



# FAITH AND THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

## OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2025

### MASSES

**Monday, February 17,**

7:30am Intentions of Maryann Dengel  
 12:10pm † Helen J. Razzano

**Tuesday, February 18**

7:30am † Gino Nicolino  
 12:10pm † Helen J. Razzano  
 7:00pm Night of Inner Healing

**Wednesday, February 19**

7:30am † Msgr. Charles W. Swiger  
 12:10pm † Jonathan Goetz  
 7:00pm † Maria del Carmen Torres

**Thursday, February 20**

7:30am † Harry Nicolino  
 12:10pm † St. Michael

**Friday, February 21**

7:30am † Margaret Rano  
 12:10pm † Eugene Weston

**Saturday, February 22, The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle**

9:00am † Purgatorial Society  
 5:00pm Intentions of Saint Sharbel  
 7:00pm † Manuel Zaruma

**Sunday, February 23, SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:00am Intentions of Bishop John O. Barres  
 8:00am † María Luz and Sonia Rosales  
 9:30am † Socorro and † Diego Martinez  
 11:30am † Steven Estrada; † Rosa Abreu; † Lorraine Avitabile;  
 † Martha De Salvo; & † Agustin Gonzalez  
 1:30pm † Melida Labour  
 5:00pm Parishioners of Our Holy Redeemer/ Freeport;  
 Priest's Intention; † Roselle Eugene; & † St. Michael

**READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2025**  
**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading  
**1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23**

Responsorial Psalm  
**Psalm 10**

2nd Reading  
**1 Corinthians 15:45-49**

Gospel  
**Saint Luke 6:27-38**

### MONTHLY ANOINTING OF THE SICK



**EVERY FIRST SUNDAY**  
**At the end of the 5 PM Mass**

**FAITH AND HOLY MATRIMONY**  
**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**  
 NONE

**BREAD & WINE**

None Requested

**SANCTUARY CANDLES**

None Requested

† FOR HOLY MASS INTENTIONS, PLEASE VISIT THE RECTORY

**TABERNACLE FLOWERS**

None Requested

† *Para intenciones de Santa Misa, por favor, visite la rectoría*

Please remember the following individual(s) at the Altar of Our Holy Redeemer:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  Living  Deceased  
 OFFERING:  Bread & Wine (\$40.00)  Sanctuary Candles (\$33.00)  Tabernacle Flowers: \$60.00 (\$30.00 Each)  
 WEEK OF DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 AMOUNT SUBMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_  Cash  Check #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 OFFERED BY: (NAME): \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_



# + FAITH AND PRAYER +



Please continue to say your prayers for the following members of our Armed Forces:

**Sgt. Benjamin Bonifacio, Cody Bonora, William J. Busch, Colin Byrne, Melissa Castillo, Lt. Frank Chavez, Anthony Costante, Sgt. Joseph Courtien, Tyler Daly, Juan Diaz, Maureen Douglas, Gaven Doyle, Timothy Duffy, Ryan Dugan, Katelyn Ann Foster, RN, Joseph Gelling, Jr., Michael George Gonzalez, Jean Gurnwald, Susana Ladino, Corp. Gaelan Lynch, Sgt. Ramon Marrero, Lorraine Martin, PO 1st Class Matthew Martin, Pvt. Jack McKnight, John Mediate, Sgt. Kelvin O. Melara, Jose Molina, Jr., Airman 1st Class Jerome Miles, Cmdr. Colleen Minihan, Maj. Paul Minihan, Sargent William Mugno, CPO Floyd A. Rivera, Seaman Miguel Rodríguez, Raúl Rodríguez, Sgt. Sammy Rodríguez, Benjamin Rhodes, Edwin Sandoval, Doug Schambert, Paul Seiden, Luis Sic, Pvt. 1st Class Ashley Sumner, Sr. Airman Daniel C. Swensen, Lt. Col. David Talafuse, Lt. Col. John Talafuse, Maj. Thomas Talafuse, Corp. Daniel Vargas, Anthony Williams, Sgt. Maj. Lynroy Williams**

