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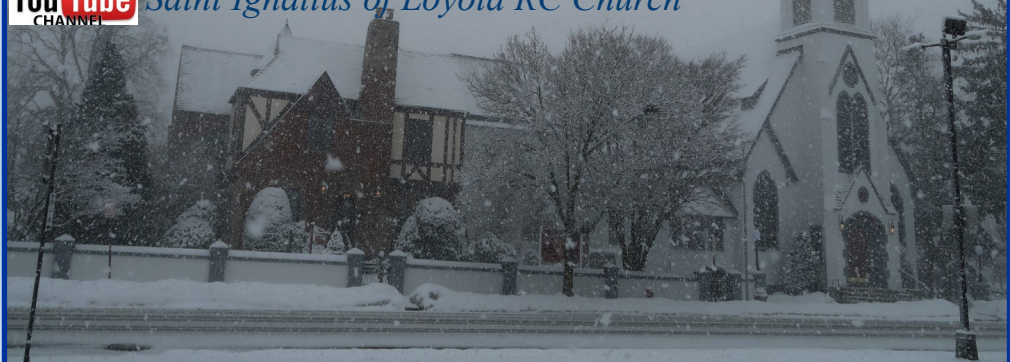
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Saint Ignatius of Loyola RC Church



**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.*

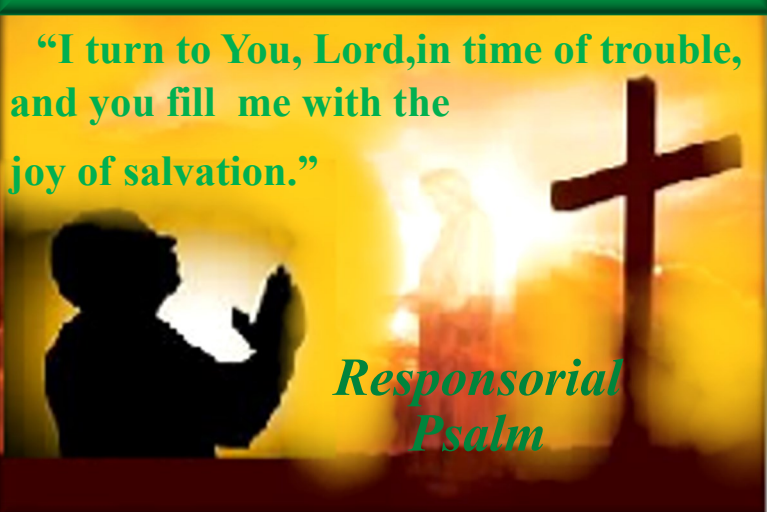
**WE WORSHIP**

<b>Weekend Mass Schedule</b>	<b>Weekday Masses</b>
<b>Saturday: 5:00 PM (Live)</b>	<b>Monday - Friday</b>
<b>Sunday: 7:30 AM</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>
<b>9:30 AM (Live)</b>	<b>9:00 AM (Live)</b>
<b>11 AM</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>9:00 AM (Live)</b>
<b>5:00 PM (Spanish) (Live)</b>	<b>5:00 PM (Live)</b>

**Adoration:**  
 Monday to Saturday 9:30 AM - 3 PM  
**Every Friday:**  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM. *(Live)*  
**Every First Friday:**  
 Holy Hour after 9:30 AM Mass. *(Live)*  
**Every First Saturday:**  
 Rosary Meditation at 8:30 AM. *(Live)*

**February 14, 2021—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

**“I turn to You, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.”**



*Responsorial Psalm*

**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  
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Saturday: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

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### MINISTRY APPRECIATION CORNER : COUNTING COMMITTEE

I appreciate the trustworthy work of our "Counting Committee". The members of the committee are organized in four on a rotating schedule. All donations collected by the ushers are delivered intact to a locked area in sealed bags. The counting committee leader verifies the sealed bags and set up the count table. The collections are counted, classified, recorded, and handed over to the bookkeeper to deposit in the bank. None of the collections are kept at the parish as convenience cash. As a parish family, we appreciate their cooperation in successfully implementing these procedures and "being faithful stewards". **Gerry Schreiber** is the coordinator of this committee who personally presents every week to facilitate the process. There are 19 members in this group. **John Toner, Karen Warner ,Carol Hogan, Paul Kraus, Peg and Allen Ryan ,John and Mary Russel ,Tom Kenny, John Flanagan ,Carol and Donald Cleary, Diane Del Priore, Barbara Cheslock, Arlene Smith, Dianne and Bill Lawrence, Peggy and Tom Gill**





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

**Sunday, February 14, 2021, -Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Readings: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46, Cor 10:31-11:1, Mk 1:40-45*

**Monday, February 15, 2021**

*Readings: Gn 1:1-19, Mk 6:53-56*

7 AM No 7AM Mass

9 AM Janet Ficke—Living

**Tuesday, February 16, 2021**

*Readings: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10, Mk 8:14-21*

7 AM Pauline and George Nader

9 AM Mary and Charles Grossane

**Wednesday, February 17, 2021, Ash Wednesday**

*Readings: Jl 2:12-18, Cor 5:20-6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18*

7 AM Christine Danielle Murphy

9 AM Mary Elizabeth Dubon

12:10PM Brian Wise (Living)

