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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.



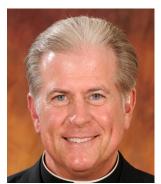
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Gospel Reflections 3rd Sunday January 21st 2024

Follow Me!

You might think our faith is complicated but today's Gospel reveals everything you need to know. *Everything is summarized in just two words!*

Jesus speaks to fishermen along the shore of the Sea of Galilee and simply says, *Follow me*. They do immediately...and so should you. An authentic Christian just *follows* what Christ says and does.

In this time of political transition and often turmoil, clear and easy to understand directions are just what you need!

Notice that Jesus does *not* say, *understand* what I say and do. He does not even say *believe* what I do. He simply says, *Follow me!* Understanding and belief only becomes clear *after* following His behavior. You first follow Him and then gain His wisdom.

You might notice how children often mimic the behavior of their parents or teachers. That is how they find their way to success, and that is true for adults as well.

You can read articles about successful athletes, business leaders, or happily married couples and families, but when you *imitate* the *behavior* of these successful people, you will clearly understand their wisdom so much faster and achieve their same success. Wisdom *follows* behavior.

The University Series will help you understand Our Lord's behavior more deeply in our annual Lenten multi-parish adult education program starting February 15th. Next weekend, the catalogs will be distributed at all the Masses and the website will go live for preregistration. There are 50 different sessions you choose to attend that connect our faith with real life. For every class you pay for, you can bring a friend for free.

The Mass is our weekly reminder of how to follow Jesus, especially in the words of the consecration: *This is my Body and Blood, given for you*. Our Lord is always *for* your life and *for* your true and lasting happiness, at every age, in every place, and at every time.

Respect Life Month also reminds you that Jesus is always *pro-life*. Since Jesus is pro-life, then so are we. We follow Him. We always support all human life at every age and every circumstance, but most especially for young mothers and children. Jesus Himself was conceived under difficult circumstances, and yet Mary is called *blessed among all women*. Jesus is always pro-life and always pro-women.

Since Jesus is pro-life, then so are we, because very simply ...we follow Him.



God bless!

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ST. BRUNO NEWS

WAYS TO GIVE

In our Catholic faith, money is the power to make something good happen. That means helping St. Bruno parishioners meet Our Lord in every sacrament, parish event, or new building project, so your gifts are always and only for that purpose. Here are ways you can help build your new Hall for All. Our Archdiocesan professionals are also ready to help with assistance in Estate Planning and Real Estate gifts for St. Bruno. Our Non-Profit Tax Number is 95-1957493. Your gifts can also be made over a five year period.

DIRECT CASH GIFTS:

You may make your five year pledge by check, credit card, or authorize your bank to make direct deposits to our *St. Bruno Church Hall for All*. Checks can be dropped at the office, or in the Building Fund envelopes in the Sunday collection.

STOCKS, BONDS, IRA, & ANNUITY GIFTS:

You may also direct these special gifts to *St. Bruno Church Hall For All*. Your financial advisor can also direct your IRA and various Annuity gifts to support this important project for our parish and school families.

REAL ESTATE PROPERTIES:

These are gifts of a home or other properties that you would like to donate. Our Archdiocesan Office will assist you with these gifts for our *St. Bruno Church Hall for All*. Contact Michael Davitt at mtdavitt@la-archdiocese.org to establish your gift.

ESTATE PLANNING:

These are gifts donated according to your wishes about how your estate will be dispersed, such as in a Charitable Remainder Trust. Our Archdiocesan Office will assist you with these gifts for our *St. Bruno Church Hall for All*. Contact Karen Dunphy at kdunphy@la-archdiocese.org for your gift.

Your donations, by law, can only be used for the purpose for which you give them. They are sacred gifts for the mission of St. Bruno Church and School. For a fuller understanding of how parish and Archdiocesan finances work, please see my article at *stbrunochurch.org*, and click on *Fr. Dave's Articles*.

Please always feel free to contact me with any questions.

Fr. Dave Heney daveheney@gmail.com 310-749-6184 cell



Coming Soon!

St. Bruno, Beatitudes, and St. Mary's hosting 50 sessions that connect faith with real life during Lent ...starting February 15th.
Catalogs and pre-registration available soon.

Have you remembered the HALL in your Will or Trust?



To set up your gift, please contact Karen Dunphy at 213-637-7510 or Kdunphy@la-archdiocese.org

Town Hall Q & A

Fr. Dave will be present after every Sunday noon Mass in the Church for a general Town Hall Q & A session on any question you might have on any topic.

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 1/14 \$15,012
Weekly Online Giving 4,882
Total Contributions \$19,894

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. BRUNO EVENTS

Catholic Men's Fellowship

Speaker Meeting: Our next meeting will be Saturday, February 3rd after the 8:00 AM Mass until 10:30 AM. All men are welcome.

Discussion Meeting: No Wednesday meetings during Lent.

For further information, call Dave Zofrea at 562-221-2544.

Monthly Food Drive

This Weekend

Please bring non-perishable food items to the containers at the Church doors or Rectory Garage. Thank you for your generosity!

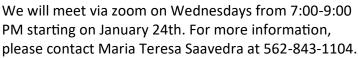


GROWNDED

Ladies, you are invited!

