

AUGUST 30, 2026

22th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

**God, we gather in the shadow of your loving protection,
and we devotedly place our hope in you.**



OUR LADY of the PILLAR CHURCH

Iglesia Católica de Nuestra Señora del Pilar
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Masses at Our Lady of the Pillar

Monday — Saturday: 8:00 am (English)

Monday — Saturday Recitation of the Holy Rosary
after 8 am masses (English)

Friday: 12 p.m. Noon Latin Mass ("Novus Ordo")

Saturday: 5 p.m. (English) & 7 p.m. (Español)

Sunday: 8 a.m. (English) & 10 a.m. (English)
12 p.m. (Español) & 6 p.m. (English)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturdays: 4 - 5 p.m. (or by appointment)

24/7 Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel

English info: Juliette Kulda (650)283-6175

Info. en Español: Lupe Zavala (650)438-6068

Emma Moctezuma (650)455-8509

Masses at St. Anthony's, Pescadero

696 North Street, Pescadero

Sunday: 9 a.m. (English) 6 p.m. (Español)

Masses at Our Lady of Refuge, La Honda

146 Sears Ranch Road, La Honda

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

English Baptisms: 2nd Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Bautismos en Español: 1^{er} y 3^{ro} Sabado a las 11:00 a.m.

Platicas Pre-bautismales: 3^{er} Jueves del Mes a las 7:00pm.

**Jesus said: "What profit would there be for one
to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?"**

In 2004, an Olympic runner named Tasha Danvers-Smith had hopes of winning a medal until she realized that she was pregnant. She later admitted that the idea of terminating the pregnancy through abortion had occurred to her, but the words of Jesus were more powerful. Winning a medal was not worth losing her own soul. She cried, but she and her husband decided to protect their baby, and that made her happy. Four years later, she won a bronze medal that she, her husband, and her son could celebrate, but the greatest prize was bringing their child to birth. Jesus said that His followers must deny themselves, take up their cross and follow Him. In the 1960s, Martin Luther King, Jr. took up his cross in the struggle for basic human rights, and he wrote a Letter from a Birmingham Jail, addressed to a number of religious leaders who offered no support. He quoted the words of two great Catholic saints: "I would agree with St. Augustine that 'an unjust law is no law at all'. To put it in the terms of St. Thomas Aquinas: An unjust law is a human law that is not rooted in eternal law and natural law. Any law that uplifts human personality is just. Any law that degrades human personality is unjust." The most pressing need of our time is that of respecting the dignity of each human being, especially the most defenseless, remembering that even God became one of us the moment he became incarnate in the womb of the Virgin Mary. When we respect the dignity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death, then, we are thinking as God does, and not as human beings do.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 5, 2026
Our Lady of the Pillar, Half Moon Bay

Saturday Night, AUGUST 29

5:00 pm † Climaco Ferreira da Cunha
 † Scott McDonald
 7:00 pm † Parish Community

Sunday AUGUST 30

8:00am † Jose Lopes & Cindy Silva
 † Climaco Ferreira da Cunha
 10:00am † Arnaldo, Michael Rodrigues & Family
 † Kate Motoyama
 12:00pm † Santiago Badajos Acosta
 † Jose Luis Gaytan & Donato Campos
 6:00pm † Maria Auseliadora Silveira

Monday AUGUST 31

8:00am † Rev. Peter Pabst S.J.
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Tuesday SEPTEMBER 01

8:00am † For the Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday SEPTEMBER 02

8:00am † Iria de Lemos
 † Maria Rocha Pires & Family

Thursday SEPTEMBER 03

8:00am † Francisco, Idalina Costa & Family

Friday SEPTEMBER 04

8:00am † Rob & Larry Ohlrich

Saturday SEPTEMBER 05

8:00am † Manuel, Maria Ferreira & Son-in-law

Your Offerings Supporting our Parish

Collections for Aug 22 – 23

	<i>1st Collection</i>	<i>2nd Collection</i>
Our Lady of the Pillar	\$ 5,401	\$ 4,511
Saint Anthony	\$ 376	\$ 314
Our Lady of Refuge	\$ 268	\$ 232

Upcoming Second Collections

Aug 30	St. Vincent de Paul
Sep 6	Annual Appeal
Sep 13	Church of Latin America
Sep 20	Building Fund

Mass Schedule and Intentions at our Missions

St. Anthony's, Pescadero

Sunday AUGUST 30

9 a.m. (Eng)
 6 p.m. (Esp)

Our Lady of Refuge, La Honda

Sunday AUGUST 30

10:30am

2026 ANNUAL APPEAL

The Church depends on the support and generosity of its members to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, educate its youth, and care for the elderly.

