HOLY DAYS: 8:00 AM, 12:10 PM and 7:00 PM

ADORATION: Thursdays from 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

SATURDAY: 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM
SUNDAY: 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM (Spanish)
WEEKDAYS: 8:00 AM
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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISMS:
Registration is mandatory two months prior to Baptism month. Please call the office to make an appointment once you have your documents ready. Parents & Godparents are required to attend a mandatory Baptism preparation class one month before reception of the Sacrament. All information regarding requirements and schedules, can be found on the website at www.stcmtz.org

FIRST EUCHARIST:
The Religious Education Program Registration begins in August and classes start in September. The First Holy Communion program is a two year program. All other classes are one year (K-8).

CONFIRMATION:
Youth Confirmation Program Registration begins in August. It is a one year program for all incoming Freshmen or above. Please contact: Paul or Jenny Holland at jenniferdevita@gmail.com for more information. For Adult Confirmation, please call the office.

MARRIAGES:
Arrangements and mandatory preparation need to be arranged at least eight months prior to the wedding. No dates can be set prior to an initial meeting with a priest. No exceptions.

RECONCILIATION:
Confession times are weekly on Saturday’s from 3:00 - 4:00 PM and by appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:
The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is the continuation of the Lord’s compassion for the sick. The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is one of two sacraments which heals and saves the baptized person from sin. The other sacrament of healing is Penance. For an anointing during working hours, please call the Parish office.

FUNERALS:
We recommend using Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services at 925-932-0900. A representative will contact

Do you know someone who is homebound and/or ill & would like to receive the Eucharist or just a visit from a friendly face? If so, please email: Deacon Dave Holland at daveh@cfcsoakland.org or call (925-413-9240) with your neighbor’s name, address, and telephone number. St. Catherine Pastoral Care to the Sick & Homebound will arrange for a visitor from the parish. Thank you.
WORSHIP
To facilitate a transforming encounter with God as we come together in worship.

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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STEWARDSHIP
To create a culture in the parish rooted in gratitude and generosity.

June 2, 2019
WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

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ONLINE GIVING (May)

- Weekly: $4,270.00
- Education: $515.00
- Fulfilling the Promise: $876.25
- Maintenance: $495.00
- St. Vincent de Paul: $255.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

St. Catherine of Siena Stewardship Report 2018 ~ Sharing Our Time and Talent

At the heart of Divine Worship is the celebration of the Holy Eucharist or the Holy Mass. The Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life. We encourage everyone to actively and fully participate in its celebration. In 2018, the Liturgy Committee was reorganized, forming a Core Liturgy Team. Its goal is to assist the Pastor and Pastoral staff in forming and maintaining the vision of the Liturgy and facilitate in the planning and decision-making regarding liturgical celebrations of the parish. Sub-committees were developed and are responsible for implementing the decisions made by the Core Team. The Liturgy Committee Handbook was distributed to each member and contains the role and responsibilities of membership and the committee’s relationship to other parish ministries. Two meetings were held for all parish ministry leaders. Approximately ten leaders attended each meeting. The Ministry Leader Handbook was dispersed to leaders which included diocesan guidelines for parish volunteers. The Handbook was developed to provide support to our Catholic community’s dedicated parish leaders so they have the information, tools, support, and training to effectively lead their ministries. Two trainings were provided in June 2018 for parishioners who wished to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, and/or Altar Servers. Individual trainings were also arranged for those who were unable to attend the group trainings. Usher training was also conducted. Approximately fifty parishioners were trained in these ministries. Lectors and other ministers continue to participate in the weekly Scripture Reflections with the clergy. Weekly Lectors’ meetings continued in 2018 for those ministers proclaiming the readings for upcoming weekend Masses. In the fall of 2018, Troy Killorn joined St. Catherine community as the Director of Music. There is an open invitation for all who are interested in being part of the Music Ministry. There are many new opportunities to participate with the addition of the St. Catherine School and Faith Formation students and the Youth Group choirs. Our Liturgical ministries facilitate and enhance a meaningful and beautiful worship during our liturgical celebrations; and, living out our parish mission of welcoming all, sharing our gifts, and giving glory to God.
St. Catherine of Siena Stewardship Report 2018

