



IMMACULATE HEART OF *M*ARY

Parish Mission + Mision Parroquial

*With Mary, we seek to know Christ better and to make him better known through our words and actions.
Con María, deseamos conocer mejor a Cristo y darlo a conocer por medio de nuestras acciones y palabras.*



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• 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT •

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The Pastor's Page/Página del Pastor

Dear Families of the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

This week's readings center on the origin of sin and the source of our redemption. In the first reading, Adam and Eve experience sin as disobedience to God and misaligned desire to "be like gods." The second reading from Romans names sin as death—in particular, the loss of sanctifying grace. Jesus's temptation in the gospel put a relatable face onto sin—the desire for comfort, honor, and power. Jesus's steadfastness in temptation establishes him as God incarnate who will overcome the sin of Adam once and for all, completed in his death and resurrection.

The struggle against sin is at the heart of the Christian story. Each of us finds himself or herself drawn away from God and toward lesser things. This Lent, Jesus desires to redeem each of us who have sinned, and by grace, to renew each of us in the desire and capacity to live in this love.

As we begin our journey this Lenten season let us seek to reach out to forgive others as God forgives us and learn to love others without judgment or prejudice, just as God accepts us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

Fr. Quang

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Queridas Familias de Inmaculado Corazón de María,

Las lecturas de esta semana se centran en el origen del pecado y la fuente de nuestra redención. En la primera lectura, Adán y Eva experimentan el pecado como desobediencia a Dios y un deseo desalineado de "ser como dioses". La segunda lectura de Romanos nombra pecado como muerte, en particular, la pérdida del grado santificante. La tentación de Jesús en el evangelio puso un rostro en el pecado con el que se puede identificar: el deseo de consuelo, honor y poder. La firmeza de Jesús en la tentación lo establece como Dios encarnado que vencerá el pecado de Adán de una vez por todas, completado en su muerte y resurrección.

La lucha contra el pecado está en el corazón de la historia cristiana. Cada uno de nosotros se encuentra alejado de Dios y hacia cosas menores. Esta Cuaresma, Jesús desea redimir a cada uno de nosotros que hemos pecado y, por gracia, renovar a cada uno en el deseo y la capacidad de vivir en este amor.

Al comenzar nuestro camino en esta temporada de Cuaresma, busquemos perdonar a los demás como Dios nos perdona a nosotros y aprendamos a amar a los demás sin juzgar ni tener prejuicios, así como Dios nos acepta.

Inmaculado Corazón de María, ruega por nosotros.

Padre Quang

**Regular
Mass
Schedule.
Holiday and
Feast Days
may be
different.**

Weekday Masses/Misas Diarias

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00AM (English) - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:00AM (Bilingual)

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00PM (English)

Sunday Mass/Domingo Misa7:30AM (English) - 9:00AM (English) - 10:45AM (Español) - 12:30PM (English) - 2:00PM (Español)
5:00PM - Traditional Roman Rite (Latin)**Confessions**

Tuesdays 6:00PM - 7:00PM & Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

Prayers & Weekly Scriptures/Oraciones y Lecturas de la Semana

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK **INTENCIONES PARA MISAS DE LA SEMANA**

Saturday, February 21st

8:00am Lorena Oropeza Villarreal - Birthday
5:00pm † Frankie Heinisch
† Pris Cuevas

Sunday, February 22nd

7:30am † Bill Hinds
† Jeremias Ellorimo
9:00am IHM Parishioners
10:45am † Maria Felix Villarreal
Familias del Movimiento Familiar Cristiano - Special Intention
12:30pm † Thomas Trott, MD
Joshua Serrano - Birthday
2:00pm † David Hernandez
† Olga Montes
5:00pm † William Joseph Proctor
† Jesus, Maria, Mario & Adrian Melgoza

Monday, February 23rd

8:00am † Frederick G. Ellenberger
† Jeffery Anadon, Sr.

Tuesday, February 24th

8:00am Araceli de Leon - Birthday

Wednesday, February 25th

8:00am Kristina Timmons - Birthday
† Bernadine Ilch

Thursday, February 26th

8:00am Hailey Trenkwalder - Health

Friday, February 27th

8:00am † Mary & Johnny LoGrasso
† Carmen & Antonio Soto

Saturday, February 28th

8:00am Rodrigo Del Real, Jr.

