



READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday Jer 17:5-8, Cor 15:12, 16-20, Lk 6:17, 20-26
 Monday Gn 4:1-15, 25, Mk 8:11-13
 Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10, Mk 8:14-21
 Wednesday Gn 8:6-13, 20-22, Mk 8:22-26
 Thursday: Gn 9:1-13, Mk 8:27-33
 Friday: Pt 5:1-4, Mt 16:13-19
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-7, Mk 9:2-13
 Sunday: Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23, Cor 15:45-49, Lk 6:17-38

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY February 18, 2019, Presidents' Day
 7:00AM No Mass
 9:00AM Mary Dubon
TUESDAY February 19, 2019
 7:00AM Diane Buonaiuto
 9:00AM Louis Parmigiani, Sr.
WEDNESDAY February 20, 2019
 7:00AM Miner Luna Magadia
 9:00AM Peter C. Collins
THURSDAY February 21, 2019, St. Peter Damian
 7:00AM For the homebound and their caregivers
 9:00AM Vince Murphy
FRIDAY February 22, 2019
Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle
 7:00AM Francis D'Costa
 9:00AM Catherine Gill
SATURDAY February 23, 2019, St. Polycarp
 9:00AM Farina and Fiorillo Families (Living)
 5:00PM Raymond Mirro
SUNDAY February 24, 2019
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 7:30AM Fr. R. Michael Reid (Living)
 9:30AM Jerry Swift
 Luisa A Ciniglio
 Anna M. Leonetti
 11:00AM Margaret Mahoney
 12:30PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola
 Past and Present
 7:00PM For All Missionaries



We Pray For Our Sick

Jennifer Lentini, Peter Donato, Josephine Lucas, Antonio Esposito, Kathleen Reiter, Donna M. Sanders, Peggy Ryan, Florence Morris, Susan Klimek, Jenny Rose Clay, Ellen Tuzzolo, Diane Sulzinski, John Fitzpatrick, Angelique Cadarr, Catherine Toohey, Carol White, John and Joseph Hyde, Mark Andrew Raplee, Andrew Spiteri, Diane Stolz, Tom Simek, William Kilfoil, Vivian Johnson, Karina Delmar, Czeslawa Geslak, Rose McGeever, Eunice Totter, Linda Matera, Patricia Bach, Gloria Thumser, Msgr. Daniel S. Hamilton, Michael Krummenacker, Mary Jansen, Sr. Joan Hepburn, Raymond Morris

Names will be kept on the Prayer for the Sick List for three weeks, unless a family member calls to extend the time.

We Pray For Our Dead And We Mourn With You

Nancy Guadagno
 Antoinette Fritz
 Sara Olsson



Presidents' Day Monday, February 18, 2019

The Rectory will be closed on Monday, Feb. 18th in observance of the Holiday.

FORMED PICK

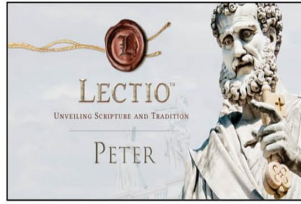
Lectio: Peter

Episode 9: Peter and the Keys

Did Jesus Establish the Papacy?

What are the “keys of the kingdom” and why are they so important to understanding Peter and his successors’ role in the Church?

The Feast of the Chair of St. Peter is February 22nd.



“Eye opening! Great study on Peter and the keys to the Kingdom.”

—Bernadette P., Lantana, FL

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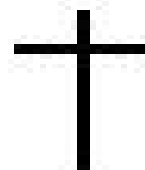


For your convenience, below is a directory of our parish staff e-mails and extensions.

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In preparation of Ash Wednesday, a basket has been placed in the sanctuary for the collection of palms from your home. These palms will be collected for the entire month of February and will be burned for the ashes that are distributed on Ash Wednesday. Thank you.



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

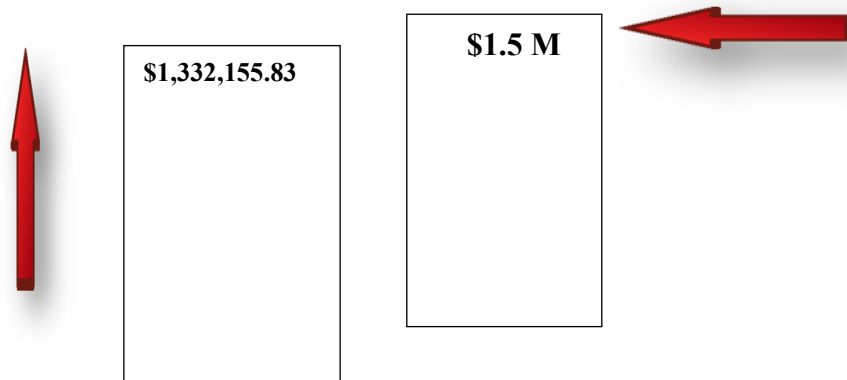
- Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019 \$8,639.90
- Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018 \$8,844.00

CONTINUING OUR MISSION- CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

As of January 31, 2019, we have reached up to \$1,332, 155.83 in paid pledges in our Capital Campaign, Continuing Our Mission. Our goal is \$1.5 Million. We are only \$167,844.17 shy of reaching this goal. Thank you to all who have contributed and are contributing to this ambitious campaign. May God bless each of you for your generosity.

