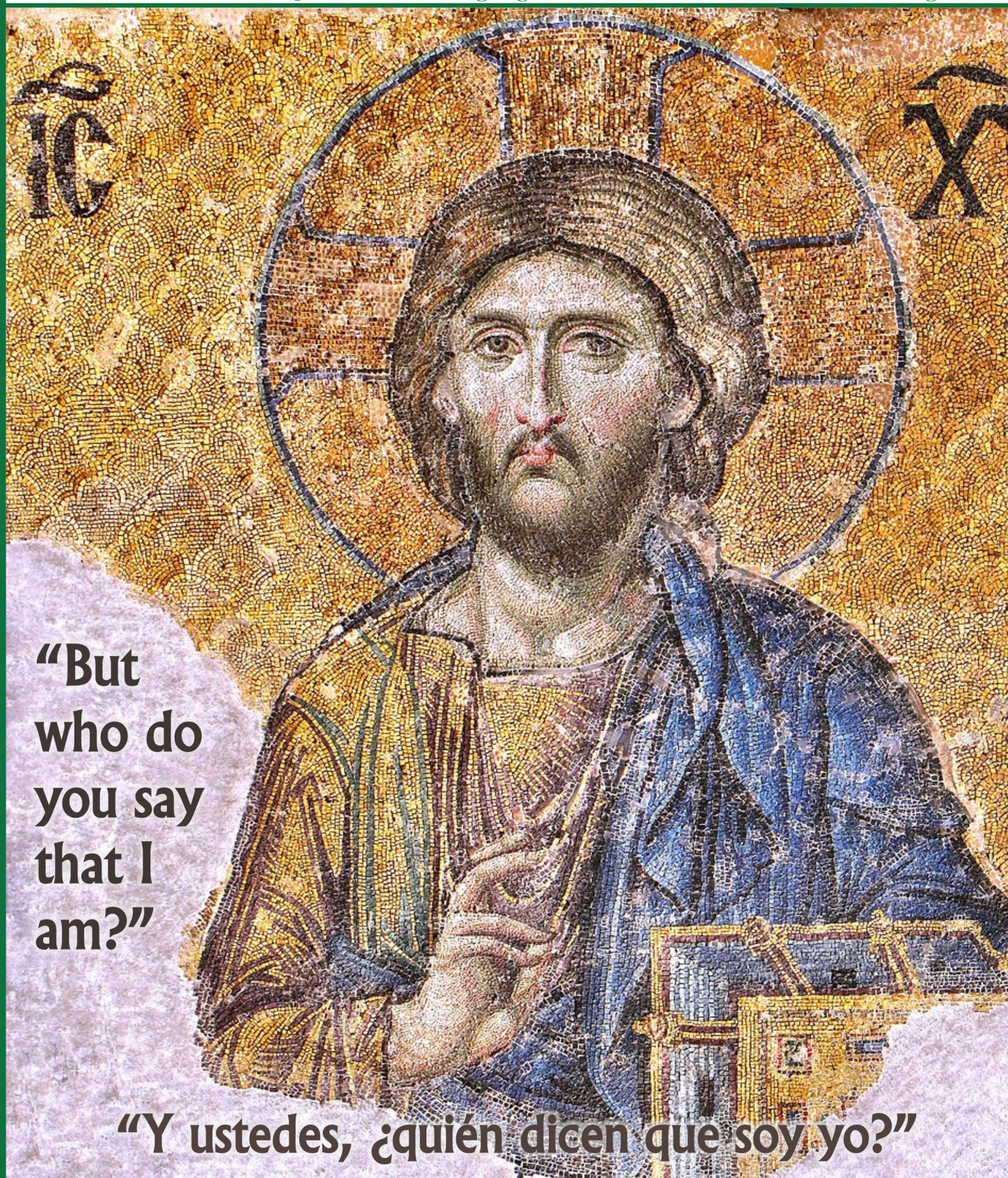


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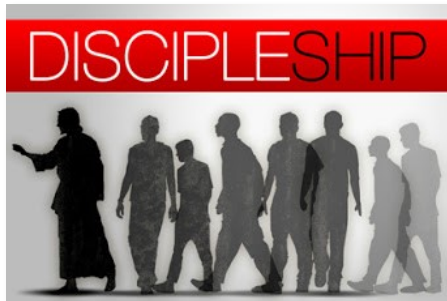
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**“But  
who do  
you say  
that I  
am?”**

**“Y ustedes, ¿quién dicen que soy yo?”**





### The Choice of Stewardship

What does it mean to be a good steward? Does it mean to be an active parishioner, or something

more? Are we better stewards because we give more in terms of our money and time to our parish, or are we called to do even more than that?

