



Owe nothing to anyone, except to

*Love one
another.*

Romans 13:8

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 6, 2020

A HIGHER STANDARD

Our culture tempts us to think that any action is allowed as long as it doesn't hurt anyone else. Today's readings show us how sadly narrow-minded that thinking is. They call us to a much higher standard, one that recognizes the majestic dignity of each human person. Ezekiel reminds us that the wicked acts of one person always affect the whole human community. Even if the sin is a private one, we are all responsible for shining light into the darkness. Matthew's Gospel echoes this idea, providing practical tips for bringing healing and reconciliation to sinful or broken relationships. Today's readings also show us the deep implications of sin: a failure to love. Saint Paul urges us to avoid sin and obey the law. The best way to do this, he professes, is to love. Love leads us from mere coexistence to genuine companionship.

THE WAY OF LOVE

Although today's readings might seem drearily preoccupied with sin, Saint Paul explains why sin is important to discuss: because every sin reduces the amount of love in the world. Paul turns the focus from sin to love when he writes, "Love is the fulfillment of the law" (Romans 13:10). What power that verse contains! If we begin each day by reciting that verse, we would be well on our way to a more generous life—not only avoiding sin as much as possible, but also actively seeking out ways to make life sweeter for our neighbors. Memorized verses inspire us when we face difficulties during the day, when we are irritated with someone, for example, or we need to make a decision. Remembering that "love is the fulfillment of the law" might truly help us avoid sin and do good in daily life.

THE WAY OF PRAYER

Learning a scripture verse by heart is, of course, a way of praying. In today's Gospel, Jesus encourages us to pray. Jesus firmly believes in the power of prayer, going so far as to guarantee results: "I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father." Jesus promises something else, too, something vitally important. More than a game of Go Fish in which we hope we "got what we asked for," prayer is a living encounter with Jesus himself: "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Today's readings move us beyond the bare minimum and open an enormous world to us. We shun the pettiness of sin not because we fear punishment, but because we want to love others deeply. We pray to our great God not because we want to get favors from a divine vending machine, but because we want to spend time with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS

Ezekiel 33:7–9
Psalm 95:1–2, 6–9
Romans 13:8–10
Matthew 18:15–20



No tengan con nadie otra deuda que la

*del amor
mutuo.*

Romanos 13:8

Vigésimo Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

6 de septiembre de 2020

UN ESTÁNDAR MÁS ALTO

Nuestra cultura nos tienta a pensar que cualquier acción está permitida siempre y cuando no lastime a nadie más. Las lecturas de hoy nos muestran lo tristemente de mente estrecha que es ese pensamiento. Nos llaman a un estándar mucho más alto, que reconoce la majestuosa dignidad de cada persona humana. Ezequiel nos recuerda que los actos inicuos de una persona siempre afectan a toda la comunidad humana. Incluso si el pecado es privado, todos somos responsables de brillar la luz en la oscuridad. El Evangelio de Mateo se hace eco de esta idea, proporcionando consejos prácticos para llevar la sanación y la reconciliación a las relaciones pecaminosas o rotas. Las lecturas de hoy también nos muestran las profundas implicaciones del pecado: un fracaso para amar. San Pablo nos insta a evitar el pecado y obedecer la ley. La mejor manera de hacer esto, dice, es amar. El amor nos lleva de la mera convivencia a la compañía genuina.

EL CAMINO DEL AMOR

Aunque las lecturas de hoy podrían parecer tristemente preocupadas con el pecado, san Pablo explica porque el pecado es importante para discutir: porque cada pecado reduce la cantidad de amor que hay en el mundo. Pablo cambia el enfoque de pecado a amor cuando él escribe: “cumplir perfectamente la ley consiste en amar” (Romanos 10:13). ¡Que fuerza tiene ese versículo! Si empezamos a recitar esa frase, estaríamos bien en nuestro camino a una vida más generosa, no solo evitando el pecado lo más posible, sino también activamente buscando formas de hacer la vida más agradable para nuestros prójimos. Memorizar versículos nos inspira cuando enfrentamos dificultades durante el día, cuando estamos irritados con alguien, por ejemplo, o necesitamos tomar una decisión. Recordando que “cumplir perfectamente la ley consiste en amar” podría verdaderamente ayudarnos a evitar el pecado y hacer el bien en nuestra vida diaria.

