

**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** — My word will achieve the end for which it was sent (Isaiah 55:10-11).  
**Psalm** — The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest (Psalm 65).  
**Second Reading** — We, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan within ourselves awaiting the redemption of our bodies (Romans 8:18-23).  
**Gospel** — Some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit (Matthew 13:1-23 [1-9]).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1  
 Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24  
 Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27  
 Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30  
 Friday: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8  
 Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
 Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday July 15 St. Bonaventure</b>	
5:30 pm	Sherry Jaimes (15th birthday) by her family
<b>Sunday July 16</b>	
8:00 am	Dan Pham (dec) by his family
10:00 am	Avalon Boone (dec) by her family
12:00 pm	Margarita Alaoen (dec) by Romeo Alaoen & family
7:00 pm	
<b>Monday July 17</b>	
8:00 am	Carlos Novoa (dec) by his family
<b>Tuesday July 18 St. Camillus de Lellis</b>	
8:00 am	John Schafer (dec) & William Tylenda (dec) by Lois Tylenda
<b>Wednesday July 19</b>	
8:00 am	Gerald Hurley & Kathleen Carlson (dec)
12:00 pm	Fr. John Grace (intentions)
<b>Thursday July 20 St. Apollinaris</b>	
8:00 am	Fr. John Hannan (dec) by Fr. Mauricio
<b>Friday July 21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi</b>	
8:00 am	Julie Governale (dec) by her daughter Jennifer
12:00 pm	Michael Roache (dec) by Bill
<b>Saturday July 22 St. Mary Magdalene</b>	
5:30 pm	For St. Theresa parishioners

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, July 17</b>	8am Mass; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth meal
<b>Tuesday, July 18</b>	8am Mass
<b>Wednesday, July 19</b>	8am & 12noon Masses; 10am-11:30am Marian Devotions; 9am-12noon Bread & Broth 4Kids
<b>Thursday, July 20</b>	8am Mass; 5pm wedding rehearsal
<b>Friday, July 21</b>	8am & 12noon Masses; 2pm Graveside service at Happy Homestead; 4pm wedding; 6:30pm Spanish Prayer Group; 6pm Theology with Food at Pope Beach
<b>Saturday, July 22</b>	4pm Confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, July 23</b>	8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm Masses

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**FOR PARISHIONERS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY**

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Domingo Ortega | 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 | Joe McKenna | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Frances Ortega | Steve Peacock | Tony Russo | Cathy Shaver

**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](mailto:tahocatholicbulletin@gmail.com).



**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**

07/09	Regular Collection	7680.79
	+ Camp Sacramento	435.00
	Peter's Pence Collection	2,226.81
	+ Camp Sacramento	77.00

*This week's 2nd collection* — Building Maintenance



## 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

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

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 2017 RAISED \$400!!!

**Become a better version of yourself.**

**JOIN THE KNIGHTS!**

George Westinghouse (530)-721-1753 will be happy to help you learn more about the Knights of Columbus

## THE "10 MYTHS OF ANNULMENTS"

**Annulment Myth #4: "Annulments are expensive. If you don't have the money, you cannot get one."**

Truth: A formal case fee is \$600. However, no one is turned away due to lack of ability to pay.

**Annulment Myth #5: "Once you submit the paperwork, it's a slam dunk!"**

Truth: There are no guarantees about an annulment. Each case is looked at individually because each situation is different. Not all cases are created equal. Some cases are much more complicated than others. Not all cases submitted are granted annulments.

**Annulment Myth #6: "If you are a big donor to the Church, an annulment is always granted."**

Truth: Annulments cannot be bought. Donations, long-term participation in a parish, or being a "good Catholic" have no bearing on an annulment. One cannot "shop around" for an annulment; all tribunals follow the same procedures.

For more information or direction for a possible annulment, contact the Tribunal by phone at (916) 733-0225 or e-mail [TribunalDept@scd.org](mailto:TribunalDept@scd.org).

## DONATE ONLINE

Now you can donate online!!!!  
Please take a look at our website  
[www.tahoecatholic.com](http://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.



