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WE BELIEVE

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn.3:16)

We Welcome

With joy we welcome all to worship God. Let us lift up our minds, hearts and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come, and thank and praise Him.

WE WORSHIP

Weekend Mass Schedule Weekday Masses

Saturday:5:00 PM (Live) Monday - Friday

Sunday: 7:30 AM 7:00 AM

9:30 AM (*Live*) 9:00 AM (*Live*)

11 AM Saturday

12:30 PM 9:00 AM (*Live*)

5:00 PM (Spanish) (Live) 5:00 PM (Live)

Adoration:

Monday to Saturday 9:30 AM - 3 PM

Every Friday:

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM. (Live)

Every First Friday:

Holy Hour after 9:30AM Mass. (Live)

Every First Saturday:

Rosary Meditation at 8:30 AM. (Live)

February 21,2021—First Sunday in Lent.



WE SERVE

Confessions: Saturday 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

In the old school building or by appointment

Baptism: Celebrated twice monthly (usually on the second and fourth Sunday). Call the Rectory Office for dates to register. Baptism preparation for new parents is on the third Sunday of the month, following 12:30 PM Mass. Please plan well in advance.

Marriage: Arrangements for weddings should be made at least 6 months in advance, and prior to make reception arrangements. Pre-Cana Sessions are required for all couples planning to marry.

Wedding times: Fridays -3:30 PM & 5:00 PM

Saturday 11:30 AM,1:30 PM & 3:00 PM

Sundays - 3:30 PM

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Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon; 5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

MINISTRY APPRECIATION CORNER: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We dedicate this space to appreciate the exemplary works of our catechists and their transformative impact on students' lives. We have the most amazing team, not only supportive and dedicated, but also God fearing and dynamic. They are committed to seeing their students achieve their very best. The ultimate goal is to give Jesus to the students and take care of their souls and thereby lead them to heaven through holiness. Thank you catechists for spending your precious time for "building up our future" and being "ambassadors of Christ". Thank you Colleen Tuzzolo, Barbara Malerba and Katelyn Tuzzolo

for your leadership and inspiration.

Nourishment by Word of God and Body of Christ...

Sunday, February 21, 2021,-First Sunday in Lent. *Readings: Gn 9:8-15, 1 Pt 3:18-22, Mk 1:12-15*

Monday, February 22,2021, Chair of St. Peter The Apostle

Readings: 1 Pt 5:1-4, Mt 16:13-19

7 AM Jose Ignacio Celis9 AM Vince Murphy

Tuesday, February 23, 2021, St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr

Readings: Is 55:10-11, Mt 6:7-15

7 AM *

9 AM Carol White

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

Readings: Jon 3:1-10, Lk 11:29-32

7 AM *

9 AM Blessings Received Philip Pirozzi & Family (Living)

Thursday, February 25, 2021

Readings: Est C:12,14-16,23-25, Mt 7:7-12

7AM

9 AM Veronica Kenny

Friday, February 26, 2021

Readings Ez 18:21-28, Mt 5:20-26

7 AM * 9 AM *

Saturday, February 27, 2021

Readings: Dt 26:16-19, Mt 5:43-48

9 AM Joseph P. Brennan

5 PM Chris Dohner (Deceased), Edward Becker (Living)

and Greg Rosen (Living)

Sunday, February 28, 2021 – Second Sunday of Lent

Readings: Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18, Rom 8:3lb-34, Mk 9:2-10

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola

9:30 AM Norman Gluf

11:00 AM Louis A. Yeboah

12:30 PM * Youth Mass

5:00PM Mass in Spanish

* If you see a Mass listed in the bulletin with no intention and you wish to remember a loved one (living or deceased) for their birthday, wedding or anniversary of their passing, please call the rectory office to secure that date and time. Mass schedule for Saturday, February 27th & Sunday, February 28th (Subject to change)

<u>Day</u>	Time	<u>Presider</u>
Saturday	5pm	Fr.Reid
Sunday	7:30am	Fr.Shibi/Dn.Mario
	9:30am	Fr. Francis
	11am	Fr.Benjamin
i	12:30pm	Fr.Sean
(Spanish) 5pm	Fr. Miguel



The Bread and Wine this week are in Loving Memory of

Dominic & Antoinette D'Angelis

From

Anthony D'Angelis



Jesus, Light of the World, lead us to eternity. Amen

Sacrificial Giving

Sunday, February 14, 2021 \$ 9,893

Human Services \$2,743

Sunday, February 16, 2020 \$12,802

Christmas 2020 \$42,585

Christmas 2019 \$44,688

Thank you for your generosity.
God bless you all!

Pope Francis Intention for February 2021

Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.