5PM Mass in Spanish

**Thursday, February 18, 2021-**

*Readings: t 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25*

7AM \*

9 AM Dorothy Mulligan

**Friday, February 19, 2021**

*Readings: Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15*

7 AM Louise and Louis Parmigiani, Sr.

9 AM Norman Gluf

**Saturday, February 20, 2021; Blessed Virgin Mary.**

*Readings: Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32*

9 AM Evelyn Wallick-Living

5 PM Cono Cimino

**Sunday, February 21, 2021- First Sunday of Lent**

*Readings: Gn 9:8-15, 1Pt 3:18-22, Mk 1:12-15*

7:30 AM Catherine Gill

9:30 AM Dino Lezaja-Birthday Blessings in Heaven

11:00 AM Ralph Cipriani

12:30 PM Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola  
Olivia Rose Pacific-Third Birthday

Florence Remy

John Hessel

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**

**Mass schedule for Saturday, February 20th & Sunday, February 21st (Subject to change)**

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

**The Bread and Wine this week are in Loving Memory of**

**Joseph Meegan**

**From**

**The Rigert Family**



**The Candles this week are in Loving Memory of Deceased Members of Hayes and Kacprzycki Families From Jo Ann Hayes**



**Sacrificial**

**Giving**



Sunday, February 7, 2021 \$ 9,214

Sunday, February 9, 2020 \$10,029

**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.*



## We Pray...

### *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, Elizabeth Sarah Merz, 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 Flasco, 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 .*

*Rosemarie Launonen*

*William T. Viola.*

*Elda Euceda*



*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

CDR. Jonathan W. Lang

CDR.. Jeanine A. Lang

SPC Justin T. Sikorski

Staff Sgt. Mathew Burrafato

Col. Paul J. Laughlin

M Sgt. Michael Marascia

Sgt. Stephen L. Emlaw

Lt. David Jacobs

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, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt., 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

Robert Van-Horn US Air Force

Tech. Sgt. Shawna Clark, US Air Force

Atan Lisa Olynk, USN

PO3 Hunter Morales, US Navy

PO3 Kevin J. Gonzalez, US Navy

HA Morrigan Hayes, US Navy

SA Peter Cavallo, US Navy

Oscar Martinez—Marines

PFC Jim Arbelaez, US Marine

Capt. Joseph Whittaker, USMC

SSGT Michael J. Mc Ilwrath, USMC

Gunnery Sgt. Brian Moran, USMC

Pvt. Joseph Gergely, USMC

Major Patrick O. Kelly, USMC

2nd Lt. Thomas P. McLoughlin,  
USMC

Corporal William J. White, USMC



## Clergy Corner

My dear St. Ignatius family,



Ash Wednesday, which falls on February 17th, marks the beginning of the 40 days of the season of Lent, for this year. Lent is the season in which Christians, all over the world, of different denominations observe special practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to follow the footsteps of Jesus, more closely. Though He was sinless, He fasted 40 days and nights before His public ministry. Why Jesus did that? Fasting gives immense control of ourselves especially, our body. We know how the people of Nineveh repented, when Jonah addressed them. They, including the King, put on sack clothes and sat on ashes. They observed complete fasting from food and drinks. Here the Ninevites sinned and were turning back to God, doing penance for the offences already committed. So these two aspects alone give us more than enough reason to observe Lent with great sincerity. We are created for a purpose, and to achieve that, we need strength from the source, which is God. We are all sinners, in one way or other, and every single day we fall short from the purpose for which we are created. So we need to repent about those and amend our ways.

In the United States, our present day Catholic Church liturgy, for Ash Wednesday, is that the priest blesses the ashes made from the burned palm branches distributed on the Palm Sunday of the previous year, and imposes them on the foreheads of the faithful, making the sign of the cross and saying, "Remember, you are dust and to dust you shall return" or "Repent and believe in the Gospel."



**Because of the instruction from Cardinal Sarah and due to the current state of the pandemic, this year the Diocese of Rockville Centre will administer ashes to the faithful by sprinkling the blessed ashes on the top of the head of the recipient.** This is the traditional practice of the Roman Rite, and is currently observed in Rome, throughout Europe, and in various other parts of the world. This method, rooted in the scriptural tradition, will allow for ashes to be given easily without making physical contact. This is how the Holy Father, Pope Francis, always receives his ashes on Ash Wednesday!

With a penitent heart and doing penance, we turn our hearts to the Lord, who suffered, died, and rose for our salvation. We are trying to die to an old life and rise to a new life with Christ and renew our baptismal promises. Above all, we strive to live the kingdom of God now, mindful that the kingdom of this world will surely pass away one day, and our fulfillment is in heaven and heaven only.

I'm sure that you have read lots of articles on this topic, and done many spiritual exercises during Lent over the years. There is no point in doing some extremely good and may be even difficult practices in a very strict way, just to go back to the old ways, once the Lent is over. Then we are missing the whole point of Lent. Lent should bring about a real conversion in us, though it may be small. Little by little conversion every year, will make a huge change in the end. Some experts say that we can develop habits in 21 days. So if we try really hard, I think we can achieve this to some extent. In Lent, it's a usual practice to give up something. When we concentrate only on giving up, it eventually creates frustration, and there is always room for the old habit to obsess again, when this season gets over. So it's not enough to give up some bad habits, but it is equally important to replace them with good habits. As I have mentioned in one of my previous columns, I am from the religious order, Order of Imitation of Christ (OIC). I strongly recommend to make it a habit to read *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas à Kempis. It helps to concentrate more on interior life and withdraw from the lure of the world. So let this Lent be not just another Lent, but the beginning of a new life, with new good life long habits making Jesus as the centre of our lives. Some Lenten activities to achieve this can be found on page 8 of this bulletin. Hope it will be helpful for you.

