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St. Didacus Catholic School: Where students LEARN...SERVE...LEAD...SUCCEED



National Catholic Schools Week January 26th—February 1st

January 26, 2020

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Catholic Schools Week celebrates education that goes beyond preparation for a secular life — it is education that prepares students for a Christian life. CSW also celebrates the high standards of excellence and the quality of the education available to all students in Catholic elementary and

secondary schools across the U.S.

We are blessed to have St. Didacus School as a vital part of our parish life. Our principal, Mrs. Christine Dean and all the teachers and staff are committed to empowering students to be spiritually, academically and socially prepared to live today and tomorrow, both morally and effectively.

St. Didacus School will kick off this annual celebration week at the 10am Mass on Sunday, January 26th and will celebrate the week with a special theme each day. The week concludes with Grandparents' Day on Friday, January 31st. Through these events we focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation.

Catholic Schools Week Schedule

Sun., January 26th — Mass at 10am/Open House noon-2pm Monday — Parent Appreciation Day Tuesday—Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day Wednesday—Pastor/Community Appreciation Day Thursday—Student Appreciation Day Friday—Grandparents Day

ST. DIDACUS SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS & STUDENTS SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH NOON—2PM

The St. Didacus Mental Health Ministry Invites you to a <u>"Care—Prayer—Support" Gathering</u> Sunday, February 2nd 7:00pm—7:45pm in the Parish Hall



The gathering will include: opening prayer, spiritual reading, group sharing/petitions/comments, an Our Father and closing prayer. They will also have information on various agencies that can help with whatever you or a loved one are encountering - be it depression, anxiety, grief, addiction, stress, or other struggles. All are welcome.

The St. Didacus Mental Health Ministry Group is looking for a young adult parishioner to join the ministry and provide perspective for that age group. If you are interested in more information about filling this role, please contact the Mental Health Ministry at 619-940-6193. First there was bad news. John the Baptist was arrested and imprisoned. The good news was Jesus had still time to fulfill his mission of saving all of humanity from darkness and sin. But how would he be able to accomplish such humanly impossible task. Would three years be enough? Jesus was just beginning his ministry. What was important he was led by the Holy Spirit every step of the way. The



first official act he did was to call disciples who would be willing to leave everything behind for the sake of the Kingdom. There were twelve of them whom he called apostles which literally meant "one sent on a mission." Twelve was symbolic. They would represent the twelve tribes of Israel.

The apostles as the Gospel tells us were personally called by Jesus by their names. Some of their names like Simon would be changed into Peter, signifying the new life and the new role he had to live. Most of them were simple and ordinary fishermen. They were chosen by the Lord not because they were competent or qualified. In fact later on we would see that all of them, except John, would fail the test. They would run away and abandon Jesus. Peter would deny his master three times. The Lord had chosen them for what they could become. History would prove that by the power of the Holy Spirit and the grace of God these ordinary people would become the foundation and the pillars of what we now call the Holy Roman Catholic Church and of all other Christian Churches throughout the world.

Today the Lord continues to call each one of us, regardless of who we are so that we too can be sent and do his mission of proclaiming the goodness and the greatness of God.

Fr. Rick



Everyone is Welcome to Attend the Anointing of the Sick Mass Saturday, February 1st at 9am

In the Church's Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal

them from $\sin -$ and sometimes even from physical ailment. The primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age.



REST IN PEACE †RICHARD COOPER

We will have a funeral Mass for Richard Cooper on Friday, January 31st at 11:30am. Please keep Richard and his family in your prayers this week.

A good school provides a rounded education for the whole person. And a good Catholic school, over and above this, should help all its students to become saints. —Pope Benedict XVI

Help Us Build Up the Community of God

Collection (Envelopes & Cash) for Sunday, January 19	\$3,747
WEEKLY contributions NEEDED to cover general costs	\$7,370
(including salaries, administration, Faith Formation, utilities taxes, operating ex-	(spenses)
This week's SHORTFALL –	-\$3,623
Total # of registered parish families/individuals	734
# of envelope users this week (supporting a majority of parish expenses)	154
Registered parishioners NOT using envelopes to contribute	580

We appreciate your support of our parish! Please prayerfully consider how you may increase your giving to help us meet our com

apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. Everything from our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries, and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.



