



SAINT POLYCARP CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith-based Catholic community whose members are enriched by the celebration of the Sacraments and opportunities to deepen our prayer lives. Guided by the Word of God and family values, we strive always to be a beacon of light for the lost, the lonely, the marginalized, and all those seeking the truth as we walk in the footsteps of those first disciples of Jesus and our patron St. Polycarp.

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

5:00 PM English

7:00 PM Vietnamese

Sunday

7:30 AM English

9:00 AM Spanish

11:00 AM English

1:00 PM Spanish

4:00 PM Vietnamese

6:00 PM Spanish

WEEKDAY MASSES

6:30 AM English (Mon-Fri)

8:30 AM English (Mon-Sat)

6:30 PM Spanish (Mon)

6:30 PM Vietnamese (Fri)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

9:00 AM - 10 AM (Fri)

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (Sat)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

7:15 PM (Monday)

9:00 AM (Friday)

3:30 PM (Saturday)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

1:30 PM - 5:30 PM

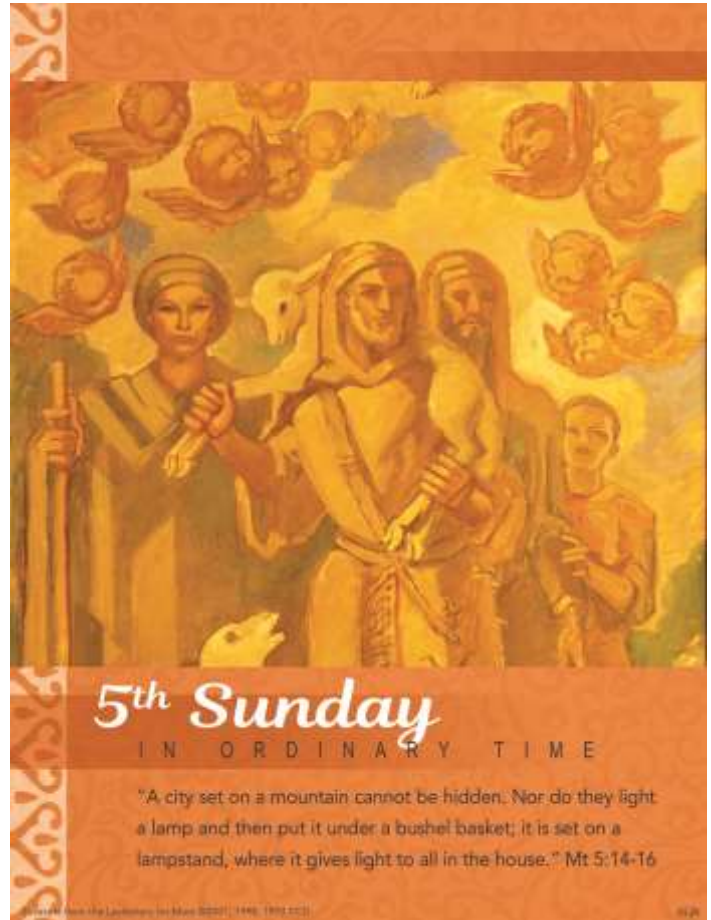
Sunday

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

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POPE'S INTENTION - FEBRUARY

For Children with Incurable Diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

Las lecturas de la semana del 8 de febrero

Domingo: Is 58, 7-10/Sal 111, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/1 Co 2, 1-5/
Mt 5, 13-16

Lunes: 1 Re 8, 1-7. 9-13/Sal 131, 6-7. 8-10/Mc 6, 53-56

Martes: 1 Re 8, 22-23. 27-30/Sal 83, 3. 4. 5 y 10. 11/
Mc 7, 1-13

Miércoles: 1 Re 10, 1-10/Sal 36, 5-6. 30-31. 39-40/
Mc 7, 14-23

Jueves: 1 Re 11, 4-13/Sal 105, 3-4. 35-36. 37 y 40/
Mc 7, 24-30

Viernes: 1 Re 11, 29-32; 12, 19/Sal 80, 10-11. 12-13.
14-15/Mc 7, 31-37

Sábado: 1 Re 12, 26-32; 13, 33-34/Sal 106, 6-7. 19-20.
21-22/Mc 8, 1-10

Domingo: Ecl 15, 15-20/Sal 118, 1-2. 4-5. 17-18. 33-34/
1 Co 2, 6-10/Mt 5, 17-37 o 5, 20-22. 27-28.
33-34. 37

