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Infant Baptism

For helpful information and guidance regarding Infant Baptism, please go to our website www.stbrunochurch.org. We are pleased to assist your family with this first and important Sacrament. If you have questions after reviewing the website, please email Baptism@stbrunochurch.org.



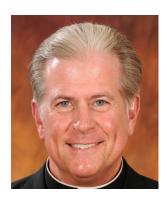
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Gospel Reflections 20th Sunday August 14th 2022

Decisions ... Decisions

Today's Gospel seems to describe our country well ...and maybe even your family too.

It talks about divisions between people ...and yet seems to say this is a good thing. Why is that?

This Gospel was written about a generation after Jesus, when many people had wonderfully chosen to follow Him. However, a family might have some members following Jesus and some remaining in their pagan religion. Families were divided along these lines by the decisions each person made.

Every decision you make has that *separating* consequence. Every decision divides people into those that follow one path from those who follow another.

The very word "decision" has the same root word from which we have our English word "scissor." That means every decision "cuts" or "divides" or "separates" one group from others by their free choices.

This is the message of today's Gospel. Our Lord clearly expects us to make a decision to responsibly and maturely choose the path of our life. However, a decision to follow Christ can sometimes divide a family or friends from each other. Yet, this may still be a good thing!

I was in a Catholic High School during the mid-1960's drug craze. Our Principal was concerned about the upcoming summer break and the chance that his students might try drugs. He offered a simple decision we could make. When offered drugs, we should reply firmly, "No Thanks ... You go your way ... I will go God's way." That clear decision would ensure our path would change from their reckless path and instead remain with Our Lord. Choosing Christ may separate you from bad people, and even classmates, yet always a good choice!

We are clearly in a time of great political division in our country as well, where sincere people align with different goals about the economy, moral issues, or even world affairs. Moreover, every news event is often instantly portrayed as either helping or hurting one political side or the other. It seems like division all the time.

What makes our Catholic response different is that we always respect people who make decisions different from our own. We may disagree with their choices, and should certainly say so clearly, honestly, and respectfully, but never insult or harm anyone who chooses a different path.

While our choices can separate us from others on a different path, our common humanity under God unites us together.



God bless!

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ST. BRUNO NEWS



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15
This year, the Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary falls on a Monday and is <u>not</u>
observed as a holy day of obligation.

Monthly Food Drive

Next Weekend

The St. Bruno's parish community will be collecting food for the food banks of our area. There is a need for 1lb bags of rice, macaroni & cheese, peanut butter & jelly, tuna & other canned meats and canned fruits. Please bring non-perishable food items to the containers at the Church doors or Rectory Garage. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Pancake Breakfast 8/28

(After Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM)

The Saint Bruno Parish Community is invited to the School Hall between 8 AM - Noon for a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser with 1 Large Pancake, Toppings, 2 Sausages, Juice, and Coffee. (\$7 for each breakfast) Help the 8th Grade Class of 2023 raise funds for their Graduation Activities and School Legacy Gift. Tickets available same day at tables in the Church Courtyard and at the School Hall. We appreciate your support and can't wait to serve you!

ADULT CONFIRMATION BEGINS

The Fall Session of Adult Confirmation begins at 11 AM on Sunday September 11th. This 12-class session is for Catholics 18 years and older who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation. On-line registration opens on Monday August 22 and closes on Tuesday September 6 unless class limits are reached earlier. Please refer to our website: stbrunochurch.org for more details. Questions, contact deaconmike@ stbrunochurch.org.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church?

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (*RCIA*) is a journey that welcomes and prepares new members into our Church. RCIA is intended to serve the un-baptized or baptized individuals that have never received any Christian instruction.

RCIA is faith formation which is centered on fostering a relationship with Jesus Christ, and informs individuals about the Roman Catholic Faith tradition, and brings them to receive the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

RCIA will start on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 7 PM. If you or someone you know is interested in this journey of faith, or just have questions, please call Deacon Gabe & Maria Saavedra at 562-947-5637 x122.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life". John 3:16

Daily Adoration

Join us for our Daily Adoration in the Church from 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

All are welcome.



"Four For Our Faith" Weekly Giving Initiative

Sunday Collection 8/7 \$13,678
Weekly Online Giving
Total Contributions \$20,432

Thank you for your generosity!

For a Balanced Budget (includes Modest Growth) for FY 2022/2023 = Need \$20,372/week.

ST. BRUNO EVENTS

Catholic Men's Fellowship

Discussion Meeting: Wednesday, **August 17th** from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Speaker Meeting: Our next meeting will be Saturday, **September 3rd**, after the 8:00 AM Mass until 10:30 AM.

For further information, call Dave Zofrea at 562-221-2544. All men are welcome.





Eagles Wings

Support for those with a life-changing illness.

Each week starts a new topic that inspires conversation. You will have time to take a fresh look at how your illness affects you in your everyday life. We meet in a comfortable setting **every Thursday from 10:00 AM** - **12:00 PM in the Parish Center**. For more information, please contact Monica Radel at 562-631-6708.

