



Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Co-patroness of the Unborn

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PARISH CHURCH / IGLESIA PARROQUIAL:

Daily Mass English: Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m.

Misa Diaria Español: Lunes-Sábado 8:00 a.m.

Sunday Mass English: 5:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil;
6:45 a.m., 10 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

Misa Domingo Español: 7:00 p.m. Sabado Vigilia;
12:00 p.m.

Adoration: Thurs 11:45 a.m. through Fri 6:30 a.m.

Confessions/Confesiones: Thu/Jue & Fri/Vier 6:00 p.m.

SHRINE/PAVILION / SANTUARIO/PABELLÓN:

Sunday Mass English: 11:45 a.m.

Misas Domingo Español:

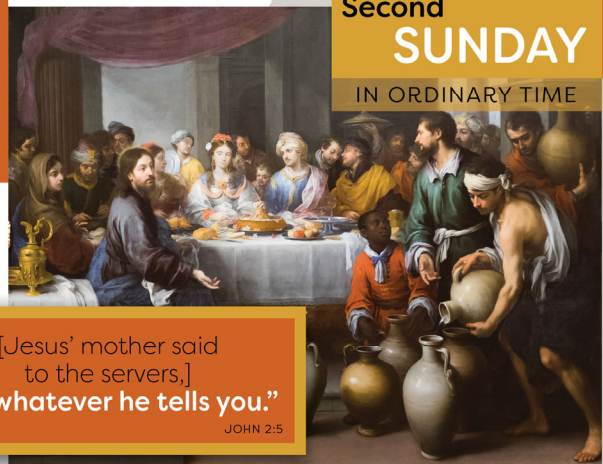
8:15a.m.; 10 a.m.; 1:45 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, CO-PATRONESS OF THE UNBORN — VISION STATEMENT

In the spirit of the Holy Family of Nazareth, the mission of Our Lady of Guadalupe parish is to be a humble, bilingual, pro-life, pro-family Catholic community, joyfully announcing the Gospel. We welcome all to religious education in the fullness of the Truth entrusted to the Church. We invite all to celebrate with reverence and unity the real presence of Christ in the rites of our Liturgy. We call our members to the humble obedience of faith and to sacrificial service for the sake of building up the Body of Christ.

January 16, 2022

Second
SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



[Jesus' mother said
to the servers,]
"Do whatever he tells you."

JOHN 2:5

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REVELATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Today's first reading from Isaiah arises out of the ordeal of the people of Jerusalem and Judea as they anticipate the end of seventy years of exile in Babylon. Their sufferings and their oppression will end, and they are promised joy like that of a great wedding upon returning to their homeland. Although this passage is probably set in the early sixth century B.C., it is free of historical particulars. Accordingly, the Church has understood its imagery universally, as it proclaims God's promise of healing, hope, and happiness for all peoples, in this world and in the next. When read against this background, the story of Jesus' turning water into wine at the wedding at Cana becomes a revelation of God's presence in the person of Jesus, making these promises real for us in the here and now, in the transformation of our own lives.

Today's Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5, 6-7; Psalm 96; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 15 - January 22

Mass † Intentions

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday January 15th

5:30 pm Eng. (Church) Refugia & Pablo Neri/ Family

7:00 pm Sp. (Church) † Margarita Castro

Sunday January 16th

6:45 am Eng. (Church) Conversion of Sinners

8:15 am Sp. (Shrine) Clemente Martínez

10:00 am Eng. (Church) † Raymond & Antonia Hernández

10:00 am Sp. (Shrine) † Elías Núñez & Beatriz Guerrero

11:45 am Eng. (Shrine) † Manuel & Mercedes Cerda

12:00 pm Sp. (Church) Cumpleaños de Linda Vela / Lupe

1:45 pm Sp. (Shrine) † Domingo, Antonia & Bernabé / María

5:30 pm Sp. (Shrine) † Edgar Eduardo Barajas / Patricia

6:30 pm Eng. (Church) Parishioners

Monday January 17th

WEEKDAY

7:00 am Eng. (Church) Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:00 am Sp. (Church) Cumpleaños de Trino López