Wish you all a blessed and fruitful Lent..one that will bring you closer to God...

In Jesus and Mary,

*Fr. Shibi Pappan.*

February 14, 2021

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 | 1 Cor 10:31—11:1 | Mk 1:40-45

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

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

While leprosy as found in Biblical times is now rare and very treatable, it is not hard to imagine the tragic consequences it had on those who were affected. They suffered physically, but also socially and emotionally: Levitical priests declared lepers unclean, banishing them from the religious community. Jesus, as he did so often, would upend these conventions in his encounter with the leper in today's Gospel. "Moved with pity," Jesus healed him, telling him to return to the local priest for readmittance to the community. Jesus' model of compassion for the man is meant for us to embody. Modern culture continues to stigmatize people perceived as different - those suffering from depression and other mental illnesses, the homeless, perhaps those who struggle with cognitive disabilities - shunning them in different ways from full participation in community. To imitate Christ, as Paul alludes, is to have compassion for the needs of others - to "be moved with pity." Let us pray for the grace to put on the mind and heart of Christ, and dignify the presence of all our brothers and sisters in our community.

### GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I admit I was taken aback by today's Old Testament reading: Not only were lepers banished from the religious community, but they had to announce themselves by crying out "Unclean, unclean!" Jesus changed all that. He healed the leper, encouraging him to return to the priest for readmittance. I am struck by how the leper approached Jesus. He did not demand a cure, but asked, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Although it is unlikely that any of us in the developed world will experience leprosy, we ourselves or people we know may carry inner struggles that have led to separation from the Church or a sense of isolation. In our humanity, we do not have the power to heal these maladies on our own. Instead, let us come to Jesus as the leper does, asking him, if he wills it, to heal us and our wounded world. Let us pray with confidence, knowing that Jesus in his compassion can and will make us clean and whole.

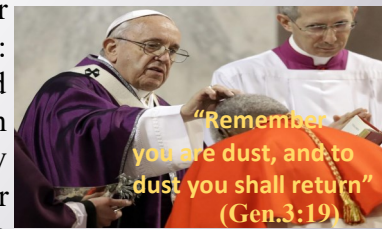
**REFLECT** Who are today's lepers? What are the inner struggles or wounds that may keep us from fully participating in our parish community or have left us estranged from members of our own family? Bring these before Jesus in your own words. Call a family member you have fallen out of touch with. Invite a person who has left the Church to lunch and listen with compassion.





## Interesting Facts on Lent—Season of Reflection and Repentance

- Originally, “Lent” was nothing more than the shortened form of the Old English word **lencten**, which literally means “lengthening of day light hours” and hence the name for the season between winter and summer, “**spring season**”, the season when the snow melts and the flowers bloom. In German, “Lenz” is the poetic word for “spring.” In Dutch, the word “lente” is still the name of the season between winter and summer, and it is still used with that meaning in everyday life.
- During this season, Christians observed their forty-day fasting, special prayer and almsgiving in preparation for Easter to identify with **Jesus who spent 40 days in the desert fasting, praying and being tempted by the devil** (Mt 4:1-11). So this liturgical season came to be called lent.
- **Sundays are excluded** from the 40day lent ,because each Sunday we remember our Lord’s resurrection which is the base of our faith.
- The 40day observance have strong roots from the Old Testament. In the Old Testament we see **Moses on Mt. Sinai** for 40days and 40 nights when he got the ten Commandments(Exo 24:18), **Noah waited in the Ark** for 40 days and 40 nights(Gn 7:4) and also **Elijah “walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb”** (1 Kgs 19:8) .
- The term *lent* was replaced by *spring* as it was the time of year when most plants that had been dormant over the fall and winter finally began to grow again, or *spring* from the earth. Just as Spring is that time of the year when all nature seems to come back to life, Lent is the springtime of our lives with God and our fellow humans, the time to improve our relationship with God and one another.
- **Shrove Tuesday** is the day before Ash Wednesday where Christians confessed so that their sins are absolved., Shrove means “absolve”. It is also called “**Fat Tuesday**” or **Mardi Gras** on which many Christians “feast before fast” and consume some foods they would not enjoy until Easter. So in many places this day is celebrated with pancakes which use eggs, milk and sugar, as many avoid these in lent.
- In the Old Testament we see many stories in which people used ashes as a sign of repentance and to obtain God’s mercy, as in the case of **Job** “Therefore, I disown what I have said, and repent in dust and ashes” (Job 42:6) , **Daniel** “turned to the Lord God, to seek help, in prayer and petition, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes” (Dn 9:3) or the **Ninevites**: “When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in the ashes” (Jon 3:6). Or like **Maccabees army** who prepared for battle: “That day they fasted and wore sackcloth; they sprinkled ashes on their heads and tore their garments” (1 Mc 3:47). etc. That is how the observance of Ash Wednesday started in the church to mark the Lent season. The ashes mean we are sinners, and the cross means we have a savior who redeemed us by the cross.