Sick Relatives & Friends **Parientes y Amigos Enfermos**

Ron and Carol Horan, Adrian Rojo, Solangue and Nicole Patiño-Patroni, Brittany Gooch, Michael Clancy, Jr., Jill Vance, Jodi Waters, Billie Cole, Pat Bardi Ruter, R. A. Toledo *** Maria, Nelita, Romulo, y Rafaela de Lemos, Mike Isidro, Jasmine Bravo Contreras, Adan Felix Narios, Georgina Gutierrez, Maricrus Larios, Lupe Espindola, Jim and Leigh Huckestein, Joan Birke, Michael Garcia, Grecia Espinosa Villanueva. ** Angelo Venegas, Georgia Thompson, Michael Damian, Charles and Henrietta Gard, Rosemary Wallpe, Fran Alcorn, Jenn Cayanan, Barbara DeDora, Charles Heitzman, Rick Souza, Teri DeVeyra, David Klapprott, Lucy Umanzor, Magdalena Quant.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK **LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Monday: 224: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8-10, 15
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: 225: Is 55:1-11 Ps 34:4-7, 16-19
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: 226: Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13,
18-19 Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: 227: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8 Mt 7:7-12

Friday: 228: Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-8
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: 229: Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8
Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: 25: Gn 60:1-4a Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22
2 Tm 1:8b-10 Mt 17:1-9

Knights of Columbus and the Italian Catholic Federation PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Come visit with your fellow parishioners and welcome our new parishioners at the pancake breakfast on the **first Sunday of each month**. Next Sunday will be co-sponsored with the St. Vincent De Paul Ministry. Hours are 8:30am to 12:00pm.

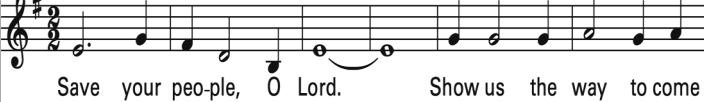
Caballeros de Colón y la Federación Católica Italiana DESAYUNO DE PANQUECAS

Vengan a visitar con sus amigos parroquianos y darles la bienvenida a los nuevos parroquianos al desayuno de **pancakes el primer Domingo de cada mes**. El próximo domingo el desayuno será patrocinado por el Ministerio de la Fil-Am. El Horario del desayuno es de 8:30m a 12:00pm.

Entrance Hymn

Save Your People
Jim Farrell

Refrain



Verses

1. One thing I ask, O
2. For you will hide me in the
3. Lis - ten, O Lord, to the
4. Thus will I bless you all the



1. Lord, this I seek: to dwell for - ev - er in your
2. shel - ter of your wings and from the ar - rows of my
3. sound of my call, for I ac - knowl - edge my of -
4. days of my life. Lift - ing my hands, I call your



1. house, that I may gaze on your love - li - ness
2. foes. You set me high on a moun - tain - top,
3. fence. Wash me and I shall be pur - i - fied.
4. name: "O Lord, re - mem - ber your in - her - i - tance.



to Refrain

1. all the days of my life.
2. saved me from my dis - tress.
3. I shall be whit - er than snow.
4. Save your peo - ple, O Lord!"

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 51 • Marty Haugen



1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness,
in your compassion, blot out my offense.
O wash me more and more from my guilt and my sorrow,
and cleanse me from all of my sin.
2. My offenses, truly I know them, and my sins are always before me;
against you alone have I sinned, O Lord, what is evil in your sight I have done.
3. Create in me a clean heart, O God, put your steadfast spirit in my soul.
Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord, and take not your spirit from me.

Gospel Acclamation

Mass of St. Frances Cabrini



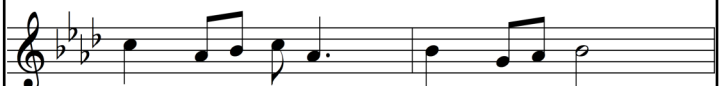
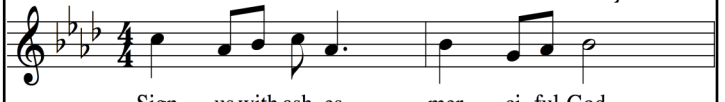
Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end-less glo - ry!

*One does not live on bread alone /
but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God R.*



Preparation of the Gifts

Merciful God
Tony Alonso



mark us and make us your own.

