

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

With joy & happiness we welcome all of you who have come to pray and worship with us. We hope you will find friendship and fellowship in our community and encouragement to face whatever may come in the week ahead. For our guests & visitors, we pray that your stay in Tahoe is wonderful, that you have a safe journey home – and return to us soon.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Solomon prays for an understanding heart (1 Kings 3:5, 7-12).

Psalm — Lord, I love your commands (Psalm 119).

Second Reading — All things work for good for those who love God (Romans 8:28-30).

Gospel — The one who knows of the kingdom of heaven brings new and old from the storeroom (Matthew 13:44-52 [44-46]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35
 Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43
 Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
 Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
 Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
 Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
 Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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| Saturday July 29 St. Martha | |
| 5:30 pm | For all the volunteers of St. Theresa, by Fr. Mauricio |
| Sunday July 30 | |
| 8:00 am | St. Theresa parishioners |
| 10:00 am | Beverly D'Amore (dec) by Daniel & Dolly Trout |
| 12:00 pm | Timorie MacKenzie (healing) by the Winslow family |
| 7:00 pm | |
| Monday July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola | |
| 8:00 am | Tom Cattoni (6 yrs dec) by his wife |
| Tuesday August 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori | |
| 8:00 am | Jeannie Sullivan (dec, anniversary) by husband Bart |
| Wednesday August 2 St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard | |
| 8:00 am | Patrick & Catherine Hurley (dec) |
| 12:00 pm | Paul Roache |
| Thursday August 3 | |
| 8:00 am | Dennis Lloyd (dec) by Rita & Gregg Vargo |
| Friday August 4 St. John Vianney | |
| 8:00 am | For the donors of St. Theresa by Fr. Mauricio |
| 12:00 pm | Joanie & Eric (anniversary) by their family |
| Saturday August 5 The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major; Blessed Virgin Mary | |
| 5:30 pm | Paul Roache (special intention) by Bill |



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

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| 07/23 | Regular Collection | 6332.57 |
| | + Camp Sacramento | 270.00 |
| | Faith Formation program | 3081.51 |

This week's 2nd collection — For new Boiler in Grace Hall

WEEK AT A GLANCE

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| Monday, July 31 | 8am Mass; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth meal; 6pm Meeting for Festival; 6pm-9pm Vacation Bible School |
| Tuesday, August 1 | 8am Mass; 6pm-9pm Vacation Bible School |
| Wednesday, August 2 | 8am & 12noon Masses; 9am-12noon Bread & Broth 4Kids; 6pm-9pm Vacation Bible School |
| Thursday, August 3 | 8am Mass; 5pm Wedding Rehearsal; 6pm-9pm Vacation Bible School |
| Friday, August 4 | 8am & 12noon Masses; 3pm Wedding; 6pm-9pm Vacation Bible School; 6:30pm Spanish Prayer Group |
| Saturday, August 5 | 10am Baptisms in Spanish; 11:30am Baptisms in English; 2pm Quinceañera; 4pm Confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass |
| Sunday, August 6 | 8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm Masses; Pancake Breakfast after the 8am & 10am Masses |

PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR PARISHIONERS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Bill Barboni | Frank Dixon | Romie Enriquez | Steve Frick | Liz Galliano | Joan Jack | Ophelia Kirvida | Martha Klover | Kel Lohmeier | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Steve Peacock | Tony Russo

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to add to the prayer list, please send an email with your loved one's name along with your name and phone number to tahocatholicbulletin@gmail.com.



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Call or visit the Religious Education Office
530.544.4788 Find the **2017 SCHEDULE**:
<http://www.tahoecatholic.com/baptisms>



KNIGHT'S CORNER

*Challenges are what make life interesting,
overcoming them is what makes life
meaningful *Joshua Marine*

Men of the Parish are you looking for something more in your life? We do men's Catholic Fellowship!

Welcome to our 2017-2018 Grand Knight Romeo Alaoen and his council of officers!

MONTHLY MEETING – 2nd Wednesday with dinner at 6pm, Meeting 7:00 pm sharp

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - First Sundays after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses. It always tastes right when cooked by a Knight! PANCAKE BREAKFAST DONATION TO THE NEW BOILER FUND: JULY DONATION \$400!

