



St. Michael Catholic Parish

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We know that Christ,
raised from the dead,
dies no more;
death no longer
has power over him.

ROMANS 6:9



Finding Our Lives

First Reading

Elisha promises a baby son to the hospitable woman (Kings 4:8–11, 14 –16a).

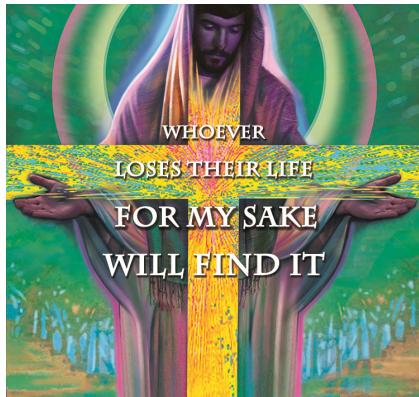
It has been said that the books of Kings, the second of which supplies our First Reading, are demonstrations of God's justice. Each of the failures of the kings of Israel and Judah bring down a punishment upon the land they govern as predictable as that night will follow day. The episode in this story is not otherwise, but the just reward given is not for ill deeds but for good ones. A woman called only "the Shunamite" (because she lived in a town called Shunem) offers hospitality to the prophet Elisha, building a little place for him to stay in her own home when he passed by and needed lodging, and this only because she recognized him to be a holy man of God. She is richly rewarded for her kindness when God grants to this woman who had been previously childless a son to take up into her arms, through the intercession of Elisha.

Later in the same story we find that the child, now grown, dies tragically. The good woman, in great sorrow, appeals again to Elisha the prophet who comes down off of Mount Carmel and goes to great lengths in his appeal to God for the return of life to the child, who does indeed come back to life so that the Shunamite might again take up her son (see 2 Kings 4:36–37). So the just reward for service done to God's prophet is even greater than we see in this reading! In our own day, when those who have been given God's authority in the Church are much maligned, we would do well to offer our aid to them whenever possible.

Second Reading

We shall live in newness of life as Christ was raised from the dead (Romans 6:3–4, 8–11).

Just as the son of the Shunamite was raised from death by the power of God, so was the Son of Mary raised from the dead. In his case, however, that just vindication of his perfect righteousness led to an eter-



nal Resurrection, so that "Christ being raised from the dead will never die again" (Romans 6:9 RSV). And St. Paul makes clear that by our Baptism we share both in the death he died and in the Resurrection by which Mary again took up her Son. So the first of our readings in combination with this one from Romans provide us with what we could call a "mystagogy" of the Sacrament of Baptism. "Mystagogy was that form of instruction on the sacraments in the first centuries of the Church which enabled those (in the grace of that very sacrament) to see the power it conveyed more clearly. This instruction often took the form of an analysis of an Old Testament reading which served as a prophetic pointer toward the sacrament being explained. In this case, the mystagogy of St. Paul on the mystery of Baptism is expanded and deepened when the

Church pairs it with the First Reading from Second Kings to help us see the dramatic power of Baptism by which we are brought back to a new and eternal life and taken up into the arms of holy mother Church.

Gospel Reading

Whoever gives but a cup of cold water to another will surely be rewarded (Matthew 10:37–42)

In this Gospel reading we see once again the mystery of the unity of all the holy ones in Christ. As noted last week, in chapter 10 of Matthew Jesus is bestowing a share in his own authority upon the Apostles as they are sent out. They are warned that the preaching of the truth will evoke a division between those who accept the truth and those who won't. He promises to those who aid them in their mission a share in the reward of the missionary. And that is because those whom Christ sends bear him mysteriously within themselves such that to welcome them is to welcome him. St. Luke gives us a parallel text, "He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me" (Luke 10:16).

To reject the Apostle is to reject both the Son and the Father! That is the sad state of those who refuse the truth and end up on the wrong side of the division that the Divine Truth introduces among men. But those who hear the truth and aid those who preach it, in even the smallest ways, will have their reward, too. As we see in this text, even a little water is a great gift when the cause for which it is given is that of the Son's own mission of love from the Father. In this great cause, we must value nothing more than that cause itself.

