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SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 | TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	7:30 AM	Deacon Michael Finocchiaro, †
	9:00 AM	Teodoro and Marilyn Dias, 20th Anniversary
	11:00 AM	Pro Populo
	1:00 PM	Vicente Esguerra, Jr., For his intentions
	5:00 PM	Teresita Manglicmot and family, thanksgiving
Monday	8:00 AM	Mary Ann Eckel, healing
	6:00 PM	Rosario and Ernesto Abrahan, †
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Deacon Michael Finocchiaro, †
	6:00 PM	Jonathan and Susan, healing
Wed.	8:00 AM	Arteche family, thanksgiving
	6:00 PM	Mikhail Castaños, birthday
Thursday	8:00 AM	Josie Serrano, birthday
	6:00 PM	Abigail R. Rayos, 50th birthday
Friday	8:00 AM	Reynaldo Ortega
	6:00 PM	Dec. Dominican Friars, parents, friends and benefactors Luis Arroyo, † Deacon Michael Finocchiaro, OPL, † Felipe De Guzman, †
Saturday	8:00 AM	Quirino Q. Soriano, Sr., †
	5:00 PM	Arsenio G. Calvelo, Sr., †

(Important: Some of these Masses will be celebrated in the private chapel of St. Dominic's Priory. All the written intentions will be honored. Thank you for your understanding.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday:	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday:	1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday:	Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a



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A Message from Fr. Roberto

Voting Guidelines for the November Elections

As we approach the important elections in November, I remind all of you who are able to vote of the obligation we have as Catholics to exercise our right and privilege to vote. Also, it is important that our Catholic Christian faith guide our voting. I am sure there are and will continue to be individuals and organizations who will try to pressure us to vote in a certain way. While our Catholic Church can encourage us to vote for or against various issues, such as abortion, immigration, capital punishment, etc., **no one can tell us which party or candidate to vote for; we are free to vote as our conscience guides us.** Nevertheless, we are obliged to inform our conscience as best we can so that our vote is an informed one. To that end, the bishops of the United States have published a brochure entitled **“Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship”** which provides some very helpful Catholic guidelines to help us in the voting process.



Neither the Republican nor Democratic Party, nor any other party in our country fully embraces or supports the breadth of Catholic teaching. Both major parties are flawed in that sense as are the candidates for these parties: Donald Trump and Joe Biden. Because of this, it can be difficult for us as Catholics to choose which party and which candidate to vote for. For that reason, I would like to highlight two paragraphs in the above-mentioned brochure from our U.S. bishops that can help us navigate our difficult choices.

“Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship” – Paragraph 34

“A Catholic cannot vote for a candidate who favors a policy promoting an intrinsically evil act, such as abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, deliberately subjecting workers or the poor to subhuman living conditions, redefining marriage in ways that violate its essential meaning, or racist behavior, if the voter’s intent is to support that position. In such cases, a Catholic would be guilty of formal cooperation in grave evil. At the same time, a voter should not use a candidate’s opposition to an intrinsic evil to justify indifference or inattentiveness to other important moral issues involving human life and dignity.”

“Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship” – Paragraph 35

“There may be times when a Catholic who rejects a candidate’s unacceptable position even on policies promoting an intrinsically evil act may reasonably decide to vote for that candidate for other morally grave reasons. Voting in this way would be permissible only for truly grave moral reasons, not to advance narrow interests or partisan preferences or to ignore a fundamental moral evil.

What our bishops are saying is that, for example, a Catholic can vote for Trump, even if the voter considers that Trump’s policies promote racism or subject immigrants to subhuman living conditions, as long as the voter’s intent is not to support those positions and because of other morally grave reasons, for example, Trump’s opposition to abortion.

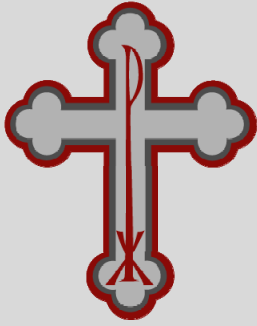
Similarly, a Catholic may vote for Biden, even if his policies promote abortions and gay marriage, as long as the voter’s intent is not to support those positions, and because of other morally grave reasons, for example, Biden’s positions on racism, immigration, global warming and COVID-19.

The most important thing is that we, as Catholics, speak, listen, act and vote with respect for those who agree with us and for those who disagree with us. We simply cannot lower ourselves to the kind of disrespectful and unchristian behavior we see in political debates, talk shows, in the media and in society in general. Let us pray for our country and for one another for mutual respect and for the common good to prevail.

Please see the following resources online to obtain the U.S. Bishops’ guidelines:

Voting resource page on the U.S. Bishops’ website: <https://www.usccb.org/offices/justice-peace-human-development/forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship>

PDF of their document on guidelines for voting as Catholics, “Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship:” <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/upload/forming-consciences-for-faithful-citizenship.pdf>



Br. John Winkowitsch, OP's ordination to the Diaconate will take place on Saturday, September 19, 2020, at 10:30 am, at the Priory of St. Albert the Great in Oakland, CA. It will be a Mass where one of our student brothers will be ordained to the priesthood and Br. John, along with two other brothers, to the diaconate.

Due to coronavirus protocols, this Mass of Ordination will be attended only by the community at St. Albert's.