Become a better version of yourself. Become a knight! George Westinghouse (530)-721-1753 will be happy to help you learn more about the Knights of Columbus

Thank You

Thank you for all who made the French Boys Choir concert and visit such a great success: the 13 hosting families who provided housing and meals; the Knights of Columbus, who provided pancake breakfast; Susan and Gary Wittig, who provided a boat trip to Emerald Bay; Bridget Spencer and Jeff Spencer, who organized the pot luck meal and clean up afterwards, and also hosted 4 choristers; Romeo and Ester Balong for the extra preparations and clean up; Father Mauricio for his support and attendance. Our French friends felt very welcome and appreciative. We have a wonderful church family...*Dieu te benisse!*

COMPASSION

If you love the justice of Jesus Christ more than you fear human judgment, then you will seek to do compassion.

—*Mechtilde of Magdeburg*

PRAY

If you pray you are sure of saving your soul. If you do not pray you are just as sure to lose your soul.

—*St. Alphonsus Liguori*

DONATE ONLINE

Now you can donate online!!!!
Please take a look at our website
www.tahoecatholic.com



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.

THE DYNAMICS OF THE SPIRITUAL LIFE *Henri Nouwen Society*

Our emotional lives and our spiritual lives have different dynamics. The ups and downs of our emotional life depend a great deal on our past or present surroundings. We are happy, sad, angry, bored, excited, depressed, loving, caring, hateful, or vengeful because of what happened long ago or what is happening now.

The ups and downs of our spiritual lives depend on our obedience - that is, our attentive listening - to the movements of the Spirit of God within us. Without this listening our spiritual life eventually becomes subject to the windswept waves of our emotions.

DIGGING INTO OUR SPIRITUAL RESOURCES *Henri Nouwen Society*

When someone hurts us, offends us, ignores us, or rejects us, a deep inner protest emerges. It can be rage or depression, desire to take revenge or an impulse to harm ourselves. We can feel a deep urge to wound those who have wounded us or to withdraw in a suicidal mood of self-rejection. Although these extreme reactions might seem exceptional, they are never far away from our hearts. During the long nights we often find ourselves brooding about words and actions we might have used in response to what others have said or done to us.

It is precisely here that we have to dig deep into our spiritual resources and find the center within us, the center that lies beyond our need to hurt others or ourselves, where we are free to forgive and love.

BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN PEOPLE *Henri Nouwen Society*

To become neighbors is to bridge the gap between people. As long as there is distance between us and we cannot look in each other's eyes, all sorts of false ideas and images arise. We give them names, make jokes about them, cover them with our prejudices, and avoid direct contact. We think of them as enemies. We forget that they love as we love, care for their children as we care for ours, become sick and die as we do. We forget that they are our brothers and sisters and treat them as objects that can be destroyed at will.

Only when we have the courage to cross the street and look in one another's eyes can we see there that we are children of the same God and members of the same human family.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

All things work for good

for those who love God. —Romans 8:28a

REFLECTIONS

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

July 2017 | Lapsed Christians

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

August 2017 | Artists

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

<http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/2017-intentions/>

CLOSE IS NOT IN

"The reign of God is like a buried treasure which a man found in a field." —Matthew 13:44

Just because we're in the Lord's dragnet doesn't mean He will retain us at the end of the world (Mt 13:47ff). Just because we're in the Lord's field, it doesn't mean we are God's wheat. We may be weeds to be burned (Mt 13:40). Just because we go to church doesn't mean we are automatically living in God's kingdom. Doing Christian things and living in the midst of Christians doesn't make us Christians (see Lk 13:26-27).

We are Christians and followers of Jesus, the King of the kingdom, when we sell all that we have to buy God's kingdom (Mt 13:44, 46). We are living life in Christ when we, by faith, give our lives to Jesus, and are no longer living for ourselves but for Him Who died and rose from the dead for us (2 Cor 5:15; Gal 2:20). Being close to Christians doesn't make us Christians, but being close to and in Christ makes us Christians.

To those merely active in Christian activities but not living in Him, Jesus will say: "I never knew you. Out of My sight, you evildoers!" (Mt 7:23) To those living for Him alone, Jesus will say: "Come. You have My Father's blessing! Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world" (Mt 25:34). Live in His kingdom.

Prayer: Father, may I seek first Your kingdom and Your way of righteousness (Mt 6:33).

Promise: "We know that God makes all things work together for the good of those who love" Him. —Rm 8:28

Praise: Praise You, risen Jesus! Your broken body has multiplied our healing. Praise You, Lamb of God, for shepherding us with Your love. <http://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=7/30/2017>

THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST IN THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST: BASIC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do the consecrated bread and wine cease to be the Body and Blood of Christ when the Mass is over?

