



St. Thomas Aquinas Church

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 26, 2021

From the Desk of our Pastor

**Experience Ten classes about the Richness of Our Faith
By Fr. John Kyebasuuta and Mr. Jesus Padron**



Dear Parishioners,

In celebration of 250 years of San Gabriel Mission and 60 years since our parish was founded in 1961, I have designed a series of faith formation classes for our parish.

These classes will be offered in English by Fr. John from 7 PM to 8:30 PM, starting on Monday, October 4th. They will be offered in person in the parish hall and also via Zoom: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/311575271>

Meeting ID: 311575271 Password: Mass

The same classes will be offered in Spanish by Jesus Padron from 7 PM to 8:30 PM, starting on Tuesday, October 5th. They will be offered in person in the parish hall and also via Zoom: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/912501465>

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Los Angeles born and raised, Jesus Padron is a 25 year-old catholic young man enthused by the mission of the Church. He possesses an extended catholic worldview by his years lived and formed in the US (California and the Northeast Tristate Area), Mexico, Canada, Ireland, and Italy.

With an Associates degree (AA) in Classical Humanities, he recently completed his Bachelor's Degree (BA) in Philosophy from Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum in Rome.

As of 2021 he is the present teacher of the second year of confirmation at St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

I encourage everyone to join us and be part of our faith formation. The more we know about our faith, the more we actually enjoy it and the more we will share it with others who are interested to have a deeper experience with their faith. I hope these topics will help each one of us to awaken the mystery of God among us.

Fr. John

In Appreciation

Last weekend we will took-up the second collection for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Priest Retirement Fund. Your generosity was again demonstrated by our collection of **\$3,177**. May the Lord bless you for your role in ensuring our priests may live humbly and with dignity in their retirement.

First Friday Adoration and Mass October 1, 2021

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed all day starting at 8 AM.

Rosary at 6:30 PM
Benediction 6:45 PM
Mass at 7:00 PM

Adoration sign-up sheet can be found in front of the tabernacle. Please sign-up to spend time with the Blessed Sacrament.

Fingerprinting at STA Saturday, October 9th 10 AM – 4:40 PM Enroll Now

All clergy, paid parish and school personnel and volunteers who work regularly in a supervisory role with children or youth must be fingerprinted. We are expecting all religious education and school staff and volunteers who work with and around children to participate in this offering. Registration is required and limited. Due to COVID-19 protocols, no walk-ins will be accepted. Please call the parish office to enroll, (323) 264-4447 x102.

English Bible Study Continues on Wednesdays via Zoom @ 7 PM

Our bible study took a short summer break but we are now back in session. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to look more closely into your spiritual life and develop a deeper relationship with our Lord. We invite you to join us as we study the Gospel of John, Chapter 13. Please text Henry Ayala at (323) 717-1126 to receive the meeting ID for the Zoom meeting.

Senior Gathering Wednesday, October 13th 10:30 AM – Parish Hall

Our next Senior Gathering will take place on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM in the parish hall. Come join us for a day of fun, friendship, bingo, trivia games and good food. Masks are required for all attendees.

We request a donation of \$10.00 per person, which includes lunch and 3 - 50/50 tickets. Prepay optional or may be paid at the door.

Halloween costumes are optional but a prize will be awarded to the "best" Halloween Costume.

RSVP IS REQUIRED. Please contact one of the committee members below by October 9th to reserve your spot!

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Holiday Boutique
Sunday, October 24th
Parish Hall
9 AM – 3 PM

Crafters and vendors will be displaying their specialties. Boutique items to be sold are: Halloween, Dia De Los Muertos, Harvest and Christmas décor. Gifts for all ages include: angels, nativity sets, quilts and gift boxes. Unique ornaments for your tree, wreaths, bling jewelry, children's and teenager jewelry, vintage jeweled frames and crosses, Scentsy candles., homemade jams, aprons, and 100's of unique hand crafted gifts.

We will be selling breakfast, lunch, drinks, treats and snacks. There will be prize drawings every hour. Place a hold on your calendar; you will not want to miss this fun seasonal event.

COVID-19 protocols as directed by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health will be enforced.

Thomas Ayala's
Memorial Services

Henry and Luz Maria Ayala, our bible study leaders and liturgical ministers, invite interested parishioners to attend their son's Thomas Ayala's memorial services which will be held on Saturday, Oct. 2nd at STA:

Rosary at 10:30 AM
Mass at 11:00 AM

Reception in the parish hall immediately following memorial services. Please keep the Ayala family in your prayers.

Celebrate Priesthood

Sunday September 26, 2021 has been designated as a day to promote vocations and honor those who have responded to the call.

Ways to celebrate:

- Pray for priests: especially those who have served or are currently serving you
- Honor your Priests: with a card, spiritual bouquet, or other ways
- Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood
- Encourage young men to consider the priesthood

Blessing for Priests

That this parish family may always embrace our priests, and sustain their ministry by our love, our constant prayer, and our trust in their leadership, ***We pray to the Lord.***

**Safeguard The Children
DID YOU KNOW?**

Keep video games safe

If your children play video games, it is important to know what they are playing and who they are playing with. Although video games may look like a solo activity, many involve teams or groups where players meet online. Talk to your children about what they are playing, and what they are talking about with other players. Remind them about your internet safety rules, and what information they can and cannot share online. You can also research a game's content at the Entertainment Software Rating Board www.esrb.org. For more information, visit: <https://www.missingkids.org/content/ncmec/en/blog/2021/schools-out-for-summer-gaming-safety-for-kids.html>.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Weekly Expenses: \$7,500.00

9/18-9/19 Offertory/Online: \$5,309.00

Over/(Under): (\$ 2,191.00)

Thank you for your support!

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 25th

5:30 PM Robert & Edna Chua (Health)

Sunday, September 26th

8 AM Martha Huynh (D)
Joe Saragueta (D)
Natalie Ramos (Health)

11:30 AM Elizabeth Tinoco (D)
Frank Rodriguez (D)
Ed Serrano (D)
Natalie Ramos (Health)
Michael Melendez (Health)
Rachel Brambila (Birthday)

1:30 PM Otilia Castellon (Health)

Tuesday, September 28th

8 AM Martha Huynh (D)

Wednesday, September 29th

8 AM Erica Ucab (D)

Thursday, September 30th

8 AM Martha Huynh (D)

7 PM STA Parishioners

Friday, October 1st

7 PM Martha Huynh (D)
Casillas deceased family members

Saturday, September 25th

8 AM Martha Huynh (D)
Casillas living family members

Parish Contact Information

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM (English)
Sunday	8:00 AM (English) 9:30 AM (Mandarin) 11:30 AM (English) 1:30 PM (Spanish) 3:00 PM (Cantonese)
Monday	7:00 PM (Chinese)
Tuesday	8:00 AM (English)
Wednesday	8:00 AM (Chinese)
Thursday	8:00 AM (English) 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Friday	8:00 AM (English)
Saturday	8:00 AM (English)

Zoom Links & Passwords:

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Chinese Masses:
<https://zoom.us/j/3901142241>
Meeting ID: 3901142241

***THURSDAY 8 AM ENGLISH MASS:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5897232327>
Meeting ID:5897232327 Password: 1501