



### Daily Masses Monday - Friday

7:00 am  
12:10 pm

### Saturday 7:00 am

### Sunday Masses:

Vigil 5:15 pm (Sat.)  
7:30 am (quiet)  
9:00 am  
10:30 am (French)  
12:15 pm

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before each weekday Mass  
Every Saturday from  
4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

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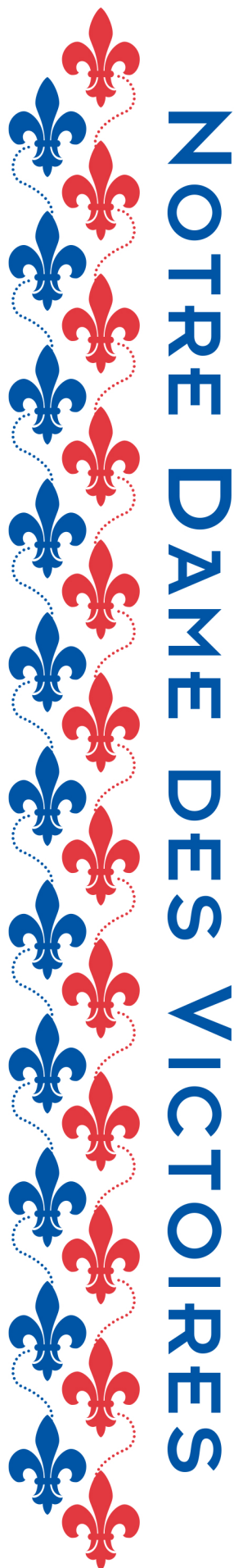
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**For Information on the Sacraments** of Marriage and Baptism,  
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## FED BY THE LORD

In the First Reading, the Israelites, who are marching through the desert, are hungry and angry. God should have killed us in Egypt, they say; then at least we would have died with food in our bellies. In response, God feeds them with bread from heaven. Manna falls from the sky during the night, and in the morning, they can pick the manna up off the ground. It seems to have been a specially wonderful analogue to bread. Scripture says that it was small, and white, and mildly sweet, like honey with coriander (Ex 16:31); and it was greatly sustaining, too. Tolkien's Elven bread *lembas*, so prized for its taste and nourishment, must have been modeled on manna.

This is a story to shake your head over. In my world, if you want bread, you have to go to the store for what you need, and you have to pay for what you get there, too. And if you grumble against God angrily, you get a guilty conscience; you do not get bread falling from the sky. With or without stores and money, we get no Elven bread at all. Why are these Israelites so lucky? Why doesn't God make bread fall from heaven for us too?

Here, by way of answer, is what the story makes clear. God is a God of history. He intervenes in human affairs in particular ways at particular times to provide for his people what will do them good at that time. The only ones who got to eat manna were those grumbling Israelites. And even they got to eat it only for a while. When they crossed the Jordan River, the manna stopped. All they got then was the parched corn from the previous harvest.

These thoughts can prompt a painful yearning. Who would not want to be among those who got to taste that honey-sweet manna? Who would not want to have been one of the people hand-fed by the Lord? And, yet in God's love, every yearning has its fulfillment. We too are fed with the bread from heaven; and, in the Eucharist, we taste the goodness of the Lord, which is sweeter than honey (Ps 19:10). We too are hand-fed by the Lord. Although God is a God of history, for each one of us it is true that we will want for nothing.

Eleonore Stump

## FRENCH CORNER

*Il y a « pain » et « pain »*

On voit parfois des gens, jeunes et adultes, qui font la queue la nuit entière pour acheter le dernier iPad mis sur le marché, ou qui se bousculent à l'ouverture d'un magasin qui vend des articles à prix très réduits pour écouler ce qu'ils n'ont pas pu vendre pendant l'année.

Nous pouvons bien sûr ergoter sur le comportement de ces foules, mais n'oublions pas d'aller plus loin en nous demandant : « De quel pain avons-nous faim ? ». Notre système économique nous inculque que la meilleure façon de montrer notre amour est d'offrir un bien matériel. On croit que le bonheur vrai, c'est la montagne de cadeaux offerts aux enfants, c'est la voiture dernier cri, etc...