## Please Pray for



Jim Aleppo, Louis Algero, Gloria Arce, Mary Bailey, Anne Bouchereau, Daniel Arce, Gloria Arce, Kathleen Burnham, Stacy Calixto, Maureen Carl, Mark Chanson, Frank Conan, Elsie Diaz, Nancy Donahue, Paul Fitzgerald, Kathy & Doug Fitzsimons, Amelia de la Fuente, Gloria Giannuzzi, Yokasta Gonzalez, Xavier Gregg (child), Carla Griggs, Rosemarie (Artie) Grover, Dora Guerrero, Nora Guzman Pinos, Elliot Guzman, Anibal Guzman Jr., Clyde Hawley, Evelyn Hernandez, Jonathan Hernandez, Juan Hernandez, Michael Holian, Ed Kangeiser, Baby Braiden Lawrence Jeffers, Ed Kangesier, David King, Brian Liranzo, Jose Liranzo, Rafael Lopez, Tanya Milo, Linda Mcintosh, Maribel Melicio, Margaret Nadeau, Pat Nadeau, Clem Neville, Geraldine Neville, Mary Nugent, Lee Owens, Samson G Paul, Cathy Pomerico, Grant Purpura, Sara Ramirez, James Reilly, Eviana Rose, Peter Stoessel, Donald Suchan, Anna Taglieri, James Taylor, Angelo Termini, Charlie Termini, Marybeth Termini, Vinnie Termini, Ana Tineo, Billie Trouard, Brendan Turner, Eileen Turner, Sarah Turner, Julianne Valot, Elaine Verity, Bill Walsh, Mary Walsh, James Wehrum, Kasey White, Lillian Wickman, Hope Wilson Mann and family, Melissa Young, all our sick brothers and sisters.

Please call the Rectory if anyone is in serious need of prayers. The names will remain in our prayer list for four weeks.

**Thank you.**



Please Pray for Our Beloved Deceased:

**Henry Motz**



Please help Venerable Anthony Vincent Gallo join the ranks of the Canonized Saints

### *Pray for a Miracle*

for a suffering person through the intercession of the

### **Venerable Father Anthony Vincent Gallo**

*Diocesan Priest, Oblate of the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart*

Montforte Irpino, 11 January 1899 – 2 May 1934

For more information please visit: [www.fathergallo.com](http://www.fathergallo.com)

# FAITH AND EDUCATION

SCHOOL'S IN: DRIVE CAREFULLY (BOTH ON AND OFF THE ROAD)

## NEWS FROM THE DE LA SALLE SCHOOL (516) 379-8660

**The De La Salle School —Catholic Lasallian School for young men *Grades 5-8***

Yesterday, we celebrated Valentine's Day. Let us remember the truest love we know is God's love. There is no love like God's love. His love for us will never decrease or subside, and it will continue for all eternity. At all times, in all conditions, regardless of who we are or what we have done, God loves us. God's love inspires acts of kindness, compassion, and selflessness and that is what our school community sees and feels from the Our Holy Redeemer parish. As always thank you for showing us God's true love and for your loving support!

Our recruitment season for the 2025-2026 school year is underway. Once again, we would like to give the parishioners of Our Holy Redeemer the first opportunity to apply. Applications for admission to our fifth grade in September are available by contacting Mrs. Elder, Executive Director or Mrs. Becker, Principal at the school by phone 516-379-8660 or by stopping by the office between 7:30 AM and 3:45 PM on any school day (our entrance is by the flag pole in the parking lot). The De La Salle School is a Catholic Lasallian school for young men whose families would like the option of a Catholic school education but cannot afford the choice. Families are only asked to contribute \$80.00 per month. If you know of a young man entering fifth who is interested and would qualify for our school, please have them contact us for an application. There are also few seat in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades.

