

ST. LAWRENCE

AUGUST 11, 2019

GIRD YOUR LOINS AND LIGHT YOUR LAMPS.

The Gospel of St. Luke provides us on this Sunday a series of maxims and sayings from Jesus about the confidence and trust we should have in the providence of God and the vigilant hope we should cultivate concerning the return of the Lord (Parusia).

The wisdom of Jesus shows us that we do not have the certainty about the actual date of the return of the Lord. The parables try to help the disciples understand that, more important than knowing the day, the hour or the year of the Lord Jesus' return, we must work for our own improvement and progress and that of our community. Our communities represent in a very special way the believers in Jesus Christ who share the same faith, the same baptism; and as an extension of the significance of the community we also come across our own personal families, our coworkers, etc. We should remain vigilant is the meaning of the words "gird your loins and light your lamps", that is to be ready to join the march forward or a change of attitude, both of which are necessary to please the Lord.

They are also teachings that console and invite one to self-abandonment with faith in the providence of God.

FR. CESAR

Please support Fr. Cesar's kitchen sale on August 18. Funds will go to help him with the parish needs in Monterey where he is the Pastor.

RCIA Registration begins NOW

Do you need Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, now is the time please call Lucy 323-434-7679, Maria 661-330-2880, Mariana 310-754-6616. Program starts mid September 2019.

ADVERTISE IN THE PARISH BULLETIN

Make this Weekly Bulletin possible. Space is available for your Business. Call the office at (323)567-1439.

NEXT SWAP MEET AUGUST 31

Rent a space for only \$20. Come shop and support your neighbors.

BINGO

Will be canceled until September due to the church renovations.

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30PM +Jorge Collins

7:30AM +Lucio Gutierrez-birthday, Nacheley Park, Yolanda Sanchez, Pat Cooper, Teresa Sosa, Adela Campos-for their recuperation

11:00AM Esperanza Torres- 71 birthday

CHURCH RENOVATIONS

Next Sunday we will be back in the church with chairs. There is still work to be done: detailed painting, new sound systems and 2 new doors. The pews arrive in September.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Please support the sale of raffle tickets for our November carnival. We are asking every family to sell 1 book. Each book sells for \$75.00. The goal is to sell 1,500 books. All funds raised are for the church renovations. We still need to raise the funds for a new sound system and detail painting. Your support will help us complete this task. God bless you for your generosity.

FRIENDS OF ST. LAWRENCE is looking for high school or college age tutors for our after school Literacy Center Program. This is a part time after school job that runs from August to May. Tutors will be paid \$14.25 an hour and learn responsibility and leadership skills. Applications are available in the church office. Any questions, please call Delan Hilliard (310)614-3532.

REGISTRATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Attention to all parents we will be registering until Tuesday, August 20th for First Holy Communion Monday thru Thursday from 1:00PM – 6:30PM, and today **Sunday August 11, after all Masses**. Looking forward to seeing all of you.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRARION

We will be registering until Tuesday, August 20 from 1PM – 6:30PM, Monday thru Thursday. Make sure you bring Baptism & First Communion Certificates. Fee per student \$70.00 For second year students if last year you didn't bring Baptism & First Communion certificates you need to bring them. Fee Registration is \$70.00 per student.

THANK YOU TO THE USHERS OF THE SPANISH MASSES

For their donation to replace the windows in the candle room. God bless you for your generosity.