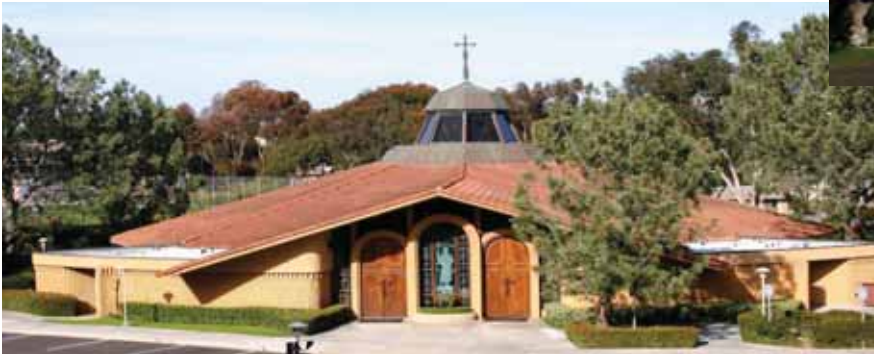


# St. James-St. Leo Catholic Community



## St. James Church

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## St. Leo Mission

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## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## January 17, 2010

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem (Isaiah 62:1-5).

**Psalm** — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

**Second Reading** — All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

**Gospel** — Celebrating at a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply by changing water into wine at his mother's request (John 2:1-11).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Samuel 15:16-23; Mark 2:18-22  
Tuesday: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Mark 2:23-28  
Wednesday: 1 Samuel 17:32-33,37,40-51; Mark 3:1-6  
Thursday: 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mark 3:7-12  
Friday: 1 Samuel 24:3-21; Mark 3:13-19, or any readings from the Mass "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891  
Saturday: 2 Samuel 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Mark 3:20-21  
Sunday: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14,27]; Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins  
Tuesday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)  
Wednesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian  
Thursday: St. Agnes  
Friday: St. Vincent; Day of Penance for Violations to the Dignity of the Human Person  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

### YOUR BEST

Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.

—Anonymous

### MASS SCHEDULES

#### ST. JAMES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:30AM, & 6:00PM

Daily Mass at St. James  
Liturgy of the Hours  
Communion Service:

Reconciliation/ Confesiones:

Marriage Preparation:

Baptism:

#### ST. LEO MISSION

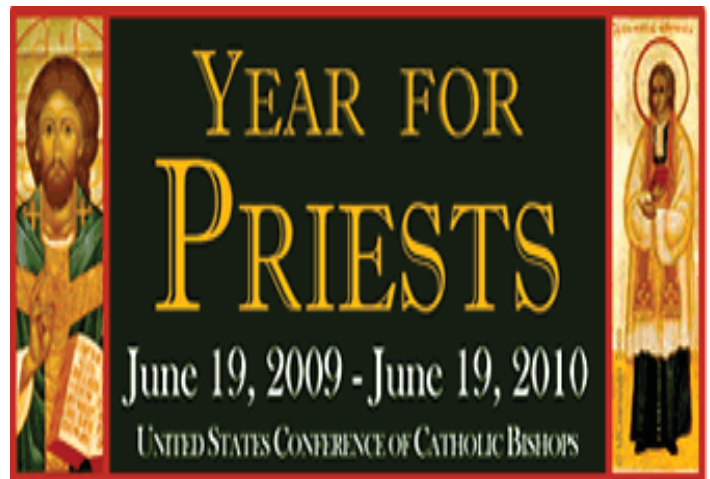
Saturday Vigil: 7:00PM,  
3rd Saturday  
Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30AM

8:00AM Monday - Friday  
7:30AM Monday - Friday  
6:45AM Monday-Friday;  
8:00AM Saturdays

Saturdays-Sábados: 3:30PM  
or upon request

Call Parish office 9 months  
prior to wedding

Call (858) 755-2545 ext. 105



God witnesses to my character. He sees into my heart and knows the purpose of my actions.