- **✝ Ash Wednesday is not a day of obligation.**
  - Earlier, fasting rules were strict. Only one meal a day in the evening was allowed. Meat, fish, eggs, wine, oil, and dairy products including butter were forbidden. It is still strict in Eastern churches and they begin lent on the Monday of the seventh week before Easter and end on the Friday before Palm Sunday. In the West these fasting rules have been gradually relaxed, and it is observed from Ash Wednesday till the evening of our Lord’s Last Supper on Holy Thursday. During World War II the strict law of fasting among Roman Catholics were dispensed and **only Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are now kept as Lenten fast days**. But the emphasis on penitential practice, almsgiving and meatless Fridays remains, and many Catholics often choose to give up specific pleasures, such as sweets, alcohol, or social media during Lent to refocus on spiritual matters.
- McDonalds started Filet-O-Fish, a fish sandwich in 1962, as Catholics abstained from meat on Fridays.
- During lent, Gloria and Alleluia are not used in the Western churches, and purple is the liturgical color.
- On Good Friday, hosts are not consecrated, but the previous day’s consecrated hosts are distributed.

## Some Lenten activities to make a fruitful journey to Easter...

**Every day spent at least some time in the solitude of your hearts...Reflect on your life ... your relationship with God...your relationship with others..Find out which areas need to be corrected. Remember, we are not starting a 40 day "lent" but trying for a new better life with God.If something is wrong, why we need it after 40 days. If something is to be corrected, why we should fall back again? Think that this is just the beginning of the first of our many steps in our life long journey towards God. Make a firm decision and a commitment to God.Allow God to work in you. Make Him your partner of this journey, and you will see things really changing, and will experience how beautiful life is, what real inner joy and peace of mind is.**



Confession before lent or atleast before Easter



If possible get ashes sprinkled on your head.

Pillars of Lent– the weapons which will help us in our journey.



Prayer is our weapon  
against devil.



Fasting is our weapon  
against flesh.



Almsgiving is our weapon  
against the worldly luxuries.

**And your Father who sees in secret will repay you. (Mt.6:4)**

- Prayer is not reciting some prayers from a book, but an intimate conversation with the God who loves you more than anyone else in the world, who became a human, died a shameful death on the cross and rose again to make our resurrection possible. You can have it anywhere, because God is omnipresent, above all, He is within you. Realize His presence in you and try to listen to that inner voice.
- Try to develop an intimate relationship with God. If you are really very busy, you can still say, "Jesus I love You." "Jesus I trust in You".."Thank You Jesus." Say such short invocations..or your own personal invocations...may be when you are waiting for billing, or in a hospital or bank or even at the traffic light. Your attitude is what matters and not how much words you use or its structure. Remember God knows your thoughts,better than you yourself.
- Reading Bible,stories about saints and other spiritual readings will definitely boost us in our journey.
- According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, fasting is **obligatory from age 18 until age 59**. Fasting means a person is permitted to eat one full meal and two smaller meals,not equal to that of a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. Liquids are allowed.All Catholics aged 14 and onwards should abstain from meat on all Fridays of lent,except solemnities.
- Spiritual fasting(fasting from anger, impatience, negative thoughts,jealousy,ingratitude,frustration,lust,bad words/visuals,etc) is much more important, and each one should find out their own areas of fasting, and start doing it, slowly but steadily. It's not easy to uproot a bad habit just like that, but eventually it is possible if we keep on trying, and replacing it with a good habit, like saying thank you, or appreciate others.
- Almsgiving doesn't just mean giving some food, clothes for the needy, but it should be given out of love and compassion, fully understanding the need of the recipient.Then only we will be able to make sacrifices for a better cause, because our luxuries can satisfy someone else's basic needs. Make it a habit to help others whenever possible. It includes spending time with the lonely, aged ,even smiling at others.
- Last but not the least...charity begins at home. So in addition to individual practices, spent more time with family, find some family Lenten practices like having a discussion about an incident where you experienced God's love and mercy, and handover the treasure of faith you received from your parents to the next generation, the best thing you can do on this earth.

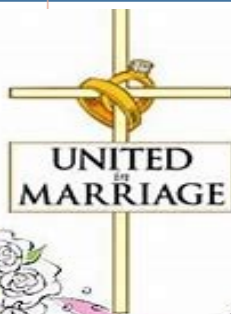


We invite...

Every First Sunday At 9:30AM MASS

Birthday and Wedding anniversary

*Blessings*



**SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR MARRIED COUPLES ON WORLD MARRIAGE DAY , FEBRUARY 14, AT 9:30 AM MASS**

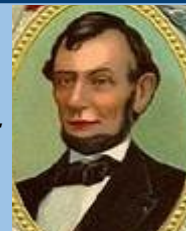
*what God has joined together, no human being must separate. (Mt. 19:6)*



**PRESIDENTS' DAY**

*The Rectory will be closed on Monday, February 15th in observance of the Holiday. We will re-open on Tuesday.*

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**Set Reminder for these upcoming Events...**

February 14 Sunday	Scout Mass at 9:30am— <i>(Live)</i> Special Blessing to Married Couples.
February 17 Wednesday	ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE Mass and distribution of Holy Ashes at 7am, 9am <i>(Live)</i> 12:10pm and 5pm (Spanish) Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes <i>(English)</i> at 4pm Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes <i>(Bilingual)</i> 7pm
February 19 Friday	Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm <i>(Live)</i> Stations of the Cross at 7pm in English & 8pm in Spanish.