For our Sick

Jennifer Lentini, Josephine Lucas, Carolyn Fitzgerald, Mary Messina, Florence Morris, George Natarus, Timothy Mulligan, Arthur Marks, Remedios Koenig, Jacqueline Perez, Brian Shea, Victor D'Amico, Mary Manascalco, Lou Pinto, Jayden Handowar, Joanne Mulligan, Joe Giordano, Antonio Esposito, Joseph Albanese, Bob Cassese, Lawrence Wilson, Jim Keough, Michael Krummenacker, Ann Fisher. Bendirck Nacua, Thomas Kennedy, Glen Smith, Cathy Stengl, Lawrence O'Donnell, John Fiore, Pauline Agatha, John Hyde

Heavenly Father, we lift up all who are going through various sickness. Have compassion on them, and lay Your healing hands on them. We pray that You would restore their health, soothe their pain and ease their worries. Give them Your peace and comfort them as they wait. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Get well soon...

For our dearly departed.

Christine Mazzurco Silverio Turcios Villalobo



Ana Delia Diaz

Just as Jesus died and has risen again, so through Jesus, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep; and so also in Christ will all be brought to life.

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, And let perpetual light shine upon them.

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

We pray for their mourning families also.

Merciful Father, comfort all those whose hearts overflow with grief, as they face this sense of loss. May they know the consolation of Your love. We ask this Christ our Lord .Amen.



For our Military.



Sgt First Class. Matthew Loheide

MSgt. Kevin J. Hennelly

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Sgt. Stephen L. Emlaw

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Pvt. Thomas Wright

Sgt. Dustin Lusby

Cpt. Richard Macchio

PVC Andrew Hughes

Sgt. Lotachukwu Okoye

Paul Vermillion US Marines

Major Edward A.McGoldrick, US Army

Steven Orbon, 1stLt., U.S.Army

1st Lt. James Michael Vaz, U.S. Army

Pvt Ryan Blazo

PVT Lorenzo LaPlaca, US Army

Pvt. Daniel Sullivan, US Army

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Tech Sgt. Peter F. Clark, USAF

Adam Cespo—Air Force

Airman First Class Gianinna Roldan (USAF)

LTJG Christopher Medford, USN Navy

LTJG Alie Disher, U.S.N.

LTJG John Patrick Orr, USN, C.E.C.

P.O Third Class E-4 Kyle A.Kamermayer

Navy

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Tech. Sgt. Shawna Clark, US Air Force

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DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Lent 2021

Dear Friends:

"The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan...After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the Gospel of God."(Mark 1:12 – 14) Each year on the First Sunday of Lent, the Church presents for our reflection and prayer the experience of Jesus in the desert. Jesus's experience in the desert follows immediately upon His baptism by Saint John the Baptist and immediately precedes His public ministry and proclamation of the Kingdom of God, in word and in deed. Saint Mark points out to us that the Spirit, who had just descended upon Jesus in the form of a dove, drove Jesus into the desert.

The desert was a barren place, a place of lifelessness, the home of the devil and evil. The Spirit sends Jesus into the desert to prepare himself for the years of His public ministry, ultimately leading to His Death and Resurrection. Jesus spends time away from the world to prepare himself. But He also goes forth into the desert to begin His battle against evil, sin and death. Jesus goes into the very dwelling of evil to begin the confrontation. This battle will continue throughout the rest of Jesus's life. The ultimate victory will come on Good Friday through His ultimate act of love on the Cross.

Our yearly experience of Lent, our forty day "desert experience," can be viewed in the same way. We are inspired and sent by the Spirit to spend some time apart from the world of noise and recover the beauty of silence. But, we are also sent to do battle. Our experience of true silence should allow us the opportunity to both listen to the voice and promptings of God as well as to better know ourselves. This personal battle against sin and evil can be painful, because we come to realize that we are all in need of constant conversion. There are real changes each and every one of us need to make in our lives and our hearts this Lent. But like Jesus, we are not alone. The Lord was ministered to by angels during His forty days in the desert. We are constantly aided by our guardian angels, by the angels and saints in heaven, by the community of the baptized, and by the grace of the sacraments of the Church. Like Jesus, we need to emerge from the desert ready to take on the evils of the world and work to spread the Gospel.

It was only a few short weeks into Lent 2020 that the experience of Covid-19 made radical changes to our society, our Church, and our families. The experience of desert isolation was no longer a metaphor but a lived reality. The experience of having our parishes locked down for months was painful for all of us. Many of us still experience this isolation in many ways. But as Christians we always remain men and women of hope. We know that the Cross of Good Friday leads to the empty tomb of Easter Sunday.

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Pope Francis has declared this year as a special Year of Saint Joseph. In Saint Joseph we find a man of profound hope and strength as well as prayerful silence. Scripture does not record one word spoken by Saint Joseph. But Scripture does tell us of his unwavering faith and trust, which go beyond words. Following Jesus, and like Saint Joseph, men and women in the first centuries of the Church began to leave the towns and villages and settle in the isolation of the desert. Like the Lord, they sought to rid themselves of the distractions of everyday life so they too could do battle with evil, and through their quiet example proclaim the Kingdom of God.

