



CHURCH OF THE

Good Shepherd
One Flock, One Family, Living and Sharing the Love of Christ

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ANNUAL FLOCK PARTY!

Sunday September 29th | 9am - 5pm

2019



We will be celebrating our annual Flock Party!

★ DRINKS ★ RAFFLE ★ GAMES ★ FUN ★ FOOD

At the Good Shepherd Spiritual Garden

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Parable of the rich man vs. Lazarus
(Luke 16:19-31)

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday
9am-12 pm & 1-4 pm

Schedule of Masses

Sundays: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12 noon & 3:00pm Spanish

Monday through Friday: 7:30 am

3rd Fridays: (Spanish): 7:00 pm

1st Fridays: 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer: (Liturgy of the Hours) 7:00 a.m. (Chapel)

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)

Holy Days: 7:30 am & 7:00 pm

Confessions: Fridays after 7:30 a.m. Mass
Saturdays from 4-5 p.m. or by appointment

Adoration: Fridays after 7:30 am Mass until 9 am
1st Fridays after 7:30 am mass until 6:45 pm

24 Hour Adoration: In the Chapel (door code required ~ call parish office)

Devotions: Divine Mercy Monday-Friday after 7:30am
Mass,

Saturdays & Sundays before Masses

Our Lady of Fatima/Perpetual Help ~ 1st Saturday

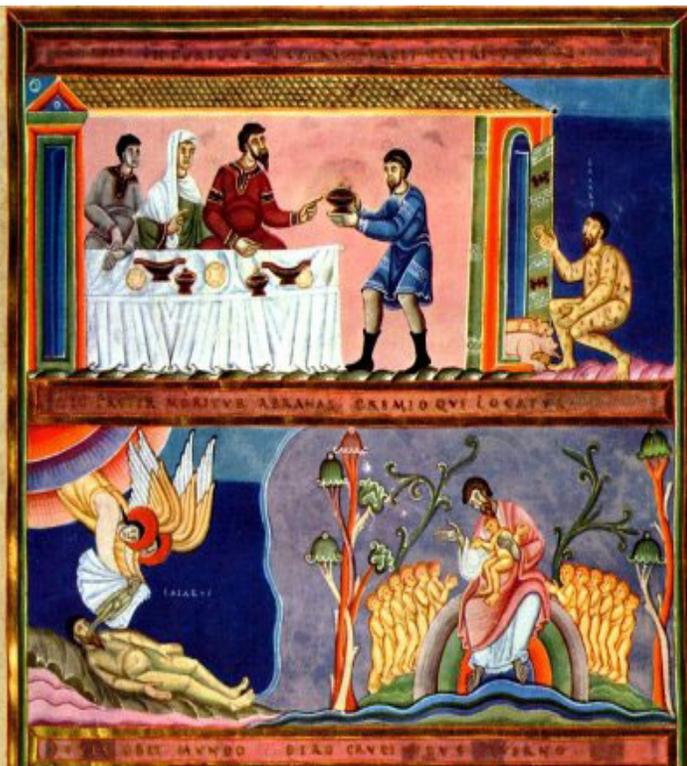
Santo Nino 2nd Saturday

Divine Mercy 3rd Saturday

Saint Padre Pio 4th Saturday

Healing Mass 5th Saturday

(All devotions take place following 8:00 am Mass)



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A man dies and goes to heaven. St. Peter checks him in. He goes through the Book of Life but does not find the man's name. St. Peter says to the man: I can't find your name here. Is it possible that you took a wrong flight? I think your name is down there. It is impossible. I did nothing. Yep! That's why you are going to hell, said St Peter, for God created you so that you can be of help to others, but you did nothing.

That man could as well be the rich man in today's parable. When we read this parable of the rich man vs. Lazarus, we may wonder why the rich man had to go to hell. We are not told he was rich by unjust means. We are not told he was responsible for the poverty of Lazarus. In fact we are not even told that Lazarus begged from him and he refused to help. We are not told he committed any crime or evil deed. Why then did he go to hell? The reason the rich man went to hell has a lot to do with what we think sin is. We often think that we sin only by thought, word and deed. We forget a fourth and very important way through which we sin, namely, by omission. In the "I Confess" we say these words: *"I have sinned through my own fault, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do."* Yet we often forget what we failed to do, the sin of omission. Today's parable reminds us that the sin of omission can also lead someone to hell. This is what happens to the rich man.

