

MISSION STATEMENT
 We, the Parish Community of Saint John Baptist de la Salle recognize that we are chosen by Christ and have as our mission to bring forth the fruits of the True Vine in response to the needs of our Parish Community through the recognition of active Parish Organizations and the cultivation of persons and groups not yet sharing in the mystery of the True Vine, Jesus Christ.
"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."

--John 15:5

**THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF
 ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE**

16555 Chatsworth Street, Granada Hills, CA., 91344

Mailing address: 10738 Hayvenhurst Ave., Granada Hills, CA., 91344

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

10738 Hayvenhurst Ave.
 Granada Hills, CA. 91344
 Parish Office: 818 363-2535

Monday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Second Sunday of each Month - 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Rev. Ramon Valera..... Pastor
 Rev. Khoa MaiAssociate Pastor
 Rev. Tovia LuiIn Residence
 Deacon Sam FriasDeacon
 Deacon Dan Revetto.....Deacon

Eucharistic Celebrations (Mass)

SATURDAY: 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:00 pm

DAILY: Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS: Please check bulletin or website

NOVENA: Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm in Church

FAITH FORMATION /MINISTRY OFFICE

10738 Hayvenhurst Ave.
 Granada Hills, CA. 91344

Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

SCHOOL OFFICE

16535 Chatsworth St.
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St. John Baptist de la Salle Parish Website: sjbdls.com
 St. John Baptist de la Salle School Website: sjbdls.org
 St. John Baptist de la Salle S.R.E. Website: re@sjbdls.org
 St. John Baptist de la Salle Music Email: music@sjbdls.org
 St. John Baptist de la Salle Media Email: media@sjbdls.org

Parish Business Manager: Janie Choate
 363-2535

Faith Formation Coordinator Mrs. Cole
 368-1514

School Principal: Claudia Monaco
 363-2270

Watch Sunday 9:00am Mass Live Stream at: tinyurl.com/SJBDLSMASS

Information on the Priesthood, Diaconate or Religious Life: Contact Fr. Stephen Davoren 213 637-7755 or frsdavoren@la-archdiocese.org

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 16, 2025



“Blessed are you who are now hungry,
for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who are now weeping,
for you will laugh.” — Lk 6:21

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Presider Schedule February 22nd & 23rd

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Fr. Ramon
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Fr Mai
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Fr. Ramon
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Fr. Kirsch
Sunday	12:00 p.m.	Fr. Mai

This schedule is subject to change



Miraculous Medal Novena

Please join us in the **CHURCH** for the Novena of the Miraculous Medal followed by praying the Rosary.

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
All are welcome



First Friday Holy Hour for Vocations March 7, 2025

The number of Priests in the U.S. has dropped by nearly 50% over the last 50 years (from 60,000 to 35,000). The decline in the number of Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters is also alarming.

Will you please join us for just an hour per month to Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life? We will meet on the First Friday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. We will gather in the Church for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. We will also pray the Rosary together asking our Blessed Mother for her intercession.

Sacred Heart Retreat House

A Blessed Weekend is Awaiting You! *Women's Silent Retreat* March 21-23, 2025

Ladies, make your reservation now as spaces are filling up fast. Find inspiration on this silent retreat through conference talks, confession, Mass, prayer, and personal reflection. Grow closer to Jesus amidst the serene gardens and gracious hospitality of the Carmelite sisters' retreat house in Alhambra. Our retreat master is Fr. Leo Ortega. Cost is \$249-\$449 depending on room type. Lower commuter rates (no overnight stay) also available. Use this link to learn more and to register:

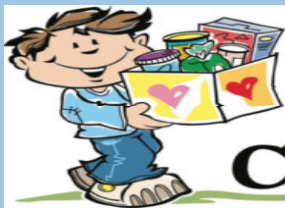
<https://sacredheartretreatshousenpc.my.site.com/s/event/a0DPb00000294JP/3212025-womens-silent-retreat>

For questions, possible carpool options, etc. please call Lynelle Harrigan at 818-632-6339.



St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive

On Sunday, February 23rd, St. Vincent de Paul will be hosting a food drive after all the Masses. We are asking for **Non-Perishable** food donations. Look for us at the tables located in the Pavilion. Your generosity will help our local families in need.



Food Collection



The Sacrament of Baptism Infants & Children Under Age 6

Choosing to have your child baptized is a meaningful and joyful occasion.

This choice signifies your commitment to nurturing your child's faith journey.

We are here to guide you through this journey!

If you have questions or need guidance on how to start, please contact the Parish Office at 818-363-2535.

