



# LECTIO DIVINA

*OUR HOLY REDEEMER, R.C. CHURCH—FEBRUARY 23, 2025*



### Holy Hour

Every last Sunday of the Month at 8:00 PM in church

# OUR HOLY REDEEMER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

ONE PARISH, ONE FAMILY, ONE BODY, ONE CHURCH

✠ A PERPETUAL ADORATION PARISH ✠

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### The Most Holy Rosary

Every Saturday at 8:30 AM and Every Third Friday at 7:30 PM



### PASTOR

Rev. Christopher Nowak  
P Christopher Nowak = Facebook  
crisosa@aol.com = e mail

### ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev. Carlos Mario Urrego  
Rev. Thomas Acheampong

Rev. Frank Addey  
Chaplain: NUMC  
in Residence

### DEACONS

Deacon Bruce Burnham  
Deacon Cristobal Sanchez



### BUSINESS OFFICE

Miss Kathleen Weston  
Pastoral Business Associate

### MUSIC MINISTRY

Mr. Petkov, Director

### FAITH FORMATION

Mrs. Stuhlinger, Coordinator  
Mr. Braulio Cacao,  
Associate Coordinator  
(516) 546-1057

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Mr. Cacao, Coordinator  
(516) 546-1057

### HUMAN SERVICES / THRIFT SHOP

Mrs. Sullivan, Director  
(516) 868-8289

Mon Tue Thurs 10AM-1:30PM  
Sat. 11AM-3PM



## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Sunday	Weekday
9:00 AM 5:00 PM 7:00 PM (Sp.)	7:00 AM ✠ 8:00 AM (Sp.) 9:30 AM ✠ 11:30 AM 1:30 PM (Sp.) ✠ 5:00 PM	Monday – Friday: 7:30 AM ✠ 12:10 PM Wed.: 7:00 PM (Sp.) First Fri.: 7:00 PM (Sp.)

**Sundays in Summer:** Mass on the Waterfront at 10:00 AM

### BAPTISM

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month at 3:00 PM

### CONFESSION/PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM  
Wednesday: 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM  
Friday: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM or by appointment.

### MATRIMONY

Marriages MUST be arranged at least six months in advance.  
Please call one of our Priests at the Rectory to make an appointment.

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### PARISH TRUSTEES

Miss Jane Dengel  
Mr. Manolo Rodriguez

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON  
Mr. Charles Shields III



### DEVOTIONS

*Divine Mercy Chaplet*  
Every Friday after the 12:10 PM Mass  
*Miraculous Medal Novena*  
Every Saturday after the 9:00 AM Mass



### SOCIETIES

*Legion of Mary*  
Sheila Walsh  
(516) 379-9028  
*Nocturnal Adoration Society*  
Jane Dengel  
(516) 379-2331



### ORGANIZATIONS

*Catholic Daughters of the Americas*  
Theresa Duran, Regent  
(516) 298-2672  
*Emmaus Group*  
Anamaria Amezcua  
(516) 816-0422  
Edwin Gil  
(347) 965-8371  
*Knights of Columbus*  
Lincoln McLean, Grand Knight  
(516) 448-4446  
*Society of St. Vincent de Paul*  
Reynaldo F. Marine, President  
(516) 378-0665

### Rosary Makers

Diana Maza  
(516) 581-7103

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday  
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
1:00 PM to 5:00 PM  
(516) 378-0665

February 23, 2025, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



# FAITH AND THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

## OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025

### MASSES

**Monday, February 24,**

7:30am Intentions of Savannah Rodriguez  
 12:10pm Intentions of Paul Weston

**Tuesday, February 25**

7:30am † Diego Martinez  
 12:10pm Intentions of Father Douglas R. Arcoleo

**Wednesday, February 26**

7:30am † Eileen Fernandes  
 12:10pm † Robert T. Allocca  
 7:00pm Intentions of Bishop Romero

**Thursday, February 27**

7:30am Intentions of Hazel E. Kelly  
 12:10pm † Albert Nicolino

**Friday, February 28**

7:30am Intentions of Father Carlos Urrego  
 12:10pm † Antonio Scalamandre  
 7:00pm Misa de Jovenes (Span)

**First Saturday, March 1**

9:00am † Joseph O'Connor & † Jeanne McCormack  
 5:00pm † Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas  
 7:00pm † Jeronimo Rodriguez; Intentions of Rosa E. Vizñhay;  
 † Agustin Gonzalez

**Sunday, March 2, EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:00am Parishioners of Our Holy Redeemer/ Freeport  
 8:00am Intentions of Pope Francis  
 9:30am † Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus  
 11:30am † President James E. Carter  
 1:30pm † Jorge Miranda  
 5:00pm Priest's Intention

**READINGS FOR MARCH 2, 2025**  
**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading  
**Sirach 27:4-7**

Responsorial Psalm  
**Psalm 92**

2nd Reading  
**1 Corinthians 15:54-58**

Gospel  
**Saint Luke 6:39-45**

### 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 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***

Last week educators and students were on vacation for Mid-Winter recess. It was a time to clear our minds about tasks or goals coming up, to feel more energetic physically, to increase productivity with a refreshed mindset, and to help achieve a more emotional balance so as to feel more grounded, less stressed, and more positive about approaching the remainder of the school year.

