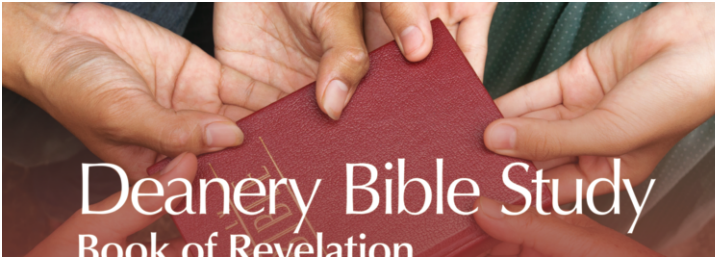




*"Our son was baptized yesterday. Before the ceremony, he had a great chat with Deacon Joe on the altar steps."
— Luis & Amanda Sanchez*



Deanery Bible Study

Book of Revelation
Begins September 12, 14


**Mondays 10:00 am – 12:00 pm,
St. Paschal Baylon**

**Wednesdays 10:00 am – 12:00
pm, via Zoom**

Many consider this book either a medieval novel with dragons and seven-headed monsters or a book of future events suggesting the world's end.

This 12-week Bible study will uncover how Revelations can be part of your spiritual journey to a better relationship with Jesus and God's covenant with his extended family. The study book is The Lamb's Supper by Scott Hahn.

Questions: Rita DaCorsi
ritadacorsi@yahoo.com
www.padreserra.org/bible-study




Faith Formation Parent Orientation Meetings


For parents of children in grades 1 - 12
*Monday, September 19, and Tuesday,
September 20, at 6:30 pm in Serra Center.*

Choose the date that best fits your schedule; the same information will be given on both dates.


Children and teens do not need to be present, all information will be directed to parents only.

For parents of children in preschool
*Little Church, Sunday, September 11,
at 10:00 am in Carmel room*

Contact tere@padreserra.org.
Register online for the new program year
at www.padreserra.org/registration

We are All Children of the One God




Fr. Jim Clarke, Ph.D.
Wednesday, September 14
7:00 - 8:30 pm, Serra Center

When we are solidly grounded in our Catholic faith, we can certainly enhance our spirituality by connecting with other religions and philosophies.

But how do we do this? In this talk with Fr. Jim Clarke, we explore this necessary work in our divisive times.

No cost. For more information and to RSVP
visit www.padreserra.org/children-of-god
Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Team




Ministry Fair

Sunday
September 11, 18, 25
after Mass
in the courtyard

We will showcase the ministries our parish offers to encounter and follow Jesus in our daily lives, and in response, become his disciples to bring others one step closer to God.

Come learn more about opportunities for you or someone you know to be nourished, supported, and give your time and talent.

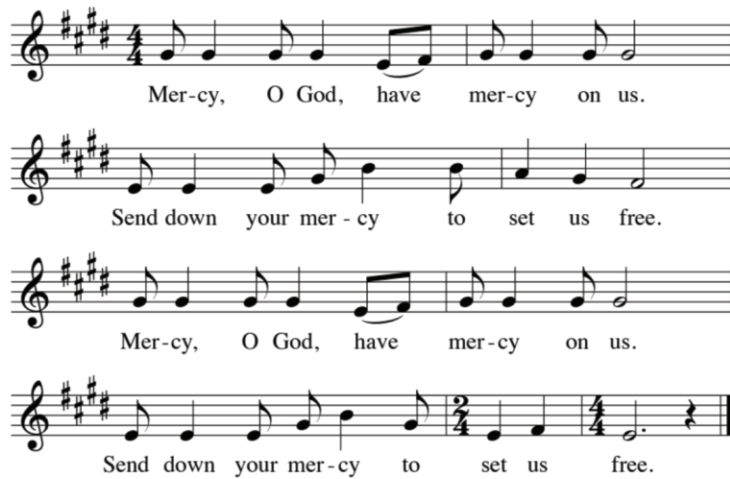
Find all participating ministries at
www.padreserra.org/ministry-fair
Contact teresa@padreserra.org
Encounter Jesus, Be Disciples



GATHERING

Mercy, O God

Francis Patrick O'Brien, Gather #480



Mer-cy, O God, have mer-cy on us.
Send down your mer-cy to set us free.
Mer-cy, O God, have mer-cy on us.
Send down your mer-cy to set us free.

