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Daily Masses Monday - Friday

7:00 am
12:10 pm

Saturday 7:00 am

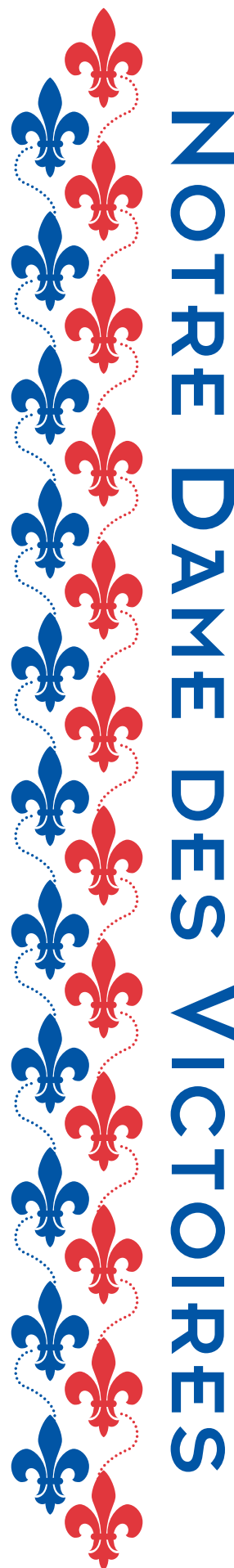
Sunday Masses:

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

Our Lady of Victories Church and School community founded to serve French Immigrant Catholics; serving God's people; proud of our past; living our today



WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

They want to be with Jesus. They discovered what was in their hearts: they wanted to be with Jesus and are now, so to speak, voting with their feet. They are leaving John the Baptist to go to Jesus.

Jesus said to them, "Come and see." They spent the rest of the day with him. I think that is an invitation from Jesus to each of us also. "Come and see." "Spend an hour with me." It is an invitation to pray, an invitation to get to know Jesus, to say like Samuel in our first reading, "Speak, Lord, your Servant is listening" (1 Sam 3:9), an invitation to listen to Jesus' words like Mary who sat at his feet while her sister Martha was busy in the kitchen, an invitation to study Jesus' words so that we will get to know Jesus better.

They were so impressed with Jesus that the following day, Andrew told Simon Peter they had found the Messiah and he brought Simon to Jesus. So, after that, Peter, Andrew, and the other unnamed person, whom I take to be John the Evangelist, followed Jesus as his disciples. This is due to Andrew. He was great; he was always bringing people to Jesus. In today's Gospel, he brought Peter to Jesus (John 1:41). Later, he brought the boy with the five barley loaves and two fish to Jesus for the multiplication miracle (John 6:8-9), and later again he went to Jesus with Philip to tell Jesus Greeks were looking for him (John 12:20-22). So, Andrew was bringing people to Jesus. "What are you looking for?" "What do you want?" Andrew knew that Jesus was the answer to that question and the answer to that question in the lives of everyone, so he used to bring people to Jesus. Can we bring people to Jesus? It might be something as simple as saying that you benefitted so much from your pilgrimage to Lourdes or some other place, or that you found a retreat you made so valuable, or a Catholic book you have read was so helpful, or a theology course helped you to understand our faith so much better. Simply telling people about Jesus and Our Lady in our lives helps people to think about how they live their lives.

"What are you looking for?" "What do you want?" The saints are those who wanted one thing in life, what God wanted. If you want a closer relationship with God, ask God for it. If you want to be closer to Jesus, ask Jesus to help you draw closer to him. Jesus said to Andrew and the other disciples, "Come and see." It is an invitation to get to know Jesus, to listen to his words like Mary who sat at his feet, to study Jesus' words so that we will get to know Jesus better. "What are you looking for?" "Come and see."

Fr. Tommy Lane



FRENCH CORNER

«Que cherchez-vous?»

Cette question s'adresse à chacun et à chacune d'entre nous. «Que cherchons-nous? Quels sont nos désirs et nos aspirations?» Quel est le sens de notre vie? Que cherchons-nous dans la famille, au travail, au club, au bar, à l'église? Quelles sont nos priorités?