This continued throughout the history of the Church, even to our present moment. Saint Antony, Saint Benedict, Saint Bruno, and so many others show us the lived experience of the desert is not an escape from the reality of life but a privileged encounter with the Lord and a revelation of our true selves. While most of us are not called to the monastic or solitary life, the last twelve months have given each of us an experience of solitude. We are encouraged to remain "socially distant." In the midst of the real suffering and hardships this has caused, perhaps the hidden grace is that it has led us to be "temporary monastics."

Our typical Lenten "desert experience" of forty days has lasted a bit longer. But we will come out of it! And like the Lord, when we emerge our goal is to proclaim the Gospel of God according to our vocation and the graces given to us. In addition to our personal sins and the evils present in our own hearts, we live in a world that is right now suffering from real physical illness as well as real division and hurt of every kind. Jesus emerged from the desert bringing the healing presence of God to all he encountered. As the baptized, the Church, the continuing presence of Jesus in the world, we need to do the same. The same Holy Spirit that drove Jesus into the desert is driving us on.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ Joh O. Banes

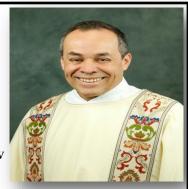
Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre



Clergy Corner

We just celebrated Ash Wednesday and with this we began our journey into Lent, and Pope Francis reminds us that "Lent is not a time for useless sermons, but for recognizing that our lowly ashes are loved by God, it is a time of grace, a time for letting God gaze upon us with love and in this way change our lives".

On this first Sunday of Lent, let us begin our journey with self reflection and allow ourselves to experience the mercy of our Lord. What will be your commitment to prayer, fasting and almsgiving this season of Lent be?



In this first Sunday of Lent, the reading from Genesis reminds us of that divine promise of God not to destroy the Earth, a Covenant between God and His people. A Covenant is a solemn agreement between parties, sworn before God, who oversees the oath and this promise or Covenant is extended to all of us.

The first reading recalls our Baptism, the beginning of God's life in us, just as Noah and his family were rescued from the evil world on this day by water, so are Christians rescued through the waters of Baptism in the new Covenant.

We as Christians make a pledge to live in keeping with God's will, His covenant to us; as we proclaim in our psalm today, "your ways O Lord are love and truth, the power of the risen Christ, who is at the right hand of God."

Today we begin our journey with Jesus in the desert for forty days, this observance of Lent somehow makes us mysteriously participants in these forty days of Jesus, as we engage ourselves in penitential and devotional practices during this season and Christ himself is present and at work in His church every step of the way in this Holy season.

The forty days of Jesus represents the forty years of Israel wandering in the desert, the whole of Israel's history is concentrated in Him. Jesus is the new Adam, who remains faithful and just where the first Adam had given into temptation. Jesus is totally obedient to the divine will of His father, His victory over Satan the tempter in the desert anticipates victory at the passion.

Jesus is subjected to temptation and death in solidarity with us, but the good news is not only that. Jesus' victory over temptation and death is one that He shares with all who believe in Him, and that's what we celebrate at the Paschal Sacrament at the Easter Vigil.

Today as we celebrate the rite of election for our brother catechumens, who are to be admitted to the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil, let us pray for them and with them, always remember that this is the body of Christ His Church and we are all protected under His covenant of love protected by God's love.

Noah's ark symbolizes salvation and just as Noah and his family were saved by the waters of the great flood, in the same way we are all saved by the waters of Baptism that the Holy Sprit offers that enables us to resist evil and temptation,. This is the new Covenant, made by the living God, a promise to each one of us together in His Son's blood, the new and eternal covenant.

"IF GOD IS FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US"

PEACE IN CHRIST,

Deacon Mario



February 21, 2021

Gn 9:8-15 | 1 Pt 3:18-22 | Mk 1:12-15





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

Even amid the forced slowdown of a pandemic, distractions abound: Netflix bingeing, online shopping, even positive pursuits like home organizing and personal fitness. I confess I indulge in all of these (except for home organizing). Lent challenges me to let go of the unnecessary distractions and dare to make friends with solitude, which can be a daunting proposition because it means keeping company with my own thoughts. Jesus, our human and divine Savior, faced the desert and was tempted by Satan. But he also emerged *from* the desert, and announced himself and the Gospel to the people of Galilee. He goes on to accept his death on a cross for the sake of our salvation, the fulfillment of the covenant between God and his people. As we enter Lent, as we enter *our* desert, we pray for the fortitude to forego temptation, opening our hearts to God's will for us, and ready to proclaim it to the world.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