The truth is that stewardship is a way of life. We are not simply called to be active parishioners, but instead be active disciples all the time. In fact, what we learn to do in our parish should serve as preparation for the mission field of the world. What have we really done if we only act like disciples of Jesus Christ while we are assembled with others who claim to be the same?

The choice before us is to give of ourselves in all aspects of our day and life. The call of Jesus will come in our everyday lives with our co-workers, family, and friends more often than it will within our parish community. First, if we can't become good stewards when we are among those who proclaim Jesus as Lord, how will we be able to do so when we are with those who are non-believers? Second, when our muscles of gratitude, generosity, and graciousness are strengthened within our parish community, we are more able to meet the challenges of this world. However, we do not become good stewards by accident. We must always choose to live this way. *What will you choose?*

— Tracy Earl Welliver

### St. Did's Nook

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*What's my line?* Back in the 1950s there was a popular TV quiz show called *What's My Line?* Four celebrity panelists would each ask questions until they received a "no" answer from a contestant. They were trying to guess the contestant's unusual occupation. The contestant would receive cash for each question that could be answered with a "no." Each show also featured a celebrity whose identity the panel had to guess while blindfolded. It wasn't a very sophisticated show, but audiences found it entertaining.

Jesus seems to be playing a similar game with the disciples. Until Peter spoke, they all gave the answers that they were hearing from the crowds—good and logical answers, but wrong nevertheless. Peter shouts out the right answer. Jesus is "The Christ, the Son of the living God." For that answer he is given the prize, the honor of being the rock upon which the church would be built.

The disciples heard this and were told by Jesus not to tell anyone that he was the Christ. We hear the same message today. But the roles have changed. We are to preach to all who will hear that Jesus is the Christ.

Fr. Rey

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Peter's act of faith in this week's Gospel was the beginning of the church. It is in the church, the body of the faithful, that we come to Christ. In this church, the leaders are the successors of the apostles. They teach and govern and try to show the way to God. Jesus gives them the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and he gives them and us the guidance of the Spirit. This is how we come to Christ: with others, the members of His body.

God calls each of us by name; and like Peter, we must answer the question, "Who do you say that I am?" But we are never alone in our faith; we are always with others. The church is made up of people—limited, imperfect people like you and me. It's too messy for some people who try to go it alone. We Americans are a very individualistic people. Some have called us a nation of lone rangers, even when we do religion. But that's not our way. This is where we find God, here in this church, among these people. Here we listen to his word; here he gives himself to us in amazing intimacy, in Holy Communion. From here we go forth, strengthened by the Bread of Life, to try to live as if we believe what we say: that Jesus is the messiah, the son of the living God.

—Sundays with Jesus

### Truths of Our Catholic Faith

Jewish people of Jesus' time were waiting for the Christ, the Messiah, the Anointed One. They weren't in complete agreement among themselves exactly what the Christ would be like, but they knew that God was sending them someone very special.

Peter makes the connection that this Christ is somehow on the same level as God almighty. This mystery forms the basis of a whole religion, Christianity. Christians believe that Jesus, the Son of God, is THE Anointed One, the promised Messiah, the Christ.

*The title "Christ" means "Anointed One" (Messiah). Jesus is the Christ, for "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power" (Acts 10:38). He was the one "who is to come" (Lk 7:19), the object of "the hope of Israel" (Acts 28:20). (CCC 453)*



To say that Jesus gives Peter tremendous power and authority is an understatement. Had Jesus not modeled the way that power needs to be used—in service of others, spiritually even more so than physically—the thought of Him giving such power to one man might be frightening.

