

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED: Hearing aids for use are in the sacristy—please return them after Mass.

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (Amos 8:4-7).  
**Psalm** — Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (Psalm 113).  
**Second Reading** — God our savior wills everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:1-8).  
**Gospel** — The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (Luke 16:1-13 [10-13]).

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

Saturday September 21 St. Matthew

5:30pm Raymond Kope (dec) by the Winslow family

Sunday September 22

8:00 am Stephen Ehrlar (dec) by Erna Murphy

10:00 am St. Theresa parishioners

12:00 pm Carol Anderson (dec) by the Winslow family

7:00 pm

Monday September 23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

8:00 am Virginia Cuttitta (dec/bday) by her family

Tuesday September 24

8:00 am Father Ben DeLeon (dec)

Wednesday September 25

8:00 am Mark & John Hurley (dec) by the Hurley family

12:00 pm Winbert Medalla (dec) by Romeo & Ester

Thursday September 26 Ss. Cosmas and Damian

8:00 am Consuelo Estrada (dec) by Mila

Friday September 27 St. Vincent de Paul

8:00 am Charles Gibson (dec) by Carol Gerard

Saturday September 28 St. Wenceslaus; Blessed Virgin Mary St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

5:30pm Rudy Pakes, Carlos Cruz Servin, Carlos Cruz Hernandez (dec) by Edith Pakes



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**DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**  
 Wednesdays 10:30a.m. in the Church with the Rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, and novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH**

9/15	Regular Collection	5079.54
	<b>NO SECOND COLLECTION</b>	

**FATHER GRACE MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT** 9391.82

Second collection THIS weekend: **NO SECOND COLLECTION**

Second collection NEXT weekend: **NO SECOND COLLECTION**

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, September 23</b>	8am Mass; 9am viewing; 11am Funeral; 12:30pm Burial at Happy Homestead Cemetery; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth Meal
<b>Tuesday, September 24</b>	8am Mass; 9am Pivotal Players; 6:30pm Bible Study on Conversion Stories
<b>Wednesday, September 25</b>	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 9am-12noon El Dorado Food Pantry
<b>Thursday, September 26</b>	8am Mass
<b>Friday, September 27</b>	8am Mass; 4pm Second Serving Meal; 2pm Wedding rehearsal; 6:30pm Spanish Prayer Group
<b>Saturday, September 28</b>	2pm wedding; 4pm confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, September 29</b>	8am, 10am, 12 noon & 7pm (in Spanish) Masses

**FR. MAURICIO'S WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, September 23</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 8:30am setting up for Funeral; 11am Funeral; 12:30pm Burial at Happy Homestead Cemetery; 2pm break; 3pm -6pm office work
<b>Tuesday, September 24</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 9am Pivotal Players; 11am-1pm office work; 2pm break; 3-5pm office work; 6:30 Bible Study on Conversion Stories
<b>Wednesday, September 25</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am-11:30am office work; 12noon Mass; 1-3pm office work; 3pm break; 4-6pm office work; 6pm personal time
<b>Thursday, September 26</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 11am-1pm Deanery Meeting at Holy Trinity in El Dorado Hills; 4-6pm office work; 6pm dinner
<b>Friday, September 27</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 10am visiting the sick in the hospital; 11:30am-2pm office work; 2pm wedding rehearsal; 3-5pm office work; 6pm personal time
<b>Saturday, September 28</b>	7:30am opening the church; 7:30am cleaning the outside of the church, rectory and Grace Hall; 2pm wedding; 4pm confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, September 29</b>	6:45am opening the church; 8am, 10am, 12noon Masses; 3-5pm personal time; 6pm confessions; 7pm Mass



### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Call or visit the Religious Education Office  
530.544.4788 Find the **2019 SCHEDULE**:  
<http://www.tahoecatholic.com/baptisms>



### RESPECT LIFE PREGNANT ? NEED HELP?

We offer practical help to any women with a crisis pregnancy. We have a special concern for you and your unborn child. For any help with a troubled pregnancy, 544-3533.



### KNIGHT'S CORNER

Now available: St. Theresa commemorative keepsakes.

*Men of the Parish are you looking for something more in your life? We do men's Catholic Fellowship! We take our Faith seriously but.....Come join us for some fun and always a good time!*

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST** – Oct. 6 after the 8am and 10am Masses. It always taste's right when cooked by a Knight. Your help and support is always appreciated.