More importantly for Catholic educators and students it was an opportunity to understand that God renews our strength. Knowing that it is divine support that helps us carry on, especially when we feel worn out or overwhelmed. A sense of peace in knowing that we are not relying solely on our own strength, but that God's power is sustaining us through the highs and lows. We ask our Lord, to help us to not be weary in doing our best work and help us to remember that he is the reward of those who seek him diligently. We thank him for the gift of renewed strength, for lifting us up when we feel weary and empowering us to face the day with fresh energy and hope. May we always remember that our true strength comes from God.

The De La Salle School's recruitment season for the 2025-2026 school year is underway. 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. 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.

*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 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)



## DEACON'S CORNER



The alleluia (*Jn 13:34*) beautifully introduces the gospel reading (*Lk 6:27-38*). I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: “love one another as I have loved you.” “Hear what I say” Jesus says to the disciples. Every Christian has heard. Every Christian knows that Jesus concisely tells us to love one another and to react to hate or injustice with love. Jesus knows that this is difficult. He sets an extremely high standard to be a disciple, a Christian. We are instructed not merely to do or love what is natural for us, but rather, to fight against our often-reflexive human tendencies, e.g., to fight back (even vengefully); to be selfish and proud; to hate those

who hate us; to hate even those who do not hate us. Jesus reminds us that “even sinners love those who love them.” This gospel is not a puzzle. It is an instruction on Christian living. If we follow it, Jesus tells us, “Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, for he Himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful just as your Father is merciful.”

Give your love and mercy to others; you will be repaid “measure for measure.” Be sure that your measure is “packed together, shaken down, overflowing,” and we humans may survive in peace, harmony, and love for one another as God intends. It will certainly take effort. Pray for the strength to follow Jesus’ way.

*Deacon Bruce*

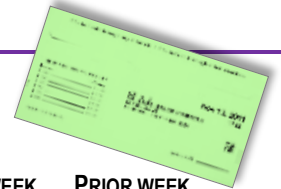
## EL RINCÓN DEL DIÁCONO

“El aleluya (*Juan 13, 34*) introduce bellamente la lectura del evangelio (*Lucas 6,27-38*). Les doy este mandamiento nuevo, dice el Señor: «Que se amen unos a los otros como yo los he amado». «Escuchen lo que les digo», dice Jesús a sus discípulos. Todo cristiano ha oído. Todo cristiano sabe que Jesús nos dice concisamente que nos amemos los unos a los otros y que reaccionemos con amor ante el odio o la injusticia. Jesús sabe que esto es difícil. Establece un estándar extremadamente alto para ser un discípulo, un cristiano. Se nos instruye no sólo a hacer o amar lo que es natural para nosotros, sino más bien a luchar contra nuestras tendencias humanas a menudo reflexivas, por ejemplo, a contraatacar (incluso vengativamente); a ser egoístas y orgullosos; a odiar a quienes nos odian; a odiar incluso a quienes no nos odian. Jesús nos recuerda que «también los pecadores aman a quienes los aman». Este evangelio no es un rompecabezas. Es una instrucción sobre la vida cristiana. Si lo hacemos, Jesús nos dice: “Así tendrán un gran premio y serán hijos del Altísimo, porque él es bueno hasta con los malos y los ingratos. Sean misericordiosos como su Padre es misericordioso”. Den su amor y su misericordia a los demás; seréis recompensados “medida por medida”. Asegúrense de que su medida sea “una buena medida, bien sacudida, apretada y rebosante”, y los seres humanos podremos sobrevivir en paz, armonía y amor mutuo como Dios quiere. Sin duda, será necesario un esfuerzo. Oremos por la fuerza para seguir el camino de Jesús.