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 8 de febrero

Domingo: 5º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario;
Día Mundial del Matrimonio

Martes: Santa Escolástica, virgen

Miércoles: Nuestra Señora de Lourdes

Sábado: San Cirilo, monje, y San Metodio, obispo;
Día de San Valentín

Domingo: 6º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

(PRACTICANDO) CATÓLICA: RECONOCE A DIOS EN TUS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

Por Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflexión: Los más grandes santos de la historia no eran grandes en santidad. Los más grandes santos de la historia fueron grandes en ser quienes estaban destinados a ser.

Sé Salado

Quiero que cierres los ojos. ¿Están cerrados? (Lo digo en serio). Bien. Ahora piense en el santo más grande de la historia.

No me importa en quién estés pensando. Va a ser diferente para todos. Solo piensa en esa persona. Piensa en su vida. Y responde a la pregunta: ¿Por qué es un gran santo?

Todos están pensando en personas diferentes, pero la respuesta es la misma para todos. Y no es "porque hizo grandes cosas para Dios" o "porque sacrificó todo lo que tenía por los pobres". Esas respuestas muestran *evidencia* de la razón. Pero la razón es algo más.

Los más grandes santos de la historia no fueron grandes en santidad. Dios trajo la santidad dentro de ellos porque (¡ding ding ding! ¡Aquí está la respuesta!) Los más grandes santos de la historia fueron grandes en ser quienes estaban destinados a ser.

No lo que querían ser. No lo que pensaban que *deberían* ser. Quiénes estaban destinados a ser.

En pocas palabras, se entregaron a Dios. Todos ellos. Defectos y todo. Y Dios los tomó, en su totalidad, y dijo: "Ahora vean esto".

Solo imagínate si la sal se avergonzara de ser salada. Imagínate si mirara el contenido de sodio en su etiqueta nutricional y pensara: "Eso es vergonzoso" y decidiera que iba a dejar de ser sal. Bueno, genial. Ahora es solo una caja de pequeñas rocas.

¿No hubiera sido mejor para la sal confiar en el panadero que la usa?

Hay un plan para cada uno de nosotros. Hay un camino hacia la santidad para cada uno de nosotros. Este camino no pasa por alto nuestros defectos o nuestras debilidades; los incorpora. Los transforma. Los cumple.

Así que sé salado. Sé quien estabas destinado a ser.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

Hoy la liturgia nos prepara, con su Palabra, a ser conscientes de lo que significa ser sal y luz en nuestra vida cotidiana. Jesús pone como ejemplo elementos que usamos todos los días para dar sabor a la vida del cristiano. La amargura, la envidia y la oscuridad de pensamientos nos alejan de lo que verdaderamente importa: ser sencillos y encontrarnos con Dios. *"Ustedes son la sal de la tierra. Pero si la sal se vuelve insípida, ¿cómo podrá ser salada de nuevo? Ya no sirve para nada, por lo que se tira afuera y es pisoteada por la gente"* (Mateo 5:13). Darle saborcito a la vida, añadiendo colores de humildad y apertura al diálogo frente a las adversidades que vivimos en la familia y en la sociedad, será clave para purificar y transformar nuestro entorno.

El Señor también nos llama luz del mundo: *"Nadie enciende una lámpara para taparla con un cajón; la ponen más bien sobre un candelero, y alumbra a todos los que están en la casa"* (Mateo 5:14-15). Cuando se va la luz en nuestra casa, nos sorprende, porque a veces no tenemos ni siquiera una vela que nos alumbre, mucho menos una lámpara con baterías. Sin embargo, al encender una luz —por muy pequeña que sea— sentimos alivio, porque podemos ver por dónde pisamos y así podemos realizar las actividades necesarias. Jesús quiere que sus seguidores sean así: como una pizca de sal y un poquito de luz, para que todo funcione de manera distinta en la familia y en la sociedad. ©LPi

CÁC SINH HOẠT & PHỤNG VỤ CỦA CỘNG ĐOÀN TRONG THÁNG 2

1. Các Thánh Lễ Mừng Tết Nguyên Đán

Từ 16/02/2026 đến 19/02/2026

2. Thứ Tư Lễ Tro - 18/02/2026:

Có hai Thánh Lễ tiếng Việt: 4:00pm & 6:00pm.

