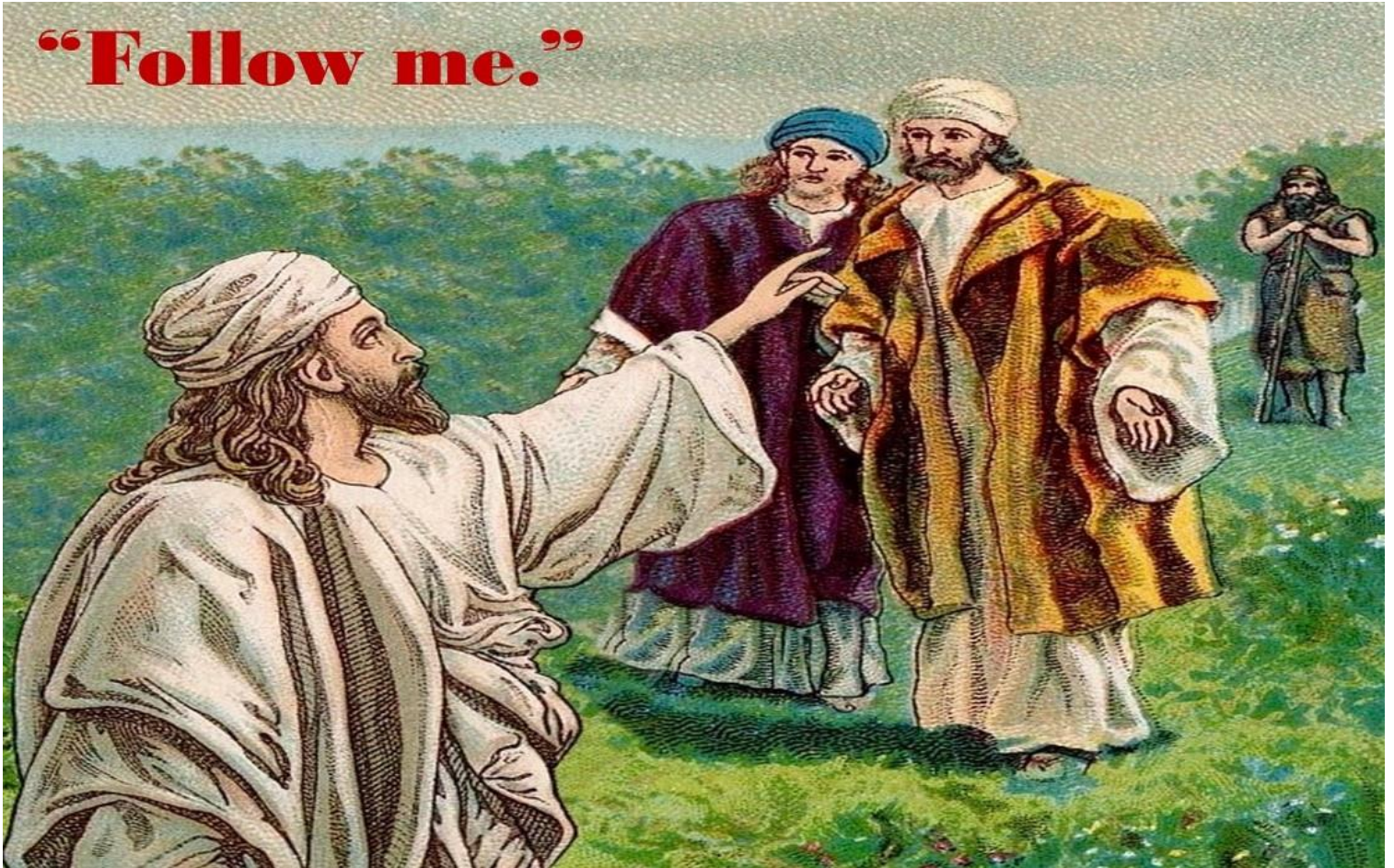


Our Lady of Tahoe Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Follow me.”



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Saturday: 5pm | Sunday: 8am & 11:30am