EL CAMINO DE LA ORACIÓN

Aprender un versículo de la Biblia de memoria es, desde luego, una forma de hacer oración. En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús nos anima a rezar. Jesús firmemente cree en el poder de la oración, avanzar es una garantía de obtener resultados: “Yo les aseguro también que, si dos de ustedes se ponen de acuerdo para pedir algo, sea lo que fuere, mi Padre celestial se lo concederá”. Jesús promete algo más también, algo vitalmente importante. Más que un juego como el de Ir a Pescar en el cual esperamos “obtener lo que pedimos”; la oración es un vivo encuentro con el mismo Jesús: “pues donde dos o tres se reúnen en mi nombre, ahí estoy yo en medio de ellos”. Las lecturas de hoy nos mueven más allá de lo pequeño y abre un mundo enorme para nosotros. Rechazamos la mezquindad del pecado no porque temamos el castigo, sino porque queremos a amar a nuestro prójimo profundamente. Oramos a nuestro Dios todopoderoso no porque queremos favores de una máquina que dispensa golosinas, sino porque queremos dedicar un tiempo con nuestro Señor y Salvador, Jesucristo.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Ezequiel 33:7–9
Salmo 95 (94):1–2, 6–9
Romanos 13:8–10
Mateo 18:15–20

Our Parish Financial Corner

Update

Sunday 8-30-2020:

Envelopes / checks:	\$ 8,908.00
Plate:	748.00
Online Giving 8-30-2020:	\$ 7,694.77
Total for 8-30-2020:	\$ 17,350.77
JPII Debt Envelopes/ checks:	\$ 777.00
JPII Debt online 8-30-2020:	\$ 963.13
Total JPII 08-30-2020:	\$ 1,740.13
Total Misc. Income:	\$ 1,770.00

Dear Parishioners,

For your convenience we have provided several ways you can send us your offering.

- Safely drop off in the office between the hours 9 am to 2:30 pm Mon-Thurs.
- Drop in the mail slot in the Serra Building which is checked daily
- Mail in to St. Peter & St. Paul, 9135 Banyan St. Alta Loma, 91737
- Online giving via our website stpeterstpaul.com
- Through your bank

Thank you for your continued support of our parish and we all pray that we will be back together in our pews very soon. May God bless you and keep you and your families safe.

In Christ's Service
Father Henry

JPII

Parish Debt Elimination Campaign

August payment: \$19,200.00

Balance on Debt: \$179,028.72



**Prayer to Saint Joseph for intercession in
Financial Difficulty**

Dear Saint Joseph, You were yourself once faced with the responsibility of providing the necessities of life for Jesus and Mary. Look down with fatherly compassion upon those parish families in their anxiety over their present inability to support their families.

Please help them to find gainful employment very soon, so that this heavy burden of concern will be lifted from their hearts and that they are soon able to provide for those whom God has entrusted to their care. Help us to guard against bitterness and discouragement, so that we may emerge from this trial spiritually enriched and with even greater blessings from God. Amen.



Diocesan Development Fund

Diocese Goal: \$99,975.00

Pledges Made: \$130,663.00


Gifts Received: \$99,629.20

Donors: 433

Percent of Goal: 99.65 %


As of: Aug 27, 2020 10:59PM

Catholic Spirituality | Mass Schedule & Intentions



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Marriage Moments & Parenting Pointers



Labor Day "All work and no play make Jack a dull boy" - and a spouse boring. On this Labor Day, use a labor saving device (washer, microwave, car, blender, etc.) to save some time, then do something playful with your honey. Pray for (and thank) those who worked to make your life easier.


