

All parishioners are invited to attend a baby shower honoring Katrina Dana and her baby on Sunday, August 24th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. If you would like to help by bringing a dish to share, please contact April Pittman at 910-374-4125.

Todos los feligreses están invitados a un baby shower en honor a Katrina Dana y su bebé el domingo 24 de agosto de 2:00pm a 4:00pm. Si desean ayudar trayendo un plato para compartir, por favor, contacten a April Pittman al 910-374-4125.



BABY SHOWER

IN HONOR OF

Katrina Dana

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH @ 2PM

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SACRAMENTS

Eucharist:	Daily Mass	Wednesday - Friday	NOON
	Weekend Mass	Saturday Sunday	5:00pm 7:30am(Spanish) 11:30pm(Spanish) 9:30am;(English)
Reconciliation:	Saturday		3:00pm - 4:30pm
Marriage:	Please call the parish office		Communicarse con la oficina
Anointing of the sick:	Please call the parish office		Communicarse con la oficina.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES

New Sunday Mass Times

STARTS ON SEPTEMBER 07, 2025

7:00am - 7:20am ~ Rosary

7:20am - 8:30am ~ Spanish Mass

8:45am - 10:00am

~ Faith Formation

10:00am - 10:20 am ~ Rosary

10:30am - 11:30am ~ English Mass

12:00pm - 12:20pm ~ Rosary

12:30pm - 1:30pm ~ Spanish Mass

SAN FRANCISCO DE SALES

Nuevos horarios de misas dominicales

COMIENZA EL 7 DE SEPTIEMBRE DE 2025

7:00am - 7:20am ~ Rosario

7:20am - 8:30am ~ Misa en español

8:45am - 10:00am

~ Formación en la Fe

10:00am - 10:20 am ~ Rosario

10:30am - 11:30am ~ Misa en inglés

12:00pm - 12:20pm ~ Rosario

12:30pm - 1:30pm ~ Misa en español

WORD OF LIFE

“Death is a decisive moment in the human person’s encounter with God the Savior. Helping the Christian to experience this moment with spiritual assistance is a supreme act of charity. It encompasses the patient with the solid support of human relationships to accompany them and open them to hope... While palliative care cannot entirely eradicate suffering from people’s lives, it provides an authentic expression of human and Christian care—allowing us to ‘remain’ at the side of a suffering person, as the Blessed Mother and the beloved disciple remained at the foot of the Cross.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice”



To everyone celebrating their birthday this week!

¡Feliz cumpleaños a todos ustedes que celebran sus cumpleaños esta semana!

18 - 30 August 2025

Sandra R, Raymond W, Michelle V,
Marie-Louise D, Hazel P, Matia G,
Nicholas R, Heidy R, Juana F,
Magally R, Luis Adrain V, Elvira O,
and Michelle V.

If you don’t want to miss announcements, events, or any changes, please be sure you are connecting with our OFFICIAL page & group.

Si no quieres perderte anuncios, eventos ni cambios, asegúrate de conectarte a nuestra página y grupo OFICIALES.

The OFFICIAL FB page is:

La página OFICIAL de Facebook es:
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The Official Group is:

El grupo oficial es:
https://www.facebook.com/groups/stfracisdesalescatholicchurch/?ref=share_group_link



Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire conditions. The Holy Father continues to call for a cease fire and for aid to enter the territory, noting with great sorrow that “Gaza is starving.”

Given the extraordinary nature of this crisis, Bishop Luis has asked us to take up a special second collection to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our affected brothers and sisters in Gaza and surrounding areas in the Middle East.

We will take up this special second collection THIS weekend, Sat & Sun August 23rd & 24th.

The USCCB will distribute collected funds via the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) who are providing emergency food, shelter and humanitarian relief in the affected area. Both organizations have well-established partnerships with the Catholic Church in the region which allow them to respond quickly and efficiently.

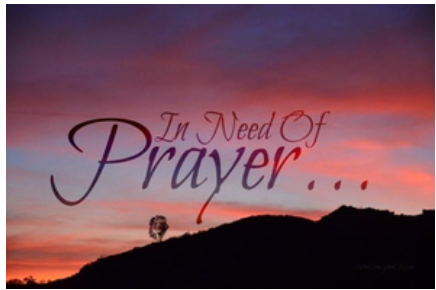
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Nuestra Iglesia lamenta el terrible sufrimiento de los cristianos y otras víctimas inocentes de la violencia en Gaza y sus alrededores, quienes luchan por sobrevivir, proteger a sus hijos y vivir con dignidad en condiciones extremas. El Santo Padre continúa pidiendo un alto al fuego y la entrada de ayuda al territorio, señalando con gran pesar que "Gaza se está muriendo de hambre".

Dada la naturaleza extraordinaria de esta crisis, el obispo Luis nos ha pedido que realicemos una segunda colecta especial para brindar ayuda humanitaria y apoyo pastoral a nuestros hermanos y hermanas afectados en Gaza y sus alrededores en Oriente Medio.