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The Church's liturgical calendar is a continual, public remembering of saints, feasts, and theology, by mankind's most ancient source and carrier of institutional memory—the Catholic Church. Thursday's feast day commemorating the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome did not exist prior to the liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council. Instead, the sanctoral calendar was crowded with various feast days to particular martyrs from this early Roman persecution. Apart from their centuries on the calendar, however, little else supported these particular martyrs' existence. Thursday's feast is a liturgical expression of the wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier or the flowers left at a mass grave marker. This feast commemorates those unknown and unnamed men and women who were cruelly tortured and executed in the city of Rome in 64 A.D. But instead of meeting in a park to sing a patriotic hymn and to see an official lay a wreath, we do what Christians do to remember these martyrs. We meet as the faithful in a church, in front of an altar, to participate in the sacrifice of the Mass and to remember our remote ancestors in the faith who died so that the true faith would not. In 64 A.D. a huge fire of suspicious origins consumed large sections of Rome. A deranged emperor named The Black (Nero) blamed Christians for the conflagration and executed large numbers of them in retribution for their supposed treachery. A vivid description of the persecution survives from a Roman historian named Tacitus, who relates that some Christians were sewn into the skins of animals to be attacked and consumed by beasts. Other Christians were slathered with wax, tied to posts, and then burned alive, human torches whose glow illuminated Nero's garden parties. Still others were crucified. This was not the barbarous hacking off of limbs and splitting of skulls later suffered by missionaries in the forests of Northern Europe. Nero's madness was highly refined evil. Today, we commemorate these Christians in the same fashion in which they would have commemorated the Lord's own death—by prayer and sacrifice. We are separated from 64 A.D. by many centuries, but we are united to 64 A.D. by our common faith. We remember because the Church remembers. *Anonymous first martyrs of Rome, your blood is still wet, and your sufferings still felt, in the same Church of Christ to which you belonged through baptism. Through your intercession, help the baptized of today be as courageous as you in all things.*



A note from the Diocese: The TV mass on July 3rd is delayed until 1:30pm. Sorry for any inconvenience!

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New! Evening Bible Study

We are adding an evening Bible Study. It will be either Tuesday or Wednesday evening. Please contact Janine Nyre (775) 339-1961 or fill out the form on the information table at the back of the Church.

Volunteers Needed

Come and enjoy the fun and camaraderie of volunteering for the summer parking lot fundraiser. Meet new people, not only the volunteers, but also people visiting Lake Tahoe. Volunteers are needed only for the weekends starting from the Memorial weekend (May 28) through Labor Day weekend (September 4). No Sundays/Mondays except on holiday weekends. Just a 2-hour shift of your time is requested. See Cora or call her at 661-917-7330. If you can't volunteer, donations are always welcome. Thank you!

Mass Intentions

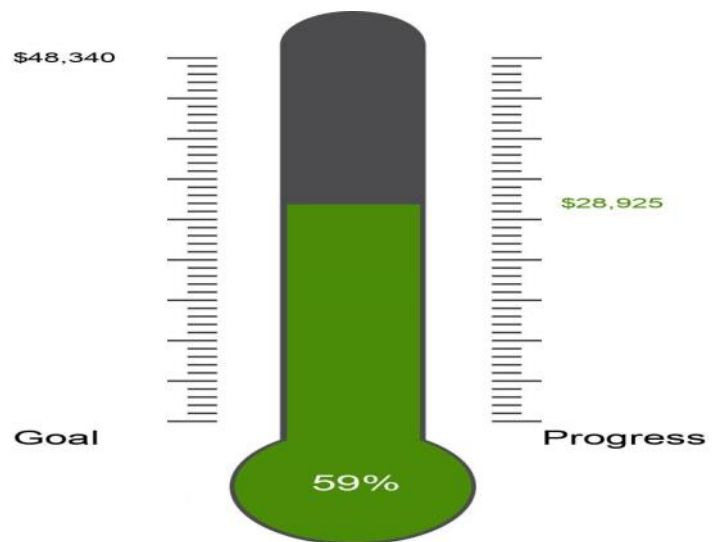
Saturday	25	5pm	Happy Birthday Sarah Nagengast!	David and Stephanie Scott
Sunday	26	8am	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Sunday	26	11:30am	Happy Birthday Jeanne Doan	
Wednesday	29	11:30am		
Thursday	30	11:30am		
Friday	1	11:30am		

The source and summit of the Church's life is in the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The Revival will help us renew the Church through a deepened understanding of the Eucharist, greater reverence for the Eucharist, increased participation in Mass, more frequent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and a clearer call to Mission as people who have become the Body of Christ. The Revival includes various initiatives on parish, diocesan, and national levels to help us in this renewal. Please consult the Eucharistic Revival webpage found [here](#) for more information. You will also find resources that can help you grow in your encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist.

Quote of the Week

"A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows."

St. Francis of Assisi



As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.



Last weekend's collection came to \$3,243.00. We've collected \$28,925.00 (59%) in pledges for CSA. The work we do here cannot go on without the consistent, generous gifts of God's people through Tithes and Offerings. Thank you all for being a blessing with your giving. Thank you also to everyone who has lovingly shared their time and talents volunteering at OLT! The church is strong, yet much stronger with dedicated volunteers. Blessings in Christ!



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