Heaven on Earth ... Friday's from 7 pm to 8 pm



Sign Up for
Adoration
During the COVID - 19 pandemic

Saturday, August 29	
4:00 PM	†Jose Hernandez †Peter Hernandez
Sunday, August 30	
7:30 AM	People of the Parish
9:00 AM	†Jesus Depra Descalsota †Edward Kinavey
11:00 AM	Eduardo Menendez - Happy Birthday †Armando Leopoldo Rios Monica De Jesus
1:00 PM	
5:00 PM	†Epafrodito Pascua †Johnson Chan
Monday, August 31	
7:30 AM	†Carmen V. Bradburne †Edward Kinavey
Tuesday, September 1	
7:30 AM	†Francisco Cardoso †Peggie Thornton
Wednesday, September 2	
7:30 AM	†Jaime & †Angelica Rodriguez †Juanita Yao
Thursday, September 3	
7:30 AM	†Girlie Gallegos †Ray & †Hortencia Paez
Friday, September 4	
7:30 AM	†Maria Castillo Bianca Wick - For Healing
Saturday, September 5	
7:30 AM	Heart of Mary Team
4:00 PM	†C. William Le Grand †Charles & Antionette Collins
Sunday, September 6	
7:30 AM	†Lorenza Huertazueta
9:00 AM	People of the Parish
11:00 AM	†Carlos Mispireta †Timothy Barragan
1:00 PM	
5:00 PM	†Costancio Pascual †Albert Moraga

Divine Mercy in My Soul
from the Diary of
Saint Faustina Kowalska



In the *Diary* Sister Faustina described her spiritual life, which was exceptionally profound, culminating in union with God in mystical marriage with Jesus. She wrote how deeply she came to know the mystery of the Divine Mercy and how she contemplated it in her daily life. She also wrote about her struggle against the weakness of human nature and the difficulties she came up against in carrying out her prophetic mission. Above all, the *Diary* contains the message of God's merciful love for humankind, which Sister Faustina was required to pass on to the Church and the world. This makes her *Diary* a special work, as the Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, said, "the gospel of mercy written from the 20th-century perspective."

Tagalog | **Romans 13:9-10**

Ang mga utos gaya ng, "Huwag kang mangangalunya**; huwag kang papatay; huwag kang magnanakaw; huwag mong pagnanasaang maangkin ang pag-aari ng iba;" at alinmang utos na tulad ng mga ito ay nauuwing lahat sa iisang utos, "Ibigin mo ang iyong kapwa gaya ng pag-ibig mo sa iyong sarili." Ang umiibig ay hindi gumagawa ng masama kaninuman, kaya't ang pag-ibig ang katuparan ng Kautusan. (**Maki apid).

The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet " and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, "**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.**" **Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.**

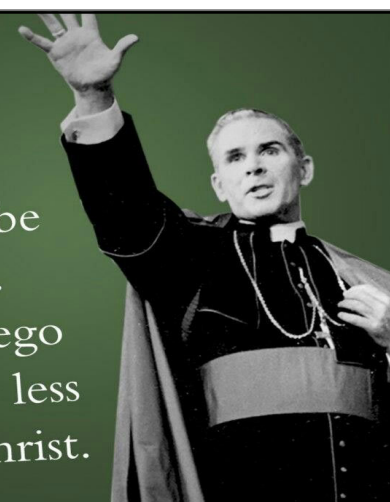
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 To stay connected with you, the People of God.
 May God help you to find whichever is lost in your life.
 I just found some words and sentences instead of that missing back pack.

THE PRIEST OF THE MISSING BACK PACK

"I DID NOT FIND MY BACK PACK, BUT I FOUND MANY REASONS TO WRITE ABOUT THE LORD..."



I don't want
 my life to
 be mine,
 I want it to be
Christ's.
 The more ego
 there is, the less
 there is of Christ.