Our next two projects, for the church are leaders and gutters, and a fire alarm system. *If you have not yet had the opportunity to contribute to this worthwhile cause, please contact the rectory at 516-931-0056.* It is never too late to contribute. Remember no gift is ever too small. The Lord looks at equal sacrifice, not equal giving.

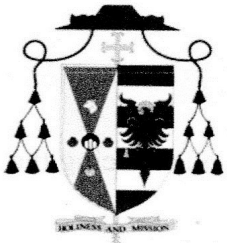
Jesus says “for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” Mt 6:21.



Please remember to continue donating to our weekly collections. While I am grateful to each of you who give, our weekly totals have been decreasing. It is with your help that we can keep our parish vibrant in maintaining its structure and building its programs and ministries. Giving to the campaign only does not help the parish pay its bills. Thank you!

Remember to always live your life for the greater glory of God. May God bless you and Mary keep you and your families always. *St. Ignatius Loyola, pray for us!*

Fr. Jim
Pastor



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

February 11, 2019
Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you...” (Jeremiah 1:5)

At the very heart of our beliefs about who we are and why we exist, is a message of love. God creates us out of love. Out of love, He redeems us by the sacrifice of his Son, Jesus. He calls us to an eternal destiny with Him because He loves each sacred human life, created in His image.

That we are created in God’s image is reaffirmed in our nation’s Declaration of Independence, reminding us that we “are endowed by [our] Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are **Life**, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” The **right to life** is the foundation and starting point for every other God-given human right. When that right is attacked or denied, all other rights and liberties begin to crumble.

You are probably aware that on January 22, 2019, the 46th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* (the Supreme Court decision that declared an absolute constitutional right to abortion), Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York signed into law the “Reproductive Health Act”, which he himself called “the most aggressive” abortion law in the country. It was then “celebrated” by his lighting up One World Trade Center and the Alfred E. Smith Building in Albany.

It is our obligation as citizens and as Catholics, to be well informed and to make our voices heard in the public square when evil and injustice threaten the sacred gift of life at any stage.

On a human level, this gruesome law should be appalling to people of every faith, or no faith. The Reproductive Health Act allows for abortion on demand with no restrictions throughout all of pregnancy. ***This means that as a choice, an abortion could be performed on a full-term infant as the mother is going into labor.***

This law might also open the door to taking away conscience protections from medical personnel, and could be used to force doctors, nurses and other medical staff to perform or to assist in abortions. Governor Cuomo claims that he is protecting women’s rights, when in fact, this law endangers the lives of women by allowing non-physicians to perform abortions, and it removes any objective standard of care due to the patient.

The Act has also removed criminal penalties when an unborn child is deliberately targeted for death in a crime. Two and a half weeks after the bill became law, the Queens District Attorney said he could not prosecute a man for the stabbing death of his unborn child in the womb of his girlfriend, because of the passage of the Reproductive Health Act.

Unimaginably, the law also repeals protections for infants who are accidentally born alive during the course of a failed abortion. This amounts to infanticide, the killing either by direct

means or by neglect of an infant who is alive outside the womb. The law is silent on reducing the pain and suffering of infants, especially those being aborted late term.

Brothers and sisters, this law is an abomination that cries out to Heaven for justice. We cannot be silent in the face of such a blatant attack on the most vulnerable among us. I invite you to do several things:

1. **Stay informed and educated** regarding these issues and the battles ahead of us, such as assisted suicide and legalized surrogacy. Two outstanding resources available to you are:
 - The New York State Catholic Conference on the web at <https://www.nyscatholic.org>.
 - The Diocese of Rockville Centre Respect Life Office and web page: (516) 678-5800 Extension 381 or on the web at <https://respectlife.drvc.org>
2. **Get involved.** Both web pages listed above offer easy links to contacting your elected representatives. Let the Governor and our other elected officials know that this Act violates the dignity of the human person and that you do not support it.