Bước vào Mùa Chay, xin cộng đoàn sốt sắng thực hành: giữ chay, kiêng thịt và bác ái, bố thí.

3. Đi Đàng Thánh Giá Mùa Chay:

Lúc 6pm vào các Thứ Sáu trong mùa.

4. Tìm Hiểu Về Khăn Liệm Chúa Giêsu Thành Turin:

Vào mỗi Thứ Sáu trong Mùa Chay lúc 5:35pm.

Cha Quản Nhiệm sẽ có phần chia sẻ về Khăn Liệm Chúa Giêsu thành Turin, để cùng với cộng đoàn đi Đàng Thánh Giá và sống Mùa Chay sốt sắng hơn.

5. Lễ Thánh Polycarp - Bồn Mạng Giáo Xứ:

Thánh Lễ 3 ngôn ngữ

Thứ Bảy 21/02/2026 lúc 8:30 am

Bánh Chung / Bánh Tết

Kính mời quý ông bà anh chị em có giờ rảnh xin đến giúp một tay cho chương trình gây quỹ Bánh Chung / Bánh Tết. Đây là dịp cộng đoàn sinh hoạt chung. Cộng đoàn sẽ lo phần ăn trưa và ăn tối. Công việc bắt đầu vào hai khung giờ mỗi ngày:

9:00AM - 3:00PM và 6:00PM - 9:00PM

Gian Hàng Tết

Trân trọng kính mời quý vị ủng hộ
gian hàng Tết của Cộng Đoàn.

Mở cửa từ Thứ Hai đến Thứ Sáu

9:00AM - 4:00PM & 6:00PM - 9:00PM

Thứ Bảy: 9:00AM - 8:30PM

và Chúa Nhật: 9:00AM - 5:30PM

Chân thành cảm ơn sự đồng hành
và nâng đỡ của quý vị.

Phân Ưu "Phúc thay ai được Chúa chọn và cho ở gần Ngài". (Tv 64,5)

Cộng đoàn xin thành kính phân ưu cùng tang quyến

Cụ Ông **GIUSE ĐẶNG VĂN THỊNH**

được Chúa gọi về ngày **21/01/2026**

Hưởng thọ **85 tuổi**.

Nguyện xin Thiên Chúa giàu lòng thương xót sớm đón nhận linh hồn **GIUSE** vào hưởng Nhan Thánh Chúa, và ban ơn bình an, nâng đỡ cho toàn thể tang quyến trong lúc đau buồn này.

Cộng đoàn xin thành kính phân ưu cùng tang quyến

Cụ Bà **ANNA NGUYỄN THỊ NỤ**

đã được Chúa gọi về ngày **24/01/2026**

Hưởng thọ **95 tuổi**.

Nguyện xin Thiên Chúa giàu lòng thương xót sớm đón nhận linh hồn **ANNA** Nguyễn Thị Nụ vào hưởng Nhan Thánh Chúa, và xin Người nâng đỡ, ủi an tang quyến trong lúc đau buồn này.

Cộng đoàn xin thành kính phân ưu cùng tang quyến Cụ Ông **TÔMA NGUYỄN HỮU PHÚ**

được Chúa gọi về ngày **02/02/2026** - Hưởng thọ **92 tuổi**.

Là thân phụ, nhạc phụ của Chị Phương Hiền và anh Bá Châu hiện đang sinh hoạt trong Nhóm Linh Thao
Nguyện xin Thiên Chúa giàu lòng thương xót sớm đón nhận linh hồn **TÔMA** vào hưởng Nhan Thánh Chúa, và xin Ngài ban ơn bình an, nâng đỡ cho toàn thể tang quyến trong lúc đau buồn này.