## CHECK OUT UPCOMING EVENTS!!

**July 24**—French Boys' choir live

**July 31-August 4**—Vacation Bible School

**August 12**—Parish festival

August 24—Parish picnic

**August 31**— Father Grace Golf Tournament

## HARSH WINTER COLLECTION

### THANK YOU!

### UPDATE!

Dear Friends of Saint Theresa and Our Lady of the Sierra Mission,  
Again, thanks for your generous donations for the Harsh Winter Collection. Also, I would like to inform you that we received \$10,500 more from two generous donors. One gave us \$10,000 and the other \$500. God has been good to us! May God be praised!  
Fr. Mauricio Hurtado  
Parochial Administrator

## LISTENING WITH OUR WOUNDS

To enter into solidarity with a suffering person does not mean that we have to talk with that person about our own suffering. Speaking about our own pain is seldom helpful for someone who is in pain. A wounded healer is someone who can listen to a person in pain without having to speak about his or her own wounds. When we have lived through a painful depression, we can listen with great attentiveness and love to a depressed friend without mentioning our experience. Mostly it is better not to direct a suffering person's attention to ourselves. We have to trust that our own bandaged wounds will allow us to listen to others with our whole beings. That is healing. **—Henri Nouwen Society**



## FAITH FORMATION FOR PARISHIONERS!

Now every parishioner can experience hundreds of hours viewing, reading, and listening to the best Catholic content. Enjoy more than 300 episodes of beautiful and compelling video series, feature-length movies, motivating and spiritually-enriching eBooks, and over 40 hours of audio content. **Register your family account by going to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) > and use our parish account (case-sensitive) QKK7X3.**

**\*FORMED APP NOW AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD!\***

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

### THE WOUNDED HEALER | *Henri Nouwen Society*

Nobody escapes being wounded. We all are wounded people, whether physically, emotionally, mentally, or spiritually. The main question is not "How can we hide our wounds?" so we don't have to be embarrassed, but "How can we put our woundedness in the service of others?" When our wounds cease to be a source of shame, and become a source of healing, we have become wounded healers.

Jesus is God's wounded healer: through his wounds we are healed. Jesus' suffering and death brought joy and life. His humiliation brought glory; his rejection brought a community of love. As followers of Jesus we can also allow our wounds to bring healing to others.

### SOW THE WORD CONSTANTLY

**"A farmer went out sowing." —Matthew 13:4**

How often have you heard a Scripture passage twenty times and on the twenty-first time you hear it, the Holy Spirit makes the passage finally "jump off the page"? You receive a profound new insight into the meaning of the passage. The Word of God comes alive for you.

The Holy Spirit does this work in us. The Spirit is also working the same way in the hearts of others. That's why we must constantly sow the Word of God (Mt 13:4). The Word that we sow might be that twenty-first time the Holy Spirit requires to touch a person's heart. Our sowing might be that juicy bait the Lord uses to finally catch a hungry soul He has been working on for years (see Lk 5:4). Our evangelizing might be the seed that next year will produce a harvest thirty-, sixty-, or a hundredfold (Mt 13:8).

A farmer sowing seed can't see what's under the surface of the soil. A fisherman usually can't see what's under the surface of the water, though sometimes he might get a glimpse. When we evangelize for Jesus, if we go only by what we see on the surface, we might make a wrong judgment and decide not to drop a line or plant a seed. We might miss a good catch or a fruitful harvest, even in an unlikely place, if we don't try to evangelize.

God spreads the seed and the water everywhere in today's readings. God never stops sowing, and He always gets results (Is 55:11). The Lord doesn't go by what is on the surface (see 1 Sm 16:7). We must do the same, and sow the Word of God in all places, even those that seem unlikely for success.

**Prayer:** Father, I will spread Your Word at all times, whether convenient or inconvenient (2 Tm 4:2).

**Promise:** "I consider the sufferings of the present to be as nothing compared to the glory to be revealed in us." —Rm 8:18

**Praise:** Praise You, risen Jesus! You are "the Way, and the Truth, and the Life" (Jn 14:6). Alleluia!

<http://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=7/9/2017>

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

#### ***Does the bread cease to be bread and the wine cease to be wine?***

Yes. In order for the whole Christ to be present—body, blood, soul, and divinity—the bread and wine cannot remain, but must give way so that his glorified Body and Blood may be present. Thus in the Eucharist the bread ceases to be bread in substance, and becomes the Body of Christ, while the wine ceases to be wine in substance, and becomes the Blood of Christ. As St. Thomas Aquinas observed, Christ is not quoted as saying, "This bread is my body," but "This is my body" (Summa Theologiae, III q. 78, a. 5).

