

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

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).  
**Psalm** — Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).  
**Second Reading** — You were buried with Christ in baptism, in which you were also raised with Christ (Colossians 2:12-14).  
**Gospel** — Everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds (Luke 11:1-13).

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, July 29</b>	8am Mass; 4-5:30pm Bread & Broth Meal; 6:30pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting; <b>6pm-9pm Vacation Bible School</b>
<b>Tuesday, July 30</b>	8am Mass; 9am Session VIII the Pivotal Players; 5:30pm choir practice; 6:30pm Session VI of Untold Blessing; <b>6-9pm Vacation Bible School</b>
<b>Wednesday, July 31</b>	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 10am-1pm B&B4Kids Summer Program; 6pm Bread & Broth Advisory Board Meeting; <b>6-9pm Vacation Bible School</b>
<b>Thursday, August 1</b>	8am Mass; 5pm Quinceanera Rehearsal; <b>6-9pm Vacation Bible School</b>
<b>Friday, August 2</b>	8am Mass; 10am Graveside Service; 12noon Mass; 2:30pm Quinceanera; 4pm Wedding Rehearsal; 4pm Second Serving; 3-4:30pm Food Pantry; <b>6-9pm Vacation Bible School</b> ; 6:30pm Spanish Prayer Group; <b>7pm Toccata Concert</b>
<b>Saturday, August 3</b>	10am Baptism in Spanish; 11:30am Baptism in English; 2:30pm wedding; 4pm confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, August 4</b>	8am, 10am, 12 noon & 7pm (in Spanish) Masses; <b>Pancake breakfast after the 8am &amp; 10am Masses</b>

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday July 27 Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	
<b>5:30pm</b>	Stephen Ehrler (dec) Judith Greco Gregory & Byron
<b>Sunday July 28</b>	
<b>8:00 am</b>	St. Theresa parishioners
<b>10:00 am</b>	John LeClair (dec) by the Hicks family
<b>12:00 pm</b>	Maureen Redmund (dec) by Pat & Patricia Frega
<b>7:00 pm</b>	
<b>Monday July 29 St. Martha</b>	
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<b>5:30pm</b>	John Serenio (bday) by his parents

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

<b>Monday, July 29</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; day off; 6:30pm Parish Pastoral Council meeting
<b>Tuesday, July 30</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am Session VIII of Pivotal Players; 11am appointment; 12-4pm office work; 6:30pm Session VI of Untold Blessing
<b>Wednesday, July 31</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9-11:45am office work; 12noon Mass; 1:30-6pm office work; 6pm Bread & Broth Advisory Board Meeting?
<b>Thursday, August 1</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 5pm quinceanera rehearsal; 7pm personal time
<b>Friday, August 2</b>	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 10am Graveside Service; 11am office work; 12 noon Mass; 2:30pm Quinceanera; 4-5pm office work; 6pm personal time
<b>Saturday, August 3</b>	7:30am opening the church; 10am Baptism in Spanish; 11:30am Baptism in English; 4pm confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, August 4</b>	6:45am opening the church; 8am, 10am, 12pm Masses; 3-5pm personal time; 6pm confessions; 7pm Mass

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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**

7/21	Regular Collection	6942.22
	<b>Building our Future Fundraiser</b>	

Second collection THIS weekend:  
**ONLINE FAITH FORMATION: FORMED.ORG**

Second collection NEXT weekend: **BUILDING MAINTENANCE**



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530.544.4788 Find the **2019 SCHEDULE**:  
<http://www.tahoecatholic.com/baptisms>



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### KNIGHT'S CORNER

#### This Month's Challenge

**The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary**

**has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."** (Gospel for July 21, Lk 10:41-42)

Imagine yourself in Martha's shoes. While your seemingly lazy sister Mary sits at the feet of Jesus, *you* are the one preparing and serving the food, setting the table and making things happen. And then, all of a sudden, Jesus chides *you* and compares you unfavorably to your sister. Jesus' words can strike us as harsh. Wasn't Martha doing a good thing by serving our Lord? Yet if we are honest, we recognize that it's all too easy to get caught up in busyness doing good things and all the while miss the opportunity to encounter Christ. By God's grace, may we hear these tough words from Jesus, resist this tendency to busyness and strive to choose "the better part."

