

# St. James-St. Leo Catholic Community



## St. James Church

625 South Nardo Avenue, Solana Beach, CA 92075  
858 755-2545 Fax 858 755-3845

[www.stjames-stleo.org](http://www.stjames-stleo.org)

## St. Leo Mission

936 Genevieve Street, Solana Beach, CA 92075  
858 481-6788 Fax 858 481-5832

## The Most Holy Trinity

## May 30, 2010

St. James—St. Leo Catholic Community is under the pastoral care of the Eudist Fathers, or Congregation of Jesus and Mary. They owe their name to Saint John Eudes who founded the Congregation in France in 1643. The Eudists currently operate in 15 countries most of which are in the developing world. Their primary purpose is evangelization, mainly with the poor and the youth, as well as formation to ministry in the training of diocesan priests and lay ministers. Their motto is "To Serve Christ and His Church." For more information see <http://www.eudistes.org/english.htm>

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Before anything was created, the wisdom of God was brought forth (Proverbs 8:22-31).

**Psalm** — O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth! (Psalm 8).

**Second Reading** — God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us (Romans 5:1-5).

**Gospel** — Everything that the Father has is mine; the Spirit will take from what is mine and declare it to you (John 16:12-15).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zep 3:14-18 or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56  
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17  
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27  
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28b-34  
Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37  
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44  
Sunday: Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity  
Monday: Ninth Week in Ordinary Time; Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Memorial Day  
Tuesday: St. Justin  
Wednesday: Ss. Marcellinus and Peter  
Thursday: St. Charles Lwanga and His Companions  
Friday: First Friday  
Saturday: St. Boniface; First Saturday



### 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:

Saturdays-Sábados:

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

3:30PM or upon request

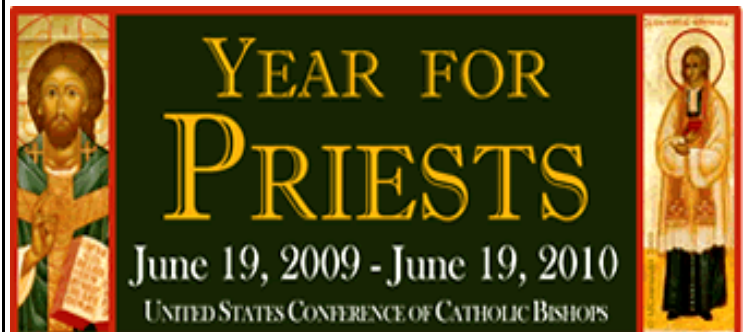
Call Parish office 9 months prior to wedding

Call (858) 755-2545 ext. 105

### The Most Holy Trinity—May 30, 2010

*[T]he love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.*

—Romans 5:5b



**PASTORAL STAFF**

|   |                                 |                              |
|---|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Rev. John H. Howard, CJM, Pastor</b> .....                       | <b>858-755-2545 x 104</b> ..... | <b>jhhcjm@aol.com</b>        |
| Rev. Ernesto Torres, CJM .....                                      | 858-755-2545 x 101.....         | ernesto@stjames-stleo.org    |
| Rev. Gerard Lecomte, CJM, Youth & Vocation Ministry Consultant..... | 858-755-2545 x 306.....         | glecomte2@yahoo.ca           |
| Deacon Al Graff.....  | 858-452-3684.....               |                              |
| Deacon Peter Hodsdon .....  | 619-991-5311.....               | dcnpeterh@yahoo.com          |
| Deacon Joe Santen.....  | 858-922-0325.....               | gon2mass@att.net             |
| Sr. Zita Toto, OLC Coordinator St. Leo Mission.....                 | 858-481-6788.....               | sisterzita@stjames-stleo.org |
| Carol Becker, Adult Faith Formation Coordinator .....               | 858-354-7085.....               | cabecker@san.rr.com          |
| Abel & Gloria Castellanos, Youth Ministry Coordinators.....         | 760-207-4645.....               | g.castellanos@cox.net        |
| Debbie Derderian, Receptionist/Secretary .....                      | 858-755-2545 x 100.....         | debbie@stjames-stleo.org     |
| Kathy Dunn, Principal St. James Academy .....                       | 858-755-1777.....               | principalsja@yahoo.com       |
| Kate Hodsdon, Coordinator of Pastoral Care .....                    | 858-682-1118.....               | katehodsdon@yahoo.com        |
| Robert Kidd, Director of Catechetical Ministry.....                 | 858-755-2545 x 105.....         | rob@stjames-stleo.org        |
| Joe Lamberger, Director of Parish Affairs .....                     | 858-755-2545 x 109.....         | jal@eclipseconsultinginc.com |
| Bulletin, Mi Le.....  | 858-755-2545 x 112.....         | bulletin@stjames-stleo.org   |
| Vicente Leal, Spanish Religious Education Coordinator.....          | 858-755-2545 x 102.....         | vicente@stjames-stleo.org    |
| Amy Martinez, Finance Manager.....                                  | 858-755-2545 x 103.....         | amartinez@stjames-stleo.org  |
| Timothy O'Shea, Saints Thrift Store Manager .....                   | 858-755-0654.....               | timothykoshea@yahoo.com      |
| Dot Renner, Sacristan .....   | 858-755-2545 x 301.....         | sacristandot@yahoo.com       |
| Lee Santen, Faith Formation for Children.....                       | 858-755-2545 x 106.....         | ffc@stjames-stleo.org        |
| Patrick Villa, Youth Ministry Coordinator.....                      | 858-755-2545 x 111.....         | pvilla@stjames-stleo.org     |
| Pauline Wright, Director of Music .....                             | 858-755-7668.....               | musicladyphd@yahoo.com       |