1. Surely, you alone can save us.
You pay our price with precious blood.
Reaching through your great compassion,
You lift up your people with love.
2. Surely, you alone uphold us.
You give us strength for all our needs.
Shielding with a father's favor,
You bless us with pardon and peace.
3. Surely, you alone can heal us.
Yours is the will to make us whole.
Soothing with a mother's kindness,
The contrite of heart you console.
4. Surely, you alone can free us.
You break the bonds of guilt and sin.
Bracing, till we walk uprightly,
You bolster our hope once again.
5. Surely, you alone refine us.
You give us grace for lives made new,
Forging, through your fire and radiance,
A sacrifice worthy for you.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass of St. Frances Cabrini

Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord, God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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Memorial Acclamation

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We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection
until you come again.

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Great Amen

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Amen, Amen, Amen.

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Lamb of God

Mass of St. Frances Cabrini

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
miserere nobis, miserere nobis.

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miserere nobis, miserere nobis.

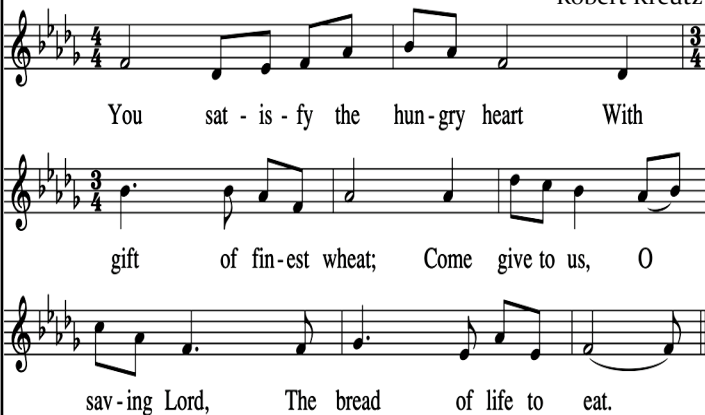
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
dona nobis pacem, dona nobis pacem.

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Communion Hymn

Gift of Finest Wheat

Robert Kreutz



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart With
gift of fin - est wheat; Come give to us, O
sav - ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
they know and heed his voice;
So when you call your fam'ly, Lord, we follow and rejoice.
2. With joyful lips we sing to you
our praise and gratitude,
That you should count us worthy, Lord,
to share this heav'nly food.
3. Is not the cup we bless and share
the blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord?
4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,
No mortal tongue can tell
whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell.

Return to God

Marty Haugen



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the source of grace and
mer - cy; come seek the ten - der faith - ful - ness of God.

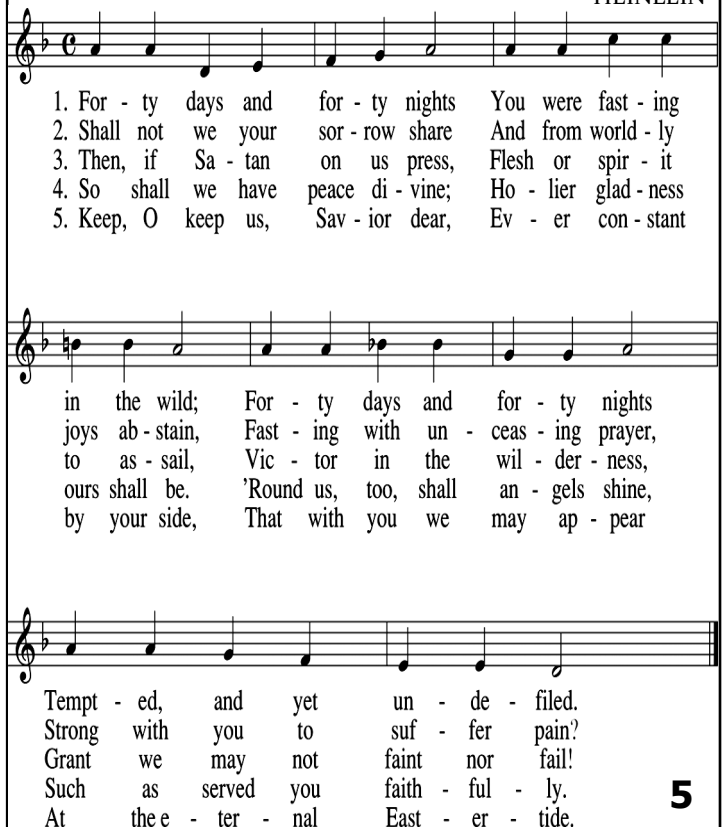
Verses

1. Now the time of grace has come,
the day of salvation;
come and learn now the way of our God.
2. I will take your heart of stone
and place a heart within you,
a heart of compassion and love.
3. If you break the chains of oppression,
if you set the pris'ner free;
if you share your bread with the hungry,
give protection to the lost;
give a shelter to the homeless,
clothe the naked in your midst,
then your light shall break forth like the dawn.