Get involved in the efforts already underway at your parish, such as Respect Life Committees. In addition, our Diocesan Respect Life Office can direct you to ways that you can support and promote the sanctity of life locally, on Long Island.

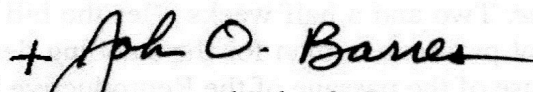
3. **Pray.** Pray the Holy Rosary. Ask the intercession of Our Blessed Mother Mary, Protector of Mothers, Defender of Life and the Family, to strengthen us so that we may be compassionate, courageous witnesses to the truth. Ask also for the intercession of Saint Thomas More, patron of statesmen, politicians, lawyers and judges, who lost his life for refusing to renounce his conscience and give in to the tides of political power and privilege.

Pray for our elected officials and for all people and pray that our politicians come to understand their profound obligation to defend the most defenseless among us. Any Catholic who actively supports an attack on the sacredness of life, chooses to place him or herself in grave moral danger and outside of the Communion of the Church. We pray for their souls, for a spirit of repentance, for a return to the truth of the love of God. It is God's love that formed each one of us in our Mother's womb.

A civilization that not only will not protect, but actually celebrates an attack on its most vulnerable members is morally bankrupt and stands on the verge of collapse. We pray for the courage of the martyrs, that an awakened spirit of evangelization and voices raised together will move hearts and minds, and call us back to our God-given senses, to the God who made us, who loves us, and who offers us our eternal destiny in love.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Sincerely in Christ,


Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

by *Bishop Michael F. Burbidge*

Description

Bishop Michael Burbidge of the Arlington, VA diocese has strongly rebuked pro-infanticide comments made earlier this week by Virginia Democratic Governor Ralph Northam. Bishop Burbidge called Northam's comments a “staggering admission” that reveals just “how far abortion advocates are willing to go in taking the life of a precious child.”

Diocese of Arlington, January 31, 2019

Since the beginning of the Virginia General Assembly session on January 9, we have witnessed the introduction of extreme abortion legislation culminating in an attempt to pass a law similar to what New York recently passed. This bill rightfully failed—but I am, along with so many people of good will, distraught that this bill was introduced in the first place. It could have paved the way for babies to suffer a violent and gruesome death moments before birth and could have been harmful to women.

My hope is that this bill failed because the elected officials of the state legislature recognized that it was an evil and impermissible offense to human life and our collective decency. Abortion of a baby in the final stage of pregnancy borders on infanticide. Our governor, however, may be willing to cross that border and go even farther. In a staggering admission, Governor Northam stated that after an infant is delivered, the mother and the family should keep the baby comfortable, resuscitate the child “if that’s what the mother and the family desired,” and “a discussion would ensue.” This attitude—and the bill that was defeated this week—reflects a new level of deep-rooted animus against the inherent goodness of every child. The governor’s statement and this bill demonstrate how far abortion advocates are willing to go in taking the life of a precious child.

This is a critical moment in the life of our Church and our society. I call on the faithful and people of good will to advocate for the right to life of all people, including the unborn and those children whose lives are at risk even during the process of birth. In Virginia, with the assistance of the Virginia Catholic Conference, we must make our views known to our elected officials on all issues where the right to life is at stake.

Through the Diocese of Arlington, we continue to offer assistance to expectant families in need and those who are suffering after an abortion. Families who need help should contact the diocesan Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life: arlingtondiocese.org

To learn more about the failed abortion legislation as well as other extreme public policy proposals before the Virginia General Assembly, read the most recent VoterVoice Post (published 1/30/19) by Jeff Caruso, Executive Director of the Virginia Catholic Conference: <https://vacatholic.org/votervoic-post/?vvid=1123>

Bus Trip to the Sands Casino, Bethlehem, PA
Hosted by Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Hicksville, NY

When: Monday, March 18, 2019
Cost: \$43 per person, which includes the driver’s tip- \$35 slot play.
Time: Please arrive at 8:30 am—Return approx. 8:30 pm
Parking: # 999 So. Oyster Bay Road (dead end)
Reservations: Call Barbara at (516) 935-5576
Please make checks payable to CDA.
****The first to pay is the first on the bus, etc. ****



Monday February 25th, 2019 7:30 P.M.
St. Martin of Tours
220 Central Avenue
Bethpage, NY
REGIONAL PRAYER MEETING
Speaker: Pat Murray
“WINDS OF FLAME”
MUSIC MINISTRY
Please join us as we come together to
worship our Lord and King.

Where: Knights of Columbus
Hicksville, NY
Title: Murder Mystery
80’s High School Reunion
When: Saturday, April 13, 2019
Time: 7pm to 11pm
Cost: \$40 which includes show, dinner
and open bar.