No. During the celebration of the Eucharist, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, and this they remain. They cannot turn back into bread and wine, for they are no longer bread and wine at all. There is thus no reason for them to change back to their "normal" state after the special circumstances of the Mass are past. Once the substance has really changed, the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ "endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsist" (Catechism, no. 1377). Against those who maintained that the bread that is consecrated during the Eucharist has no sanctifying power if it is left over until the next day, St. Cyril of Alexandria replied, "Christ is not altered, nor is his holy body changed, but the power of the consecration and his life-giving grace is perpetual in it" (Letter 83, to Calosyrius, Bishop of Arsinoe [PG 76, 1076]). The Church teaches that Christ remains present under the appearances of bread and wine as long as the appearances of bread and wine remain (cf. Catechism, no. 1377).

Why are some of the consecrated hosts reserved after the Mass?

While it would be possible to eat all of the bread that is consecrated during the Mass, some is usually kept in the tabernacle. The Body of Christ under the appearance of bread that is kept or "reserved" after the Mass is commonly referred to as the "Blessed Sacrament." There are several pastoral reasons for reserving the Blessed Sacrament. First of all, it is used for distribution to the dying (Viaticum), the sick, and those who legitimately cannot be present for the celebration of the Eucharist. Secondly, the Body of Christ in the form of bread is to be adored when it is exposed, as in the Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction, when it is carried in eucharistic processions, or when it is simply placed in the tabernacle, before which people pray privately. These devotions are based on the fact that Christ himself is present under the appearance of bread. Many holy people well known to American Catholics, such as St. John Neumann, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Katharine Drexel, and Blessed Damien of Molokai, practiced great personal devotion to Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament. In the Eastern Catholic Churches, devotion to the reserved Blessed Sacrament is practiced most directly at the Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, offered on weekdays of Lent.

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<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-eucharist/the-real-presence-of-jesus-christ-in-the-sacrament-of-the-eucharist-basic-questions-and-answers.cfm>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
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July 31-August 4—Vacation Bible School

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
 Tuesday, Aug. 15 | Holy Day of Obligation
 Mass Schedule: 8am, 12 pm, 5:30pm (English) 7:30pm (Spanish)

FESTIVAL OF SAINT THERESA
Saturday, August 12 | 12noon-8pm

Parking lot of the church

What to expect?

Food, live music, folkloric dances, bounce house, clown, and dunk tank.

Pay to dunk Fr. Mauricio, Austin Sass, Mayor of SLT, Dave Olivo and many others...

Be part of this fun fundraising event!

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

August 24 | Thursday | 5 pm | Bijou Park

St. Theresa Church will provide the meat for the BBQ, charcoal, and paper products! Families are asked to bring a dish and drinks to share! If your last name begins with:

A-M bring a dish,

N-T bring desserts,

U-Z bring fruits, finger foods or soft drinks.

August 31— Father Grace Golf Tournament

SEPTEMBER

JOIN BISHOP MYRON J. COTTA ON A PILGRIMAGE TO FÁTIMA, PORTUGAL | SEPTEMBER 15 – 24, 2017

This year will mark the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady in Fátima, Portugal. Our Lady appeared six times to the Three Shepherd Children: Lúcia, Jacinta and Francisco between the months of May 13 and October 13 in 1917. In honor of the Centenary Anniversary of the Apparitions, the Diocese of Sacramento will be sponsoring a pilgrimage to Fátima, Portugal in 2017. I invite you to join me on this 10-day special pilgrimage to Fátima. It promises to be a unique location for the experience of prayer. It will give the pilgrim the opportunity to reflect upon the significance of the Message which Our Lady conveyed to the Three Children and to the world. The message of mercy revealed at Fátima is an ideal way to follow the recent celebration of the Year of Mercy. In addition, you will enjoy several excursions in the surrounding area outside of Fátima. We will conclude with a visit to the historical and cultural sights of the beautiful city of Lisbon. Hope to see you in Fátima in 2017!

For more information: 166 South River Rd. Suite 110, Bedford, NH 03110-6928 | 800-653-0017 | canterburypilgrimages.com | reservations@canterburypilgrimages.com

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE DIOCESAN EVENTS

ON FIRE NorCal Jam Sat., 9/16 16, 9am – 9pm, Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo | www.onfirenorcal.com

Ministry Days 2017 Fri-Sat, 9/29 29-9/30, St. Francis High School, Sacramento | www.ministrydays.com

Fired Up Confirmation Conference Friday and Saturday, November 4-5, 2017, Christian Brothers High School, Sacramento Reserve your spot today: www.confirmationconference.com

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

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 of 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 Barbara Anderson Barbara@barbarapageinteriors.com or Danette Winslow sttheresare@gmail.com or Fr. Mauricio (530) 544-3533 Ext. 102 or mauricioh650@gmail.com

