

St. Felicitas Catholic Church

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JUNE 28, 2026

TAKE UP YOUR
CROSS.

— MATTHEW 10:38 —

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Schedule :

Chương Trình Thánh Lễ / Horario para Misas

Sunday / Chúa Nhật / Domingo

7:30 am - 9:00 am - 10:30 am (English)

12:30 pm (Spanish) 4:30 pm (Vietnamese)

Saturday / Thứ Bảy / Sábado

7:00 am - 4:00 pm (Vigil)

Daily / Ngày thường / Diariamente

(Monday to Friday) 7:00 am & 8:15 am

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed everyday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Chapel at the St. Joseph's Center (the Parish Office). We encourage all our parishioners to visit the Chapel and spend time with our Blessed Lord.

Sacraments / Các Bí Tích / Sacramentos

Reconciliation / Giải Tội / Reconciliación

Monday to Friday - 7:30 am to 8:00 am

Saturday, 3:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Marriage / Hôn Phối / Matrimonio

Arrangements to be made 6 months prior to the wedding.

Baptism : If you are planning to have your child baptized, parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months. For more information call the parish office at (510) 351-5244.

We have Baptisms in English on the 4th Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm and Baptism classes for parents and godparents will be on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm - St. Mary's Center.

Parish Office Hours/Giờ làm việc VPGX / Horario de Oficinas

Monday / Thứ Hai / Lunes to 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday / Thứ Sáu / Viernes

Parish Staff /Nhân viên của Giáo xứ /

Personal de la Parroquia

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Parish School

Shannon Bellison, *Principal* 510 357-2530

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Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)

Theresa Legaspi : saintfelicitascyo@gmail.com

Religious Education Office

Sandi Walton, *Director of Religious Education* 510 962-4199

stfelicitascdd@comcast.net

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Geri Lara, *Youth Services* 510 326-5693

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St. Vincent de Paul-Call Center 510-638-7600

GOD
BLESS & KEEP
OUR NATION

June 28, 2026 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday's Readings: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19;
Romans 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

Readings for the week of June 28, 2026

Mon: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18;
Matthew 16:13-19

Tues: Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8; Matthew 8:23-27

Wed: Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17; Matthew 8:28-34

Thurs: Amos 7:10-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Matthew 9:1-8

Fri: Ephesians 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; John 20:24-29

Sat: Amos 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Matthew 9:14-17

Gospel Reflection : *I still remember the first homily I ever preached as a new deacon. It was at the seminary, and the Gospel was this one: “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me.” (Matthew 10:37-38) Standing before more than 200 classmates and professors, I stumbled awkwardly through my words and realized how strange — almost insane — this teaching sounded. If anyone else said it, we would call it narcissistic or cultish.*

And that is the point. I felt the weight of those words in my own heart then, as I still do today. Am I willing to live as though Christ’s claim on my love is absolute? Are you?

Over the years, I’ve learned that the more I do, the more everything else makes sense. Family, friendships, vocation, even my very self: all of it falls into place when my love for Jesus comes first.

That is why he dares to speak this way. Our Lord is not a cult leader hungry for control. He is the Son of God, the source of life and love itself. To put him before everything else is not to lose, but to find...everything, and everyone, in him.

This week, name one thing or one person you are tempted to place before the Lord. Then consciously offer it back to him in prayer.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

Welcome Fr. Ramon to St. Felicitas Parish

Next weekend, we are delighted to officially welcome our new Parochial Vicar, Rev. Fr. Ramon Urbina to our parish. We are incredibly blessed to have him join our community to guide us in faith, hope, and love. Below is a little write-up on Father, to help us get to know him better.

Fr. Ramon Urbina grew up in Antioch, CA. The oldest of three children, his family has expanded to include five nephews and two nieces. His parents still live in Antioch and are active members of their parish community.

Originally studying art in college, he felt the calling to a life of ministry as a priest. His initial discernment brought him to study with the Divine Word Missionaries at Divine Word College Seminary in Epworth, IA. After four years of studying philosophy, culminating in entering the order’s Novitiate program in Techny, IL, he decided his calling was to serve the people in his home diocese.

