

# Church of the Ascension

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SEPTEMBER 11, 2022 — TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Because Moses interceded, the LORD relented and did not punish the people (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

**Psalm** — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

**Second Reading** — Paul expresses his gratitude for being appointed to the ministry (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

**Gospel** — There is great rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Hao Dinh, Pastor  
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## Catechetical Ministry

Loy Oppus-Moe,  
Youth Faith Formation  
Coordinator  
RCIA Rev. Hao Dinh,  
Pastor

## Masses

### Saturday

9:00 a.m.  
5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

### Sunday

7:00 a.m.  
9:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
5:00 p.m.

### Weekday

M—F 8:00 a.m.

### Holy Days

Mass times as announced

## Reconciliation

Saturday  
4:00 pm—4:45 pm

## RELYING ON GOD'S LOVE

Imagine being among those who heard Jesus address the Pharisees and scribes in the encounter we hear in today's Gospel: "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it?" Would you leave ninety-nine in the desert in order to find one lost sheep? In the parable, Jesus is showing us the depths of God's love, the illogical, incredible love God has for each of us.

Moses counted on this loving mercy as he spoke for the wandering people; Saint Paul acknowledges his reliance on it in his letter to Timothy. God desires to draw you close, seeking you when you are lost. Are you ready to be drawn into God's loving embrace?

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## Church of the Ascension: Youth Faith Formation Program

Youth Faith Formation begins with a Parent Orientation this Sunday,  
**September 11th.**

To enroll your child/ren, (if you have not yet done so), please complete the registration form (found on our website, home page) for the program which runs September 2022 through May 2023.

**We are looking for volunteers to help** (teaching, free lending library, set-up/clean-up, special projects, events). You can also think about co-facilitating a class with another adult. It's a unique way to serve, while also growing in your faith!

If called to this ministry,

please contact: Loy Oppus-Moe (408) 621-1587  
or email her at [loy.oppusmoe@dsj.org](mailto:loy.oppusmoe@dsj.org)



## SUNDAY IS GRANDPARENTS' DAY

May all Grandparents be honored and blessed; may their children and grandchildren reward their efforts with joy and appreciation.

**Grandparents fill the world with LOVE!**

### A GRANDPARENT RECIPE

A grandparent is a little bit parent, a little bit teacher, and a little bit best friend.  
—Anonymous

## Our Lady of Sorrows

The devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows, also known as Mater Dolorosa (Mother of Sorrows) recalls the Blessed Virgin Mary's spiritual martyrdom in virtue of her perfect union with the Passion of Christ. This was her role in salvation history, and what merited her place as the spiritual Mother of all Christians.

Our Lady of Sorrows is symbolized by a single sword, or seven swords, piercing Mary's suffering heart, as foretold in Simeon's prophecy. Traditionally the Church meditates on the "**Seven Sorrows**" of our Blessed Mother:

- 1) the prophecy of Simeon;
- 2) the Holy Family's flight into Egypt;
- 3) the loss of the Child Jesus for three days;
- 4) the meeting of Mary and Jesus as he carried his cross;
- 5) Jesus' crucifixion and death;
- 6) Jesus' sacred body taken down from the cross;
- 7) and Jesus' burial.

**The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows is September 15th.**

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

<b>Monday</b>	<b>The Most Holy Name of Mary</b> (Mary was a popular name among the Hebrews, in memory of Miriam, the sister of Moses and Aaron. Some scholars think this name is related to an Egyptian word for "beloved.")
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>St. John Chrysostom</b> (4th cent. Bishop & Doctor of the Church; patron of epileptics, orators, lecturers)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b> (this feast commemorates Christ's victory over death by his crucifixion and resurrection; also the finding of the true cross by Emperor Constantine's mother, Helen, and the building of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher at the site)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Lady of Sorrows</b> (a name by which the Virgin Mary is referred to in relation to sorrows in her life, with special devotions to her Seven Sorrows)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Pope St. Cornelius &amp; St. Cyprian</b> (Cornelius: 3rd cent. Roman pope & martyr, patron of domestic animals, earache sufferers; Cyprian: contemporary of Cornelius, Roman-African bishop & martyr)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>St. Robert Bellarmine</b> (16th cent. Italian Jesuit priest, Cardinal & Doctor of the Faith; patron of canon lawyers, catechists)

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sep 10	Sat	9 a.m.	Mary Park (L)
		5 p.m.	The Leano Family
Sep 11	Sun	7 a.m.	All Parishioners
		9 a.m.	Augustine Vi Nguyen +
		11 a.m.	John Sokol, Senior +
		5 p.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 12	Mon	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 13	Tue	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 14	Wed	8 a.m.	Shannon Borromeo (L)
Sep 15	Thu	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 16	Fri	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 17	Sat	9 a.m.	Ysabelle Olaes (L)
		5 p.m.	Sister Maria Ca Do (L)
Sep 18	Sun	7 a.m.	All Parishioners
		9 a.m.	Kathy Sital (L)
		11 a.m.	All Parishioners
		5 p.m.	All Parishioners

## VOTE "NO" ON PROP 1

On August 26, Bishop Cantú of San Jose stated, "(California) state legislature passed a bill, which Governor Newsom has signed, which will be placed before voters on November 8th... Proposition 1 is both egregious and dangerous for two simple reasons: the bill's broad language enshrines a right to late-term abortions (which most Californians agree should be limited) in the state constitution; and it will use taxpayer funds to administer them. The California Catholic Conference has joined a broad coalition of Californians to defeat Prop 1.

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA) FOR ADULTS

Our Christian Initiation for Adults just began last week. Upcoming topics are as follows:

**September 11:** God/Trinity/Jesus

**September 18:** Introduction to the Scripture/Old Testament

**September 25:** New Testament

*If you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith or wish to complete the Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, please call the office at (408) 725-3939.*

## THANK YOU

Sept. 04, 2022	Our Weekly Offering
NEEDED	\$5,400
COLLECTED	\$3,844
WESHARE	\$ 654
TOTAL	\$4,498

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Indian School Mission	\$4,730
Sound System	\$5,000