30 DE JULIO DE 2017 | DECIMOSÉPTIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

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

¡Felicitaciones a todos! Nos juntamos con Jesu Cristo quién nos invita al banquete celestial. Qué esta liturgia les traiga paz. Si están visitando nuestra iglesia por la primera vez, ¡ojala que se sienten que esta es una 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 — Dame a mí, tu servidor, la capacidad de juzgar bien (1 Reyes 3:5, 7-12).
Salmo — Amo, Señor, tus mandamientos (Salmo 119 [118]).
Segunda lectura — Estamos predestinados a ser conformados a la imagen del Hijo de Dios (Romanos 8:28-30).
Evangelio — Cuando encontramos la perla de gran valor, tenemos que ofrecer por ella todo lo que poseemos (Mateo 13:44-52 [44-46]).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Sal 106 (105):19-23; Mt 13:31-35
 Martes: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Sal 103 (102):6-13; Mt 13:36-43
 Miércoles: Ex 34:29-35; Sal 99 (98):5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 o Lc 10:38-42
 Jueves: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Sal 84 (83):3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
 Viernes: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Sal 81 (80):3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
 Sábado: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Sal 67 (66):2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
 Domingo: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Sal 97 (96):1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pe 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

ESCUCHA TUS SUEÑOS — Dios visita a Salomón en un sueño, ¡y el relato bíblico no dice en ninguna parte que Salomón se despertó para tener esta conversación con Dios! Así, todavía en su sueño, Salomón responde a la pregunta de Dios sobre lo que más desea, y Dios le concede en abundancia su pedido de tener sabiduría.

En nuestras horas de vigilia, estamos muy distraídos con el trabajo, la casa, la familia, el tráfico, la diversión y muchas preocupaciones. Cuando tratamos de pensar en qué es lo que realmente queremos en la vida, nos cuesta un poco imaginar lo que pueda ser. Mas allá en el fondo, moran nuestros verdaderos anhelos, que Dios y el Espíritu Santo conocen. Nuestros sueños, libres de las trabas de las defensas, pueden guardar la clave de nuestras más hondas necesidades o lo que nos molesta más. Puede que sean el modo que Dios usa para hablarnos. *Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

PETICIONES POR ESTAS PERSONAS

sábado, 29 de julio

5:30 pm For all the volunteers of St. Theresa, by Fr. Mauricio

domingo 30 de julio

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miércoles 2 de agosto **San Eusebio de Vercelli;**

San Pedro Juliáno Eymard

8:00 am Patrick & Catherine Hurley (dec)

12:00 pm Paul Roache

jueves 3 de agosto

8:00 am Dennis Lloyd (dec) by Rita & Gregg Vargo

viernes 4 de agosto **San Juan María Vianney**

8:00 am For the donors of St. Theresa by Fr. Mauricio

12:00 pm Joanie & Eric (anniversary) by their family

sábado, 5 de agosto **Dedicación de la Basílica Santa María la Mayor en Roma; Santa María Virgen**

5:30 pm Paul Roache (special intention) by Bill

POR LOS FELIGRESES—ACTIVOS CON EL SERVICIO MILITAR

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

POR LOS QUE ESTÁN ENFERMOS

Bill Barboni | Frank Dixon | Romie Enriquez | Steve Frick | Liz Galliano | Joan Jack | Ophelia Kirvida | Martha Klover | Kel Lohmeier | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Steve Peacock | Tony Russo

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



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.

¡GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!

| | Colecta Regular | 6332.57 |
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| 07/23 | + Camp Sacramento | 270.00 |
| | Educacion religiosa | 3081.51 |
| <i>Segunda colecta—boiler en Grace Hall</i> | | |

BREAD & BROTH 4KIDS EN VERANO

El programa Bread & Broth 4Kids estará ofreciendo comida para niños en familias quienes necesitan ayuda este verano del 21 de Junio al 23 de Agosto del 2017. La repartición será los miércoles de 9am a las 12 mediodía.

LA PRESENCIA REAL DE JESUCRISTO EN EL SACRAMENTO DE LA EUCARISTÍA PREGUNTAS BÁSICAS Y RESPUESTAS

CONTINUACIÓN...

¿Por qué se reservan después de la misa algunas de las hostias consagradas?

