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The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 21, 2025



PARABLE OF THE UNJUST STEWARD. LUKE 16:1-9. [JAN LUYKEN] esculpt: harry kossuth
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Parish Office Hours

Monday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:00 am — 2:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Friday—Sunday: CLOSED

Masses in Church

Monday - Friday 8:15 am

Saturday 8:15 am & 5:00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Sacrament of Confession

Tuesday 9:00 am—9:30 am

Saturday 3:30 pm—4:00 pm

Library Hours

Wednesday 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Sunday's Readings/Music:

1. Readings begin on page 214
2. Hymns on page 338 (after the grey tabbed pages.)
3. Psalms follow the readings or may be noted with a Psalm # that can be looked up in the new missal past the hymns.

- Gathering: #705 Lift High The Cross
- 1st Reading: Amos 8:4-7
- Responsorial Psalm: 113
✠: Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.
- 2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8
- Gospel Acclamation
- Gospel: Luke 16:1-13
- Presentation of the Gifts: #425
Christians, Let Us Love One Another
- Communion: #355 I Am The Bread of Life
- Sending: #705 Lift High The Cross

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A WORD FROM FATHER GEORGE

Why Do We Celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows?

Reflection Part 1 of 2

Pope Pius VII established this feast to honor the profound suffering Mary endured and shared as she participated in the life, passion and death of Jesus, her son, our Lord. Mary's role is both intricate and intrinsic in our Salvation History. On September 8, the church celebrates the birth of our Lady, the promise that a virgin would come forth and bear a Messiah, the Son of God. Following that feast, we honor her name on September 12 which celebrates the annunciation where Mary is called full of grace and blessed among women. After the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.

This Feast encourages us to reflect and meditate not just on Mary's Seven Sorrows but how she faithfully and willingly participated fully in the life and death of Jesus:

- 1) The prophecy of Simeon at the Temple proclaimed that a sword would pierce her heart. This utterance foretold Jesus's future sufferings and passion, yet, Mary's obedience, faith and trust in God's promise enabled her to journey on. Are we willingly to accept the trials and sorrows of life trusting in God's loving providence?
- 2) Her second sorrow came when the family is forced to flee to Egypt because of the sin of one man who caused the suffering, death and grief of many. The innocents who died to save her son must have caused a deep sense of guilt and pain. Are we simply content to say that one person's sin does not concern us? Let us meditate on what we are called to die to, so that Jesus may live more fully in our lives.
- 3) Jesus is lost in the Temple of Jerusalem. What fear must have gripped Mary's heart at the thought of losing her most precious gift! Do we contemplate the fear and danger of losing Jesus in the temple of our hearts? When Mary found Jesus, what joy filled her heart. Is there joy in our hearts when we find Jesus in the Eucharist, when we discover him in our sisters and brothers?
- 4) Mary meets Jesus on the road to Calvary. This painful encounter of her bruised and bloodied son as he carried the burden of our sins on His shoulder might have caused doubts to enter. How could this happen to the Savior of the world? Mary's faith called her beyond what she saw and experienced, she trusted God's promise and continued in faith. We are called to walk in faith despite the sufferings of the world, trusting in the promise of God's loving mercy.

Next week's bulletin will reflect on the last three sorrows of Our Lady. Our Lady of Sorrows pray for us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

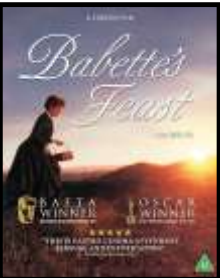
Tuesday, September 23rd
 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month
 10:00 am
 Men's Ministry

Wednesday, October 1st
 Bible Study
 10:30 am
 Parish Hall

Sunday, October 5th
 Greeters' Weekend: Donut Sunday
 After the 9 am & 11 am masses



Tuesday, October 14
 Movies In The Afternoon:
 Babette's Feast
 1:00 pm
 Parish Hall



*Let us pray for all
 those who have
 recently passed
 away...*

+ Josephine Cardaci	+ Raymond Gorski
+ Edward Emil Rinne	+ Irene Gorski
+ Elizabeth Jane Wydner	+ Donna Tucker
+ Bunk Sicotte	+ Ida Castillo

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 9/20	5:00 PM	Parishioners and Benefactors
Sunday 9/21	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	† Paul and Tillie La Barbara † Lea Kelly Special Intention: Living and Deceased Members of Fay
Monday 9/22	8:15 AM	† Zvonko Geiser † Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday 9/23	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Candice Roman-Santos
Wednesday 9/24	8:15 AM	† Kan Poon Wai La
Thursday 9/25	8:15 AM	Special Intention (Health): Judy Armstrong
Friday 9/26	8:15 AM	† Rita Da Roza
Saturday 9/27	8:15 AM	† Jennifer Jessica Jake


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 MASS TIMES FOR TRAVEL



Do you plan on traveling this weekend, next week, next month, next Summer, during the holidays?

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St. Mary Church International FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025
 5:00PM - 8:00PM

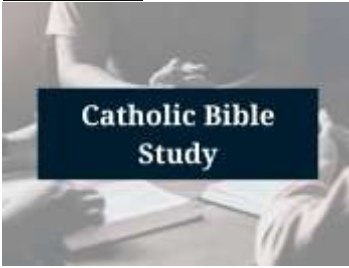




OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE LATE THIS YEAR! Envelopes are due to arrive any day now. Keep an eye out for them in the vestibule!



NO CONFESSIONS ON 9/23! Father George will be on the Jubilee 2025 pilgrimage to the Cathedral of Christ the Light. Confessions resume



Bible Study returns 10/1 at 10:30 am in the Parish Hall! This year's subject is the Pentateuch, the first 5 books of the Torah. \$25 for workbook/materials. Sign up at the rectory during office hours.



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The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Seven Sorrows of Mary is a traditional Catholic devotion featuring meditations on sorrowful episodes in the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join us in prayer as we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.

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PRAY FOR THE SICK

Andrea Puccini	William Egan
Sheila Wilkins	Michael Dunn
Risha Armstrong	Kathleen Rose
Landon Yamashita	Charles Krystofiak
Shawn Ilardi	Joanne Raymond
Larry Maday	Jim Stevens
Tom & Vicki Hughes	Jeff Pelletere
Ann Enright	Katie Lydecker
Cathy Bridges	John Kluesener

Names are on the list for 4 weeks. If you wish to be included, removed or continued for another 4 weeks, please contact Fran Long at 925-939-5151.

St. Mary's celebrates its 140th Jubilee Year with an International Festival taking place on October 4th from 5 pm to 8 pm.



Indian, Filipino, Italian, and Mexican food will be available.

Entertainment for all and games for the kids!

More information at www.stmary-wc.org/Events



Please join us the weekend of October 4, 2025 to hear Rev. Robert W. Vujs speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Father Vujs will share personal witness about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Fr. Vujs was ordained on 6/10/61 for the Maryknolls. Before joining Food For The Poor Fr. Bob served over 40 years in Africa.

Please join me in welcoming Father Vujs in a few weeks. **There will be a 2nd collection that is not included in the usual box of envelopes.**