*Roxanna De Peña-Elder*

### ***OHR Religious Formation***



***Please pray for the Students in our Faith Formation Program who will be receiving their 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation/Confession during the month of February!***

***Joanne Stuhlinger, Coordinator***

# FAITH AND FINANCES

## OFFERTORY TOTALS



MASS	FIRST OFFERING FEB01/02, 2025	FIRST OFFERING JAN25/26, 2025	FIRST OFFERING JAN18/19,2025	FIRST OFFERING JAN11/12, 2025	CURRENT WEEK ENVELOPES	PRIOR WEEK ENVELOPES
Automated Giving	\$ 1,019.4	\$ 1,133.40	\$ 1,240.65	\$ 1,209.76	29	29
Prior to Sunday	\$ 798.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 1,260.00	\$ 1,215.00	20	14
5:00 pm	\$ 712.00	\$ 1,201.00	\$ 909.00	\$ 848.00	16	21
7:00 pm	\$ 1,264.00	\$ 1,283.00	\$ 1,377.00	\$ 1,293.00	16	7
7:00 am	\$ 1,209.00	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 1,120.00	\$ 995.00	20	20
8:00 am	\$ 1,738.00	\$ 1,334.00	\$ 1,468.00	\$ 1,837.00	11	8
9:30 am	\$ 1,343.00	\$ 1,526.00	\$ 1,188.00	\$ 1,540.00	29	30
11:30 am	\$ 1,786.00	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 1,103.00	\$ 1,583.00	30	37
1:30 pm	\$ 2,402.00	\$ 2,617.00	\$ 2,412.00	\$ 2,908.00	27	20
5:00 pm	\$ 1,276.00	\$ 793.00	\$ 668.00	\$ 885.00	22	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,547.40</b>	<b>\$13,557.40</b>	<b>\$12,745.65</b>	<b>\$14,313.76</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>200</b>

### 2024 Catholic Ministry Appeal (CMA) Results!

CMA Goal: \$84,800.00

Payments Received: \$42,123.00 (49.67% of Goal!)

Only \$42,693.00 or 50.33% to go

100% of every dollar raised is treated as **restricted**; to be used **ONLY**  
for:

Parish Outreach Programs; Respect Life; Vocations

If we reach our goal we will receive a rebate of up to 80% of the overage!!

### The 2025 Mass Book is now open.

2024 Year End Donation letters are now available if you need your letter please contact the rectory office.

Please be aware discrepancies may be caused by donations received after December 31<sup>st</sup> and recorded in the next year.

Thank you all for your pledges. We are starting to receive in payments. Please be aware: for checks the line "Pay to the Order of" line is **Our Holy Redeemer**. Put "Rebuilt My Church" on the envelope. Thank you!

## DEACON'S CORNER



It is very possible that we misread what Jesus says in this Gospel (*See Saint Luke 6:17, 20-26*). Why are the poor, the hungry, those who mourn, those who are persecuted blessed? It is not because they are poor, hungry, mourning and / or persecuted, it is because God is going to change their situation! They

will possess the Kingdom! Those that hunger will be filled, the weepers will laugh, the persecuted will be rewarded. The good news is the Kingdom of God will bring about a reversal, it is a kingdom where, as Jesus said, “the first will be last, and the last, first.”

*Deacon Cris*

## EL RINCÓN DEL DIÁCONO

Es muy posible que leamos mal lo que dice Jesús en este Evangelio (*Cf. San Lucas 6,17.20-26*). ¿Por qué son bienaventurados los pobres, los hambrientos, los que lloran, los perseguidos? No es porque sean pobres, hambrientos, lloren y/o sean perseguidos, ¡es porque Dios va a cambiar su situación! ¡Ellos poseerán el Reino! Los que tienen hambre serán saciados, los que lloran reirán, los perseguidos serán recompensados. La buena nueva es que el Reino de Dios traerá un cambio, es un reino donde, como dijo Jesús, “los primeros serán últimos, y los últimos, primeros”.

*Diácono Cris*



## **Ash Wednesday Marh 5, 2025 Schedule**

**7:30 AM Mass**

**10:00 AM (Spanish Liturgy of the Word)**

**12:10 PM Mass**

**5:00 PM (Liturgy of the Word)**

**6:00 PM (Liturgy of the Word)**

**7:00 PM Mass Spanish**



## Our Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church

REBUILD MY CHURCH  
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

RESTAURA MI IGLESIA  
CAMPAÑA CAPITAL ACTUALIZAR

*Thank you to the 308 Families who have pledged to the  
Capital Campaign Fund!*

Because of your generosity, we will be able to do the church interior and school air conditioning, windows and doors.