Lord make us more like you. Amen



St. Vincent de Paul's Corner

National SVDP has asked that our
 helpline be closed
 For the safety of everyone
 due to the pandemic

For immediate assistance, dial 211 or
 Catholic Charities (909) 880-3625
 Questions about SVDP? Contact:

Scott, sandsky8@gmail.com or Fred, Firetruckfreddy@earthlink.net

Food donations for those in need in our community can be placed at any time in the container in front of the office. A portion will be distributed to the food pantry at His Hands at St. Joseph's church in Upland. Questions about food donations? Sherry B. Busiabaer@outlook.com

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

Matthew 25: 31-46



The Military Ministry at St Peter St Paul is currently seeking parishioners with family members serving in the military.



Military Ministry Request

The Military Ministry at St. Peter & St. Paul is seeking anyone interested in being part of our team, which will be made up of parishioners who have family members actively serving in the military. As well as, those who have a love for our military and are dedicated to keeping those who have served in our prayers. Activities of this ministry will consist of mailing care packages to military family members of our parishioners, support for families that have a loved one serving in active duty, coordinating with past and present military families for parish events, organizing special Masses and events for the Military holidays and celebrations. you are interested in being involved in this ministry, please contact: Jonathan & Lynde Peralta (Jonathan @ 951-285-0270, Lynde @909-938-3243)

**It was pride that changed angels
 into devils; it is humility that
 makes men as angels.**

Saint Augustine

Military Prayer List Please pray for those serving our country

(PFC) Jacob Beaty
 (AMN) Jacob Beckham
 (MC) Hadji Cabangcalan
 (MSG) Carlos Carrasco
 (LTC) Jeffrey Combalecer
 (PFC) Candace Cordero
 (SGT) Christian Cortez
 (SGT) Kurt Rehnburg
 (SMCCA) Raymund Alvaran
 (E3) Alexander Jimenez
 (PFC) Jacob Rivas

(PFC) Christian Lopez
 (SSG) Kamrin Pavlos
 (PO) Matthew Peralta
 (MSG) Victor Sanez
 (SSG) Jordan Stone
 (Specialist) Nathan Taylor
 (Sgt) Riley Villapando
 (SR) Nicole Woodall
 (USMC) Joseph Luzzini
 Daniel Duarte III

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We sell Scrip gift cards for many retailers like Target, Arco, Walmart, Panera Bread, Arco, Starbuck's, etc. Stop by our school office from 8:30-9:30 am Mondays. The gift card rebates (% varies per gift card purchase) support our school. **Not a school family? No problem!** You may still buy gift cards to help our general fund or support a school family with their Tuition Support Obligation. See the Office for details.



ADMINISTRATION

Kelly Burt—Principal
 Joann Losciale—Preschool Director
 Laura Onopa—Business Manager
 Maria Trujillo—Administrative Assistant

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September

Youth Ministry and Confirmation

Sign up now for all ministries!
Forms available online at stpeterstpaul.com

Ministries offered by the Youth Office:

Youth Groups:

EDGE

Middle School
Edge is a Catholic middle school youth ministry program. It provides a safe fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community.
Begins: Sept. 21st

LIFE TEEN

High School
Life Teen is a movement within the Roman Catholic Church, Life Teen leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.
Begins: Sept. 9th

For more information please contact Maggie

Catechism:

Sacramental Prep.

Sacramental Preparation is available for all high school and middle school teens who are seeking to receive their First Communion.
Begins: Sept. 24th

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is open for all teens ready to take a step forward in their faith and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Your teen must be 14 at the time of enrollment.
Year 1 begins: 3rd week of september
Year 2 begins: last week of september

For more information please contact Daniel

Young Adults:

RENEWED

Renewed is a young adult group for anyone in their early stage of adulthood.
For more information please contact Maggie

Staff/Hours

Maggie Kelledy-Paroski - Youth Minister ext. 301
Daniel Manriquez - Youth Confirmation Coordinator ext. 300
Suzy Metzgar - Youth Ministry Admin. Assistant ext. 225

(909) 987-9312

Office Hours:

Mon & Tues: 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
Wed & Thurs: Through phone only, use ext. 301 - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Fri-Sun: CLOSED



