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SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

Pastor's Corner

When is it the right time? When should you take that big step, make that change, kick off that resolution?

Right now can feel like the wrong time for a lot of things, as we continue lurching down a path of disruption. With so many negatives and so much negativity, it seems easier to hunker down and linger with what is comfortable.

When is the right time to change? In our gospel today, Jesus says, "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand." What is this moment when Mark introduces this rollout? Our reading says it happens, "After John had been arrested." Pretty much the worst possible time, it would seem, for Jesus to begin his public ministry. As Herod cracks down on the one who dared to say that marriage matters, this should be a moment to lay low, to keep one's light under the bushel basket.

But Jesus takes that precise moment to demand that we change: "Repent, and believe in the gospel." He clearly sees his role as being to shake things up. And he wants us to shake things up as well. Our first reading describes God's call to Jonah, whom he sends to preach repentance to the people of Nineveh. Preaching repentance means telling people they're doing the wrong thing, and that they have to change. Never popular in any moment, opportune or not.

Amazingly, the passage from Jonah describes the city of Nineveh listening and responding with repentance, with conversion. And in our gospel we see Simon and Andrew, James and John accepting Jesus' message of repentance.

Through your life and actions, through your words and commitments, you are called to manifest the kingdom of God at work in this world. In a moment when the world is actively rejecting that kingdom, it can be tempting to mute our message. Like John the Baptist, you may be cancelled. Like Jonah, you may be intimidated. But like Simon and Andrew, James and John, today is our day to recognize that the time is fulfilled, and today we will live in public as followers of Jesus.

Pray For...Oremos por...

Please keep the following people in your prayers this week: For those suffering illnesses, infirmity, and those in need of our prayers... Recordemos en nuestras oraciones de esta semana a todos aquellos que están enfermos, especialmente a:

Helen Gomez, Joe and Luci Fisher and Charlotte Roberto

For the following souls of the recently departed, that through the mercy of Christ, they may rest in peace... Oremos también por todos los fieles difuntos para que a través de la misericordia de Dios descansen en paz....

Lourdes Mendoza, Bill Schmidt, Victor Garcia Ramirez, Jose Huerta, Wayne Snook, Simplica Gacayan, Ramona McGrath, Don Turano, and Jack Taylor

CANDLES

Candles in the church for reflection and prayers are now \$5.00 per candles. Please drop the money for candle(s) ONLY in the locked box next to candles stands.

The black locked box that has been there is for DONATIONS ONLY. THANK YOU!

Las velas en la iglesia para reflexionar y rezar ahora cuestan \$5.00 por vela. Por favor deje el dinero ÚNICAMENTE para las velas en la caja cerrada con candado al lado de las velas.

La caja negra que ha estado ahí es SOLO PARA DONACIONES. ¡GRACIAS!

Rincón Del Pastor

¿Cuándo es el momento adecuado? ¿Cuándo deberías dar ese gran paso, hacer ese cambio, iniciar esa resolución?

Ahora mismo puede parecer el momento equivocado para muchas cosas, ya que continuamos tambaleándonos por un camino de disrupción. Con tanta negatividad, parece más fácil esconderte y quedarte con lo que es cómodo.

¿Cuándo es el momento adecuado para cambiar? En nuestro evangelio de hoy, Jesús dice: "Este es el momento del cumplimiento. El reino de Dios se ha acercado." ¿Cuál es este momento en el que Marcos presenta este lanzamiento? Nuestra lectura nos dice lo que sucede, "Después de que Juan fue arrestado." Parece que fue el peor momento posible para que Jesús comenzara su ministerio público. Mientras Herodes toma medidas energéticas contra el que se atrevió a decir que el matrimonio es importante, este debería ser un momento para pasar desapercibido, para mantener la luz debajo de la canasta de madera.

Pero Jesús aprovecha ese preciso momento para exigir que cambiemos: "Arrepíéntanse y crean en el evangelio." Él ve claramente que su papel consiste en cambiar las cosas. Y quiere que también cambiemos las cosas. Nuestra primera lectura describe el llamado de Dios a Jonás, a quien envía a predicar el arrepentimiento a la gente de Nínive. Predicar el arrepentimiento significa decirle a la gente que están haciendo algo incorrecto y que tienen que cambiar. Nunca popular en ningún momento, oportuno o no.