If the rich man went to hell because of his sin of omission, what merit did Lazarus do to get a place in heaven? Did he go there just because he was poor? After all we are not told that he was a man of God or that he did a single good deed. However, if we pay attention, we would know his name tells us he was a good man. In biblical tradition, names are very significant because they often convey the person's basic character or personality. In fact this is the only parable of Jesus where the character in the story has a name. So the name must be significant for explaining the parable. The name "Lazarus" means, "God is my help." Lazarus, therefore, is not just a poor man, but a poor man who believes and trusts in God. This must be why he found himself in Abraham's bosom in Paradise.

There are many "Lazarus" around us. We are called to attend to their needs. If you are so busy that you can't directly reach out to them, or visit them in person, you can do it indirectly through charity organizations. Here we have the society of St. Vincent de Paul, today's second collection is for them. You contribute money, they have labor, together we reach out to those in need.

To end this reflection, let us call to mind these words from the song entitled *Heal The World*: *"Heal the world and make it a better place, for you and for me and the entire human race. There are people dying. If we care enough for their living, make a better place for you and for me"* and for God's glory. Amen!

PARKING LOT ADVISORY: Through your generosity, work on the front parking lot will begin on OCTOBER 7, 8, 9, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. If you have a need to be onsite on those days, please plan on using the back parking lot. Thank you!

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The parish office is in need of bi-lingual (Spanish) volunteers in the parish office on

Wednesdays from 1-4 pm and on Fridays from 9 am to Noon.

If you are interested in learning more and possibly interviewing for one or both of the time slots, please call the parish office to schedule an appointment.

925-432-6404.

Children's Mass October 6 @ 10 am
Youth Mass October 20 @ 10 am



“Behold, I am standing at the door, knocking,”
says the Lord.

Come, spend the weekend renewing your relationship
with God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit

Evangelization Retreat

October 18-20, 2019
Holy Rosary Parish Center
1313 A Street
Antioch, CA

Friday 5:30 - 9:00 pm;
Saturday 7:30 am – 9:00 pm;
Sunday 7:00 am – 5:00 pm

Must attend all sessions

~This event is presented in English~
Please register on-line by October 6th. <https://tinyurl.com/EvangRetreatOct2019> or visit holyrosaryantioch.org

No fee to attend, but donations accepted
and appreciated.

For more information, please call Martha at
925-457-1682

LITURGICAL MINISTRY MANDATORY WORKSHOPS IN THE CHURCH

Eucharistic Ministers 10/7/2019 @ 7 pm
Lectors 10/21/2019 @ 7 pm
Ushers 10/28/2019 @ 7 pm

ADORATION

As a reminder Adoration is on the
first Friday of every month in the
Church from 8 AM to 6:45 PM, fol-
lowed by a Mass for the Most Sacred
Heart of Jesus at 7 PM.

Jesus said to His Apos-
tles: “My soul is sorrowful to the
point of death. Wait here and stay
awake with me.’ And going on a little
further he fell on his face and
prayed. ‘My Father,’ he said, ‘if it is
possible, let this cup pass me by.
Nevertheless, let it be as you, not as
I would have it.’ He came back to the
disciples and found them sleeping,
and he said to Peter, ‘So you had not
the strength to stay awake with me
for one hour?

We need at least one person per
hour to sit with the Blessed Sacra-
ment, the signup book is in the vesti-
bule as you enter the church on the right-hand side.

If you have any questions please call Bill or Ann
(432-3995)



GOOD SHEPHERD CYO BASKETBALL NEWS!



Sign ups for Good Shepherd CYO Basketball are
open for grades 3 through 8!

Sign up at

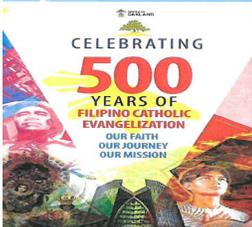
www.goodshepherdcyo.com

(Coaches and Sponsorships also needed!)