Tuesday January 18th

WEEKDAY

7:00 am Eng. (Church) Alexander Alva's Health

8:00 am Sp. (Church) Cumpleaños de Rigoberto & Inés Acevedo

Wednesday January 19th

WEEKDAY

7:00 am Eng. (Church) Roberto Menchaca's Health

8:00 am Sp. (Church) Familia Cruz - Flores

Thursday January 20th

WEEKDAY

7:00 am Eng. (Church) Juan Manuel Tapia's Birthday

8:00 am Sp. (Church) † Humberto Gutiérrez & Juana Torres

Friday January 21st

SAINT AGNES

7:00 am Eng. (Church) Fr. Larry's Birthday

8:00 am Sp. (Church) † Antonio Barajas

9:00 am Bil. (Church) Sr. Leticia Ramírez, SJS

Saturday January 22nd DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN

8:00 am Sp. (Church) † Manuel de Jesús Muñoz

12:00 pm (Church) 15 Años de Joselyn Chávez

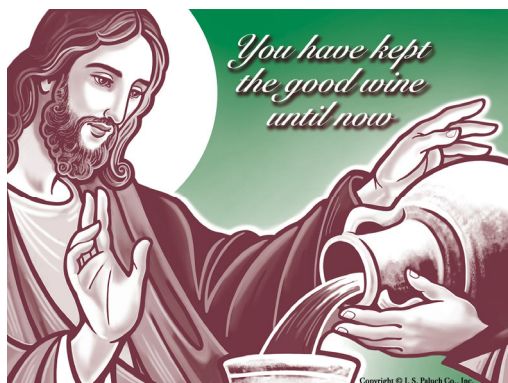
Pray for - Oren Por Los Fallecidos

Arsenio Rubio, Fortunato Gutiérrez, Jesús Ramírez Parra ,
Baby Lupita Valeria Ortega and Gloria Gallego
who died recently.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 16, 2022

Nations shall behold your vindication,
and all the kings your glory.

— Isaiah 62:2



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Weekly Collections

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Church Collections	1/2/2022	Shrine Collections	1/2/2022
5:30 pm Sat.	\$370	8:15 am	\$1,863
7:00 pm Sat.	\$536	10:00 am	\$1,867
6:45 am	\$803	11:45am	\$1,193
10:00 am	\$1,325	1:45 pm	\$2,480
12:0 pm	\$1,887	5:30 pm	\$927
6:30 pm	\$1,320		
Total	\$6,241	Total	\$8,330

MAIL & WALK IN DONATIONS FOR THIS WEEK: \$1,180
TOTAL FOR WEEK TO 1/2/2022: \$15,751

BUILDING FUND TOTAL 11/30/2021

Total in the Bank \$5,537,288.55

1/2/2022 SECOND COLLECTION:
BUILDING FUND \$10,009

THIS WEEK SECOND COLLECTION

The Second Collection for this week will be for The Diocesan Seminarians. Thank You for your generosity.



ESTA SEMANA SEGUNDA COLECTA

La Segunda Colecta de esta semana será para los Seminaristas de la Diócesis. Gracias por su generosidad.

HOLY SPOUSES NOVENA

The Holy Spouses Society invites you to the Holy Spouses Novena until to Saturday, January 22nd. Novena schedule is as follows Monday - Friday 7:00pm, Saturdays at 6:30pm and Sunday at 5:30pm at the Church on California Ave.

HOLY SPOUSES MASS

Feast of Mary and Joseph, the Holy Spouses is Sunday, January 23rd. We will have 2 Masses at Shrine, 11:45am in English and 1:45pm in Spanish. All couples married in the Church are invited to renew their wedding vows, and couples preparing for marriage in the church will receive a special blessing after Mass. Those couples who are prepared to be enrolled in the Holy Spouses Society will be able to enroll at that time.