Dear St. Catherine of Siena Parishioners,

Through your generosity the Parish has been able to meet its budget and continue to grow in sharing the Gospel. The St. Catherine of Siena Pastoral Council, Finance Committee and Fr. Anthony hope to provide a clear picture of the Financial Reports of our Parish Community. You will find in this report a breakdown of where our funds come in and how they are spent. We will provide a few different snapshots for you. First, will be the Financial Statement of Activity for the fiscal year 2018 and the Projected Operating Budget for this Fiscal Year 2019. The second will give you a breakdown of PACE I, PACE II, with an explanation and breakdown of the Combined Capital Campaign (Fulfilling the Promise), that will include all money donated and raised, the interest earned over the years, as well as the funds that have been spent. We also would like to share the information regarding the Divine Renovation Project, how it is funded, and the estimated costs of Phase I. We hope that this overall report will provide you with the clear details of how funds are handled. The Diocese of Oakland has clear direction and oversight of all Parish funds, to assure that Restricted Funds are managed according to the law (Civil and Canon). All projects and contracts for service over $25,000 are reviewed and contracted by the Diocese. For any questions or clarifications please contact the Parish office.

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| **EXPENSES**                           |                            |                         |
| Salaries & Benefits (Staff & Clergy)   | $249,868.00                | $299,759.00             |
| Admin/Diocesan Costs                  | $112,322.00                | $109,105.00             |
| Parish Property                        |                            |                         |
| (Church, Rectory, Parish Center, Hall) | $71,560.00                 | $60,672.00              |
| Liturgy                                | $17,062.39                 | $24,460.00              |
| Music                                  | $3,873.00                  | $4,538.00               |
| Religious Education (Faith Formation,  |                            |                         |
| RCIA, Ignite, Confirmation & Youth)    | $26,865.00                 | $39,791.00              |
| Sacraments (Baptism, Weddings, Funerals)| $1,281.00                  | $4,600.00               |
| Fundraising (Car Show Funds for School)| $5,504.00                  | $0.00                   |
| Stewardship (Quarterly Events)         | $0.00                      | $3,700.00               |
| Other Ministries (Respect Life, etc)   | $1,327.00                  | $5,855.00               |
| Cemetery (upkeep)                      | $2,837.00                  | $5,000.00               |
| **TOTAL EXPENSES**                     | **$492,499.39**            | **$557,480.00**         |
| **NET INCOME**                         | **$313,101.61**            | **$2,874.00**           |
| **FUNDS DEPOSITED TO SAVINGS**         | **$291,845.00**            |                         |
St. Catherine of Siena Parish follows Jesus by welcoming all, sharing our gifts, and giving glory to God.

The first building campaign (PACE) began in 1999. The second campaign (PACE II) began in 2006. The Combined Capital began in 2015. All accounts have earned interest since their beginning.

### PACE I 1999-2003
- **Donations**: $1,118,547.90
- **Interest**: $319,987.71
- **Expenses**: $432,524.85
- **Total Balance**: $1,006,010.76

### PACE II 2006-2018
- **Donations**: $642,532.28
- **Interest**: $170,446.26
- **Expenses**: $213,909.88
- **Total Balance**: $599,068.66

### FULFILLING THE PROMISE 2015-2019
- **Donations**: $292,604.67
- **Interest**: $3,796.23
- **Expenses**: $177,377.91
- **Total Balance**: $119,022.99

Total Balance for PACE I, PACE II, Fulfilling the Promise: **$1,724,102.41**

**Understanding the Combined Capital Campaign:**
In the beginning of 2015 Bishop Michael Barber, Diocese of Oakland rolled out the Diocesan Capital Campaign, “Reclaiming Christ Mission”. The Campaign was scheduled for 2015-2019 and the Parishes were asked not to run any of their own campaigns until this one was completed. Two options were presented: the first was to participate in the Bishop’ Campaign in good faith and 25% of the monies raised would go back to the Parish. For Parishes that were in the midst of building or needed to run a campaign, the option was given to enter into a Combined Campaign. St. Catherine Parish leadership at the time, decided to move forward with a third campaign (Combined Campaign), “Fulfilling the Promise”, to complete the building project, started as PACE I & PACE II. The goal of “Fulfilling the Promise”, was to raise $850,000 in the campaign which included a pledge of $284,000 from our fund drive to the “Reclaiming Christ Mission” Diocesan Campaign, over the course of 4 years. In 2016 & 2018, the expenses include a total of $88,750 contributed to the Diocesan Campaign, as agreed. Our Combined Campaign, “Fulfilling the Promise” will conclude in October 2019.