Gather the people, the children, the elders;
come now and gather before the Lord.
Open your hearts to compassion and mercy;
Open your hearts to the Lord.

Now is the hour, the day of salvation;
now is the time to return to God.
Open your lives to forgiveness and mercy;
Open your lives to the Lord.

Long is the journey and steep are the mountains,
come now and guide us, O gracious God.
Show us your face, give us hope for the journey;
Lead us to walk in your love.

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GLORIA

Glory to God

Jason Stoll

REFRAIN:



Glo-ry to God in the high-est Glo-ry to God
Glo-ry to God in the High-est and on earth, peace to peo-
ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

REFRAIN

You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

REFRAIN

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

REFRAIN

Amen.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 51: I Will Rise and Go to my Father

Dominic MacAller



I will rise, and I will go to my fath-er, and say, "I have sinned."

Have mercy on me in your kindness.
In Your compassion, blot out my offense.
O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

A pure heart create for me, God; put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your Holy Spirit.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit;
a humbled heart, O God, you will not spurn.

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Reading 1

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

Reading 2

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-32

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

Fintan O'Carroll & Christopher Walker



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The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ,
 his only Son, our Lord,
*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,*
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried;
 he descended into hell;
 on the third day he rose again
 from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of God
 the Father almighty;
 from there he will come to judge the
 living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting.
 Amen.

INTERCESSION RESPONSE

O God Hear Us

Bob Hurd



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Be Not Afraid

Bob Dufford, Gather #683

*Be not afraid. I go before you always.
 Come follow me, and I will give you rest.*

EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

"Glendalough Mass"

Liam Lawton

Holy, Holy, Holy

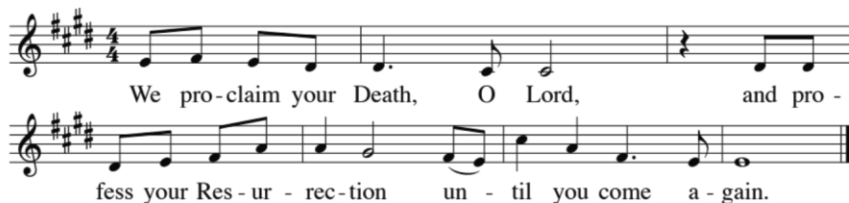
Gather #263



*May the Lord accept the
 sacrifice at your hands,
 for the praise and glory
 of His Name,
 for our good and the good of
 all His holy Church.*

Memorial Acclamation A

Gather #264



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-
fess your Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain.

Amen


Gather #267



A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men.

Lamb of God

Gather #269



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of Lamb of God, you take a-way
the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *The Glendalough Mass*, Liam Lawton; arr. by Paul A. Tate, © 2010, GIA Publications, Inc.



LORD,
I am not worthy
that you should ENTER UNDER MY
ROOF, BUT ONLY SAY
the word
and my soul
SHALL BE HEALED.

COMMUNION SONGS

Cup of Blessing

Bob Hurd



Refrain
Is not the cup of bless-ing that we bless
a shar-ing in the blood of Christ?
Is not the bread that we break a com-mun-ion
in the bod-y of the Lord?

Many though we are, we share in this one bread.
And so we are made one, one body in the Lord.

When we eat this bread, when we drink this cup,
we proclaim Christ's death until he comes again.

Many are the gifts: one Spirit gives them all.
Many ways to serve, in service to one Lord.

Members of his body, we are bound together:
joined in each one's suff'ring and sharing each one's joy.