#### **Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:**

This month, I challenge you to spend five extra minutes sitting before the Lord before or after Sunday Mass. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Sacramental Gifts program or pray for those receiving the sacraments, that they might choose "the better part."

#### **Questions for Reflection:**

If it were you with Jesus that evening, would you have been more likely to be a "Martha" or a "Mary"? What does it mean to choose "the better part"? How did spending a few extra moments with the Lord before or after Mass affect your encounter with Christ in the Eucharist?

*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—Aug. 4 after the 8AM & 10AM Masses. It always taste's right when cooked by a Knight. Your help and support is always appreciated.

AUGUST MEETING—Aug 14 at 6pm meeting, 7pm Dinner by Phil

SEPTEMBER MEETING—6pm dinner (by Patrick), 7pm meeting

OCTOBER MEETING—6pm dinner (by Jason), 7pm meeting

NOVEMBER MEETING—6pm dinner (by George & Earl), 7pm meeting

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

Call Frank Dixon 530 318 1574

### I DARE YOU

**"Lord, teach us to pray." —Luke 11:1**

One of the most daring things we can do in life is to ask Jesus to teach us to pray. St. Augustine called prayer "the exercise of our desires." St. Thomas Aquinas says in reference to the Lord's Prayer, "In it we ask, not only for all the things we can rightly desire, but also in the sequence that they should be desired" (Catechism, 2763). Authentic prayer is about exercising, screening, and correcting our desires. Prayer concerns crucifying our "flesh with its passions and desires" (Gal 5:24). Prayer is laboring (see Gal 4:19) and struggling not to get what we want from God but to give up what we want so as to obtain the desires of His heart. This means that the Lord frequently tells us "no" in prayer because our desires are out of order.

This is so frustrating that we feel like quitting. However, we must persist (see Lk 11:8), not to win God over to our desires but to let ourselves be broken of our selfishness and rebellion. The Holy Spirit "helps us in our weakness" in prayer (Rm 8:26). In the Spirit (see Lk 11:13), we persist in prayer until we let God knock down the sand-castles of our desires.

As we used to say before praying the "Our Father," I dare you to ask Jesus to teach you to pray.

**Prayer:** *Father, impelled by love in the Spirit, I have decided to enroll in Jesus' school of prayer.*

**Promise:** *"Even when you were dead in sin and your flesh was uncircumcised, God gave you new life in company with Christ." —Col 2:13*

**Praise:** *"Praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven" (Ps 148:13).*

<https://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=7/28/2019>

### THANK YOU FROM FR. STEVEN WOOD

Dear St. Therese Parish,

Thank you! Your kind welcome to me as a priest of Jesus Christ was very appreciated this last June 9. God is very good in allowing me to share the gift of my priesthood with all of you in a Mass of Thanksgiving at your parish! It was a great joy to see so many good friends again, and the reception was a lot of delicious fun. I am especially grateful to Fr. Mauricio for his mentorship last summer and for the advice he shared in the homily. In the spirit of 'better late than never,' I wanted to proclaim my heartfelt thanks before the summer's end. Know that all of you remain in my best memories and in my prayers. May God bless you all!

Yours fondly in Jesus Christ,

Father Steven Wood

### NOVENA TO DEFEAT SENATE BILL 24

Please find in the vestibule a copy of the Letter from Bishop Soto and the Novena Prayer to defeat Senate Bill 24. See letter to learn more about it!

## REFLECTIONS

### WHAT'S THE SMOKE FOR?

*Dear Johan,*

*I attended a conference on liturgy and, to my great surprise (read: outrage), someone read Sacred Scripture from her handheld device during morning prayer. What do you make of this? Is this a new trend?*

Gentle Reader,

These are interesting times. On the one hand, the monks of Saint John's Abbey in Collegeville, Minnesota, commissioned a handwritten and illuminated version of the Bible, something that had not been done in some five hundred years. The result is absolutely stunning. On the other hand, people have taken to proclaiming Scripture from their Kindles while others venerate icons on their iPads. The latter, of course, would have been unheard of some ten years ago and even today it seems shocking and inappropriate.