Si bien fuera posible comer todo el pan consagrado durante la misa, se suele reservar algo en el sagrario. El Cuerpo de Cristo bajo la apariencia de pan guardado o "reservado" después de la misa suele recibir el nombre de "Santísimo Sacramento". Hay varias razones pastorales para reservar el Santísimo Sacramento. Ante todo, es empleado para distribuirlo a los moribundos (viático), los enfermos y los que legítimamente no pueden estar presentes en la celebración de la Eucaristía. En segundo lugar, el Cuerpo de Cristo en la forma de pan debe ser adorado cuando es expuesto, como en el Rito de la Sagrada Comunión y del Culto Eucarístico fuera de la Misa, cuando es llevado en procesiones eucarísticas, o simplemente cuando es depositado en el sagrario, ante el cual los fieles puedan orar en privado. Estas devociones se basan en el hecho de que Cristo mismo está presente bajo la apariencia de pan. Muchas santas personas bien conocidas por los católicos estadounidenses, como S. John Neumann, S. Elizabeth Ann Seton, S. Katharine Drexel y el beato Damien de Molokai, practicaron gran devoción personal a Cristo presente en el Santísimo Sacramento. En las Iglesias Católicas Orientales, la devoción al Santísimo Sacramento reservado es practicada del modo más directo en la Divina Liturgia de los Dones Presantificados, ofrecida en los días de semana de Cuaresma.

Fuente: <http://usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/la-santa-misa/preguntas-y-recursos/la-presencia-real-de-jesucristo-en-el-sacramento-de-la-eucaristia-preguntas-basicas-y-respuestas.cfm>

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Esta semana celebramos la fiesta de la Virgen de Copacabana. Copacabana es la capital de Manco Cápac, Bolivia. En dicho lugar, un descendiente de los reyes incas, Francisco Tito Yupanqui buscó esculpir una imagen de la Candelaria. Su primera imagen fue colocada en la iglesia por su párroco, pero llegó un nuevo párroco quien la sacó del templo por tosca y fea. El pobre de Tito viajó a Potosí, Bolivia, donde emprendió cursos de escultura. Con el tiempo esculpió otra imagen de la Candelaria. Esta vez estudió varias imágenes de María y mandó ofrecer una Misa a la Santísima Trinidad pidiéndole la inspiración necesaria para esculpir una imagen digna de la Virgen. >>>

CERCA NO ES ESTAR DENTRO "El Reino de los Cielos se parece a un tesoro escondido en un campo" (Mateo 13:44).

Solo porque somos redes de arrastre del Señor no quiere decir que El nos va a retener hasta el fin del mundo (Mt 13:47ss). Solo porque estamos en el campo del Señor, no significa que somos el trigo de Dios. Podemos ser cizañas que se deseen quemar (Mt 13:40). Solo porque vamos a la iglesia, no significa que estamos viviendo automáticamente en el reino de Dios. Haciendo cosas cristianas y viviendo en medio de los cristianos no nos hace cristianos (ver Lc 13:26-27).

Somos cristianos y seguidores de Jesús, el Rey del reino, cuando vendemos todo lo que tenemos para comprar el reino de Dios (Mt 13:44, 46). Estamos viviendo la vida en Cristo cuando, por fe, damos nuestra vida a Jesús, y ya no vivimos para nosotros, sino para Aquel que murió y resucitó de entre los muertos por nosotros (2 Co 5:15; Gal 2:20). El estar cerca de los cristianos no nos hace cristianos; pero el estar cerca y en Cristo nos hace cristianos.

Para aquellos que están simplemente en las actividades cristianas, pero no viviendo en Él, Jesús les dirá: "Jamás los conocí; apártense de mí, ustedes, los que hacen el mal" (Mt 7:23) Para los que viven solo para Él, Jesús les dirá: "Vengan, benditos de mi Padre, y reciban en herencia el Reino que les fue preparado desde el comienzo del mundo" (Mt 25:34). Viva en Su reino.

Oración: Padre, que pueda buscar primero Tu Reino y Tu justicia (Mt 6:33).

Promesa: "Sabemos, además, que Dios dispone, todas las cosas para el bien de los que lo aman, de aquellos que Él llamó según su designio" (Rom 8:28).

Alabanza: ¡Alabado seas, Jesús resucitado! Tu cuerpo abatido ha multiplicado nuestra sanación. Alabado sea, Cordero de Dios, por pastorearnos con Tu amor. <http://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=es&d=7/30/2017>

>>> Los años de práctica en su arte, unidos a su devoción, le ayudaron a esculpir una imagen fina y bella que en 1583 fue colocada en su propio santuario.

La Virgen de Copacabana tiene uno de los primeros santuarios marianos en América Latina. Curiosamente, se celebra el 5 de agosto, día que María hizo nevar en la antigua ciudad de Roma, Italia, para mostrar dónde deseaba tener su primer templo. —Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright

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