If you have not pledged yet, you still have time to do so. There is no pledge that is too small, every pledge counts. Please remember it is not about the amount you give but the sacrifice that you make.

*Gracias a la 308 Familias que se han comprometido al  
Fondo de la Campana Capital!*

Gracias a su generosidad, podremos hacer el interior de la iglesia y el aire acondicionado de la escuela, ventanas y puertas.

Si aún no te has comprometido, todavía estás a tiempo de hacerlo. No hay promesa que sea demasiado pequeña, cada promesa cuenta. Por favor, recuerde que no se trata de la cantidad que da, sino del sacrificio que hace.

Thank you for your prayers and support!

¡Gracias por sus oraciones y apoyo!

Fr. Christopher Nowak

Pastor

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February 1, 2025

## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners: Our Holy Redeemer Parish has paid positions that we need to fill. Starting salary \$16.50 per hour. All serious candidates please leave your name and number at the rectory office.

### **Receptionist position:**

**Hours:** Monday & Tuesday – 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (with an hour off for lunch)

**Reports to:** Pastor and Pastoral Business Manager

**Summary of Position:** You are the first point of contact for people entering the rectory. People come for a Mass card or other sacramental information. In addition, you will be asked to assist in data entry, on the computer or in the sacramental records as needed. Handwriting and computer skills as well as organization and attention to details are necessary.

### **Essential Responsibilities:**

- Address the needs of
  - People who come to the front door.
  - People who call.
- Relay messages.
- Prepare funeral intakes.
- Mass Intention Arrangements
- Prepare Sacramental Certificates

### **Administrative Assistant: (one person could do both jobs)**

**Hours:** 4 hours a week preferably from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

**Reports to:** Pastor and Pastoral Associate

**Summary of Position:** You are a point of contact for people. You will be asked to assist in data entry, on the computer or in the sacramental records as needed. Handwriting and computer skills as well as organization and attention to details are necessary. Should be able to read, write and speak English (speak Spanish a plus).

### **Essential Responsibilities:**

- Prepare Sacramental Certificates
- Record sacraments: including but not limited to:
  - FHC, Confirmation of RCIA
  - Baptisms, Marriages
  - Update death register



## Pastor's Message

**As a Lenten Practice we are going to pray Lectio Divina:**

### **How To Do Lectio Divina (Praying With Sacred Scripture)**

Prayer is a necessity for living an authentic Christian life. In fact, prayer is not only essential—it is also our primary means of communicating with God. Of all the Church's treasures, there is nothing richer and more varied than its prayer, both communally and in the individual lives of its members.

Our greatest teacher is Jesus Christ, and He is the One to whom we must go to learn how to pray. The disciples knew this: "[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and when he ceased, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray...'" (Luke 11:1). The Gospels reveal to us the intimate conversation between Jesus and the Father, and we learn how to pray by imitating the profound communion between them.

Sacred tradition teaches us that the prayer of a committed and persevering Christian ascends to higher levels in three main stages. In the Western Catholic tradition, these three stages are called **vocal prayer**, **mental prayer**, and **contemplative prayer**. In the Eastern Catholic tradition, these stages are called **bodily prayer**, **prayer of the mind**, and **prayer of the heart**.

*As prayer moves through these three stages it becomes more simple, perfect, and intimate, deepening from recited words to ineffable affections of the heart.*

Vocal prayer consists of words recited aloud or silently. Mental prayer, also known as meditation, is silent prayer offered without words—in it, our minds transcend human language to meditate on the eternal truths behind the words of various prayers. Finally, the third stage of prayer, contemplation, is that "prayer of the heart" in which "words and thoughts diminish as we enter into a loving, contemplative gaze of the Holy Trinity who dwells within us."