Mass Intentions

Saturday	January 25
5:00PM	†Sara Torres
Sunday	January 26
8:30AM	Therese Lunetta, Spec. Int.
10:00AM	†Ed Sanclemente
11:30AM	People of St. Didacus
Monday	
7:30AM	†Ignacio & Modesta Encarnacion
Tuesday	January 28
6:00PM	†Jim and Beatrice Dugan
Wednesday	January 29
8:30AM	†Carl McEvoy & Berna McEvoy, SI
Thursday	January 30
7:30AM	†Margaret Constance Dillon
Friday	January 31
7:30AM	Beatrice Lang, Spec. Int.
Saturday	February 1
	Shirley Scinocca, Spec. Int.
	†Madge Deters

Weekly Events at St. Didacus

Sunday, January 26		Location
Monday, January 27		Location
Knitting Group	2:00pm-4:00pm	Hall
Spanish Men's Prayer Group	6:30pm	Hall
Tuesday, January 28		Location
Scouts	3:00pm	Hall
Finance Council	4:00pm	Office
High School Ministry	6:30pm-8:00pm	Hall
Wednesday, January 29		Location
Religious Education	5:30pm	School
Choir	7:00pm	Church
Thursday, January 30		Location
RCIA	7:00pm	Hall
Friday, January 31	·	Location
Saturday, February 1		Location
Anointing of the Sick Mass	9:00am	Church
1st Reconciliation Retreat	10:00am-noon	Hall
Confessions	3:30pm	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	3:30pm-5:00pm	Church

"Catholic education gives soul to world." — Pope

Welcome	to	St.	Didacus	Parish!

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:30am & 10:00am 11:30am in Spanish

Daily Mass

Mon., Thurs., Fri. 7:30am /Tues. 6:00pm/ Wed. 8:30am **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wed. 7:30am-8:30am / Saturday 3:30pm-5:00pm First Fridays 8:00am—9:00am

Confessions—Saturdays 3:30pm or by appt. Baptisms: English: 1st Saturday each month. Spanish: 4th Saturday each month. Arrangements must be made 3 months in advance. Contact the Parish Office for information.

Weddings: Arrangements must be made at least 9 months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office.

Mental Health Ministry Direct Line: For emergencies call 911. For non-emergencies please call 619-940-6193.

Pastor, Rev. Enrique Fuentes The Parish Office is open 8am-noon, 1-5pm M-F 619-284-3472

Tony Allen Tessa Anderson Diann Bauer Dan Bauer Martha Becerra Bob Bellesi Herminia Brignoni Gail Cedercrans Fred Cepeda Irene Davis MaryLou De Luca Bob Demers Josie Demers Mick Donahue Cecelia Dueber Carlita Durand Daniel Galvan Susan Guenzel Anthony Flores Stan Hammack

Dolores Hansel	Judith Pratt
Joseph Hastings	Antonia Raya
Jennifer Hughes & Famil	y Betty Rios
Al Hunt	Dolores Robertson
Joanne Hunt	Victor M. Sanchez
Ponciano Jimenez	Shirley Scinocca
Emily Johnson	Carol Schmidt
Paul Kasha	Beverly Stemper
Meri Kerekanich	Phillip Sturock
Kerekanich Family	Maria Winters
Marilyn Kober	Jean Woody
Elizabeth La Costa	Helen Yturralde
Irene Lazo	Joan Venverloh
Juanita Lopez	Anna Zarate
Paul Mansell	
Terrence McCabe	
Emma McPherson	
Dolores Mediano	
Peter Napolitano	And the special intentions
Lupita Plascencia	in our Book of Needs

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Mark you calendars for St. Didacus School's Annual Gala "80s Prom Night" Saturday, February 29th at Marina Village Tickets will be available in February.

Marriage Encounter

You deserve a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! You attend seminars to learn new skills to improve your career and work opportunities, right? Why not dedicate



one weekend to enhance your most important relationship...with your spouse! One weekend can truly change your life! The next Weekend Experiences are March 20-22 or May 29-31, starting at 8:00 pm Friday and ending at 4:00 pm Sunday. Meals and lodging are provided. There is a \$125 application fee and a voluntary donation requested at the end of the weekend. To register go to:

www.wwme-sandiego.org or www.wwme.org or call: 760-659-9102.

> The Diocesan Commission for African American Catholics Presents

THE REVIVAL

"God's a Callin' - Are you listening?" All are welcome to this FREE family event February 3-5, 2020 @7pm Holy Spirit Catholic Church 2725 55th Street San Diego CA 92105

Experience a dynamic spirituality expressed in song, preaching and praying. Featuring St. Rita Gospel Choir, Christ the King Gospel Choir & Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Choir. Fr. Joseph Brown SJ, PhD will lead the Revival. He is a national voice on African and African American spirituality, history and culture. For more information contact Alejandra Diaz at 858-490-8306 or at adiaz@sdcatholic.org.