Grow in Discipleship

If you ask people what they want, they'll often say that they want a new car, a better job, a bigger house, or some other possession. But if you probe a little deeper, you'll find that they don't really want possessions. Rather, they desire a sense of fulfillment, a feeling of being loved and cherished.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." In other words, the only way we can become truly happy and fulfilled is by giving ourselves in love to God and the people he has placed in our lives. We have to go beyond ourselves and our own selfish interests if we are to live the truly abundant life Jesus has promised. As Pope St. John Paul II often emphasized, "Man finds himself only by making a sincere gift of himself to others." It isn't always an easy choice, but it is the only way to a truly rewarding life.

This week, in addition to the great lesson on the importance of self-giving love, Jesus also tells us, "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me." This has profound implications in today's world, where so many claim to be "spiritual but not religious." By this statement, Jesus explains that he has invested his authority in his Apostles. That same authority has been handed on over the centuries to the bishops and priests with the result that if we want to accept Jesus in our lives, we must accept the teachings of Jesus's successors and the Church in which they serve. In other words, to be "spiritual," we must also be "religious".

DISCUSSION

I'm sure many of you have heard someone say they were "spiritual but not religious." What does that mean to you when you hear it?

what might you say to someone who says they don't need to belong to a church?

Have you ever experienced a time when you lost your life for the sake of Christ only to find it? In other words, has there been a time when you made a sincere gift of yourself only to find you received more than you gave?

DIGGING DEEPER: Apostolic Succession

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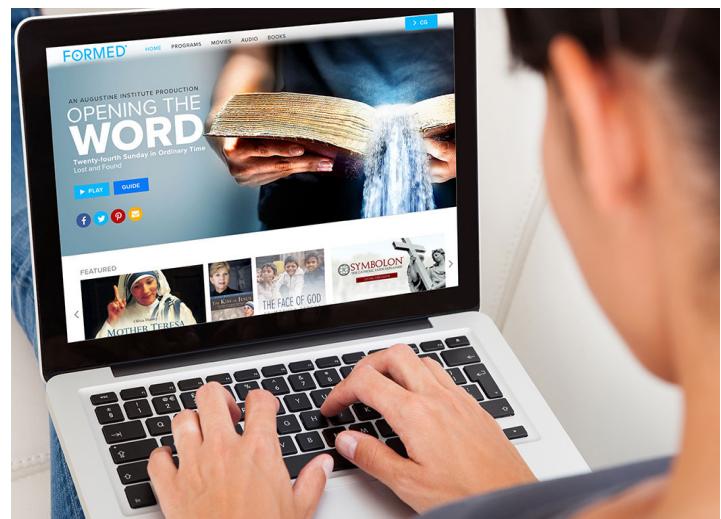
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Intentions

Saturday 7/1

- 8:30am Josephina Aguilar Meza
Patricia Werner †
5:00pm Joseph Santin
John J. Sweeney †
7:00pm Dell, Fred & Annette Owings
Margarito & Salvador Guzman †

Sunday 7/2

- 6:45am Dr. Joseph Szumowski †
8:00am Melanie Maher †
9:30am Paula and Truly †
Dennis Mateo †
11:00am Raymond Werner
Pablo Abella †
12:30pm Mass for Our Parish
6:00pm Antony Pham Van Hoi †

Monday 7/3

- 8:30am William Lawrence †
Paula & Truly †
Dennis Mateo †

Tuesday 7/4

- 8:30am Ramiro Resendiz †
Sophia & Hector Hernandez †

Wednesday 7/5

- 8:30am Giuse Nguyen V. Ruy †
Anna Tran T. Trong †
Gus & Lucile Beach †

Thursday 7/6

- 8:30am Antony Pham Van Hoi †
Peter Cao Dang Hoan †
Paquito & Antonio Prudencio †

Friday 7/7

- 8:30am Stefan Zaczek †
Dominic Mower †

Prayers & Devotion



In today's Gospel, Jesus presents us with some challenging teachings so let's spend some time in prayer about them.