Sorprendentemente, el pasaje de Jonás describe la ciudad de Nínive escuchando y respondiendo con arrepentimiento, con conversión. Y en nuestro evangelio vemos a Simón y Andrés, Santiago y Juan aceptando el mensaje de arrepentimiento de Jesús.

A través de su vida y acciones, a través de sus palabras y compromisos, está llamado a manifestar el reino de Dios en acción en este mundo. En un momento en que el mundo rechaza activamente ese reino, puede resultar tentador silenciar nuestro mensaje. Como Juan el Bautista, puedes ser cancelado. Como Jonás, puedes sentirte intimidado. Pero como Simón y Andrés, Santiago y Juan, hoy es nuestro día para reconocer que el tiempo se ha cumplido, y hoy viviremos en público como seguidores de Jesús.

RICA - We as the Baptized....

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, let us recall our own Baptism. We have all received the call to go and baptize all nations. Likewise, St. Isidore parish community is also responsible for welcoming and sharing the Faith with all those preparing for reception into the Catholic. Yes, Body of Christ shares in being a part of bringing people into the Church – not just the RCIA ministry. Becoming a Catholic is a community experience. By living your faith, praying for conversion, and welcoming new people to St. Isidore's, we all share in the RCIA process. The community models Christian living and receives the new brother or sister into parish life. RCIA is looking for sponsors to accompany candidates on their spiritual journey. If you love God, and live Catholic way of life, we invite you to discern if God is calling you to "go and make disciples." You do not have to have all the answers, just a heart for Jesus. Contact Helen Gomez in the parish office at 673-1573 for more information.

RICA - Nosotros como bautizados....

Al celebrar el Bautismo del Señor, recordemos nuestro propio Bautismo. Todos hemos recibido el llamado de ir y bautizar a todas las naciones. La comunidad parroquial de San Isidro también es responsable de dar la bienvenida y compartir la Fe con todos aquellos que se preparan para ser Católicos. Sí, el Cuerpo de Cristo participa en ser parte de traer personas a la Iglesia, no solo en el ministerio de RICA. Convertirse en Católico es una experiencia comunitaria. Al vivir su fe, rezar por la conversación y dar la bienvenida a nuevas personas a San Isidro, todos compartimos el proceso de RICA. La comunidad modela la vida Cristiana y recibe al nuevo hermano o hermana en la vida parroquial. RICA está buscando patrocinadores para acompañar a los candidatos en su viaje espiritual. Si amas a Dios y vives un estilo de vida Católico, te invitamos a discernir si Dios te está llamando a "ir y hacer discípulos". No tienes que tener todas las respuestas, solo un corazón para Jesús. Comuníquese con Helen Gomez en la oficina parroquial al 673-1573 para obtener más información.

MASS INTENTIONS | INTENCIÓNES DE MISA

SATURDAY	
12:00 Noon	Gualalupe Berenice Lopez Murillo (Bday)
SUNDAY	
11:00 am	Mary Woods†
1:00 pm	Gloria Martinez (SI), Martinez Family (SI), Vazquez Family (SI), Maria Paz Curiel†
MONDAY	
12:00 Noon	Julio Treto†, John Pelfrey†
TUESDAY	
12:00 Noon	Mary Woods†
WEDNESDAY	
12:00 Noon	Collective Mass: James D. Chesini (Bday); Elizabeth Borromeo, Paul Borromeo, Jan Rett Borromeo (Bdays)
THURSDAY	
12:00 Noon	Paul Chessie (Bday)
FRIDAY	
12:00 Noon	Anna Thuc T. Tran†, Eldon Vignery (Healing)

MUSIC MINISTRY

St. Isidore Church Music Ministry is in need of a DIGITAL KEYBOARD (88 keys, with instrumental changes between the sounds piano and organ) to be used during masses at St. Isidore Church. It must come with a stand and a foot pedal (for Sound sustaining).

We are asking for donations to purchase this KEYBOARD to continue the beautiful music accompanying our vocalists. If you would like to donate to this effort, please put in an envelope marked "Music Ministry" and drop it in the Sunday collection basket or mail it to Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity, may God bless you.



Faith Formation Prayer and Catechesis in the Domestic Church

This week, our families will be reflecting on Psalm 23: The Lord is my Shepherd. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, provides for all our needs. He gives us rest and refreshment and guides us on the path of beauty and righteousness. Our Good Shepherd wants the best for us, and He gently calls us by name to follow Him. Our families are reflecting on this loving care of our Shepherd and the promise of His goodness and mercy, that we will "dwell in the house of the Lord forever".