*Diácono Bruce*

# FAITH AND FINANCES

## OFFERTORY TOTALS



MASS	FIRST OFFERING FEB08/09, 2025	FIRST OFFERING FEB01/02, 2025	FIRST OFFERING JAN25/26, 2025	FIRST OFFERING JAN18/19,2025	CURRENT WEEK ENVELOPES	PRIOR WEEK ENVELOPES
Automated Giving	\$ 1,076.90	\$ 1,019.40	\$ 1,133.40	\$ 1,240.65	28	29
Prior to Sunday	\$ 455.00	\$ 798.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 1,260.00	10	20
5:00 pm	\$ 1,291.00	\$ 712.00	\$ 1,201.00	\$ 909.00	25	16
7:00 pm	\$ 1,189.00	\$ 1,264.00	\$ 1,283.00	\$ 1,377.00	14	16
7:00 am	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,209.00	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 1,120.00	7	20
8:00 am	\$ 727.00	\$ 1,738.00	\$ 1,334.00	\$ 1,468.00	5	11
9:30 am	\$ 691.00	\$ 1,343.00	\$ 1,526.00	\$ 1,188.00	14	29
11:30 am	\$ 831.00	\$ 1,786.00	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 1,103.00	18	30
1:30 pm	\$ 2,717.00	\$ 2,402.00	\$ 2,617.00	\$ 2,412.00	36	27
5:00 pm	\$ 639.00	\$ 1,276.00	\$ 793.00	\$ 668.00	15	22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,116.90</b>	<b>\$13,547.40</b>	<b>\$13,557.40</b>	<b>\$12,745.65</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>220</b>

### 2025 Catholic Ministry Appeal (CMA) Results!

CMA Goal: \$84,800.00

Please consider making a gift this year.

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!



## **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**



Rafael and Neli Abreu	Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Margaret Carbone	Morris and Veronica Ezumah
Felicia Lora Acousta	Aracelis Casilles	Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Janice Falco
Maria Adames	Sr. and Sra. Felix Castillo and Ana Espinosa	Regina Feeney
Mrs. Chona Alasaas	Belinda Coello	Mr. and Ms. Cristobal Fernandez and Reina Iglesias
Mr. and Mrs. Fidel and Leticia Alfaro	Adriana Collado	Nadafall Fernandez and Cathy Jiminez
Mrs. Jeanne Allocca	Felix and Hilda Collado	Alfonso Ferrara
William and Anamaria Amezquita	Maresa and Marisa Collado	Rev. Richard M. Figliozzi
Anonymous (21)	Luis and Cristina Cordero	Mr. and Mrs. James and Heide Fitzgerald
Juan and Griselda Aracena	Filomena Colon	Ms. Mary Ellen Flaherty
Oscar and Briget Arieta	Bolivar Crespu	Mr. and Ms. Teofilo Flores and Teresa Iglesias
Carlos Asitimbay and Mariana Marca	Mr. and Mrs. Freddy and Emilia Cruz	Vignette Frances Martin
Christian and Cesarina Awe	Victor Cruz	Lavonia Fricano
Mrs. Anna Baciуска	Mr. Roberto Cubias	Gala Foods
Sra. Maria A Baez	Mathew and Eliabeth Cuddy	Game 7 Sports
Ms. Angela Barillas	Silvestre and Charito Cumento	Rafael Garcia
Angel and Maria Barrera	Ms. Elizabeth Daly	Rene and Clara Garcia
Mr. and Ms. Norberto Batista and Ana Almonte	Mrs. Amelia De La Fuente	Sr. and Sra. Leo Garcia and Masiel Jimenez
Mrs. Erika Baumgartner	Mr. and Mrs. Guillermo S. DeLeon and Rosa A. Calderon DeLeon	Sr. and Sra. Jairo Garcia and Maria Rivas
Mrs. Gale Anne Bellini	Ms. Gloria Di Brizzi	Rafael Genao
Jose Berganza	Eleno Diaz and Irma Avalos	William and Cathleen Gerry
Ms. Catherine S. Blaney	Richard Difalco	Edwin Gil
Mrs. Mary Blaney	Srta. Luz Dilone	Mr. and Mrs. Martin and Eileen Goehringer
Mrs. Patricia Bohn	Nanette Dottin	Janeris Gonzalez
Dilenia Bonilla	Mr. and Mrs. Hector and Theresa Duran	Emanuel and Stephanie Guardado
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Maureen Borger	Mr. and Mrs. Merilio and Juana Duran	Laura Guerin
Blanca Bran	Manuel and Nelly Dutan	Ms. Patricia Guerin
Mr. and Mrs. Candido Bran	Cedenia Duvivier	Jorge and Berta Guevara
Deborah Browne	Barbara Eberst	Jose Gusman
Mr. and Mrs. Benedetto and Katherine Bucci	James Eberst	Rafael Gutierrez
Cynthia Bucot	Gostav and Patricia Eklund	Gutierrez Family
Mr. Robert Burke	Emmaus Hombres and Emmaus Mujeres	Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Gutmann
Deacon and Mrs. Bruce and Kathleen Burnham	Antonella Escalante	Ms. Stacey Guzman
Braulio Cacao	Carlos Espinal	Teresa Guzman
Maria Camejo and Mayra Zanolbia Abreu-Munizand	Christian Espinal	Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Tina Halton
Robert Cammartar	Ms. Luz Espinal	Mr. Edward Hannan
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar and Norma Canas	Belgica Espinola	
	Elisa Espinoza	
	Mr. Gary Etheridge	