**Thought of the week...**

*“To love without condition, to talk without intention, to give without reason, to care without expectation; That’s the spirit of true love.”*

**Saint Quote ....**

*“The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist.”*

*Pope Saint Gregory the Great*

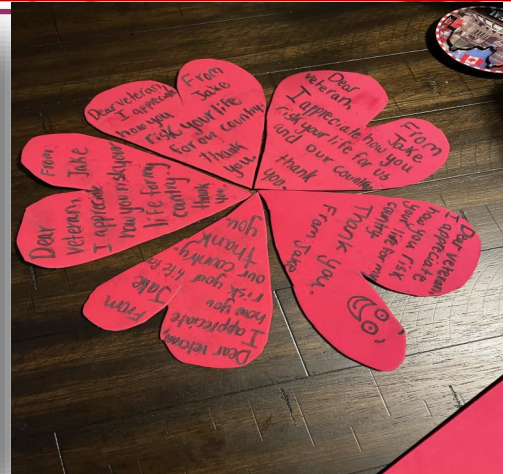
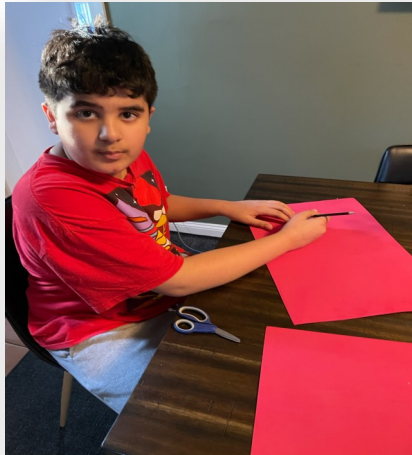


## Remembering God's love on this Valentine's Day

For God so **loved** the world  
That He **gave**  
His **Only**  
Begotten  
Son  
That **whosoever**  
Believeth **in** Him  
Should **not** perish  
But have **everlasting** life. John 3:16



Some of our students like Jake Ranga Took part in the Valentines for Vets Program. They made Valentines and wrote notes of encouragement, and cards for our men and women in the military too.



# THE SEARCH

## LENTEN RETREAT BEGINS FEBRUARY 17

You can make this Lent more meaningful than ever before by joining Chris Stefanick and bishops from around the country for a seven-week Lenten retreat using *The Search*. Beginning February 17, we will be exploring the major questions of life, like: *Why am I here? What is the life I was made for? Is there a God? Does He even care about me? Can true peace be found?* The Search unapologetically reveals that you were made for God, that your home is found beyond yourself, and that Jesus is the way. You can purchase *The Search* by clicking the following link: [reallifecatholic.com/thesearch](http://reallifecatholic.com/thesearch). Join us for a LIVE show each week beginning February 18 at 8 p.m. ET. (It's FREE!)



Msgr. Alesandro Memorial Mass with Msgr. William Koenig, Msgr. Bennet, Fr. Reid and Fr. Shibi on  
February .7 Sunday Mass at 9.30 am.



Novena of Suyapa,  
Virgin of Hondurans





**Sean Gareau volunteered to clean the snow with Juan Campos, Luis Reyes & Juan Medrano**



**7th level students collected food for Human Services.**

**7th Level students help shovel snow in their neighborhoods as part of their community service.**





St. Ignatius Loyola Parish

# LENT 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"Lent is the liturgical season of forty days which begins with Ash Wednesday and ends with the celebration of the Paschal Mystery (Easter Triduum). Lent is the primary penitential season in the Church's liturgical year, reflecting the forty days Jesus spent in the desert in fasting and prayer" (<i>Catechism of the Catholic Church</i>).</p>	<p><b>February</b></p>	<p><b>Ash Wednesday</b></p>	<p><b>Friday</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday</b></p>		
21 After Mass, decide what you need to change in your life in order to truly experience Jesus' love during Lent.	22 Pick a saint to learn about and imitate. Ask for his or her special help and protection during Lent.	23 Put a cross, crucifix, or other image of Jesus in each room of your home to help keep you focused on him.	17 Stream or attend an Ash Wednesday liturgy and wear the cross of ashes.	18 Choose Lenten offerings of prayer, penance, and almsgiving.	19 Abstain from eating meat today, and make your meals truly penitential.	20 Make a list of the ways you can support the poor, and resolve to do one activity each week.
28 Take one idea from today's Gospel reading or homily to implement during the coming week.	1 <b>March</b> Make a conscious effort to see everyone with loving eyes today.	2 Ask Jesus to heal whatever keeps you from feeling God's bountiful love.	3 As an extra Lenten offering, give up something you enjoy – just for today.	4 Read the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:1-17) and resolve to live them.	5 Pray for the people in the world who can't afford to have meat as a regular part of their diets.	6 Adopt a local nursing home. Make cards for the residents, and offer prayers for each of them.
7 Choose someone who has passed away or someone who needs extra help as your Mass intention today.	8 Make a fresh start on your Lenten journey today. Renew your Lenten observances.	9 At the end of the day, make an examination of conscience. Pick one change to make.	10 Resolve to go the entire day without judging or criticizing anyone.	11 Try to find the time to read an entire Gospel in one sitting. (Hint: St. Mark's Gospel is the shortest.)	12 Forgive someone who has hurt you.	13 Attend a parish Reconciliation Service, if you feel safe, or go to Confession on your own.
14 <i>Lactare Sunday</i> Celebrate the halfway point of Lent. Do something fun after Mass today.	15 Pick one way you can simplify your lifestyle to make more room for God.	16 Eat a pretzel as a reminder that Catholics used to fast from milk, butter, eggs, cheese, cream, and meat.	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> St. Patrick evangelized Ireland. In his honor, explore ways to support your parish religious education program.	18 Notice someone who may be hungry for love or attention and satisfy that hunger.	19 Eat a meatless meal and remember why you are abstaining.	20 Look for evidence of God at work in your life.
21 Pray an extra Rosary today and every day this week.	22 Get up an extra 15 minutes early each day for the next two weeks and spend that time in prayer.	23 Deal with anyone in your life who may be interfering with your relationship with God.	24 Go to a private room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret.	25 Today, pray for someone you don't like.	26 Ask God for a new grace today that will bring you closer to him.	27 Perform some act of service for your parish. Ask at the rectory for suggestions.
28 <i>Palm Sunday</i> Place palms around each image of Jesus in your home. Welcome the Messiah into your heart.	29 Recite the Profession of Faith or the Apostle's Creed each day this week.	30 Look around your neighborhood today for signs of new life.	31 Forgive an offense you may have suffered and let God be the final judge.	1 <b>April</b> Look for someone who is poor or homeless and share your food.	2 <i>Good Friday</i> Meditate on the Stations of the Cross today. Try to imagine yourself at the scene of each one.	3 <i>Holy Saturday</i> Think about a way in which you might have betrayed Jesus. Ask his pardon.