**Divine Renovation Project Budget:**
Due to the generosity of a former parishioner, the community received a large bequest at the end of 2018. These funds were unrestricted and directed to be used at the discretion of the Parish Leadership and Parochial Administrator. The funds were moved to our Diocesan General Savings Account and will be held there, gaining interest until requested back for expenditures. Additionally, the Parish has received an anonymous donation of ($1,000), a donation from the Knights of Columbus ($4000) and a donation ($5,000) for the much needed Divine Renovation Projects. The leadership teams have decided on a plan of action for the renovation of our Worship space. The budget below outlines the anticipated costs for the projects that will take place over the next six months (June 2019 thru December 2019).

**DIVINE RENOVATION BUDGET** **$300,000.00**
- Stained Glass Window Repair: **$34,157.00**
- Flooring (Carpet, Tile, Vinyly floor): **$65,110.00**
- Interior Painting of the Church: **$67,750.00**
- Refinishing of Pews with kneelers & racks: **$78,220.00**
- Sound System Replacement: **$35,550.00**
- ADA Ramp on Estudillo Side: **$16,000.00**

**Total Estimated Costs** **$296,787.00**
WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

**Sunday, 6/09**
- 8:00 AM PH Hospitality - St. Vincent de Paul
- 3:45 PM PH Confirmation Class
- 6:00 PM PH Youth Group Ministry

**Monday, 6/10**
- 7:30 AM CH Rosary

**Tuesday, 6/11**
- 7:30 AM CH Rosary
- 6:00 PM CH Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM PC Scripture Reflection with Clergy
- 7:30 PM CH Spanish Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesday, 6/12**
- 7:30 AM CH Rosary
- 6:15 PM PH IGNITE Bible Study
- 6:30 PM PCL Legion of Mary Ministry Meeting

**Thursday, 6/13**
- 7:30 AM CH Rosary
- 12:00 PM CH Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 7:00 PM PH Knights of Columbus
- 8:00 PM CH Benediction

**Friday, 6/14**
- 7:30 AM CH Rosary
- 6:30 PM PCL Respect Life
- 6:30 PM CH Confirmation Rehearsal

**Saturday, 6/15**
- 7:30 AM CH Rosary
- 9:30 AM PCL SVdP Food Distribution
- 11:30 AM CH Baptism
- 12:00 PM PCL IGNITE Bible Study
- 3:00 PM CH Reconciliation
- 7:00 PM CH CONFIRMATION MASS

**Sunday, 6/16**
- 8:00 AM PH Hospitality - K of C Breakfast
- 2:00 PM PH Baptisms

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**SUMMER CLEAN-OUT**

Attention to all Parish Organizations and Ministries.

We will be conducting a major disposal of unused and broken items throughout the School, Parish Hall, Kitchen and Garage.

If there are items your organization/ministry wishes to keep, please come and label your items. A major hauling is being organized to dispose of anything unclaimed on June 11th.

For more information please contact:
- Troy Killorn (916) 539-3397
- Jessica Griswold (925) 228-4140

Thank you for your cooperation!

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday
Monday: Tenth Week in Ordinary Time; Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tuesday: St. Barnabas
Thursday: St. Anthony of Padua
Friday: Flag Day
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**THANK YOU!**

For your upcoming HOSPITALITY support

JUNE 23 - CHOIR
JUNE 30 - ENDONDILLA FAMILY
DISCIPLESHIP
To empower a community of Christian people walking together as disciples of Jesus in order to share His good news.

KEEP CALM AND BE AN ALTAR SERVER

Are you interested in becoming an Altar Server?
If you have received your First Holy Communion and are at least 8 years old, we need you!
Please join us at our next Altar Servers training:
Monday, June 10, 2019
in the church from 6:00 - 7:30 PM