Ministry ZOOM Meeting Contacts

St. Joseph Covenant Keepers

Saturday @ 7:30-9:00 am

Contact: Chuck Denise. cfdinise@gmail.com

Adult Bible Study

Wednesday @ 9-10:30 am and 7-8:30 pm

Contact: Jenny Campbell. jcampbell@stpeterstpaul.com

Boy Scout Troop

Monday @ 6:55 pm

Contact: Marc Cobb. Marccobb@verizon.net

*Note: Knights of Columbus meetings are for members only Contact Marc Cobb

Catholic Daughters- Our Lady of Fatima Court #1387

3rd Monday @ 7 pm with rosary at 6:30 pm

Contact: Yvette Weilacker. yweilacker@gmail.com

Hispanic Community

Daily rosary in Spanish

Friday June 5 at 7pm

Contact: Mercedes Aschenbrenner. mercedesasch@icloud.com

St. Vincent de Paul Member Meeting

Wednesday @ 7:00 pm

Contact: Scott Schwartz. sandnsky8@gmail.com

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Monday @ 10:30-12:00

Contact: Mary Jo Kunkel. mjkunke155@gmail.com

ACTS

Women - 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 7:00 pm

Men - 3rd Thursday of the month @ 7:00 pm

Contact: Tiffany Wulkopf. tiffanywulkopf@gmail.com or 909-565-3348

Virtual pre-baptism classes

Once a month beginning June

Contact: Aileen Gamalinda for more information. agamalinda@stpeterstpaul.com

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PASTOR**

**REV. JUAN SANDOVAL
PAROCHIAL VICAR**

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(909) 987-7908

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<https://app.flocknote.com/spspaltaloma>
www.facebook.com/spspaltaloma

Regular Parish Office Hours (909) 987-9312

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - 2:30 pm
Friday Closed

Children's Faith Formation & Baptism (909) 980-9423

Office Hours: Tuesday thru Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Or by appointment
CLOSED Fridays

Youth Ministry

Sun: Closed/Mon: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm/ Tues. 1:30 pm 4:30 pm /
Wed: Closed / Thurs: 1:30 pm -
4:30 pm/ Fri: By Appointment / Sat: Closed

Our Parish Office Staff 987-9312

Business Manager	Karen Hein	Ext. 230
IT (Support Specialist)	Jason Cary	
	jcary@stpeterstpaul.com	
Liturgy Administrative Assistant	Carolina Menendez	Ext. 303
Life Teen Music Coordinator	Melissa Acosta	Ext. 227
Matrimonial Sacraments	Aileen Gamalinda	Ext. 231
Music Director	Audrey Donaldson	Ext. 227
Pastoral Care	Debby Leonardo	Ext. 302
	Gloria Rivera	Ext. 222
Parish Admin. Assistant /Bulletin	Alex Zarate	Ext. 242
Parish Office Secretary	Ann Hogan	Ext. 221

Kindness is the Language

Which

THE DEAF CAN HEAR AND THE BLIND CAN SEE

Parish School / Preschool through – 8th grade: 987-7908

Principal – Preschool Director	Kelly Burt	Ext. 235
Business Manager	Laura Onopa	Ext. 245
Administrative Assistant	Maria Trujillo	Ext. 234

Parish Mission Statement

We the people of St. Peter and St. Paul Parish, as members of the Roman Catholic Church, are a sacramental, worshipping community on a journey towards the fulfillment of Christ's Kingdom. We strive to provide a spiritual haven for all people without distinction. We are equally committed to the challenges of the gospel message. We accept its call to ongoing conversion, the use of our gifts for the benefit of our community, and loving service to one another.

**Pray for the dead
and
Fight to the end for the living**



We at Saint Peter and Saint Paul Catholic Church are excited and feel very blessed with the arrival of one of our seminarians, Arinze Ezeoke. Arinze will be serving his internship here at St. Peter & St. Paul during his final year of preparation for the priesthood.

Arinze came to join his mother in California in 2009 and with the help of the Holy Spirit, Young Adult Ministry and the Charismatic Renewal movement, he said yes to a call to the priesthood. He began to learn how to listen to God and how God speaks to him in prayer. In his own words, Michael explains: "Without a prayer life, I never would have imagined choosing to discern where God is calling me." During his seminary studies, he has participated in the RCIA process, as well as ministering to those in nursing homes and prisons. He learned about meeting people

where they are.