Lịch Phụng Vụ Tết Nguyên Đán 2026

Thứ Hai Ngày 16/2/26 29 TẾT

6:30pm Thánh Lễ Giao Thừa

Do Đức Cha Tôma Nguyễn Thái Thành Chủ tế
Sau Thánh Lễ sẽ có đốt pháo và phát lộc Xuân



Thứ Ba Ngày 17/2/26 MÙNG 1 TẾT

6:30pm Thánh Lễ Cầu Bình An Cho Năm Mới



Thứ Tư Ngày 18/2/26

LỄ TRO Giữ chay - Kiêng thịt

Có hai Thánh Lễ tiếng Việt 4:00pm & 6:00pm



Thứ Năm Ngày 19/2/26 MÙNG 3 TẾT

5:00pm Thánh Lễ Thánh Hóa Công Ăn Việc Làm



Chúa Nhật Ngày 01/3/26 13 TẾT

TIỆC MỪNG TÂN NIÊN

Ngay sau Thánh Lễ lúc 4:00pm tại Hội trường

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Funerals

02/07—Anna Nu Thi Nguyen (9:30AM)

02/11—Joel S Esparza (10:00 AM)

Wedding Banns

02/14—Joel Gomez & Nayeli Pablo

NATIONAL NEEDS COLLECTION

2ND COLLECTION



2/7/2026 & 2/8/2026

Through this combined collection, we join together in supporting the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the Catholic Communication Campaign, Catholic Home Missions, and the Catholic University of America.

Your generous financial support is appreciated.

St. Polycarp Catholic Church www.stpolycarp.org

February 18, 2026

MASSSES - in the church

6:30 am (English)

8:30 am (English)

4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

8:00 pm (Spanish)

Ash Services only - in the hall

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

5:30 pm - 6:00 pm

(English/Spanish)


Ash
Wednesday



SAINT POLYCARP
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6300 Highland Avenue | Dallas, TX 75206 | (214) 961-0300 | www.stpolycarp.org

SAINT POLYCARP WARMLY INVITES THE ENTIRE PARISH COMMUNITY TO JOURNEY TOGETHER IN PRAYER AND REFLECTION ON THE PASSION OF CHRIST THROUGH THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS. ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE AS WE WALK TOGETHER IN FAITH DURING THIS LENTEN SEASON.

SCHEDULE

EVERY FRIDAY BEGINNING FEBRUARY 20, 2026, THROUGH
MARCH 27, 2026

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM | ENGLISH

6:00 PM - 6:30 PM | VIETNAMESE

7:30 PM - 8:00 PM | SPANISH



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Pro Sanctity Movement

Lenten Prayer Group

Join us weekly on Thursday mornings
for coffee and refreshments as we
pray with the Sunday Gospel.

Where: St. Polycarp Room

When: Thursday Mornings

(Feb. 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26)

after 8:30 AM Mass until 10:30 AM

No registration is needed.

Please contact Cathy McDonnell for

any questions at 714-496-9597

Pro Sanctity is an International Catholic lay movement founded by the Servant of God, Guglielmo Giaguinta, in 1947. Its mission is to lead our brothers and sisters on the path of holiness and to elicit in everyone a total response of love to God's infinite love. Pro Sanctity offers people specific spiritual opportunities to help them respond to this universal call in three ways: personal holiness, communal holiness, and societal holiness. The Apostolic Oblates are consecrated women who support and spread the message of Pro Sanctity, assisting in bringing about a "world of saints, a world of brothers and sisters."



PASTORAL SERVICES APPEAL

PSA 2026 REPORT

AS OF 01/27/2026

PLEDGES RECEIVED: 69

AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$22,690.00

TOTAL PAID: \$16,899.00

OUR 2026 PSA GOAL: \$109,760.00



Thank You!

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WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

"The compassion of the Samaritan: loving
by bearing the pain of the other".

ROSARY: 9:15 AM
MASS: 10:00 AM



Christ Cathedral:
13280 Chapman Avenue
Garden Grove CA 92640

Presided by
Most Reverend Timothy E. Freyer, D.D.
Auxiliary Bishop of Orange

Saturday, February 14, 2026

INCLUDING THE SACRAMENTAL RITE OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

HOW SICK DOES ONE NEED TO BE TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT?

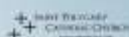
Anointing of the sick is a Sacrament of the Church and is offered to one who is dangerous ill due to sickness, injury or old age. The Sacrament is for serious mental or emotional illness as well. While we should not be excessively concerned about the degree of seriousness of the condition, the casual participation in the sacrament must be avoided in good conscience.