Like in most cases, a quick walk down memory lane is advised. It is good to remember that this is not the first time in Catholic history that the tangible presence of the Word in the liturgy has changed drastically. Think, for instance, of the beautiful handwritten Exsultet scrolls that were used during the Easter Vigil. These have now been retired to climate-controlled repositories. Or consider the magnificently illuminated Evangeliaries or gospel books, which have joined the Exsultet scrolls in the vaults of our liturgical memories. All these, of course, over time have been replaced by the printed word. And even the printed word has gone through several iterations from hand-set letter printing, which still clearly testified to the impact of the human touch, to our completely computerized and automated printing today.

Your concern about the apparent next step in this trajectory is pertinent and appropriate. Will we soon raise a tablet during the gospel procession? I suspect and hope that for now we will hold on to the printed or, in some rare cases, the handwritten version of our gospel books.

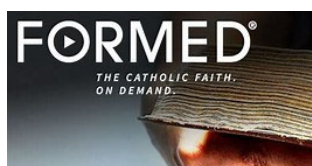
Just to take it one step further, when asked about the veneration of icons on tablets, a Byzantine priest told me the following: "If these electronic images, not unlike prints of icons, encourage private devotion, great. Just keep them private and don't bring them into my church." Thus, I say, tablets are great tools that give us unlimited access to Scripture for our daily reading and research. Yet, as of today they have no place in the liturgical celebration.

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### BUILDING OUR FUTURE FUNDRAISER

*Dear Family of Saint Theresa,*

Some of you might be asking, "Are we there yet?" Yes, we are almost there! We are very close to reaching our goal of \$150,000! Thank you so much to those who already made a one-time gift and those who made a pledge. If you have not donated, it is not too late. Your donation would be a greatly appreciated. **Fr. Mauricio**



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### CATHOLIC HUMOR

**A CATECHIST** asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem.

A small child replied, "They couldn't get a baby-sitter?"

Source: *The Book of Catholic Jokes*

### PROMOTING LIFE

From a Former Abortion Provider—

"On October 23rd, I went and did my last abortions on just a few patients. And I knew it would be the last day. And that evening, I said No to money and Yes to God. The next day I went down to church and confessed with my mouth that Jesus was Lord. Then, on the way out of church, I saw this blue brochure for a crisis pregnancy center. I just looked at it and kind of felt that this was what I should be involved with. The next day I called up the center and told them I was a doctor in Atlanta and had done many, many thousands of abortions, and that I came to Christ the day before and now wanted to do everything to save babies instead of take their lives." – Dr. Joseph Randall.

<https://www.priestsforlife.org/liturgy/liturgicalresource-cycles.aspx?id=25>

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## BLESSED IS SHE | Schedule Changes for July & August

For the months of July and August we will be meeting on Wednesday evening at 6pm in the conference room at the parish school building. We will resume Thursday evening meetings in September.

## UNTOLD BLESSING: THREE PATHS TO HOLINESS

**Study Program | Parish Center (corner of Rufus Allen/Lyons Ave.) | Tuesday at 630pm**

Our ultimate goal is to be a saint. It is our greatest calling and what is desired for us by our Creator. Bishop Robert Barron paints a beautiful and mysterious image of what it takes to be a follower of Jesus Christ. He lays out three intriguing paths to holiness:

July 30: Realizing Your Life is Not About You, Part II  
Please bring your Bible! Thanks!

## TERRY HERSHEY-POWER OF PAUSE WORKSHOP

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church | 701 Mount Rose Hwy | Incline Village, NV 89451-9152

Saturday, August 3, 2019 | 10:00 AM To 4:00 PM | \$25 per person

Terry Hershey, popular author and retreat leader, understands that slowing down is difficult when you live in a fast-forward world. However, he also knows from personal experience that there is always a price to pay if we don't regularly take time simply to pause—to cease activity, to treasure quiet time, and to discern the deep meaning of life's little moments.

[https://thedriven.net/event.race\\_reg/eid/36135135689](https://thedriven.net/event.race_reg/eid/36135135689)

## UNBOUND FREEDOM IN CHRIST CONFERENCE

**Saturday, August 10, 2019 • 9am - 5pm | St. Isidore Parish 222 S. Clark Avenue, Yuba City, CA 95991**

What if you could reach out and touch God's love, and NEVER be the same?

