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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 27 2025

"LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY"

By the disciples' request Jesus teaches them a simple version of the most famous Christian prayer, the Our Father, or the Lord's Prayer. We pray that God's name will be recognized as holy and that his rule over all will be established. This is followed by petitions for our needs for bread, for forgiveness, and for deliverance. Having taught his disciples a simple, daily prayer, Jesus goes on to reassure them that God answers prayers. First he tells a parable about a persistent neighbor who asks a friend for bread at midnight. The friend is already in bed and has no desire to disturb his family by opening the door. But because the neighbor is persistent, the sleeping man gets up and gives him all that he needs. If a neighbor is willing to help us if we are persistent enough, how could God not respond to our requests?

This teaching concludes with the reminder that if we seek, we will get a response. If a human father, with all his faults, knows how to give good gifts to his children, how much more will our heavenly Father give us?

The parable and the concluding teaching in this section should not lead us to think of prayer as a series of requests presented to God. Rather, as Jesus teaches in his model prayer, prayer consists in recognizing God's holiness and his rule over all things.

"SEÑOR, ENSEÑANOS A ORAR"

A petición de los discípulos, Jesús les enseña una versión sencilla de la oración cristiana más famosa, el Padre Nuestro. Oramos para que el nombre de Dios sea reconocido como santo y que su dominio sobre todo sea establecido. A esto le siguen peticiones por nuestras necesidades de pan, de perdón y de liberación de la tentación.

Habiendo enseñado a sus discípulos una oración sencilla y diaria, Jesús continúa asegurándoles que Dios contesta las oraciones.

Primero cuenta una parábola sobre un vecino persistente que le pide pan a un amigo a medianoche. El amigo ya está en la cama y no tiene deseos de molestar a su familia abriendo la puerta. Pero como el vecino es persistente, el durmiente se levanta y le da todo lo que necesita. Si un vecino está dispuesto a ayudarnos si somos lo suficientemente persistentes, ¿cómo podría Dios no responder a nuestras peticiones?

Esta enseñanza concluye con el recordatorio de que si buscamos, obtendremos una respuesta. Si un padre humano, con todas sus faltas, sabe dar buenas dádivas a sus hijos, ¿cuánto más nos dará nuestro Padre celestial. La parábola y la enseñanza final de esta sección no deben llevarnos a pensar en la oración como una serie de peticiones presentadas a Dios. Más bien, como enseña Jesús en su oración modelo, la oración consiste en reconocer la santidad de Dios y su dominio sobre todas las cosas.



A FRIEND TO OLMC: SPOTLIGHT ON BISHOP DANNY

Bishop Daniel E. García, born August 30, 1960, in Cameron, Texas, has served with distinction in two American dioceses—Austin, Texas, and Monterey, California—living a legacy of pastoral care, cultural advocacy, and liturgical leadership.

Bishop García was raised in a tight-knit Hispanic household, the eldest of four children born to Daniel Castilleja García Jr. and Sarah Muñoz García. He graduated from CH Yoe High School in 1978, earned an Associate's degree at Tyler Junior College in 1982, and continued his studies at St. Mary's Seminary and the University of St. Thomas in Houston. There he obtained a Bachelor of Arts in 1984 and a Master of Divinity in 1988, culminating in ordination to the priesthood in the Diocese of Austin on May 28, 1988. Later, he further refined his theological understanding with a Master's in Liturgical Studies from St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, in 2007.



In January 2015, Pope Francis named him the first auxiliary bishop of Austin, and he received episcopal consecration on March 3, 2015. In this role, he chaired the USCCB's Subcommittee on Divine Worship in Spanish and served on both the Communications and Divine Worship Committees.

On November 27, 2018, Pope Francis appointed him the fifth Bishop of Monterey, and he was installed on January 29, 2019. The Diocese of Monterey covers four Central Coast counties, with approximately 200,000 Catholics across 46 parishes and 18 schools.



García entered Monterey during a time of transition following the death of Bishop Richard John Garcia (no relation) in 2018. Known for his humility and pastoral sensitivity, he quickly immersed himself in diocesan life, emphasizing accompaniment during the synodal process and fostering listening and participation in local parish communities. Under his leadership, Catholic Charities expanded its social justice footprint across Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Benito, and San Luis Obispo counties, with García acting as Board Chairman to support low-income families through immigration assistance, food security initiatives, and emergency aid.



He championed concerns for marginalized populations—immigrants, farmworkers, the economically disadvantaged, and victims of racial and environmental injustice—aligning diocesan efforts with Catholic social teaching. His bilingual fluency in English and Spanish has helped bridge cultural barriers and foster inclusive ministry.