Recessional Hymn

Forty Days and Forty Nights

HEINLEIN



1. For - ty days and for - ty nights You were fast - ing
2. Shall not we your sor - row share And from world - ly
3. Then, if Sa - tan on us press, Flesh or spir - it
4. So shall we have peace di - vine; Ho - lier glad - ness
5. Keep, O keep us, Sav - ior dear, Ev - er con - stant
in the wild; For - ty days and for - ty nights
joys ab - stain, Fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer,
to as - sail, Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness,
ours shall be. 'Round us, too, shall an - gels shine,
by your side, That with you we may ap - pear
Tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
Strong with you to suf - fer pain?
Grant we may not faint nor fail!
Such as served you faith - ful - ly.
At the e - ter - nal East - er - tide.

Entrada

Arrepiéntete
Jaime Cortez

Estribillo



Estrofas



- | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| *1a. Con es - tas ce - ni - zas | da - nos hoy, Se - ñor, |
| 1b. En es - ta cua - res - ma | |
| 2. No quie - res la muer - te | pa - ra el pe - ca - dor; |
| 3. Mi - se - ri - cor - dio - so | e - res tú, Se - ñor; |
| 4. Ven en nues - tra a - yu - da, | Dios y sal - va - dor. |
| 5. U - na ver - da - de - ra | con - ver - sión a ti |
| 6. Tú es - tás dis - pues - to | siem - pre a per - do - nar; |

al Estribillo



1. la o - por - tu - ni - dad de a - rre - pen - tir - nos.
2. tú le pi - des cam - bio de co - ra - zón.
3. tú te a - pia - das siem - pre de tus hi - jos.
4. Por tu gra - cia, lí - bra - nos, Se - ñor.
5. es lo que bus - ca - mos hoy, Se - ñor.
6. en tu a - mor nos das la sal - va - ción.



Salmo Responsorial

Salmo 50 • Lourdes Montgomery



- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. Misericordia, Dios mío, por tu bondad;
borra mi culpa y mis pecados.
Misericordia, Dios mío, por tu bondad;
limpia mi alma. | 3. Crea en mí un corazón,
un corazón más puro.
Con tu poder renuévame,
envíame tu Santo Espíritu. |
| 2. Pues reconozco mi culpa,
tengo presente mi pecado.
Si contra ti, mi Dios, solo pecqué,
Padre perdóname. | 4. Devuélveme la alegría de tu salvación,
afíanzame con espíritu generoso.
Señor, me abrirás los labios,
y mi boca proclamará tu alabanza. |

Aclamación del Evangelio

Misa de Santa Maria del Lago



A - la - ban - za a ti, O Cris - to, Rey de e - ter - na glo - ria.

*No solo de pan vive el hombre /
sino también de toda palabra que sale de la boca de Dios. R.*



Preparación de las Ofrendas

Con Estas Cenizas, Señor
Lourdes Montgomery

Estribillo



Per - do - na a tu pue - blo, Se - ñor, no es - con - das tu



ros - tro. Per - do - na a tu pue - blo, Se - ñor, y vol - ve - re - mos a ti.

Estrofas



1. A - rre - pen - ti - dos, Se - ñor, ca - mi - na - mos ha - cia ti.
2. Ten pie - dad, Je - sús, por - que so - mos pe - ca - do - res.
3. Des - de lo hon - do, Se - ñor, hoy cla - ma - mos ha - cia ti.
4. Con las o - ra - cio - nes, Se - ñor, y bus - ca - mos tu ros - tro.
5. Con el a - yu - no, Se - ñor, se a - li - men - ta el es - pí - ri - tu.
6. Los cua - ren - ta dí - as, a - yu - ne - mos por la fe.
7. A - rro - je - mosto - do el mal, la en - vi - día y el o - dio.

Santo

Misa Gregoriana

Sanctus, Sanctus,
Sanctus Dóminus Deus Sábaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra
gloria tua.
Hosána in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nómine Dómini.
Hosána in excelsis.

Música: Cantos Gregorianos. Misa XVIII

Aclamación Conmemorativa

Misa Gregoriana

Mortem túam
anuntiámus, Dómine,
et tuam resurrectionem confitémur,
donec vénias.