Everyone is fighting an invisible battle:

- negative thoughts, secret sins and unhealthy relationships
- destructive habits, idols and false identities
- resentments and bitter wounds that never seem to heal

Register online for \$60 in advance or \$75 at the door <https://scd.formstack.com/forms/unbound>

Questions? Contact Jazmin Garcia in the Office of Clergy Formation at 916-733-0244 or [jgarcia@scd.org](mailto:jgarcia@scd.org).

## MASSES IN CAMP SACRAMENTO

**August 4, August 18 and September 1 at 10am**

Dear friends of Our Lady of the Sierra Chapel, Camp Sacramento, these are the dates that a priest is available to help us celebrate the Mass: August 4, August 18 and September 1. My apologies for any inconveniences.  
Blessings, Fr. Mauricio

## SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Holy Day of Obligation

**Thursday, August 15**

Masses: 8am & 5:30pm in English and 7pm in Spanish

**CHOIR REHEARSAL | Please come and join the choir! Visitors are welcome to join!**

*Choir Rehearsal Schedule:*

5:30p.m. Saturday Evening "Folk" Mass-rehearsal is 45 minutes before mass

10:00a.m. Sunday Mass-rehearsals are on Tuesdays 5:30p.m.-6:30p.m. (traditional music)

Noon Mass-Sunday-rehearsal is 45 minutes before Mass (contemporary music)

For more information, please contact Moe Leonard, 530-307-0151

**CHOIR NEWS** 

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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | "ROAR"

July 29<sup>th</sup> to August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

6pm-9pm

Our VBS Adventure welcomes students Pre-K through 7<sup>th</sup> grade

St. Theresa Catholic Church  
1041 Lyons Ave.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2143145889117249/>

Each day is designated for a color. Kids are invited to wear a different colored t-shirt based on the day of the week:

**Monday-Green**

**Tuesday-Yellow**

**Wednesday-Purple**

**Thursday-Orange**

**Friday-Blue**

## 28 DE JULIO DE 2019 | DECIMOSÉPTIMO 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 quien 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** — Por el bien de los diez no destruiré la ciudad (Génesis 18:20-32).

**Salmo** — Te damos gracias de todo corazón (Salmo 138 [137]).

**Segunda lectura** — Enterrados con Cristo en el bautismo, también fuimos resucitados con Él (Colosenses 2:12-14).

**Evangelio** — Pidan y recibirán, el Padre da el Espíritu Santo a los que se lo piden (Lucas 11:1-13).

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Sal 106 (105):19-23 o Sal 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 o Lc 10:38-42

Martes: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Sal 103 (102):6-11; Mt 13:36-43

Miércoles: Ex 34:29-35; Sal 99 (98):5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

Jueves: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Sal 84 (83):3-6a, 8, 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: Ecl 1:2; 2:21-23; Sal 90 (89):3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lc 12:13-21

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Las beatitudes alaban al pobre de espíritu. Una de las características de quienes son pobres de espíritu es su habilidad para pedir ayuda; ellos saben cuando otros pueden proveerles lo que les hace falta. Las lecturas de hoy nos animan a practicar la pobreza de espíritu pidiéndole a Dios aquello que necesitamos. ¿Qué podría ser más natural pedir a Dios que buenas cosas? Dios es, después de todo, el hacedor de la bondad y el dador de buenas cosas.

Pidiendo ayuda a Dios nos pone en una conversación con Dios. Esta conversación o conversaciones pueden ser de muchas formas. La lectura del libro del Génesis muestra a Abraham negociando con Dios de una manera graciosa, pero como un hábil negociador; por otro lado la carta de san Pablo a los colosenses alaba a Dios respondiéndonos aún cuando no lo merecemos. En el Evangelio de san Lucas, Jesús no solo nos da las palabras y frases para usar en nuestras conversaciones con Dios (el Padre Nuestro), sino también promete que Dios siempre escuchará nuestras oraciones.