**OCTOBER 9**—6pm dinner by Jason , meeting at 7pm

**NOVEMBER 13**—6pm dinner (Earl/George) meeting @7pm

**Become a better version of yourself. Become a knight!**

Call Frank Dixon 530 318 1574

### THE IMPORTANCE OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is an extension of the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which occurs in every Mass: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church. The Rite concludes with the ordained minister blessing the faithful with the Blessed Sacrament.

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/eucharistic-devotion/index.cfm>

### IS GOD INVITING YOU TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

"Life is filled with many invitations! Some invitations can lead us to totally unexpected experiences. We extend to you an invitation that can lead you to a life of love, faith and hope as you learn to walk with the Lord." (stambrose.us/rcia) The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a process where you can experience the Catholic faith in community. It is an opportunity for questions to be answered and for learning about the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church.

Who can join the RCIA?

- A person who has not been baptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith and is considering the possibility of becoming Catholic.
- A Baptized Christian of another denomination who would like to learn about and possibly join the Catholic tradition.
- A baptized Catholic who has not received Eucharist or Confirmation.

If this invitation is for you, please contact Fr. Mauricio [mauricioh650@gmail.com](mailto:mauricioh650@gmail.com) (530) 544-3533 Ext. 102.

### ONE HELL OF A DECISION

**"Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the night to wail and grind his teeth." —Matthew 22:13**

We can hear the word "hell" used frequently in the workplace, on TV and radio, in all types of popular music, at the ball games — everywhere, it seems, except in church, the one place where we most need to be repeatedly taught and warned about the reality of hell, the "state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1033). Not enough people in our society have a healthy fear of ending up in hell. Fewer still seem to have the fear of the Lord, the Judge of all (see Jas 5:9).

If we ignore the reality that we could freely choose eternity in hell over an eternity with Jesus, we ignore the serious effects of sin. This denies the need to be saved from our sins. Thus, we make ourselves a god. We kick God off the judge's bench and sit there ourselves. We judge that we're doing OK, and that our sins are not serious (or they aren't even sins in our eyes). We judge that we'll go to heaven, because we're not in danger of going to hell. We're safe from danger, so we don't need a Savior.

The original sin happened because man succumbed to the temptation to be like God and judge for himself what was good and bad (Gn 3:5). Repent of taking the place of God and judging yourself. Even St. Paul did not dare to judge himself (1 Cor 4:3). Like the tax collector, throw yourself on the mercy of God and pray, "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner" (Lk 18:13).

Don't delay even a moment. Repent now! Confess Jesus as your Lord and Savior (Rm 10:9). Reject sin, Satan, and hell.

**Prayer:** *Father, may everyone who reads this page lead thousands of people to accept Jesus as Lord, Savior, and God.*

**Promise:** *"Ears open to obedience You gave me." —Ps 40:7*

**Praise:** *Mary became queen-mother, crushing the head of Satan. Mary, Queen of heaven, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

<https://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=8/22/2019>

### SUPPORT WOMEN AND SAVE BABIES IN RENO!

THAT is our goal as we pray alongside other Christians as part of the national 40 Days for Life prayer crusade. We will show God's love to our local community as we gather to pray 24/7 (that's right...24 hours a day for 40 days!) outside our local Reno abortion clinic, West End Women's Medical Group (5915 Tyrone Road in Reno). But we need YOU! We are calling YOU and your family and friends to come and pray with us to save the lives of unborn babies! To Sign up contact Moe Leonard [moeleonard@yahoo.com](mailto:moeleonard@yahoo.com) Learn more at [40daysforlife.com/Reno](http://40daysforlife.com/Reno)

## REFLECTIONS

### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR 2019

SEPTEMBER | Universal: The Protection of the Oceans :

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans. .

[www.popesprayer.va/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/English-2019-def-temi.pdf](http://www.popesprayer.va/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/English-2019-def-temi.pdf)

#### WHAT'S THE SMOKE FOR?

*Dear Johan,*

***I was taught to genuflect before entering my pew in church. I am afraid not everyone does that anymore. Is that OK? Should I continue to genuflect?***

Gentle Reader,

Sometimes we think that the liturgy begins with the opening song and procession. As a matter of fact, the liturgy begins much sooner than that. It begins when we get ready to make our way to church. From that moment on, we start transitioning from our daily world to the world of the liturgy. This process may involve getting ourselves and maybe our children ready. Then we make our way to church. We find a parking place, hopefully without much difficulty. We walk toward the church across a busy street or through a nicely landscaped garden. When we get to the doors of the church, the transition heightens. Pushing open the often heavy church doors, the wafts of incense and burning wax or the smell of evergreens or Easter lilies meets us.