Música: Cantos Gregorianos. Misa XVIII

Gran Amén

Misa Gregoriana

Amen.

Música: Cantos Gregorianos. Misa XVIII

Cordero de Dios

Misa Gregoriana

Agnus dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Música: Cantos Gregorianos. Misa XVIII

Comunión

Tú Sacias Todo Corazón

Robert Kretuz



Tú sa - cias to - do co - ra - zón Con
tri - go del me - jor. El pan de vi - da,
da - nos hoy. Ven, Cris - to Sal - va - dor.

1. La oveja sigue una voz; conoce a su pastor.
Con gozo te seguimos hoy nos llamas, buen Señor.
2. Hoy damos gracias al cantar con voces de placer,
pues nos estimas dignos, Dios, de tan buen pan comer.
3. ¿No es este cáliz sangre fiel fiel, vertida por amor?
Un pan, un cáliz, ¿no es señal de unión en el Señor?
4. Tu gran misterio, mi Señor, ¿quién puede explicar?
Ningún sepulcro te encerró, y vas en mí a morar.
5. Sin interés te entregas tú ejemplo de hermandad.
Sirvamos todos con virtud en paz y caridad.

Misericordia, Señor

Joaquín Madurga



Mi - se - ri - cor - dia, Se - ñor, por tu bon -
dad, mi - se - ri - cor - dia.

1. Piedad de mí,
Señor, por tu bondad,
por tu inmensa ternura borra mis pecados.
Lávame de todos mis delitos
y de mis culpas purifícame.
2. Crea en mí
un nuevo corazón,
un espíritu nuevo pon dentro de mí.
No me rechaces lejos de tu rostro
y no retires de mí tu Santo Espíritu.
3. Devuélveme
la alegría de tu amor
y devuélveme el gozo de ser un hombre bueno.
Enseñaré a todos tus caminos,
los pecadores volverán a ti.

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Salida

Perdona a Tu Pueblo

Tradicional de España



Estribillo
Per - do - na a tu pue - blo, Se - ñor, per - do - na a tu pue - blo, per -
Estrofas
dó - na - le, Se - ñor. 1. Por tus pro - fun - das lla - gas cru - e - les,
2. Por las he - ri - das de pies y ma - nos,
3. Por los tres cla - vos que te cla - va - ron,
4. Por las tres ho - ras de tu a - go - ní - a,
5. Por la a - ber - tu - ra de tu cos - ta - do,
al Estribillo
1. por tus es - pi - nas y por tus hie - les, per - dó - na - le, Se - ñor.
2. por los a - zo - tes tan in - hu - ma - nos, per - dó - na - le, Se - ñor.
3. y las es - pi - nas que te cla - va - ron, per - dó - na - le, Se - ñor.
4. en que por Ma - dre dis - te a Ma - rí - a, per - dó - na - le, Se - ñor.
5. no es - tés e - ter - na - men - te e - no - ja - do, per - dó - na - le, Se - ñor.

February 22, 2026

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

First Sunday of Lent

Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7 | Rom 5:12-19 | Mt 4:1-11

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Although we're at the very beginning of Lent, today's first reading from Genesis prepares us for words we will hear on the night of the Easter Vigil: "O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ! O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer!" (Exsultet) *O truly necessary sin?! O happy fault?! What could these words actually mean?* I think the Exsultet is drawing us to see that sin is not the end of the story. In the mysterious working of grace, being in a state of needing God's forgiveness (sin) opens us up to the possibility of experiencing and receiving his endless love and mercy. As we take on practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving this Lent, may we not grow discouraged when we inevitably fall short, but may we recognize that our very weakness presents us with an opportunity to rejoice in his merciful love.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

At the heart of evangelization is announcing the good news that our sin doesn't have the last word. St. Paul puts it this way: While death came through Adam's sin, "the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one, the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many." While sin certainly wreaks havoc by bringing suffering and death into our world, the conviction of the Church is that the restoration God brings about through the death and resurrection of Jesus elevates humanity to a state far better than what we lost in the fall. What might it look like to witness to this great hope we have in Jesus in our own lives? How can we offer encouragement to those who feel they have fallen too far from grace that God's mercy is far more powerful than any transgression they may have committed?

REFLECT

Throughout the Gospels, we hear story after story of sinners ending up closer to God than those who think themselves to be perfectly obedient (The Prodigal Son [Lk 15:11-32]; the Pharisee and the Tax Collector [Lk 18:9-14]). As you contemplate which Lenten practices to adopt in these next few weeks, keep in mind that holiness isn't found in perfect adherence to these practices, but by humbling yourself to recognize the God who loves you even when you fall.