**Realizaremos esta segunda colecta especial ESTE fin de semana, sábado 23 y domingo 24 de agosto.**

La USCCB distribuirá los fondos recaudados a través de la Asociación Católica para el Bienestar del Cercano Oriente (CNEWA) y Catholic Relief Services (CRS), quienes están proporcionando alimentos de emergencia, refugio y ayuda humanitaria en la zona afectada. Ambas organizaciones mantienen sólidas alianzas con la Iglesia Católica en la región, lo que les permite responder con rapidez y eficiencia.



Sick and Homebound

Enfermos y confinados en casa:

Lydia Yarborough, Howard & Nellie Canady, Josette Terry, Gladys Ortiz, Peggy Malinsky, Lorraine Sinclair, Tom Jacoby, Jan Henderson, and Ken Cross

En necesidad de oración: David & Rhonda Martin, Sandra Rodríguez, Dr. Jerry Devine, Renete Cortez, Lupita Flores Castellano, Fabien, Janet Hester, Joseph & Shelby Young, Cathy Cartrette, Doris Schneider, Doris Warwick, Carolyn Wilkerson, Michelle & James White, Joan Van Huesen, David Rich, Noelia Powell, Joel Rivera, Kathy Geibert, Mary Lee Wadrose, Juanita Mishoe, Ruth Keen, Sr Marta Castrejon Flores, Annette Dent, Neal Frazier, Victor Dorais, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, for the Cáceres, Rios, Alonso, Santa Cruz families, The Dana Family, Rosario Reantaso, baby Elizabeth, Allie Rogers, Lou Rastelli, and the Bowen & Fisher Family

Nursing Homes

Residencias de Ancianos: Mary Hammonds and Therese Morel at Wesley Pines (Lumberton), Elisabeth Oxendine at Carrolton Nursing Home (Fayetteville)

Recently Deceased

Recientemente fallecidos:

\*Please notify the office if there is someone you would like us to add to our prayer list. \*

\*Por favor notifique a la oficina si hay alguien que le gustaría que agreguemos a nuestra lista de oración.\*

SMART START DAY AND FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

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October 25th, 2025

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Readings and Masses for the Week ~ Year C

Lecturas y Misas de la Semana ~ Año C

Saturday (Aug23rd) Mass 5:00 pm: (+Slyvia Dial)

Sunday (Aug 24th) Misa 7:30 am Por El Pueblo  
Mass 9:30 am (+Geronimo and Rosario Reantaso +Luz Atanasio)  
Misa 11:30 am (+Miguel Mesino, +Paula Regino, +Clemente Joaquin)

Is: 66:18-21 Ps 117:1b-2 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Lk 13:22-30

Monday (Aug 25th)  
Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest  
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday (Aug 26th)  
Weekday  
1 Thes 2:1-8 Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday (Aug 27th) Mass 12:00 pm (+Jimmy Walters)  
Saint Monica  
1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps139:7-12b Mt 23:27-32

Thursday (Aug 28th) Mass 12:00 pm (+Maria Luisa Rodriguez)  
Saint Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church  
1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90:3-5a Mt 23:8-12

Friday (Aug 29th) Mass 12:00 pm (Health & Healing for Rosa Phillips)  
The Passion of Saint John the Baptist  
1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12 Mk 6:17-29

Saturday (Aug 30th)  
Blessed Virgin Mary  
1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98:1, 7-9 Mt25:14-30

Parish Financial Record

Registro Financiero Parroquial

20th Sunday in O. T.

16-17 August 2025

01<sup>st</sup> Collection \$4,694.49

02<sup>nd</sup> Collection \$708.64

Total: \$5,403.13

Last Year \$4,918.00

Feast of the Assumption  
This Year \$1,528.91  
Last Year \$1,832.00

We thank you all for your contributions! Please remember to send your offertory envelope weekly or monthly, or give online.

¡Les agradecemos a todos por sus contribuciones! Por favor recuerde enviar su sobre de ofertorio semanal o mensualmente, o dar en línea.

<https://www.parishgiving.org/index?e=EB7D1D74B9E1D3AFD5A6E0FD209BC0BECDD23ED5C1C016A00>



Gift Shop: Are you looking for a perfect gift for a loved one? We would love to help you! We are located by the side entrance of our church. We have Rosaries, Crucifixes, Veils and a little bit of everything! There is also FREE books and pamphlets. Please stop by after Mass or during Office Hours!

Tienda de Regalos: ¿Buscas el regalo perfecto para un ser querido? ¡Nos encantaría ayudarte! Estamos junto a la entrada de nuestra iglesia. Tenemos rosarios, crucifijos, velos y un poco de todo. También tenemos libros y folletos GRATIS. ¡Visítanos después de Misa o durante Horarios de la Oficina!

21º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Reflexión de esta semana

Durante el último mes, Jesús nos ha recordado que ser su discípulo no es fácil.