Saint Josaphat Kuncevcy (1580-1623), Lithuanian-born Basilian monk and Ruthenian Rite

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Eucharistic Adoration.....Marie Dorr.....760-942-2107

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Hospitality/Ushers.....Charles Lasnier.....858-792-8264

Bereavement Ministry.....Pauline Marsh.....760-431-8970

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Communion to the Sick...Katie Hodsdon.....858-682-1118

Medical/Dental Program.....858-259-9464

Mission Circle.....www.missioncircle.com...858-792-0516

SJA Mothers.....Claire Johnson.....858-755-2167

Christ Renews His Parish...Alice Lamberger.....858-509-3900

Knights of Columbus.....Paul Tufo.....760-942-4042

Parish Library.....Katie Harte.....760-271-6365

Blood Bank.....Bob Graves.....858-755-8990

Bridge Club.....Dee Eller...858-755-7808

Getting To Know You.....David Reagan.....760-632-9470

Good-Timers.....Nora Cochrane.....858-755-2714

Healing Ministry.....Lily Loh.....858-481-6911

Ecumenical Representative.Warren Henderson.....951-243-4900

Marriage Encounter.....John & Bianca Roy.....858-513-1099

Mom's Group.....Lisa Ronco.....858-793-3592

Life Matters Ministry.....Sandy Murphy.....619-997-0848

Returning Catholics.....Carol Becker.....858-354-7085

RCIA (Becoming Catholic).Rob Kidd...858-755-2545

Separated & Divorced.....Frank Grant.....760-533-1520

Singles and Young Adults.....www.yamsd.org

Small Church Communities.Mary Kieffer.....858-755-2436

Women Together.....Judy O'Connor.....760-212-4727

**WELCOME TO ST. JAMES-ST. LEO CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

We warmly welcome all visitors and hope you will consider making our community your parish home. **Church attendance does not make you or your family registered members.** Registration forms are in the brochure rack at the entrance of the church, or at the parish office. For more information on parish life please visit our website: [www.stjames-stleo.org](http://www.stjames-stleo.org).



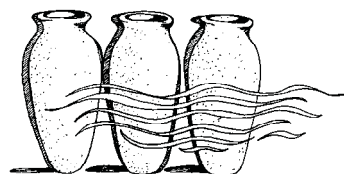
**SURPRISES**

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today's Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better.

You have kept  
the good wine



until now

**Prayer List**

Andi Adair	Cia O'Brien
Abel Castellanos, Sr.	Carmela & Gerardo Sacco
Nora Cochrane	Gloria Tufo
Alli DeFrancesco	Kate Turner
Jaime Garcia	Claire Valentine
Mi Le Nguyen	Dorry Williams

We are happy to list the names of anyone who may need special prayers in our parish bulletin. Names will be listed for one month. **A new prayer request list will be published the first Sunday of each month.** If you wish to have a name included, you must resubmit the name. This will assure that we keep an up-to-date list. **Call 858-755-2545 ext. 304 to add a name to the list.**

**DONATIONS**

There are many ways to help support your Parish! We offer a variety of options for easier giving. In addition to the envelope packets, we offer:

- ◆ Credit Card Withdrawal (Visa/Master Card)
- ◆ Automatic Checking Account Deduction
- ◆ Automatic Savings Account Deduction

To participate in these time-saving alternatives, contact Amy Martinez; (858) 755-2545 ext. 103.

**Sunday Collection Totals**

	<b>St. James</b>	<b>St. Leo</b>
December 6	\$25,922.70	\$1,202.50
December 13	\$13,131.60	\$1,092.00
December 20	\$14,829.50	\$1,206.00
Christmas	\$60,310.25	\$1,114.00
December 27	\$10,950.25	\$1,312.00
January 3	\$19,181.35	\$1,280.00
January 10	\$12,660.45	\$1,210.50

**2009 Collections Totals**

National Needs Collection	\$3,159.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$4,614.00
Mission Sunday	\$4,217.00
Peter's Pence	\$4,284.00
Lenten Collection	\$2,358.00

This is the amount donated in 2009 by the St. James - St. Leo Catholic Community parishioners for the Diocesan and National Collections. Your continued generosity is very much appreciated.