For more information:
Contact Jack Watkins at
We hope to see you there

In the Fall of 2018, Paul and Jenny Holland were added onto the team to lead the Youth and Confirmation program. Working with Eugene Dizon, they welcomed 66 young people into the program. This program provides an opportunity for young people to prepare for Confirmation; and, through the Leadership Team also provides for on-going formation in their teenage years. The parish youth are often called upon to help with events, including the Annual Sr. Jeanne Wine & Cheese Fest. The youth raise funds for their programs through participation in Art in the Park and Holiday Lane; and, every year they Adopt-a-Family in collaboration with St. Vincent de Paul Society. The youth group hosts hospitality to benefit the Food Bank and serves a meal at Mountain View Shelter. As a community of faith, they meet every two weeks, serve at Mass together, and gather for retreats throughout the year. The Faith Formation program led by Andrea Watkins, enrolled one hundred forty eight students, fifty-six of whom prepared for and received their First Holy Communion. The communicants used the “Blessed” program by Dynamic Catholic, while their parents were engaged in a monthly class in both English and Spanish on the True Presence, a Eucharistic series, made available through the church subscription to “FORMED.” Weekly instruction made use of Gospel Weeklies which are anchored by each Sunday’s Gospel. These attractive lessons provide a liturgical catechesis that connect the Gospel to doctrine using current events, interesting activities, thought-provoking discussion questions, and examples of real young people making a difference in the world. These pamphlets were broken into levels beginning with preschool thru eighth grade. The RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) enjoyed a full class. Mid-year, Pauline Porter assumed the lead facilitator position for the program with the support of many volunteers. The class met every Wednesday evening; and, during the Triduum, participated in all the Liturgical services. At the Easter Vigil, three adults and three children were baptized, two adults came into the Church from other faith traditions, and four adults were confirmed. IGNITE, the Adult Faith Formation program, provided new opportunities for many to grow in their faith, through Bible study, book clubs, evening events with FORMED; and, an Advent retreat for women. Next year, the parish new direction will be that of the 2019-2020 Sunday All Family Faith Formation Ministry.
Hospitality at St. Catherine of Siena has been identified most frequently as Hospitality after Sunday Masses. In 2018, fifteen ministries and a few individuals/families served and welcomed Church goers for 64% of Sunday Masses. This included the Knights of Columbus third Sunday breakfasts. We look forward to growth in this area as individuals, families, and ministries volunteer to serve at all the Masses. On Dec. 22, 2018, St. Vincent de Paul members offered beyond the Sunday hospitality experience. Vincentians opened the Parish Hall to serve St. Vincent de Paul neighbors, families, and individuals. One hundred families received Christmas hams/chickens and gifts. After a Thanksgiving distribution in the rain, the hall was identified as a natural solution for its holiday outreach. The doors opened at 8 AM. The San Lorenzo Ruiz Community and Vincentians welcomed neighbors with coffee/tea, and cookies. After prayer, the guests moved through check-in, the gift table, the food pantry, and the meat distribution. It was a wonderful example of welcoming, sharing, and giving glory to God. In 2018, the Deacons conducted two trainings to prepare Extraordinary Members of the Eucharist to the hospitals, homebound, and the sick. This training was to prepare ministers so our parish responsiveness to sick calls and visits to the homebound and hospitals can increase. Five teams visit three local nursing homes and the County hospital weekly. Currently, as new recruits are added to this ministry, they frequently replace a veteran member who may take a break or step down in this capacity. Father Anthony visited the nursing facilities in November and celebrated Mass and anointed residents. An increase in calls for visits from our ministers to parishioners is anticipated. In November, the annual Mass for deceased parishioners was held at the old St. Catherine of Siena Cemetery at the top of the hill overlooking the Carquinez Straits. A majestic and moving memorial Mass was celebrated with approximately 40 people in attendance. It was a cooperative effort of Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services and the parish grief ministry. Parishioners and St. Catherine 8th grade school students continue to serve meals monthly at the Loaves and Fishes kitchen. For the 19th year, three Church ministries and individual parishioners prepared and served meals at Mountain View Family Shelter. These ministries express a need to increase volunteers. In the fall 2019, Faith Formation and Hospitality will join together for an expanded Sunday experience. After attending Masses, children will receive religious education instruction while parishioners, parents, and visitors enjoy hospitality.

To create a culture in the Parish rooted in gratitude and generosity ~
In 2018, St. Catherine parish registered fifteen new families. Currently there are 1121 registered families in our parish; comprising a total of 2835 people. An increase in weekly financial giving was realized by 3% over the course of the year. Additionally, gifts and bequests totaling over $300,000 were donated. In the fall of 2018, the Stewardship team in collaboration with the Pastoral Council developed the Ministry Leader Handbook. Five individual sessions were held to distribute, review, and address questions regarding policies. The Stewardship Team facilitated two Ministry Appreciation Events: one in August and December, to acknowledge the commitment of the many volunteers and to share information with parishioners. In December, the Five Years of Grace Pastoral Plan, a project that involved over 20 parish leaders, was presented to the community after four months of strategically discerning the needs of the Parish Community.
Sunday, Jun 09, 2019 SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST
Forgiveness isn’t just a nice idea
When we sit in church, forgiveness sounds like a religious ideal. We may even view forgiveness as a soft and sentimental notion: a be-nice-to-bullies ideology for Turn-the-Other-Cheek Week. But philosophers from Plato to modern thinkers like Hannah Arendt have suggested that forgiveness is also a vital and necessary political action. Forgiveness is the only action that moves history forward, releasing us all from the consequences of the past, what we did or failed to do. We can remain here, moored to old injuries and injustices. Or we can forgive, and liberate the future.

TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Romans 8:8-17; John 20:19-23 or 14:15-16, 23b-26 (63). “Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained

Monday, Jun 10, 2019 MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
Mother by any other name
To Argentinians, she’s Our Lady of Luján. To Cubans, she’s Our Lady of Charity. She’s Our Lady of the Assumption in India and Our Lady of High Grace in the Dominican Republic. In the Americas, we turn to our beloved patron as Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Immaculate Conception. Entire countries and countless religious orders—think Maryknollers and Marianists and the Servants of Mary—rely on her favor and protection. While her names are many and her patronage broad, we turn to Mary for her most ancient title of all: Theotokos, “God-bearer.” How will you follow Mary’s example to bring God into the world today?


Tuesday, Jun 11, 2019 MEMORIAL OF BARNABAS, APOSTLE
Let good come out of conflict
Barnabas isn’t one of the 12 apostles and not mentioned in the gospels, but he’s a big star in Acts of the Apostles—he was best friends with Saint Paul on their evangelical journeys through Asia Minor. Their friendship, however, fell into disagreement and they eventually parted company. Church relationships are not always a tight fit. Differences can block close friendship. At the same time, diversity in the community is the energy of creativity. How might good come from a conflicted relationship in your community?

TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Matthew 5:13-16 (580/360). “Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.”

Wednesday, Jun 12, 2019
When stone meets Spirit
Which spiritual guide governs your life: the Ten Commandments or the Holy Spirit? It may sound like an odd choice, but many Christians seem confused about the source of guidance central to followers of Jesus. Saint Paul uses the shocking phrase “ministry of death” to describe the Commandments, contrasting them to the “ministry of the Spirit.” He simply means that binding yourself to the law can only condemn you in the end, whereas surrender to the Spirit’s authority can save you. Granted, it’s easier to erect stone tablets, but let’s enthrone the Spirit in our hearts.

TODAY’S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Matthew 5:17-19 (361). “Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, was so glorious . . . how much more will the ministry of the Spirit?”

Thursday, Jun 13, 2019 MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
Grace through the side door
Today we celebrate the Memorial of Saint Anthony of Padua, a wildly popular preacher in the early 1200s, known as the “hammer of heretics” because of his persuasive, knowledgeable oratory, aided by a loudspeaker of a voice. In fact his gift for preaching was discovered by accident when he was plugged in to give a last-minute homily. The accidental discovery of his gifts shows that God’s grace can enter the world through the side door. Take a moment in honor of Saint Anthony to consider the ways God’s grace has appeared unexpectedly in your own life.

TODAY’S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1,3-6; Matthew 5:20-26 (362). “For God who said, Let light shine out of darkness, has shone in our heart

Friday, Jun 14, 2019 FLAG DAY
Raise the banner of faith
According to the official U.S. Flag Code, “The flag represents a living country and is itself a living thing.” The Flag Code describes the flag as not merely a piece of cloth but something that embodies a nation and its ideals of independence, liberty, hope, and unity of purpose. It also stands for the sacrifices that have been made for those ideals. While the flag is not a religious symbol, it’s like one in that it represents something greater than itself. The symbols of faith do the same but express something larger than even love of country, and that is the reality of God. Something to think about when you fly the flag today.

TODAY’S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 5:27-32 (363). “We hold this treasure in earthen vessels, that the surpassing power may be of God and not from us.”

Saturday, Jun 15, 2019
To tell the truth
When a child looks at me and insists: “I swear I am telling the truth,” I start to wonder if she is. In adult conversations, when someone feels compelled to make the same statement, I wonder why such an oath should be necessary. Telling the truth should be a given. The reality, however, is that lives of truth and integrity require courage—courage that for people of faith is rooted in grace. Ask for that grace today to speak truth with kindness and to listen to the truth of others.