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS	PETICIONES POR ESTAS PERSONAS						
<b>27 de julio   sábado   Santa María Virgen</b> <b>5:30 pm</b> Stephen Ehrler (dec) Judith Greco Gregory & Byron	<b><u>POR LOS FELIGRESES—ACTIVOS CON EL SERVICIO MILITAR</u></b>						
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<b>29 de julio   lunes   Santa Marta</b> <b>8:00 am</b>	<b><u>POR LOS QUE ESTÁN ENFERMOS</u></b>						
<b>30 de julio   martes   San Pedro Crisólogo</b> <b>8:00 am</b> Donors of St. Theresa (intentions) by Father M	Concordia Balong   Bill Barboni   Kathleen Brady   Krista Carson   Romie Enriquez   Steve Frick   Ophelia Kirvida   Kel Lohmeier   Matthew Morisky   Simon McQuarrie   Byron Melrose   Jamie O'Malley   Cecilia Ramirez   Tony Russo   Gloria Walkowiak						
<b>31 de julio   miércoles   San Ignacio de Loyola</b> <b>8:00 am</b> Volunteers of St. Theresa (intentions) by Father M <b>12:00 pm</b> Staff of St. Theresa parish (intentions)	<b>LISTA DE LOS ENFERMOS</b> 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 <a href="mailto:tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com">tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com</a>						
<b>1 de agosto   jueves   San Alfonso de Ligorio</b> <b>8:00 am</b> Stephen Ehrler (dec) by Erna Murphy	<b>¡GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!</b>						
<b>2 de agosto   viernes   San Eusebio de Vercelli; San Pedro Juliano Eymard</b> <b>8:00 am</b> Volunteers of St. Theresa (intentions) by Father M <b>12:00 pm</b> Doreen Sutherland (dec) by the Eidam family	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 70%; text-align: center;"><i>Colecta Regular</i></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">6942.22</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">7/21</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><i>Recaudación de Fondos para "Construir Nuestro Futuro"</i></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		<i>Colecta Regular</i>	6942.22	7/21	<i>Recaudación de Fondos para "Construir Nuestro Futuro"</i>	
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<b>3 de agosto   sábado   Santa María Virgen</b> <b>5:30 pm</b> John Serenio (bday) by his parents	Segunda colecta—27 & 28 de julio: <b>ONLINE FAITH FORMATION: FORMED.O</b>						
 <b>DEVOCIÓN A NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO</b> Cada miercoles a las horas de 10:30 am con la "coronilla de la Divina Misericordia". Rosario y oraciones special a Peretuo Socorro.	Segunda colecta—3/4 de agosto: <b>MANTENIMIENTO</b>						

### ¿QUIÉN VA PRIMERO?

"Tenía una hermana llamada María, que sentada a los pies del Señor escuchaba Su Palabra" (Lucas 10:39).

Marta es una gran santa porque ella aceptó la corrección de Jesús. Jesús corrigió a Marta no porque estuviera demasiado ocupada, ansiosa o crítica. Jesús corrigió a Marta porque ella solo era trabajadora del Señor y no discípula del Señor.

Un simple trabajador establece la agenda. Un discípulo se sienta a los pies de Jesús, ora cada mañana para que el Señor le abra su oído (Is 50:4), y luego recibe órdenes de Su Señor.

Un trabajador puede sentirse ansioso y molesto porque está a cargo de su vida y su trabajo (ver Lc 10:41). Un discípulo está en reposo, porque el yugo de Jesús es suave y su carga liviana (Mt 11:30).

Una persona que trabaja para el Señor, pero no es Su discípulo ora por la ayuda de Dios, mientras un discípulo ora para ayudar a Dios.

Un simple trabajador para el Señor inicia la actividad, pero un discípulo no se mueve hasta que el Señor se mueve (ver Éx 40:37; Sal 123:2). Con Jesús, nosotros como discípulos no hacemos nada por nosotros mismos, sino solo lo que vemos que hace el Padre (Jn 5:19).

El Señor quiere más que trabajadores para la cosecha (ver Mt 9:37); Él quiere discípulos de todas las naciones (Mt 28:19). ¡No solo invita a Jesús a tu vida; sino sé un discípulo y pierde tu vida en Él! (ver Lc 9:23-24).