**SHARING A FEAST**



In many communities the way people show love, respect, and compassion is by sharing food and drink. Certainly, Jesus did that during the wedding at Cana. We believe that Jesus' love for us is most fully expressed when he feeds us in the Eucharist. Jeannie, a nurse, offered to serve on a Catholic medical mission team in a remote village in Haiti. For two weeks the volunteers worked long hours with limited supplies in a makeshift clinic serving hundreds of people with medical problems. As the clinic closed, the local people invited the team to a feast. Jeannie wondered what these impoverished people would serve. She sat down to sweet potatoes, fried goat with plantains, bread, beans and rice, and a special pineapple drink. Jeannie asked the local priest, "How could they do all this?" He replied, "God sent you with healing. This is our way of thanking God! Each gave a little so we could all share a lot." It tasted so good that everyone ate until it was all gone. Jeannie left with profound respect for the people who "have nothing" but shared so much.

**Living Stewardship Now**

A good meal depends not on what is on the table but who is on the chairs. Try to eat at least one meal a day with family, friends, or fellow workers. Banish cell phones and TV.

**ADOPT A SEMINARIAN?**

What better way to celebrate the Year of the Priest than to help educate a future priest? Can you imagine it costs an average of \$40,000 a year to maintain a seminarian in school? Since the Eudists staff your parish, would you consider making a monthly contribution to help educate one of their Eudist seminarians? Or could you afford to pay for a whole year, a month, a week or a day? Donations are tax-deductible. Make checks payable to: The Eudists, CJM or for more information contact Fr. Howard at [jhhcjm@aol.com](mailto:jhhcjm@aol.com) or (858) 755-2545 ex. 104

**CARE CORNER...FOCUS ON SENIORS**

**DEL MAR COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS** enables citizens of Del Mar (92014 zip code) of all ages to enrich their own lives and the lives of others. **Education Services** include Senior Fitness Classes, Life Story Writing, Silver Age Yoga, Warm Water Aerobics and Computer Tutoring. **Transportation Services** include Grocery Shuttle Service, Individual Rides and Taxi Vouchers. **Health Services** are designed to support healthful living and independence in later years and to make health education and support easily accessible to Del Mar seniors. **Social Services** provides information, referrals and social activities to enable seniors to live safely and comfortably in their own homes. **Legal Services** (for seniors over age 60 living in the 92014 zip code) are provided free of charge by appointment only on the last Friday of every month.

For more information about Del Mar Community Connections, email [dmcc@dmcc.cc](mailto:dmcc@dmcc.cc) or phone 858-792-7565.

**RETURNING CATHOLICS**



We would like to welcome home those who have been away from the Church. The next 7-week Returning Catholics series will begin on Wednesday evening Jan 20, 2010 at 7 p.m. in the Church social room. For information, contact Carol Becker (858-354-7085) or just come to the first meeting.

**Separated or Divorced Support Group at St James**

If you are in pain from a separation or divorce please consider joining our group. We meet 10:15 AM Sunday mornings at St. James Catholic Church Ministry Center Offices, located at 625 S.Nardo, Solana Beach. \$29 for DivorceCare workbook (optional).

New group forming January 24th. For additional information please contact Frank Grant, 760-533-1520 or fwgrant@earthlink.net.

**Jesus is the Healer!** Praise be to you, Lord, Father, Son and Holy Spirit! St. James Healing Ministry is pleased to announce that Fr. Dave Leon will preside at our January 27, 2010 Healing Mass at 7:00PM here at St. James Church. All are welcomed to attend!

- 6:00PM Confessions
- 6:30PM Music with witness testimony
- 7:00PM Mass

**Healing Prayer** is always available after the 9:00AM Mass on Sunday mornings and every third Saturday, after the 5:00PM Mass.

Praising our Lord God, for all the wonderful healings in mind, body, spirit, relationships and especially related to forgiving ourselves and others and for all you have planned for us!