**PARISH CONTACTS**

|                               |                          |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Finance Council</b> .....  | David Goodell.....       | 858-481-2626 |
| <b>Pastoral Council</b> ..... | Anthony Corso.....       | 858-481-7096 |
| <b>Liturgy</b>                |                          |              |
| Eucharistic Ministry.....     | Karen Charest.....       | 760-943-0046 |
| Lector Ministry.....          | Neil Quinn.....          | 858-792-7003 |
| Eucharistic Adoration.....    | Marie Dorr.....          | 760-942-2107 |
| Altar Servers.....            | Clare McDonald.....      | 858-792-6036 |
| Hospitality/Ushers.....       | Charles Lasnier.....     | 858-792-8264 |
| Bereavement Ministry .....    | Pauline Marsh .....      | 760-431-8970 |
| <b>Organizations</b>          |                          |              |
| 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).

**ADOPT A SEMINARIAN?** What better way to celebrate the Year of the Priest than to help educate a future priest? Donations are tax-deductible. Make checks payable to: The Eudists, CJM. Contact Fr. Howard at [jhhcjm@aol.com](mailto:jhhcjm@aol.com) or (858)755-2545 ext. 104

| Sunday Collection Totals |            |            |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
|                          | St. James  | St. Leo    |
| Sunday May 23            | \$9,793.95 | \$1,620.50 |

**ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC?** This is the perfect time of year to get started in the RCIA process. If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic, or you know someone who is please contact Rob Kidd at 858-755-2545 ext 105 or e-mail [rob@stjames-stleo.org](mailto:rob@stjames-stleo.org).

**HEALING PRAYER**  
 EVERY Sunday after 9 AM Mass. 2nd Tuesday 6 PM to 7:15 PM. 3rd Saturday after 5 PM Mass. All are welcome. For information, call (858) 481-6911.

**DONATIONS**

There are many ways to help support your Parish! We offer a variety of options for easier giving. We offer:

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

Contact Parish Finance Office (858) 755-2545 ext. 103.



**CARE CORNER...Focus on Local Resources**

The **Women's Resource Committee of San Diego** has compiled list of service agencies that assist San Diego area residents. Check the pamphlet rack in the back of the Church for **The Women's Resource Brochure** which provides emergency hotline members and references for adoption, housing legal, financial, medical, child care, adoption, abuse prevention, recovery and emergency service agencies. The website ([www.wrg.org](http://www.wrg.org)) provides detailed information about the organizations listed in the brochure.

**Christ Renews His Parish Women's Retreat** will be the weekend of June 26 & 27 at St. James. We will be renewed in His love while meeting and connecting with other women in our parish. If you are interested in attending, look for the table outside of church after mass or contact Marie at [marierevere@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marierevere@sbcglobal.net) or by phone at **760-845-9033** for more information.

**Best of Poland & Prague  
Warsaw Krakow Prague Munich  
The Passion Play of Oberammergau  
Hosted by Fr. Ernesto Torres, CJM  
11 Days: September 14-21, 2010  
\$4,149 from San Diego**

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to join me for a pilgrimage that will be the travel experience of a lifetime.