What are you doing for Lent this year? I ask our kids that every Ash Wednesday around the dinner table, and one or more of us often scramble for a plan. "Umm ... candy! I'll give up candy except Snickers." "No Netflix!" Or we take the "do good" route: "I'll pray more." "I'll help with chores." "I'll volunteer or donate to charity." All good things. Whatever "the plan," however, today's Gospel challenges me to be quiet and listen. While a plan gives us accountability and can lead to growth, sometimes less truly can be more. This year, I'd like to spend less time planning and more time listening for God's voice in the silence, which I find personally challenging. For others, the desert may look quite different. However we decide to approach Lent, let us pray that these 40 days bring us closer to God and our lives more in line with his will for us.

word that comes forth from the mouth of God." The verse before today's Gospel caught my attention. What can I pare away from my daily life to make room for the word of God? For those of us whose minds tend to wander when praying silently, perhaps listening to the daily readings can be a good way to start or end the day.



As we celebrate the feast of the Chair of St. Peter on this Monday, let us have a look on the

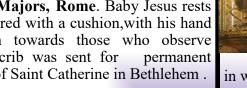
INTERESTING FACTS ON THE RELICS OF JESUS CHRIST'S LIFE

A relic is a part of the body, clothes, or personal item of a departed saint, which is preserved by the church not to honor relics as such, but to venerate the holy person to whom those sacred things point. The relics have no magical power, and the Church has never officially pronounced that any particular relic, especially those related to Christ, are authentic. However, local bishops and even the Holy See have approved honoring relics "which with reasonable probability, are believed to be genuine and which are invested with due ecclesiastical sanctions (Catholic Encyclopedia, "Relics")."



The precious relic of Our Lord's crib is kept in a crystal reliquary in the form of a manger which is supported by four golden angels, just below the main altar in the

Basilica of St Mary Majors, Rome. Baby Jesus rests on a bed of straw covered with a cushion, with his hand raised in benediction towards those who observe Him.A piece of the crib was sent for display at the Church of Saint Catherine in Bethlehem.





The wood from the table of the Last Supper, a gray colored square behind the head of Christ and the Apostles of the last supper, is framed high above the tabernacle of the back left altar of Archbasilica of St. John Lateran in Rome.

The chapel at the top of the Holy Stairs which was the private chapel of the popes and is called the Sancta Sanctorum, or the Holiest of the Holies..has a relic of the wood from

The seamless Holy Robe of Jesus which is believed to be worn by Him, before His Crucifixion is preserved at the Cathedral of Trier, Germany.



Holy Grail is the chalice used by Jesus at the Last Supper. Pope St.John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI celebrated Mass with the Chalice of Valencia, Santo Cáliz, kept in the Cathedral of Valencia, Spain described as the vessel

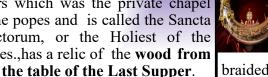
in which "Christ Our Lord consecrated His blood.



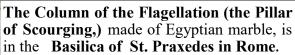
The Scala Sancta, or The Holy stairs are white marble steps climbed by Jesus during His

Crown The thorns kept in the Notre Dame cathedral Paris. has thorns attached to a

braided circle by gold threads.



The basilica of Holy Cross(Santa Croce) in Gerusalemme in Rome, houses the pieces of the True Cross, including half of the Titulus(INRI inscription tablet), and a nail. Though it is hard to establish the authenticity, small pieces of the True Cross are reportedly preserved in hundreds of other European churches.





The Veil of Veronica, used to wipe the face of Jesus on His way to Calvary, carrying the cross, is kept in Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome.



The Holy Lance also known as the Spear of Destiny, Holy Spear, Lance of Longinus, Spear of Longinus or Spear of Christ is preserved beneath dome of Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome.



The Shroud of Turin is an old linen burial cloth of Jesus bearing His full-length image, and is held in a chapel behind the **Turin Cathe**dral.It is the most studied relic of Jesus.

A relic of the Holy Blood believed to be collected by Joseph of Arimathea is in the The Basilica of the Holy Blood, Belgium.



Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter: February 22 Cathedra Petri (In Latin)

The feast is celebrated not because it was the chair used by St. Peter, but because it is a symbol of Saint Peter's authority as a Pope over the Church. and hence a symbol of Papacy. "Cathedra" literally means the established seat of the Bishop, placed in the mother church of a diocese and is the symbol of the Bishop's authority. The term "cathedral" came from that. This Chair also known as the **Throne of Saint Peter**, is a wooden throne claimed to be used by the Apostle Saint Peter, as the Bishop of Rome and the first Pope. This relic is enclosed in a sculpted gilt bronze casing designed by Gian Lorenzo Bernin and is conserved in St.Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. Just like the throne of a King or the Chair of a present day Judge