He is a member of Sacred Heart Parish here in Rancho Cucamonga and he has also participated in several events at our parish, including our Corpus Christi Processions. During this coming academic year, Arinze will be an active member of our staff and will be introducing himself as well as participating in the various ministries and apostolates within our parish community.

Please give a warm welcome to our future holy priest, Arinze Ezeoke.





Pope Francis: St John Paul II a man of prayer, closeness, justice

By Christopher Wells May 18, 2020

Pope Francis celebrated the 100th anniversary of the birth of St John Paul II by offering Holy Mass at the altar where the Polish Pope is buried in St Peter's Basilica. Joined by a very limited number of the faithful, the liturgy on Monday morning was the first Mass open to the public after almost two months of restrictions due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Lord has visited His People

Pope Francis began his homily by reminding us that **God loves His People**, and in times of difficulty “visits” them by sending a holy man or a prophet. In the life of Pope John Paul II, we can see a man **sent by God, prepared by Him, and made Bishop and Pope to guide God's Church**. “Today, we can say that the Lord visited His people”.

A man of prayer

Pope Francis focused on three particular traits that marked the life of John Paul II: prayer, closeness, and mercy. Despite his many duties as Pope, John Paul II always found time to pray. “**He knew well that the first task of the bishop is to pray**”, Pope Francis said, noting that this is the teaching of St Peter in the Acts of the Apostles. “The first task of the bishop is to pray”, the Pope repeated. John Paul “knew this, and did it”.

Close to the people

St John Paul II was also close to the people, **not detached or separated from them, but travelling the whole world to seek them out**. Already in the Old Testament, **we can see how God was uniquely close to His People**. This closeness culminated in the Incarnation, when Jesus Himself dwelt among His people. John Paul followed the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, drawing near to both the great and the small, to those close by and those physically far away.

Merciful justice

Finally, Pope Francis said, St John Paul II was remarkable for his love of justice. But his love for justice was a desire for justice completed by mercy. And so John Paul was also a man of mercy, “**because justice and mercy go together**”. John Paul, who did so much to promote the Divine Mercy devotion, believed that **God's justice “had this face of mercy, this attitude of mercy.”** Pope Francis concluded his homily with the prayer that the Lord might grant to all of us, and especially to pastors, the grace of prayer, of closeness, and the grace of justice in mercy, and merciful justice., like Peter and Paul



40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

Overview

From September 23 through November 1, our community will unite with many others from coast to coast – and internationally – for a major simultaneous pro-life mobilization – the 40 Days for Life campaign. Faithful believers are praying that these efforts will mark the beginning of the end of abortion.

Vision and Mission

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a **vision** to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion.

The **mission** of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 day campaign of prayer, fasting, and peaceful activism, with the purpose of repentance, to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion.

Campaign Components

One of the strengths of 40 Days for Life is its simplicity. The campaign is made up of three key components:

- **Prayer and fasting:** inviting people of faith throughout our city and across the country to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion
- **Peaceful Vigil:** standing for life through a 40-day peaceful public witness outside the Planned Parenthood located at 918 W. Foothill Blvd. Upland, CA 91786
- **Community Outreach:** taking a positive, upbeat pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, church and school outreach, petition drives, and public visibility

How YOU Can Make a Difference

Please pray and ask God to show you the unique role He has for you in the 40 Days for Life effort:

- **Prayer volunteers** are needed to fast and petition God that He will bless this effort and do as He promised in 2 Chronicles 7:14; that He will hear our prayer and heal our land.
- **Vigil participation** may be your role. God could be asking you to peacefully stand as His witness outside the local abortion facility as a sign to the community that what goes on inside that building is simply wrong.
- **Leadership** is needed in the following areas:

Campaign director * Vigil coordinator * Event coordinator * Communications coordinator

If you still need more information to help you decide where to get involved:

- Contact Deborah Cummins (909) 240-6419 deborahc@cumminsarchitecture.com
- Take time to pray and ask God to show you His plans for your involvement



40 DÍAS POR LA VIDA.

Resumen

Del 23 de septiembre al 1 de noviembre, nuestra comunidad se unirá a muchos otros individuos de costa a costa, así como alrededor del mundo, en una importante movilización simultánea pro vida: la campaña de 40 Días por la Vida. Los fieles creyentes están orando para que estos esfuerzos marquen el principio del fin del aborto.