Weekly Collections

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Church Collections	1/9/2022	Shrine Collections	1/9/2022
5:30 pm Sat.	\$499	8:15 am	\$1,416
7:00 pm Sat.	\$749	10:00 am	\$1,890
6:45 am	\$579	11:45 am	\$1,050
10:00 am	\$1,163	1:45 pm	\$2,640
12:00 pm	\$1,527	5:30 pm	\$732
6:30 pm	\$1,472		
Total	\$5,989	Total	\$7,738

MAIL & WALK IN DONATIONS FOR THIS WEEK: \$2,703
TOTAL FOR WEEK TO 1/9/2022: \$16,430

1/9/2022 SECOND COLLECTION:
BUILDING FUND \$9,633

EVENTS CALENDAR CALENDARIO DE EVENTOS

Thurs.-Sat. 1/14-22 Holy Spouses Novena M-F 7:00pm, Sat. 6:30pm, Sun. 5:30pm
Sun. 1/23 Holy Spouses Mass & Blessing of Engaged Couples & Renewal of Marriage Vows 11:45pm. Eng. & 1:45pm Sp. Shrine
Sun.-Sat. 1/30-2/5 Catholic Schools Week
Wed. 2/2 Blessing of Candles 8:00am—Church
Sun. 2/6 Consecrated Life Day
Sat. 2/12 Reverse Raffle—Shrine
Tues.-Fri. 2/22-25 Oblates Away— Communion Services
Wed. 3/2 Ash Wednesday—Multiple Services
Fri. 3/4-4/8 Stations of the Cross 7:00pm Bilingual—Church
Thurs.-Fri. 3/10-18 St. Joseph Novena M-F 7:00pm, Sat. 4:45pm Sun. 5:45 pm
Fri. 3/18 7:00pm Bil. Feast of St. Joseph Vigil Mass—Church
Sat. 3/19 St. Joseph Feast Day Masses 7:00am Eng., 8:00am Sp.—Church
Fri. 3/25 Spiritual Adoption & Blessing of Pregnant Mothers Mass Bil. 7pm—Church
Sat.-Sun. 3/26-27 LGL Retreat—OLG Hall

NOVENA DE LOS SANTOS ESPOSOS

La Sociedad de los Santos Esposos les invita a la Novena de los Santos Esposos hasta el sábado 22 de enero. El horario de la Novena es el siguiente, de lunes a viernes a las 7:00pm, Los sábados a las 6:30pm Y los domingos a las 5:30pm. En la Iglesia de California Ave.

MISA DE LOS SANTOS ESPOSOS

Fiesta de los Santos Esposos María y José el domingo 23 de enero. Tendremos 2 Misas en el santuario, a las 11:45am en Inglés y a la 1:45pm en Español. Todas las parejas casadas por la Iglesia están invitadas a renovar sus votos matrimoniales y las parejas que se están preparando para casarse en la Iglesia recibirán una bendición especial después de Misa. Las parejas que están preparadas para inscribirse en la Sociedad de los Santos Esposos pueden hacerlo ese día.

**OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW
MONDAY, JANUARY 17TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

CHARITY GROUP—THIS WEDNESDAY

Our parish is starting a new charity group to serve needy families in our church and in the community. We are looking for people interested in joining this group. We will have an informational meeting on Wednesday, January 19th at 6:00pm in St. Therese room at the Shrine. Group leaders are encourage to attend. For more information you can contact Rosalie Martinez at 703-5343 or Sally Ruiz at 340-4496.

FINANCE COUNCIL

Our parish finance council needs new members. Anybody with accounting, financial and or business experience that would like to be a part of our parish finance council please call the parish office at 323-3148 during business hours, Monday 2:00pm - 5:00pm & Tuesday - Friday from 9:00am - 12:30pm and from 1:30pm - 5:00pm.

REGISTRACIÓN PARA RICA

Si eres mayor de 18 años y no has hecho los sacramentos de 1ra. Comunión o Confirmación, el programa de RICA inicia nuevo curso en enero 2022. Para más información llame a la oficina de Educación Religiosa al 323-7642.



REGISTRATION FOR RCIA

If you are over 18 and have not done the sacraments of 1st Communion or Confirmation, the RICA program starts a new course in January 2022. For more information call the Religious Education office at 323-7642.

IMPORTANT—PARISH REGISTRATION

It is important to register in the parish. Please complete the form above and place it in the collection basket. If you are registered and have moved or phone number has changed, please update your information. If we don't have your correct address the envelopes will be returned.

