



THE LIGHT OF SERVICE

The prophet Isaiah inspires us with these words: "Light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday." All of us celebrating the liturgy today praise God for these words of encouragement. Surely each of us knows the gloomy side of life, but today's readings propose a brilliant antidote to misery: the light of service. Isaiah focuses on physical suffering, telling us to provide food, clothing, housing, and equal opportunity to those with limited resources. Moving beyond material needs, Saint Paul demonstrates how to proceed humbly when attending to people's spiritual needs. Saint Matthew's Gospel stirs us to bold action: whatever gifts we have, we must put them at the service of our communities. As Christians, we must engage with one another without holding back, letting our light shine before all. © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

Psalms — One who is just is a model for the righteous (Psalm 112).

Second Reading — My message to you, says Paul, was not clever words of wisdom but the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

Gospel — You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world (Matthew 5:13-16).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
 Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

Prayer in Time of Illness

Lord Jesus,
 I believe that having passed through the gate of life in baptism,
 I will always have your protection and comfort.
 Yet today the pains of my illness threaten to overcome me
 and cause me to forget all the good things you have given me in this life.
 I pray in confidence that you would send forth your Spirit to refresh and revive me as you have always done in the past.
 May I continue to witness to your goodness in this life so that I may be with you at the heavenly banquet table in eternity. Amen. Alleluia. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK - MISAS DE LA SEMANA

Saturday

4:30pm: Bernardino Matos+, Allen Spannuth+, Maria Cabral+, Natalia Sousa+

6:30pm/Spanish: Eugene Nunez+

Sunday

8:00am: Alicia Andes+, Maria Cabral+, Francisco Marquez+, Manuel & Maria Cunha+, Martin Pfyl Sr.+

10:00am: Tony Mello+, Bill Griffin+, Maria Cabral+, Mary Meirinho+, John & Dianne Kardash+, Mary Reese+

11:30am: Patricia & Jose Maldonado+, Carlos Zepeda+

9:00am/(M): Daily Mass

9:00am/(T): Communion Service

9:00am/(W): Communion service

9:00am/(Thurs): Communion Service

9:00am/(F): Communion Service



The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal will be held at all Masses, on February 18 & 19. Last year, our parish contributed \$12,055.00 to the Appeal. Our 25% of the share of the Appeal went to benefit some of our parishioners with **Food Vouchers, Diapers, and Baby Formula.** Please prayerfully consider your gift to assist the many in need. Prayerfully consider what you can give this year.



Save the Date!!
Daughters of
Isabella will hold
their Spring Tea on
Sunday, April 30,
2023. The theme is
"An Elegant Affair".

Ticket sales start February 4th. Please
contact Betty Pratt at (209) 745-4767 or
Teresa Schmidt at (916) 849-0924 for
tickets or information.

THE SUNSHINE FOOD & PANTRY RESOURCE
CENTER WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR PARISH
THAT HAVE SO GENEROUSLY
HELPED TO SUPPLY FOOD FOR THE
NEEDY IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY.
The collection of food will be
on the last week-end of each month.
*Collection bins will be available in the
vestibule of the church.*



5 de febrero de 2023



LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Cuando compartas tu pan con el
hambriento, y sacies la necesidad del humillado,
entonces brillará tu luz en las tinieblas (Isaías 58:7-
10).

Salmo — Aquel que es justo es un modelo para los
justos (Salmo 112 [111]).

Segunda lectura — He anunciado a ustedes el
misterio de Cristo crucificado (1 Corintios 2:1-5).

Evangelio — Que su luz brille ante los hombres, den
gloria a su Padre, que está en los Cielos (Mateo 5:13-
16).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Gn 1:1-19; Sal 104 (103):1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12,
24, 35c; Mc 6:53-56
Martes: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Sal 8:4-9; Mc 7:1-13
Miércoles: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Sal 104 (103):1-2a, 27-
28, 29bc-30; Mc 7:14-23
Jueves: Gn 2:18-25; Sal 128 (127):1-5; Mc 7:24-
30
Viernes: Gn 3:1-8; Sal 32 (31):1-2, 5-7; Mc 7:31-37
Sábado: Gn 3:9-24; Sal 90 (89):2-6, 12-13; Mc 8:1-
10
Domingo: Sir 15:15-20; Sal 119 (118):1-2, 4-5, 17-18,
33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a,
27-28, 33-34a, 37]

LA LUZ DEL SERVICIO

El profeta Isaías nos inspira estas palabras: "En las
tinieblas nacerá la luz para ustedes, y la oscuridad será
para ustedes como el mediodía". Todos los que
celebramos hoy la liturgia alabamos a Dios por estas
palabras de aliento. Seguramente cada uno de
nosotros conoce el lado sombrío de la vida, pero las
lecturas de hoy proponen un brillante antídoto contra
la miseria: la luz del servicio. Isaías se centra en el
sufrimiento físico, diciéndonos que proporcionemos
comida, ropa, vivienda e igualdad de oportunidades a
los que tienen recursos limitados. Más allá de las
necesidades materiales, san Pablo nos muestra cómo
proceder con humildad al atender las necesidades
espirituales de las personas. El Evangelio de san
Mateo nos impulsa a actuar con valentía: sean cuales
sean nuestros dones, debemos ponerlos al servicio de
nuestras comunidades. Como cristianos, debemos
comprometernos con los demás sin reprimarnos,
dejando que nuestra luz brille ante todos. Copyright © J. S.

Oración en Tiempo de Enfermedad

Señor Jesús,
creo que, habiendo pasado por la puerta de la vida
en el bautismo,
siempre tendré tu protección y tu consuelo.
Sin embargo, hoy los dolores de mi enfermedad
amenazan con vencerme
y me hacen olvidar todo lo bueno
que me has dado en esta vida.
Rezo con confianza para que envíes tu Espíritu
para refrescarme y reanimarme como siempre
lo has hecho en el pasado.
Que yo siga dando testimonio de tu bondad en esta
vida
para que pueda estar contigo en la mesa
del banquete celestial en la eternidad.
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