Let each gift we have be given to upbuild
the body of the Lord, his presence in this world.

May this Church stand firm, may our faith abound;
and let all that we do be done in Christly love.

COMMUNION SONGS

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Ed Bolduc

- 1. There's a wideness in God's mercy
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice
Which is more than liberty.
There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.
- 2. There is welcome for the sinner,
And a promised grace made good;
There is mercy with the Savior;
There is healing in Christ's blood.
There is grace enough for thousands
Of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations
In that upper home of bliss.
- 3. For the love of God is broader
Than the measure of the mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more simple,
We would know the living Word;
And our lives would be thanksgiving
In the kindness of the Lord.

So be mer - ci - ful, just as our God is
mer - ci - ful. Be mer - ci - ful, just as our God is
mer - ci - ful to us. Let there be a wide - ness in our mer -
- cy. Let there be a kind - ness in our hearts.
Oh, may our lives be mer - ci - ful.

Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.
Ref.: Ed Bolduc

Ed Bolduc
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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Your Grace Is Enough

Matt Maher

Great is Your faithfulness, O God;
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy,
And nothing can keep us apart.

So remember your people...

Great is your love and justice, God of Jacob.
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation.
And all Your people sing along.

So remember your people...

So re - mem - ber your peo - ple, re - mem - ber your chil - dren,
re - mem - ber your prom - ise, O God.
Refrain
Your grace is e - nough, your grace is e - nough, your
grace is e - nough for me.

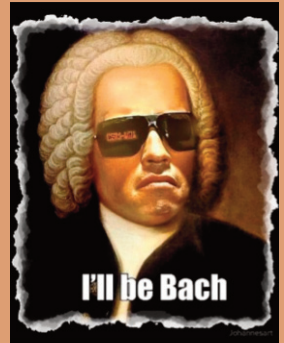


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We'll be "Bach"

Dear Friends,

After a well-deserved summer break (after singing a full year, and 2/3 of that time *masked!*) the choirs are returning to ministry soon, and we are recruiting!



What we're looking for in choir members:

- A pleasant voice (doesn't have to be fantastic)
- A good attitude
- Ability to carry a tune (match pitch and rhythm)
- Willingness to be of service and to be able to commit to at least 80% attendance at rehearsals, masses and concerts

The ability to read music is a huge welcome plus, but is not a "re-choir-ment"!

Do any of these describe you?

- I play (played) in the band or orchestra in school
- I sing (sang) in the choir at school or at church
- I take (took) music lessons (vocal or instrumental)
- I've never played or sung a note

We want you!

We want you!

We want you!

We might want you LOL 😊

I'm interested. What do I do next?

Come in for a quick, private vocal checkup and we'll see if it's a good fit. Contact Dominic MacAller dominic@padreserra.org 805-482-6417 ext. 327 and/or stop by the choir table at the Ministry Fair in the courtyard on Sunday 9/11.

Today's responsorial psalm says "O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise." Music ministry in a choir is a great way to do that!

Siempre adelante,

Dominic MacAller
Worship Minister



Children

12 months to Grade 8.

Faith Formation Registration ~ Spaces are still available; register today!

Online Registration is open for programs for children from preschool through grade 12. Register as early as possible to reserve your child's spot. Visit www.padreserra.org/registration



Middle School Ministry ~ September 10

Kids entering grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to join us. Make new friends or get reacquainted; we have many fun activities and games planned. Bring a friend! Saturday, September 10, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Cost: \$20.00. Contact tere@padreserra.org. Sign up your tween here: <https://forms.gle/AMXJRBBM4mFpDXYQ6>

Little Church's Parent Orientation Meeting ~ September 11

Age 3 to K. Sunday Preschool Parent Orientation meeting will be on September 11, 10:00 am, in the Carmel room. Come see what Little Church is all about! Children must be registered to attend; visit www.padreserra.org/registration. For information, contact soraya@padreserra.org

Faith Formation Parent Orientation Meeting for Grades 1 - 12 ~ September 19 and 20

The same information will be shared on both days; attend the day that best fits your schedule. Children or teens do not need to attend; all information will be directed to parents only. 6:30 pm in the Serra Center.