Jésus appelle André, Jacques, Simon et Jean, mais il nous appelle nous aussi. Autrefois, il y avait plein de prêtres, de religieux et religieuses, de gens qui s'engageaient au nom de leur foi chrétienne. Aujourd'hui, ils sont beaucoup moins nombreux à répondre de cette façon et nous ne pouvons plus nous permettre de laisser aux autres le soin de faire le travail à notre place. Le temps des substitutions est terminé. Nous ne pouvons plus dire maintenant : «que les religieuses se chargent d'éduquer nos enfants et nos petits enfants dans la foi chrétienne; que les missionnaires aident les gens des pays plus pauvres; que les bénévoles visitent les malades; que les laïcs engagés s'occupent des personnes âgées, etc.» Aujourd'hui, nous sommes tous appelés à faire notre part, à mettre l'épaule à la roue, à donner un coup de main.

Dans notre église, le temps des substitutions est terminé. Nous ne pouvons plus nous contenter d'assigner aux autres le travail à faire et les responsabilités à assumer, tout en nous réservant le beau rôle de spectateurs privilégiés et de critiques des curés, des religieux, des laïcs engagés. Chacun et chacune est appelé à collaborer avec le Seigneur pour rendre notre monde meilleur, plus humain, plus fraternel. Nous sommes invités à créer un monde de pardon, de partage, de tendresse et d'amour. Voilà ce à quoi nous sommes appelés par le Christ.

Avec André et Simon, Jacques et Jean le Seigneur nous invite à le suivre et à construire, jour après jour, le Royaume de Dieu chez-nous. Il nous appelle par notre nom et nous indique le chemin qui s'ouvre devant nous : «Tu es Simon, Claudette, Hélène, Jean-Claude! Tu t'appelleras messager de la paix, éducateur de la foi, ami(e) plein(e) de tendresse, protecteur du plus faible, bénévole de l'encouragement...» L'appel s'adresse à tous, sans exception.

Père Yvon-Michel Allard, S.V.D.

FROM OUR SCHOOL

Parishioners,

I hope you had a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! We are overjoyed to be back in school after a restful break and our 100th year celebrations have officially begun! Please check out our website and join us for our events: www.ndv100.com

God Bless,

Sarah Currier, principal



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, January 13th

5:15 pm Temesgen Messaye - Needs

SUNDAY, January 14th

9:00 am Luisita Prieto †

10:30 am Zergaw Gebre Selassie †

12:15 pm People of the Parish

MONDAY, January 15th

9:00 am Elsa Fernandez †

TUESDAY, January 16th

7:00 am For single Catholics

WEDNESDAY, January 17th

7:00 am Zergaw Gebre Selassie †

THURSDAY, January 18th

7:00 am For the Incarcerated

FRIDAY, January 19th

7:00 am Zergaw Gebre Selassie †

SATURDAY, January 20th

5:15 pm Dorothy Rodriguez †

WE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Amanuel Assefa, Cecille Bien, Odette Etcheverry, Antonio Espiritu, Brett Fischer, Benjamin Haller, Jeremiah Hallisey, Diana Munoz, Martha A. Gutierrez Romero, Rosario Cecilia Samson, Fasil Tegene, and Peter Wang.



WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Serawit Asfaw, Wondifraw Asrat, Felicitas Baricar, Nancy Batmale, Anne-Marie Dubosq, Raynold Descilo, Hedwige Fernandez, Ralph González, Maria Elena Grimaldo, Tadesse Habte, Andres Herrera, Marie-Louise Hugues, Charlene Haught Johnson, William McKnight, Pedro Muro, Robert J. Puts, Roberta Eileen Renzi, Linda Solomon, Eleanor Toolajian, and William Steel.