Imagine that you are with Jesus as he is teaching. Perhaps you are in a courtyard together after having eaten a meal. Jesus has been talking about the price of becoming his disciple and he suddenly says, "Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." You aren't sure you understand, so you take a deep breath and ask, "What do you mean?" Now see Jesus coming to you, looking directly at you and answering you personally. What does he tell you? Listen carefully to his response and then write down whatever comes first to your heart and mind.

RESOLUTION:

Reread what you wrote down after the prayer and choose one concrete action that you can perform with regard to your insight. If you are still struggling with this, resolve to spend a few minutes each day this week praying about it until you receive some clarity from the Lord.

Use your journal to write down your thoughts, reflections and resolutions.

Parish Prayer Requests

For the repose of the souls of Richard Frydenal, Cornelius Frydenal, Elizabeth "Betty" Taylor (Karen McCaffrey's mother), Pat Bellavia (chuck's mother) and Dorothy Cavalli.

For Ryan, who is having brain surgery.

For all those who are suffering in body, mind and spirit.

***Please send your prayer requests to
Prayers@StMichaelLivermore.com***

To request a Mass intention, please visit the church office.

News & Announcements

Reminder: Protect Your Valuables

Sadly, there have been instances of theft in our church, while the assembly is processing to receive Communion. Please, lock your valuables in the trunk of your car, or take them with you as you go up for Communion.

If you need to hold your valuables in your hands, this is a perfect opportunity to receive on the tongue!

St Maria Goretti

...is an Italian virgin-martyr of the Catholic Church. One afternoon, when she was 12 years old, Alessandro Serenellis stabbed her fourteen times. She was taken to the hospital but she died forgiving him. He was arrested, convicted, and jailed. During imprisonment, he repented. After 27 years he was released from prison and visited her mother to beg forgiveness, which she granted. He later became a lay brother in a monastery, dying peacefully in 1970.

She was beatified in 1947, and canonized in 1950. Her feast day is this Thursday. St Maria Goretti, pray for us.

Collection Report	
6-25-17 Collection	\$81,538.60
Month-to-Date	\$81,538.60
Month Goal	\$86,274.51
Percentage Reached	95%
Faith Direct for June	\$11,937.00
Maintenance for June	\$8,664.39

Tips for Mass During Hot Weather

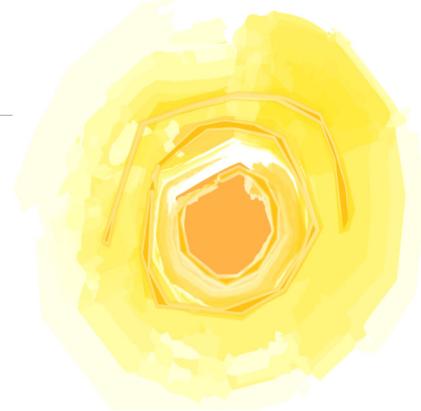
Come to the Sunday 6:45 am or 8:00 am Mass before the temperatures climb.

Knee-length shorts, skirts and dresses are okay to wear.

Ladies, if you wear a sleeveless top, please wear a light shawl or shrug while in the air conditioned church. You can remove it upon exiting.

Offer special prayers for those who must work outside in the heat.

The Perpetual Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 and is delightfully cool, a place to refresh body and soul.



Ministry Leaders Access to FORMED.org

If you are a leader of a ministry at St Michael's and have not yet taken a sneak peek of the unlimited access to FORMED.org, please contact Tina at 925-667-4051.

St Michael's has been gifted a subscription to FORMED, which will allow parishioners to access an enormous library of Catholic movies, video-based study series, eBooks and audio talks.