For reservations, please call or text Artie Traylor
at 516 298-6861.



St. Pius X Parish, Plainview has an opening for a part-time office assistant (Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) for their Parish Office. For detailed job description visit the Diocesan website at www.drvc.org/career-opportunities. Interested applicants should email resume and cover letter to Fr. Valentine Rebello at FrVal.STPX@gmail.com



Adult Confirmation

If you know of any adult age 18 or older that has never been confirmed in the Catholic faith, please invite them to join Deacon George in preparing for this sacrament. Classes will be held on Monday nights from 7:30PM to 9:00PM in Deacon George's office in the Old School. Classes will start on Monday, March 11, 2019. Those interested are asked to come to the front of the Old School and enter thru the extreme left door, Deacon's office is just inside. These classes will run through June 3, 2019 and the participants will be confirmed on Pentecost.



Chess Club

Sunday, February 17th from 10:30am to 12:30pm in the New School Basement.

For more information, call Kathy and Harold Gareau at 516 933-7795. Thank You.



Bible Study is back:

Come join Deacon George as we continue our study of the Bible. Our topic will be **The Prophet Jeremiah**. Classes will be held on Thursdays at 7:30PM in Room 1 in the Old School Building. Classes will start on February 7th and run for about 11 weeks. We are asking for a donation of \$20 to cover expenses. See you there.



July 24, 2019

Thimble Island Cruise at Stony Creek, Conn.

This year there will be no trip to Lancaster "Sight and Sound Theatre" because show is the same as last year (Jesus).

Hope to see you on Wednesday, July 24th. More information to follow at a later date.

Joan and Anne



In the Gospel today, Jesus gives us the blessings of serving the poor, hungry and weeping people, for you will then rejoice and leap for joy. But Jesus also teaches us the decisiveness of choice; blessing or woe.

Choosing to help those who are suffering will fill your heart with the blessing of Jesus and indeed your reward will be great in heaven.

Transfer Night at Holy Trinity, Thursday, Feb. 21st at 6:30pm

This event is for current high school students who are interested in transferring to Holy Trinity for the upcoming academic year. You will learn more about the admissions process directly from administrators as well as receive the necessary documents to begin the process.

If you wish to attend this event, please bring the most up-to-date version of your high school transcript as well as a report card for your current academic year. For more information, please call. 516 433-2900.

COMMUNITY NEWS

I LOVE BRIDGE



The Mercy League is a volunteer organization that raises money for enrichment activities and equipment at Mercy Medical Center.

Event: Military Bridge
Date: Sunday, March 10, 2019
Time: 2:00-5:00 P.M. (Doors open at 1:30)
Place: St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Hicksville
Gym entrance on Nicolai St.
Admission: \$10
Contact: Roseann Nicotra @516-320-5567
Sherry Abt @ 516-721-2629



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

“CRAZY” is normal for those suffering the loss of a loved one. Please consider joining an evening Bereavement Support Group, with trained facilitators. The group will meet for eight Wednesday evenings, beginning March 13, at Holy Family Parish (O’Dea Center), 17 Fordham Ave., Hicksville.

PREREGISTRATION is necessary. CALL: Sister Carol, 516-938-3846x331 by March 4th for more information.



The new CDs from the Augustine Institute Lighthouse are arriving very soon.

The four English titles are: *Mediations on the Stations of the Cross, The Truth, the Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell, and Prove it, God... and He did.*

The new Spanish titles are: *Cristo en el Credo y Pasion, Jesus y las Raicaes Judias de la Eucaristia, and El Rezo del Rosario Disco 1 de 2: Misterios Gozosos y Dolorosos.*

We hope you are enjoying these CDs. If there are any questions, please contact the rectory and they will contact us. Joan Renner and Lawrence Braun.



*The Bread and Wine this week
Are in Loving Memory
Of
Pat Mc Hugh
From
Annie Collins*



Chaminade High School First Trimester Honor Roll

Freshman

Christopher J. Pitonza

Junior

Matthew J. Malerba

Senior

Stephen T Gonzalez

Michael P. O’Grady

Michael C. Pitonza

Congratulations to all and may the Good Lord bless you abundantly.

Respect Life News from
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Court Queen of Angels No. 869
Spiritual Adoption Program
Month Five - Developing Baby

"Mommy felt me kick today!"

This month marks the half-way point to birth, and the baby is very active. Sleep habits develop and his mother can feel him move and stretch, particularly when she is resting. He is big and strong enough to kick hard against the uterine wall and dent it. Up to now, although he swam with ease in his watery world, he was too small for her to detect because the inside wall of the uterus has little feeling. Babies born at this age have survived.