Keep in mind that there is not "one right way" to pray. Each of us has a unique relationship with God, and prayer is the way we relate to Him. Each person prays uniquely. Still, there are universal aspects to prayer.

Ultimately, prayer is a gift. Without the grace of the Holy Spirit, we could not even begin to pray. And when we pray consistently, we begin to learn that we do not always pray in the way we should, or for the right things, which is why we need

God's help: "Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words" (Romans 8:26).

In the consoling words of Pope Benedict XVI, we see how Our Lord gives us the gift of prayer: **In prayer we experience, more so than in other dimensions of life, our weakness, our poverty, our creatureliness, because we stand before the omnipotence and the transcendence of God. And the more we progress in listening and in dialogue with God, for prayer becomes the daily breath of our soul, the more we perceive the meaning of our limits, not just before the concrete situations of every day, but in our relationship with the Lord, too.**

Pope Benedict XVI, in *A School of Prayer* The Church encourages various wonderful ways in which to pray. One very special method was first introduced by the Church Fathers. This holy reading, meditating, and praying with scripture is called *lectio divina*, or "divine reading."

**What is Lectio Divina?** Pope Benedict XVI referred to the ancient tradition of *lectio divina* as a "prayerful listening to the Word of God."

It is from this prayerful reading of Sacred Scripture, especially, that the Church has developed and taught its holy doctrines through the millennia. If we consider the ultimate prayer of the Church—the Holy Mass, which is the source and summit of our life in Christ—we can more easily understand how the reading of Scripture and the sacraments are fused in the prayerful liturgy.

**The liturgy of the Word and liturgy of the Eucharist together form "one single act of worship"; the Eucharistic table set for us is the table both of the Word of God and of the Body of the Lord. *Catechism of the Catholic Church* 1346**

We can see how the prayerful reading of Sacred Scripture has always fueled the spiritual life of the Church. This is the basis of *lectio divina*.

***Lectio divina* is a great river that carries all the riches accumulated over the course of Church history by the fervent readers of God's Word. *Lectio divina* is never solely our own reading. It feeds on the interpretation of those who have preceded us ... if we persevere in *lectio divina* and silent listening to what the Spirit is saying to the Churches, our effort will be rewarded by unheard-of jewels and riches.**

**What use to spend your time in reading or listening to the deeds of the Holy Fathers, unless we bite and chew on them through meditation, and draw out somewhat and swallow it and send it to the heart, so that we may find, and**

by this understand our own faults, and after such knowing that we set ourselves to work that we may attain those virtues that were in them? If you will have your meditation richly rewarded you must pray with devotion, through which you may win to the sweetness of contemplation. Through this then you may understand that reading without meditation is idle, meditation without prayer is without effect, but prayer with devotion wins contemplation. Thus, should we climb by this ladder from degree to degree, from stair to stair, and from virtue to virtue, until we see the God of gods in Sion, that is, in the bliss of heaven.

**The Four Steps of Lectio Divina** The USCCB has provided a helpful summary on how to pray with Scripture using this four-step method of *lectio divina*, which we will quote here:

1. **Read** *The first element of this type of prayer is **reading** (lectio): you take a short passage from the Bible, preferably a Gospel passage and read it carefully, perhaps three or more times. Let it really soak in.*

2. **Meditate** *The second element is **meditation** (meditatio). By using your imagination enter into the Biblical scene in order to "see" the setting, the people, and the unfolding action. It is through this meditation that you encounter the text and discover its meaning for your life.*

3. **Pray** *The next element is **prayer** (oratio) or your personal response to the text: asking for graces, offering praise or thanksgiving, seeking healing or forgiveness. In this prayerful engagement with the text, you open yourself up to the possibility of contemplation.*

4. **Contemplate** *(contemplatio) is a gaze turned toward Christ and the things of God. By God's action of grace, you may be raised above meditation to a state of seeing or experiencing the text as mystery and reality. In contemplation, you come into experiential contact with the One behind and beyond the text.*

### **The Fruit of Praying with Scripture**

King David said to the Lord, "I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you" (*Psalm 119:11*).