REMEMBER OUR SICK AND DECEASED:

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

**STEWARDSHIP
CALLED
TO SERVE**
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

We learn in today's reading how Jesus' first followers were gathered. The first two, Andrew and another man, were followers of John the Baptist. After hearing John's testimony, they became followers of Jesus. During their time with Jesus, the details of which are not specified, Andrew and the other followers came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah. Andrew then brings his brother, Simon, to Jesus. Immediately, Jesus gave Simon a new name, calling him Peter, which means "rock" in Greek. The renaming of Simon to Peter is reported in all four of the Gospels. Jesus asks Andrew and the other disciples, "What are you looking for?" This is a telling question and one that we might often ask of ourselves. John the Baptist testified to Jesus' identity, as the Lamb of God, using the framework of the Old Testament. Andrew, Simon, and the other first disciples were looking for the Messiah, whom they also came to know as the Son of God. What do we look for and what do we find in Jesus?



U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA - SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

**In re: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco, Case
No. 23-30564**

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: February 20, 2024

**YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM
AGAINST THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO**

On August 21, 2023, The Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco, a California corporation sole, aka Archdiocese of San Francisco (the "Debtor"), filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Debtor, you must file a claim so as to be received by February 20, 2024, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Debtor.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before August 21, 2023, must be filed on or before February 20, 2024, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before August 21, 2023.

For more information on how to obtain and file a proof of claim form and associated documents, please visit <https://omniagentsolutions.com/RCASF>, or contact Omni Agent Solutions, Inc., the Debtor's claims agent via email at RCASFInquiries@omniagent.com or by phone at 888-480-6507 (U.S. and Canada toll-free) or 747-293-0084 (International), between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Pacific Time), Monday through Friday.

****If you have questions about the bankruptcy case filed by the Archdiocese of San Francisco, please also visit the website at <https://sfarch.org> and follow the links for Chapter 11 Filing****



SAVE THE DATE: NDV CRAB FEED ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 27. The NDV Crab Feed will take place on Saturday, January 27, 2024 in Marist Hall (566 Bush Street). More details to follow in future bulletins. Volunteers are needed to help with the event! Please contact Glenn Matsuhara at matsusf@aol.com if you are available to volunteer for this fun event!



**INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTED FOR
NOTRE DAME DES VICTOIRES**

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone has appointed Rev. Andrew Spyrow as the Interim Administrator of Notre Dame des Victoires Church and School. Fr. Spyrow will begin his term on January 1, 2024. Let us welcome Fr. Spyrow with our prayers and support as he undertakes his NDV pastoral ministry. Bienvenue, Père Spyrow, à l'Église et École Notre Dame des Victoires!

Dear Notre Dame des Victoires Parishioners and School families,

My name is Father Andrew Spyrow and I was born and raised in Concord, California. My parents were married for 72 and a half years and raised five sons. I am number 4 of 5 and am a twin. My father's side is Greek Orthodox and my mother's side is Mormon. Yes, and they produced a Catholic Priest. I went to Catholic schools all my life. I was ordained in 2014 and am in my 10th year as a priest.

Prior to entering the seminary, I was a funeral director for many years. I started in the business when I was 13 years old. I also taught with the De La Salle Christian Brothers in Fresno and Saint Helena, CA. In addition to my ministry here I am also the Vicar for Clergy for the Archdiocese. I was Pastor of Saint Raphael Church in San Rafael and police chaplain prior to assuming my duties as Vicar for Clergy.

I am very happy to be here as your Shepherd and I hope to get to know all of you. Thank you for your warm welcome.

God bless you, Fr. Spyrow



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 2024 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: **NOTRE DAME DES VICTOIRES.**

SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

January 14 to January 21, 2024

Sunday	- 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 17-20	- 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20	- Jn 1:35-42
Monday	- 1 Sm 15:16-23		- Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	- 1 Sm 16:1-13		- Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	- 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51		- Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	- 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7		- Mk 3:7-12
Friday	- 1 Sm 24:3-21		- Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	- 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27		- Mk 3:20-21
Sunday	- Jon 3:1-5, 10	- 1 Cor 7:29-31	- Mk 1:14-20

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