Each day for nine months, say this prayer for your Spiritually adopted baby:

Lord Jesus, today I lift up in prayer
the life of my spiritually adopted
pre-born child.

I ask that you protect and shield this
child from all harm.

Mary and Joseph, I ask your
intercession for the parents of this
child, that God would shower His
love and mercy upon them, and
guide them that at this difficult time.

May He send His Spirit to empower
them to choose to continue the
child's life.

AMEN.

Noticias sobre el respeto a la vida. D
e las Hijas Católicas de las Américas.
Corte Reina de los Angeles No. 869
Programa de Adopción Espiritual -
Mes Cinco - Desarrollo del Bebé

"¡Mi mamá sintió mis pataditas hoy!"

Este es el punto medio del embarazo y estoy muy activo. Estoy desarrollando mi capacidad de dormir y mi mamá puede sentir cuando me muevo o me estiro, especialmente cuando ella está descansando. Soy lo suficientemente grande y fuerte para dar fuertes pataditas a la pared externa del útero y dejar mi huella. Hasta ahora, a pesar de que he nadado fácilmente en mi mundo acuático, soy demasiado pequeño para que mi mamá me sienta, ya que la pared interna del útero es insensible. Los bebés que nacen en esta edad han sobrevivido.

Cada día durante nueve meses decir esta oración por tu bebé adoptado Espiritualmente:

Señor Jesús, hoy levanto en oración
la vida de mi bebé adoptado Espiritualmen-
te

antes de nacer.

Te pido que protejas y acompañes este
niño (a) de todo daño.

María y José, les pido

Intercedan por los padres de este

Bebé, para que Dios derrame su
amor y misericordia sobre ellos, y
los guie en este momento difícil.

Que Él envíe su Espíritu para fortalecerlos
y opten por dejar continuar la vida del be-
bé.

AMEN.

AT ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA PARISH



**SUNDAY
MARCH 3RD** 2019

**3:00 P.M.
TO
6:00 P.M.**

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5 YEARS OLD
ARE FREE!**

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(FINGER
FOODS)
WOULD BE
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*Fill out below—PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY— and return with your payment
by February 19th to:
St. Ignatius Loyola Rectory, 129 Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801 Attn: Mardi Gras.
Please make checks payable to St. Ignatius Loyola Church*

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____

Cost: \$10.00 per person/ \$25.00 per family — CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS OLD FREE!!

of Adults _____ # Children age 5 & over: _____ # Children under 5: _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

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QUE PROMETE SER UNA TARDE DIVERTIDA
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**DOMINGO
MARZO 3** 2019

3:00 P.M.

A

6:00 P.M.

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DE LA ESCUELA
MONSIGNOR
TARRANT HALL —
E. NICHOLAI ST.
HICKSVILLE**

**\$10.00
POR PERSONA/
\$25.00 POR FAMILIA
LOS NIÑOS MENORES
DE 5 AÑOS NO PAGAN!**

****NECESITAN RESERVACIÓN.****

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**** POR FAVOR DEVUELVE ESTE CUPON ANTES DE FEBRERO 19 ****

**DONACIONES
DE POSTRES
SON
BIENVENIDA**

Llena y regresa esta información—

***POR FAVOR IMPRIME CLARAMENTE — con el dinero, antes de febero 19 a:
St. Ignatius Loyola Rectory, 129 Broadway, Hicksville, NY 11801 Attn: Mardi Gras.
Por favor haga el cheque a nombre de St. Ignatius Loyola Church***

Nombre: _____ Dirección: _____

Teléfono #: _____ Corréo electrónico: _____

Costo: \$10.00 por persona / \$25.00 por familia —
LOS NIÑOS MENORES DE 5 AÑOS ENTRAN GRATIS!!

de Adultos _____ # niños 5 años y más: _____ # niños menores de 5 años: _____

Total de \$ incluidos: \$ _____

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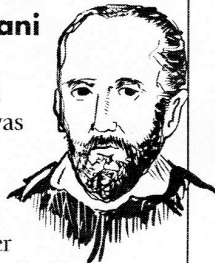
February 2019

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish
Rev. James T. Stachacz, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Jerome Emiliani

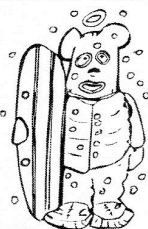
St. Jerome led a wayward life while a soldier until he was captured in battle and turned back to God. Soon after returning to Venice, he began studying for the priesthood and was ordained in 1518. With the devastation from the war came famine and plague. At his own expense, St. Jerome cared for the victims left behind, especially the children. For this purpose, he and some companions founded the Clerks Regulars of Somascha, in Somascha, Italy.



