

Twenty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2026

Turn your ear, O Lord,
and answer me!

Simón Pedro hizo una profesión de fe tan completa y profunda, que Jesús le prometió enseguida confiarle “las llaves del Reino de los cielos” (EVANGELIO). De aquel episodio hay una imagen en el Antiguo Testamento, cuando el profeta Isaías habla del siervo de Dios, a quien el Señor dará la llave del palacio de David (PRIMERA LECTURA). Todo esto significa que Cristo, por voluntad propia, delego en San Pedro la carga de su pueblo. San Pablo (SEGUNDA LECTURA) entona un himno a la infinita sabiduría de Dios.

 Masses For The Week	
sab 22	Vigilia del XXI Domingo Ordinario
04:30 pm	Missa Pro Populo
Sun 23	XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:30 am	+Gilbert Vidaurri (His Mother) +Oscar R. Noriega (Family) Jerry Torres (Herminia Torres)
Mon 24	NO MASS
Tue 25	Weekday
08:00 am	For Our Diocesan Priests
Wed 26	Votive Mass of St. Joseph
08:00 am	Juany Reyes – Birthday (Collazo Family)
Thr 27	St. Monica
08:00 am	For Religious Priests
Fri 28	St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
08:00 am	+Fr. Jacinto Olguin (Fr. Nolasco Hinojosa)
Sat 29	The Passion of St. John the Baptist
08:00 am	+For All Souls in Purgatory

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning
For the Health of Maria Perusquia

Good News!

August 23, 2026
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Isaiah 22:19–23 / Romans 11:33–36
/ Matthew 16:13–20

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

“Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” An easy answer if you just report what other people say and what you have heard. No commitment. No revelation. No risk. But it all changes when the question is more to the point: “Who do *you* say that I am?” Tell me what you know, not what you heard. The silence is almost deafening. Vulnerability, not just anonymous reporting, is required in the asked-for response.

No surprise—it is Peter who answers. Never one to hide his emotions or edit his thoughts, it is Peter who reveals what he knows, perhaps even what he is unsure of, perhaps the truth that he only hopes for but has not yet declared. “You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God” (Matthew 16:16).

Jesus responds with a prayer of blessing; the apostles, on the other hand, remain silent. Although we are very familiar with Peter’s assent of faith, his declaration was almost unheard-of or unexpected from a first-century Jewish man. It was dangerous to identify someone as Messiah. It was blasphemous to name someone as the Son of the Living God. Yet, in faith and humility, Peter made the declaration and, in the naming, entrusted his life, his hope, and all that he believed firmly into the hands of Jesus. This was no simple act. This was no ordinary day. ●

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Dear Padre

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Can a non-Catholic serve and hold an office in a Catholic parish organization?

According to their knowledge, competence, and position, the Christian faithful have an obligation to assist in the necessary works of the Church and promote the common good of the parish—its worship, its apostolic mission, its charities, the care of its ministers, and its care of the poor. (See Code of Canon Law, 222.) In general, canon law and most diocesan regulations stipulate that members of primary decision-making entities must be active, registered Catholics who participate in the sacramental life of the Church. For example, members of a pastoral council must be “in full communion with the Catholic Church” (CCL 512 §1). However, non-Catholics—such as spouses of parishioners or experts in their fields (e.g., finance, law, architecture)—are sometimes invited to lend their skills by serving on advisory boards and committees or in other support roles that are usually in a non-voting capacity. In all cases, the pastor or bishop has the discretion to involve non-Catholics in specific initiatives. For instance, a bishop “can invite as observers to the diocesan synod other ministers or members of churches or ecclesial communities who are not in full communion with the Catholic Church” (CCL, 463 §3). A non-Catholic interested in serving should consult the local priest about available opportunities, based on the norms of a diocese. ●

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CCD REGISTRATION SET TO BEGIN

Registration will take place today August 23 after the 11:30 am Mass. **EVERYONE MUST REGISTER TODAY. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

To Register Your Child(ren) in our CCD Program (First Communion & Confirmation):

- Parents must be active [already have been coming to Mass with your child(ren)] and registered members of the parish. If not registered, parents must register at Parish Office in person. Then the family must remain active to qualify to register for the following year in our CCD Program.
- Parents **must** bring a copy of the child(ren)’s **Certificates of Baptism and First Communion** to Registration.

**NO CERTIFICATES.
NO REGISTRATION!
NO EXCEPTIONS!**

All CCD Classes will be held
on Sundays 9:30 am to 11:15 pm
beginning on September 6.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

Any adolescent [already have been coming to Mass with your parent(s)] who has reached the age of 14 by September 1 of this year and has not been confirmed is encouraged to register.

2026 Catholic Sharing Appeal
as of July

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH



\$ 10,110.00 - Our Gifts to Date/Nuestras Donaciones
\$ 17,410.00 - Our Pledges to Date/Nuestras Promesas
\$ 14,900.00 - Our Parish Goal/Nuestra Meta
84 Families Participating/Familias Participantes



Colecta de la Semana Pasada
Envelopes: \$ 1,239.00
Loose: \$ 153.00
Children’s Envelopes: \$ 2.00

Total Sunday Collection: \$ 1,394.00

Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 14,960.85

La Inscripcion Para CCD Preparado Para Empezar

Inscripción empieza hoy, 23 de agosto, después de la Misa de las 11:30 am. **TODOS TIENEN QUE INSCRIBIRSE HOY. ¡NO SE ACEPTARÁN INSCRIPCIONES TARDES!**

Para Inscribir Su Niño(s) en nuestra Programa de CCD (Primera Comunión y Confirmación):

- Los padres deben estar activos [ya he estado viniendo a Misa con su(s) niño(s)] y miembros inscritos de la parroquia.. Si no están inscritos, los padres deben inscribirse en la Oficina Parroquial en persona. Luego, la familia debe permanecer activa para calificar para inscribirse para el año siguiente en nuestro Programa de CCD.
- Padres **tienen** que traer una copia del los **Certificados de Bautismo y de Primera Comunión** del niño(s) para Inscribirse.

**SIN CERTIFICADOS.
¡NO PODRAN INSCRIBIRSE!
¡SIN EXCEPCIONES!**

Todas las clases de CCD seran
los domingos 9:30 am a 11:15 pm
a partir del 6 de septiembre.

INFORMACIÓN DE CONFIRMACIÓN

Se anima a cualquier adolescente [ya he estado viniendo a Misa con su(s) padre(s)] que haya cumplido los 14 años el 1 de septiembre de este año y no haya sido confirmado a inscribi

To the LORD
Be Glory Forever.
AMEN



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LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Oscar Noriega, Justin Pecina, Irma Santos, Gerardo Castro, Guadalupe Ortiz, María E. Maldonado, Alicia Guardiola, Delia Hinojosa, Rebecca Quintero, Herminia Torres, Vladimiro Checchinand Lalo Uribe.

TU ES PETRUS



YOU ARE PETER
and upon this rock
I will build my church
and the gates of the netherworld
shall not prevail against it.
I give to you the
KEYS to the KINGDOM

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