Catholics take comfort in knowing that one man—a man, yes, but a man guided in an entirely unique way by the Holy Spirit—has been entrusted by our Church's founder with the authority to shepherd souls toward the heavenly pasture. Flesh and blood have not so endowed the successor of Peter, the Bishop of Rome, but rather this arrangement is instituted by our heavenly Father.

*The Pope enjoys, by divine institution, "supreme, full, immediate, and universal power in the care of souls." (CCC 937)*

### Welcome to St. Didacus Parish!

#### Sunday Masses

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

#### Daily Mass

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 7:30am / Tues. 6:00pm

Thursday 7pm Mass in Spanish

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Suspended until further notice

**Confessions**—Saturday 3:30pm or by appointment

**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 or email [saintdidacusmhm@gmail.com](mailto:saintdidacusmhm@gmail.com).

**Pastor, Rev. Reynaldo Roque**  
We continue to take your calls at the  
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### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday.....August 22

5:00pm.....†Jenna MacPherson

#### Sunday.....August 23

8:30am.....†Adolph & Lucille Yturralde

10:00am.....†Carolyn Curiel Hastings

11:30am.....People of St. Didacus,  
†Josefina Zedeño, Ruben Javalera, Spec. Int.

#### Monday.....August 24

7:30am.....†Cecilia Villavicencio

#### Tuesday.....August 25

6:00pm.....†Joseph Van Nguyen

#### Wednesday.....August 26

7:30am.....†Ronnie Scinocca

#### Thursday.....August 27

7:30am.....†Melchor Perez

7:00pm.....Herminia Brignoni, Spec. Int.

#### Friday.....August 28

7:30am.....†June Watson

#### Saturday.....August 29

5:00pm.....†Ronnie Scinocca

*On the Cover:* Mosaic of Christ Pantocrator ("ruler over all") from the Hagia Sophia in Istanbul that dates to 1261.

### Readings for the week of August 23, 2020

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Mk 6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

### PRAYER LIST

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Diann Bauer

Dan Bauer

Martha Becerra

Bob Bellesi

Herminia Brignoni

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Josie Demers

Mick Donahue

Cecelia Dueber

Carlita Durand

Daniel Galvan

Susan Guenzel

Anthony Flores

Tony Flores

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Joanne Hunt

Ponciano Jimenez

Emily Johnson

Paul Kasha

Meri Kerekanich

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Elizabeth La Costa

Irene Lazo

Juanita Lopez

Paul Mansell

Miguel Martinez

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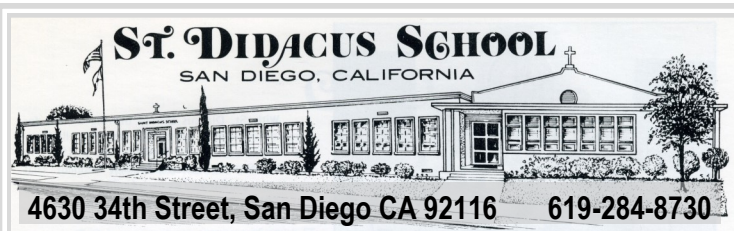
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Joan Venverloh

*And the special intentions  
in our Book of Needs*





### Back to School!

During the first two weeks of school, Father Rey is celebrating Mass each morning with the students and families from each class.



### New Campus Art

The students will enjoy this new mural recently painted on the wall in the small yard. Thanks so much to the Wauson family for making it happen!



### Register online NOW for CONFIRMATION 1 AND 2 CLASSES



Active participation in weekly sessions is required. It is two years of preparation. The first year focuses on giving teens a solid foundation in the Catholic faith. Attendance is taken and teens must have their camera on during Zoom sessions to be counted.

For Confirmation 1, there will be 26 sessions, on Tuesdays through Zoom, 6:00 - 7:00 PM. We will have the honor of having the help of Maricruz Flores, Diocese of San Diego Director of Youth Ministry. She will accompany us until December in our weekly sessions. If your child attended last year, they must re-register for Confirmation 2. Confirmation 2 classes will be every 3rd Tuesday of the month and attendance is mandatory. Register ASAP because on Tuesday, September 1st, registrations for the youth and children of the CCD will close. **Registration is online ONLY—visit our website: [stdidacuschurch.org](http://stdidacuschurch.org).**

Josie Demers wants to thank everyone who stopped by to wish her a happy birthday last week. Your greetings and good wishes made her day extra special. Thank you!