represents power and authority, more than the people who use them, this Chair represents the authority of the more than 2000 year old papal office. Even though the people who use them die or retire, the Chair remains and hold the successors In 2012, Pope Benedict XVI described the chair as "a symbol of the special mission of Peter and his Successors to tend Christ's flock, keeping it united in faith and in charity." The other Apostles also preached and even died as martyrs, and St. Mathew and St. John even wrote Gospels. But when they died, their specific role also ended with them. But the office of Peter continues, and the authority attached to it and the promises of Christ to Saint Peter, is endowed on its successors. This authority, this responsibility given to Peter by Jesus "Feed my lambs.... Feed my sheep" (Jn 21:15-17)., is meant to be passed on to each of his successors. Jesus did not intend for the Church to end with Peter. On this feast day, the universal Church acknowledges St. Peter as the first Pope and that his mission continues through the Holy Father, the Vicar of Christ even todayThe pope's infallible pronouncements are called ex cathedra to figuratively express that he is speaking "from the chair" of St. Peter, and not a reference to the physical object. Physically it is just a plain oaken arm-chair with four legs connected by cross-bars.





St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr Feast Day: February 23

Depicted in art as a bishop being roasted inside a brazen bull or Wearing the pallium, holding a book representing his *Epistle to the Philippians*.

Polycarp of Smyrna was fortunate to be discipled in the faith by St. John, the last of the apostles to die who wrote a gospel, three letters and the book of Revelation. It was St. John who made him the bishop of Smyrna. Polycarp is also mentioned in the letters which Ignatius of Antioch wrote. He is well known for the letter he wrote to encourage the Church at Philippi to stay strong in the faith. Polycarp played a significant role that Paul, the disputed apostle, became a theologically respectable part of the Christian church's tradition, and have directly influenced St.Paul in his I and II letters to Timothy, and Titus. When many Christians were martyred by feeding them to lions and other wild beasts, Polycarp saw a vision of his pillow turned to fire. He told his friends that the dream meant he

would be burned alive and not fed to animals. The Roman proconsul arrested Polycarp and those around him heard a voice from heaven above the crowd, "Be brave, Polycarp, and act like a man." He was burned to death, just as he said, when he refused to renounce Christianity. Polycarp knew that the fire that burned for an hour was better than eternal fire. In the book named The Martyrdom of Polycarp or in Greek, Martyrium Polycarpi, it is said that as the flames did not touch his body, the executioner had to stab him; and that the blood gushed out from him put out the flames. It is said that the body found in the ashes have not been roasted but rather baked "as bread;" and a sweet aroma of frankincense was said to have arisen from it.

Prayer: St. Polycarp, help us to be strong in faith like you were.

Some simple Lenten practices

- 1. Try to attend Mass daily or at least on Fridays also, in addition to the Sunday Mass, as Mass is the highest form of prayer. In this pandemic, attend at least on online, if possible as a family.
- 2.Meditate on the Stations of the Cross at least on every Friday.
- 3. Thank God on a daily basis in the morning as soon as you get up for the new day, and before going to sleep.
- 4. Fast from complaining about what you don't have and replace it with finding out one good thing you have.
- 5. Fast from anger and replace it with a short prayer, maybe just "forgive him/her/them God" each time you feel hurt and offer the pain to God.
- 6. Fast from excessive use of social media and spent that time with family.
- 7. Find out things which you don't regularly use, but will be very much useful for someone else and donate it.
- 8. Avoid buying something which you really don't need, and use it for a good cause.
- 9.Put some extra effort and help each other in the house. Children can keep their rooms clean by themselves.
- 10.Practice silence for at least 5 minutes daily and listen to God.

Scout Mass





Join Catholic Faith Network for the 2021 Telethon on Saturday, February 27th from 2-10pm and Sunday, February 28th from 12-10pm. This exciting weekend will feature guests from around the world, thrilling performances and inspirational interviews. CFN is available on your local cable providers as well as on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android and the free CFN app. The Catholic Faith Network continues to be there for you during these challenging times and we ask that you help us continue in our mission. If you have capacity to give this year, please do. Consider making a donation by phone or by visiting www.CFNtv.org.

We invite...





Set Reminder for these upcoming Events...

February 26

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm. (Live)

Friday

Stations of the Cross at 7pm in English & 8pm in Spanish.

February 28

Youth Mass at 12:30 pm. (Live)

Sunday

Celebrant Rev. Sean Magaldi. Vocations Director.

Happy to inform you that we have started sending St.Ignatius Email Newletter on every Thursday. You are invited to join this newsletter, by giving your email address to the parish office or to the ushers.

Please visit regularly our website and Facebook for updates.

Thought of the week...

If you tell truth,

it becomes part of your past,

but if you tell lies,

it become part of your future.



Saint quote ...

What is against truth cannot be just.

-St. Augustine.

