

# THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 20, 2006

UNLESS YOU EAT THE FLESH OF THE SON OF MAN AND DRINK HIS BLOOD,  
YOU DO NOT HAVE LIFE WITHIN YOU.

—John 6:53

## GIFT AND GIVER

“Come, eat my bread, and drink the wine I have prepared! If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.” What a glorious and disturbing invitation to share in the ultimate sacrifice: Jesus, Son of God, is both the gift and gift-giver. He calls us to partake in his work: his Eucharist, his thanksgiving. We recognize the Lord’s will: come to the heavenly wedding feast!

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## ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Your non-availability dates for ministering during the months of September and October are needed in the office by this **Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Please call or email us as soon as possible. We appreciate this very much. 562-439-0931, ext. 5. [barling@stmatthewlb.org](mailto:barling@stmatthewlb.org)

## ENRICHMENT DAY FOR LECTORS

An enrichment day for new and experienced lectors will take place on Saturday, Sept. 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels (in the ballroom at the Center at Cathedral Plaza) 555 W. Temple St. L.A. The presenters will be Fr. Patrick Mullen, (english language) and Fr. Manuel Sanahuja, (spanish language). You may download a registration form at [www.laliturgy.org](http://www.laliturgy.org) or call the Office for Worship, 213.637.7262, to request a form be mailed.

The cost is \$15 per person if payment is postmarked by Sept. 1. \$25. per person after Sept 1 and at the door. Space is limited and if capacity is reached, no additional registrations will be accepted. A box lunch is available for an additional \$10.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Take a vacation from the world and learn what God’s plan is for your marriage. Make a marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is scheduled for September 22-24, 2006. For more information, call Jacob and Sarah Flores at 562.923.7335.

## PEACE AND JUSTICE MEETING

The next Peace and Justice meeting is scheduled for this Monday, August 21 at 7:00 p.m. in Classroom #1. All are welcome.

## TOGETHER IN MISSION UPDATE

MONTHLY PARISH DETAIL REPORT  
RESULTS THROUGH AUGUST 2, 2006

**PARISH GOAL:** \$38,142.30  
**AMOUNT PLEDGED:** \$28,020.64  
**AMOUNT PAID:** \$23,704.64

## DIFFERENCE UNDER GOAL

**VS. TOTAL** \$10,121.66

We will take up a second collection next weekend with hopes of coming closer to our mandatory parish goal. Thanks to your generosity last month, we are **\$1,627.00 closer to our goal!! Thank you** for your generosity last month and please give generously next weekend.

## THE WAY OF MEDITATION

Jim Finley, Ph.D., will lead "The Way of Meditation" on Saturday, September 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., on the campus of Loyola Marymount University. This workshop will experientially lay out the traditions of meditation in various faiths and traditions--Christian, Jewish (Kabbalah), 12 Step, and Yoga--explore how meditation puts people in touch with the Divine, and delve into the implications that a practice of meditation has for a person's life and for the life of the world. Cost is \$85 per person.

## CLASS REUNION

“SAINTS” Class of 56 from St. Anthony’s High School 50th High School Reunion will be on Friday, September 15, 2006 at Lakewood Country Club. The committee is planning a weekend of events in the Long Beach area including a tour of St. Anthony’s. For more information please contact Judy Ybarrola Myers at 714.970.0317 or email [ybarrola@yahoo.com](mailto:ybarrola@yahoo.com).

**JOIN US TO PRAY THE ROSARY** on Saturday mornings at 8:30a.m. in the church.

## AUGUST 27 — 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 5: 21-32

**Gospel:** John 6:60-69