## RELIGIOUS Education NEWS

### CCD—COVID-19 Classes for parents

- Classes will meet in-person once a month while maintaining social distancing, wearing a mask, etc. in the grass area of St. Didacus Church.

- The monthly in-person classes will be for parents, and we meet on Wednesdays. We are offering two options 4 – 5 PM and 6 – 7 PM, to be able to clean and disinfect before the next session begins.

– We will provide books and guidelines for parents to teach and instruct their children.

**Meeting Dates:** All meetings will take place outside of St. Didacus Church, 4772 Felton St., San Diego CA 92116. **Our first meeting is on Wednesday, September 23rd.**

**Please Note:** Online registration for the 2020-2021 session will close Tuesday, September 1, 2020. However, early registration is recommended so we can order enough books and materials.

Because of the COVID-19 situation, please **DO NOT come to the office to register.** Please register your child/children **ONLINE** through our website: [www.stdidacuschurch.org](http://www.stdidacuschurch.org).

Registration fee is: \$35.00 per Child.

Your Tuition Fee may be dropped off in the parish mailbox or brought to the first in-person parent class on Wednesday, September 23, 2020. Payments can be made by either check or cash for the exact amount. Donations are welcome.

**Questions? You can reach Elena at the office 619-284-3472 or email her at [elena@stdidacuschurch.org](mailto:elena@stdidacuschurch.org).**





Last week Fr. Rey, Deacon Marco and Jose Ernesto Gonzalez delivered housewares, furniture and other items to families of Fr. Rey's former parish of St. Patrick in Calipatria who lost their homes in a wildfire earlier in the summer.

## Calipatria Express



**The only way to know God is to love God.** Our minds will never fully grasp the mystery of God, but our hearts and souls can learn to love the mystery. Years ago, when life had a more innocent quality to it, we believed what we were told or witnessed, unless there was direct evidence otherwise. This was especially true if the information came from someone in authority. In a sense, we were a bit more gullible on one hand but also more trusting on the other. The latter is an admirable quality that sadly can be eroded when we realize we have been duped. With education and technological advances, we find ourselves more skeptical and less likely to too quickly

accept and believe what we see and hear.

For all of the good that social media can do, it can also easily distort reality and truth. Photoshop and a myriad other technological truths can add to, fabricate, and make even the non-existent seem real. It is amazing. How far do we allow this obviously justifiable skepticism to take us? Questioning and doubting are healthy elements of any good relationship as long as we don't allow them to turn us away from a deeper experience of love and encounter. If we cannot get our minds around something or empirically justify or prove it, we tend to declare it a hoax, untrue, or unauthentic and walk away. The very same trust that can quickly be eroded is exactly what is essential for all of our relationships, especially our relationship with God. With all things and people that make a profound claim on us, we have to trust in the absence of knowledge. Full self-investment involves plunging completely into the unknown!

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Peter came to this knowledge, which is not "head knowledge" because of the relationship he shared with Jesus and what God was able to reveal in and through that relationship. Peter simply "knew" because of love that this is who Jesus really is. The silent exchange of love between friends, and not an intellectual exercise of the mind, brought Peter to this place. When we stop and think about it, there are many things in life that we simply know but do not completely understand. When someone sacrifices their own well-being for another, it may not make intellectual sense when examined. But it makes a world of sense when it is carried out. The vastness of reality and an encounter with incomprehensible mystery all lead us to profound silence where we simply know something to be true. Have you trusted enough to allow your relationship with God to bring you to this place or are you still too skeptical?

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A poem describes six blind people wondering what an elephant looks like. One feels the animal's side and says "It looks like a wall." Another feels the elephant's legs and says, "It looks like a tree trunk," and so on. Some people say, "When it comes to God, the various religions of the world are like the blind people in the poem. Each is partly in the right and partly in the wrong."