At that moment we engage in two important transitional acts. First we make our way to the baptismal font, where we bless ourselves with holy water and remind ourselves of our baptismal rights and obligations. Then we proceed into the church proper and, before sitting or kneeling down in prayer, we genuflect as a sign of reverence toward the Blessed Sacrament, which is reserved in the tabernacle. In case the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in a separate chapel a profound bow toward the altar is appropriate as the altar is a symbol of Christ. Both are threshold gestures. They complete the transition from our daily life to our liturgical life, not that the one ever ignores the other.

These transitional gestures are extremely important. They express what we believe and they reinforce those beliefs. The loss of these gestures is not only a sign of the loss of reverence due the Blessed Sacrament; it will also compound that loss of reverence.

So to answer your question, please continue genuflecting and maybe add a visit to the baptismal font. Hopefully your great example will encourage others to follow suit.

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#### THE RHYTHM OF NATURE

This morning John Eudes spoke about autumn as a time of plenitude, a time of fulfillment in which the richness of nature becomes abundantly visible, but also a time in which nature points beyond itself by the fragility of its passing beauty. . . . When I walked out I was overwhelmed by the beauty of the landscape unfolding itself before my eyes. Looking out over the Genesee valley, I was dazzled by the bright colors of the trees. The yellow of the hickory trees, the different shades of red from the maples and oaks, the green of the willows—together they formed a fantastic spectacle. The sky was full of mysterious cloud formations, and just as I walked down to the guest house, the sun's rays burst through the clouds and covered the land with their light, making the cornfields look like a golden tapestry.

The beauty of the fall is unbelievable in this part of the country. I can only say with the psalmist: "The hills are girded with joy, they shout for joy, yes, they sing" (see Psalms 65:12–13).

Two weeks from now the colorful leaves will have whirled to the ground and the trees will be bare, announcing the coming of winter and snow. It will only be a few months before all the hills will be white and the green of the winter wheat covered with a thick blanket of frozen snow. But then we can remember the rich powers hidden underneath that will show themselves again to those who have the patience to wait.

<https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/the-rhythm-of-nature/>

**TAHOE GOOD FOOD GIVES BACK | The Easiest Way to Give | For more information go to [tahoe.accelraising.com](http://tahoe.accelraising.com)**

Plan to participate in "Tahoe Good Food Gives Back" the weekend of October 4-6. Invite your friends or take your family. Go out to eat at any of our participating restaurants and a portion of every dollar you spend will be donated by the restaurant to benefit Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless and St. Theresa's Bread & Broth. All you have to do is tell the restaurant that you are there for "**Tahoe Good Food Gives Back**" and enjoy your meal. Better yet, eat out twice! What could be easier, and more fun.

**Eat at any of these restaurants**

#### **Scusa Italian Ristorante**

530-542-0100

[scusalaketahoe.com](http://scusalaketahoe.com)

#### **Artemis Lakefront Café**

530- 542-3332

[artemislakefrontcafe.com](http://artemislakefrontcafe.com)

#### **The Getaway Café**

530-577-5132

[getawaycafetahoe.com](http://getawaycafetahoe.com)

#### **Ace High Saloon & Smokehouse**

530 600-4060

[acehighsaloon-smokehouse.com](http://acehighsaloon-smokehouse.com)

#### **Izabella Ristorante Italiano**

530-544-0400

[izabellatahoe.com](http://izabellatahoe.com)

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY ON CONVERSION STORIES | TUESDAY | 6:30PM | SEPTEMBER 24 & OCTOBER 1

Where? Parish Center, corner of Lyons Ave. & Rufus Allen Blvd.

## INTERNATIONAL DINNER

Saturday, October 5 at 6:30pm in Grace Hall

Please be part of this potluck dinner to celebrate Saint Theresa, our patroness. Bring a dish to share with us and taste some food from around the globe.

## SAVE THESE DATES!

Blessing of animals  
**October 4th at 5pm**

*Save  
the  
Date*

Tahoe Good Food  
Gives Back Fundraiser  
**October 4-6**

International Dinner  
**Saturday, October 5**

*Save  
the  
Date*

Bake sale  
**October 12-13**

Mass at cemetery  
**November 2 at 12noon**

Fall Clean-up  
**Saturday, October 19 at 8am**

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony  
**Saturday, December 7**

## QUOTES FROM SAINT THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX

Feast Day of Saint Thérèse: October 1

“When one loves, one does not calculate.”