As Christians, we must also treasure the Word of God in our hearts. In order to live in a way that is pleasing to Our Lord, and to gain the graces He wants to give us through meditating on His Eternal Word, which formed our very being, St. Paul admonished us to, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly" (*Colossians 3:16*).

**Holy Scripture is the Word of God addressed to every human being. Therefore, it is relevant in every time and every place.**

# Purgatorial Society Remembrances February 2025

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**Jack (John J.) Weston**

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**Patrick Keegan**  
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**William R. Suchan**

**Each month all names submitted and received in time will be prayed for at Mass. In addition, the names will be proclaimed on the last 9am Saturday Mass of the month.**

**All names received by February 24, 2025, will be enrolled for March 2025.**

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Isaiah 40:1**

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*- Henri Nouwen*

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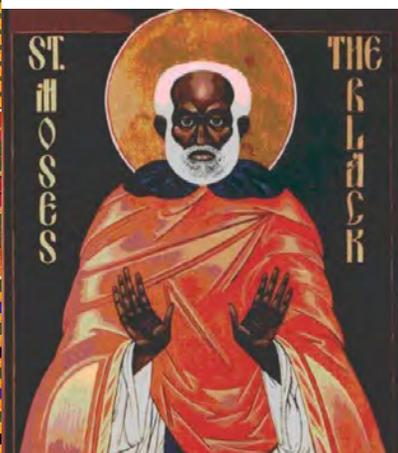
## Diocese of Rockville Centre Eucharistic Pilgrimage

*During those days, Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to the town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.*

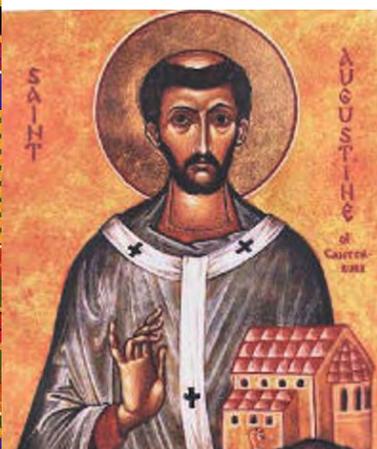
Luke 1: 39-40

Beginning on May 31, 2025, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, two nine-day Eucharistic Pilgrimages will embark across Long Island, both culminating at St. Anthony's High School on Sunday June 8, 2025, for the celebration of our local Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. The Western Route will journey from St. Agnes Cathedral (Rockville Centre) through Nassau County, while the Eastern Route will journey from the Parish of Saint Therese of Lisieux (Montauk) through Suffolk County.

The Holy Eucharist will be carried in procession across the Diocese through many of our towns, schools, hospitals, cemeteries, and parishes. During this pilgrimage, there will be opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration, the celebration of Mass, Eucharistic Catechesis, Praise and Worship, public processions, and other Eucharistic celebrations. The People of God will be invited to walk with Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist, pray in the pilgrim churches, and proclaim the Gospel to bystanders as Jesus passes through their towns.