Praying with Scripture

If you would like to deepen your relationship with God through prayer with scripture, please come join us weekly for a 6-week series with the Explosive Gospel on Thursday evenings, beginning September 29th and ending November 3rd, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. We will be meeting in the Parish Center. There is no cost, but registration is appreciated.

Contact Monica Radel to register: 562-631-6708 or email mmrads6@yahoo.com.

Bible Study—Philippians

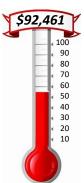
Do you know that the Designer and Creator of humanity has given us an owner's manual for our lives? It is Holy Scripture - the Holy Bible. Join us starting Thursday, August 18, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM, in the Parish Center for a six-part Bible Study - Philippians: New Life in Christ. For information and to register contact Blaise Mikkelson at mikkelsonb@yahoo.com. Cost is \$10 for the study guide.

Together in Mission 2022



As One We Believe \$92,461

Parish Goal:\$92,461 Amount Pledged:\$51,139 Amount Paid:\$45,170



Please continue to help us reach our 2022 goal. Consider completing your pledge if you have not already done so.

How to make a gift? Visit togetherinmission.org/give, call 213-637-7672, text believe to 213-397-0682 or scan QR code.



God Bless you for your generosity!

St. Bruno Prayer Community

The St. Bruno Parish Prayer Community meets every Wednesday from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the St. Lucy room within our Parish Center. All are welcome to join us and help us pray for all our parish, community, national and worldly needs.

You can submit prayer intentions by calling the Prayer Community,
MaryAnn DiPinto at 562-943-7645.



The Legion of Mary

The Blessed Mother is looking for men and women willing to work with her doing Evangelization, teaching CCD, Pilgrim Virgin visitation and visiting the sick to name a few.

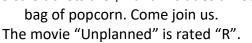
Are you qualified?...yes! All you need is a desire to grow in your faith with willingness to sacrifice 2% of your time every week.

Please come and visit us in the St. Michael room. We meet every Tuesday 6:30 - 8:00 PM.

Please contact Martha Olivas at 562-413-4645.

Respect Life Ministry Movie Night

St. Gregory - Church Hall
Saturday, August 20th at 7 PM.
Doors open at 6:30 PM
Movie will start at 7 PM
Pre-sale tickets are \$7 and includes a free





"OTHER THAN QUAKERS" PART III

LAND DISPUTES AND THE LOS NIETOS ASSISTENCIA - Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Visit the exhibit created by Dr. Lorayne Horka. The original story of the first Redemptorist mission in the Greater Whittier area and its involvement in the land disputes arising from the creation of Rancho Los Nietos in 1784.

Opened in JULY

The Whittier Museum (562) 945-3871

Hours open:

Must Be Done," here.

Tuesday - Friday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM & Saturday 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, Closed Sunday and Monday



Safeguard the Children DID YOU KNOW?

Meet all of your child's teachers this year

As children head back to school, parents should make every effort to meet the people their children will come in contact with — from their classroom teachers to those who teach the special subjects like art, music, or other extracurriculars. Make the effort to have a faceto-face meeting with these people and know the school's policies on abuse prevention and awareness. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article, "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done," at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/. Read the VIRTUS® article, "Three Things that Simply

For these we pray:

Gustavo Aragon, Larry Ardisone, Larry Arisone, Fr. Jim Bradley, Gloria Candelaria, Rita Casacchia, Becky Cleary, Ciera Dean, Silvia Delgadillo, Jose Estrada, Bob Fremgen, Joel Garcia, Rafaela Gonzalez & Maria, Caroline Granado, Don Horne, Mali Lucci, Georgette Maldonado, Gloria Marquez, Monica Marshall, Barbara Martellino, Pat Martin, Anna Mestaz, Mario Mestaz, Mark Mestaz, Caroline Mixon, Edith Muñoz, Helen Nugent, Mary Pascoe, David Raphaelian,

Robin Raphaelian, Barbara Recchia, Paul Saavedra, Martin Velasco, Mike Welsh, Jerry Wetzstein, Alina Wilker, Fred Winnen and un-born babies.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY • August 15, 2022

6:30 am — Angela & Ricardo Sanchez, R.I.P.
Intention of Nelson & Gloria Orihuela

TUESDAY • August 16, 2022

8:00 am — Intention of Fr. Jim Bradley, on his birthday
Robert McCarthy, R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY • August 17, 2022

6:30 am — Intention of Tina Rodriguez
Intention of Norrie & Robbie Cavallero & family

THURSDAY • August 18, 2022

8:00 am — Intention of Elena Tan Don Quiñones, R.I.P.

FRIDAY • August 19, 2022

6:30 am — Timothy Jimenez, R.I.P. Mona Broucgsault, R.I.P.

SATURDAY • August 20, 2022

8:00 am — Intention of Michelle Grace Gomez

Intention of Virginia Macaulay

5:30 pm — Intention of Paul Braun

SUNDAY • August 21, 2022

7:30 am — Raymond Schwabe, R.I.P.

9:00 am — Lupe Espitia, R.I.P.

10:30 am — Theresa Magula, R.I.P.

12:00 pm — Intention of Michael Joseph Olmos

5:30 pm — Mass for the people of St. Bruno Parish