We will officially launch to the entire parish in September, but ministry leaders need to explore the content now to be prepared.

Maintenance & Improvement Collection is Today

The first weekend of every month this second collection will take place to benefit our community here at St. Michael's. This fund will be used to continue to make improvements towards our parish facilities.

7:00 am Daily Mass has been canceled permanently

Due to a lack of available priests, we are no longer able to offer 7:00 am Mass during the week.

8:30 am Mass, Monday-Saturday will continue as usual.

Things to Do This Week

MONDAY, JULY 3

St. Thomas

Readings: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2;
Jn 20:24-29

Reminder:

Parish Offices closed.

7:00 am Mass canceled permanently, effective July 3.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

Readings: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27

Reminder:

Parish Offices closed.

Events:

KofC Veterans Hospital Picnic. See below.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

St. Anthony Zaccaria;

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Readings: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34

Events:

Confession at 2:30 pm in the Convent.

Mass of Remembrance at 7:00 pm at St Charles.

THURSDAY, JULY 6

St. Maria Goretti

Readings: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8

Events:

KofC Admission Ceremony, Dinner, Meeting, and Reception for new members. See below.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

First Friday

Readings: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13

Events:

KofC Family Movie Night at 7 pm at St Charles. See below.

SATURDAY, JULY 8

Readings: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17

Events:

Confession at 9:15 am and 3:45 pm in English, 6:00 pm in Spanish.

Covenant of Love Date Night at 6:30 pm at St Charles. Dinner and child-care provided!

SUNDAY, JULY 9

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Events:

Quo Vadis Camp for Young Men
July 9-12

Young men ages 13-18 are invited to join a three-day camp at the Diocese of Oakland Retreat Center in Lafayette. This camp will assist young men in discerning their vocation as they grow in relationship with Christ. Activities include fun, games, music, Mass, prayer and talks. Registration is \$50—space is limited.

Contact Cielo Branco at 510-267-8356 or CBranco@oakdiocese.org



Knights of Columbus

Sunday July 2: If you didn't join our council last weekend, you can sign up any time. Contact Jim Shirley for more information. thean@comcast.net (925) 518-1189.

Tuesday, July 4 at 9:00 am: Knights are hosting a picnic for patients, family, and staff at the Veterans Hospital. 4951 Arroyo Rd, Livermore. Parishioners are welcome to help. Contact Jim Gagliardi for more information. jim73g@comcast.net (925) 784-0201.

Thursday, July 6 at 6:30 pm: Admission Ceremony, Dinner, Meeting, and Reception for new members. St. Charles Borromeo Hall, 1315 Lomitas Ave, Livermore. Contact Jim Shirley for more information. thean@comcast.net (925) 518-1189.

Friday, July 7 at 7:00 pm: Family Movie Night at St. Charles Borromeo Hall. New event hosted by our Knights on the first Friday of every month. See SCB bulletin for details.

Save These Dates

Summer Office Hours

June 21-July 28 the Church Office will be open from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Dress-a-Girl Sew-Fest **Sat, July 15**

Join us at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1020 Mocho St. from 9 am to 3 pm to make simple dresses for girls in poverty-stricken countries. Girls who are dressed looked cared for, and are less likely to fall victim to human trafficking. We need help cutting, ironing, sewing etc.. Stay for a little bit or stay for the whole time!

Want to sew from home or donate fabric? Contact Suzanne Beck at 925-352-8447 or suzbeck@yahoo.com

Fatima Plenary Indulgence Rosary **Sat, July 15 at 4:30 pm**

Pope Francis has offered a Plenary Indulgence for the faithful who devoutly pray before the statue of Our Lady of Fatima during this 100th anniversary of her apparitions.

Join us to pray the rosary before the statue of Our Lady of Fatima at 4:30 pm in the church.

To obtain the plenary indulgence, the faithful must also fulfill the ordinary conditions: go to Confession and Communion, be interiorly detached from sin, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.

Confession is available at 9:15 and 3:45 pm in English, 6:15 pm in Spanish.

