

Twenty-fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
September 22, 2024
The Lord upholds my life!

Sigue Jesús anunciando su pasión, una pasión y una muerte que ya habían sido anunciadas siglos antes en el libro de la Sabiduría (PRIMERA LECTURA). Pero al mismo tiempo, Jesús dio a sus discípulos una lección de humildad y servicio, como para indicarles que todo cristiano tiene que hacerse servidor de sus hermanos, comenzando por los más pequeños: los niños (EVANGELIO). Servir a los niños, igual que servir a los pobres, es estar al servicio de Cristo. El apóstol Santiago (SEGUNDA LECTURA) nos pinta un cuadro de la vida social, fundada en la justicia y la paz, pero quebrantada a menudo por las guerras, que son el producto de la codicia.

 Masses For The Week	
sab 21 04:30 pm	Vigilia del XXV Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Missa Pro Populo
dom 22 10:30 am	XXV Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario +Servando Rodríguez, Jr. (Esposa y Familia) +Ramiro Palacios, Sr. (M/M Ramiro Palacios & Family) +Esther H. García (Family)
Sun 22 12:30 pm	XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time +Juan Manuel Casarez, Jr. (Family) +Eustolia Martínez (Herminia Torres) +Ramon & Nicolasa Chavira (Herminia Torres)
Mon 23	NO MASS
Tue 24 08:00 am	Weekday +Andres Chavira (Herminia Torres)
Wed 25 08:00 am	Votive Mass of St. Joseph Judith E. Soto – In Thanksgiving for her Birthday (Javier Soto)
Thr 26 08:00 am	Weekday +Alice L. Romero (Family)
Fri 27 08:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul, Priest +Hilario & Ramona Torres (Herminia Torres)
Sat 28 08:00 am	Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary +Jose & Candelaria Torres (Herminia Torres)

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning in Memory of
+Juan Perusquia (Maria Perusquia)

Good News!

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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 / James 3:16-4:3 / Mark 9:30-37
FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Karl Rahner was a German Jesuit priest and a leading theologian of the twentieth century. He once observed that one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well. On first hearing this, we may be much like the disciples who didn't understand Jesus when he spoke of his own need to enter death (see Mark 9:31-32).

How do we learn to "die well"? If we forgo the need to always have our own way, if we forgive and resist the impulse to get revenge, if we are sensitive to the needs of others even when it's inconvenient, if we care for the child among us, whether that "little one" be five, forty-five, or eighty-five—if we practice a willingness to die in such ways, then when it comes time for us to make that final journey of our earthly lives, it will not be as frightening because we will have been there before.

Furthermore, if we learn how to die well, our lives will take on new meaning. The focus of our lives will not be on ourselves, but on others and their needs. We will find ourselves less disappointed when life doesn't go our way. Blue moods will evaporate more readily. We will have a greater interest in daily life. In other words, the very aspects that once seemed to drag us down will become doorways to hope and renewed life. What once seemed to have been a kind of death will become an avenue to faith in the resurrection. ●

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Dear Padre

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What is spiritual direction? How does it differ from counseling?

In spiritual direction, a person is guided in a process of reflection, self-discovery, and recognition of God's presence in human experience; the primary focus is on one's relationship with God. Thus, in one sense, it is the Lord himself who is the "director" in all spiritual direction. In counseling, a person is also guided in a process of reflection and self-discovery; but the primary focus is on human growth and development. Counseling does not presuppose a person's faith or relationship with God; spiritual direction cannot be complete without it. Both spiritual direction and counseling share the same expectations of openness and honesty in the process; they share the same standards of confidentiality and professional conduct. Moreover, spiritual direction is similar to counseling in its aim toward human growth and development, but it further aims toward holiness and "toward ever more intimate union with Christ" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2014). That union is twofold: a personal relationship with Christ and with Christ's Church. "This union is called 'mystical' because it participates in the mystery of Christ through the sacraments" (CCC 2014). "All Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of Christian life and to the perfection of charity. All are called to holiness: 'Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect'" (CCC 2013). ●

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SECOND COLLECTION--RESPECT LIFE


The annual Respect Life Collection in the Diocese of Laredo will be next weekend, October 05 & October 06. This annual collection assists with pro-life activities.

Segunda Colecta--Respeto a La Vida
La colecta anual de Respeto a la Vida en la Diócesis de Laredo será la siguiente semana días 05 y 06 de octubre. Esta colecta anual ayuda con las actividades de pro-vida.