**THE DIOCESE
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JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY



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OUR OFFICE IS CLOSED

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2026

**WE WILL HAVE 6:30 AM AND 8:30 AM ENGLISH
MASSES. NO CONFESSION HOUR IN THE EVENING**

VIETNAMESE VIGIL LUNAR NEW YEAR MASS

@ 6:30 PM. (NO SPANISH MASS)



St. Michael's Abbey presents:



CATECHISM-THEOLOGY CLASS for ADULTS

This course covers the Church's major Creeds and such important theological topics as the Trinity, the Incarnation & Redemption, Sin & Grace, and the Nature of the Church. Expertise not required—just an eagerness to learn more about our beautiful Catholic Faith!

- > Class Meets Every Tuesday, 6 - 8 PM.
- > Opportunity to follow the class via ZOOM (though in-person attendance is strongly encouraged).

Hosted by Fr. Alan Benander, O.Praem.

Lenten Retreat for Adults

Wednesday, February 25th 9:30 am – 12 pm or

Wednesday, February 25th 6:30 pm – 9 pm

Sign up now. Registration is online.

Suggested donation \$25.00

Please register by February 20th.



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RetreatCenter@joyfulapostolate.org





ST. MICHAEL'S ABBEY
RETREATS

You Are the Fairest Honor of Our Race: THE BEAUTY OF OUR LADY

*Come and learn about
the beauty of Our Lady
through the eyes of Ven.
Mary of Agreda, the great
17th century mystic, and
grow in devotion to our
Mother and Queen!*

REGISTER ONLINE
COST: \$50
LUNCH NOT INCLUDED

FEBRUARY 21, 2026

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
ST. MICHAEL'S ABBEY
CONFERENCE CENTER



Fr. Jacob Hsieh, O.Praem.

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stmichaelsabbey.com/retreats



Mary's Sanctuary

Are you alone, ashamed and afraid,
struggling financially, having a pregnancy
crisis, or wondering what's the right choice
to make? Take a deep breath. Sisters from
Lovers of the Holy Cross are here to help
and guide you. For more information about
Respect Life Services, please scan the QR
code. You are blessed and beloved, and not
forgotten.



Beginning Experience
Listen, accompany, heal

Are you grieving the loss of your marriage
through death, divorce or separation?

March 13 - 15, 2026: Weekend

Contact Carol at (714)528-1487 x221 or
Melissa (bilingual, Spanish) at (949)697-3352



Beginning experience of orange county, inc. website: www.bepoc.org or BEPC2015@gmail.com

LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION

Very Reverend Christopher H. Smith, Rector Emeritus, Christ Cathedral
**LENT 2026: A TIME OF POSSIBILITY, VISION
AND THE PROMISE OF ETERNAL LIFE**

Saturday, February 28, 2026

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

St. Cecilia Church/Msgr. Sammon Hall

1301 Sycamore Ave., Tustin, CA 92780

8:00 - 8:20 AM - Registration

8:30 AM - Mass

9:15 AM - Continental Breakfast

9:45 AM - Lenten Presentation by Fr. Christopher

Previewing the Gospel stories from three Sundays
of Lent this year, we will journey with Jesus as He meets the
Samaritan woman at the well of possibility, extends His
healing touch of vision to the man born blind, and raises
Lazarus from the dead, giving us the promise of
eternal life which changes everything.

Suggested Donation \$20.00

Presented by Serra Club, City of Orange

Reservations - Deadline Feb. 23, 2026

Name _____ Phone _____

Email address _____ \$ _____

Send form & check made to: Serra Club, City of Orange
to: Beverly Truzzolino

Call /text 714-642-6455 for address, questions or Zelle



JUNE 14 TO JULY 9



2026

SUMMER FUN
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FOR BOYS ENTERING 3RD TO 8TH GRADE



ADMISSIONS NOW OPEN!

EARLY BIRD PRICING EXPIRES SOON!