**Christ Renews His Parish**

**The Christ Renews His Parish Women's Retreat** is coming up on January 30 & 31, 2010. Spend all weekend in God's love! For more information and to sign up, contact Donna S. at dszydelko@san.rr.com or stop by the table after Mass.



**Make a fresh start in 2010!**

**Join the worldwide Church in daily prayer!**

**Liturgy of the Hours** is celebrated in the Social Room at St. James Church each weekday morning at 7:30 a.m. Prayer books are provided. Take this opportunity to explore this universal prayer of the Church and enrich your prayer life in the New Year!

**AARP TAX AID PROGRAM**

The Solana Beach Senior Center is again sponsoring free income tax assistance and tax form preparation for 2009 Federal and California returns. Under the auspices of the AARP Tax-Aide program, this free tax-preparation service is available to low- and middle-income taxpayers, with the primary focus being on those who are 60 and older. The volunteer tax-preparers are fully trained and certified by the IRS to handle those items most often found on seniors' returns such as interest, dividends, capital gains, IRAs, pensions and annuities, Social Security and Railroad Retirement Board benefits and itemized deductions. If a taxpayer has a complex return involving rental, royalty or partnership income, depreciable assets, or significant foreign investments, the taxpayer is advised to use the services of a paid tax professional.

It is very important for taxpayers to bring copies of their 2008 state and federal returns to the appointment plus all 2009 Form1099's, W-2s, year-end brokerage statements, and any other information that relates to income, deductible expenses (e.g., medical, real estate tax, mortgage interest, charitable contributions), cost basis for securities that were sold, and estimated 2009 tax payments that were made.

From February 1 through April 12 tax-preparation is available on Monday mornings at Solana Beach Presbyterian Church and on Saturday mornings at St. James Catholic Church. **To make an appointment call the Solana Beach Senior Center office (858-509-2587) between 9:00am and 5:00pm.**

**Mondays 9am-1pm**

Solana Beach Presbyterian Church, 120 Stevens Ave., Solana Beach

**Saturdays 9am-1pm**

**St. James Catholic Church**, 645 South Nardo Ave., Solana Beach

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS reminder.....Lenten Friday Fish Feasts coming soon! Mark your calendars.**

- February 19 and 26
- March 5, 12, 19 and 26
- 6:00 p.m.— Parish Hall

These dinners sell out early every year. **The food is great!** Benefits parish organizations. Get a table together now.



visit: WWW.SJYM.NET



## MISSION CIRCLE

Thank you for your help with our Epiphany Celebration which was held last week in a garage-door neighbor centered around the Tijuana city dump. Because of your donations we were able to give a party to about 90 kids with practical gifts as well as toys. Your generosity made a difference to these destitute children.

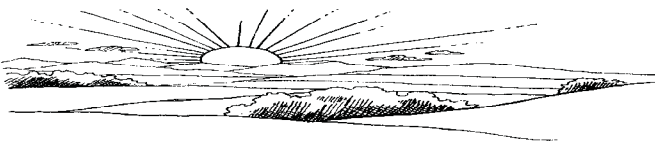
Warm blankets needed. Leave new or gently used blankets in the back of the church to help keep someone warm this winter.

Help with construction or a craft project at the Casa Eudes Girls Home in Tijuana on Saturday, January 23. The church van leaves the parking lot at 7:30 a.m. To join us, call Vreni Crimmins at 760-436-2678. **Please remember to bring your passport.**

Give food for the poor like non-perishable rice, beans and pasta. Leave your donations in the back St. James. For more information, contact Laura Wagner at (858) 259-1253 or [seaturfcircle.cox.net](http://seaturfcircle.cox.net).

Mission Circle is a charity run by St. James parishioners dedicated to helping the poor. Visit our website at [www.missioncircle.com](http://www.missioncircle.com). To receive our quarterly newsletter, contact Lucie Walther at 858-755-8060 or [Reubli28@aol.com](mailto:Reubli28@aol.com).