Attention: Parents with students making their 1st Communion this year, please be aware of the following events:

FOR STUDENTS and PARENTS **Reconciliation Retreat** Saturday, February 1st 10am-noon in the Parish Hall

1st Reconciliation for STUDENTS Saturday, February 8th 10am in the Church





2019 Tax Statements are

available upon request only. To request your tax statement, please call the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity throughout the year!

World Day of the Sick Mass Bishop Robert McElroy—Celebrant **Celebration in Honor of Our Lady of Lourdes** Saturday, February 8th at 10am at Our Mother of Confidence



3131 Governor Drive San Diego CA 92122

Mass will include: Anointing of the Sick, Blessing of Caregivers, Blessing with Lourdes Water. This Mass is sponsored by the Order of Malta Western Association. All are invited to attend.

Readings for the week of January 26, 2020

Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41 Next Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40



Grant, O Lord my God, that I may never fall away in success or in failure; that I may not be prideful in prosperity nor dejected in adversity. Let me rejoice only in what unites us and sorrow only in what separates us. May I strive to please no one or fear to displease anyone except Yourself. May I see always the things that are eternal and never those that are only temporal. May I shun any joy that is without You and never seek any that is beside You.

O Lord, may I delight in any work I do for You and tire of any rest that is apart from You. My God, let me direct my heart towards You, and in my failings, always repent with a purpose of amendment.

Sunday of the Word of God Third Sunday of Ordinary Time 26 January 2020

On September 30, 2019, on the liturgical memorial of St. Jerome, Pope Francis announced that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time would be celebrated as the **Sunday of the Word of God**. The inspiring full text of his Apostolic Letter, "Aperuit illis: Instituting the Sunday of the

Word of God" can be found and read on-line. There is a link to this document on the US Bishop's website usccb.org.

Pope Francis says in his Apostolic Letter: "Regular reading of sacred Scripture and the celebration of the Eucharist make it possible for us to see ourselves as part of one another. As Christians, we are a single people, making our pilgrim way through history, sustained by the Lord, present in our midst, who speaks to us and nourishes us. A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers. For this reason, we need to develop a closer relationship with sacred Scripture; otherwise, our hearts will remain cold and our eyes shut, struck as we are by so many forms of blindness."

How can you increase your knowledge and love for the Scriptures this year? Here are some helpful tips:

Pick a time, but not just *any* **time**. Commit to a daily time that you'll open God's Word but be sure it's an intelligent time. If you're really tired, for example, then reading the Bible once you're in bed probably isn't the best time. Pick a time when you're totally awake so you can give your full attention.

Pray, and then pray some more. Before you open God's Word, ask the author of that word – the Holy Spirit – to be present in a bold and fierce way. Quiet yourself, spend some time in silence, and hold the Bible in your hands as you pray. Ask God, through the power of His Spirit, to open your mind, your eyes and your heart to His truth. Thank Him for the gift of His Word, a gift that millions have given their lives to defend and offer you the freedom to read and pray. It doesn't have to be a long prayer but take some time ... this is the most important step in Bible study.

Have a plan. If you were planning on reading the Bible cover to cover ... don't. The Bible isn't a novel; it wasn't designed to be read from Genesis straight through to Revelation. After you have studied it for a while, if you want to go back and read it cover to cover, go for it. Until then you'd be wise to attack it from a different angle. Pick one book that you are going to start in and make that book your focus for a while. If you are starting from scratch, try reading the Gospel of Mark. St. Mark's gospel is the shortest and easiest to understand.

Get the background. If you do start in a Gospel, take the time to learn about who the author was, who he was writing to, and what the basic themes are of his Gospel account. Ask yourself what makes that specific account different than the other three. Don't just jump into a letter of St. Paul without knowing what is going on in the city to which he is writing. If you are reading a prophet, know what was going on in his world at the time.

You are invited to go deeper into your relationship with Jesus by knowing him better through the inspired words of the Bible.

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

It begins! Jesus is doing something new. "He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea." Jesus leaves his family, his profession of carpentry, and everything he has



known and loved for the previous 30 years. He goes because it is time. Something new is beginning, and Jesus will not begin it alone. "As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers ... he walked along from there and saw two other brothers." What does he say to these men? "Come after me." These words are for Peter and Andrew, for James and for John. They are also for all of us.

"Come after me." The adventure of discipleship will be strange, wild, and unexpected. The Apostles surely didn't know what they were getting into. But the invitation is accompanied by a promise. "I will make you fishers of men," Jesus tells the first Apostles. No more will their priorities be limited to this particular village, to the square miles of the Sea of Galilee. Their eyes will be open to the kingdom of God, and their priorities will shift.