Tri-Valley Catholic Young Adult Ministry Mass & Brunch **Sun, July 23 at 9:30 am**

Tri-Valley Catholic Young Adult Ministry serves to gather other young adults from the Tri-Valley for the purpose of growing in the faith and building community.

Join us on July 23 at the 9:30 am Mass at St Michael's followed by brunch. Meet some new friends! Questions? trivalleyyam@gmail.com

Safe Environment In-Person Training **Thurs, July 27 at 6 pm**

If you are a volunteer in any ministry (regardless if you work directly with children or not), the Diocese of Oakland requires you to complete Safe Environment Training. This "in-person" training opportunity at 6:00 pm in the Church is for those who did not complete the online training earlier this year. **If you completed the online course, you do not need to attend this training.**



2017 St Michael Fall Festival

**Sat, Sept 30th -
Sunday, Oct 1st**

Come out and join us for the most delicious variety of ethnic food, representing our diverse community and fun and games for the whole family. We will be celebrating our patron, St Michael, and kicking off the Centennial Year for our church.

Save the Dates!

Hours of Operation: Saturday, September 30th from 11-9:30pm and Sunday, October 1st from 10-4pm.

Want to help make this year's Fall Festival a roaring success? Email Festival@StMichaelLivermore.com to see how you can be a part of this historic event.

Noticias Parroquiales

La Misa diaria de la 7:00 am esta permanente cancelada

La Misa de 7:00 am de Lunes a Viernes será cancelada permanente ,a partir del 3 de Julio. Debido a la falta de sacerdotes disponibles. La misa de 8:30 am continuará como de costumbre.

Horas de Oficina de Verano

Empesando el 21 de Junio asta el 28 de Julio, la Oficina Parroquial estará abrieta de 9:00 am- 4:00 pm



¡Importante!

No habra ninguna misa los miércoles por la noche durante el mes de julio.

El Rev. Alfonso Borgen, OFM Conv, será el nuevo Vicario Parroquial de la Parroquia San Miguel, Livermore Efectivo 1de Agosto del 2017

MISA DEL RECUERDO EN ST. CHARLES Miercoles 5 de JULIO - 7:00 pm

Nos juntamos para recordar a nuestros seres queridos difuntos a las 7:00 p.m. Nuestra Misa Bilingüe nos da la oportunidad de hacer honor a nuestros amados difuntos al celebrar una misa en su nombre. Los motivamos a que traigan una foto de su ser querido en marco y puesto ante el altar durante la misa. El ritual del recuerdo nos da una oportunidad de venir hacia adelante con una rosa, encender una vela, y hablar sobre las personas que estamos recordando, si así lo desea. Rosas y velas serán dadas. Esta misa trimestral es patrocinada por el Ministerio de Apoyo de Dolor de St. Michael y St. Charles. Todos están invitados.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Hace algunos años, el cantante de rock Carlos Santana y el grupo roquero Maná ganaron un premio en los "Latin Grammys" por su canción: "Corazón espinado". Esta bella canción es de un hombre que lamenta el dolor que una mujer le ha causado. No la puede olvidar, porque ella le ha dejado el corazón espinado. Esta canción siempre me recuerda al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, corazón rodeado por una corona de espinas e inflamado por el amor que le tiene a su mujer, la Iglesia, es decir, nosotros.

La devoción al Sagrado Corazón proviene de una monja francesa, santa Margarita María Alacoque a quien Jesús le mostró su corazón en junio de 1675. Jesús le dijo que su corazón arde de amor por los seres humanos, pero los cristianos sólo lo ofendemos con insultos, ingratitud e indiferencias.

¿Cuántas veces, como Iglesia o como individuos, le hemos espinado el corazón al Señor? Y aun así, la imagen del corazón espinado e inflamado de Jesús nos sigue cantando y llamando para que seamos suyos. Si regresamos a él, Jesucristo nos promete doce bendiciones de paz, consolación, fervor y otras gracias.