**LA OFICINA CERRARÁ MAÑANA
LUNES 17 DE ENERO, PARA OBSERVAR EL DÍA
DE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

GRUPO DE CARIDAD—ESTE MIÉRCOLES

Nuestra parroquia está comenzando un nuevo grupo de caridad para servir a las familias necesitadas en nuestra iglesia y en la comunidad. Buscamos personas interesadas en unirse a este grupo. Tendremos una reunión informativa el miércoles 19 de enero a las 6:00pm en el salón Santa Teresa del Santuario. Se anima a los líderes de grupo a asistir. Para obtener más información, puede comunicarse con Rosalie Martínez al 703-5343 o con Sally Ruiz al 340-4496.

RESCATANDO A LA FAMILIA

Te invita a "Crecer en Familia" el próximo martes 25 de enero a las 6:30pm en el Guadalupe Hall (a espaldas de la Iglesia) con el tema: ¿O será que nos hemos caído en la tibieza espiritual? Para mas información llama: 599-8367, 379-9881 o al 703-6936.

**HOMBRES DE VALOR DEL
MINISTERIO RESCATANDO A LA FAMILIA**

Invita a todos los hombres mayores de 18 años a su grupo de apoyo. Compartiremos sobre nuestras experiencias de vida y aprenderemos sobre lo que significa ser un hombre—un varón de Dios. Sobre cual es nuestro llamado, nuestra misión y lo importante que es para nuestras familias y la Sociedad que nosotros los hombres cumplamos nuestra misión. Si soy hombre, estoy llamado a transmitir y vivir mi fe y ser un líder espiritual para mi familia. Comenzando en enero. Para más información o registrarse favor de llamar o mandar un texto a Manuel Herrera al 661-808-0995.

IMPORTANTE—REGISTRO PARROQUIAL

Es importante registrarse en la parroquia. Complete el formulario de arriba y colóquelo en la canasta de recolección. Si está registrado y se ha mudado o el número de teléfono ha cambiado, actualice su información. Si no tenemos su dirección correcta, los sobres serán devueltos.

New Resident, Parishioner Registration Form / Forma de Registro de Feligres o Residente Nuevo

Name/Nombre: _____

Mailing Address/Domicilio: _____

City/Ciudad: _____ Zip/Código: _____

E-mail/Correo electrónico: _____

Phone#/Teléfono: _____ Cell/Cel _____

English ☐

Español ☐

Do you care to receive envelopes? Yes ____ No ____

Are you interested in serving in any of our liturgical or catechetical ministries? Yes ____ No ____

(If yes is checked above, you will be contacted by the office)

Le gustaría recibir sobres? Si ____ No ____

Esta interesado/a en servir en alguno de nuestros ministerios litúrgicos o catequéticos? Si ____ No ____

(Si marco si arriba, será contactado/a por la oficina)

Flocknote

Scan the QR code with your phone to register and receive regular text/email information from our parish.



Flocknote

Escanee el código QR con su teléfono para Registrarse y recibir información de nuestra parroquia por mensaje de texto/correo electrónico

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SYNOD

The Synod is a process of "journeying, listening, and discerning" with each other, guided by the Holy Spirit towards a better understanding of the church we are now and the church we hope to become for future generations, fully claiming our roles as sons and daughters of God and authentic disciples of his Son, Jesus Christ. Please join us for a question and discussion style meeting in the Guadalupe Hall on February 19th from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. When we say "our church", who is a part of it? Do I feel invited to be part of the journey? Help us answer questions like these and become part of the synod on synodality. God and the church want to hear your voice! For questions please contact Erika Salazar at 661-205-8456.

YEAR OF THE FAMILY

The Year of the Family continues through June 26, 2022. This is a call to imitate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, totally united in the love of God and of each other. Here is a short prayer to repeat throughout the rest of this special year:

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, during this Year of the Family, renew our world with a greater appreciation of God's wonderful plan for marriage, children, and family. Enlighten and assist our families. Amen.

BETHLEHEM PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

The Church is much more than a building. By respecting the life of the tiny unborn at the Memorial and by the consoling and healing ministry that accompanies this, we are building Christ's Church. By spending Holy Hours before the Blessed Sacrament, we will be building Christ's Church!