A public livestream is available here <https://livestream.com/opwest> and here <https://www.youtube.com/opwest>



**Confirmation Meetings will begin on
Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 7:00 pm**

Confirmation Year 1 Registration

Year 1 Registration Forms are available. The parish office is closed to the public, but we are here, just knock on the door and we will give you a form. The student must be in the 9th, 10th or 11th grade to sign up.

Please bring a copy of their Baptism Certificate along with a copy of their First Communion Certificate. The fee for Year 1 is \$100. Should we be allowed to have a retreat, there will be an additional fee of \$150.

Confirmation Year 2 Re-Registration

Re-registration forms were mailed to all students entering Year 2. You can re-register at any time. If you have any outstanding fees from Year 1, these must be paid before you can register for year 2. The fee for year 2 is \$100. Should we be allowed to have a retreat, there will be an additional fee of \$150.

These meetings will be either via Zoom or in person at the Community Center. Of course Social distancing, masks, temperature check, and sanitizing will all be in effect.

Un Mensaje de Padre Roberto

Pautas de Votación para las Elecciones de Noviembre

Al acercarnos a las importantes elecciones de noviembre, les recuerdo a todos ustedes que pueden votar de la obligación que tenemos como católicos de ejercer nuestro derecho y privilegio de votar. Además, es importante que nuestra fe cristiana católica guíe nuestro voto. Estoy seguro de que hay y seguirá habiendo personas y organizaciones que intentarán presionarnos para que votemos de cierta manera. Si bien nuestra Iglesia Católica puede exhortarnos a votar a favor o en contra de varios asuntos, como el aborto, la inmigración, la pena capital, etc., **nadie puede decirnos por cuál partido o candidato tengamos que votar; somos libres de votar según nos guíe nuestra conciencia.** Sin embargo, estamos obligados a informar nuestra conciencia lo mejor que podamos para que nuestro voto sea informado. Con ese fin, los obispos de los Estados Unidos han publicado un folleto titulado **“Formando la Conciencia para Ser Ciudadanos Fieles”** que proporciona algunas pautas católicas muy útiles para ayudarnos en el proceso de votación.

Ni el Partido Republicano ni el Demócrata, ni ningún otro partido en nuestro país abraza o apoya plenamente la amplitud de la enseñanza católica. Ambos partidos principales tienen fallas en ese sentido, al igual que los candidatos de estos partidos: Donald Trump y Joe Biden. Debido a esto, puede ser difícil para nosotros como católicos elegir a qué partido y a qué candidato votar. Por esa razón, me gustaría resaltar dos párrafos en el folleto mencionado anteriormente de nuestros obispos estadounidenses que pueden ayudarnos a navegar por nuestras difíciles decisiones.

“Formando la Conciencia para Ser Ciudadanos Fieles” – Párrafo 34

Un católico no puede votar a favor de un candidato que toma una posición a favor de algo intrínsecamente malo, como el aborto provocado, la eutanasia, el suicidio asistido, el sometimiento deliberado de los trabajadores o los pobres a condiciones de vida infrahumanas, la redefinición del matrimonio en formas que violan su significado esencial, o comportamientos racistas, si la intención del votante es apoyar tal posición. En tales casos un católico sería culpable de cooperar formalmente con un mal grave. Pero al mismo tiempo, un votante no debería usar la oposición a un mal intrínseco de un candidato para justificar una indiferencia o despreocupación hacia otras cuestiones morales importantes que atañen a la vida y dignidad humanas.

“Formando la Conciencia para Ser Ciudadanos Fieles” – Párrafo 35

Puede haber ocasiones en que un católico que rechaza una posición inaceptable de un candidato incluso sobre políticas que promueven un acto intrínsecamente malo decida razonablemente votar a favor de ese candidato por otras razones moralmente graves. Votar de esta manera sería solamente aceptable si verdaderamente existen razones morales graves, y no para promover intereses mezquinos o las preferencias de un partido político o para ignorar un mal moral fundamental.

Lo que están diciendo nuestros obispos es que, por ejemplo, un católico puede votar por Trump, incluso si el votante considera que las políticas de Trump promueven el racismo o someten a los inmigrantes a condiciones de vida infrahumanas, siempre y cuando la intención del votante no sea apoyar esas posiciones y por otras razones moralmente graves, por ejemplo, la oposición de Trump al aborto.

De manera similar, un católico puede votar por Biden, incluso si sus políticas promueven el aborto y el matrimonio homosexual, siempre que la intención del votante no sea apoyar esas posiciones y por otras razones moralmente graves, por ejemplo, las posiciones de Biden sobre el racismo, la inmigración, calentamiento global y COVID-19.

Lo más importante es que nosotros, como católicos, hablemos, escuchemos, actuemos y votemos con respeto por los que están de acuerdo con nosotros y por los que no están de acuerdo con nosotros. Simplemente, no podemos rebajarnos al tipo de comportamiento irrespetuoso y poco cristiano que vemos en los debates políticos, los programas de entrevistas, en los medios de comunicación y en la sociedad en general. Oremos por nuestro país y los unos por los otros para que prevalezca el respeto mutuo y el bien común.

Consulte los siguientes recursos en línea para obtener las pautas de los obispos de EE. UU.:

Página de recursos de votación en el sitio web de los obispos de EE. UU.:

<https://www.usccb.org/es/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/formando-la-conciencia-para-ser-ciudadanos-fieles-indice.cfm>

PDF de su documento sobre las pautas para votar como católicos, “Formando la Conciencia para Ser Ciudadanos Fieles”:

<https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/upload/spanish-faithful-citizenship.pdf>



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