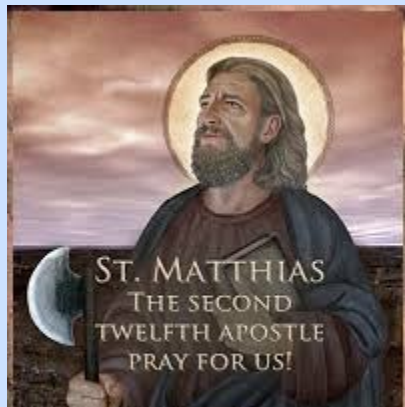
Oracion San Miguel

San Miguel Arcángel,
defiéndenos en la batalla.
Sé nuestro amparo contra la
perversidad y asechanzas del
demonio. Reprímale Dios,
pedimos suplicantes,
y tú Príncipe de la
Milicia Celestial,
con el divino poder de Dios,
arroja al infierno a Satanás
y a todos los espíritus malignos
que andan dispersos
por el mundo
para la perdición de las almas.
Amén.



Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our protection
against the wickedness and
snares of the devil.
May God
rebuke him we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the
Heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.



St. Matthias and Apostolic Succession Part I

February 24 was the traditional day (pre-1970 General Roman Calendar) the Church celebrated one of the most unique and unknown Apostles, yet one who set in motion a continuous line that continues to this day. St. Matthias.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) says, "When Christ instituted the Twelve, he constituted them in the form of a college or permanent assembly, at the head of which he placed Peter, chosen from among them. Just as by the Lord's institution, St. Peter and the rest of the apostles constitute a single apostolic college, so in like fashion the Roman Pontiff, Peter's successor, and the bishops, the successors of the apostles, are related with and united to one another." (CCC 880)

After he betrayed Jesus, Judas killed himself. This left the Apostles short of the twelve Jesus instituted. In the *Acts of the Apostles*, after the Ascension, Peter talked about Judas, "He was numbered among us and allotted a share in this ministry." (1:17) He continues with what the replacement for this office needs, "Therefore it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection." (1:21) Two men were proposed, Justus and Matthias, with Matthias being named successor. There is no further mention of him in the New Testament. However, this is the first example of Apostolic Succession.

The CCC paragraph 861 says, "In order that the mission entrusted to them might be continued after their death, the apostles consigned, by will and testament, as it were, to their immediate collaborators the duty of completing and consolidating the work they begun, urging them to tend to the whole flock, in which the Holy Spirit had appointed them to shepherd the Church of God. They accordingly designated such men and then made the ruling that likewise on their death other proven men should take over their ministry."

The apostolic mission was to continue throughout time. Next week, we will continue to explore Apostolic Succession. In the new Roman Calendar, St. Matthias is celebrated on May 14.

St. Matthias, pray for us. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

San Matías y la Sucesión Apostólica Parte I

El 24 de febrero era el día tradicional (calendario romano general anterior del 1970) donde la Iglesia celebraba a uno de los apóstoles más singulares y desconocidos, pero también uno que puso en marcha una línea continua que continúa hasta hoy. San Matías.

El *Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica* (CCC) dice: "Cuando Cristo instituyó a los Doce, 'los constituyó en forma de colegio o asamblea permanente, a la cabeza de la cual puso a Pedro, elegido entre ellos. Así como 'por la institución del Señor, San Pedro y el resto de los apóstoles constituyen un único colegio apostólico, de igual manera el Pontífice Romano, el sucesor de Pedro y los obispos, sucesores de los apóstoles, están relacionados y unidos entre sí.' (CCC 880)

Después de traicionar a Jesús, Judas se suicidó. Esto dejó a los Apóstoles por debajo de los doce que Jesús instituyó. En los *Hechos de los Apóstoles*, tras la Ascensión, Pedro habló de Judas: "Fue contado entre nosotros y se le asignó una parte en este ministerio." (1:17) Continúa con lo que necesita el reemplazo de este oficio: "Por eso es necesario que uno de los hombres que nos acompañaron todo el tiempo que el Señor Jesús vino y se fue entre nosotros, desde el bautismo de Juan hasta el día en que fue arrebatado de nosotros, sea testigo de su resurrección." (1:21) Se propusieron dos hombres, Justo y Matías, siendo Matías nombrado sucesor. No hay más mención de él en el Nuevo Testamento. Sin embargo, este es el primer ejemplo de Sucesión Apostólica.