Our parish goals for this year's Annual Appeal are:

	Assessment	Collected	Balance
OLP	\$ 79,311	\$ 55,500	\$ 23,811
St. Anthony's	\$ 5,802	\$ 5,802	\$ 0
OLR	\$ 4,718	\$ 4,718	\$ 0

This year's theme is from 1 Corinthians 10:31

Jesús dijo: "¿De qué le sirve a uno ganar el mundo entero y perder su vida?"

En 2004, una atleta olímpica llamada Tasha Danvers-Smith albergaba la esperanza de ganar una medalla, hasta que se dio cuenta de que estaba embarazada. Más tarde confesó que había considerado la posibilidad de interrumpir el embarazo mediante un aborto, pero las palabras de Jesús tuvieron más fuerza. Ganar una medalla no valía la pena si eso suponía perder su propia alma. Aunque lloró, ella y su esposo decidieron proteger a su bebé, y esa decisión la llenó de felicidad. Cuatro años después, ganó una medalla de bronce que pudo celebrar junto a su esposo y su hijo; sin embargo, el mayor premio fue haber dado a luz a su hijo. Jesús dijo que sus seguidores deben negarse a sí mismos, tomar su cruz y seguirle. En la década de 1960, Martin Luther King Jr. asumió su cruz en la lucha por los derechos humanos fundamentales y escribió la "Carta Desde la Cárcel de Birmingham", dirigida a varios líderes religiosos que no le brindaron apoyo. En ella citó las palabras de dos grandes santos católicos: "Coincido con San Agustín en que 'una ley injusta no es ley en absoluto'. En palabras de Santo Tomás de Aquino: una ley injusta es una ley humana que no se fundamenta en la ley eterna ni en la ley natural. Toda ley que enaltece la dignidad humana es justa. Toda ley que degrada la dignidad humana es injusta". La necesidad más apremiante de nuestro tiempo es respetar la dignidad de cada ser humano, especialmente la de los más indefensos, recordando que incluso Dios se hizo uno de nosotros en el momento en que se encarnó en el seno de la Virgen María. Cuando respetamos la dignidad de la vida humana desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural, pensamos como Dios, y no como los seres humanos.



SIGN UP FOR A HOLY HOUR TODAY

English: Juliette Kulda (650) 283-6175
Español: Lupe Zavala (650) 438-6068
 o Emma Moctezuma (650) 455-8509
<https://OLPA.WeAdoreHim.com>

Register Now!

First Communion Class English— Two-Year Program

Come to the Parish Office Monday thru Friday
 From 8 a.m.—12 p.m. or 1 p.m.— 4:30 p.m.

Take an Application Form from the Church,
 fulfill its mandatory requirements and return it to the Office.
 (Incomplete forms will not be accepted)

First year class begins on:
 Sep. 24th From 3:30p.m. to 4:30p.m.

Catechist: Paul & Sam Lippert

Second year class is begins on:
 Sep. 10th From 6:30p.m. to 7:30p.m.

Catechist: Paul Kulda

Ya estamos registrando!

Primera Comunión

Programa de dos años en Español

Venga a la oficina de Lunes a Viernes
 de las 8:00 a.m. a 12:00 p.m. y de 1:00 a 4:30 p.m.

Por favor tome una aplicación y los requisitos
 del vestíbulo de la iglesia y regrésela a la oficina.
 (Aplicaciones incompletas no serán aceptadas)

Las clases comienzan el:

Primer año Lunes Sep 14, 2026 de 6:00pm.-7:15pm.
 Segundo año Martes Sep 15, 2026 de 6:00pm.-7:15pm.

Registration is open for the

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is now a two-year program.

1st Year is available to any student, 7th or 8th grade & older.

It is focused on growing the student's knowledge of the faith.

(THIS group will then continue its 2nd yr in Sept. 2027 and be Confirmed in May 2028.)

Please take an application from the Church, read about our mandatory requirements, and return it to the office.