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## St. James— St. Leo Library

We are so blessed with the quantity and quality of resources donated recently—our shelves runneth over! Thanks to all of you generous people! (If you want a tax statement, fill out the form in Communications Outbox in the middle of “New and Noteworthy” shelf on south wall and leave for us to sign and return to you.)

Our prayer is that more volunteers can assist in getting these treasures out and available for library users as soon as possible. Two-hour shifts or other arrangements would be most helpful.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Katie Harte: 760-271-6365 or email [SJSL.Library@gmail.com](mailto:SJSL.Library@gmail.com).

## Center for Compassionate Care Workshops *Reclaiming Your Life After a Serious Diagnosis*

**Finding Support** January 21, 6:00pm–7:30pm Receiving a new diagnosis can be overwhelming. You may be so caught up in the shock of the words that you are unable to imagine how to cope. Organizing your family and other support systems can help minimize disruptions in daily life and provide a sense of calm and control during a chaotic time. Resources and practical tips will be provided.

**What to Say when You Don't Know What to Say** January 27, 6:00pm-7:30pm. A diagnosis of a life-altering illness is a difficult situation for everyone, including family and friends. It's important to say and do the right things to help others cope and recover. But what if you don't know what to say? When the right words are hard to find, having the resources and education to guide the conversation is essential.

To register call Community Programs Coordinator (760)737-2050 Center for Compassionate Care, 930 Canterbury Place, Escondido. RSVPs required.

## News from other Parishes...

**Natural Family Planning (NFP)** classes. Start the New Year off Right! 4 Classes beginning Thursday, January 21 at the Pastoral Center. For more information/registration contact Dave & Cheryl Ross (619)303-5053 or email [daveandcheryl@cox.net](mailto:daveandcheryl@cox.net).

**“Healing of Memories” Workshop** with Fr. John Hampsch, C.M.F. Saturday, January 23, Fr. Hampsch will be teaching a “Healing of Memories” workshop, 9:00am to 4:00pm, Our Mother of Confidence Church, University City. Registration \$25 before January 16, after January 16 \$30.00. Fee includes lunch. To register or more information, contact Ginnie Curran, 858-546-0300 or [vcurren1@san.rr.com](mailto:vcurren1@san.rr.com).

**Women's Morning of Reflection: Renewing Our Faith in the Power of Prayer** Saturday, January 23, 8:30 a.m. – Noon Fee: \$5/person, St. Patrick Church, 3821 Adams St., Carlsbad. Presenter: Lynn Neu (Nationally recognized speaker, trainer and author; former Catholic school teacher, director of diocesan Youth Ministry and University Campus Minister) For information and to register, call 760-729-2866.

**Divine Mercy Annual Conference 2010**, Starting Friday, February 12, at Mission San Antonio de Pala with opening Mass at 7:00pm, with Abbot Charles Wright, OSB celebrant. Saturday, February 13, doors open at 8:00am. Sign up online at [www.SDdivinemeracy.org](http://www.SDdivinemeracy.org) or for more info call Joe & Carol (619) 276-6637.

**The Catholicism Project** - Please join us for a special presentation of Father Robert Barron's 10 part, epic documentary illustrating the beauty of the global Church. February 12 at 7:00p.m., St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, Carlsbad. Fr. Barron an acclaimed author, theologian and most innovative teacher of the Catholic faith. **Catholicism. Become part of the story.** [www.stelizabeth-seton.org](http://www.stelizabeth-seton.org).

**Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario****LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura:** Como el esposo goza con su esposa, así Dios se regocija con su elegida Sión y Jerusalén (Isaías 62:1-5).

**Salmo:** Cantemos la grandeza del Señor (Salmo 96 [95]).

**Segunda lectura:** Todos los diferentes dones y talentos que se encuentran en la comunidad cristiana son obra del mismo Espíritu (1 Corintios 12:4-11).

**Evangelio:** Compartiendo el gozo de una boda en Caná, Jesús rellena la provisión de vino, cambiando el agua en vino a petición de su madre (Juan 2:1-11).