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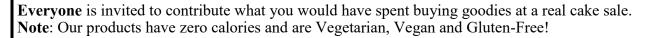


Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Angels #869 is having a Special Cake Sale

A Bakeless Cake Sale!

All proceeds will help fund the Catholic Daughters' charities locally and here at St. Ignatius Loyola.......

Bakers...you are invited to put away your pans and cookie sheets.....but are asked to contribute the amount you would have spent on ingredients.



Warning! You may experience a warm feeling similar to a sugar high. Do not be alarmed.....it is the result of your generous support for the Catholic Daughters' charities locally and here at St. Ignatius Loyola.

We hope that you will join us in this fundraising effort by sending your contribution to:

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Please make checks payable to Catholic Daughters of the Americas--Questions? Call Karen @ 516-937-5527

Thank you for your generosity and support!



We welcome into the Family of God and to our Parish Family here at St. Ignatius Loyola, the following new members baptized in January:

January 24, 2021

Aria Jolie Cousland

January 30, 2021

Valentina Marie Benitez Alvarado Noah Emmanuel Gonzalez



STEWARDSHIP



First Sunday of Lent Bulletin Reflection

In today's Gospel, we read about Jesus' entrance into the desert to be tempted by Satan.

Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Service

As we began our Lenten journey, what is one thing you can do throughout this season to serve your God and neighbor? Perhaps, if your means allow, give a little more in the weekly offertory or donate goods to a parish's food pantry?



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Cuaresma 2021

Queridos amigos:

"El Espíritu expulsó a Jesús al desierto, y permaneció en el desierto durante cuarenta días, tentado por Satanás ... Después de que Juan fue arrestado, Jesús vino a Galilea proclamando el Evangelio de Dios" (Marcos 1:12-14). El primer domingo de Cuaresma, la Iglesia presenta para nuestra reflexión y oración la experiencia de Jesús en el desierto. La experiencia de Jesús en el desierto sigue inmediatamente a Su bautismo por San Juan Bautista y precede inmediatamente a Su ministerio público y proclamación del Reino de Dios, de palabra y de hecho. San Marcos nos señala que el Espíritu, que acababa de descender sobre Jesús en forma de paloma, lo llevó al desierto.

El desierto era un lugar estéril, un lugar sin vida, el hogar del diablo y el mal. El Espíritu envía a Jesús al desierto para prepararse para los años de su ministerio público, lo que finalmente lo lleva a su muerte y resurrección. Jesús pasa tiempo fuera del mundo para prepararse. Pero también sale al desierto para comenzar su batalla contra el mal, el pecado y la muerte. Jesús entra en la misma morada del mal para comenzar la confrontación. Esta batalla continuará durante el resto de la vida de Jesús. La victoria final vendrá el Viernes Santo a través de Su último acto de amor en la Cruz.

Nuestra experiencia anual de Cuaresma, nuestra "experiencia en el desierto" de cuarenta días, puede verse de la misma manera. Somos inspirados y enviados por el Espíritu para pasar un tiempo apartados del mundo del ruido y recuperar la belleza del silencio. Pero también somos enviados a la batalla. Nuestra experiencia del verdadero silencio debe permitirnos la oportunidad tanto de escuchar la voz y las impresiones de Dios como de conocernos mejor a nosotros mismos. Esta batalla personal contra el pecado y el mal puede ser dolorosa, porque nos damos cuenta de que todos necesitamos una conversión constante. Hay cambios reales que todos y cada uno de nosotros debemos hacer en nuestras vidas y corazones en esta Cuaresma. Pero como Jesús, no estamos solos. El Señor fue ministrado por ángeles durante Sus cuarenta días en el desierto. Nos ayudan constantemente nuestros ángeles de la guarda, los ángeles y los santos del cielo, la comunidad de los bautizados y la gracia de los sacramentos de la Iglesia. Como Jesús, debemos salir del desierto listos para enfrentar los males del mundo y trabajar para difundir el Evangelio.

Fueron solo unas pocas semanas después de la Cuaresma 2020 que la experiencia de Covid-19 hizo cambios radicales en nuestra sociedad, nuestra Iglesia y nuestras familias. La experiencia del aislamiento en el desierto ya no era una metáfora, sino una realidad vivida. La experiencia de tener nuestras parroquias cerradas durante meses fue dolorosa para todos nosotros. Muchos de nosotros todavía experimentamos este aislamiento de muchas maneras. Pero como cristianos siempre seguimos siendo hombres y mujeres de esperanza. Sabemos que la Cruz del Viernes Santo conduce al sepulcro vacío del Domingo de Resurrección.