Please pray for the sick

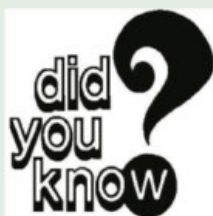
Maria C. Garcia	George Mann
Norma Gomez	Paulette Diaz
Ernest Escalante, Sr.	Lucy Mayers
Jose Ines Garcia	Judy Sarenanna
Vanessa Perez	Deacon Sam Frias
Roman Alexander Valdez	Elisa Pazirandeh
Rita Correa	John Luna
Bernadette Daniels	Jeanne A. Halili
Chona Eco	Manny Kennedy
Jesus Mesias	Eunice Hildebrant
Flora Mesias	Kathryn Belostrino
Ana Luisa Acebolobo	Peter Inzunza
Maria Bullis	Bobby Vega
Rosa Monostori	and all those in our
Reynaldo Ramos, Jr.	Parish Book of Prayer
Annette Carlos	

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Nicholas Moreno
	9:00 a.m.	De La Salle Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Sofy Azouri
	12:00 p.m.	Jose Patrick Angelina Manikis
Monday	7:30 a.m.	Basilio Aranda
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Marcelino Padilla
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Miguel Miramontes
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Marjima Jacinto Sanchez
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Clay Matthew Rodriguez
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Josefina M. Deta
	5:00 p.m.	Violeta Gaspar



Books Can Help Provide Children With Understanding And Comfort During Times Of Crisis

A parent's crisis response may significantly influence how children respond. Books and stories can help provide understanding and comfort to children during times of crisis. "Trinka and Sam: The Big Fire" is available for download in **English** and Spanish from The National Child Traumatic Stress Network. The book helps young children, and their families talk about feelings and worries they may have after experiencing a large-scale fire. A guide is available in the back of the book that provides ways parents can use the story with their children. This free book is available for download here: <https://www.nctsn.org/resources/trinka-and-sam-big-fire>.



Given the White House's recent orders regarding immigration enforcement, questions have been raised about the safety of our churches. Since Jesus commanded his disciples to proclaim the Gospel to all peoples, Catholic churches have opened their doors to anyone wishing to worship or request services from church members and staff. We welcome all people. We do not inquire about immigration status or ask for immigration documents. We strive to welcome the stranger and uphold the dignity of every person. We ask that every person who enters the doors of our church do so with a sense of reverence for the House of the Lord and hospitality to each of His children. Our doors will remain open for all people seeking to worship, seeking spiritual solace, or asking for pastoral services.

St. John Baptist De La Salle Church Operating Income and Expense Summary

Our average weekly revenue for the first six months of this year is up \$52.90 while our average weekly expenses are up \$1,188.86. The church reroofing cost the parish \$380,830.00 which is the main reason for the big net loss for this six month period. Our two biggest expense items for this six month period were Telephone & Utilities up \$23,979.55 and Equipment R&M up \$17,414.70 from last year. We want to thank all our parishioners for the support they are providing the parish.

Respectively submitted, James Zeigler, Chairman of the Parish Finance Committee

	Six Months Ended	Increase	
	<u>12-31-24</u>	<u>12-31-23</u>	<u>(Decrease)</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$687,465.25	\$722,434.02	\$(34,968.77)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$631,877.16	\$600,627.33	\$ 31,249.83
INCOME (DEFICIT) FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 55,588.09	\$121,806.69	\$(66,218.60)
TOTAL RESTRICTED INCOME	\$ 44,504.83	\$ 18,278.30	\$ 26,226.53
CAPITAL EXPENSES	\$380,830.00	\$ 29,287.19	\$351,542.81
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$(280,737.08)	\$110,797.80	\$(391,534.88)



Invitation from St. Euphrasia

Please join Fr. Alden Sison for a magnificent Pilgrimage Tour during the *Rome Jubilee 2025*, enter the Holy Doors (open only every 25 years). Travel dates are September 19th-30th, 2025.

Tour includes roundtrip air from LAX, first class hotels, breakfast, dinners, etc.

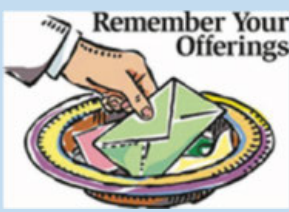
For more information and registration, please call Adeline at Adoration Tours 661-396-8800

In Memoriam

Let us pray for all who have died, that they may rejoice with the Risen Lord.

*Eddie De La Rosa
Nicolas Grajo Dio
Jose Chediak*

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Envelope Reminder

In order to receive proper credit for your contributions, please use your preprinted envelopes that you receive in the mail.