#### ***Is it fitting that Christ's Body and Blood become present in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine?***

Yes, for this way of being present corresponds perfectly to the sacramental celebration of the Eucharist. Jesus Christ gives himself to us in a form that employs the symbolism inherent in eating bread and drinking wine. Furthermore, being present under the appearances of bread and wine, Christ gives himself to us in a form that is appropriate for human eating and drinking. Also, this kind of presence corresponds to the virtue of faith, for the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ cannot be detected or discerned by any way other than faith. That is why St. Bonaventure affirmed: "There is no difficulty over Christ's being present in the sacrament as in a sign; the great difficulty is in the fact that He is really in the sacrament, as He is in heaven. And so believing this is especially meritorious" (In IV Sent., dist. X, P. I, art. un., qu. I). On the authority of God who reveals himself to us, by faith we believe that which cannot be grasped by our human faculties (cf. Catechism, no. 1381).

**Continues...** | <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

## JULY

### MASS IN OUR LADY OF SIERRA CHAPEL

Now-September 3 10:00 am  
Camp Sacramento  
Highway 50

### SUMMER BREAD & BROTH 4KIDS

Our Saint Theresa B&B 4Kids Program is offering  
**FREE KID-FRIENDLY FOOD**  
every **Wednesday from 9am to 12noon at Grace Hall.**  
**Note:** this program is geared toward children in families who need help.

### THEOLOGY WITH FOOD

FRIDAY, JULY 21  
6PM | POPE BEACH

**Topic:** The problem of evil: why do bad things happen to good people?

### FILIPINO FOOD SALE

The Filipino Food sale is taking place after the 5:30pm Mass on July 22 and after the 10 AM and 12noon Masses on July 23 in Globin Hall.

### FRENCH BOYS' CHOIR CONCERT | JULY 24, 2017 | ST. THERESA CHURCH

*We are excited to host a potluck dinner for the "French Boys Choir" on Monday, July 24. The group will arrive at 3:00p.m. for rehearsal and then enjoy an "American Pot-Luck" dinner, served by the St. Theresa community. Main, side, and dessert dishes are needed. If you can help, please sign up at the table at the back of the church. For more information, please contact Bridget Spencer at [916-595-2570](tel:916-595-2570)*

La Maîtrise des Hauts de France ("French Boys' Choir") is a group of about thirty singers in all regular registers (boy soprano, alto, tenor and bass). These children and young adults come from the town of Lambersart and from the City of Lille area. The vocal quality acquired by the choir allows it to perform an extensive repertoire of mainly sacred music and harmonized popular songs. Through the numerous international concerts, the Maîtrise des Hauts de France strives to convey its continuous search for quality in the interpretation of the polyphonic repertoire devoted to children's voices.

<http://www.mhdf.fr/intl/en/Home-1.html>

<https://www.facebook.com/Ma%C3%A9trise-des-Hauts-de-France-French-Boys-Choir-Petits-Chanteurs-Nord-399380746824889/>

## 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](http://canterburypilgrimages.com) | [reservations@canterburypilgrimages.com](mailto:reservations@canterburypilgrimages.com)

### SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE DIOCESAN EVENTS

**ON FIRE NorCal Jam** Saturday, September 16, 9am – 9pm, Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo Buy tickets now: [www.onfirenorcal.com](http://www.onfirenorcal.com)

**Ministry Days 2017** Friday and Saturday, September 29-30, 2017, St. Francis High School, Sacramento  
Information coming soon: [www.ministrydays.com](http://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](http://www.confirmationconference.com)





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**THE  
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**LOCATION:**  
**POPE BEACH**

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**FRIDAY  
JULY 21, 2017  
6:00 PM**

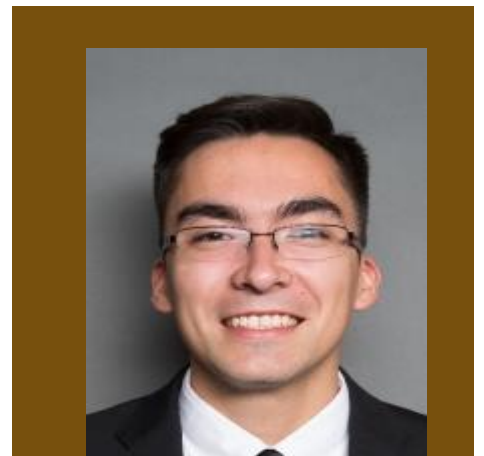
# **JULY 21, 2017**

# **THEOLOGY WITH FOOD**

## **Greetings!**

Theology with Food is an initiative from St. Theresa's Parish to build up the **Young Adult Catholic Community** (ages **18-35**) in South Lake Tahoe. What better way to come together than by breaking bread and learning about the Catholic faith and how it applies to your daily life.