El Papa Francisco ha declarado este año como un Año especial de San José. En San José encontramos a un hombre de profunda esperanza y fortaleza, así como de silencio orante. La

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Escritura no registra una sola palabra de San José. Pero la Escritura nos habla de su fe y confianza inquebrantables, que van más allá de las palabras. Siguiendo a Jesús, y como a San José, los hombres y mujeres de los primeros siglos de la Iglesia empezaron a salir de los pueblos y aldeas para asentarse en el aislamiento del desierto. Como el Señor, buscaron deshacerse de las distracciones de la vida diaria para que ellos también pudieran luchar contra el mal y, a través de su tranquilo ejemplo, proclamar el Reino de Dios.

Esto continuó a lo largo de la historia de la Iglesia, incluso hasta nuestro momento presente. San Antonio, San Benito, San Bruno y tantos otros nos muestran que la experiencia vivida del desierto no es un escape a la realidad de la vida sino un encuentro privilegiado con el Señor y una revelación de nuestro verdadero yo. Si bien la mayoría de nosotros no estamos llamados a la vida monástica o solitaria, los últimos doce meses nos han dado a cada uno de nosotros una experiencia de soledad. Se nos anima a permanecer "socialmente distantes". En medio del sufrimiento real y las dificultades que esto ha causado, quizás la gracia oculta es que nos ha llevado a ser "monásticos temporales".

Nuestra típica "experiencia del desierto" cuaresmal de cuarenta días ha durado un poco más. ¡Pero saldremos de esto! Y como el Señor, cuando salimos nuestro objetivo es anunciar el Evangelio de Dios según nuestra vocación y las gracias que se nos han dado. Además de nuestros pecados personales y los males presentes en nuestros propios corazones, vivimos en un mundo que en este momento está sufriendo una enfermedad física real, así como una división real y heridas de todo tipo. Jesús emergió del desierto llevando la presencia sanadora de Dios a todos los que encontró. Como bautizados, la Iglesia, la presencia continua de Jesús en el mundo, debemos hacer lo mismo. El mismo Espíritu Santo que llevó a Jesús al desierto nos impulsa.

Sinceramente en Cristo,

+ for O. Banes

Reverendísimo John O. Barres Obispo de Rockville Centre



Rincón de Clero

Hace unos dias celebramos miercoles de ceniza y con esta comenzamos nuestro peregrinaje a

la curesma. Papa Francisco dice que "la cuaresma no es tiempo para sermones inutiles o promesas vacias, es tiempo para reconocer que nuestras cenizas humildes son amadas por Dios, es un tiempo de gracia, tiempo de encontrar al Cristo con amor y asi el podra cambiar nuestras



vidas.En este primer Domingo de cuaresma comnezemos nuestro peregrinaje con un examen de conciencia, haciendo confession y asi experimentar la misericordia de Dios.Como viviremos nuestro compromiso de Oracion, de ayuno y caridad en esta cuaresma?

En este primer Domingo de curesma la lectura del Genesis nos recuerda la promesa Divina de Dios que nunca destruira la tierra, una alianza entre Dios y su pueblo. Una alianza, un contrato solemne entre dos jurado ante Dios, es El quien esta frente a este juramento y esta promesa, esta alianza es extendida a todos nosotros. La primera lectura nos recuerda nuestro bautismo, el comienzo de la vida Divina, la vida De Dios en nosotros, de la misma manera que Noe y su familia fueron salvados por las aguas del diluvio, nosotros somos salvados por las aguas de nuestros bautismos en la nueva alianza. Nosotros como cristianos juramos vivir siguiendo la voluntad De Dios, su alianza como cantamos en nuestro salmo hoy "tus caminos O Señor son amor y verdad, el poder de Cristo resucitado quien esta a la derecha del padre".

Hoy comenzamos este peregrinaje con Jesus en el desierto por cuarenta días, está observancia de curesma de una manera misteriosa nos hace participes en los cuarenta días de Jesus. Cuando participamos en los actos penitenciales y devocionales en este tiempo de curesma, es Cristo quien esta presente trabajando en su iglesia, caminando con nosotros, cada paso que tomamos en esta Santa curesma.

Los cuarenta días de Jesus representan los cuarenta años del pueblo Israelita en el desierto, la historia completa de Israel esta concentrada en Jesus. Jesus es el nuevo Adam quien permaneció fiel hasta el fin, mientras que el primer Adam sucumbio a la tentación y el pecado, Jesus es completamente obediente a la voluntad Divina de su padre, su victoria sobre el diablo y la tentación en el desierto anticipan su victoria en la passion. Jesus fue tentado y tambien su muerte todo esto lo hizo en solidaridad a nosotros, pero la buena noticia no es solo eso, si no que su victoria sobre la tentación y la muerte es algo que el comparte con todos los que creen en El y eso es lo que celebramos en el misterio Pascual, en la vigilia pascual. Hoy todas las iglesias celebran el rito de elección para nuestros hermanos y hermanas

catecumenos quienes serán admitidos a los sacramentos de iniciación cristiana en la vigilia pascual, unámonos en oración por ellos y con ellos siempre recordando que este es el cuerpo de Cristo, su iglesia y to todos estamos protegidos bajo su alianza de amor, protegidos por el amor De Dios.