Make it a good day

A good day is one spent in God's presence. Start the morning by offering your efforts to God. Throughout the day, look for evidence of his nearness to you as you go about your business. Don't let minor irritants affect your mood.

"I don't care to inquire why they cannot believe an earthly body can be in heaven, while the whole earth is suspended on nothing." St. Augustine, City of God



Make every Sunday the Lord's Day

"This is the day the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). God wants us to have a day of rest each week. He felt it was so necessary that he made it a **Commandment**.

While it is non-negotiable for God's people, a busy person may find it hard to do Sunday right. Try these tips for making Sunday the Lord's Day:

Attend Mass. Both Jesus' Resurrection and Pentecost occurred on Sunday. There's no better way to celebrate the Lord's Day than to worship him during Mass on Sunday.

Schedule chores. It's not very restful to stand in line at the grocery store or change the oil in your car. Try to

accomplish chores and errands another day so you can spend time relaxing on Sunday.

Alternate entertainment. Instead of turning on the TV or zoning on the smartphone, take a nice long drive, curl up with a good book, or visit friends or family. Do whatever it takes to recharge your spirit.

Create a unique prayer habit. Offer prayers that you only say on Sundays. Read Scripture. Listen to sacred music. Take time to thank God for your blessings.

Protect the day. Make Sunday a priority. Don't let anything interfere with your rest, peace, or worship. Let the Holy Spirit guide your day.



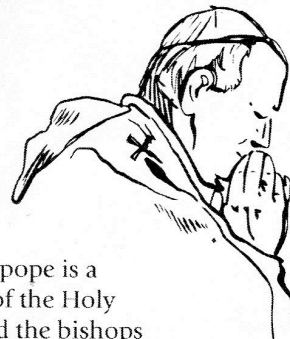
Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics believe the pope is infallible?

As visible head of the Church on earth, the pope has the gift of infallibility. This means that by gift of the Holy Spirit, the pope can't err in teaching the faith.

That's not to say that a pope is a perfect person. This gift of the Holy Spirit helps the pope, and the bishops

with him, guide the Church in staying faithful to Christ. The pope is only infallible when he solemnly declares a teaching on faith and morals as St. Peter's successor (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #890-891).



“Please forgive me!”

Throughout history, there has been only one person who never made mistakes. The rest of us make plenty but few of us are comfortable with asking for forgiveness for them. Yet owning up to our mistakes is a big step toward preventing their recurrence. Try this:

Start by looking at the other person when you apologize. This communicates that you know you have caused harm and are ready to accept the consequences of your behavior.

Name the actions for which you are sorry. Be specific.



Assure the other person that the actions won't happen again and detail the steps you will take to rectify any harm you caused. Remember – true contrition involves making amends for your sin.

Give some visible sign that you are sincerely sorry. Shake hands or give a touch on the shoulder. Such an action will help start the healing of your relationship.

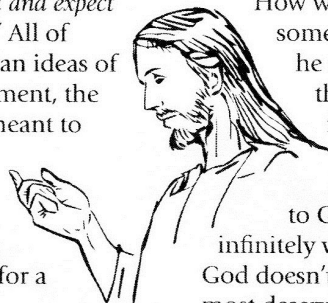
Taking steps to achieve sincere contrition and forgiveness will help you grow in holiness as you work to eliminate an occasion of sin.

from Scripture

Luke 6:27-38; Being merciful as God is merciful

In this Gospel passage, Jesus tells us to “love your enemies...lend and expect nothing back...and forgive.” All of these go against our human ideas of fairness. In the Old Testament, the “eye for an eye” rule was meant to make sure the punishment wasn’t excessive. Likewise, the idea of getting favors was meant to show gratitude for a favor already given.

The problem is that “an eye for an eye” can result in a vicious cycle of violence and destroyed relationships. The “favor for favor” idea reduces the value of giving gifts out of kindness and



appreciation to simply owing favors. How would you know if the good someone did you was because he or she loved you or because they wanted something from you?

Jesus “updates” the old understanding of justice to God’s justice, which is infinitely wiser and more perfect. God doesn’t dole out his love to the most deserving, but freely to everyone. His goodness includes mercy as well as justice. His love is generous, selfless, simple, and compassionate. The surest sign of being God’s children is if we love others the way he does.

Q & A What is the difference between a basilica, a cathedral, and a shrine?

Different church buildings serve different purposes. Basilicas are traditionally large, rectangular churches that have a historical and spiritual



importance, such as St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. The ancient Romans originally used them to house kings or judges. Later, Christians used the style for places to worship God, the King of Kings.