You may contribute to this work of God by your donations to the building fund 2nd collections or at www.guadalupebakersfield.org/donate using the button "Give to Our Lady's Shrine". Please contribute also with your prayers.

PRAYER

FOR PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Dear Mary and Joseph, Holy Spouses, as a phase of construction for the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Copatroness of the Unborn, please guide us to prepare a Chapel for Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, in imitation of your first adoration of Jesus in the manger of Bethlehem. Amen.

SÍNODO DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE

El Sínodo es un proceso de "caminar, escuchar y discernir" unos con otros, guiados por el Espíritu Santo hacia una mejor comprensión de la iglesia que somos ahora y la iglesia que esperamos llegar a ser para las generaciones futuras, reivindicando plenamente nuestro papel como hijos e hijas de Dios y auténticos discípulos de su Hijo, Jesucristo. Únase a nosotros para una reunión de estilo de discusión y preguntas en el Salón Guadalupe el 19 de febrero de 6:30pm a 8:00pm. Cuando decimos "nuestra iglesia", ¿quién es parte de ella? ¿Me siento invitado a ser parte del viaje? Ayúdanos a responder preguntas como estas y formar parte del sínodo sobre la sinodalidad. ¡Dios y la iglesia quieren escuchar tu voz! Si tiene preguntas, comuníquese con Erika Salazar al 661-205-8456.

AÑO DE LA FAMILIA

El Año de la Familia continúa hasta el 26 de junio de 2022. Este es un llamado a imitar a la Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José, totalmente unidos en el amor de Dios y el uno por el otro. Aquí hay una breve oración para repetir durante el resto de este año especial:

Jesús, María y José, durante este Año de la Familia, renueven nuestro mundo con un mayor aprecio del maravilloso plan de Dios para el matrimonio, los hijos y la familia. Iluminen y ayuden a nuestras familias. Amén.

CAPILLA DE BELÉN PARA ADORACIÓN PERPETUA

La Iglesia es mucho más que un edificio. Respetando la vida de los pequeños no nacidos en el Memorial y por el ministerio consolador y sanador que lo acompaña, estamos edificando la Iglesia de Cristo. ¡Al pasar las Horas Santas ante el Santísimo Sacramento, estaremos edificando la Iglesia de Cristo!

Puede contribuir a esta obra de Dios con sus donaciones para el fondo de construcción de la segunda colecta o en www.guadalupebakersfield.org/donate usando el botón "Give to Our Lady's Shrine". Por favor contribuya también con sus oraciones.

ORACIÓN

POR LA CAPILLA DE ADORACIÓN PERPETUA

Amados María y José, como etapa de la construcción del Santuario de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe copatrona de los no nacidos, hágannos el favor de guiarnos a preparar una Capilla de Adoración Perpetua del Santísimo Sacramento, a imitación de su primera adoración de Jesús en el pesebre de Belén. Amén.

ELECTRONIC BULLETIN

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BOLETÍN ELECTRÓNICO

Si le gustaría recibir el boletín en su buzón de correo electrónico puede registrarse en la página web en: www.guadalupebakersfield.org y siga las indicaciones

Saint Anthony of Egypt's Story

The life of Anthony will remind many people of Saint Francis of Assisi. At 20, Anthony was so moved by the Gospel message, "Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor" (Mark 10:21b), that he actually did just that with his large inheritance. He is different from Francis in that most of Anthony's life was spent in solitude. He saw the world completely covered with snares, and gave the Church and the world the witness of solitary asceticism, great personal mortification and prayer. But no saint is antisocial, and Anthony drew many people to himself for spiritual healing and guidance.

At 54, he responded to many requests and founded a sort of monastery of scattered cells. Again, like Francis, he had great fear of "stately buildings and well-laden tables."

At 60, he hoped to be a martyr in the renewed Roman persecution of 311, fearlessly exposing himself to danger while giving moral and material support to those in prison. At 88, he was fighting the Arian heresy, that massive trauma from which it took the Church centuries to recover. "The mule kicking over the altar" denied the divinity of Christ.

Anthony is associated in art with a T-shaped cross, a pig and a book. The pig and the cross are symbols of his valiant warfare with the devil—the cross his constant means of power over evil spirits, the pig a symbol of the devil himself. The book recalls his preference for "the book of nature" over the printed word. Anthony died in solitude at age 105.

