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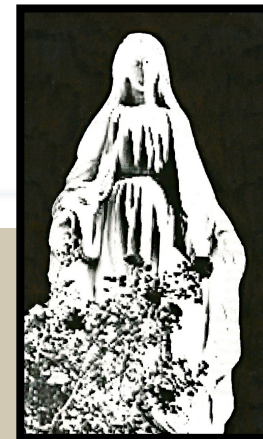
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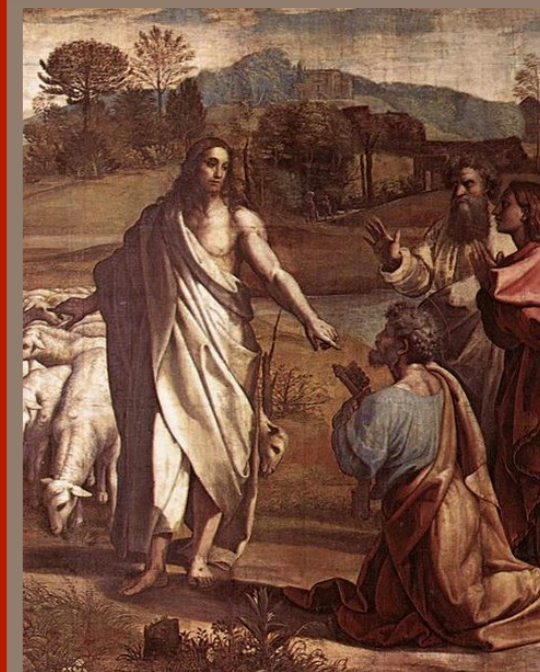
September 17, 2023  
Twenty-fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time



# Our Lady of Light

## Catholic Parish

9136 Riverside Drive  
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 www.ourladyoflight.church



"The Handing Over of the Keys"  
 Detail c. 1515  
 Raphael Sanzio

### Daily Mass

Weekdays at  
 8:00 AM

### Vigil on Saturday

5:30 PM

### Sunday Mass

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

### First Saturdays

8:00 AM

### Reconciliation

Fridays following the  
 8:00 AM Mass,  
 Saturday, 4-5 PM,  
 or By Appointment

### Benediction/Exposition

Fridays following  
 8:00 AM Mass

### Divine Mercy Devotion

Fridays following  
 8:00 AM Mass

### Parish Office

Phone 619-445-3620  
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E-Mail  
 office@ourladyoflight.church  
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 Office Hours

The office is temporarily closed  
 for any scheduled hours

### Our Pastor

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 E-Mail  
 rfuentes@ourladyoflight.church

### Baptism & Marriage

Contact Father Rick

### R.C.I.A.

Contact Father Rick

### CYM Classes

Contact Father Rick

There are many terrific  
 opportunities within our  
 family of faith, to Love,  
 Grow & Serve. Please  
 see our lists of Activities,  
 Organizations, & Events,  
 inside this bulletin!



The mission of  
 Our Lady of Light Church,  
 is to provide an amicable  
 environment of Catholic worship,  
 education, evangelization and  
 service, to all of God's people.  
 Together we strive to be  
 instruments of God's love,  
 peace, and joy,  
 following the example of  
 Our Lady of Light.

**86th Annual BBQ**  
**Please turn in any**  
**and all receipts**  
**for which you**  
**need**  
**reimbursement**  
**from this year's**  
**Labor Day BBQ.**  
**Thank you**  
**and**  
**God Bless**



**Please!**

**Remember in your prayers**

Liz Sjoquist, Annette Musco,  
 Paul Colwell, Jan Nasland, Fr. Rick,  
 Pat Schumacher, Mitch Dashiell,  
 Mike Delvac, Thanya Avila Botello,  
 Betty Ward, Alexis McCollum,  
 Matt and Bonnie Hansen, Bruno  
 Mary Jane Ritter, MargieTamayo,  
 and Erys Gonzalez.



**Pray for**  
**the repose**  
**of these souls**  
 Doris Mattar  
 and Cindy Thornton.

**Mass Intentions for This Week**

**Saturday, September 16** *Vigil Mass*  
 5:30 PM For all Prayer Intentions

**Sunday, September 17** *Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 8:00 AM Parishioners & Benefactors  
 10:00 AM Gus & Gary Nystrom, RIP

**Monday, September 18**  
 8:00 AM For the Sick

**Tuesday, September 19** *St. Januarius Bishop and Martyr*  
 8:00 AM For the Bishop

**Wednesday, September 20** *Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon Paul Chongha-Sang*  
 8:00 AM For the Grace of a Happy Death