After leaving the Divine Word formation program he worked with special needs kids in the Antioch Unified School District for two years. In 2017, he was accepted into the Diocese of Oakland. His internship was done at St. Raymond Church in Dublin, CA. In 2022, he was ordained as a priest by Bishop Michael Barber. Fr. Ramon’s first assignment was as a Parochial Vicar at St. Bonaventure in Concord. He was later moved to help the bustling community at St. Francis of Assisi (also in Concord). Starting July 01, Fr. Ramon will be ministering to our parishioners here at St. Felicitas. As he begins his ministry among us, let us surround him with our prayers and support. Please take a moment after Mass to introduce yourself and welcome him to our parish! Let us keep Fr. Ramon in our prayers.



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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Parish Offering for : *June 14* *June 21*
Sunday Collection : \$ 10,339.00 \$ 9,295.00
Catholic Comm. : \$ 2,907.00
Building Fund : \$ 5,416.00
Second Collection this Sunday : Holy Father
(Peter's Pence)
Second Collection next Sunday : Maintenance
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Support the works of the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of the Pope. Take this opportunity to join with the Pope to be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.valen.html.

First Friday - July 3, 2026

Our First Friday Adoration on July 03, will be in the Church. It begins after the 8:15 am Mass until 12 noon. Join us for Holy Hour and Benediction.

Come any time during the adoration hours to spend some quiet, prayerful time with Jesus.



As our nation celebrates its 250th year, let us pray for unity, healing, and spiritual renewal for our country.



Prayer

God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care.

You are the rock on which this nation was founded.

You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people. Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, lead us into a new millennium of life.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

PARISH MINISTRIES & SCHEDULES

Adult Confirmation

Classes every Saturday, at 9:00 a.m. at the St. Mary's Center. For more information contact Maria Lara-Puleo at (510) 877-2888 or email her at maripazlara2211@gmail.com

Faith Formation

English: Director of Religious Education - Sandi Walton
 All Classes now in person. For information call (510) 347 1282
Spanish : Marvin Ramos - President (510) 919-4314

Lesly Perez - Span. Assoc. Coordinator (510) 907-2028

Maria Castillo - CCD (510) 347-1293

Vietnamese: Mr. Hoang Hung

Classes: Sunday 1:00pm, Vietnamese Language
 3:00pm, Catechism

OCIA-the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Meetings held in person at the St. Joseph's Center at 6:30 pm -
 Contact Deacon Timothy Myers

Youth Ministry

Youth Confirmation - Contact Geri Lara

Classes now in person on the following days :

1st year Sunday at 9:00 am : 2nd year Sunday at 11:30 am

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Every Wednesday morning after 7 am Mass

Rosary Devotion - Daily after the 7:00 am morning Mass

Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters invite you to meet on the 3rd Monday of each month in St. Mary's Center at 6:30 pm. Contact Lorine Bakowsky at (510)461-7317 or email cdacourtmqw@gmail.com for more information.

Legion of Mary : Meets every Wednesday at 5:00 pm in the St. Mary's Center. Contact the Parish Office at (510) 351-5244 for more information

Knights of Columbus - invites Catholic men to join. If interested please contact Carl Webb at (510) 8135957 or email Carlwebb3@gmail.com

BSA and Cubs: Come join the Cubs & Scouts-Ages 5 to 17. We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Social Hall. If interested please contact Carl Webb at (510) 8135957 or email Carlwebb3@gmail.com



Pray for those who serve in the armed forces

Shianne Solomon - Sgt. Army

Jamie Placheno - Sgt. Military

Cassandra Maier - Airforce Guyon Ducker - Marines

Manuel Gonzalez-Commandr. U.S.Navy

Brian T. Lara - M.Sgt. Air Force

Troy Meno (Air Force)

Brittany Manglona (Air Force)

Ryland Toves - Navy

Julian Chan - Marines

Kaden Milner - Navy

Marquis Loto - Navy

Capt. Matt Peñaranda-Army

Enzo Barcelona - Army

MA Glory C.L. Newell - Navy

1stSgt. Ron E. Hesson - Army

Christopher Pangilinan - Military

If you know anyone who is serving please call the office



Our Lady of Fatima Devotion: Schedule of Masses

July 13 - Monday
 August 13 - Thursday
 September 11 - Friday
 October 13 - Tuesday

Procession will start at 7:00 pm followed by Holy Mass and the Rosary. The Filipino Association will lead the devotion on July 13th. Please join us.