Contact:

goodshepherdcyo@gmail.com

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH FROM THE ISLANDS TO THE MAINLAND



Understanding and Appreciating
Filipino Spirituality and Religiosity

Pananampalataya (Faith)
Panalangin (Prayer)
Pagsasabuhay (Living the Faith)

OCTOBER 5, 2019 (SAT) 8AM - 4PM

St Michael Catholic Church 458 Maple St Livermore, CA 94550

Free event Pre-register: www.500thAnniversaryCelebration2019.eventbrite.com

Email oakjourneyto2021@gmail.com



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER

Knights of Columbus annual Tootsie Roll
Fund Raiser supporting mentally handicapped
children between the ages of 6 months to 5
years old will be held after all masses on Octo-
ber 5th & 6th. All donations will be given to the
Lynn Center.

Knights of Columbus members will be giv-
ing out Tootsie Rolls to all children after mass.

If anyone is interested in joining the
Knights of Columbus information will be avail-
able from members.

Thank you, Robert Calone

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
EL PROGRAMA DE EVENTOS**

9:00 am	Flock Party Opens ~ Breakfast is served! Fiesta del Rebaño Se Abre ~ El Desayuno se sirve!
10:30 am	Play the Hanging Donut Game Jugar el Juego de Dónut Colgante
11:00 am	Sack Races/Carreras de Sacos
11:30 am	Tug of War/La Cinchada
12 noon	Lunch is served/El Almuerzo se sirve 3 Legged Race/Carrera de 3 Piernas
12:30 pm	Musical Chairs/El Juego de Las Sillas
1:00 pm 8	Legged Race/Carrera de 8 Piernas
1:30 pm	Running Mat/El Juego de Corriendo de la Alfombrilla
1:45 pm	TBA/Sera Anunciado
2:00 pm	TBA/Sera Anunciado
2:20 pm	Egg in a Spoon Race/Carrera de Huevo en una Cuchara
2:40 pm	Sponge & Bucket Challenge/Desafío de Esponja y Cubeta
3 pm	Line Dance/Baile de Línea
4 pm	Filipino Folk Dance/Danza Folclórica Filipina Raffle Drawing

Games on going all day:

Basketball, Hula Hoops, Water Balloon Sling Shot,
Giant Jenga

Juegos en marcha todo el día:

Básquetbol, Hula Hoops, Globo de Agua Honda Tiro,
Gigante Jenga

Please note! Schedule and times are subject to change. Entertainment will take place between the game schedule.

**¡Por favor, tenga en cuenta! El Programa y horarios están sujetos a cambios.
Entretenimiento tendrá lugar entre el programa de juegos.**



THE FLOCK PARTY FOOD/DRINK SELECTION INCLUDES

MEXICAN DISHES: breakfast burritos, corn on the cob, tamales, pozole, papusas, tacos



FILIPINO DISHES: breakfast sausage, eggs, rice, bread, pancit, lumpia, chicken & pork skewers

TONGAN DISHES: to be announced



NIGERIAN DISHES: tilapia, rice, plantains

VIETNAMESE DISHES: bahn mi sandwiches with cold cuts, chicken & pork, coconut panda waffles



PLUS: hot dogs, popcorn, cotton candy, snow cones, nachos



water, soft drinks, agua fresca, halo halo, taho, milk tea



Un hombre muere y va al cielo. San Pedro lo registra. *El revisa el Libro de la Vida, pero no encuentra el nombre del hombre. San Pedro le dice al hombre: No puedo encontrar tu nombre aquí. ¿Es posible que hayas tomado un vuelo equivocado? Creo que tu nombre está ahí abajo. El hombre respondió, es imposible. No hice nada. ¡Correcto! Por eso te vas al infierno, le dijo San Pedro, porque Dios te creó para que puedas ayudar a los demás, pero no hicistes nada.*

Ese hombre también podría ser el hombre rico en la parábola de hoy. Cuando leemos esta parábola del hombre rico contra Lázaro, podemos preguntarnos por qué el hombre rico tuvo que ir al infierno. No se nos dice que era rico por medios injustos. No se nos dice que era responsable de la pobreza de Lázaro. De hecho, ni siquiera se nos dijo que Lázaro le rogó y se negó a ayudarlo. No se nos dice que cometió ningún crimen o maldad. ¿Por qué se fue al infierno? La razón por la que el hombre rico se fue al infierno tiene mucho que ver con lo que creemos que es el pecado. A menudo pensamos que pecamos sólo por pensamiento, palabra y acciones. Olvidamos una cuarta y muy importante manera a través de la cual pecamos, especialmente, por omisión. En el "Yo Pecador" decimos estas palabras: *"He pecado por mi propia culpa, en mis pensamientos y en mis palabras, en lo que he hecho y en lo que no he hecho"*. Sin embargo, a menudo olvidamos lo que no hicimos, el pecado de la omisión. La parábola de hoy nos recuerda que el pecado de la omisión también puede llevar a alguien al infierno. Esto es lo que le pasa al hombre rico.