El arca de Noe símboliza salvación al igual que Noe y su familia fueron salvados por el agua del diluvio, de la misma manera todos somos salvados por las aguas del bautismo, que nos ofrece el Espíritu Santo quien nos ayuda a resistir a satanas y la tentación.

Esta es la nueva alianza que dura para siempre hecha por Dios vivo, una promesa a cada uno de nosotros unidos en la sangre de su hijo Jesus la nueva y eterna alianza.

"SI DIOS ESTA CON NOSOTROS, QUIEN PODRÁ ESTAR EN CONTRA"

La Paz de Cristo

Diácono Mario

Domingo I de Cuaresma — Ciclo B

Boletín: 317

COMUNIDAD HISPANA



Acercarse a los que están mal, a los que lo pasan mal, a los que no se valoran a sí mismos, a los que están «corrompidos» por dentro o por fuera, aun a riesgo de que nuestro prestigio, nuestra salud, nuestras ventajas... queden «tocadas»... es tarea de los discípulos de Jesús, de la Iglesia entera. Ir a los que no tienen papeles, a los que están desahuciados, a los parados de larga duración, a los que no tienen preparación para conseguir trabajo, o no

tienen salud, o no viven conforme a la moral cristiana, o les faltan los «papeles», o...

Dice Marcos que Jesús sintió «compasión», esto es, que su dolorosa situación le afectó, le tocó por dentro. Recuerdo unas palabras del Papa Francisco :

¡Cuántos hombres y mujeres de fe han recibido luz de las personas que sufren! San Francisco de Asís, del leproso; la Beata Madre Teresa de Calcuta, de sus pobres. Han captado el misterio que se esconde en ellos. Acercándose a ellos. no les han quitado todos sus sufrimientos, ni han podido dar razón cumplida de todos los males que los aquejan. La luz de la fe no disipa todas nuestras tinieblas, sino que, como una lámpara, guía nuestros pasos en la noche, y esto basta para caminar. Al hombre que sufre, Dios no le da un razonamiento que explique todo, sino que le responde con una presencia que le acompaña, con una historia de bien que se une a toda historia de sufrimiento para abrir en ella un resquicio de luz. En Cristo, Dios mismo ha querido compartir con nosotros este camino y ofrecernos su mirada para damos luz. Cristo es aquel que, habiendo soportado el dolor, «inició y completa nuestra fe» (Hb 12,2). Encíclica "Lumen fidei / La Luz de la fe", § 56-57

<u>Próximos eventos en</u> <u>nuestra parroquia:</u>

Febrero 26 — Estaciones del Viacrucis Empezaremos a las 8:00pm

Marzo 4 — Misa del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús Empezaremos a las 6:15pm con el Santo Rosario

> Marzo 5 — Estaciones del Viacrucis Empezaremos a las 8:00pm

Marzo 9 — Misa Y hora Santa Grupo de Oración Empezaremos a las 6:15pm con el Santo Rosario

> Marzo 12 — Estaciones del Viacrucis Empezaremos a las 8:00pm

MISA DOMINGOS

5:00pm. Invita un amigo,

un familiar, un vecino.

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<u>recompensará!</u> PARA

IANA

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<u>Vaccine.nassaucountyny.gov/</u> <u>preregister.php</u>

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¿quién es para ti?, ¿qué lugar tiene en tu vida?	el Padrenuestro, de verdad, de corazón, en voz bajita	a Dios, deja entrar su Luz en él	ora a Dios para que sane lo que sientes roto en ti	que no te llevas bien y te estarás reconciliando con Dios	incluso a tus enemigos, en cada uno de ellos hay algo de Dios	tentación de la comodidad, acércate a tus hermanos
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8 BUSCA	9 PERDONA	10 REVISA	11 UNE	12 RECUERDA	13 ENCUENTRA	14 CREE
hacer el bien, no la recompensa de los que te rodean	de corazón a tus hermanos, todas las veces que hagan falta	¿has hecho un Dios a tu medida, un Dios de leyes cómodas?	busca hoy la manera de ser unión y no división, en casa, en el trabajo	que amando a los demás, estás amando a Dios	hoy un momento para acercarte a Dios en el sagrario	¡Dios existe! ¡Y te ama con locura! ¡Celebra esta genial alegría!
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en la palabra de Dios y en su acción constante en tu vida	su amor, su compañía en el camino, su ayuda	hoy a Jesús y alaba a Dios en tu vida	lentamente, poniendo atención a lo que proclamas y prometes	por tu padre, da gracias por él a Dios	¿qué es más fuerte en ti: el mensaje de Dios o el del mundo?	tu angustia en manos de Dios y susurra: en ti confío
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