En tant que chrétiens, nous devons être lucides et essayer de nous dégager de ce système qui nous rend esclaves de l'argent. Notre adhésion au Christ devrait nous guider vers des choix qui respectent son enseignement. Aux foules venues l'écouter, après qu'il eut multiplié les pains, le Seigneur affirme qu'il est, LUI, le pain de vie.

De quel « pain » avons-nous faim ? Est-ce vraiment le PAIN qui est signe que Dieu nourrit son peuple ? .... Saurons-nous choisir le PAIN qui fait grandir ? ....

Fr. Etienne Siffert, S.M.

## FROM OUR SCHOOL

Parishioners,

After an incredibly successful year of both distance and in-person learning, the students and staff of Ecole Notre Dame des Victoires (NDV) are enjoying a much-deserved summer vacation.

NDV will be back to full (pre-pandemic) operation in the fall of 2021. Our school day is from 7:50AM-3:20PM and our aftercare program hours are 3:20PM-6:00PM.

Though the office will be closed, we are still accepting applications and offering in-person tours throughout the summer for grades TK-7 for the 2021-2022 school year. Inquiries and applications may be sent to [admissions@ndvsf.org](mailto:admissions@ndvsf.org) at any time.

God Bless,  
Sarah Currier, Principal.



NDV is OPEN for full day instruction. NDV is accepting applications for the 2021-22 school year.

Ecole Notre Dame des Victoires is a Catholic Elementary & Middle School, Transitional Kindergarten (TK) through eighth grade. Our co-ed school features strong academics and enrichment classes including art, technology, and music, and daily French instruction. Please contact the Director of Admissions by email [admissions@ndvsf.org](mailto:admissions@ndvsf.org) to schedule a tour.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### SUNDAY August 1<sup>st</sup>

9:00 am For the People of the Parish

10:30 am Ginét Garderet †

12:15 pm Bernardino Royas †

### MONDAY August 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:00 am Kenfe-Michael Bethe-Selassie †

### TUESDAY August 3<sup>rd</sup>

7:00 am Messaye & Frehiwot Family

### WEDNESDAY August 4<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Pierre Massion †

### THURSDAY August 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Odette Etcheverry - Needs

### FRIDAY August 6<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am William S. Caram †

## WE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Monique Antolin, Rizza Chua, Elizabeth Desta, Patty Espiritu, Zachary Espiritu, Odette Etcheverry, Brett Fischer, Benjamin Haller, Lupita Herrera, Cármen López, Patrick Maher, Maria Manley, Grant Melton, Diana Munoz, Mary Jo Onopa, Ron & Erik Ongstad, Robert Potter, Roberta Renzi, Juan Gil Sanchez, Vinod and Cynthia Sheth, Josefina Tapia Solis, Peter Wang, and Rosie Zedamoi



## WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Jacqueline Archieri, Pete Arendt, Fr. George Baricar, Kenfe-Michael Bethe-Selassie, Madeleine Constant, Jacqueline Foret, Mark Fischer, Ralph González, Georges Handras, Barbara J. Higgins, Charlene Haught Johnson, Paul Jae Wook Koo, Odette LePendou, Alejandro Lopez Luna, Fernando Orantes, Claudia Ponce Marquez, Pierre Massion, William McKnight, Brook Mesfin, Askale Munga, Christiane Pelletier, Rolande E. Pottier, Dimitrios Tsokas Nicole Zambelli.

## REMEMBER OUR SICK AND DECEASED:

Please note starting next week we will automatically remove anyone who has been on this list over a year unless we are notified not to remove. Thank you for your understanding.

**LIVE STREAMING OF SUNDAY MASSES:** For those still unable to attend In Person Masses, for health reasons, you can find Catholic Masses on youtube catholic channels. below are two such sites:

[Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption](#)

[Archdiocese of San Francisco](#)

[The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate](#)

[Conception](#) Washington, D.C.