Most of us will not be called to roam the countryside, but we are invited to a similar shift of priorities. "Come after me," Jesus says. "At once they left their nets and followed him." Drop the nets of what you've demanded your life to be. Drop your selfseeking priorities. Drop your concept of religion as a Sunday obligation and no more. Drop your disregard for those outside your immediate social sphere. Whatever it is that keeps you from seeing as Jesus sees, from loving as he loves, start to drop it today. Because the kingdom of God is waiting for your yes!



Ordinary Time: When Sunday is preeminent The liturgical term "ordinary" means that which is standard, normative, usual or typical—not unimportant. Ordinary Time is the standard

time of the Church and the standard worship is the ordinary time of Sunday in the week-toweek progress of time.

Ordinary Time allows the special character of Sunday to have a dominant role. Week after week, Sunday "ordinarily" celebrates the Res-

urrection and the unfolding of the new creation.

Twice a year the ordinary time of the Church is made extraordinary by the Easter and Christmas cycles. That results in two segments of Ordinary Time: one in winter and one in summer. —Catholic Update

Reflexión de nuestro párroco...

Primero hubo malas noticias, Juan el Bautista fue arrestado y encarcelado. La buena noticia fue que Jesús todavía tenía tiempo para cumplir su misión de salvación.

Pero, ¿cómo podría Jesus lograr una tarea tan humanamente imposible? ¿Serían suficientes tres años? Jesús comenzaba su ministerio. Lo importante fue que el Espíritu Santo lo guiaba en cada paso de su camino. El primer acto oficial que hizo fue llamar a sus discípulos e invitarlos a dejar todo por el Reino de Dios. Había doce de ellos a quienes llamó apóstoles, lo que literalmente significaba "enviado en misión". Doce es un numero simbólico. Representarían a las doce tribus de Israel. Los apóstoles como nos dice el Evangelio fueron llamados personalmente por Jesús por sus nombres. Algunos de sus nombres como el de Simón serían cambiado a Pedro, que significa el nuevo papel que el tendría que vivir. La mayoría de ellos eran pescadores sencillos. Ellos fueron elegidos por el Señor no por su competencia, más adelante veremos que todos, excepto Juan, lo abandonarían. Pedro negaría a su maestro tres veces. La historia demostraría que, por el poder del Espíritu Santo y la gracia de Dios, estas personas comunes y corrientes se convertirían en el fundamento y pilares de lo que ahora llamamos la Santa Iglesia Católica Apostólica Romana. Hoy el Señor continúa llamándonos a cada uno de nosotros, independientemente de quiénes somos, para que nosotros también podamos ser enviados y hacer su misión de proclamar la bondad y la grandeza de Dios.

P. Rick

Los invitamos a la misa de Unción de los Enfermos el Sábado 1 de febrero a las 9 AM en ingles.



LA ESCUELA DE SAN DIDACUS TENDRA SU CASA ABIERTA



PARA LOS PADRES DE NINOS QUE ESTEN INTERSADOS EN CONOCER MAS ACERCA DE LA ESCUELA DOMINGO 26 DE ENERO MEDIO DIA - 2PM Atención padres de niños que van hacer la Primera Comunión y Confirmación

Necesitamos una copia del acta de Bautis-



mo de sus hijos, para que ellos puedan recibir los sacramentos. Si no la ha entregado, tráigala por favor a la oficina parroquia con Elena lo mas pronto posible. *Muchas Gracias*.



Evangelizando por Medio de la Corresponsabilidad

Las Oficinas Diocesanas de Corresponsabilidad Evangelización y Catequesis están patrocinando una Conferencia Diocesana para líderes de mi-

nisterios parroquiales, líderes de movimientos y grupos apostólicos. Acompáñenos, el sábado, 7 de marzo, 2020 de 9:00 am-3:00 pm en la Iglesia de Corpus Christi en Bonita. El presentador y músico, Koren Ruiz, guiará la presentación con canto y elaborará sobre los pilares de corresponsabilidad. Esta conferencia expondrá como ministerios pastorales enfocados en una visión colaborativa entre la evangelización y corresponsabilidad, pueden enriquecer la comunidad con su tiempo, talento, y tesoro. No hay costo por asistir, pero se requiere su inscripción. Se proveerá almuerzo. Para más información y para inscribirse, favor de visitar: www.sdcatholicdisciples.net o llamen a Lupita Pérez al 858-490-8232.

Retiro de Reconciliación, para niños y papas Sábado 1 de febrero 10 AM—12 PM Salón Parroquial

1ª Reconciliación para los niños Sábado 8 de febrero 10 AM en la iglesia







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