The speaker for this Theology with Food is David Panduro, a seminarian of the Diocese of Sacramento. David just finished college at Mount Angel Seminary.



# 16 DE JULIO DE 2017 | DECIMOQUINTO 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** — La palabra de Dios siempre cumple lo que él quiere (Isaías 55:10-11).  
**Salmo** — Los granos que caen en la tierra buena darán una cosecha abundante (Salmo 65 [64]).  
**Segunda lectura** — Toda la creación anticipa ansiosamente la revelación de la gloria plena de Dios (Romanos 8:18-23).  
**Evangelio** — El que tenga oídos, que entienda y reciba las enseñanzas de Jesús (Mateo 13:1-23).

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Sal 124 (123):1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1  
 Martes: Ex 2:1-15a; Sal 69 (68):3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24  
 Miércoles: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Sal 103 (102):1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27  
 Jueves: Ex 3:13-20; Sal 105 (104):1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30  
 Viernes: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Sal 116 (115):12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8  
 Sábado: Ex 12:37-42; Sal 136 (135):1, 23-24, 10-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
 Domingo: Sab 12:13, 16-19; Sal 86 (85):5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

**FRUTO DE LA PALABRA** — La semilla es la Palabra de Dios. Las metáforas de la agricultura en todas las lecturas de hoy brindan riqueza al mensaje de que la palabra de Dios, cultivada en nuestro corazón, produce mucho fruto en nuestra vida. La creación misma espera la redención de todos, hasta nuestro cuerpo aguarda la resurrección. Así como nos regocijamos por el cumplimiento de la Palabra de Dios, así la creación toda cantará de gozo en el Reino de Dios. La Palabra de Dios es eficaz y santa, produce exactamente lo que dice. No es inútil ni vacía, sino rica en significado para quienes la escuchan y son sanados. Quienes escuchan la palabra de Dios y la guardan, con toda la creación, darán mucho fruto y cantarán de gozo. *Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*

## INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

## PETICIONES POR ESTAS PERSONAS

<b>sábado, 15 de julio San Buenaventura</b>	
<b>5:30 pm</b>	Sherry Jaimes (15th birthday) by her family
<b>domingo 16 de julio</b>	
<b>8:00 am</b>	Dan Pham (dec) by his family
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<b>12:00 pm</b>	Margarita Alaoen (dec) by Romeo Alaoen & family
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<b>jueves 20 de julio San Apolinario</b>	
<b>8:00 am</b>	Fr. John Hannan (dec) by Fr. Mauricio
<b>viernes 21 de julio San Lorenzo de Brindis</b>	
<b>8:00 am</b>	Julie Governale (dec) by her daughter Jennifer
<b>12:00 pm</b>	Michael Roache (dec) by Bill
<b>sábado, 22 de julio Santa María Magdalena</b>	
<b>5:30 pm</b>	For St. Theresa parishioners

## POR LOS FELIGRESES—ACTIVOS CON EL SERVICIO MILITAR

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Domingo Ortega | 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 | Joe McKenna | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Frances Ortega | Steve Peacock | Tony Russo | Cathy Shaver

## 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)

## ¡GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!

07/09	Colecta Regular	7680.79
	+ Camp Sacramento	435.00
	Colecta del Óbolo de San Pedro	2,226.81
	+ Camp Sacramento	77.00
Segunda colecta—Mantenimiento		



**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.

*Queridos amigos de Santa Teresa y Nuestra Señora de la Sierra:*

*les escribo para expresar mi más profundo agradecimiento por sus recientes donaciones a la parroquia de Santa Teresa para la colecta que nos ayuda a recuperarnos del duro invierno. Las donaciones de personas como usted, proporcionan el apoyo financiero y moral necesario para continuar nuestra misión como parroquia.*