Requiere valentía y compromiso. No basta con comer y beber con Jesús el domingo y escuchar sus palabras. El discipulado es una forma de vida diaria. Debemos esforzarnos por vivir lo que hemos escuchado de Jesús. Y, así como Jesús nos nutre, debemos estar dispuestos a nutrirnos mutuamente.

La segunda lectura de hoy nos ofrece un recordatorio muy necesario en nuestra lucha diaria por ser discípulos. Nuestro Dios nos creó a cada uno porque Dios es amor. Todo lo que experimentamos en la vida es parte de la providencia amorosa de Dios para con nosotros, incluso las dificultades y las pruebas.

El autor de la Carta a los Hebreos nos anima a no olvidar esta verdad fundamental. Como hemos escuchado, el autor compara el cuidado de Dios por nosotros con el cuidado de un padre. Un padre amoroso disciplina a su hijo o hija por amor: para ayudarlo a crecer como persona. Nuestro Dios amoroso nos trata de la misma manera.

Para poder apreciar esta verdad, primero debemos estar dispuestos a aceptar como cierto que nuestro Dios nos ama con un amor eterno. El gran deseo de Dios para nosotros es que seamos uno con Él, ahora en esta tierra y para siempre en la eternidad. Cuando aprendemos a aceptar que el amor eterno de Dios es la razón de nuestra existencia, entonces podemos comenzar a apreciar su presencia en nuestra vida.

A la luz del cuidado providencial de Dios por nosotros, San Francisco de Sales nos anima a aceptar todo lo que nos llega como proveniente de la mano de nuestro buen Dios, cuyo único propósito es hacernos merecedores de estos acontecimientos para que Dios pueda recompensarnos con la abundancia de su amor divino. Todo en nuestra vida contribuye a nuestro crecimiento con Dios en santidad.

Para vivir de esta manera, debemos aprender a través de la oración a desarrollar una gran confianza en el amor providencial de Dios por nosotros. A medida que crecemos en nuestra confianza, podremos fortalecer nuestras manos caídas y nuestras rodillas débiles y caminar más seguros con nuestro Dios en el camino que Dios ha establecido amorosamente para nosotros.

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OFFICE HOURS

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Tuesday - Friday

martes a viernes

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**\*\*closed (cerrado) 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm\*\***

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Saturday, Sunday and Monday

sábado, domingo y lunes

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CERRADO

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week's Reflection

During the last month, Jesus has been reminding us that being his disciple isn't easy.

It takes courage and commitment. It isn't enough to eat and drink with Jesus on Sunday and listen to his words. Discipleship is a daily way of living. We must make an effort to live what we have heard from Jesus. And, as Jesus nourishes us, we must be willing to nourish each other.

Today's second reading offers us a very needed reminder as we struggle each day to be a disciple. Our God created each of us because God is love. Everything that we experience in our life is part of God's loving providence for us – even the difficulties and trials.

The writer of the Letter to the Hebrews encourages us not to forget this basic truth. As we heard, the writer compares God's care for us to a parent's care. A loving parent disciplines a son or daughter for loving reasons – to help the child grow as a person. Our loving God treats us in the same way.

In order to be able to appreciate this truth, we must first be willing to accept as true that our God loves us with an everlasting love. God's great desire for us is that we be one with God, right now here on this earth and forever in eternity. When we learn to accept that God's everlasting love is the reason we exist at all, then we can begin to appreciate God's presence in our life.

In light of God's providential care for us, St. Francis de Sales encourages us to accept whatever comes to us as coming from the hand of our good God whose only purpose is to make us merit from these happenings so that God can reward us out of the abundance of divine love. Everything in our life contributes to our growth with God in holiness.

In order to live this way, we must learn through prayer to develop a great trust in God's providential love for us. As we grow in our trust, we will be able to strengthen our drooping hands and our weak knees and walk more surely with our God on the path that God has lovingly set for us.

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The Papal Coat of Arms of Leo XIV

On the shield, the heavenly blue of the upper left half indicates Pope Leo's devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is symbolized by the silver *fleur de lis* (the lily). The ivory lower right half features symbols of the Augustinian Order of which Pope Leo is a member. Atop a red book, a red arrow pierces a red heart aflame. St. Augustine wrote in his *Confessions*: "You have wounded my heart with Your love." The book—Sacred Scripture—transformed the heart of St. Augustine.



Backing the shield are symbols of Pope Leo's offices and authority: the silver miter of the Bishop of Rome, with three gold bands (suggesting the papal tiara) and fluttering red *infulae* (ribbons) fringed with gold bullion and crosses.

The *infulae* symbolize Tradition and Sacred Scripture. The miter is secured by the keys of Saint Peter—one gold representing heavenly authority (the Holy See) and one silver signifying temporal authority (the Vatican); both are bound with the red cord of Faith. The white banner at the bottom bears the motto "In illo uno unum" recalling St. Augustine's sermon on *Psalms* 128, "In one Christ, we are one."

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