**The Passion Play at Oberammergau  
-A Unique Experience!**

If you miss this opportunity to see the famous Passion Play at Oberammergau in 2010 you will have to wait another 10 years! Our 11-day tour will include the Old World cities of Warsaw, Krakow, Prague and Munich. On day 10 we will experience the highlight of our trip-in keeping with their 377 year old promise, the villagers of Oberammergau will present their Passion Play depicting the last week of the life of Christ. **Tour Features**

- Round trip airfare from San Diego
- Accommodations at First Class and Select Hotels
- Private Homes & Pensions in Oberammergau
  - Most meals
- Comprehensive Sightseeing throughout



**Please call Fr. Ernesto at 858 755-2545 ext. 101 or email: [andyetomx@hotmail.com](mailto:andyetomx@hotmail.com)**



Visit: [www.sjym.net](http://www.sjym.net)



**AFTER-ABORTION OVERNIGHT HEALING RETREAT FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN** (or Catholic-friendly) given by Rachel's Hope on June 11-13, 2010. Held in Escondido at the St. Mary's Retreat Center. Closing Mass included. Group Size limited. Cost \$100; partial scholarships available. Confidentiality maintained. For information/registration call Leslie Brunolli (760) 743-3160. [LBrunolli@yahoo.com](mailto:LBrunolli@yahoo.com). Visit us on our website: [www.RachelsHope.org](http://www.RachelsHope.org) Sponsored by the Diocese of SD.

**Healing Workshop**  
"Four Types of Healing"  
with a panel of 4 speakers  
*Tuesday night, June 29, 2010*  
7 PM to 9 PM  
at St. James Church  
Everyone is invited!

**Healing Mass**  
*Wednesday night, July 28, 2010*  
with Fr. Sharbel Ewen, OSB

**Healing Prayers**  
During this summer - July and August  
every Tuesday night  
7 - 8:30 PM



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**Please join us and God's chosen stars...  
our Eudist Seminarians...  
for their annual fundraiser  
Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010 @ 6 PM.  
Please call Mary Jane Brue (760-804-0923),  
Maria McEneany (858-759-2620), or  
Ruth Ann Besterici 760-931-9003  
to volunteer, donate items, or buy tickets.**

**Your 2010 SAINT'S Thrift Store** Focus . . . *Bed, Bath & Beyond*

Easter Blessings from your Saints Store !!! Joyful outpouring of donations has been "modest" . . . "Quality" makes all the difference . . . A list of our needs . . .

- Towels, wash clothes, bath mats
- Home Décor / framed art / lamps
  - Table Clothes, napkins
  - Picture frames, CD's, DVD's

Proceeds benefit parish ministry, the local community, and the poor. Donations and Volunteers welcome. Hours: 10 am to 4 pm. Address: 817 Academy Dr., Solana Beach, CA 92075 (One block up from Fidel's / across from Christian Santa Fe School). Blessings and be generous to all !!! 1 Cor 13:8 . . . Love never fails . . .



*Announcing the Baptism of:*

***London Skylar Diaz Elson***  
***Nate Steven LeVine***  
***Neil Lance LeVine***  
*The Christian community of*  
*St. James-St. Leo welcomes you with great joy!*

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

On **June 5 & 6**, a special blessing will be bestowed on all Eucharistic Ministers during the Masses for Corpus Christi Sunday.

Volunteers are always needed for Eucharistic Minister service, especially for the 7:30 am and 11:30 am Masses. If you have an interest in this ministry, please call Karen Charest at **760-943-0046** for more information. A training session for new and current Eucharistic Ministers will be held from 9 am to 12 noon on Saturday, June 19.

**Benediction and Adoration**

We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with prayers for priestly and religious vocations after the 8:00AM Mass on **Thursday June 3**.

There will be Benediction at 10:00 AM with some of the children from the academy as the school year comes to a close.

Also, next Sunday we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This will be a special opportunity for you to sign up for an hour a week to come to the prayer chapel for an hour of prayer and meditation.

As St. Louis-Marie De Montfort said, "God is a spring of living water, which flows unceasingly into the hearts of those who pray." Come to the chapel, adore Jesus and be Blessed. If you have any questions, call Marie (760) 942-2107.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**PRAISE TO THE CREATOR**

The first reading, from Proverbs, is a beautiful doxology of the glory of Christ, who existed before all of creation. Christ is the Wisdom of God spoken of in the verse: "from of old I was poured forth, / at the first, before the earth" (Proverbs 8:23). Christ is described in terms of preexistence, of knowledge and wisdom of God, as the Child of God in whom the Creator delights, playing on the earth and delighting in the human race. Psalm 8 continues this hymn of praise to the Creator, enumerating all the wonders of creation, and marveling at the wonderful truth that God has put humanity at the forefront of it all, making us a little less than angels, "crowned with glory and honor" (Psalm 8:6).