High School

Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome! youth@padreserra.org

Confirmation Y2

Have you registered for the new program year? Online interviews will be held during September; make sure you are signed up to receive the link. Register online today at www.padreserra.org/registration

Young Adults

Everyone 18 to 39ish is welcome! www.padreserra.org/young-adults

Saints Among Us ~ Begins September 18

A Sunday school program for specially-abled young adults. They meet on the third Sunday of the month for fun and fellowship through reading scripture, art projects, music, and snacks. Our parish thanks Ross and Jenni Porter for their dedication and leadership. All are welcome! 1:30 pm, Carmel rooms. Questions: [Ross Porter pointsite@aol.com](mailto:Ross.Porter@pointsite@aol.com)

Adults

Bible Faith Share ~ September 12, 19, 26

Bible study and faith sharing group, Mondays 8:45 - 9:45 am, San Juan Capistrano room. Sherry Reynolds sherryr2256@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

Gospel Hangout ~ September 13, 14

Virtual hangout to read Sunday's gospel and reflect on how Jesus and his message intersect with our lives. Tuesdays, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm. For Zoom link: [Teresa teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org). Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

Women's Fellowship ~ September 14

Lemons on the Loose is a women's social gathering to share fellowship and laughter while playing the dice game Bonkers. \$5/person. Proceeds benefit pediatric cancer research. 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Serra Center. Kathy quannys5@yahoo.com or Michelle mcpaschens@gmail.com

Bereavement Support Group ~ September 15

Grief can be overwhelming and difficult to understand and navigate, but you don't have to do it alone. Our bereavement support group offers mutual support to those who have lost a loved one through death. 10:00 am, San Fernando room. Betty Bright-Martinez (805) 407-3000, bettybright41@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/bereavement

PAX Christi ~ September 15

Grounded in the gospel and Catholic social teaching, our PAX Christi ministry seeks to model Christ's peace in our witness to nonviolence through prayer, study, and action rooted in justice for the common good of all God's children. 7:00 - 8:30 pm, San Fernando room. Gary gfreeberg@gmail.com

Women's Spirituality ~ September 19

SEEDS (Sisters ~ Embracing ~ Enlightening ~ Daughters of Faith) is a monthly evening of spirituality for women who want to grow deeper in faith and affirm our mission and worth as God's daughters and Jesus' disciples. 7:00 - 8:30 pm, San Juan Capistrano room. Contact: Gwen Ripplinger gwendolynjoy1@hotmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/seeds

Women's Fall Retreat ~ November 18 - 19

My Song, My Story: The Spirituality of Music. This onsite retreat takes place in the Serra Center, beginning Friday evening with dinner and returning on Saturday morning to reflect on music's important role in our faith, lives, and stories. Details and registration at the Ministry Fair. Sponsored by our *Seeds of Faith* women's ministry. Visit www.padreserra.org/retreats

Becoming Catholic

Various Paths to Becoming Catholic

Becoming Catholic is not a one-size-fits-all process. Each seeker's religious background and experience are considered when discerning what path will best meet individual needs. If you would like to discuss what will work for you, please contact Mary Huebner. You will receive a warm and friendly welcome! (805) 482-6417 x321 or mary@padreserra.org. For more information, visit www.padreserra.org/rcia

In the Courtyard

- Ministry Fair ~ September 11, 18, 15

Faith Sharing Question

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table

Luke 15:1-32 ~ Come Home!

In response to the Pharisees' complaint that he ate with sinners, Jesus told parables that are bound together by the theme of joy over the recovery of something or someone lost. God's forgiveness is always there. God forgives before we even ask for forgiveness. When you wander away from being true to your faith, how do you know God will take you back? What signs do you see?

