBRE VIGÉSIMO TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

«No tengan otra deuda que la del amor mutuo». Estas palabras de san Pablo transmiten un mensaje importante que está estrechamente relacionado con el Evangelio de hoy. Jesús utiliza una parábola para darnos una enseñanza práctica sobre qué hacer cuando alguien nos ha ofendido. El pasaje termina con una hermosa promesa: donde dos o tres están reunidos en el nombre de Cristo, Él está presente en medio de ellos.

Es significativo que Jesús nos dé este consuelo precisamente en medio de un pasaje que habla sobre la resolución de conflictos y la reconciliación. Recordar estas palabras nos ayudará a escuchar mejor, a buscar soluciones llenas de amor y a alcanzar la reconciliación cuando sea necesario, recordando siempre que nuestra única deuda debe ser la de «amarnos unos a otros».

La joya de San José

SABIDURÍA SOBRE NUESTRO PADRE ESPIRITUAL



«Sé por experiencia la sorprendente influencia que San José ejerce ante Dios. Siempre he visto que quienes lo honran con especial devoción progresan en la virtud. Este protector celestial favorece de manera extraordinaria el progreso espiritual de las almas que se encomiendan a él».

St. Teresa of Ávila



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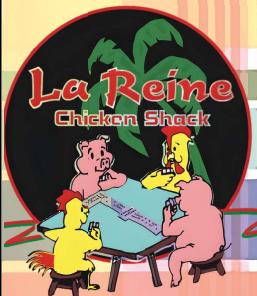
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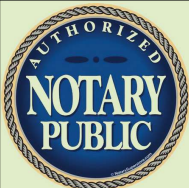


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HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER

God, our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the danger of hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, natural disasters and all acts of terrorism. May we be secure in your protection and always feel the presence of your love as you turn our fears into praise of your goodness. Bless our families and bring peace to all nations. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

ORACIÓN A SAN MIGUEL ARCÁNGEL

San Miguel Arcángel, defiéndenos en la batalla. Sé nuestro amparo contra la perversidad y acechanzas del demonio. Reprímele Dios, pedimos suplicantes, y tú, Príncipe de la Milicia Celestial, arroja al infierno con el divino poder, a Satanás y a los otros espíritus malignos que andan dispersos por el mundo para la perdición de las almas. Amén.

ORACIÓN EN TEMPORADA DE HURACANES

Padre, todos los elementos de la naturaleza obedecen a tu mandato. Libranos de los peligros de huracanes, inundaciones, terremotos, desastres naturales y de todos los actos de terrorismo. Que nos sintamos seguros en tu protección y que siempre sintamos la presencia de tu amor. Cambia nuestros miedos en alabanzas a tu bondad. Bendice a nuestras familias y trae la paz a todas las naciones. Te lo pedimos por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.



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