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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— SEP. 3RD, 2023

“TAKE UP YOUR CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME ” MT 16,24

Today's Gospel continues the story that began in last week's Gospel. Simon Peter was called the “rock” upon which Jesus would build his Church, and yet Peter continues to show the limitations of his understanding of Jesus' identity. Now that the disciples have acknowledged that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he must suffer and die in Jerusalem to be raised on the third day. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely, calling him “Satan.” In opposing this aspect of Jesus' mission, Peter shows that he is no longer speaking based on the revelation from God but as a human being. Jesus then teaches all of the disciples about the difficult path of discipleship: to be Christ's disciple is to follow in his way of the cross.



Peter could not yet understand what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah. It is unlikely that the other disciples understood any better. Messianic expectations were a common aspect of first-century Judaism. Under Roman occupation, many in Israel hoped and prayed that God would send a Messiah to free the Jews from Roman oppression. The common view was that the Messiah would be a political figure, a king that would free Israel from Roman rule. This is perhaps what Peter envisioned when he was led to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. In this passage, however, Jesus is beginning to teach his disciples that he would be the Messiah in a different way.

Jesus would be more like the suffering servant described by the prophet Isaiah than the political liberator. Those who would be Jesus' disciples would be called to a similar life of service. Perhaps this is what Peter feared most in Jesus' prediction of his Passion. He whom Jesus had called “rock” would also be called upon to offer himself in sacrifice and service to others. Christian leaders today are still called to sacrifice and serve others as Jesus did.

XXII DOMINGO ORDINARIO– SEPTIEMBRE 3, 2023

“TOMA TU CRUZ Y SÍGUEME” MT 16,24

El Evangelio de hoy continúa la historia que comenzó en el Evangelio de la semana pasada. Simón Pedro fue llamado la “roca” sobre la cual Jesús construiría su Iglesia y, sin embargo, Pedro continúa mostrando las limitaciones de su comprensión de la identidad de Jesús. Ahora que los discípulos han reconocido que Jesús es el Mesías, Jesús les confía el resultado de su ministerio: debe sufrir y morir en Jerusalén para resucitar al tercer día. Pedro rechaza esta predicción y Jesús lo reprende severamente, llamándolo “Satanás”. Al oponerse a este aspecto de la misión de Jesús, Pedro muestra que ya no habla basándose en la revelación de Dios sino como un ser humano. Luego, Jesús enseña a todos los discípulos sobre el difícil camino del discipulado: ser discípulo de Cristo es seguir su camino de la cruz.

Pedro aún no podía entender lo que significaba llamar a Jesús el Mesías. Es poco probable que los otros discípulos entendieran mejor. Las expectativas mesiánicas eran un aspecto común del judaísmo del primer siglo. Bajo la ocupación romana, muchos en Israel esperaban y oraban para que Dios enviara un Mesías para liberar a los judíos de la opresión romana. La opinión común era que el Mesías sería una figura política, un rey que liberaría a Israel del dominio romano. Esto es quizás lo que Pedro imaginó cuando fue inducido a reconocer a Jesús como el Mesías. En este pasaje, sin embargo, Jesús comienza a enseñar a sus discípulos que él sería el Mesías de una manera diferente.

Jesús se parecería más al siervo sufriente descrito por el profeta Isaías que al libertador político. Aquellos que fueran discípulos de Jesús serían llamados a una vida de servicio similar. Quizás esto sea lo que más temía Pedro en la predicción de Jesús sobre su Pasión. Aquel a quien Jesús había llamado “roca” también sería llamado a ofrecerse en sacrificio y servicio a los demás. Los líderes cristianos de hoy todavía están llamados a sacrificarse y servir a los demás como lo hizo Jesús.

EVENT CALENDAR

Sun. Sep. 17th 2023

Catechetical Sunday.

Commissioning of Catechists
- First Day of Catechism
Classes.

1st Communion Classes after 9
am Mass

- Confirmation and RCIA after
11:15 am Mass

Fri. Sep. 22nd 2023

6:00 pm **Crab Dinner** (more
information to follow)

**Sun. Oct. 8th. Blessing of
Pets.** 1:00 pm.

Registrations for Year First
Communion, Confirmation and
RCIA
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details:

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LABOR DAY PRAYER

GOD OUR CREATOR,
WE ARE THE WORK OF
YOUR HANDS.
GUIDE US IN OUR WORK,
THAT WE MAY DO IT
NOT FOR SELF ALONE,
BUT FOR THE COMMON GOOD.
MAKE US ALERT TO INJUSTICE,
READY TO STAND IN SOLIDARITY,
THAT THERE MAY BE DIGNITY
FOR ALL IN LABOR AND
IN LABOR'S REWARD.
GRANT THIS THROUGH CHRIST
OUR LORD.
AMEN.



SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 AM in English, 5:00 PM in Spanish

Note: After September 17th, the 5:00 pm Spanish Mass will be held on the second Sunday of the month **ONLY**, due to very low attendance. Mass will continue in Cachagua on the 4th Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:
10 AM - 12 PM; 2 - 4 PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions September 2nd – 8th

Saturday Vigil Sept 2nd 4:30: + **Rose Dudek**
Sun. Sept 3rd 9:00: **Int. of Art & June Taylor**
11:15: + **Rodrigo Yglesias**
Wed. Sept 6th 12:00: + **Maria Lopez**
Thurs. Sept 7th 12:00: + **Candido Dorantes**
Fri. Sept 8th 12:00: + **Joseph Russo**

*MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL
DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF
GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN.*

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 27-28, 2023

General Fund and EFT: **\$1,694.29**

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GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH*

PARISH STAFF

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Gail Quinnan

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Rebecca Bayless

Bookkeeper

Music Ministry

4:30 pm Sat. Mass: **Kim Hartford—Carlos Flores**
9:00 am Sun. Mass: **Stefania Ortiz—Richard Carr**
11:15 am Sun. Mass **Parish Choir**

Angelica Lozano

Custodian

PARISH VOLUNTEER MINISTRIES

Pastoral Council

- Dede Woodhead (chair), Alondra Klemek (vice chair),
Jeff Hawkins (secretary), Daryl Lyon, J
Concepción Jara, Sean Devine, Trini Resendiz

Finance Council

- Alex Gray (chair), Jim Rice (secretary), A.B. Introcaso,
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Faith Formation

- First Communion:** Jennifer Bodner (1st year)
Jennifer Bodner (2nd year)
- Confirmation:** Brisa Cabrera (1st year)
Tess Arthur (2nd year)
- RCIA / Adult Faith Formation:** John Condon—
Derwin Borling

Bereavement Ministry:

Trudy Dowd

Manna Ministry:

Janice Hawkins

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Brendan Cook

Parish Hall & Kitchen Rental:

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Social Media:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- WE ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTING FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION AND RCIA REGISTRATIONS FOR THE COMING YEAR. THE DEADLINE TO APPLY IS SEPTEMBER 10TH. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THESE PROGRAMS ARE LIMITED TO REGISTERED PARISHIONERS OR THOSE WHO LIVE IN THE AREA AND/OR HAVE A CONNECTION TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY. CLASSES WILL BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 17TH. MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

- ST. CARLOS CATHEDRAL WE WILL HOSTING A MASS IN HONOR OF ST. ROSALIA ON SAT. SEP. 9TH AT 10:00AM. FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: FESTAITALIAMONTEREY.ORG

- THERE WILL BE NO 5PM SPANISH MASS (4:30 TOMORROW/9 & 11:15 THIS AFTERNOON) SEPTEMBER 3RD. AFTER SEPTEMBER 17TH, THE 5PM SPANISH MASS WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH ONLY DUE TO VERY LOW ATTENDANCE. MASS WILL CONTINUE IN CACHAGUA ON THE 4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7PM.

- PLEASE SEE THE FLYER FOR OUR FIRST EVER CRAB FEED. A DELICIOUS CRAB FEAST FUNDRAISER WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS WILL BE A SOLD OUT EVENT SO GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY. AND NOW WELCOME RAY LUCIDO FOR A QUICK OVERVIEW OF THIS FIRST EVER EVENT. FOLLOWING RAY'S TALK, JOIN US FOR COFFEE & DONUTS IN THE HALL.

- PLEASE TAKE HOME A COPY OF THE PARISH BULLETIN AND PATRONIZE OUR DUE TO THEIR GENEROSITY THE BULLETIN IS MAKE POSSIBLE.



CRAB AND SHRIMP DINNER
FRI. SEP. 22ND AT 6:00PM

Menu

Dungeness crab & shrimp

Tomato & onion salad

Bread & butter

Dessert



\$65 dollar - Pre-Sale only

Beginning Sep. 3rd after weekend Masses

Volunteers Needed for:

Set-up

Servers

Clean-up