Si el hombre rico se fue al infierno a causa de su pecado de omisión, ¿qué mérito hizo Lázaro para conseguir un lugar en el cielo? ¿Fue allí sólo porque era pobre? Después de todo, no se nos dice que era un hombre de Dios o que hizo una sola buena obra. Sin embargo, si prestamos atención, sabríamos que su nombre nos dice que era un buen hombre. En la tradición bíblica, los nombres son muy significativos porque a menudo transmiten el carácter o personalidad básica de la persona. De hecho, esta es la única parábola de Jesús donde el personaje de la historia tiene un nombre. Así que el nombre debe ser significativo para explicar la parábola. El nombre "Lázaro" significa, "Dios es mi ayuda." Lázaro, por lo tanto, no es sólo un hombre pobre, sino un hombre pobre que cree y confía en Dios. Esta debe ser la razón por la que se encontró en el seno de Abraham en el Paraíso.

Hay muchos "Lázaros" a nuestro alrededor. Estamos llamados a atender a sus necesidades. Si estás tan ocupado que no puedes comunicarte directamente con ellos, o visitarlos en persona, puedes hacerlo indirectamente a través de organizaciones benéficas. Aquí en nuestra parroquia tenemos la sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl, la segunda colección de las ofrendas de hoy es para ellos. Si aportamos dinero, ellos tienen mano de obra, juntos nos ponemos en contacto con los necesitados.

Para terminar esta reflexión, recordemos estas palabras de la canción titulada *Sanar El Mundo*: *"Sana el mundo y haz que sea un lugar mejor, para ti y para mí y para toda la raza humana. Hay gente muriendo. Si nos preocupamos lo suficiente por su sobrevivencia, haz un lugar mejor para ti y para mí"* y para la gloria de Dios. ¡Amén!

ESTUDIO BIBLICO EN ESPAÑOL

Quieres aprender mas sobre la Fe? Quieres fortalecerte en ella y vivirla plenamente?

Apartir de **Agosto, cada tercer y cuarto Lunes de cada mes, de 7-9pm** en el salón pequeño de la oficina.

Ven te esperamos!

Coro de Niños - Armada Blanca

Contactar a Maria Angela Velazco 925.428.9540

Se reúnen para rezar el santo Rosario, los **Viernes de 5 a 6 pm y los Domingos después de Misa**, para repases de coro (*junto a la oficina de la parroquia*). Tambien estan invitando a Padres de Familia que tengan *niños entre 6 y 13 años*, para que participen en la próxima *pastorela de navideña*.

Próximas Cenas Parroquiales y Eventos

- Oct 12/13** El Grupo "*Unción De Lo Alto*" nos invita al próximo Retiro que será Octubre 12 y 13, más información próximamente.
- Oct 18** **Cena Mensual de la Parroquia**
- Nov 15** **Cena Mensual de la Parroquia**

Misas de Niños, *1er Domingo de cada mes* – próxima Misa *Oct 6 a las 3 pm*



GRUPO DE ORACIÓN - Viernes 7-9pm en las oficinas parroquiales y **Sábados de 11am-1pm** en la Capilla con el Santísimo. Para más información por favor contactar a **Laura y Alvino Alvarez 925-765-0231**. Si tienes talentos musicales y tocas la guitarra ven acompañalos.

GRUPO ESCUELA DE LA CRUZ Cristo te espera, ven a descubrir su amor divino y su misericordia! te esperamos los **Miércoles 7:30pm-8:30pm** (*Oficina Parroquial*). Para más información, por favor comunícate con **Romeo Gonzalez 925-565-9320**.