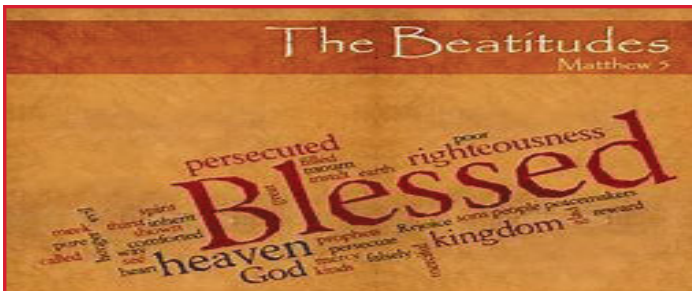
If you forget your envelope, please use an envelope in the pew or a check, and include your parish number.



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DLS School News

School Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00am-3:00pm

Fridays 8:00am-1:00pm

If you have any questions please visit our website at

sjbdls.org or email Miss. Jimenez at:

amanda.jimenez@sjbdls.org

School Phone Number: 818-363-2270

Give your child a Catholic School Education

De La Salle School provides a learning environment rooted in faith, community, and academic excellence.

We are now accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year for students in Transitional Kindergarten (must be 4 years old by September 1st). Our TK program includes a Religion curriculum and weekly classes in physical education, Spanish, Music, and Art. Call us to schedule a tour and meet our dedicated teachers.

We are happy to announce that we have availability in our Kindergarten-8th-grade classrooms. Please visit our school Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm or Friday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm to enroll your child at De La Salle School for the upcoming school year.

Visit our website at sjbdls.org or follow us on IG @sjbdls.school

"A Catholic Education is an Advantage for Life"

SJBDLS CATHOLIC SCHOOL NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The school, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students regardless of race, color, national origin, and/or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, disability, medical condition, sex, or national and/or ethnic origin in the administration of educational policies and practices, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs, although certain athletic leagues and other programs may limit participation and some archdiocesan schools operate as single-sex schools.

While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of services may not always be available to them. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic, and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.

Faith Formation News

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



*“for in the sacred books,
the Father who is in heav-
en meets His children
with great love and speaks
with them
(Dei Verbum)*

On Sunday, the School of Religious Education is offering free the Children's Liturgy of the Word for our parish children during the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

The Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is a wonderful time for children ages 4-10 to build their relationship with God in the company of their peers. With the help of a catechist, scripture, faith-based activities, and prayer are used to help the children explore their faith.

Look for the banner in the entrance procession during 9 a.m. Mass to confirm that CLOW will take place. Children are called forward by the priest to join their catechist and are dismissed to move to the Kateri Room for the session. The children will return to their family members during the collection. If you are interested in becoming a CLOW volunteer or have additional questions, contact Mrs. Cole at 818-368-1514.

NEW 2025-2026 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

New Religious Education Registrations are being accepted on a first come basis.

If you are interested in the following Religious Education Programs:

- The Sacrament of Confirmation for Adults or High School students.
- The Sacrament of Communion, 1st grade through High School.
- The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults/Children. This process is available for those who are unbaptized or baptized who want to become Catholic or for baptized Catholics who want to receive First Communion and Confirmation.
- Continued Religious Education for Elementary and Middle School students.

For registration details, please contact S.R.E. Office at: re@sjbdls.org / 818-368-1514.

Include your contact information, the program you are interested in (see description above), the grade of your student, or if you are inquiring about an adult program.

PARISH MINISTRY NEWS

A Change of Heart

Adult: In what way are you serving the poor, as Jesus did?

Child: When have you helped bring God's love to someone who was sad, or hungry, or whom others made fun of?

Parenting Pointers

Following your *King/Queen for a Day week*, try *Servant for a Day week*. Again, assign each person 1 day to do a service for another member of the family. Be creative. Be generous. Be willing.

2025 LOS ANGELES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS - FEBRUARY 21-23

The Los Angeles Religious Education Congress is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Office of Religious Education. RE Congress is a dynamic gathering of the global Church, welcoming all to meet Jesus through connection, learning and worship. RE Congress inspires, transforms, and sends us out to spread the joy of the Gospel, to be a voice for justice and to service the needs of the world. This year's theme is "Called to Compassion."

We invite and welcome you to participate in the RE Congress 2025 to experience God's unconditional acceptance, deep nourishment and transformative power in our hearts, our minds, and in our actions. You may access the registration book and register online by visiting: www.RECongress.org
For more information contact SRE Office: re@sjbdls.org

FIRST RECONCILIATION & GENEROUS FAMILY DONATIONS

Congratulations to St. John Baptist de la Salle School and the S.R.E. Students who made their First Reconciliation on February 8th. A special thank you to their parents/guardians who did an excellent job in preparing their students for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In addition, much gratitude goes to our School of Religious Education, (S.R.E.) for their generous donations to the Holy Childhood Association.