*Con sus fieles contribuciones financieras, han demostrado su profundo compromiso y amor a nuestra parroquia. Sus donaciones de \$20,214.50 hacen una gran diferencia! ¡Que el Señor los bendiga y gracias por su generosidad!*  
*Padre Mauricio Hurtado*  
*Administrador Parroquial*

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

*El pan y el vino Consagrados, ¿son “simplemente símbolos”?*

En el lenguaje cotidiano, llamamos “símbolo” a algo que señala alguna otra cosa que está más allá de sí, a menudo a otras diferentes realidades a la vez. El pan y el vino transformados que constituyen el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo no son simplemente símbolos, porque son verdaderamente el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. Como escribió S. Juan Damasceno: “El pan y el vino no son una prefiguración del cuerpo y la sangre de Cristo, ¡de ninguna manera!, sino el verdadero cuerpo deificado del Señor, porque el Señor mismo dijo: ‘Esto es mi cuerpo’; no ‘una prefiguración de mi cuerpo’, sino ‘mi cuerpo’, y no ‘una prefiguración de mi sangre’ sino ‘mi sangre’” (De la fe ortodoxa, IV [PG 94, 1148-49]).

Al mismo tiempo, sin embargo, es importante reconocer que el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo llegan a nosotros en la Eucaristía en una forma sacramental. En otras palabras, Cristo está presente bajo la apariencia de pan y vino, no en su propia y verdadera forma. No podemos presumir que sabemos todas las razones subyacentes a los actos de Dios. Sin embargo, Dios emplea el simbolismo inherente a comer pan y beber vino en el ámbito de lo natural para iluminar el significado de lo que se está realizando en la Eucaristía por medio de Jesucristo.

**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>

**Continuará...**

**SIEMBRA LA PALABRA CONSTANTEMENTE**  
**"El sembrador salió a sembrar" (Mateo 13, 3).**

¿Con qué frecuencia has oído un pasaje de la Escritura veinte veces y en la veintiunava vez lo oyes, el Espíritu Santo hace que el pasaje finalmente "salte de la página"? Recibes una profunda y nueva comprensión del significado del pasaje. La Palabra de Dios cobra vida para ti.

El Espíritu Santo hace este trabajo en nosotros. El Espíritu también está trabajando de igual manera en el corazón de otros. Por eso, debemos sembrar constantemente la Palabra de Dios (Mt 13, 4). La Palabra que sembramos podría ser la veintiunava vez que el Espíritu Santo requiere para tocar el corazón de una persona. Nuestra siembra podría ser esa jugosa carnada que el Señor utiliza para finalmente atrapar un alma hambrienta en la que ha estado trabajando por años (ver Lc 5, 4). Nuestra evangelización podría ser la semilla que el año próximo produzca una cosecha de treinta, sesenta o cien veces (Mt 13, 8).

Un granjero sembrando semilla no puede ver qué hay debajo del suelo. Un pescador no puede ver usualmente lo que está debajo de la superficie del agua, aunque algunas veces pueda tener una visión. Cuando evangelizamos para Jesús, si nos dejamos llevar por lo que vemos en la superficie, podríamos juzgar mal y decidir no lanzar el anzuelo o plantar una semilla. Podríamos perder una buena pesca o una cosecha fructífera, incluso en un lugar improbable, si no tratamos de evangelizar.

Dios esparce la semilla y el agua por todas partes en las lecturas de hoy. Dios nunca deja de sembrar y Él siempre obtiene resultados (Is 55, 11). El Señor no se deja llevar por lo que está en la superficie (ver 1 Sm 16, 7).

Nosotros debemos hacer lo mismo, y sembrar la Palabra de Dios en todos los lugares, aún en aquellos en los que el éxito parece improbable.

**Oración:** Padre, sembraré tu Palabra en todo tiempo, sea conveniente o inconveniente (2 Tim 4, 2).

**Promesa:** "Yo considero que los sufrimientos del tiempo presente no pueden compararse con la gloria futura que se revelará en nosotros" (Rom 8, 18).

**Alabanza:** ¡Alabado seas, Jesús resucitado! Tú eres "el Camino, la Verdad, y la Vida (Jn 14, 6). ¡Aleluya!  
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