

Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Church

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



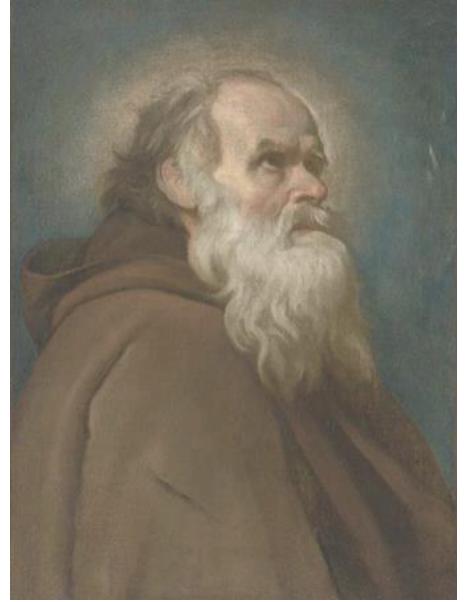
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Saturday: 5pm | Sunday: 8am & 11:30am
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This week our nation honors the dream of equal human rights articulated by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On January 22, we also mark the anniversary of the most egregious violation of human rights through the Supreme Court decision Roe vs. Wade, which permitted the killing of children in the womb. During these days, Christians also observe the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. These three themes intersect powerfully. We pray that Christians will unite in effective service to all who are deprived of their rights, and bring about a Culture of Life, Justice, and Love.

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 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.



During the month of January, we pray for all mothers who are seeking abortions and those who support the decision. May they have a change of heart, decide to choose life, and reach out to the crisis pregnancy resources available. Our God is all loving, merciful, and willing to walk with them through this challenging time. The Project Rachel ministry can refer mothers to these resources, in addition to post-abortion resources. Please find out more about us at <https://www.highdesertcatholic.org/>. Click on Our Works, scroll down, click on Project Rachel. Contact our confidential, non-judgmental help line 775-324-4325 or email KarenM@Catholicreno.org to take advantage of valuable resources.



Happy Martin Luther King Jr.
Day!

Kindly note, the office is closed on Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Catechism in a Year

Many of us were well past our teenage years when St John Paul II authorized the first universal catechism of the Church in over 400 years. He appointed Cardinal Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI) to lead this incredible effort which was released to the Church family in 1992. "This Catechism presents us with an organic and systematic summary of the essential doctrines of the Catholic Church. It conveys the truth, beauty, goodness and fullness of our faith in a way that is ever ancient, ever new." *Adapted from the Introduction of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*

The Catechism in a Year is a podcast, launching January 1st, will take us through the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church. Fr. Mike will offer encouragement and insight on the readings as we go to help us clearly understand Church teaching and allow those truths to shape our lives, day by day. Maybe you've only ever read parts of the Catechism, or maybe you aren't familiar with this book at all. Regardless of your current knowledge of the Catechism or our faith, this podcast will help you learn more and grow closer to God. The Catechism discusses and explains the teachings of the Catholic Church, a Church founded by Jesus Christ over 2,000 years ago. It's rooted in Scripture and because we'll be reading it in podcast form, it is easy and accessible. Each of the daily episodes will be about 15-20 minutes long, making it easy to listen to while driving into work, going on your daily walk, or drinking your morning coffee. The podcast is completely free and available on all major podcast apps and YouTube.

If you need help finding the podcast or reading plan, please contact Janine Nyre. Additionally, we will have a monthly discussion group to get together to explore our learning and support each other. Let me know if you are interested. Janine Nyre 775-339-1961 or janinenyre@comcast.net

Mass Intentions

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| Saturday | 14 | 5pm | † Delores Caravallo |
| Sunday | 15 | 8am | Intentions of OLT Parishioners |
| Sunday | 15 | 11:30am | † Deborah Moser |
| Wednesday | 18 | 11:30am | No Mass |
| Thursday | 19 | 11:30am | No Mass |
| Friday | 20 | 11:30am | No Mass |

Vicky Caravallo
Pro Populo
The Moose Lodge No. 1632

Last weekend's collection came to \$4,003.00 and the special 2nd collection for Latin America came to \$1,055.00.

Tithe & Offerings 2023 Offering Envelopes Update...



We received word from the company that prints our offering envelopes that there is a significant delay, and they do not have an estimate on when the envelopes will ship to us. There are "general" offering envelopes on the tables in the back of the church which you can use temporarily or if you prefer to donate online, please visit: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/ourladyoftahoe>. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused. Please contact the office should you have any questions or concerns.



OLT Bible Study Update...

We've just finished Matthew 15! We will resume with Matthew 16 next Wednesday, January 18. Please join us Wednesdays 10am - 11:15 in the Parish Hall. For more information, please contact Janine Nyre at 775-339-1961 or janinenyre@comcast.net.

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.

Liturgy of the Word #9 – The Universal Prayers

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people." 1 Timothy 2:1 NIV

In the Universal Prayers, we bring our intentions to the Father. Normally, we pray for the Church, for world leaders, for those in difficulties, and for the local community (c.f. GIRM 70), but this is also the time to bring any and all petitions we have to the Lord. We remember our need for God's help, we remember our bond with our family and community, we remember those who are suffering, and we remember those who have died; in a sense, we remember everyone. And we bring them to the Lord. This is particularly appropriate at this time because these prayers form a transition from the Liturgy of the Word to the Liturgy of the Eucharist; we bring all of our intentions with the gifts that we are about to present, and we offer them to Jesus. Who do you know that needs prayers at this time? Who do you find yourself praying for the most?

Outreach has been blessed in 2022! We would like to thank ALL of you who have believed in our mission to help the needy families in our local community these past years. With your generous giving, we have been able to assist over 80 families each month with food baskets, clothing, dental care items, warm jackets and Christmas gift cards for the children. Our monetary budget per month will be increased through an anonymous donor, thus our working families will reap the benefits. Thank you to each person who contributed! Please keep Outreach in your prayers so that we can continue in 2023. Blessings to each of you.



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