If you would like information about Family Faith Formation or would like to help, please contact Michelle Knox at mknox@stisidore-yubacity.org

Formación de Fe Familiar Oración y Catequesis en la Iglesia Doméstica

Esta semana, nuestras familias reflexionarán sobre el Salmo 23: El Señor es mi Pastor. Jesús, nuestro Buen Pastor, satisface todas nuestras necesidades. Él nos da descanso y refrigerio y nos guía por el camino de la belleza y la justicia. Nuestro Buen Pastor quiere lo mejor para nosotros, y amablemente nos llama por nuestro nombre para seguirlo. Nuestras familias están reflexionando sobre este cuidado amoroso de nuestro Pastor y la promesa de Su bondad y misericordia, que "habitaremos en la casa del Señor para siempre".

Si desea información sobre la Formación de Fe Familiar o desea ayudar, comuníquese con Michelle Knox en mknox@stisidore-yubacity.org

El Ministerio de Música

El Ministerio de Música de la Iglesia de San Isidro necesita un teclado digital (88 teclas, con cambios instrumentales entre los sonidos del piano y el órgano) para usar durante las Misas. Debe venir con un soporte y un pedal (para sostener el sonido). Estamos solicitando donaciones para la compra de estos equipos musicales para continuar con la hermosa música que acompaña a nuestras vocalistas. Si desea hacer una donación para este esfuerzo, por favor coloque un sobre marcado "Ministerio de Música" y déjelo en la canasta de la colecta dominical o envíelo por correo a la Oficina Parroquial. Gracias por su generosidad, que Dios los bendiga.



ST ISIDORE SCHOOL



St. Isidore School is honoring CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK. While we cannot participate in the many activities as in the past years due to COVID, we will pray for all the Catholic Schools and our school during this time.



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ST. ISIDORE SCHOOL

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Join us for Vespers
in the
5:00 PM.

Vespers (Evening Prayer) is part of the Liturgy of the Hours (LOTH), the Prayer of the Church. Sunday Vespers is a beautiful and perfect way to bring to a commanded to keep holy and to prepare for the upcoming week. If you have never prayed the LOTH, you will learn as you go. See you there.



ESCUELA SAN ISIDRO



La escuela St. Isidore está honrando la SEMANA DE LA ESCUELA CATÓLICA. Si bien no podemos participar en las muchas actividades como en los últimos años debido a COVID, oraremos por todas las escuelas católicas y nuestra escuela durante este tiempo.



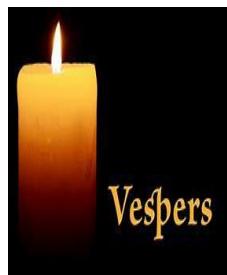
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SCRIP es otra manera fácil de ayudar a la escuela parroquial a recaudar fondos. Regístrese en el siguiente enlace y los ingresos, que varían del 2% al 17%, beneficiarán a la escuela. Se pueden comprar pedidos de tarjetas físicas y tarjetas de correo electrónico móviles. Dios los bendiga por su cuidado y apoyo a la escuela.

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Acompáñenos a las Vísperas
en la Iglesia a las 5:00 PM.

Las Vísperas (Oración de la tarde) es parte de la Liturgia de las Horas (LOTH), que son las oraciones de la Iglesia, y rezar las Vísperas juntos es una tradición venerable de la Iglesia. Si nunca has rezado LOTH, aprenderá a medida que avance.

Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

- Sunday:** Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
- Monday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
- Tuesday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday:** Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday:** Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
- Friday:** Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday:** Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41
- Next Sunday:** Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Observances for the week of January 24, 2021

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
- Tuesday:** Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
- Wednesday:** St. Angela Merici, Virgin
- Thursday:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Friday:**
- Saturday:** BVM
- Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Eucharistic Adoration is currently in need of people who can consider signing up as substitutes. A variety of hours are available as many of our committed Adorers have returned to work & our Adoration Substitute list is low. Please sign up online or by calling Cynthia Pelfrey (English) at (530) 632-7417 or Ruth Pendilla (English & Spanish) at (530)301-2174
Thank you!

