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I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will remain.





Yo los he elegido del mundo, dice el Señor, para que vayan y den fruto, y su fruto permanezca.







On the first Sunday of October the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Sunday and kicks off Respect Life Month. This year's theme is "Live the Gospel of Life."

Although we must cherish, protect and defend human life yearround, the Catholic Church in the United States sets aside each October as Respect Life Month. It is a time to focus on God's precious gift of human life and our responsibility to care for, protect, and defend the lives of our brothers and sisters.

This year's theme, 'Live the Gospel of Life,' was inspired by the commemoration of the 25th anniversary of Pope John Paul II's encyclical, *The Gospel of Life*. Pope John Paul's masterfully articulated defense of the right to life for children in their mothers' wombs, the elderly, persons with disabilities, and the marginalized is more relevant today than ever before.

The Gospel of Life provides a blueprint for building a culture of life and civilization of love. The important work of transforming our culture begins by allowing the Gospel of Christ to touch and transform our own hearts and the decisions we make. May we strive to imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps, caring for the most vulnerable among us. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to live courageously and faithfully his Gospel of life. For more information visit www.usccb.org

### THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church.

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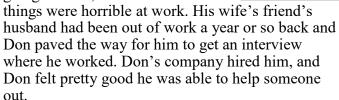
We have placed special envelopes for this collection at the entrance of the Church. Make your checks payable to St. Didacus Church and drop your donations in the collection or at the Parish Office. Thank you.

### St. Did's Nook

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#### Let God be God

I asked a friend, Don, how life was going for him, and he said that



But things haven't turned out so well. The guy Don helped quickly got designs on taking over Don's job, and he's making Don's life miserable. He constantly second-guesses Don in front of their colleagues. He finds reasons to talk to Don's clients behind his back. He spreads false rumors to try to undermine Don's authority with his staff.

As it turns out, the new guy is actually shooting himself in the foot. The bosses and staff, originally impressed with his initiative, have come to see how self -serving he is. It won't be long before he's out of work again, which saddens Don because the guy had a pretty good deal for himself—before he started angling to get more and more.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about people who had a pretty good deal—in fact a covenant with God almighty. But instead of enjoying the vineyard God prepared, they wanted it all for themselves. The good news this week is that there is only one God—and it's not me and it's not you. We just work for him.

Fr. Rey

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Unite Our Nation, founded by the laity, is a non-political organization formed to help bring peace and prayer to local communities, and healing to our nation. A local Eucharistic procession has been organized as Unite San Diego California. You are invited to join them on Saturday, October 10th at 1pm at the County Administration Building, 1600 Pacific Coast Highway. It's a family friendly event. You can see a video of what it's like at UniteOurNation.net.

A Eucharistic Rosary rally is a time to give witness to people of all races and beliefs. Keep polarizing politics out of this rally and focus on prayer to unite our nation. In the meantime, take a look at the Unite Our Nation website <u>uniteournation.net</u> to learn more and to register for this event.

*On the Cover:* Our Religious Education Program is changing this year because of COVID-19 restrictions. Elena has put a new plan in place that will focus on family catechesis. The parents will be the ones working with their children each week. Elena invited all the parents to come learn about the program and to pick up the resources they will need. Pray for our families that this will be a blessed time for them.

#### 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

<u>Baptisms:</u> Arrangements must be made 3 months in advance. Contact the Parish Office for information.

<u>Weddings:</u> 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.

Pastor, Rev. Reynaldo Roque We continue to take your calls at the Parish Office 619-284-3472

#### **Mass Intentions**

	SaturdayOctober 3
	5:00pm†Cora Darnell
V	SundayOctober 4
	8:30amMembers of the Altar Society
	Cindy Tiano and Family, Spec. Int.
	10:00am†Noelle Gordola, Amancia Alcazar, Spec. Int.
	11:30amPeople of St. Didacus, †Saturnino Fuentes
	MondayOctober 5
ı	7:30amLupe Cabrales, Spec. Int.
ı	TuesdayOctober 6
ı	6:00pmBonnie Webb, Spec. Int.
ı	WednesdayOctober 7
ı	7:30am†Florence & Dieter Stowski
ı	ThursdayOctober 8
ı	7:30amAngelo Artale, Spec. Int.
ı	7:00pm†Saturnino Fuentes
ı	FridayOctober 9
ı	7:30amGail Cedercrans, Spec. Int.
	SaturdayOctober 10
	5:00pm†Frank Danna
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#### Readings for the week of October 4, 2020

Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37 Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42 Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13 Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26 Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-