The pope can raise important church buildings of historical and spiritual significance, for example a cathedral, to the status of “minor basilica.” When you visit, you’ll know you’re in a minor basilica if the conopaeum (a red-and-yellow umbrella), a special bell, and the Vatican seal (papal crown and crossed keys) are on display.

A cathedral is the chief church in a diocese and is where the bishop presides. The name “cathedral” comes from the word cathedra, which is Latin for “the chair.” This refers to the bishop’s chair, which represents his authority. A shrine is a sacred place where a saint’s relic is preserved, an apparition took place, or a place to encourage a specific belief or devotion.

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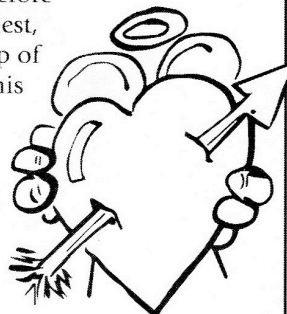
Feasts & Celebrations

Feb. 11 – Our Lady of Lourdes (1858). A heavenly “lady” appeared to St. Bernadette Soubirous, a poor and sickly girl from a small village in France. Soon after the first vision, a spring with miraculous, healing waters emerged from a nearby cave. The “lady” revealed herself as the “Immaculate Conception” – the Blessed Virgin Mary.

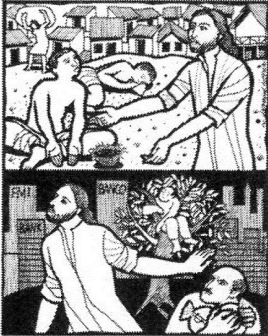
Feb. 22 – St. Peter’s Chair (1st century). We celebrate the establishment of the Holy See and pray for the preservation of God’s Church. The “Chair of Peter” refers to the relic of an actual chair of St. Peter and to the

spiritual authority of the Church, symbolized by the chair.

Feb. 26 – St. Porphyry (420). Born to a wealthy Greek family in Macedonia, St. Porphyry lived as a hermit. His quiet life was interrupted when he inherited a fortune, which he quickly gave to the poor. He worked as a shoemaker before becoming a priest, then the Bishop of Gaza (against his will). Despite initial resistance, St. Porphyry successfully evangelized Gaza.



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A veces conviene exagerar para que se entienda bien lo que se quiere decir. Así hace la primera lectura. Plantea dos formas de vida muy opuestas. Son tan opuestas las dos que en realidad no se dan en la vida real. Es de dudar que existen los que confían sólo y exclusivamente en sí mismos. Y también es de dudar que nosotros seamos de los que confiamos única y exclusivamente en Dios. Pero la oposición nos sirve para comprender por donde deberíamos orientar nuestra vida. Porque con cada uno de los extremos se relacionan en la lectura unas ideas. Los que "confían en el hombre" se parecen a un "desierto", que es lugar de muerte, estéril y vacío de Dios. Los que "confían en el Señor" son como árboles plantados en agua que siempre dan fruto. Es como si vivieran en un oasis, lugar de vida en medio de la muerte que es el desierto.

Algo parecido nos plantea Jesús en el evangelio de Lucas. En esta versión de las bienaventuranzas, diferente de la de Mateo, las bendiciones se presentan en paralelo con unas maldiciones. Las maldiciones recogen prácticamente las mismas ideas que hemos comentado de la primera lectura. Los que confían en sí mismos, en el hombre, no tienen mucho futuro. Parece que están condenados al sufrimiento y a la muerte. Confían en sí mismos porque son ricos, porque comen en abundancia, porque gozan y porque todos hablan bien de ellos. En el lado opuesto están los que son declarados "bienaventurados" o "felices" por Jesús.

Pero hay un hecho importante a resaltar en este lado de la oposición. Si en la primera lectura se declaraba "bendito" al que confiaba en el Señor, en el Evangelio se declara "bienaventurado" no al que confía en el Señor sino simplemente a los que en este mundo les ha tocado la peor parte. Jesús no dice "dichos los pobres que confían en Dios". Dice simplemente "Dichos los pobres" y "los que tienen hambre" y "los que lloran". Sin más. No es necesario ningún título más para merecer ser declarados "bienaventurados" por Jesús y recibir la promesa de reino. Sólo la última de las bienaventuranzas se refiere a los discípulos de Jesús, a los que serán perseguidos por causa de su nombre. Esos también son "bienaventurados".