Las lecturas de la semana del 24 de enero de 2021

- Domingo:** Jon 3, 1-5. 10/Sal 24, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9 [4]/1 Cor 7, 29-31/Mc 1, 14-20
- Lunes:** Hch 22, 3-16 o Hch 9, 1-22/Sal 116, 1. 2 [Mc 16, 15]/Mc 16, 15-18
- Martes:** 2 Tm 1, 1-8 o Tit 1, 1-5/Sal 95, 1-2. 2-3. 7-8. 10 [3]/Mc 3, 31-35
- Miércoles:** Heb 10, 11-18/Sal 109, 1. 2. 3. 4 [4]/Mc 4, 1-20
- Jueves:** Heb 10, 19-25/Sal 23, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [cfr. 6]/Mc 4, 21-25
- Viernes:** Heb 10, 32-39/Sal 36, 3-4. 5-6. 23-24. 39-40 [39]/Mc 4, 26-34
- Sábado:** Heb 11, 1-2. 8-19/Lc 1, 69-70. 71-72. 73-75 [cfr. 68]/Mc 4, 35-41
- Domingo siguiente:** Dt 18, 15-20/Sal 94, 1-2. 6-7. 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7, 32-35/Mc 1, 21-28

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 24 de enero de 2021

- Domingo:** 3er Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
- Lunes:** La conversión de San Pablo, el apóstol
- Martes:** San Timoteo y San Tito, obispos
- Miércoles:** Santa Ángela de Mérida, virgen
- Jueves:** San Tomás de Aquino, sacerdote y doctor de la Iglesia
- Viernes:**
- Sábado:** BVM
- Domingo siguiente:** 4º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Semana de las Escuelas Católicas
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Adoración eucarística

Nuestro ministerio de Adoración Eucarística actualmente necesita personas que puedan considerar la inscripción como sustitutos. Una variedad de horas está disponible, ya que muchos de nuestros Adoradores comprometidos han vuelto al trabajo y nuestra lista de sustitutos de adoración es baja. Regístrate en línea o llamando a Cynthia Pelfrey (Inglés) al (530) 632-7417 o Ruth Pendilla (Inglés & Español) al (530)301-2174 ¡Gracias!

Raising Pro-Life Children

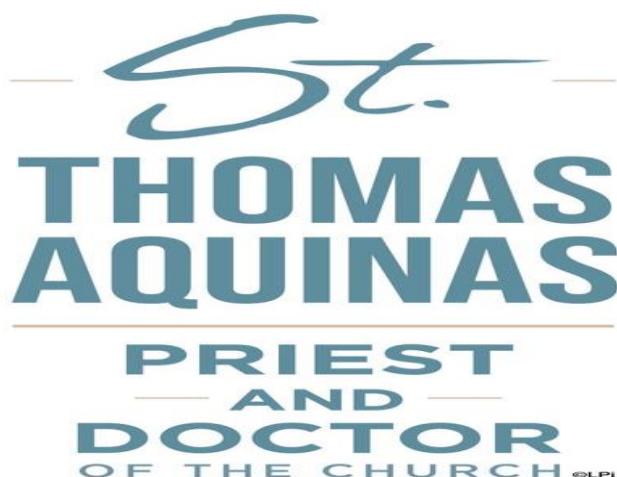
It often takes many decades to correct social injustices and human rights' problems. For example, it took many decades to abolish slavery.

Our generation might not see an end to the injustice of abortion. However, the younger generation is becoming increasingly pro-life and it is vitally important that we raise pro-life children. If so, they will one day see our nation becoming one of liberty and justice not just for some, but for all human beings.

A baby and, indeed, life itself, is nothing short of a miracle. As faithful Catholics, we should be teaching our children ---at every opportunity---that all human beings, at all stages of development, should be cherished, respected, loved and protected at all times. Also, we need to teach children that being pro-life does not only mean opposing abortion. Sometimes, children are born with disease, Down syndrome or some other problem---and these children are nevertheless all precious gifts from God and are extremely valuable, no matter what.

Teaching children to have a pro-life attitude is the indispensable antidote to today's selfish, "me-first" society, with many people more concerned about pleasure or money than the inherent value and dignity of every human life.

"A person's a person, no matter how small." Horton Hears a Who! Dr. Seuss.



Educando hijos Pro-Vida

Frecuentemente toma varias décadas para corregir injusticias sociales y problemas de derechos humanos. Por ejemplo, llevó muchas décadas para abolir la esclavitud.