EL GRUPO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA - Miércoles 6pm-8pm en la Capilla y Jueves 6:30pm-8:30pm, en el salón de la oficina. Para más Información, por favor comuníquese con **Lidia Castañeda 925-705-3045**.

LA VIRGEN PEREGRINA - Las Familias que desean inscribirse después de la Misa para llevarse a la Virgen Peregrina a sus casas, por favor comunicarse con **Milton Pérez, Rubén y Silvana Gutierrez al 925-439-7640**.

ATENCIÓN COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Si algún miembro de la comunidad Hispana **esta interesado en recibir visitas a domicilio o comunión a los enfermos**, por favor comuníquese a la oficina parroquial para hablar con Carmen y establecer este servicio para nuestros miembros enfermos y confinados a casa.

ATENCIÓN MONAGUILLOS

Si les gustaria participar en la sagrada Misa y aprender aún más de su FE, comuníquense con **Rebeca & Bulmaro al 925-286-2276**, ellos los guiarán y enseñarán el bello ministerio de ser monaguillos.

GRUPO UNCIÓN DE LO ALTO TE INVITA:

" Matrimonios Amor en Cristo "

RETIRO MATRIMONIAL

**OCT
SAB 12
DOM 13
3AM - 4:30PM**

Good Shepherd Church y el Grupo de Oración Unción de lo Alto les hacen la invitación a su Primer Retiro de Matrimonios

"ENTRADA, DESAYUNO y COMIDA GRATIS"

Aceptamos donaciones
Cupo Limitado
No Habrá cuidado de Niños
Predica: Oscar Cuevas



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Mass Intentions

Sept 30-Oct 6

**Mass Intentions
For The Week**



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- Mon 7:30 am Vincent Tran † #
 - Tue 7:30 am Joseph Tran †
 - Wed 7:30 am Yolanda Orozco †
 - Thu 7:30 am Birthday of Frances Capupus
 - Fri 7:30 am Primrose Capupus Family
 - Sat 8:00 am Joseph & Ann Nguyen & Joseph Vu †
 - 5:30 pm Thanksgiving for Carmelita San Miguel
 - Sun 8:00 am Willa O'Leary †
 - 10 am Anthony Giambalvo
 - 12 pm FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 - 2 pm Jonathan Sarpolis †
- *=Fr. Thi, #+Fr. Christopher

THE 2020 MASS BOOK WILL OPEN AT 9 AM ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Offering



September 22, 2019- \$7,043.36

2nd Collection-Flock Party

\$2,395.75

Please help contribute for the smooth operation and good services of our parish. We appreciate your generosity and for making Good Shepherd a part of your family. Also, please remember Good Shepherd when planning your last will and testament. Thank you!

Fr. Thi

MASS DATE	TIME	LECTORS	EM'S	ALTAR SERVERS
Oct 5	5:30 pm		Bill Abitz, A Abitz, M Duran L Mangante, A Roldan, R & R Sorci	
Oct 6	8:00 am		P Dominguez, G Camacho, D Shipe M Marin, D Phan, M Romingquet P Wilson, E Woodrow, S Shephard	D Phan Silva Family
Oct 6	10 am		M Benitez, M Baber, L Canciamilla A & J Los Banos, B & J Naca D Viart	J Ortiz Buena Family J Discaya
Oct 6	12 noon		E Ramirez, M Ramirez, L Briones T Freel, J & R Lagarejos, S & M Runes, A & E Pacheco	R Lagarejos M Alvarez J Del Carmn J Kasayan
Oct 6	3:00 pm		A Alvarez, M Alvarez, B & R Mendieta, L Castaneda	A Hernandez A Ramirez Alvarez Family

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

NEXT SUNDAY'S 2ND COLLECTION

HABAKKUK 1:2-3; 2:2-4, 2 TIMOTHY 1:6-8, 13-14, LUKE 17:5-10

THE CATHOLIC VOICE

ACTIVITIES AMONG THE FLOCK LAST WEEKEND



We honored our Lady of Fatima with the Rosary Procession



We welcomed the Tongan community to our parish



We celebrated the weddings of Alberto and Barbara Nunez (left); Latrell & Mary Carradine (right), and Juan Carlos & Karla Cruz



We celebrated the baptisms of Emiliano Fernandez, Sofia Marie McDonald, Julian James McDonald



We celebrated the Feast Day of St. Padre Pio