“I understood that every flower created by Him is beautiful, that the brilliance of the rose and the whiteness of the lily do not lessen the perfume of the violet or the sweet simplicity of the daisy. I understood that if all the lowly flowers wished to be roses, nature would no longer be enamelled with lovely hues. And so it is in the world of souls, Our lord's living garden.”

“A word or a smile is often enough to put fresh life in a despondent soul.”

“Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you-for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart... don't listen to the demon, laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love...”

## BUILDING OUR FUTURE UPDATE

The Building Our Future fund raiser exceeded our expectations and we have reached \$185,132.02 in pledges and donations. We are blessed to live in such a giving faith community of parishioners and guests.

### ***What happens now?***

#### **OFFICE REMODEL**

- The Diocese of Sacramento has sent architects to help us with our initial concept plans. They are currently drawing the final plans.
- The Building Official will review the plans for compliance with the City Building Code and compliance with accessibility laws and regulations. Plan check takes approximately 30 days.
- When the plans are approved, we will seek bids from contractors and select a contractor.
- From the bids, we will create a budget. We will present the budget to the Diocesan Finance Council for approval.
- A building permit will be obtained.

We expect this will happen approximately in January if everything goes as planned. We will be able to start the interior remodel work at that time. The exterior work can start after May 1, weather permitting.

#### **SIGN**

The sign is currently being designed by local sign makers. A City Planning Permit and a Building Permit are required.

We hope to have City Planning and Building Division approvals so we can start work by the October 15 deadline. Although this is an aggressive schedule, we hope to have the new sign soon.

## BLESSED IS SHE | Thursday from 6-7:30pm

God longs to be a part of our lives. It is through the sacred Sacraments that we are able to experience God's love, His presence, His grace and to develop a more personal relationship with Him.

Our women's ministry, ***Blessed Is She***, will be continuing the *Blessed Conversations series*, "*Reflections on the Catechism*". I invite all women of the parish to join us for the next seven weeks as we begin our next series on the "*The Sacraments*".

We have a responsibility as practicing Catholics, to be educated on and understand what the Sacraments represent. To see them for what they are, which are gifts from God not just rituals or traditions. The Sacraments are living signs, demonstrating God's love and devotion. They help to remind us that He is right here with us. In receiving the Sacraments, God strengthens our faith, frees us from sin, makes us holy, demonstrates His love and faithfulness and helps us to understand His Holy will.

Our ***Blessed Is She*** ministry meets each Thursday from 6-7:30pm in the conference room in the main school building.

For further information, please contact: *Bridget Spencer* at [\(916\) 595-2570](tel:(916)595-2570) or at [bridgetmspencer@gmail.com](mailto:bridgetmspencer@gmail.com)

# 22 DE SEPTIEMBRE DE 2019 | VIGÉSIMO QUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

PARA PROBLEMAS DE ESCUCHA: hay audífonos disponibles en la sacristía. Favor de devolverlos después de Misa.

¡Bienvenidos a todos! Nos reunimos con Jesús. Cristo es quién nos invita al banquete celestial. Qué esta liturgia les traiga paz. Si están visitando nuestra iglesia por la primera vez, ójala que se sienten como en familia, una parte de la familia mundial del Señor. Les damos la bienvenida cordialmente y celebramos y contemplamos el misterio de la Eucaristía y rezamos que su viaje a su casa será seguro y que regresen pronto.

## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — El Señor nunca se olvida del pecado de los que hacen trampa a los pobres y abusan de ellos (Amós 8:4-7).

**Salmo** — Que alaben al Señor todos sus siervos (Salmo 113 [112]).

**Segunda lectura** — Reza al Señor, que quiere que todos se salven (1 Timoteo 2:1-8).

**Evangelio** — Sé responsable en todo. Sirve a Dios, el único Señor, no al dinero (Lucas 16:1-13 [10-13]).

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Esd 1:1-6; Sal 126 (125):1b-6; Lc 8:16-18

Martes: Esd 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Sal 122 (121):1-5; Lc 8:19-21

Miércoles: Esd 9:5-9; Tob:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lc 9:1-6

Jueves: Ag 1:1-8; Sal 149 (148):1b-6a, 9b; Lc 9:7-9

Viernes: Ag 2:1-9; Sal 43 (42):1-4; Lc 9:18-22

Sábado: Zac 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lc 9:43b-45

Domingo: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Sal 146 (145):7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lc 16:19-31

## INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

**21 de septiembre | sábado | San Mateo**

**5:30 pm** Raymond Kope (dec) by the Winslow family

**22 de septiembre | domingo |**

**8:00 am** Stephen Ehrlar (dec) by Erna Murphy

**10:00 am** St. Theresa parishioners

**12:00 pm** Carol Anderson (dec) by the Winslow family

**7:00 pm**

**23 de septiembre | lunes | San Pío de Pietralcina (Padre Pío)**

**8:00 am** Virginia Cuttitta (dec/bday) by her family

**24 de septiembre | martes |**

**8:00 am** Father Ben DeLeon (dec)

**25 de septiembre | miércoles |**

**8:00 am** Mark & John Hurley (dec) by the Hurley family

**12:00 pm** Winbert Medalla (dec) by Romeo & Ester

**26 de septiembre | jueves | Santos Cosme y Damián**

**8:00 am** Consuelo Estrada (dec) by Mila

**27 de septiembre | viernes | San Vicente de Paul**

**8:00 am** Charles Gibson (dec) by Carol Gerard

**28 de septiembre | sábado | San Wenceslao; Santa María Virgen; San Lorenzo Ruiz y compañeros**

**5:30 pm** Rudy Pakes, Carlos Cruz Servin, Carlos Cruz Hernandez (dec) by Edith Pakes



**DEVOCIÓN A NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO**  
Cada miércoles a las horas de 10:30 am con la "coronilla de la Divina Misericordia". Rosario y oraciones special a Peretuo Socorro.

## OPORTUNIDAD

No hay momento inoportuno para hacer el bien.  
—Anónimo

## ¡GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!

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	<b>NO HAY COLECTA</b>	
<b>FATHER GRACE MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT</b>		9391.82
<i>Segunda colecta—21/22 de septiembre: NO HAY COLECTA</i>		
<i>Segunda colecta—28/29 de septiembre: NO HAY COLECTA</i>		

## PETICIONES POR ESTAS PERSONAS

### POR LOS FELIGRESES—ACTIVOS CON EL SERVICIO MILITAR

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

### POR LOS QUE ESTÁN ENFERMOS

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Lauren Bates | Romie Enriquez | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo | Gloria Walkowiak

### LISTA DE LOS ENFERMOS

Si desea conservar su ser querido en la /lista, por favor, envíe un correo electrónico con el nombre de su ser querido, junto con su nombre y número de teléfono a [tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com)

### CITAS Y FRASES DE SANTA TERESA DE LISIEUX

"En el lavadero mi compañera de trabajo sacudía la ropa con tal fuerza que me salpicaba de jabón la cara. Esto me hacía sufrir, pero jamás le dije nada al respecto, y así ofrecía este pequeño sacrificio por los pecadores."

"Yo nunca aconsejo nada a nadie sin haberme encomendado a la Virgen Santísima. Ella es la que hace que las palabras que digo tengan eficacia en los que las escuchan".

"La vida es un instante entre dos eternidades."

"¡Qué grande es el poder de la oración! Se diría que es una reina que en todo momento tiene acceso directo al rey y puede conseguir todo lo que le pide."

"La Santísima Virgen me demuestra que nunca deja de protegerme. Enseguida que la invoco, tanto si me sobreviene una inquietud cualquiera, un apuro, inmediatamente recurro a ella, y siempre se hace cargo de mis intereses como la más tierna de las Madres."

## LA CONTEMPLACIÓN CORRECTA

El amor no consiste en contemplarse el uno al otro, sino en mirar juntos en la misma dirección.

—Anónimo

**EN EL CORAZÓN DE LA IGLESIA, YO SERÉ EL AMOR**  
De la Narración de la vida de santa Teresa del Niño Jesús,  
virgen, escrita por ella misma  
(«Manuscrits autobiographiques». Lisieux 1957. 227-  
229)

Teniendo un deseo inmenso del martirio, acudí a las cartas de san Pablo, para tratar de hallar una respuesta. Mis ojos dieron casualmente con los capítulos doce y trece de la primera carta a los Corintios, y en el primero de ellos leí que no todos pueden ser al mismo tiempo apóstoles, profetas y doctores, que la Iglesia consta de diversos miembros y que el ojo no puede ser al mismo tiempo mano. Una respuesta bien clara, ciertamente, pero no suficiente para satisfacer mis deseos y darme la paz.

Continué leyendo sin desanimarme, y encontré esta consoladora exhortación: Aspirad a los dones más excelentes; yo quiero mostraros un camino todavía mucho mejor. El Apóstol, en efecto, hace notar cómo los mayores dones sin la caridad no son nada y cómo esta misma caridad es el mejor camino para llegar a Dios de un modo seguro. Por fin había hallado la tranquilidad.