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your wound shall quickly be healed. (Is 58:8)

Psalm:

The just man is a light in darkness to the upright. (Ps 112)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

When I came to you, brothers and sisters,
proclaiming the mystery of God,
I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom.
For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you
except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. (1 Cor 2:1-2)

Gospel:

"You are the light of the world.
A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.
Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel
basket." (Mt 5:14-15)

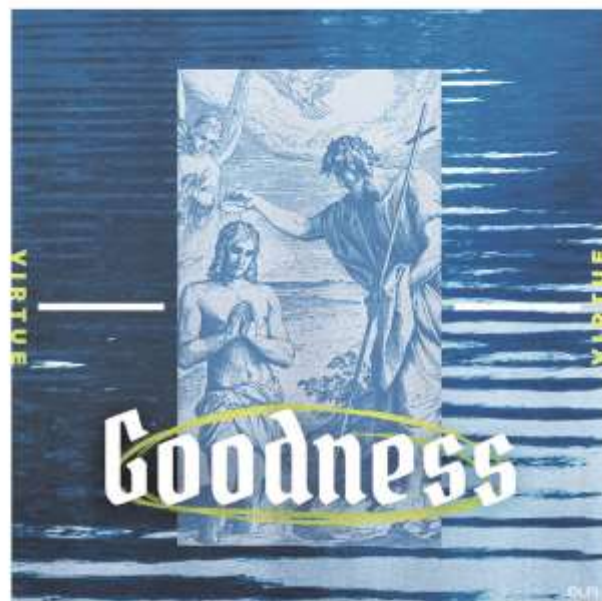
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Salt without flavor is no longer salt. Light
that illuminates nothing is no longer light. As
Christians, we must be what we have been
made to be. So think about it, carefully: what
stands between you and being who you were
made to be?

Observances for the week of February 8, 2026

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Marriage Day
- Tuesday:** St. Scholastica, Virgin
- Wednesday:** Our Lady of Lourdes
- Saturday:** Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop;
Valentine's Day
- Next Sunday:** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Virtues, Explained!

In baptism, the Holy Spirit gives
us the sanctifying grace of
justification — the ability to grow
in goodness through an increase
in moral virtue (CCC 1266).
Baptism, therefore, disposes us
toward goodness.

Blessing of Mission

Bless us on our way, O Lord.
Share with us as we share with
others.
Heal us as we help others to heal.
Provide for us as we open our
hands in charity.
Every gift comes from You.
You are at the heart of all that is
good.
Share that goodness with us
today, abundantly.
Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: The greatest saints in history were not great at holiness. The greatest saints in history were great at being who they were meant to be.

Be Salty

I want you to close your eyes. Are they closed? (I'm serious.) Okay. Now think of the greatest saint in history.

I don't care who you're thinking of. It's going to be different for everyone. Just think of that person. Think of his or her life. And answer the question: Why is he or she a great saint?

You're all thinking of different people, but the answer is the same for everyone. And it's not "Because he did great things for God" or "Because she sacrificed everything she had for the poor." Those answers show *evidence* of the reason. But the reason is something more.

The greatest saints in history were not great at holiness. God brought holiness about within them because (ding ding ding! Here's the answer!) the greatest saints in history were great at being who they were meant to be.

Not who they wanted to be. Not who they thought they should be. Who they were meant to be.

Simply put, they gave themselves to God. All of themselves. Flaws and all. And God took them, in their totality, and said: "Now watch this."

Just imagine if salt was ashamed of being salty. Imagine if it looked at the sodium content on its nutrition label and thought, "That's embarrassing," and decided it was going to stop being salt. Well, great. Now it's just a box of tiny rocks.

Wouldn't it have been better for the salt to trust the baker using it?

There is a plan for each of us. There is a path to holiness for each of us. This path doesn't bypass our flaws or our weaknesses; it incorporates them. It transforms them. It fulfills them.

So be salty. Be who you were meant to be.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Are near-death experiences real?

Answer:

There is a lot of curiosity and fascination with the idea of an afterlife and communicating with those who have died. In movies, television shows, and numerous books, people make claims about their ability to communicate with the dead, or having had a near-death experience. There is no objective way to verify any of this. While details about people and events can be surprisingly accurate, it is just circumstantial evidence that might be explained in other ways.

On the other hand, when people have unusual experiences, sometimes called near-death or out-of-body, it is real to them. They react with the emotions and thoughts that one would expect. At times, they report details they could not have known any other way, such as bits of conversation, or meeting people they had never known in this life. So certainly, to the person, they experience something. We believe in a life after death, we believe in the communion of saints. These things are not a contradiction to faith, but we should not base our faith on them, nor change our beliefs. They are unexplained and will likely remain so.



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