Saint Moses the Black



Saint Augustine of Hippo



Saint Martin de Porres

# Meeting of Catholics of African Descent

At  
Our Holy Redeemer

Date: February 16th

at 10:30am

Location: Lower Church

*All are welcomed!!*



Saint Josephine Bakhita

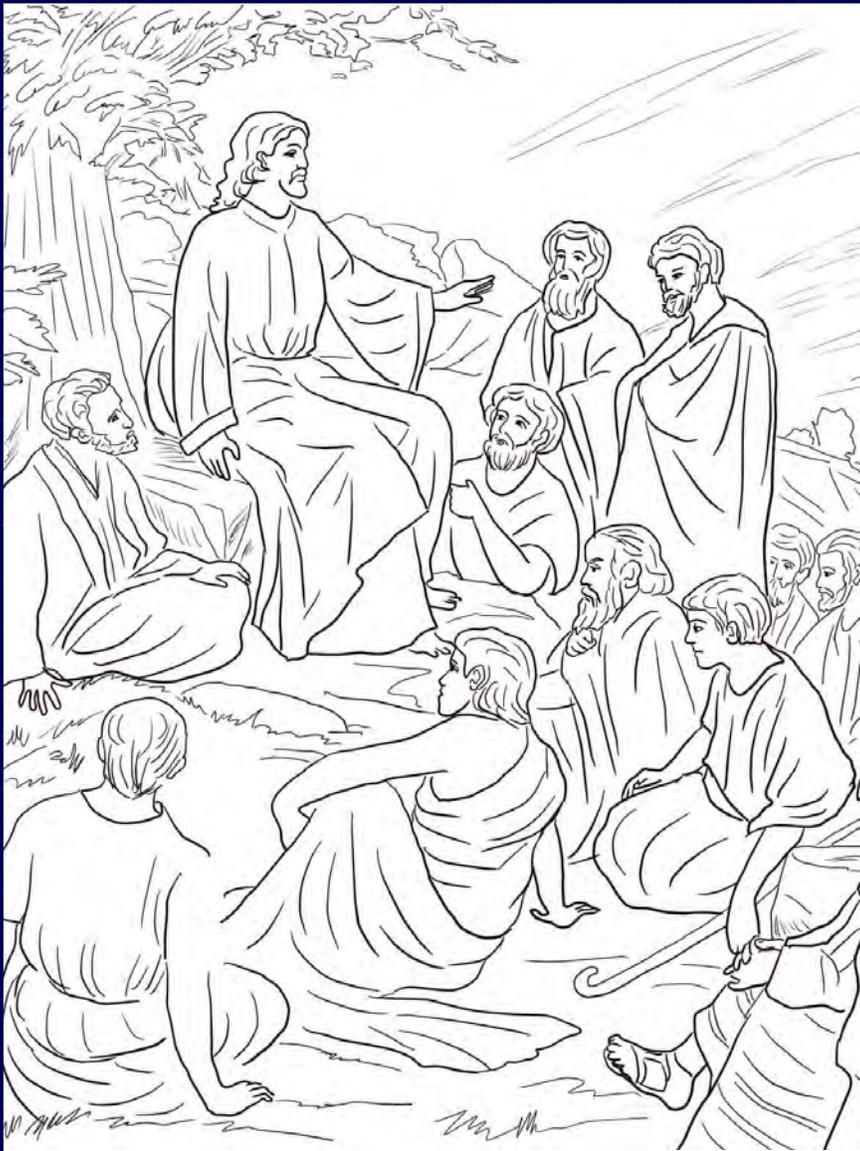


Blessed Victorie Rasoamanarivo



Saint Pierre Toussaint

# BLESSED ARE YOU



Jesus came down with the twelve and stood on a stretch of level ground with a great crowd of his disciples and a large number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon. And raising His eyes toward His disciples He said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in Heaven."

Saint Luke VI: 17, 20-23

**Directions:** Find the words below from today's Scripture reading in the puzzle. Words can go horizontally, vertically, and diagonally in all directions (as shown).

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| ANCESTORS | NUMBER           |
| BEHOLD    | PEOPLE           |
| BLESSED   | POOR             |
| CROWD     | PROPHETS         |
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| DISCIPLES | REJOICE          |
| EXCLUDE   | REWARD           |
| GREAT     | SATISFIED        |
| HEAVEN    | <del>STOOD</del> |
| HUNGRY    | STRETCH          |
| JESUS     | TOWARD           |
| KINGDOM   | TREATED          |
| LARGE     | TWELVE           |
| LAUGH     | WEeping          |

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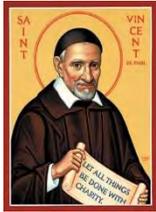


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**Ultreya**

Nos reunimos todos los miércoles a las 7:30 de la noche en el sótano de la Escuela. Para más información comuníquese con nuestra vocal: Blanca Peralta al 516-1325-3487.

**Lecturas para el 16 de Febrero de 2025  
Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

**Primera Lectura: 1 Samuel 26, 2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23**

**Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 102**

**Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 15:45-49**

**Evangelio: San Lucas 6, 27-38**

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