### 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.

**Everyone** is invited to contribute what you would have spent buying goodies at a real cake sale.

**Note:** Our products have zero calories and are Vegetarian, Vegan and Gluten-Free!

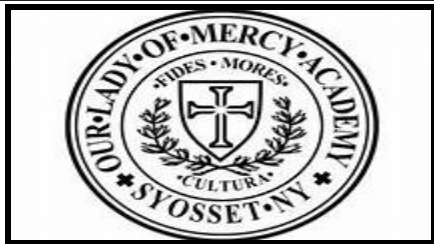
**Warning!** You may experience a warm feeling similar to a sugar high. Do not be alarmed.....it is the result of your generous support for the Catholic Daughters' charities locally and here at St. Ignatius Loyola.

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

Barbara Cheslock  
105 Nicole Court  
Bethpage, NY 11714

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

***Thank you for your generosity and support!***



In honor of National Catholic Schools Week, Our Lady of Mercy Academy in Syosset would like to thank their community parishes for their support. They know the value you provide in collaborating with families to grow our students into leaders and faithful citizens, dedicated to academic excellence and service, which is what sets Catholic schools apart.

Please continue to pray for our schools and our students

## LOOKING FOR PART TIME JOB?



St. Ignatius is looking for a Part Time Maintenance Worker who is familiar with plumbing and electrical work. It is for 20 hours per week.

If interested please call Tony Condron at 516 931-0056 or 516 225-4154.



## Rincón de Clero

Mi querida familia de San Ignacio,

Miércoles de Ceniza, que cae el 17 de febrero, marca el inicio de los 40 días de la temporada de Cuaresma, de este año. La Cuaresma es la temporada en la que los cristianos, en todo el mundo, de diferentes denominaciones observan prácticas especiales de oración, ayuno y limosna para seguir más de cerca los pasos de Jesús. Aunque no tenía pecado, ayunó 40 días y noches antes de su ministerio público. ¿Por qué hizo eso Jesús? El ayuno, si se hace de buena gana, nos da un inmenso control de nosotros mismos, especialmente de nuestro cuerpo, y nos ayuda a concentrarnos solo en Dios. Sabemos cómo se arrepintió la gente de Nínive cuando Jonás se dirigió a ellos. Ellos, incluido el Rey, se vistieron de saco y se sentaron sobre cenizas. Observaron un ayuno completo de alimentos y bebidas. Aquí los ninivitas pecaron y se volvieron a Dios, haciendo penitencia por las ofensas ya cometidas. Por lo tanto, estos dos aspectos por sí solos nos dan motivos más que suficientes para observar la Cuaresma con gran sinceridad. Fuimos creados con un propósito, y para lograrlo, necesitamos la fuerza de la fuente, que es Dios. Todos somos pecadores. De una forma u otra, y todos los días no cumplimos con el propósito para el que fuimos creados.

Así que debemos arrepentirnos de ellos y enmendar nuestros caminos. En los Estados Unidos, nuestra liturgia actual de la Iglesia Católica, para el Miércoles de Ceniza, es que el sacerdote bendice las cenizas de las ramas de palma quemadas distribuidas el Domingo de Ramos del año anterior, y las impone en la frente de los fieles, haciendo la señal de la cruz y diciendo: "Recuerda hombre, eres polvo y al polvo volverás", o "Apártate del pecado y sé fiel al Evangelio". Pero debido a las instrucciones del Cardenal Sarah y debido



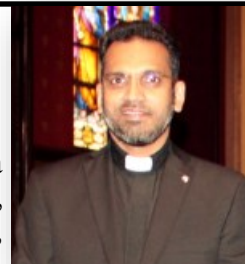
**al estado actual de la pandemia, este año la Diócesis de Rockville Center administrará cenizas a los fieles rociando las cenizas benditas en la parte superior de la cabeza del destinatario.** Esta es la práctica tradicional del Rito Romano y actualmente se observa en Roma, en toda Europa y en varias otras partes del mundo. Este método, arraigado en la tradición bíblica, permitirá que las cenizas se entreguen fácilmente sin hacer contacto físico. ¡Así es como el Santo Padre, el Papa Francisco, recibe siempre sus cenizas el Miércoles de Ceniza!

Durante la Cuaresma, con un corazón arrepentido y haciendo penitencia, volvemos nuestro corazón al Señor, quien sufrió, murió y resucitó por nuestra salvación. Estamos tratando de morir de una vida vieja y resucitar a una nueva vida con Cristo y renovar nuestras promesas bautismales. Sobre todo, nos esforzamos por vivir el reino de Dios ahora, conscientes de que el reino de este mundo ciertamente pasará un día, y nuestro cumplimiento está en el cielo y solo en el cielo.