El amor y la misericordia de Dios son para todos los hombres y mujeres. Precisamente por eso se manifiesta, en primer lugar, a aquellos que no tienen nada, a los que les ha tocado la peor parte en este mundo. A ellos se dirige preferentemente el amor de Dios. A ellos les tenemos que amar preferentemente los cristianos porque son los "bienaventurados" de Dios. Porque son nuestros hermanos pobres y abandonados. Nosotros confiamos en que en el reino nos encontraremos todos, ellos y nosotros, compartiendo la mesa de la "bienaventuranza".

Para la reflexión

¿Quiénes son, cerca de nosotros, los pobres, los que pasan hambre, los que lloran? ¿Qué hacemos en nuestra comunidad para que se sientan los amados y preferidos de Dios? ¿O preferimos mirar sólo por nuestro bien y confiar en nosotros mismos? ¿Qué podríamos hacer?

MISA DOMINGOS

7:00pm. Invita un amigo,

un familiar, un vecino.

**Dios te
recompensará!**

HORARIO DE BAUTIZOS

PROXIMA FECHA

Las charlas de bautizo

serán:

Febrero 8 & 15 las 7:00PM

Bautismos:

Febrero 23 a la 1:30PM

MUCHAS GRACIAS catequistas y líderes de los grupos y movimientos por su gran servicio a Dios y a la comunidad.

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Cada tercer Miércoles del mes
Febrero 20 a las 7:00PM
En el convento de nuestra
parroquia



LA COMUNIDAD DE ORACIO SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA

Te invita a Orar juntos como hermanos a DIOS PA-DRE

TODOS LOS VIERNES. Empezando **6:30PM.** Con el Santo Rosario, compartiremos el Evangelio para conocer,

Amar más a Dios y creer en su Palabra.

Lugar: En el sótano de la Escuela Nueva. **Cada Viernes Dios tiene una bendición especial para ti!!**

San Ignacio Loyola les invita a la siguiente charla: Crecimiento en la Fe

La Biblia y los sacramentos

Lunes 25 de Febrero, 2019 a las 7:00PM
Cuarto de ciencias de la escuela vieja



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End Poverty Through Systemic Change

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Come join us every Friday at 7:00PM
In the Old School Room
Upstairs in the Art Room!!!



En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesus nos da la bendición de servir a las personas pobres, hambrientas y a los que lloran, porque por usted se alegraran y saltaran de alegría. Pero Jesus también nos enseña a tomar la decisión decisiva: bendición o aflicción.

El elegir servir a aquellos que están sufriendo llenara su corazón con la bendición de Jesus y, de hecho, su recompensa será grande en el cielo.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Anyone with a family member serving in the military, please forward their name and rank to our bulletin editor at bulletin1859@aol.com or bring the name to our Rectory Front Office.

We pray to give all of our military personnel the courage and strength to do the duty that is required of them. May they always remember our appreciation for the sacrifice they are making for us. We are thankful for the men and women who are willing to risk their lives to protect our freedom. I ask You to go with each of them and protect them wherever they go. Amen.

- Sgt First Class. Matthew Loheide
- MSgt. Kevin J. Hennelly
- CDR. Jonathan W. Lang
- LTCDR.. Jeanine A. Lang
- SPC Justin T. Sikorski
- Staff Sgt. Mathew Burrafato
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- Major Patrick O. Kelly, USMC
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- Atan Lisa Olynk, USN
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- HA Morrigan Hayes, US Navy
- SA Peter Cavallo, US Navy

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Sunday, February 17, 2019

- 10:30-12:30pm Chess Club—New School Cafe
- 1-8pm Nassau Pride Basketball—Gym
- 5-6:30pm Choir—Spanish—Room D

Monday, February 18, 2019

Holiday

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

- 9:45am-11:15am Scripture Discussion Group-RmB
- 7-9pm Religious Education-Adults-Spanish
- New School Café
- 7-9pm Choir—Spanish—Room D
- 7-9pm CYO—Gym

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

- 6-9:30pm Divine Mercy Apostolate
- Convent Chapel
- 7-9pm Activities Ministry-Science Room

Thursday, February 21, 2019

- 7-9pm Ministry of Sacred Heart—New School Café
- 7-9pm Catholic Daughters—Science Room
- 7-9pm Choir—Spanish—Room D
- 7-9pm Boy Scouts—Gym
- 7:30-9pm Adult Faith Formation-Room 1

Friday, February 22, 2019

- 7-9pm CYO—Gym
- 7-9pm Charismatic Renewal—Spanish-
- New School Café
- 7-9pm Young Adult Spanish Ministry—Art Room

Saturday, February 23, 2019

- 7am Cub Scouts Old School Café (all day)
- 8am Men's Prayer Group-Room B
- 7-12:30pm Cub Scouts—Gym
- 1-4pm St. Martin's CYO Gym
- 4pm Cub Scouts Gym

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I've learned that when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.