**Please Join Us and God's Chosen Stars.....**  
**Our Eudist Seminarians**  
**Eudist Seminarian Fundraiser**  
June 5, 2010 6:00PM

We need auction items and volunteers!!

Please join us helping our Eudist seminarians...GOD'S CHOSEN STARS...for their annual fundraiser on Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6 PM. St. James Parish Community Hall, Solana Beach. For sponsorship, to volunteer the evening of the event, donate gift baskets, and buy tickets, call Mary Jane Brue 760-804-0923, Maria McEneaney 858-759-2620, or Judy O'Connor 760-212-4727 at St. James or Ruth Ann Bestcerci 760-931-9003 at St. Patrick. Blessings.



**Memorial Day**

© J. S. Patuch Co., Inc.

**MISSION CIRCLE**

We really need some weekend "handymen" to help with maintenance and light construction at the Casa Eudes Girls Home in Tijuana. If you are good with tools, volunteer for a day. The church van leaves the parking lot at 7:30 a.m. on **Saturday, June 12th**. To join us, call Don Brosnahan (760) 436-4920. Please remember to bring your passport.

**Become a Mission Circle board member** -- it is rewarding and does not demand a lot of time. Attend one just one meeting a month and help us with our projects. Many of our members hold down full time jobs -- you can decide how much time you can afford to spend. Contact Dale Burchby (858) 259-2825 dburchby@earthlink.net

**We're collecting old cell phones and eyeglasses** to recycle. If you have some to donate, just leave them in the collection box in the social room of the church.

**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.

*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 email at: [reubi28@aol.com](mailto:reubi28@aol.com).*

**Prayer List**

- Virginia Amos
- Elizabeth Anderson
- Soni Bettinger
- Jean Brosnahan
- Abel Castellanos, Sr.
- Nora Cochrane
- Don Dake
- Fr. Declan Deane
- Charlie Epperson
- Alli De Francesco
- Jeannette & Gerry Fetzer
- Jaime Garcia
- Rollie Hamm
- Winston Hines
- Trish Hoffman
- Mi Le
- Robert Mancuso
- Bob Matheson
- Liz Mullensky
- Marie Randazzo
- Carmela & Gerardo Sacco
- Kate Turner
- Claire Valentine
- Mike Van Vranken
- Dorry Williams
- Lise Zondler

*If you wish to have a name included, you must resubmit the name. This will assure that we keep an up-to-date list. Please call 858-755-2545 ext. 304 to add a name to the list.*

**ST. JAMES – ST. LEO LIBRARY**



As we celebrate Pentecost, sometimes called the birthday or New Year's Day of Christianity, an international group is urging Catholics to become active 21<sup>st</sup>-century disciples in preparing for the future of the Church just as on that first day when those

who had mourned the loss of Jesus were inspired by the Holy Spirit and realized that they were the Church.

The Voice of the Faithful proposes resolutions for those who would "keep the faith and change the Church": get active in your parish; protect children and reach out to survivors of abuse; study the causes of the current crisis; support a church-wide investigation of abuse; support your priests of integrity; seek accountability in Church leaders; promote lay involvement in the selection of bishops; work for financial transparency; let your voice be heard (e.g., by speaking up during Prayers of the Faithful? through a new international council?).

"Whatever you do, don't do nothing!" urges this group. There's more on these topics in our parish library or contact Katie Harte via [SJSL.Library@gmail.com](mailto:SJSL.Library@gmail.com) or 760-271-6365 with questions, concerns, suggestions.

**Festividad del Corpus Cristi**

El domingo 6 de junio celebraremos la festividad del Cuerpo de Cristo. Llevaremos en procesión al Santísimo Sacramento del Altar por los patios de la Misión. Te invitamos a rendir homenaje de adoración a Cristo Sacramentado. Pediremos por la santificación de nuestros sacerdotes, y la unidad y fidelidad de los matrimonios.

Por nuestros jóvenes para que encuentren en Cristo el Camino que los conduzca a la Verdad y vivan intensamente la Vida que Jesús les ofrece.

**Terremotos**

El próximo 9 de junio a las 6:30 en la Misión de San León tendremos la información y formación para estar prevenidos y saber qué hacer en caso de un terremoto, Que no te tome por sorpresa el terremoto. Te esperamos.