Estoy seguro de que han leído muchos artículos sobre este tema y han realizado muchos ejercicios espirituales durante la Cuaresma a lo largo de los años. No tiene sentido hacer algo extremadamente bueno e incluso pueden ser prácticas difíciles de una manera muy estricta, solo para volver a las viejas costumbres, una vez que termina la Cuaresma. Entonces nos estamos perdiendo todo el sentido de la cuaresma. La Cuaresma debe producir una conversión real en nosotros, aunque sea pequeña. Poco a poco, la conversión cada año supondrá un gran cambio al final. Algunos expertos dicen que podemos desarrollar hábitos en 21 días. Entonces, si nos esforzamos mucho, creo que podemos lograrlo hasta cierto punto. En cuaresma, es una práctica habitual renunciar a algo. Cuando nos concentramos solo en rendirnos, eventualmente crea frustración, y siempre hay espacio para que el viejo hábito nos obsesione nuevamente, cuando esta temporada termine. Por lo tanto, no es suficiente renunciar a algunos malos hábitos, pero es igualmente importante reemplazarlos con buenos hábitos. Como he mencionado en una de mis columnas anteriores, soy de la orden religiosa, **Orden de Imitación de Cristo (OIC)**. Recomiendo encarecidamente que conviertan en un hábito leer *La imitación de Cristo* de Thomas à Kempis. *Ayuda a concentrarse más en la vida interior y a retirarse del mundo. Entonces, que esta Cuaresma no sea solo otra Cuaresma, sino el comienzo de una nueva vida con buenos hábitos de por vida que hacen a Jesús el centro de nuestras vidas. Algunas actividades de Cuaresma para lograr esto se pueden encontrar en el boletín. Esperamos que sean útiles para ustedes.*

Les deseo a todos una cuaresma bendecida y fructífera, que los acerque más a Dios.

P. Shibi Pappan



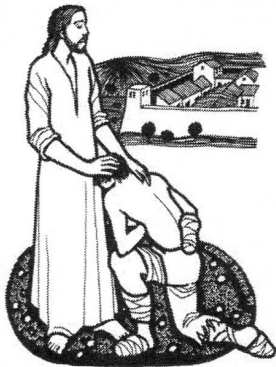
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## CUARESMA 2021

Domingo		Lunes		Martes		Miércoles		Jueves		Viernes		Sábado	
"La Cuaresma son los cuarenta días del año litúrgico que comienzan el Miércoles de Ceniza y terminan con la celebración de los tres días ("triduum") del Misterio Pascual o Pascua Florida. La Cuaresma es el periodo de penitencia más importante del año litúrgico de la Iglesia, éste representa los cuarenta días que pasó Jesús en el desierto en ayuno y penitencia" ( <i>Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica</i> ).													
21	Después de misa decida qué cosas debe apartar de su vida para sentir realmente la experiencia de Jesús en la Cuaresma.	22	Escoja un santo para aprender de su vida e imitar. Pídale su protección y ayuda especial.	23	Coloque una cruz, un crucifijo u otra imagen de Jesucristo en todos los cuartos de su casa para que lo ayude a concentrarse.	24	Propóngase hoy decir sólo cosas positivas de usted mismo.	25	Rece con mayor intensidad y piense en el sentido real de las oraciones que dice.	26	Saque cuenta de cuánto ahorró hoy al no comer carne y déle ese dinero a los pobres.	27	Llamen a la organización Catholic Charities (703-549-1390, www.catholiccharitiesusa.org) para ver cómo pueden ayudar.
28	Tome una idea de la lectura del Evangelio de hoy o de la homilía y llévela a cabo durante la semana que entra.	1	<b>Marzo</b> Haga un esfuerzo conciente para ver a su prójimo con cariño.	2	Pídale a Jesucristo que le sane lo que lo separa a usted de sentir el abudante amor de Dios.	3	Sólo por hoy, prívase de algo que le gusta como ofrenda adicional de Cuaresma.	4	Lea los Diez Mandamientos (Éxodo 20:1-17) y renueve sus votos de cumplirlos.	5	Rece por aquellas personas en el mundo que no pueden tener carne como parte normal de sus dietas.	6	Adopta un hogar de ancianos local. Haga tarjetas para los residentes y ofrezca oraciones por cada uno de ellos.
7	Que la intención de su misa de hoy sea por alguien que haya fallecido recientemente o que necesite ayuda.	8	Comience refrescado su camino de Cuaresma hoy. Renueve su observancia de Cuaresma.	9	Al terminar el día haga un examen de conciencia. Propóngase corregir sus fallas.	10	Propóngase pasar el día entero sin juzgar ni criticar a nadie.	11	Intente hallar el tiempo para leer un Evangelio completo en una sentada.	12	Perdone a alguien que le haya hecho daño.	13	Asista a un servicio de reconciliación de su parroquia, si se siente seguro, o vaya a la confesión por su cuenta.
14	<i>Domingo Laetare</i> Celebre la mitad de la Cuaresma. Diviértase después de misa.	15	Haga una lista de las maneras en que puede hacer más sencillo su estilo de vida para darle más cabida a Dios.	16	Coma hoy pan ácimo o "pretzels" para recordar que los católicos ayunaban sin leche, mantequilla, huevos, queso, cremas ni carnes.	17	<i>Día de San Patricio</i> San Patricio evangelizó Irlanda. En su honor, explore maneras de apoyar su parroquia el programa de educación religioso.	18	Busque a alguien que necesite atención o cariño y satisfaga esa carencia.	19	Coma una comida sin carne y recuerde por qué se abstiene.	20	Busque hoy evidencias de Dios en su vida.
21	Rece un Rosario más hoy y todos los días de esta semana.	22	Levántese 15 minutos más temprano a partir de hoy y use ese tiempo para la oración.	23	Reconozca a quien pueda estar interfiriendo en su relación con Dios. Propóngase tomar medidas.	24	Sólo, en un cuarto cerrado, rece en secreto a su Padre.	25	Rece hoy por alguien que no le agrada.	26	Pídale hoy a Dios la gracia nueva que lo acercará más a Él.	27	Realice algún servicio para su parroquia. Pregunte en la casa parroquial cómo puede ayudar.
28	<i>Domingo de Ramos</i> Coloque ramos de palma alrededor de las imágenes de Jesucristo en su casa. Déle la bienvenida al Mesías en su corazón.	29	Recite la Profesión de la fe o el Santo Credo todos los días de esta semana.	30	Salga a dar un paseo y busque señales de la vida que se renueva.	31	Intente hallar una explicación razonable a alguna ofensa que vea y deje que Dios sea el último juez.	1	<b>Abril</b> Busque a alguien pobre o desamparado y comparta su comida.	2	<i>Viernes Santo</i> Rece y medite en las Estaciones del Via Crucis. Intente imaginar en cada escena.	3	<i>Sábado Santo</i> Piense de qué manera puede haber usted traicionado a Jesucristo hoy. Pídale su perdón.