**Oración:** Padre, "he decidido seguir a Jesús" y no decirle a Él que me siga.

**Promesa:** "Yo soy la Resurrección y la Vida" (Jn 11:25).

**Alabanza:** Santa Marta hizo una de las más grandes profesiones de fe: "Sí, Señor, creo que Tú eres el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios, el que debía venir al mundo" (Jn 11:27).

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### GRACIAS DEL PADRE "ESTEBAN"

Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo:

¡Gracias por compartir conmigo el amor de nuestro Señor Jesús en la oportunidad de celebrar una Misa de Acción de Gracias con Ustedes! Fue un placer verdadero verlos otra vez, festejar con su comunidad, y celebrar mi primera Misa en español para la gloria de Dios. Tengo mucha gratitud por su apoyo y oraciones el verano pasado; el nuevo Padre Manuel y yo hemos recibido mucho de su parroquia que podemos compartir con otras parroquias en la única Iglesia. Quiero expresar gratitud en particular al Padre Mauricio por su ejemplo y mentoría. Sepan que todos ustedes permanecen en mis recuerdos y en mis oraciones. ¡Que Dios les bendiga a todos Ustedes!

En la gracia de Jesucristo,  
Pbro. Steven (Esteban) Wood

### ¡ATRÉVETE!

"Señor, enséñanos a orar" (Lucas 11:1).

Una de las cosas más atrevidas que podemos hacer en la vida es pedirle a Jesús que nos enseñe a orar. San Agustín llamó a la oración "el ejercicio de nuestros deseos". Santo Tomás de Aquino dice en referencia al Padre Nuestro: "En ella, no solo pedimos todo lo que podemos desear con rectitud, sino además según el orden en que conviene desearlo" (Catecismo, 2763). La oración auténtica consiste en expresar, examinar y corregir nuestros deseos. La oración se refiere a la crucifixión de nuestra "carne con sus pasiones y deseos" (Gál 5:24). La oración es laboriosa (ver Gál 4:19) y no lucha por obtener lo que queremos de Dios, sino por renunciar a lo que queremos para obtener los deseos de Su corazón. Esto significa que el Señor frecuentemente nos dice "no" a la oración porque nuestros deseos están fuera de orden.

Esto es tan frustrante que tenemos ganas de abandonarla. Sin embargo, debemos persistir (ver Lc 11:8), no para conquistar a Dios hacia nuestros deseos, sino para dejarle quebrantar nuestro egoísmo y rebeldía. El Espíritu Santo "nos ayuda en nuestra debilidad" en la oración (Rom 8:26). En el Espíritu (ver Lc 11:13), persistimos en la oración hasta dejar que Dios derribe los castillos de arena de nuestros deseos.

Como solíamos decir antes de orar el "Padre Nuestro", me atrevo a pedirle a Jesús que te enseñe a orar.

**Oración:** Padre, impulsado por el amor en el Espíritu, he decidido inscribirme en la escuela de oración de Jesús.

**Promesa:** "Ustedes estaban muertos a causa de sus pecados y de la incircuncisión de su carne, pero Cristo los hizo revivir con Él, perdonando todas nuestras faltas" (Col 2:13).

**Alabanza:** "Alaben el nombre del Señor. Porque solo Su Nombre es sublime; Su majestad está sobre el cielo y la tierra" (Sal 148:13).

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### PROMOVIENDO LA VIDA

De Parte de Un Antiguo Proveedor de Abortos

El 23 de Octubre, fui e hice mis últimos abortos a solamente unos pocos pacientes. Yo sabía que sería el último día. Y esa noche dije No al dinero y Sí a Dios. Al siguiente día fui a la iglesia y confesé con mi boca que Jesús es el Señor. Entonces, camino a la Iglesia, vi este panfleto azul de un centro para embarazos en crisis. Lo miré y como que sentí que esto era en lo que yo me debía de envolver. Al siguiente día llamé al centro y les dije que yo era doctor en Atlanta, y que había hecho muchos miles de abortos, y que había ido a Cristo el día antes y ahora quería hacer todo para salvar a los bebés en vez de quitarles sus vidas."

– Dr. Joseph Randall.

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