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: 1 Samuel 15:16-23; Marcos 2:18-22  
 Martes: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Marcos 2:23-28  
 Miércoles: 1 Samuel 17:32-33,37,40-51; Marcos 3:1-6  
 Jueves: 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Marcos 3:7-12  
 Viernes: 1 Samuel 24:3-21; Marcos 3:13-19, o cualquier lectura de la misa "Por la paz y la justicia", nos. 887-891  
 Sábado: 2 Samuel 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Marcos 3:20-21  
 Domingo: Nehemias 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10; Salmo 19 (18); 1 Corintios 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lucas 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS OBSERVANCIAS**

Domingo: Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
 Lunes: Día de Martin Luther King, Jr.;  
 Semana de Oración por la Unidad Cristiana  
 Martes: Teofanía (Epifanía) Ortodoxa  
 Miércoles: San Fabián; San Sebastián  
 Jueves: Santa Inés  
 Viernes: San Vicente; Día de Penitencia por Violaciones  
 contra la Dignidad de la Persona  
 Sábado: Santa María Virgen

**Preparación a las Primeras Comuniones**

Iniciamos el próximo 12 de enero a las 7:00PM en el salón 7 de la Academia de St. James. Solo para papás y padrinos.

**Grupo de Oración**

Los invita a la misa mensual que tenemos todos los jueves terceros de cada mes, aquí en san León Magno, este mes de enero es el jueves 21 a las 7:30 PM ven con tu familia y participa en esta acción de gracias a Nuestro Padre bondadoso que nos permite iniciar este año nuevo del 2010. Oremos por la santificación de nuestros obispos, sacerdotes, diáconos y seminaristas.

**Primera Comunión y Confirmación para Adultos**

Las pláticas de preparación para los adultos ya se reiniciaron los martes a las 6:00 PM y los domingos a las 12:00 en la Academia de San

**LA COLECTA**  
**10 de enero, 2010**

Misa de 8:30	\$ 451.50
Misa de 10:30	<u>759.00</u>
Total	\$1,210.50
La colecta de Navidad	\$1,114.00

**Cursos del Instituto Diocesano**

**Los Desafíos Actuales de las Familias (15 horas)**

**Nancy Morgan, M.F.T.**

Los martes, del 22 de enero al 16 de febrero, 6:30 a 9:00 PM. San Juan evangelista, Encinitas.

**Personajes para el Viacrucis**

A partir de este domingo estamos anotando a las personas que gusten participar en la presentación del viacrucis el Viernes santo. Estás interesado en participar en algunos de los equipos. Anótate después de misa de 8:30 y 10:30. Te esperamos.

**LA EXISTENCIA DE DIOS**

**Nadie que entiende la realidad  
 de que Dios existe puede pensar  
 que Dios no existe.**

—San Anselmo de Canterbury

**SAN VICENTE (Siglo III)**

**22 de enero**

San Vicente nació en Zaragoza, España y, debido a su buen uso de la palabra y formación académica, fue nombrado como coadjutor del obispo Valerio para que le ayudara en la predicación, pues el obispo era tartamudo. Una vez ordenado diácono se distinguió por la predicación elocuente y la defensa de la fe. Fue arrestado mientras visitaba a su obispo, preso a causa de la persecución impulsada por el emperador Daciano quien, al saber que visitó a su obispo mandó que lo apresaran, haciéndolo caminar desde Zaragoza hasta Valencia. Una vez preso se le sometió a la tortura, no obstante, la tortura no lograba nada y el emperador, lleno de ira, mandó que golpearan a los torturadores. Posteriormente le hizo encerrar en una celda oscura, llena de tientos filosos para que se cortara sus pies, pero no renunció a su fe cristiana, convirtió al carcelero y cantó himnos de alabanza. Finalmente, puesto que nada lograba contra él, lo encarceló de por vida y ahí, en la soledad de su celda y sus enfermedades encontró la muerte.

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