Informe de recaudación

6-25-17 Recaudación	\$13,893.78
Mes hasta la fecha	\$81,538.60
Meta para el mes	\$86,274.51
porcentaje alcanzado	95%
Directorio de la Fe para junio	\$11,937.00
Fondo de mantenimiento mensual	\$8,664.39

Reflexiones de Domingo

MURIENDO Y RESUCITANDO

Las palabras de san Pablo son como una cachetada: "¿No saben ustedes que todos los que fuimos bautizados en Cristo Jesús, nos hemos sumergido en su muerte?" (Romanos 6:3). Esta carta de san Pablo es una de varias lecturas que se pueden escoger para que sea leída en los funerales, es una lectura que por lo general deja impresionados a quienes en esa circunstancia la escuchan. Aún en esta circunstancia, esta lectura nos da consuelo como cristianos, "hemos muerto con Cristo, creemos que también viviremos con él, . . . después de resucitar, no muere más, . . . vive para Dios. . . Así también ustedes, considérense muertos al pecado y vivos para Dios en Cristo Jesús."

HOSPITALIDAD

Una de las formas que vivimos en Dios es compartir la hospitalidad de Dios a todos. Hay un dicho irlandés que dice "Cristo a menudo va disfrazado de desconocido".

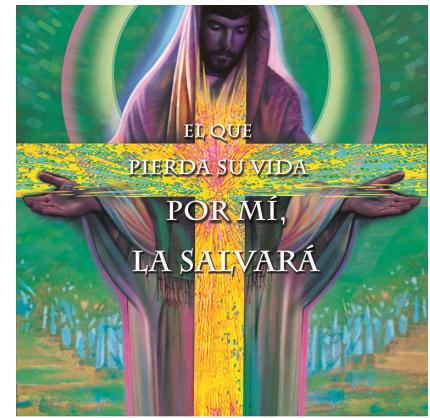
La mujer de Sunem ofreció su hospitalidad al profeta Eliseo invitándolo a comer y ofreciéndole un lugar donde descansar. Él agradeció y recompensó la hospitalidad con la promesa que

tendría un hijo. Cristo nos explica lo que es la hospitalidad: "quien me recibe a mí, recibe al que me ha enviado" y no quedará sin recompensa. Así como el teólogo Paul Wadell nos enseña, cuando somos hospitalarios, no solamente ofrecemos agua y comida, o un lugar donde quedarse, u otro tipo de generosidad, nos ofrecemos nosotros mismos; ofrecemos nuestra atención a la historia de un desconocido, donde conocemos la perspectiva de otra persona y cuando esto pasa, escuchamos la historia de Dios.

Al advertirnos que "el que ama a su padre o a su madre más que a mí, no es digno de mí. . ." y también "el que salve su vida la perderá y el que la pierda por mí, la salvará" Jesús propone que aprendamos a desapegarnos de las cosas que ahora consideramos indispensables en nuestras vidas. Cristo nos ama y quiere que lo pongamos primero ante otros compromisos o deseos. Nuestra hospitalidad con personas desconocidas pone a Cristo ante nosotros solo de esta manera.

Lecturas de hoy:

2 Re 4:8-11, 14-16a; Sal 89 (88):2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42



LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Decimotercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Lunes: Santo Tomás

Martes: Día de la Independencia

Miércoles: San Antonio María Zácaria; Santa Isabel de Portugal

Jueves: Santa María Goretti

Viernes: Primer Viernes

Sábado: Santa María Virgen

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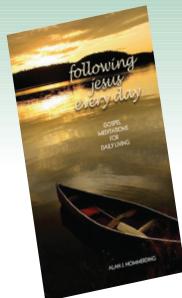
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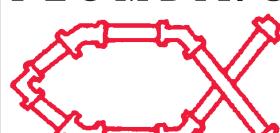
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5:00 pm (English), 7:00 pm (español)

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6:45 am, 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am,
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