Al contemplar el cuerpo místico de la Iglesia, no me había reconocido á mi misma en ninguno de los miembros que san Pablo enumera, sino que lo que yo deseaba era más bien verme en todos ellos. En la caridad descubrí el quicio de mi vocación. Entendí que la Iglesia tiene un cuerpo resultante de la unión de varios miembros, pero que en este cuerpo no falta el más necesario y noble de ellos: entendí que la Iglesia tiene un corazón y que este corazón está ardiendo en amor. Entendí que sólo el amor es el que impulsa a obrar a los miembros de la Iglesia y que, si faltase este amor, ni los apóstoles anunciarían ya el Evangelio, ni los mártires derramarían su sangre. Reconocí claramente y me convencí de que el amor encierra en sí todas las vocaciones, que el amor lo es todo, que abarca todos los tiempos y lugares, en una palabra, que el amor es eterno.

Entonces, llena de una alegría desbordante, exclamé:

**«Oh Jesús, amor mío, por fin he encontrado mi vocación: mi vocación es el amor. Sí, he hallado mi propio lugar en la Iglesia, y este lugar es el que tú me has señalado, Dios mío. En el corazón de la Iglesia, que es mi madre, yo seré el amor; de este modo lo seré todo y mi deseo se verá colmado.»**

**RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA DE ADULTOS (RICA)**

¿Eres adulto y quieres ser católico, o eres adulto y te falta recibir los sacramentos del Bautismo, la Confirmación o la Primer Comunión? Si es así, entonces el RICA, Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos, es para ti. Para inscribirse o recibir más información, contacta al Padre Mauricio mauricioh650@gmail.com o llama al (530) 544-3533 Ext. 102

**PRIMERO QUE TODO**

**"Ante todo, te recomiendo que se hagan peticiones, oraciones, súplicas y acciones de gracias por todos los hombres" (1Timoteo 2,1).**

Las injusticias en nuestro mundo son cada vez más severas. Los necesitados son pisoteados y los pobres destruidos (Am 8,4). Millones de bebés abortados, millones de personas mueren de hambre y millones de refugiados son sólo algunas de las injusticias.

La respuesta cristiana a estas injusticias debe ser la fe. Únicamente por la fe podemos remover estas montañas (Cfr. Mt 17,20). Debemos expresar nuestra fe por nuestras obras (Cfr. Stg 2,26). Como el administrador de la lectura del Evangelio de hoy, los cristianos deben "negociar", tomar "la iniciativa" (Lc 16,8) en la política, la economía, las comunicaciones, la educación, etc. No obstante, nuestra primera respuesta a la injusticia debe ser la oración. Pablo enseñó: "Ante todo, te recomiendo que se hagan peticiones, oraciones, súplicas y acciones de gracias por todos los hombres, por los soberanos y por todas las autoridades" (1Tim 2,1-2). "Esto es bueno y agradable a Dios, nuestro Salvador, porque Él quiere que todos se salven y lleguen al conocimiento de la verdad" (1Tim 2,3-4). Orar antes de actuar, permite que nuestras acciones sean inspiradas por Dios, en lugar de nuestras preocupaciones. En lugar de ser erráticas, ineficaces o equivocadas, ellas pueden ser poderosas y redentoras. El Señor prometió que los demonios que están detrás de las injusticias en nuestra sociedad, serán expulsados por la fe expresada en la oración y el ayuno (Mt 17,21). En ocasiones, nuestras acciones no son eficaces porque nuestra oración y ayuno no han sido suficientes. Por eso, ora y ayuna según la voluntad de Dios, luego actúa.

**Oración:** *Padre, enséñame a orar (Cfr. Lc 11,1) como Tú quieres.*

**Promesa:** *"Gánense amigos con el dinero de la injusticia, para que el día que este les falte, ellos los reciban en las moradas eternas" (Lc 16,9).*

**Alabanza:** *¡Te alabo, Jesús resucitado! Nos has liberado del poder del mal. ¡Todo honor y alabanza a Ti!*

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**CENA INTERNACIONAL**

**Sábado 5 de octubre a las 6:30pm en Grace Hall**  
Sean parte de esta cena internacional para celebrar nuestra patrona, Santa Teresita. Favor de traer un platillo típico de tu país o región. Es una cena en la que probamos comida de otros países.

**Vigésimo Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
22 de septiembre de 2019**

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— 1 Timoteo 2:4