TODAY’S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Matthew 5:33-37 (364). “Do not take a false oath . . . let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’”
**LECTURAS Y REFLEXIONES DE LA SEMANA**

**Domino 9 de Junio - SOLEMNIDAD DE PENTECOSTÉS**

| Lecturas de hoy: | 2 Corintios 3: 4-11; Mateo 5: 17-19 (361). | "Ahora si el ministerio de la muerte, tallado en letras en piedra, fue tan glorioso, ¿cuánto más será el error del Espíritu?"
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**Lunes 10 de Junio - MEMORIAL DE LA BENDITA MARIA VIRGEN, MADRE DE LA IGLESIA**

Para los argentinos, ella es Nuestra Señora de Luján. Para los cubanos, ella es Nuestra Señora de la Caridad. Ella es Nuestra Señora de la Asunción en la India y Nuestra Señora de la Alta Gracia en la República Dominicana. En las Américas, nos dirigimos a nuestro amado patrón como Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe y la inmaculada concepción. Países enteros e innumerables órdenes religiosas, piensan Maryknollers y marianistas y los Siervos de María, confían en su favor y protección. Si bien sus nombres son muchos y su patrocinio es amplio, recurrimos a María para obtener el título más antiguo de todos: Theotokos, "portador de Dios". ¿Cómo seguiríamos el ejemplo de María para llevar a Dios al mundo de hoy?

**Miércoles 12 de Junio de 2019 - Cuando la piedra se encuentra con el Espíritu.**

¿Qué guía espiritual goberna tu vida: los Diez Mandamientos del Espíritu Santo? Puede parecer una elección extraña, pero muchos cristianos parecen estar confundidos acerca de la fuente de orientación central para los seguidores de Jesús. San Pablo usa la impactante frase "ministerio de la muerte" para describir los Mandamientos, contrastándolos con el "ministerio del Espíritu". Simplemente significa que el hecho de estar sujeto a la ley solo puede condenarte al final, mientras que rendirse a la autoridad del Espíritu puede salvarte. Por supuesto, es más fácil erigir tablas de piedra, pero entronemos al Espíritu en nuestros corazones.

**Jueves 13 de Junio de 2019 - Memorial de Antonio de Padua, sacerdote, doctor de la Iglesia**

Hoy celebramos el Memorial de San Antonio de Padua, un predicador muy popular a principios de 1200, conocido como el "martillo de los herejes" debido a su oratoria persuasiva y concisa, ayudada por un altavoz de una voz. De hecho, su don para predicar fue descubierto por accidente cuando se conectó para dar una homilía de último minuto. El descubrimiento accidental de sus dones muestra que la gracia de Dios puede entrar al mundo a través de la puerta lateral. Tome un momento en honor a San Antonio para considerar las formas en que la gracia de Dios ha aparecido inesperadamente en su propia vida.

**Sábado, 15 de Junio de 2019 - A decir verdad**

Cuando un niño me mira e insiste: "Juro que estoy diciendo la verdad", empiezo a preguntarme si es así. En las conversaciones de adultos, cuando alguien se siente obligado a hacer la misma declaración, me pregunto por qué debería ser necesario tal juramento. Decir la verdad debería ser un hecho. La realidad, sin embargo, es que las vidas de verdad e integridad requieren, coraje, coraje que para las personas de fe está arraigado en la gracia. Pida esa gracia hoy para hablar la verdad con amabilidad y para escuchar y la verdad de los demás.

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**LECTURAS DE HOY:**

- "Tu luz debe brillar ante los demás, para que vean tus buenas obras y glorifiquen a tu Padre celestial".

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**LECTURAS PARA HOY:**

- "Martín luther de que la ley no es un símbolo religioso, es como que representa algo más grande que ella misma. El símbolo de la fe hace lo mismo pero expresa algo más grande que incluso el amor por el país, y esa es la realidad de Dios. Algo para pensar cuando veamos la bandera hoy."

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**LECTURAS DE HOY:**

- 2 Corintios 3: 4-11; Mateo 5: 17-19 (361)."Ahora si el ministerio de la muerte, tallado en letras en piedra, fue tan glorioso, ¿cuánto más será el error del Espíritu?"

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**LECTURAS DE HOY:**

- 2 Corintios 4: 7-15; Mateo 5: 27-32 (363)."Tenemos este tesoro en vasijas de barro, para que el poder superior pueda ser Dios y no de nosotros".

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**LECTURAS DE HOY:**

- 2 Corintios 5: 14-21; Mateo 5: 33-37 (364)."No hagas un juramento falso ... deja que tu 'Sí' signifique 'Sí' y tu 'No' signifique 'No.'"
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