Saint Felicitas Catholic Church Faith Formation Registration 2026-2027

Registration has begun for the 2026-2027 school year for Faith Formation classes

Classes are for children in grades 1st through 8th who do not attend Catholic school.

Time: Sunday from 9:15am-10:15am

Please contact Sandi 510-962-4199 to make arrangements to complete the necessary forms to enroll your child(ren). Registration forms must be processed and on file before your child(ren) can attend class. Faith Formation is a lifelong journey and does not end when a child receives the Sacrament of Eucharist.

Start children off in the way they should go and even when they are old, they will not turn from it
 Proverbs 22:6

Catholic Institute of Sacred Music Chant Camp - St. Patrick's Seminary, is offering a Day Camp from August 3-7, 2026, for children ages 8 to 17 years.

Discover the joy of singing the Church's sacred music! A week of fun, engaging, and positive rehearsals, games, catechesis, time for prayer, and meals together; Chant Camp is a day camp for students who want to grow in their faith, learn to sing, and enjoy fellowship with other Catholics. If interested please follow this link to sign up: <https://catholicinstituteofsacredmusic.regfox.com/chant-camp-2026>.

ST. FELICITAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL Principal—Shannon Bellison

St. Felicitas Preschool - Spaces are still available for the 2026-2027 school year! We are currently accepting applications for children turning 3 years old by September 1, 2026. Apply online at <https://stfelicitas-school.org/>. Please contact the preschool director Ms. Maya at 510-357-2530 or email mbaruah@csdo.org for more information.

St. Felicitas Catholic School is also accepting applications for the 2026-2027 school year for TK (4 year olds) through seventh grade. Apply online at <https://stfelicitasschool.org/> or contact the school office at 510-357-2530 for more information.

|  | | | <i>Mass Intentions</i> <i>Ý Lễ trong tuần</i> <i>Intensions' para las</i> | Week of June 27, 2026 |
|--|-------|---------|---|-----------------------------|
| Sat. | 06/27 | 4:00 pm | Henry Ofman † | |
| Sun. | 06/28 | 7:30 am | Nadie La Rosa (L-B) | |
| | | 9:00 am | Parishioners | |
| | | 10:30am | Julia Felarca (L-B) | |
| | | 12:30pm | David & Jose Rico † | |
| Mon. | 06/29 | 7:00 am | Nadie La Rosa (L) | |
| | | 8:15 am | Elena Liwanag † | |
| Tue. | 06/30 | 7:00 am | Leilanie Rodriguez (L) | |
| | | 8:15 am | Pepito A. Alcova † | |
| Wed. | 07/01 | 7:00 am | All Souls † | |
| | | 8:15 am | Policarpio G. Villanueva † | |
| Thur. | 07/02 | 7:00 am | Mckenna Gant (L) | |
| | | 8:15 am | Jorge Salloman, Jr. † | |
| Fri. | 07/03 | 7:00 am | Jose Tinio Que/Socorro Millan † | |
| | | 8:15am | Miriam Rodriguez † | |
| Sat. | 07/04 | 7:00 am | Maria Isabel Sanchez † | |
| | | 4:00 pm | Catalino Santos † | |
| Sun. | 07/05 | 7:30 am | John M. L. Salvatierra (L) | |
| | | 9:00 am | Shirley Blanchard † | |
| | | 10:30am | Parishioners | |
| | | 12:30pm | Luz & Francisco Guzman † | |