LIFE CHAIN IN LAREDO
Sunday, October 6, 2024, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Sidewalks from McPherson Road and Hillside Road. Join us to prayerfully witness that **Every Human Life Matters and is Sacred from conception to natural death.** This will be a peaceful opportunity to pray for respect for the Life of every human being.


Cadena Pro-Vida en Laredo
Domingo, 3 de octubre, 2024, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
En las banquetas de McPherson Road y Hillside Road Acompañenos para dar testimonio de nuestra convicción que la vida de Todo Ser Humano es Importante y Sagrada desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural. Sera un evento de paz donde rezaremos por el respeto de la vida de cada ser humano.



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LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH
Oscar & Margarita Noriega, Justin Pecina, Irma Santos, Gerardo Castro, Guadalupe Ortiz, María E. Maldonado, Alicia Guardiola, Delia Hinojosa, Rebecca Quintero and Herminia Torres.

The harvest of justice is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace




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Colecta de la Semana Pasada
Envelopes: \$ 1,883.00
Loose: \$ 142.00
Children's Envelopes: \$ 18.25

Total Sunday Collection: \$ 2,043.25

Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 8,482.96

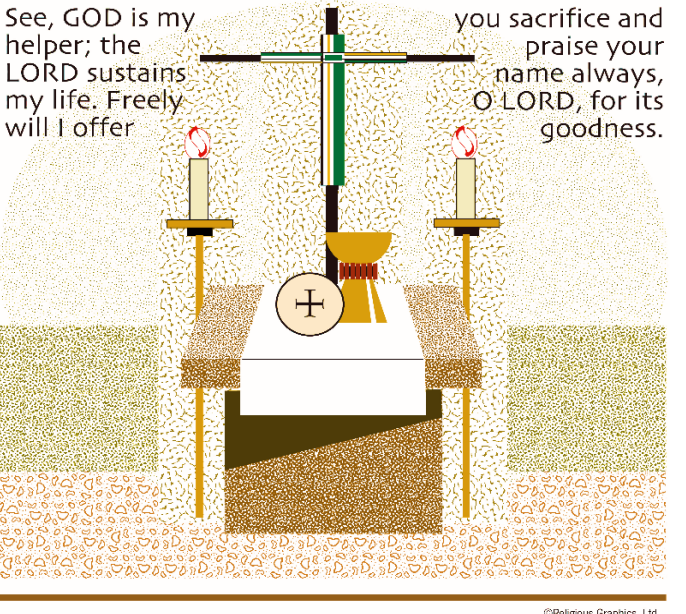


ANNUAL RED MASS
Parishioners are invited to join His Excellency, James A. Tamayo, D.D., on Tuesday, October 08, 2024 at 6 pm at San Agustin Cathedral. The Red Mass is offered for all legal professions throughout the Diocese of Laredo. Everyone is invited to attend.

Misa Roja Anual
Se extiende una invitación a los feligreses para que acompañen al Obispo Jaime A. Tamayo, D.D., el martes, 08 de octubre, 2024 a las 6 pm en la Catedral de San Agustín. La Misa Roja se ofrece por todos los miembros de la profesión legal en la Diócesis de Laredo. Todos están cordialmente invitados.

FRIENDLY REMINDER CONCERNING CHURCH AND MASS ETIQUETTE
Our church--the main body of worship space--is very sacred and proper respect should be observed. Silence before and during Mass should be shown. Cellular phones and audio pagers are not proper items to bring to Mass. Since Mass is a solemn celebration and the highest form of community worship for Catholics, proper attire should also be worn. Tank tops, shorts, halters and other inappropriate dress are not acceptable. Your continued cooperation in these matters is greatly appreciated. Thank you. Father Nolasco.

Recuerdo Amistoso Sobre la Etiqueta en la Iglesia y la Misa
Nuestra iglesia--el cuerpo principal de culto--es muy sagrado y el respeto apropiado debe observarse. Silencio antes y durante la Misa debe mostrarse. Los teléfonos celulares y localizadores de audio no son artículos apropiados para traer a la Misa. Puesto que la Misa es una celebración solemne y la forma más alta de culto de la comunidad para los Católicos, el atavío apropiado también debe utilizarse. Camisas sin mangas, pantalones cortos, blusas cortas y vestido impropio no son aceptables. Le agradecemos su cooperación continuada en estas materias. Gracias. Padre Nolasco.



See, GOD is my helper; the LORD sustains my life. Freely will I offer you sacrifice and praise your name always, O LORD, for its goodness.

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