*Jesus said, "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father" (John 14:9).*

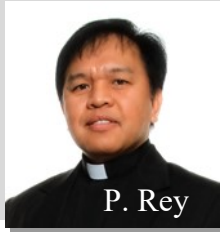
*If Jesus was who he said he was, then Christianity does, indeed, possess a privileged, personal knowledge of God and God's will.*

**Father,** you created me and put me on earth for a purpose. Jesus, you died for me and called me to complete your work. Holy Spirit, you help me to carry out the work for which I was created and called. In your presence and name—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—I call on you to guide my thoughts, inspiration and actions. May they all have their origin in you and be directed to your glory. Amen.



**Rincón de San Did's**

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**¿Cuál es mi línea?**

P. Rey

En la década de 50s transmitían un programa popular de televisión llamado **¿Cuál es mi línea?** Cuatro panelistas famosos harían preguntas a cada uno de los participantes hasta que recibirían la respuesta "no" de uno de los concursantes. Intentaban adivinar la inusual ocupación de los concursantes. El concursante recibiría dinero en efectivo por cada pregunta que pudiera responderse con un "no". Cada programa también contaba con una celebridad cuya identidad tenían que adivinar con los ojos vendados. No fue un programa muy sofisticado, pero el público lo encontraba entretenido.

Jesús parece estar jugando un juego similar con sus discípulos. Hasta que Pedro contestó, los otros discípulos daban las respuestas que escuchaban de la gente: respuestas buenas y lógicas, pero incorrectas. Pedro gritó la respuesta correcta. Jesús es "El Cristo, el Hijo del Dios viviente". Por esa respuesta se le da el premio, el honor de ser la roca sobre la que se edificaría la iglesia.

Los discípulos oyeron esto y Jesús les dijo que no le dijeran a nadie que él era el Cristo. Hoy escuchamos el mismo mensaje. Pero los roles han cambiado. Nosotros debemos predicar a todos los que escuchan, que Jesús es el Cristo, el Hijo de Dios.

**CLASES DE CONFIMACION 1 Y 2**

Se requiere la participación activa en las sesiones semanales. Son dos años de preparación, el primer año se enfoca en brindarles a los adolescentes una base sólida en la fe católica. Se toma la asistencia, y deben tener abierta su cámara en las sesiones de zoom, si no cuenta. Para Confirmación 1, habrá 26 sesiones, los martes a través de ZOOM, 6:00 - 7:00 PM, tendremos el honor de contar con la ayuda de Maricruz Flores Directora del Ministerio de Jóvenes de nuestra Diócesis, ella nos acompañará hasta el mes de diciembre en nuestras sesiones semanales. Si su hijo/a estuvo el año pasado debe de volverse a registrar para Confirmación 2, las clases de Confirmación 2 serán cada Tercer Martes del mes. Es mandatorio su asistencia.

**El martes 1 de Septiembre se cierran las inscripciones para los jóvenes y los niños del catecismo.**



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Todos los **martes de 6 a 8 PM** en el área del césped de la **parroquia** de San Didacus, tenemos clases de Biblia con el D. Marco, traiga su Biblia.

**CATECISMO K 8**

- Las clases del catecismo serán para padres.
- Las clases serán en persona una vez al mes mientras mantienen distancia social, usan cubre bocas, etc. Estaremos en el área de césped de la Iglesia de San Didacus.

Las clases serán una vez al mes los miércoles. Ofrecemos dos opciones 4 - 5 PM y 6 - 7 PM, para poder limpiar y desinfectar antes de que comience la próxima sesión.

- Les proporcionaremos libros y enseñanza para que los padres. Las reuniones se llevarán a cabo fuera de la iglesia de St. Didacus, **4772 Felton St., San Diego Ca 92116.**

Debido a la situación de COVID-19, por favor, **NO venga a la oficina para registrarse.** Registre a su hijo/a en línea a través de nuestro sitio web: **[www.stdidacuschurch.org](http://www.stdidacuschurch.org)**.

**La cuota de inscripción para niños y jóvenes es de \$ 35.00.** Por favor deje en un sobre el dinero en el buzón de la iglesia o en la colecta.





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