**Retiro**

La Renovación Católica de San Diego y la parroquia de San James y san León Magno los invita a su retiro en el Espíritu los días 19 y 20 de junio que se llevará a cabo en Salón Parroquial de las 8:00 A. M a las 5:00 P. M. Ven y vive una nueva experiencia con Cristo que te invita a formar una comunidad solidaria en la justicia y la paz y ser testigo de esperanza y de su amor

**Cursos de Teología durante el Verano.****Instituto Diocesano.****S240s Las Cuatro Ultimas cosas (15 horas)**

*Gerardo Rojas, M. A.*

los miércoles, del 2 de junio al 7 de julio

6:15 P. M. – 8:45 P. M. St. Mary, Escondido

**C110s Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica (15 horas)**

*Vicente Leal, MA.*

los lunes, del 14 de junio al 19 de julio

7:00 P. M. – 9:30 P. M. Misión San Luis Rey, Oceanside

**G130s Cristología (30 horas)**

*Ernesto Amezcua, M. A.*

los lunes, del 14 de junio al 23 de agosto

(no habrá clase el 5 de julio)

6:00 P. M. – 9:00 P. M. St. Francis de Asís, Vista: Salón # 8

**S360 Evangelio de San Juan(15 hras)**

*Vicente Leal, M. A.*

los martes, del 15 de junio al 20 de julio

6:15 P. M – 8:45 P. M

St. Mary, Escondido.

**S100s Crecimiento de Fe : Niños y Adolescentes (15 horas)**

*Vicente Leal, M. A.*

los jueves, del 24 junio al 29 de julio

7:00 P. M. – 9:30 P. M San Diego Central - *lugar a anunciar*

**LECTURAS DE HOY**

**Primera lectura** — Antes de que algo fuese creado, la sabiduría de Dios estaba presente (Proverbios 8: 22-31).

**Salmo** — ¡Qué admirable, Señor, es tu poder! (Salmo 8)

**Segunda lectura** — El amor de Dios ha sido derramado en nuestro corazón mediante el Espíritu Santo que hemos recibido (Romanos 5:1-5).

**Evangelio** — Todo lo que el Padre tiene es mío; el Espíritu de verdad tomará todo lo que es mío y te lo concederá (Juan 1:12-15).

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: Sof 3:14-18 o Rom 12:9-16;  
Lc 1:39-56

Martes: 2 Pe 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mc 12:13-17

Miércoles: 2 Tim 1:1-3, 6-12; Mc 12:18-27

Jueves: 2 Tim 2:8-15; Mc 12:28b-34

Viernes: 2 Tim 3:10-17; Mc 12:35-37

Sábado: 2 Tim 4:1-8; Mc 12:38-44

Domingo: Gén 14:18-20; Sal 110 (109);  
1 Cor 11:23-26; Lc 9:11b-17

**LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS OBSERVANCIAS**

Domingo: La Santísima Trinidad

Lunes: Novena Semana del Tiempo Ordinario; Visitación de la Santísima Virgen María; Día Memorial

Martes: San Justino

Miércoles: Santos Marcelino y Pedro

Jueves: San Carlos Lwanga y compañeros

Viernes: Primer viernes

Sábado: San Bonifacio; Primer sábado

**SAN CARLOS LWANGA Y COMPAÑEROS****(año 1886) 3 de junio**

También son conocidos como los mártires de Uganda, África Central, que había recibido a los “padres blancos” (misioneros), pero que después, por órdenes del rey Mwanga fueron expulsados. Al darse cuenta de que algunos de sus cortesanos “eran gente que rezaba”, los llamó a todos y les pidió que se hicieran a un lado “los que rezan” es decir, quienes eran cristianos. Les preguntó “si rezaban” y respondieron: “Sí, señor mío, hasta la muerte”, la noche anterior habían pasado en oración y Carlos Lwanga, catequista, estaba con ellos. Pero eso estaba prohibido pues era un desafío a la religión del rey, por tal motivo ordenó que los llevaran a Namugongo en donde algunos de ellos fueron decapitados y otros atados y echados al fuego. Este grupo de mártires estaba compuesto por niños y jóvenes. El testimonio heroico de su sufrimiento dio un fuerte impulso al cristianismo, de tal suerte que cuando los misioneros regresaron, ya había casi mil catecúmenos esperándolos para ser bautizados. Fueron martirizados en 1886 y canonizados en 1964 por el Papa Pablo VI.

—Miguel Arias, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Colecta Dominical

San León

Mayo 23 \$1,620.50