Nuestra generación puede no ver el final de la injusticia del aborto. Sin embargo, la nueva generación se está transformando cada vez más en Pro-Vida y es vitalmente importante que eduquemos hijos Pro-Vida. Si hacemos eso, un día ellos verán nuestra nación transformarse en una en la cual la libertad y la justicia existen no sólo para algunos sino para todos los seres humanos.

Un bebé y por cierto, la vida misma, son una especie de milagro. Como fieles Católicos, debemos enseñar a nuestros niños ---en cada oportunidad--- que todos los seres humanos, en todas las etapas de su desarrollo, deben ser apreciados, respetados, amados y protegidos en todo momento.

También debemos enseñar a nuestros niños que ser Pro-Vida significa no sólo oponerse al aborto. Algunas veces, hay niños que nacen con enfermedades, síndrome de Down o algún otro problema---y todos esos niños son sin embargo, regalos preciosos de Dios y son extremadamente valiosos en todos los casos.

Enseñarles a los niños que tengan una actitud Pro-Vida es el antídoto indispensable contra la egoista, "yo primero" sociedad de hoy en día, en la cual mucha gente está más interesada en el dinero y el placer que en el valor inherente y dignidad de cada vida humana.

"Una persona es una persona, sin importar cuan pequeña" dice el libro: "¡Horton escucha a Quién!" del Dr. Seuss.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 24, 2021

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

It was a normal day by all accounts, but John just wasn't feeling himself. He was a little lightheaded and out of sorts. Later in the afternoon, he experienced a sharp pain in his chest and arm. Quick thinking and action brought John to the emergency department with a diagnosis of a significant heart attack. Surviving this ordeal, he found himself face to face with his cardiologist, having an honest conversation about things that needed to change. "I came close to death," John found himself thinking. Then came the remorse. He was a young man with a loving wife and children who were very close to facing life without him. John found himself with intense sorrow for living an unchecked and self-indulgent life that almost brought him to his demise. He wanted to change.

We all have our wake-up calls. We have experiences and encounters that force us to really think twice about choices we have made and directions we have taken. Often, we find ourselves looking at those we have hurt square in the eye and wallowing in our foolishness. We regrettably realize that we have allowed our needs to lure us into making some cruel mistakes. We impulsively say things and flippantly do things that reveal our unredeemed and unhealed self. It is a self we stumble over and try to tame but can't quite seem to master and control. Help!

We spin our wheels, naively thinking that we will somehow, perhaps through persistence, get ourselves unstuck. But, we don't. We just get out of the car, feeling very helpless, and ignorantly look at the mess we got ourselves into. Did we ever think to ask someone for help? Or, taken the advice of One who is wiser and avoid this route altogether? "Come after me," are words that Jesus says to all of us. In order to heed his invitation, we must leave our ego-self behind and follow.

When we really see and understand the freedom, peace, justice, and love he offers, we find ourselves with such sorrow in our hearts for how foolish and silly we have been. All the misguided choices and sinful actions come full view and we see how risky our random impassioned behaviors really have been. Repentance is beautiful. When done with a sincere and contrite heart, it directs us to the glory that can be ours, ignites us with the challenge of living a life in service of others and reminds us that all is well.

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MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA (Gospel Meditations)

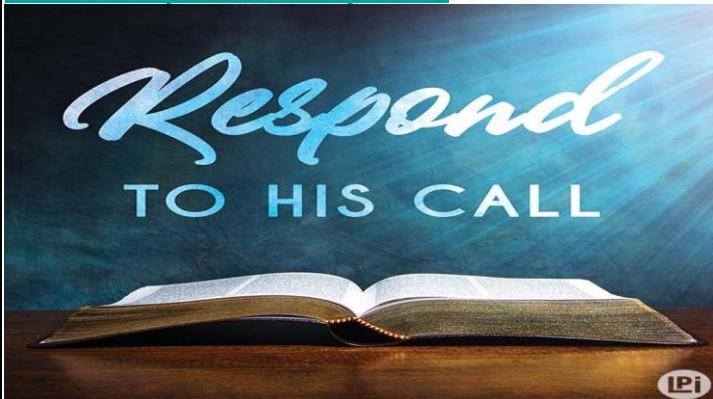
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Creer para cambiar, es el secreto para no destruirnos. Recuerdo, al inicio de la pandemia, que muchas personas no creían la magnitud y alcance del virus. Hubo quienes hasta que lo vivieron en carne propia creyeron. Y luego comenzaron a decir: "Yo no creía esto, pero les digo cuídense, no se expongan, guarden la distancia, lávense las manos". En la primera lectura, los ninivitas no creyeron hasta que Jonás predijo que la ciudad sería destruida. Sin embargo, ellos escucharon el mensaje y creyeron en la advertencia del peligro. Ayunaron e hicieron penitencia. ¡Hubo cambio del corazón, hubo conversión!