Visión y Misión

40 Días por la Vida es una campaña pro vida enfocada en la **visión** de acceder al poder de Dios mediante la oración, el ayuno y la vigilia pacífica para acabar con el aborto.

La **misión** de la campaña es reunir el cuerpo de Cristo en un espíritu de unidad durante una campaña de 40 días enfocada en la oración, el ayuno y el activismo pacífico, con el propósito de arrepentirse y buscar el favor de Dios, para cambiar los corazones y las mentes de una cultura de muerte hacia una cultura de la vida, poniendo así fin al aborto.

Componentes de la campaña

Uno de los puntos fuertes de 40 Días por la Vida es su simplicidad. La campaña se basa en tres componentes principales:

- **La oración y el ayuno:** invitando a las personas de fe a lo largo de nuestra ciudad y de todo el país a unirse a 40 días de oración ferviente y ayuno por el fin del aborto
- **Vigilia pacífica:** apoyando la vida a través de un testimonio público y pacífico durante 40 días, en las inmediaciones del Planned Parenthood 918 W. Foothill Blvd. Upland CA 91786
- **Alcance comunitario:** llevando un mensaje pro vida optimista a cada rincón de nuestra ciudad, mediante esfuerzos de los medios, la iglesia y el alcance a las escuelas, recolección de firmas y la visibilidad pública

¿Cómo puede USTED hacer una diferencia?

Por favor, ore y pídale a Dios que le muestre el papel único que Él tiene para usted en el esfuerzo de 40 Días por la Vida:

- Se necesitan **Voluntarios de oración** para ayunar y pedirle a Dios Su bendición para este esfuerzo, y para que cumpla lo que Él prometió en 2 crónicas 7:14; Él oirá nuestra oración y sanará nuestra tierra.
- Su función podría ser la de **participar en la vigilia**. Dios podría estar pidiendo que se pare pacíficamente como Su testigo fuera de la clínica de aborto local, como una señal a la comunidad que demuestre que lo que sucede dentro de ese edificio está mal.
- Su especialidad podría ser la de participar en el **alcance comunitario**. Si usted es una persona con una personalidad extrovertida, por favor considere esto. Quizás se lo esté llamando a dar un salto de fe y salir a educar a su ciudad acerca de la verdad de Dios.
- Se requiere **liderazgo** en las siguientes áreas:

Director de campana * Coordinador de vigilia * Coordinador de alcance * Coordinador de eventos
Coordinador de iglesia/oración * Coordinador de prensa

Si aún necesita más información para ayudarle a decidir dónde involucrarse:

- Contacto Maria Kitchen (626) 676-4203 intelligentserv@hotmail.com
- Tómese el tiempo para orar y pedirle a Dios que le muestre Sus planes para su participación

Our Little Future Citizens

Soon we can exercise our right to vote in the Presidential election. We may have different political opinions but as mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, and grandparents we should all be united as one in the effort to protect life. This is the most important issue there is. Without life, nothing else matters!!

Do not let big business such as Planned Parenthood pull the wool over your eyes any longer. As for their "rabbit ads," I find them highly offensive to women.

Babies are being killed by the millions while still in their mother's womb through the crime of abortion. The earliest form of child abuse is abortion and the deadliest. We should all be outraged by this heinous crime - and it is a crime of the worst magnitude. The blood of these innocent ones cry out for our help.

Please search your hearts, your consciences and your faith and vote for our little future citizens.

[Vote for Life.](#)

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Mass Time (Change)

8:00 AM