L-Living †-Deceased A-Anniversary B-Birthday T-Thanksgiving H-Healing

Pray for our sick relatives and friends

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| Denise Abero | Jezza Mae Salvatierra | Adelaida Gutierrez |
| Jennifer L. Aguilar | Ruben Reygoza | Erlinda Reyes |
| Barbara O'Connor | Bill Siem | Robert Lopez |
| Sal & Marlene Costilla | Jeff Ahlberg | Tillie Gumataotao |
| David Boles | Erika Vargas | Mariah Vicedo |
| Michal Myers | Cathlyne Vargas | Josue Zazueta |
| Tony Silveira | Mia Loto | Elizabeth Lujan |
| Geoffrey Salvatierra | John Lara Salvatierra | Joanna David |
| Luningning Hobbs | Gilbert Castillo | Billy Schmalfeldt |
| Virgie Mercado | Grace I. Robinson | Hans Niehall |
| Reynald Corldani | Tony Ysguerra | Eusebio H. Patron, Sr. |
| Martin Indalecio | Evangeline Herrero | Brandon Robinson |
| Julie Chin | Ana Estaniel | Fernando Silva |
| Donald Solomon | Patricia Coffey | Nardo Macapagal |
| Leonie Solomon | Giana Sorbello | Jennifer Perez |
| Grace Pehl | Magali Lazcano | Roberto P. Garcia |
| Ruben Aguayo | Tiana Lara | Karen Muskopf |
| Brian Keith Robinson | Lucille Oliver | Frank Murca |
| Jeff Ibrahim | Bob Carella | |
| Dan Bautista | Jim White | |
| Raymond Bautista | Sheila Bickerton | |

Please pray for the deceased and their loved ones



Manuel DaBranca - June 09, 2026

Mona Falleiro - June 11, 2026

Michal Myers - June 17, 2026

St. Felicitas Parish -Spanish-Speaking Community

Domingo: 2 Re 4, 8-11. 14-16/Sal 88, 2-3. 16-17. 18-19/Rom 6, 3-4. 8-11/Mt 10, 37-42

XIII Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario -Mateo 10:37-42

En cualquier cultura, la familia es muy importante. En tiempos de Jesús, la familia lo era todo. Por esa razón, Él hace una comparación tan profunda: al seguirlo y ser discípulo suyo, se deja lo más querido, que es la familia. Jesús debe ser el centro de todo. *“El que ama a su padre o a su madre más que a mí, no es digno de mí; y el que ama a su hijo o a su hija más que a mí, no es digno de mí. Y el que no carga con su cruz y viene detrás de mí, no es digno de mí.”* (Mateo 10:38).

Dios es muy generoso; nadie le gana en eso. Por eso, la recompensa a su seguimiento es inmensa: somos hijos e hijas adoptivos del mismo Padre que nos ama. ¿Qué tanto estoy dispuesto a seguir a Jesús de ese modo tan radical? Si tengo un llamado especial al sacerdocio o a la vida religiosa, ¿estoy dispuesto a seguirlo? La respuesta es personal; cada vocación es importante y todo implica sacrificio. Pero, a la vez, todo será recompensado con el ciento por uno. La generosidad de Dios no tiene medida. Señor, abre nuestro corazón a tu Palabra; invítanos a participar de tu amistad, para que vayamos a proclamar tu Reino de justicia y de paz, que tanta falta nos hace en la sociedad actual. Deseamos colaborar contigo, aunque sea desde nuestro hogar, siendo los mejores padres y madres de familia. Y desde mi cama de enfermo terminal, desde ahí, Señor, te digo con fe: Aquí estoy, cuenta conmigo. ©LPi



Escuela Católica ST. Felicitas Directora: Shannon Bellison

Preescolar St. Felicitas– Todavía hay plazas disponibles para el año escolar 2026-2027! Actualmente estamos aceptando solicitudes para niños que cumplan 3 años antes del 1 de Septiembre de 2026. Solicite en línea en <https://Stfelicitas-school.org/>. Comuníquese con la directora preescolar, la Sra. Maya al 510-357-2530 o envíe un correo electrónico a mba-ruah@csdo.org para obtener más información. La Escuela Católica ST. Felicitas también está aceptando para el año escolar 2026-2027 para TK (niños de 4 años) hasta séptimo grado. Solicite en línea, o comuníquese con la escuela al 510-357-2530 para obtener más información.

Formación en la Fe en español

El próximo mes de Julio, los días 19 y 26 después de misa de 12:30pm se empezarán a repartir las aplicaciones para el próximo curso, que iniciará en la primera semana de Septiembre. Si tiene preguntas por favor comunicarse con Mary C. a la oficina parroquial al número (510)347-1293.