El Evangelio narra que Jesús llama a sus cuatro primeros discípulos, y proclama la Buena Nueva de Dios. Decía: "El tiempo se ha cumplido, el Reino de Dios está cerca. Renuncien a su mal camino y crean en la Buena Nueva" (Marcos 1:15). Observemos, que, después del anuncio viene la invitación al seguimiento. La similitud entre las lecturas es muy parecida. Jonás proclama, la gente de la ciudad responde. Jesús, anuncia la Buena Nueva y llama al ministerio a sus discípulos. Llamado, conversión, y misión están entrelazados. Lo principal en todo es creer, sin ese detalle del corazón, no puede darse respuesta. Ahora, se sigue proclamando la cercanía de Dios de muchas maneras, los caminos se abren al seguimiento, a darnos la mano unos a otros, a luchar hasta el cansancio por la salud de los demás. ¿Lo has visto o vivido así? Yo creo que sí. La conversión, sin duda es ablandar el corazón y el compromiso viene del mayor hasta el menor.



TRUST IN FOLLOWING GOD
For Sunday, January 24, 2021
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



Jonah 3:1-5, 10

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

Human beings seem to be hardwired to want to know what's going to happen next. This is how dramas and reality television can grip us so tightly — we simply *have* to stick around and watch the rest to see what's going to happen. I find my own children sometimes asking, "So what are we going to do today, Mommy?" even though we have a fairly simple and consistent schedule each week. There seems to be a thirst to feel just a little bit in control by knowing what's coming next. I remember feeling this whenever we moved to a new city as a military family, navigating unfamiliar roads. My phone's GPS was never far from my hand as I drove, needing to know which turn to take next to feel comfortable driving in a new place.

The readings today call us to something radically different. In the first reading, God calls Jonah, but what is striking is that the call seems to imply that Jonah isn't given all the information right away. "Set out for the great city of Nineveh and announce to it the message that I will tell you." God doesn't say, "Announce the message I've already mapped out for you word by word so you can say yes, fully knowing every turn this journey will take." God simply says that He will tell him. So, even if it was brief, there is a sense that Jonah had a moment of just having to trust God and taking Him at His word, not knowing exactly what would come next.

What would it be like in Nineveh? How long would it take the people to turn back to God? However, this wasn't what Jonah needed to do or know to fulfill God's plan. He simply needed to act. He just needed to say yes and move forward with trust. In the gospel, we hear the call of the Apostles, which take on this same tone. Jesus beckons them to simply follow him. This call doesn't come after a long convincing discourse on how following him will practically take place. There are no lists of steps they need to complete before they can officially be his Apostles. There is just a radical call to drop their very

livelihood and, in that moment, decide without knowing the course whether they will follow Jesus or not. The roads they will end up traveling with the Lord are unknown to them, and that isn't the point. The point is that they are called by God, and in that moment, they have a decision to trust the one who is calling them, or to hesitate and feel the need to be in control and know exactly which way this "yes" will take them.

In both readings, there is another worldly response by the prophet and Apostles. Rather than following a base gut reaction to want to know all the details and what would come next, they boldly follow the call of God and trust that He would take care of the rest. This is the same call that Jesus is asking of us today. In our everyday lives, will we trust God in what He sends us, or will we try to control everything?

St. Paul gives us the encouragement we need to decide in the second reading. "The time is running out." His admonition is urgent, reminding us that deciding to follow Jesus isn't something we calculate and plan every detail before acting on, like other things in life. It's a call we respond to with trust and faith because God is good and only desires our good. The world we live in is not stable. It will not satisfy the deepest longings of our hearts. It will not provide us with what our souls need to live. Jesus is saying to you and to me, "Come, follow me." It is up to us to let go of our inclination to maintain control of every little bit of how our lives will unfold. God is trustworthy and true, and when He calls us, He will provide all the means necessary for our happiness and holiness.