CONFIRMATION 2025 & RITE OF ACCEPTANCE

Please pray for our Confirmation 2025 Candidates and their Sponsors who will attend the Rite of Acceptance today Sunday, at 12:00 noon Mass (reserved seating). Families are welcome to sit in the body of the Church. **CANDIDATE MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR PARENT/GUARDIAN, IF THE SPONSOR IS UNABLE TO ATTEND** (further details will be emailed).

"Blessed are you now . . . "

Notice that the first words out of Jesus' mouth are not "Blessed shall you be" but "Blessed are you . . . now."

*In her book **Always a Guest**, minister and best-selling author Barbara Brown Taylor writes that the Beatitudes "describe a view of reality in which the least likely candidates are revealed to be extremely fortunate in the divine economy of things, not only later but right now . . . Whatever you believe about [Jesus], believe this about you: the things that seem to be going most wrong for you may in fact be the things that are going most right. This doesn't mean you shouldn't try to fix them. It just means that they may need blessing as much as they need fixing, since the blessing is already there. If you can breathe into it — well, that's when heaven comes to earth, because earth is where heaven starts, for all who are willing to live into right now."*

So if you're poor in spirit or wealth, you know the blessedness of embracing God's compassion in your life and your ability to helping others do the same.

If you're "hungry," you know the blessedness that comes from sharing what little you have with someone worse off.

If you're "weeping," you know the blessedness of giving comfort and solace to the grieving and struggling.

If you're hated and pushed to the margins because of your nationality, culture or gender, you know the blessedness of standing up for the justice of God's Kingdom.

Rejoice and leap for joy, Jesus says. The Kingdom of heaven begins with such blessedness as yours.

To be the among the "blessed" envisioned by Jesus means to put aside our own poverty and hunger and our own positions and reputations to extend the compassion of Jesus to others; to provide, regardless of the cost, safe places for the lost to return, for the grieving to mourn, for the wounded to heal. Jesus' Sermon on the Plain articulates a new vision and attitude in approaching life: the treasure of life and time itself, the hope that can be realized in compassion and generosity, the fulfillment that is experienced in freeing ourselves from the pursuit of the things of this world so as to embrace the small but lasting "miracles" of the kingdom of God.

**PARISH MINISTRIES
AND DIRECTORY**

Altar Servers	Ministry Office	368-1514
Anointing of the Sick	Parish Office	363-2535
Baptisms	Parish Office	363-2535
Bereavement	Parish Office	363-2535
	Tracy Flores	363-2535
Catholic Men's Group	Tim Castagnola	620-9569
	Terry Castagnola	601-6684
Eucharistic Ministers	Ministry Office	368-1514
Finance Council	Fr. Ramon Valera	363-2535
Hospitality	School Office	363-2270
Lectors	Ministry Office	368-1514
Legion of Mary	Elisa Pazirandeh	368-1514
	Tuesday 6:30p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	
	Erlinda Daliva	368-1514
	Friday 6:15p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	
	Erlinda Claro	368-1514
	Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	
Liturgy Committee	Ministry Office	368-1514
Marriage Ministry	Elizabeth Moreno	363-2535
Media Ministry	Don Jacob	363-2535
	media@sjbdls.org	
Music Ministry		
	Director: Angelo Francisco	818 445-8771
	music@sjbdls.org	
One Body in Christ Charismatic Prayer Group		
	Fr. Ramon	
	Rhomie Ramirez	818 618-6515
Parish Pastoral Council	Fr. Ramon Valera	363-2535
Parish Ministry Office	Mrs. Cole	368-1514
Respect Life Ministry	Nancy Corbett	929-6213
	Lynelle Harrigan	632-6339
Faith Formation Office		
	Coordinator: Mrs. Cole	368-1514
	Adult Education	
	First Communion	
	Elementary (Grades 3-5)	
	Liturgy of the Word	
	Family Ministry	
	Middle School	
	O.C.I.A./O.C.I.C.	
	Confirmation	
St. John Baptist De La Salle School		
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	School Website: sjbdls.org	
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	16535 Chatsworth Street	
	Granada Hills, CA 91344	
Sacristans	Fred Lawrence	363-2535
St. Vincent de Paul		363-2535
St. Vincent de Paul large item pick up call	(800) 974-3571	
Ushers	Ellen Celaya	363-2535
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