**RCIA:** Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic? Are you an adult that's never been baptized? Have you been baptized but never received First Communion or Confirmation? **The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is the process established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the Sacraments of Initiation— Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Centered on fostering a deep relationship with Jesus and the Church he founded, this journey takes place through distinct stages over a period of time suitable to bring about a thorough catechesis, significant experience of the parish community, and commitment to the liturgical and moral life of the Catholic faithful. For more information, please contact: Dr. Carrie Schroeder at [\*\*schroeder@ndvsf.org\*\*](mailto:schroeder@ndvsf.org)

## STEWARDSHIP CALLED TO SERVE

### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

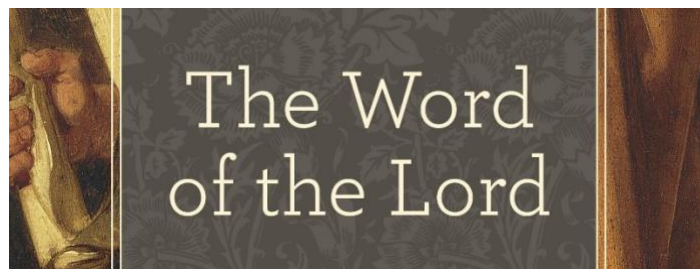
Today, in St. John's Gospel, Jesus ties His instructions on the Eucharist to the Book of Exodus. Christ proclaims to the crowd that their ancestors received manna in the desert from God the Father, not Moses. Jesus professes in the Gospel that He is the "Bread of Life." Those who accept His invitation and come to Him will never hunger or thirst, as they will be spiritually filled. In his Letter to the Ephesians, St. Paul instructs us that, through Christ, we will gain a fresh, spiritual way of thinking. As faithful stewards, we acknowledge Jesus' true presence in the Eucharist as translated from the Greek meaning "thanksgiving." We believe the Eucharist to be the true Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, of Christ. We stand in awe and gratitude for this tremendous gift, which opens our hearts to holiness.



**MASS INTENTIONS:** If you would like to request a Mass for a specific intention, please call the Parish Office at 415.397.0113 and speak to our secretary Mertenesh. The Mass Book for 2020 is available to reserve a Mass Intention. Per the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the offering for a Mass request is \$10.00. If paying by check, please make the check payable to the order of: **MARIST FATHERS.**

**DO YOU NEED HELP WITH RENT OR UTILITIES?** Financial assistance is available from the State of California for income eligible renters and their landlords who have been impacted by COVID-19 and have past due rent or utilities, or who need help with upcoming rent or utilities. Both renters and landlords are encouraged to apply. Assistance is available for unpaid rent dating back to April 1, 2020, as well as for future rent. Assistance is also available for unpaid utility payments dating back to April 1, 2020, or for future utility payments, which will both be compensated at 100% of cost, limited to a total of 12 months, and paid directly to the utility provider. Assistance from the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program does not count as earned income and will not affect eligibility for any other state benefit assistance programs. All applicant information is kept private and will not be shared. Income eligible applicants may qualify regardless of immigration status and will not be required to show proof of citizenship.

**How do I apply? To check eligibility and apply, visit [HousingIsKey.com](http://HousingIsKey.com) or call 833-430-2122. For in-language assistance, to get help with eligibility requirements or filling out an application, schedule an appointment with a local organization near you by calling 833-687-0967.**



### SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

August 1, 2021 – August 8, 2021

<b>Sunday</b>	- Ex 16:2-4, 12-15	- Eph 4:17, 20-24	- Jn 6:24-35
<b>Monday</b>	- Nm 11:4b-15		- Mt 14:13-21
<b>Tuesday</b>	- Nm 12:1-13		- Mt 14:22-36
<b>Wednesday</b>	- Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35		- Mt 15:21-28
<b>Thursday</b>	- Nm 20:1-13		- Mt 16:13-23
<b>Friday</b>	- Dn 7:9-10, 13-14	- 2 Pt 1:16-19	- Mt 9:2-10
<b>Saturday</b>	- Dt 6:4-13		- Mt 17:14-20
<b>Sunday</b>	- 1Kgs 19:4-8	- Eph 4:30—5:2	- Jn 6:41-51



**ON-LINE GIVING:** During the COVID-19, our Sunday Collection have been impacted and are much lower. We suggest that you consider making your donations on line. This will help with the needs of our parish's daily financial responsibilities. Our parish offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online. This service is safe and secure. And it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at [\*\*ndvsf.org\*\*](http://ndvsf.org) and select the Online Giving link. Click on Create New Account and follow directions to set up your account. Thank you for your generosity.



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