Let's be bold like the examples in the readings this weekend. Jesus is calling to us right now, today! Let's answer that call by whatever form it comes. It could be to put down the phone during meals and be present to family. It might be to stop making excuses and help serve at the soup kitchen downtown. Maybe it's to finally confess that really difficult sin that we've been struggling with. Or maybe it's reaching out to a person who looks lonely. Whatever it is, big or small, let us have the courage to let go of our own plans and simply act by responding to Jesus' call, "Come, follow me" with deep trust in our unfathomably loving God.

Angie Windnagel

PRAYER O my God, fill my soul with holy joy, courage and strength to serve You.

Enkindle Your love in me and then walk with me along the next stretch of road before me.

I do not see very far ahead, but when I have arrived where the horizon now closes down,

A new prospect will open before me, and I shall meet with peace.

[-Prayer of St. Edith Stein](#)

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP – RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Give Until It Hurts

One of the characteristics of Everyday Stewardship is to be committed — to persevere daily in a way of life acknowledging that everything belongs to God.

I know, I know. Easier said than done.

Just ask Zebedee. It's quite an image we get from the Gospel, after all. "So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him."

There was Zebedee, about his business, mending nets with his two sons, who were undoubtedly his best workers — they had to have been more dedicated than the hired men, who worked for wages rather than for family. And in an instant off they go, following this strange man.

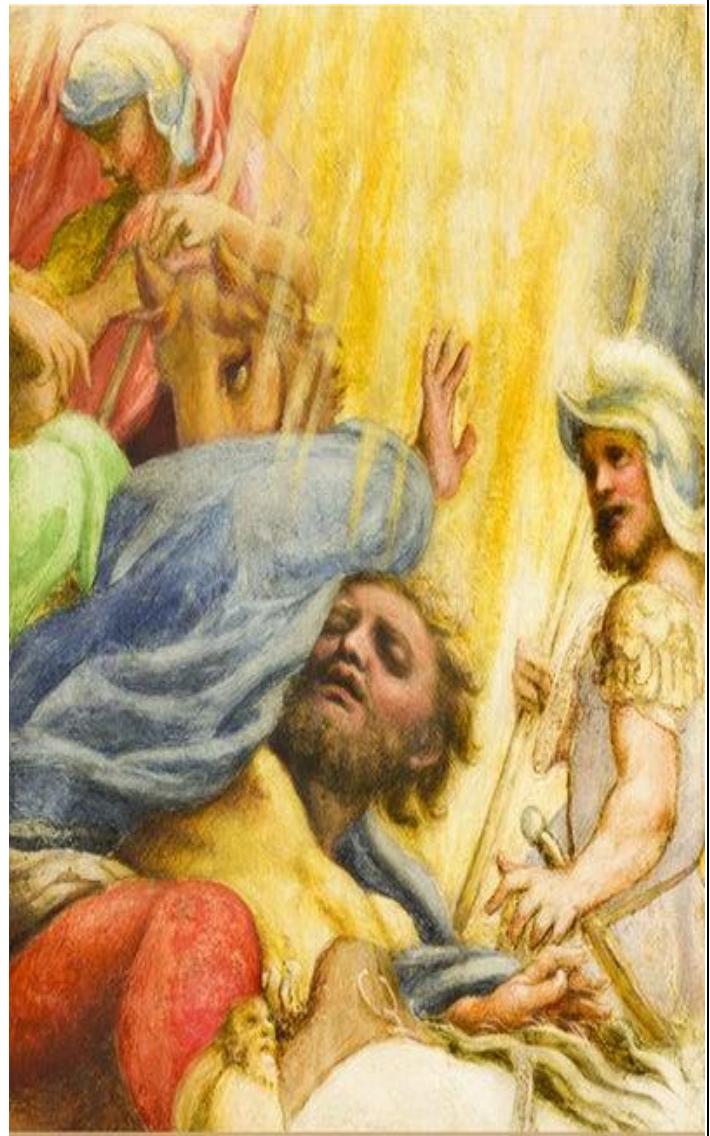
I don't know about you, but if my kids left me on a hot summer day to finish the lawn by myself, I wouldn't be too happy.

But Zebedee must have been someone quite special. Perhaps he realized that his sons didn't belong to him — not really. They belonged to God, and from the beginning of time, it had been appointed that they would be among the first disciples of Christ. He passed, he called, they followed, and Zebedee obliged. He simply went back to mending his nets, I imagine.

Zebedee already understood what St. Teresa of Calcutta would say millennia later: "Give until it hurts."