Volunteer

Join the Welcome Team!

Friends offer smiles, greetings, and help in the gazebo every Sunday morning at the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. Everyone can welcome! Sign up for one Mass per month. Contact: Teresa Runyon teresa@padreserra.org

Catechists Needed

Consider the beautiful vocation of the Catechist. Sharing your faith with children grades 1-5, all lesson plans and materials provided. No experience is necessary; we will train you. Contact tere@padreserra.org

Giving

St. Mary Magdalen School

Our beautiful town is blessed to have a lively Catholic community that is served by two Catholic parishes and one wonderful Catholic elementary school. Half the students are from Padre Serra Parish, and half are from St. Mary Magdalen Church. We love our school. For more information or to contribute, contact: pam@padreserra.org or visit www.padreserra.org/smmms

Following Jesus means putting God before all earthly desires. It means recommitting our life to Jesus every day. "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me." Luke 9:23



In the Community

Mass for All Immigrants ~ September 18

Archbishop Jose Gomez invites all of us to a 3:30 pm Mass in recognition of all immigrants at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles. The relics and images of St. Junipero Serra, St. Toribio Romo, and St. Frances Cabrini, three great advocates for immigrants, will be present at Mass and available after for veneration. Learn more: lacatholics.org/immigration

5K for St. Vincent de Paul ~ September 24

Conferences in Ventura County and Santa Barbara County are joining to host an easy, family-oriented 5K (3.5 miles) walk/run on flat terrain from St. Joseph church through downtown Carpinteria to the beach boardwalk and return for a festive celebration. Begins at 8:00 am. [Learn more and register www.fopwalk.org/event/2705](http://www.fopwalk.org/event/2705)

Prayer Life

Weekend Schedule

All liturgies are celebrated inside our beautiful parish church:

- Saturday, 5:00 pm
- Sunday, 7:30 am
- Sunday, 9:00 am
- Sunday, 11:00 am [Livestreamed](http://www.padreserra.org/mass). Visit www.padreserra.org/mass

Reconciliation

- Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
or by appointment: barbara@padreserra.org, (805) 482-6417 x324

Weekday Mass

- Monday to Friday, 8:00 am

Pray for Our Sick

Kevin Benn, Mary Castillo, Theresa Clemons, Mary Doyle, Jeanne Gaffney, Tim Graf, Ethan Jordan, Edna Jost, Andres Julian, Hank Koval, Linda Lowe, Martin Marin, Dave McDonnell, Nancy Newton, Juan Andres Sanchez, Louise Sconce, Dorothy Simmons, Greg Smith, Bobby Stiles, Sue Wientjes and Cliff Williams. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)*

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently:

Bruce Stevenson, RIP
Bella Gaddi, RIP

May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Prayer Opportunities

- Daily Readings: bible.usccb.org
- Parish Book of Intentions: www.padreserra.org/intentions
- Prayer Chain: Prayers anytime
Bette (805) 482-0067 bette_church@hotmail.com
Shirley (805) 482-2617 brownshehorn@gmail.com
or visit www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests
- Stations of the Cross: www.padreserra.org/stations
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help: www.padreserra.org/news/olph
- Blessed Sacrament Chapel: www.padreserra.org/prayer

Welcome!

Our warmest welcome to our newest registered parishioners! May you find faith, fellowship, love, and peace.

- Christiane Lancaster
- Daniel Trevino
- Carmen Trevino
- Nick Kearin
- Amy Kearin
- Ray Kearin
- Nikayla Kearin
- Mary Kearin
- Jake Kearin

If you are not yet registered or have moved, dropped your landline, added a cellphone or email, or have adult children who have moved out, please keep us updated. If you live alone, provide us with an emergency contact. Contact Mary (805) 482-6417 x321 or mary@padreserra.org

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