Reflection

In an age that smiles at the notion of devils and angels, a person known for having power over evil spirits must at least make us pause. And in a day when people speak of life as a "rat race," one who devotes a whole life to solitude and prayer points to an essential of the Christian life in all ages. Anthony's hermit life reminds us of the absoluteness of our break with sin and the totality of our commitment to Christ. Even in God's good world, there is another world whose false values constantly tempt us.

PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us,
protect against the wickedness of the devil,
those helpless little ones to whom You have
given the gift of life.

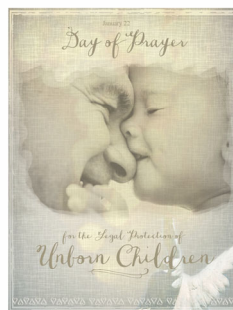
Touch with pity the hearts of those women
pregnant in our world today
who are not thinking of motherhood.

Help them to see that the child they carry
is made in Your image - as well as
theirs - made for eternal life.

Dispel their fear and selfishness and give them
true womanly hearts to love their babies
and give them birth and all the needed care
that a mother can give.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our
Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and Holy
Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

Amen.



La historia de San Antonio de Egipto

La vida de Antonio recordará a muchas personas a San Francisco de Asís. A los 20 años, Antonio estaba tan conmovido por el mensaje del Evangelio: "Ve, vende lo que tienes y dáselo a los pobres" (Marcos 10: 21b), que en realidad hizo exactamente eso con su gran herencia. Se diferencia de Francis en que la mayor parte de la vida de Anthony transcurrió en soledad. Vio el mundo completamente cubierto de trampas, y dio a la Iglesia y al mundo el testimonio de un ascetismo solitario, de una gran mortificación personal y de oración. Pero ningún santo es antisocial, y Anthony atrajo a muchas personas a sí mismo en busca de curación espiritual y guía.

A los 54 años, respondió a muchas solicitudes y fundó una especie de monasterio de celdas dispersas. Una vez más, al igual que Francis, tenía un gran miedo a los "edificios señoriales y las mesas bien cargadas".

A los 60 años, esperaba ser un mártir en la renovada persecución romana del 311, exponiéndose sin miedo al peligro mientras brindaba apoyo moral y material a los encarcelados. A los 88 años, estaba luchando contra la herejía arriana, ese trauma masivo del que la Iglesia tardó siglos en recuperarse. "La mula pateando sobre el altar" negó la divinidad de Cristo.

Anthony se asocia en el arte con una cruz en forma de T, un cerdo y un libro. El cerdo y la cruz son símbolos de su valiente lucha contra el diablo; la cruz es su medio constante de poder sobre los espíritus malignos, el cerdo es un símbolo del diablo mismo. El libro recuerda su preferencia por "el libro de la naturaleza" sobre la palabra impresa. Anthony murió en soledad a los 105 años.

Reflexión

En una época que sonríe ante la noción de demonios y ángeles, una persona conocida por tener poder sobre los espíritus malignos debe al menos hacernos una pausa. Y en un día en que la gente habla de la vida como una "carrera de ratas", quien dedica toda su vida a la soledad y la oración apunta a un aspecto esencial de la vida cristiana en todas las edades. La vida de ermitaño de Antonio nos recuerda la absoluta ruptura con el pecado y la totalidad de nuestro compromiso con Cristo. Incluso en el buen mundo de Dios, hay otro mundo cuyos falsos valores nos tientan constantemente.

ORACIÓN POR LOS NO NACIDOS

Padre Celestial, en tu amor por nosotros,
protege contra la maldad del diablo, a esos pequeños indefensos a quienes les has dado el don de la vida. Toca con piedad los corazones de aquellas mujeres embarazadas en nuestro mundo de hoy que no están pensando en la maternidad.

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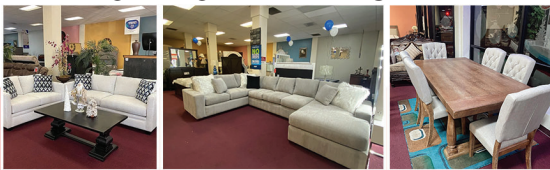
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