Apoye la obra del Santo Padre a través de la colecta del Obolo de San Pedro

Hoy realizaremos la colecta del Obolo de San Pedro para apoyar la Iglesia Universal y la obra de la santa sede, incluidas las obras de caridad del Papa. Estas obras benefician a nuestros hermanos marginados de la sociedad, incluidas las víctimas de la guerra, la opresión y el desastre. Por favor sean generosos. Para obtener más información, visite www.obolodisanpietro.valen.html. Sean un signo de misericordia.



Devoción a nuestra Señora de Fatima Mayo a Octubre 2026

La procesión comenzará a las 7:00pm seguida de la Santa Misa y el Rosario.

Horario de misas: Todas a las 7:00 p.m. 13 de Julio -Lunes
13 de Agosto -Jueves
11 de Septiembre -Lunes
13 de Octubre -Martes

El próximo fin de semana, nos complace dar la bienvenida a nuestro Nuevo Vicario Parroquial, el Reverendo Padre Ramon Urbina, a nuestra parroquia. Nos sentimos increíblemente bendecidos de que se una a nuestra comunidad para guiarnos en la fe, la esperanza y el amor. Un breve escrito para ayudarnos a conocerlo mejor.

El Padre Ramon Urbina creció en Antioch, Ca. El mayor de 3 hermanos, sus padres aun viven en Antioch y son miembros activos de la comunidad parroquial. Originalmente estudio arte en la universidad, pero sintió el llamado a la vida de ministerio como sacerdote. Su discernimiento lo llevo a estudiar con los Misioneros del Vervo Divino en el seminario Universitario del Vervo Divino en Epworth, Iowa.

Después de 4 años estudio filosofía, que culminaron con su ingreso al programa de noviciado de la orden en Techy Illinois, decidió que su vocación era servir a la gente en su diócesis natal. En 2017 fue aceptado en la Diócesis de Oakland, Realizo sus practicas en la Iglesia de San Ramon En Dublin. En 2022, fue ordenado sacerdote por el Obispo Michael Barber. Su primer destino fue enviado como Vicario en San Bienaventura en Concord, posteriormente fue enviado a la parroquia de San Francisco de Asis (también en Concord) A partir del 1 de Julio el Padre Ramon estará sirviendo a nuestros feligreses aquí en Santa Felicitas. Mantengamos al Padre Ramon en nuestras oraciones.



St. Felicitas Parish Vietnamese Community

MÙA THƯỜNG NIÊN

Chúa Nhật: Thánh Lễ lúc 4:30 chiều

Thứ Sáu: Châu Thánh Thể lúc 7:30 tối và
Thánh Lễ lúc 8:00 tối

Văn phòng Giáo xứ mở cửa từ thứ 2 đến thứ 6 (9 giờ sáng đến 4 giờ chiều). Cùng với thời gian này, sẽ có Châu Thánh Thể trong Nhà Nguyện Thánh Giuse.

Thông Báo

- Trường St. Felicitas sẽ tổ chức chương trình hè (13/7->31/7). Nếu quý vị có nhu cầu, xin liên hệ nhà trường.

- Trường St. Felicitas hiện đang nhận đơn nhập học cho chương trình “pre-school” và chương trình từ 4 tuổi đến lớp 7. Nếu phụ huynh có nhu cầu, xin liên hệ theo số: 510-357-2530 hoặc truy cập vào trang: <https://stfelicitas-school.org/>.

- Giáo xứ đã bắt đầu chương trình Tôn Vinh Đức Mẹ Fatima, bao gồm rước kiệu, lần hạt Mân côi, và Thánh lễ. Xin kính mời quý ông bà và anh chị em tham dự.