# COMUNIDAD HISPANA



A veces me he preguntado acaso: “después de lo que he hecho, ¿quién me podrá perdonar?” Acaso en medio de la desesperación he pensado que para mí “ya no hay salida”, que “ya no merezco el perdón”. Entonces, porque pensaba que luego de mi pecado ya no había retorno posible, no hice sino seguir hundiéndome en mi pecado pensando: “si para mí ya no hay perdón, si ya no hay vuelta atrás, ¿qué más da si sigo en lo mismo?”

¡Sin embargo, Dios siempre está esperándonos para darnos una nueva oportunidad! ¿Qué tenemos que hacer? Volvamos a la experiencia del salmista: «Había pecado, lo reconocí, no te encubrí mi delito; propuse: “confesaré al Señor mi culpa”, y tú perdonaste mi culpa y mi pecado» (Sal 31[32], 5). Sí, el Señor es capaz también de limpiar de la lepra de su pecado a quien reconociendo su miseria se arrodilla humilde ante Él y le pide perdón. Él te limpia de verdad, hasta lo más profundo, *borra en ti toda culpa, crea en ti un corazón puro y te renueva interiormente* (ver Sal 50, 11-12; Ez 36, 25-26). Su perdón siempre nos da la posibilidad de empezar de nuevo, y su amor siempre es más grande que el más grande de tus pecados. Con su perdón el Señor traerá nuevamente la paz, el gozo y la alegría a tu corazón si humilde y arrepentido te acercas al confesionario, donde Él te espera en su sacerdote. Allí, cuando tú al confesar tus pecados le supliques al Señor: “¡si quieres, puedes limpiarme!”, Él, profundamente conmovido y compadecido ante tu sufrimiento y miseria, “tocará” tu herido corazón con su amor y con su gracia y te dirá: “quiero, ¡queda limpio! ¡Yo te absuelvo de tus pecados! ¡Anda, y procura no pecar más!”

## Próximos eventos en nuestra parroquia:

**Febrero 17 — Miércoles de Ceniza**  
 imposición de cenizas 4:00pm (ingles)  
 Santa Misa 5:00pm (español)  
 Imposición de cenizas 7:00pm (español)

**Febrero 18 — Misa a la Divina Misericordia**  
 Empezaremos a las 6:30pm con el Santo Rosario

**Marzo 4 — Misa del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús**  
 Empezaremos a las 6:30pm con el Santo Rosario

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

**Marzo 28 — Domingo de Ramos**

## **MISA DOMINGOS**

**5:00pm. Invita un amigo,**

**un familiar, un vecino.**

**Dios te**

**recompensará!**

**PARA**

**BAUTIZOS**

***Por favor comuníquese con la rectoría, teléfono y horario están en la primera pagina***

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

***Si es eligible para recibir la vacuna del Covid-19 por favor entre al siguiente sitio de web para hacer su cita:***

[NassauCountyNY.Gov/Vaccine](https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/vaccine)

## **SERVIMOS A DIOS**

**PASTOR:** Rev. Shibi Pappan  
**PASTOR ASOCIADO:** Rev. Miguel Rivera  
**DIACONADO:** Mario y Dora Gómez  
 José y Judith Contreras.



**Febrero 18 — Misa a la Divina Misericordia**

**Empezaremos a las 6:30pm con el Santo Rosario**



Diario de sor Faustina: página :125 # 186 - 187 :

Hija mía: Deseo que conozcas más profundamente el amor que arde en Mi corazón por las almas y tú comprenderás esto cuando medites mi pasión. Apela a Mi misericordia para los pecadores, deseo su salvación. Cuando reces esta oración con corazón contrito y con fe por algún pecador, le concederé la gracia de la conversión. Esta oración es la siguiente: OH SANGRE Y AGUA QUE BROTASTE DEL CORAZÓN DE JESÚS COMO UNA FUENTE DE MISERICORDIA PARA NOSOTROS EN TI CONFÍO