14

### **PRAYER LIST**

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

Stan Hammack **Dolores Hansel** Hernandez Family Jennifer Hughes & Family Al Hunt Joanne Hunt Ponciano Jimenez **Emily Johnson** Paul Kasha Meri Kerekanich Kerekanich Family Marilyn Kober Elizabeth La Costa Irene Lazo Juanita Lopez Paul Mansell Miguel Martinez Terrence McCabe Emma McPherson Dolores Mediano

Peter Napolitano Alex Piatek Lupita Plascencia Judith Pratt Ruben Ranquel Antonia Raya Betty Rios **Dolores Robertson** Victor M. Sanchez Shirley Scinocca Carol Schmidt **Beverly Stemper** Phillip Sturock Vaneza Torres Maria Winters Jean Woody Helen Yturralde Joan Venverloh

And the special intentions in our Book of Needs





The 5th Annual St. Didacus Parish School <u>Jog-a-thon</u> is on Tuesday, October 27th. You can support our school by pledging a student! Don't know a student? Make a pledge for Fr. Rey. He'll be jogging along, too. Visit his pledge page at: https://pledgestar.com/stdidacus/pledge/?LgAdGRVZegEBHXVVXXpTQQ--

Too much to type? We have a link to Fr. Rey's page on our parish website: **stdidacuschurch.org.** 

The St. Didacus Mental Health Ministry invites you to a

"Care—Prayer—Support" Gathering
Sunday, October 4th
7:00pm—7:45pm
in the St. Didacus Prayer Garden



You are invited to experience the comfort and encouragement of God's grace that is possible when you connect and pray with others.

### "My Church, My Story"—The Latino Experience



The purpose of these forums are to provide a platform where members of the Catholic Church can share their experiences, learn from their neighbors through meaningful and honest dialogue and become agents of change by proposing community solutions.

This bilingual forum, held over two sessions on Sept. 30 and Oct. 7, promotes a deeper understanding of the Latino experience, racism and the Church. The forums on October 21 and 28 will focus on the Native American experience. Later in the fall two forums will focus on Asians.

At each forum, participants briefly hear remarks from a speaker then have an opportunity to share their story in a small group. The insights gathered in all of the forums will be summarized, shared on the diocese's website, and presented to the diocese's leadership and priests. Visit the Diocese website **sdcatholic.org** to register.



### Try out the Knights of Columbus - For Free!

The founder of the Knights of Columbus, Fr. Michael J. McGivney is set to be beatified on October 31<sup>st</sup>. In honor of this, the Knights are offering **FREE ONLINE** 

**MEMBERSHIP** for new members until his beatification. There's no reason not to try us out with no obligation- join for free and participate in our charitable works, faith efforts, and fraternal brotherhood.

Interested men simply need to visit **kofc.org/ joinus** and enter the code **CAKOFC** to take advantage of this special offer or call parishioner, Tom Davis, 619 929 9964 for more information.



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Cindy
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Farewell at
our

### "DRIVE-BY, SAY GOOD-BYE & THANK YOU!" Farewell

SATURDAY, October 17TH 3pm-4pm ST. DIDACUS PARKING LOT

As you may have already heard, Cindy Tiano will be moving to Tennessee with her husband in the coming month. We will be having a "Drive-by, Say Good-Bye and Thank you!" farewell since we are not able to schedule a formal goodbye party. Be creative in expressing your love and appreciation to say thank you and goodbye for all her hard work and dedication to our parish over the past 13 years. We invite you to bring your smiles, well wishes, a card or greeting — Cindy will be standing by as you drive-by to wish her well. We will have volunteers in place to guide you through the parking lot.



### ROSARIES FOR PEACE NEXT SUNDAY

Join all parishes of the diocese next Sunday to pray a Rosary for Peace at 9:30am following the 8:30am Mass — in the Prayer Garden.

Do you ever wonder why things never seem to come together? We see glimpses of consistency, equity, justice, peace, harmony, and wellbeing, but it always falls short. Human life is still expendable and manipulated, people are used for personal advancement, countries are at war, the economy continues to face turbulence, anger and frustration are widespread, and happiness is the possession of just a few and not the many. Could it be that we are serving the wrong kingdom? We keep trying to make our kingdom work and find ourselves still scratching our heads after repeatedly failed attempts to do so. It is almost as if people are saying, "we'll get it right this time if we do



...," as if some new and secret innovation has yet to be tried.

We serve God's kingdom. We may not like hearing that, but it is true. God did not make only a few of us. God made all of humanity

and all of humanity is called into service. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? Secular leaders enjoy winking at the Sacred Scriptures and using them when they advance a cause, but are they really listened to? Even those who consider themselves believers tend to sift through God's Word, taking what seems to fit and apply and discarding the rest. After all, if we were really serving God's kingdom, we would see an abundance of fruit testifying to this fact. But what's growing on the vine is anything other than good Gospel-centered fruit.