Chương trình này sẽ được tổ chức theo thời khóa biểu sau:

- + Thứ Hai, ngày 13 tháng 7 (7h tối)
- + Thứ Năm, ngày 13 tháng 8 (7h tối)
- + Thứ Hai, ngày 11 tháng 9 (7h tối)
- + Thứ Ba, ngày 13 tháng 10 (7h tối)

- Tiền giỏ của Chúa Nhật tuần này được gọi là “Đồng tiền Thánh Phê-rô” và sẽ được gửi về Tòa Thánh để lo việc bác ái. Để biết thêm thông tin xin truy cập: www.obolodisanpietro.valen.html

- Chương trình Giáo lý (2026-2027) dành cho các em từ lớp 1 đến lớp 8 (hiện không theo học tại các trường Công Giáo) đã bắt đầu nhận đơn đăng ký. Xin mời quý phụ huynh ghi danh hoặc liên hệ Sandi: 510-347-1282.

- Vào ngày thứ Sáu đầu tiên trong tháng (3/7), Giáo xứ sẽ có Châu Thánh Thể, bắt đầu ngày sau Thánh lễ lúc 8h15 và kéo dài đến 12h trưa. Xin kính mời quý vị tham dự.

- Theo như thông báo của Giáo phận, Linh mục Ramon Urbina, được bổ nhiệm làm Cha Phó của Giáo xứ St. Felicitas, bắt đầu từ ngày 1 tháng 7 năm 2026.

CÁC BÀI ĐỌC TRONG TUẦN

Thứ 2, 29/6: Cv 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8,16,17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Thứ 3, 30/6: Am 3:1-8, 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27

Thứ 4, 1/7: Am 5:14-15,21-24; Mt 8:28-34

Thứ 5, 2/7: Am 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8

Thứ 6, 3/7: Ep 2:19-22; Ga 20:24-29

Thứ 7, 4/7: Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17

Chúa Nhật 5/7: Dcr 9:9-10; Rm 8:9,11-13; [Mt 11:25-30](#)

CHÚA NHẬT XIII – MÙA THƯỜNG NIÊN

Mt 10:37-42

CÔNG ÍT THUỞNG NHIỀU

Suy niệm: Thiên Chúa luôn luôn ân thưởng vượt quá công trạng cũng như sự mong đợi của con người. Đón tiếp một tiên tri sẽ lãnh phần thưởng của tiên tri, đón tiếp người công chính sẽ hưởng phần công trạng của người công chính. Trước mặt Thiên Chúa, dù một bát nước lã dành cho một người bé mọn cũng không bị bỏ quên. Giá trị của phần thưởng không tùy thuộc ở độ lớn của việc làm của chúng ta, nhưng hệ tại ở chỗ chúng ta làm việc đó cho ai, vì ai: Làm việc cho Thiên Chúa thì sẽ lãnh công từ nơi Thiên Chúa. Mà thực ra, tự bản thân chúng ta nào có công trạng gì! Nhưng vì Thiên Chúa tính công cho chúng ta theo một kiểu mẫu lũy tiến quy về chính Chúa: “ai đón tiếp anh em là đón tiếp Thầy,” và “ai đón tiếp Thầy là đón tiếp Đấng đã sai Thầy.”

Mời Ban: Bạn không phải lo mình mất phần thưởng từ Thiên Chúa, nhưng hãy sợ mình không trung thành với Ngài; chỉ cần bạn làm những việc phục vụ dù nhỏ bé nhưng với tất cả tấm lòng chân thành yêu mến Chúa thì bạn cũng xứng đáng lãnh nhận phần thưởng gấp bội phần so với những gì mình đã làm được.

Chia sẻ: Động lực nào thúc đẩy bạn hy sinh từ bỏ mình và dân thân phục vụ? Bạn cảm nhận gì khi sống và phục vụ những người mình không ưa thích?

Sống Lời Chúa: Sẵn sàng chấp nhận hy sinh bản thân mình để phục vụ cho phần rỗi của tha nhân và để làm vinh danh Thiên Chúa.

Cầu nguyện: *Lạy Chúa, xin ban cho con một trái tim mới, một trái tim biết yêu thương bằng tình yêu của Chúa. Xin cho chúng con sẵn sàng phục vụ tha nhân cách khiêm tốn như Chúa đã tự hạ phục vụ chúng con. Amen.*



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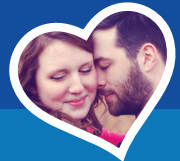
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