**Thursday, September 21** *St. Matthew Apostle and Evangelist*  
 8:00 AM Fr. Timothy Deutsch, Prayers

**Friday, September 22**  
 8:00 AM For the Evangelization of Peoples

**Organizations & Contact Info**

**Altar & Rosary Society** Meetings; 2nd Thursday of each Month  
 Charlene Phelps [9933char@gmail.com](mailto:9933char@gmail.com) 619-659-0488

**Prayer Circle**  
 Pat Hansen [hansenpat@msn.com](mailto:hansenpat@msn.com) 619-445-3822

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 Joanne Kroll [katieangel.10@hotmail.com](mailto:katieangel.10@hotmail.com) 760-527-5003

**Pro-Life Ministry "40 Days for Life"**  
 Pat Hansen [hansenpat@msn.com](mailto:hansenpat@msn.com) 619-445-3822

**Finance Council**  
 Mark Duda [mark@ourladyoflight.church](mailto:mark@ourladyoflight.church) 619-722-4300

**Parish Office Hours**

Please note that the Parish Office is temporarily closed for scheduled hours. If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call Fr. Rick at 619-445-4972. Otherwise you may leave a message at 619-445-3620 or contact us by email at [office@ourladyoflight.church](mailto:office@ourladyoflight.church). You may continue to use the mail slot up in the Parish Hall to the right of the main double doors, under the OFFICE sign.

**A Message from Father Rick**



Jesus' teaching on forgiveness is probably the most difficult of all Christian teachings. Most of us probably want, if only it is possible, to be exempted from His commandment of loving even our enemies. It is because the enemies or our adversaries are the ones who are difficult to forgive. This might lead us to believe that perfection is indeed unattainable. When Jesus said, "be perfect as your Heavenly Father is perfect" He probably meant to "never stop trying to be perfect." Perfection after all is not a goal but a process. As long as we keep trying, we are on the right path. Jesus in this Sunday's parable makes an indispensable correlation between God's forgiveness and one's act of forgiving others in the same way that one cannot love God without loving one's neighbor. The parable also reminds us that forgiveness does not mean we should forget what had been owed or done. True forgiveness is a realization that God has forgiven us first and through the grace we have received we are able to forgive others from the heart. In other words, we have to realize that we are able to give because we have received so many blessings from God first.

**Parish Offerings September 10**

Plate Collections	\$	577
Envelope Tithes	\$	1,350
Donations (Restricted)	\$	150
Coffee & Donuts	\$	11
Building Fund (Restricted)	\$	245
Total	\$	2,333
Average Weekly Operating Expenses	\$	3,194

Please note that the Building Funds cannot be used towards Operating Expenses.

**The Latest Topics!**



**\*Religious Education...Classes begin Sept. 24**

Sign ups for this year's religious education classes, are available in the back of the church. Looking for a teacher for the 5-6 year olds. Please contact Joanne Kroll or Irma Nystrom if you have any questions. Info in the organizations section of the bulletin.

**\*Confirmation Class...Begins Sept. 24**

We are pleased to announce that we will be providing a religious education class for students preparing to make their Confirmation. The class will meet beginning September 24 following the 8 AM Mass and is being led by our own Pat Hansen. Students registering must be 13 1/2.

**\*BBQ Requests...Receipts and shirts**

If you have receipts from the BBQ for which you need reimbursement, please contact Robin Shull at [rkshull54@gmail.com](mailto:rkshull54@gmail.com) and she will provide you with the necessary form. We need all receipts in ASAP so we are able to present the final numbers from this year's BBQ. Also, if you were given a security shirt to wear please return it to the Parish hall.

**\*40 Days for Life Fall Campaign**

The fall campaign will begin with the Opening Ceremony on Tuesday, September 26 at 6 PM on East Main Street in El Cajon. Our Lady of Light and Queen of Angels Parish will be praying every Tuesday during the month of October. Please consider joining our Tuesday Team and support Moms and babies for LIFE! For more info contact Pat Hansen.

**\*Beginning Experience**

If you are grieving the loss of your marriage through death, divorce or separation, join us at the Prince of Peace Abbey in Oceanside, CA October 13-15, 2023. A trained team leads participants through a healing and growth program. If you are ready to move through your feelings of grief, into the light of a new beginning and hope, this weekend may be for you. Contact Vicki 858-748-2273 or [beginningexperiencesd@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencesd@gmail.com)

**\*Fall Candles Now Available**

Fall candles are now available in the back of the church. These lovely little holiday lights are made by Claire Donovan from church candles that have served their purpose. Donations are accepted which helps to buy candle making supplies (wicks etc.). When you see Claire thank her.



**Mary's Corner**

*"To desire grace without recourse to the Virgin Mother, is to desire to fly without wings."*  
**Pope Pius XII**