El párrafo 861 del CCC dice: "Para que la misión que les fue encomendada pudiera continuar tras su muerte, los apóstoles confiaron, por voluntad y testamento, por así decirlo, a sus colaboradores inmediatos el deber de completar y consolidar la obra que iniciaron, instándoles a cuidar de todo el rebaño, en la que el Espíritu Santo les había designado para guiar la Iglesia de Dios. Por ello, designaron a tales hombres y luego dictaminaron que, al morir, otros hombres probados asumieran su ministerio."

La misión apostólica continuaría a lo largo del tiempo. La próxima semana seguiremos explorando la Sucesión Apostólica. En el nuevo calendario romano, San Matías se celebra el 14 de mayo.

San Matías, ruega por nosotros. ¡Inmaculado Corazón de María, ruega por nosotros!

Stations of the Cross

Question:

Who invented the Stations of the Cross?

Answer:

The first Stations of the Cross were walked by Jesus himself on the way to Calvary. Known as the "Via Dolorosa" ("The Way of Suffering") or the "Via Crucis" ("The Way of the Cross"), it was marked out from the earliest times and was a traditional walk for pilgrims who came to Jerusalem. The early Christians in Jerusalem would walk the same pathway that Jesus walked, pausing for reflection and prayer. Later, when Christians could not travel to the Holy Land, artistic depictions of "The Way of the Cross" were set up in churches or outside, and Christians would walk from station to station, reading the Gospel account of the Passion, or simply praying and reflecting on each event. While the content or place of each station had changed, the intention was to make a mini-pilgrimage and follow--literally--in the footsteps of Jesus.

This devotion became better known in the Middle Ages, and the Franciscans are credited with its spread. Lent is a time when many people make the Stations and some churches present Passion plays or Living Stations. But anyone can pray the Stations at any time. It is a simple and personal reflection on the passion of Jesus and what it means to us.

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Vía Crucis

Pregunta:

¿Quién inventó el Vía Crucis?

Respuesta:

Las primeras Estaciones del Vía Crucis fueron recorridas por el mismo Jesús en el camino al Calvario. Conocida como la "Vía Dolorosa" ("El Camino del Sufrimiento") o el "Vía Crucis" ("El Camino de la Cruz"), estaba señalizado desde los primeros tiempos y era una caminata tradicional para los peregrinos que llegaban a Jerusalén. Los primeros cristianos de Jerusalén recorrían el mismo camino que Jesús, deteniéndose para reflexionar y la orar. Más tarde, cuando los cristianos no podían viajar a Tierra Santa, se instalaban representaciones artísticas de "El Vía Crucis" en las iglesias, o en el exterior, y los cristianos caminaban de estación en estación, leyendo el relato evangélico de la Pasión, o simplemente rezando y reflexionando sobre cada acontecimiento. Si bien el contenido o el lugar de cada estación había cambiado, la intención era hacer una mini-peregrinación y seguir, literalmente, los pasos de Jesús.

Esta devoción se hizo más conocida en la Edad Media, y a los franciscanos se les atribuye su difusión. La Cuaresma es un tiempo en el que muchas personas hacen las Estaciones y algunas iglesias presentan representaciones de la Pasión o Estaciones Vivientes. Pero cualquiera puede rezar las Estaciones en cualquier momento. Es una reflexión sencilla y personal sobre la pasión de Jesús y lo que significa para nosotros.

Information/Información

St. Vincent de Paul for Friday's Food Pantry

For the weekend of March 1, please bring peanut butter and jelly. THANK YOU!

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SCHEDULE OF SECOND COLLECTIONS

March 1 - Facility Improvement

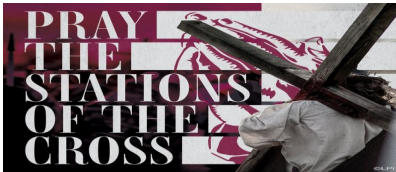
March 8 - Bishop's Appeal

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FECHAS DE SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

1 de marzo - Fondo del Mejoramiento de las Instalaciones

8 de marzo - Apelación del Obispo



February 20	Bible Study/Sp
February 27	Legion of Maria
March 6	Movimiento Familiar Cristiano
March 13	Divine Mercy
March 20	Fil-Am
March 27	Live Stations - 6PM
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Devotions, Explained! Fasting

Mini Explanation — Fasting was practiced by righteous men and women of the Old Testament and later by Christ himself. It remains an important part of the Christian devotional life today, being most strongly associated with the penitential season of Lent.