In July 2025, Pope Leo tapped Bishop Daniel E. García to return to Austin as its diocesan bishop—a homecoming that underscores his enduring connection to the Texas community. As he steps into new responsibilities in Austin, his decades-long vocation remains guided by empathy, accompaniment, and a deep conviction in the Church's role to uplift every member of society.



MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 26-AUGUST 3

Sat. July 26th 4:30 Vigil: + **Art Taylor (would have been 94)**

7:00 pm: **Mass in Cachagua**

Sun. July 27th 9:00: **Benita Cabrera**

11:00: **People of the Parish**

Wed. July 30th: + **John Jordan**

Thurs. July 31st: **Health of Newt Bayless**

Fri. Aug 1st: + **Alex Rodriguez**

Sat. August 2nd 4:30 Vigil: + **Ray Lucido**

Sun. Aug 3rd 9:00: + **Dolores Hunter**

11:00: **Health of Tula Selis**

*May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

WEEKLY COLLECTION

JULY 19-20: \$3,283

*Thank you for your generosity to our parish
community.*

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



As we have been meditating in the Gospel of Luke a good disciple of Jesus needs to do what a Good Samaritan will do; a good disciple needs to listen as Mary (the sister of Martha) will do, but a good disciples needs to know how to pray and the Our Father is the perfect prayer taught by Jesus to his disciples.

I hope you are enjoying the good days of Summertime, I hope to see you at Mass this weekend so that we can celebrate together our Catholic Faith. Please take some time to read our parish bulletin.

Gracias, Father Jhonnatan

UN GRAN AMIGO: OBISPO DANNY

El obispo Daniel E. García, nacido el 30 de agosto de 1960 en Cameron, Texas, ha servido con distinción en dos diócesis estadounidenses: Austin, Texas, y Monterey,



California, viviendo un legado de cuidado pastoral, defensa cultural y liderazgo litúrgico .El Obispo García se crio en un hogar hispano muy unido, siendo el mayor de cuatro hijos de Daniel Castilleja García Jr. y Sarah Muñoz García . Se graduó de la preparatoria CH Yoe en 1978, obtuvo un título de asociado en Tyler Junior College en 1982 y continuó sus estudios en St. Seminario de Santa María y la Universidad de Santo Tomás en Houston. Allí obtuvo una Licenciatura en Artes en 1984 y una Maestría en Divinidad en 1988, culminando con su ordenación sacerdotal en la Diócesis de Austin el 28 de mayo de 1988. Posteriormente , perfeccionó sus conocimientos teológicos con una Maestría en Estudios Litúrgicos de la Universidad de San Juan en Collegeville, Minnesota, en 2007 .

El 27 de noviembre de 2018, el Papa Francisco lo nombró quinto obispo de Monterey, y fue instalado el 29 de enero de 2019. La Diócesis de Monterey cubre cuatro condados de la Costa Central, con aproximadamente 200.000 católicos en 46 parroquias y 18 escuelas .

El obispo García llegó a Monterey en un momento de transición tras el fallecimiento del obispo Richard John García (sin parentesco) en 2018. Conocido por su humildad y sensibilidad pastoral, se integró rápidamente a la vida diocesana, priorizando el acompañamiento durante el proceso sinodal y fomentando la escucha y la participación en las comunidades parroquiales locales . Bajo su liderazgo , Caridades Católicas expandió su presencia en justicia social en los condados de Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Benito y San Luis Obispo. Defendió las preocupaciones por las poblaciones marginadas (inmigrantes, trabajadores agrícolas, personas económicamente desfavorecidas y víctimas de injusticia racial y ambiental), alineando los esfuerzos diocesanos con la enseñanza social católica. Su fluidez bilingüe en inglés y español ha ayudado a superar las barreras culturales y fomentar un ministerio inclusivo.

En julio de 2025, el Papa León XIV designó al obispo Daniel E. García para regresar a Austin como su obispo diocesano, un regreso a casa que subraya su duradera conexión con la comunidad de Texas. Al asumir nuevas responsabilidades en Austin, su vocación de décadas sigue guiada por la empatía, el acompañamiento y una profunda convicción en el papel de la Iglesia de elevar a cada miembro de la sociedad.

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SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month

1:00 PM in the Church

4th Saturday of the Month at 7:00 PM in Cachagua

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday 1:00 PM — 3:00 PM

Sundays: 10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service."

— St Teresa of Avila

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Parish Hall & Kitchen Rental

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