Come join our women's bible study as we begin our fifth book from the Walking With Purpose series, Grounded in Hope. Based on the book of Hebrews, it will help you encounter Jesus in such a powerful, comforting, and stabilizing way that He will become your lifeline. Hebrews contains some of the most beautiful passages you'll find in Scripture. It will comfort you and challenge you. Every word of it has a treasure to mine. Grounded in Hope, our 17-Lesson Bible study, is for you if you...

- long to know Jesus with greater intimacy
- are ready to grow in your trust in Him as your true source of hope
- have grown weary as you run your race, and need encouragement to persevere



Training for new Altar Servers is planned for February. This is such a wonderful way to get connected and be a part of Mass as young people! Families of boys and girls in the 5th grade and higher who desire to be trained as Altar Servers go to www.stbrunochurch.org/ AltarServers and complete the registration link.

St. Bruno's 8th Grade Class Pancake Breakfast 1/28, 8 AM-12 PM

Please help support the Class of 2024 Fundraiser for a memorable 8th Grade Year \$10 Cash only Includes: Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee or Juice



Blanket Drive

(New Blankets) For the



Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Bruno Parish February 10-11, 2024



"Whatever you do

for the most needy of my brothers & sisters you do for me"

St. Vincent de Paul Society At the Heart of Giving

"I was naked, and you clothed me." --Mt 25:36a

Help someone get through this winter... ...and give yourself that

warm feeling

St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday

The St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday truck is here today in the parish parking lot from 8 AM to 2 PM. We need your support! For large items including furniture, appliances, and vehicles, please call 800-974-3571 for home pickups.

Altar Server Training

Eagle's Wings



Support for those with a life-changing illness or chronic condition. 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 -11:30 AM in the Parish Center. For more information, please contact Monica Radel at 562-631-6708.

Adult Formation Corner

Join us for a one morning or one evening study of the Books of the Prophets in the Old Testament. Sessions will be held on Wednesday evening, January 24 in the church at 7:00 PM and Thursday morning, January 25 at 10:00 AM in the Parish Center. Come learn about the books that tell us about the prophets of the Old Testament. For any questions contact Cathy Narvaez at 562-631-8844

Lenten Retreat

You are invited to a Lenten Retreat on Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Come spend some time in prayer, reflection and preparation for the season of Lent. Please RSVP so enough materials will be provided. We will meet in the Hall. Please RSVP to Cathy at 562-631-8844 by Monday, February 5, 2024.

40 Days For Life

The Respect Life ministry will be praying and fasting in the 40 Days for life campaign starting on February 14th through March 24th. Please contact Michelle Scianni at 562-328-0692 or 40daysforlife.com for more information and to sign up to pray in front of the Whittier Planned Parenthood, peacefully and lovingly, protecting God's children. 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

https://www.40daysforlife.com/ vigil-search.aspx

Safeguard the Children DID YOU KNOW?

Guidelines for online interaction with young people Appropriate behavior online is critical to maintaining boundaries and being a trusted adult to the young people in your care. Do not use your personal social media account to "friend" or "follow" the children you work with. Do not email from a personal email address. If you do interact with young people online, do not comment on their social media accounts or use them to obtain more information or start conversations. If your organization does not have rules about social media use for employees, work with management to put some in place. For more, read the VIRTUS® article "Social Media Rules to Follow with Children" at lacatholics.org/did-vou-know/.

For these we pray:

Hector Alatorre, Theresa Biggs, Connie Brewer, Rita Casacchia, Carlos Cendejas, Anthony Chavez, Bryan Chavez, Becky Cleary, Silvia Delgadillo, Sergio Delgadillo, Eddy Drafton, Walter Flores, Silvia Gonzalez, Charles Johnson, Daniel La Rioza, Maureen Lemoi, Charlie Martinez, Gerry McGuire, Anna Mestaz, Mario Mestaz, Mark Mestaz, Veronica Mestaz, Lani Morrisey, Irene Muniz, Tommy O'Donnel, Nicole Pearce, Deborah Perez, Estella Perez, Christina Peterson, Marilyn Radcliff, Lucia Rangel, Olivia Reyes, Jeff Reynolds, Adam Ristich, Angela Ristich, Tony Ristich, Don Robinson, Brett Sanders, Lilia Slate, Joseph & Rosa Streter, Armida Tellez, Gabino Valadez, Carmen Vargas, and un-born babies.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY • January 22, 2024

6:30 am — Intention of Nguyen Hien's family Benjamin Barragan, R.I.P.

TUESDAY • January 23, 2024

8:00 am — Faustino Livas, R.I.P. Intention of Rebecca Arias

WEDNESDAY • January 24, 2024

6:30 am — Intention of Christian Arias Intention of Diego Arias

THURSDAY • January 25, 2024

8:00 am — Intention of Linda Brusher Intention of Kolbe Manley

FRIDAY • January 26, 2024

6:30 am — Salvador B. Chavez, R.I.P. Souls in Purgatory, R.I.P.

SATURDAY • January 27, 2024

8:00 am — Intention of Wanda Cook on her

102th birthday

Camilla Megan Mendoza, R.I.P.

5:30 pm — Jerry Ozawa, R.I.P.

SUNDAY • January 28, 2024

7:30 am — Albert "A.J." Valasquez, R.I.P.

9:00 am — Dennis Irland, R.I.P.

10:30 am — Leticia Gonzalez, R.I.P.

12:00 pm — Mass for the people of St. Bruno Parish

5:30 pm — Eddie Chaiday, R.I.P.