Fasting, Explained The practice of fasting predates Christianity. The Old Testament is full of examples of righteous men and women mortifying their flesh for the purpose of making atonement or simply to grow closer to God. Jesus himself fasted for forty days and forty nights in preparation for the beginning of his public ministry, and we see his disciples following his example in the Acts of the Apostles.

Fasting continues to be an important part of Christian devotional life today. Many people feel the practice of fasting enhances their prayer and helps them fulfill St. Paul's advice to "put to death the deeds of the body" (Romans 8:13) to grow in the Spirit. Most Catholics will associate fasting with the liturgical season of Lent, which begins and ends with obligatory fasting for all members of the Latin Catholic Church between ages 18 and 59.



¡Devociones, explicadas! Ayuno

Mini explicación — El ayuno era practicado por hombres y mujeres justos del Antiguo Testamento y, más tarde, por el propio Cristo. Sigue siendo una parte importante de la vida devocional cristiana hoy en día, estando más estrechamente asociada con la temporada penitencial de Cuaresma.

Ayuno, explicado La práctica del ayuno es anterior al cristianismo. El Antiguo Testamento está lleno de ejemplos de hombres y mujeres justos que mortifican su carne con el propósito de expiar o simplemente para acercarse a Dios. El propio Jesús ayunó durante cuarenta días y cuarenta noches en preparación para el inicio de su ministerio público, y vemos a sus discípulos siguiendo su ejemplo en los Hechos de los Apóstoles.

El ayuno sigue siendo una parte importante de la vida devocional cristiana hoy en día. Muchas personas sienten que la práctica del ayuno enriquece su oración y les ayuda a cumplir el consejo de San Pablo de "poner a muerte las obras del cuerpo" (Romanos 8:13) para que crezcan en el Espíritu. La mayoría de los católicos asocian el ayuno con la temporada litúrgica de Cuaresma, que comienza y termina con el ayuno obligatorio para todos los miembros de la Iglesia Católica Latina entre 18 y 59 años.

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Weekly Calendar/Calendario Semanal

Mon. February 23rd

8:00am	Men's Fellowship	Library
5:00pm	Legion of Mary/Eng	Library
6:00pm	ICF Monthly Mtg	Hall B/C
7:00pm	Bible Study/Sp	Hall A
7:00pm	Men of St. Joseph	Library
7:00pm	Emmaus Women/Sp Retreat Formation	Matt
7:00pm	Escuela de la Cruz	John

Tues. February 24th

10:00am	IHM Crafters	Library
12:00pm	Food Bank	Parking Lot
3:00pm	First Communion/Eng	All Classrooms/Library/ Hall A/B/C
4:15pm	Edge/Middle School	All Classrooms/Library/ Hall A/B/C
6:00pm	Legion of Mary/Sp	Chapel
6:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm	First Communion/Sp	Hall A/B/C/Mk/Lk/Jn
7:00pm	Faith Formation/Sp Parents	Church
7:00pm	SPRED	Library/Matt

Wed. February 25th

2:30pm	IHM Good Shepherd	Hall A/B/C/John
4:00pm	OCIC	Mark
6:00pm	Confirmation/Teen	Hall A/B/C/Library/ All Classrooms/Church

Thurs. February 26th

10:00am	Women's Faith Sharing	Library
3:30pm	IHM Good Shepherd	Hall A/B/C/John
5:00pm	Widow/Widower Group	Library
6:30pm	Youth Group	Hall A/B
7:00pm	OCIA	Matt/Mark
7:00pm	Adult Confirmation/Eng	Hall C
7:00pm	C.O.V. Coordinator Mtg	John

Fri. February 27th

9:00am	St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry	Hall A/B/C
3:30pm	Bible Study/Eng	Library
4:00pm	Fish Fry	Hall A/B/C
7:00pm	Divine Mercy Cencle/Sp	Library
7:00pm	OICA/Adult Confirmation/Sp	John

Sat. February 28th

9:00am	First Communion/Eng	All Classrooms/ Library/Hall A
3:30pm	Confessions	Church

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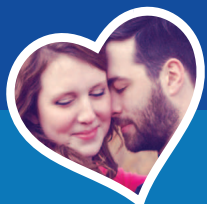
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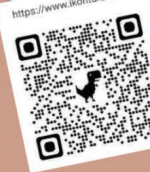
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