(Incomplete forms will not be accepted)

Questions? Call Yesenia: 650-726-4674
 Office Hours: Monday thru Friday
 8 a.m. – 12:00 & 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Pray for Our Parishioners Who are Sick Parientes y Amigos Enfermos

*May God's healing power
 fill them with strength and hope.*

Marina & Mickey Williamson, Raquel Corona, Rich Perez, Helen Victa Castillo, Maria P. Nuñez Merlo, Consuelo Villa, Alberto Villaseñor, Adriana Rivas, Michael White, Shana Reallypond, Sylvia Allen, Marge Healy, Carlos Sánchez, Virgilio Vilorio, Leslie Henry, Mariland Damron, Thanna Warren, Henry Schoop, John Denny, Pauline Bilafer, Rey Caloca, Glenn Gonzales, Lynn Gijon, Bob Mazzetti, Michael Schnabel-Kuehn, Sally Ann Thomas, Tiesha Kelly, Charles Decoteau, Nicole Barros, Patricia Bolfin, Louise Luteran, Adelaida Villarreal, Michael Abeyta, Mary Elliot, Lucy Lopez and Minerva Contreras, Mary Elliott.



Church Votive Candles

If you want to purchase votive candles for use at home, you may do so at the Parish Office or at the Gift Shop for \$5 per candle. Please do not take candles from the candle racks inside the church or the chapel.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

(Baptism, Confirmation & First Communion)

English and Spanish Programs

If you are seeking God's love through Jesus Christ & wish to inquire about receiving the Sacraments of Initiation:

Call the Parish Office: 650-726-4674 or
 Email: office@ourladyofthepillar.org



This Fall 2026 *PLEASE* take a stand for LIFE!

From September 23 – November 1 commit to one hour **weekly** at the

40 Days for Life peaceful sidewalk prayer vigil:
 2907 El Camino Real, Redwood City.

Meet many other faithful committed Catholics.

It's easy.

Schedule your Lenten commitment through Jessica:
 phone/text 650-918-9119, or email

themunns@yahoo.com

or schedule yourself online at:

www.40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity

God will surely bless you for it –
 you will not be at the vigil alone –
 and you may save a life!

Approved by the Archdiocese of San Francisco

Please support the St. Vincent de Paul Society

FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Drawing on Feast of St. Vincent de Paul
Sunday, September 27, 2026

Amazing Prizes!!

Prize #1: Dine Around Town –Value \$600

\$100 Gift Certificate Pasta Moon
\$100 Gift Certificate Mullins Restaurant
\$100 Gift Card Sam's Chowder House
\$50 Gift Certificate Tres Amigos
\$50 Gift Certificate It's Italia
\$50 Gift Certificate Fattoria E Mare
\$50 Gift Certificate HMB Joe's
\$50 Gift Certificate Johnny's Restaurant
\$25 Gift Certificate Café Society
\$25 Gift Certificate Rebyl Coffee

Prize #2: Hot Wheels - Value \$550

Bicycle
Scooter
Skateboard
Roller Blades

Prize #3: St. Michael the Archangel Icon

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Tickets available after Mass or from St. Vincent de Paul members

Ticket sales will assist in providing much needed food support. Buy your ticket today and help us make a difference in the lives of local families and individuals.



The Sacrament of Confirmation at Our Lady of the Pillar
is now a TWO-Year Program (for youth 7th grade thru High School)

REGISTRATION after Masses on Sundays ► August 16 & August 23
-or- come to the office during the week.

NEEDED: 3 certificates - ♦ Birth ♦ Baptism ♦ First Communion

✓ Classes offered: Mondays 3:45 pm / Tuesdays 3:45 pm / Wednesdays 7:00 pm

More info, please call the office: 650.726-4674

Women's Sacred Scripture Group...



The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy

This study will focus on the "writing" prophets and includes
the major prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Daniel.

YOU will: ♦ understand who the prophets were ♦ the message they
proclaimed ♦ and how their words continue to call us into a deeper relationship
with God today!

Thursday mornings, 10:10-12 noon ✨ **Begins Sept 24** (10 weeks)

Online Access to videos - if unable to attend all sessions - **Scan to Register**

Facilitators: Anne Martin and Terry Giorgetti 408-497-9276 Call if questions 📞

Newcomers welcomed ✨