"You're wasting my time." "I've done so much for her; she owes me this." How often do we think things, and even people and relationships, belong to us? The truth is none of them do. We must be ready, as Zebedee was, to surrender them to God when He comes walking past.
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Services & Prayer Directory

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Mass Announcements: Submit to Parish Office by Tuesday preceding weekend, or use online form: <http://www.stisidore-yubacity.org/pulpitbulletinform.htm>

- **Perpetual Adoration Ministry-** Ruth Pendilla 530-301-2174
- **Communion for the Sick and Homebound:** Call Parish Office, 673-1573.
- **Divine Mercy:** Meets 3rd Mon @ 6:30 p. m. in the Conference Room. Cathy, 673-1573
- **Knights of Columbus:** Gary Corrado (530) 788-2427
- **Legion of Mary:** Mon 4:15pm – 6:00pm in the Brides Room Both men and women are invited to attend.
- **Novena and Prayers to Our Mother of Perpetual Help:** Wednesday's at 11:45 before the Mass.
- **Faith Form:** Michelle Knox, 530-673-1573 or fatiformation@stisidore-yubacity.org
- **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** Adult Baptism, Confirmation & First Communion. Helen Gomez: rciacordinator@stisidore-yubacity.org
- **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Adapted for Youth and Teens (RCIA Adapted):** For youth 7 and older who have not been baptized, not baptized Catholic, or are missing sacrament. Helen Gomez, rciacordinator@stisidore-yubacity.org
- **Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (RICA):** Español-Bautismo Confirmación, Comunión de adultos. Llamar a Diácono Rubén Rojo, 673-1573.
- **Marriage Preparation:** Call Paige Westlake, 530-673-1573 or pwestlake@stisidore-yubacity.org
- **YLI:** Ginger Gerard, 530-751-9521.
- **Annulments:** Paige Westlake 530-673-1573 or pwestlake@stisidore-yubacity.org
- **A Woman's Friend:** Pregnant? Don't know where to turn? Call 741-0556
- **Prayer Blanket Ministry:** To receive a blanket at no charge, visit the parish office. For more information, to volunteer, or to donate, call Kathy Anderson 713-7022.

- **Cursillos:** Hilario Rivera # 790-7640. Ultreyas son el segundo y cuarto lunes del mes a las 7pm en el cuarto de conferencias.
- **Engaged Encounter:** 916-987-0747
- **Food Locker/St. Vincent de Paul:** 530-671-5154
- **Grupo de Oración:** miércoles a las 7 p. m. Eladio Ballesteros y Martin González #530-673-1573.
- **Relevant Radio:** 1620 AM
- **Marriage Encounter:** 893-2348 or 891-0426
- **Prayer Chain:** Serious illnesses or critical situations: 673-0556
- **Natural Family Planning:** Call Parish Office for referral
- **Rachel's Vineyard:** For those suffering emotional or spiritual pain from abortion, 888-HOPE-790
- **Respect Life/Yuba-Sutter Right to Life:** 1st Wed every month @ 7 p. m. in the Brides Room; Maureen, 673-1437
- **Troubled Marriage:** 800-283-5952/ www.retrouvaille.org
- **Divina Misericordia:** Rudy & Guadalupe Rodríguez. Tel. 530-933-5282.
- **Chamoru Ministry:** (530) 673-1573
- **Filipino Ministry-** (530) 673-1573
- **Encuentro Matrimonial-** Pablo & Maria Rodriguez (530) 216-3884
- **Defensores de la Fe- Todos los lunes de 6:30-8:30 pm** Demetrio Méndez (530)933-4495
- **Guadalupanas -** Cora Garcia 671-4269
- **Padres y Madres Orantes:** Hora Santa todos los jueves de 5:30-6:30pm.530-673-1573
- **St. Paul Street Evangelization-** Greg Thompson, [530-713-9909](tel:530-713-9909) or ggregandjill565@gmail.com
- **Sutter Buttes Unbound Ministry-** Carla Consentino Team Coordinator: unboundministryscd@gmail.com
- **Adoracion Nocturna Sección Femenina-Todos los viernes de 7 a 9 p.m. Junta de Turno:** Primer viernes del mes a las 6 p.m. en el cuarto de las novias.

Additional contacts are found on the parish website's "Contact Us" link

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Catholic Bible - available in the Parish Office \$10 each. Each family must have a Bible!

OUR WARMEST WELCOME TO ALL

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian Fellowship to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the Parish. To register, please complete and place in the collection basket, or mail to our Parish Office.

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