Nothing in this world or the next belongs to us. We have such a hard time believing this and live our lives as if everything belongs to us. And, the fruit does not lie. Trees that are neglected and not properly fertilized reveal that fact. They cannot keep these deep secrets from being discovered. If God's kingdom was really being served, then life would have looked much differently after the crucifixion. By now, there would be plenty of fantastic fruit to harvest in abundance: faith, hope, love, prudence, temperance, justice, and fortitude. Do we see these in abundance around us? Why not?

Still we grapple with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. It's all about us and what we want, think we need, and expect to acquire. When did this change of focus occur? We may be struggling with this since humanity's day in the garden and have never understood that the focus cannot be on us and the apple but on God and God's justice. Maybe the only answer is that the Kingdom be taken from us and given to someone who is willing to do a better job. Is that the fate we really want?

In a building, the cornerstone is the foundation that makes the building strong. When Jesus is called the "cornerstone," it means that his life and his example are essential to our faith. Without Jesus, we would be lost; faith in him gives us a foundation for how to live our lives.

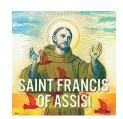


### October—Month of the Holy Rosary

Current scholarship traces the development of the Rosary to the High Middle Ages period. The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

### St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day—October 4th

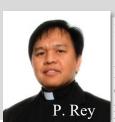
Francis of Assisi was poor only that he might be Christ-like. He recognized creation as another



manifestation of the beauty of God. In 1979, he was named patron of ecology. He did great penance—apologizing to "Brother Body" later in life—that he might be totally disciplined for the will of God. Francis' poverty had a sister, Humility, by which he meant total dependence on the good God. But all this was, as it were, preliminary to the heart of his spirituality: living the Gospel life, summed up in the charity of Jesus and perfectly expressed in the Eucharist.

### A Prayer for Life Father and maker of all,

you adorn all creation
with splendor and beauty,
and fashion human lives
in your image and likeness.
Awaken in every heart
reverence for the work of your hands,
and renew among your people
a readiness to nurture and sustain
your precious gift of life.
Grant this through our Lord
Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God forever and ever.
Amen.



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**Deja que Dios sea Dios**Le pregunté a un amigo, Don, cómo le estaba yendo en la vida y me dijo que las cosas eran horribles en el trabajo. El esposo de la

amiga de su esposa había estado sin trabajo hace un año aproximadamente y Don le abrió el camino para conseguir una entrevista donde él trabajaba. La empresa de Don lo contrató, y Don se sintió bastante bien de poder ayudar a alguien.

Pero las cosas no han salido tan bien. El tipo al que Don ayudó rápidamente consiguió planes para hacerse cargo del trabajo de Don, y está haciendo la vida de Don miserable. Constantemente cuestiona a Don frente a sus colegas. Encuentra razones para hablar con los clientes de Don a sus espaldas. Difunde falsos rumores para intentar debilitar la autoridad de Don con sus compañeros de trabajo.

Como dice el dicho: "camarón que se duerme se lo lleva la corriente". Los jefes y el personal, originalmente impresionados con sus iniciativas, han llegado a ver lo egoísta que el es. No pasará mucho tiempo antes de que vuelva a quedarse sin trabajo, lo que entristece a Don es que el tipo tenía un buen trato para él antes de que el empezara a buscar más y más.

En el evangelio de esta semana, Jesús nos cuenta una parábola sobre personas que tuvieron un trato bastante bueno, de hecho, un pacto con Dios. Pero en lugar de disfrutar de la viña que Dios le preparó, lo querían todo para el. La buena noticia de esta semana es que hay un solo Dios, y no soy yo y no eres tú. Todos trabajamos para él.

P. Rey

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Acompáñenos a despedir a

**Cindy Tiano** 

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Como ya habrás escuchado, Cindy Tiano se moverá a Tennessee con su esposo el próximo mes. Tendremos una despedida en coche para decirle ADIOS y GRACIAS ya que no podemos programar una fiesta formal de despedida, como ella se merece.

Aunque no hable mucho ingles, ustedes conocen a Cindy y con una sonrisa le puede expresar su amor y gratitud por todo su arduo trabajo y dedicación en nuestra parroquia durante los últimos 13 años. Los invitamos a participar y venir a saludarla, y darle una tarjeta de agradecimiento, Cindy estará parada mientras usted y su familia conduces para desearle lo mejor. Tendremos voluntarios para guiarlos por el estacionamiento.

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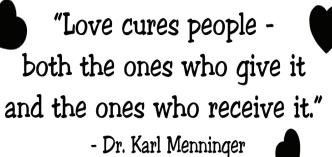
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