Mrs. Lois Harbauer	Mannanice	Mr. Michael O'Connor
Mr. and Mrs. Celso and Marta Alicia Hernandez	Hugo Nelson Mancía	Peter O'Connor
David and Vilma Hernandez	Mr. and Mrs. Anthony and Lorraine Marchese	Lawrence and Ngozi Ogbutor
Jose William Hernandez	Mrs. Aura Marine	Ms. Marion Oliver
Melvin Hernandez	Mary Marino	Mr. and Mrs. Abel Orellana Romero and Ely Romero Diaz
Mr. and Ms. Reyes Hernandez and Jenniuzá Reyes	Juan and Carmen Marmol	Angel and Alma Ortiz
Natividad Hidalgo	Wendy Martin	Ingris M Ortiz Zabaleta
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Jessica Higgins	Dennis Martinez	Srta. Norma Ortiz Zabaleta
Mr. and Mrs. Paul and Monica Hladky	Juan Carlos and Brenda Martinez Santos and Rosa Martinez	Mrs. Gifty Osei
Hungerford Clark Funeral Home	Mr. and Ms. Jose Matos and Carmen Pina	Jose Tomas Paes
Mr. and Mrs. Adilson Iglesias	Donald and Marilyn Mauersberger	Jorge Palacios
Martinez and Elsi Vasquez-Iglesias	Maria and Tony McLaughlin	Sandra Paredes
Mr. and Mrs. Jack and Mary Impellizeri	Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Susan McShane	Sra. Yrene Paredes
Sr. and Sra. Luis A. Inoa and Ana Y. Almonte	Mr. Douglas E Mehrtens	Saul Payamps
Reginald and Marie Isaac	Sr. and Sra. Edison Mendez and Janny Soliz	Mr. Juan Pena
Marcelin Jean	William and Noreen Meyer	Ms. Maria Pena
Robert and Priscilla Johnson	Mr. and Mrs. Jaime and Mirna Molina	Mr. and Mrs. Radame and Mercedes Pena
Ms. Mary Kane	Mr. and Mrs. Victor M. and Jeny Morales	Juana Peralla
Kathleen Keating	Sr. and Sra. Jose A. Morales and Maria D. Garcia	Ms. Blanca Peralta
Ms. Hazel E. Kelly	Sr. and Srta. Teofilo Moronta and Miguela Paez	Eva and Francisco Pichardo
Ms. Bernadina Kerasiotis	William and Patricia Morris	Ms. Rosa Pichardo
Mr. and Mrs. Agyemang Kuragu and Theresa Osei Kuragu	Steven and Debra Mulé	Francis Pichardo-Acosta and Andrew Acosta
Mrs. Gayle LaCascia	Fred and Patricia Muscarella	Carmen Pina
Lynne LaCascia	Mr. and Mrs. Mauricio Navarrete and Rosa Martinez	Ms. Blanca Pino
Mr. and Mrs. Carl and Margaret Laibach	Mr. Stephen Nicolino	Mrs. Maira Portillo
Ms. Leonidas Lamar	Mrs. Valerie Nicolino	Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Portillo and Esmeralda Orellana-Portillo
Lindsay Lambert	Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan and Carol Niles	Raimos Pizza
Sr. and Sra. Melchor Loja and Maria Aguayza	Mr. James J. Nolan	Clementino Ramirez
Ivis Alfonso Lopez	Rev. Christopher Nowak	Jose and Blanca Ramos Junior and Yamile Ramos
Jorge and Rosario Lopez	Mr. Herbert W. Nowak	Ms. Mary M. Rano
Luis Lopez	Ms. Brenda Nunez	Fatima Reyes
Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Lopez and Ramona Vicioso	Mrs. Brigida Nunez	Juaguin Reyes and Lucia Rodriguez
Sra. Felicia Lora Acosta	Margarita Nunez	Martha Rosario de Fatima Ricardo
William and Donna Maclay	Sila Nunez	Mr. and Mrs. Luis and Olga Rincon
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Doreen		Carlos Rivera
		Mr. Lennox Anthony Roberts Jr.

Ana Rodriguez  
Mr. Anibal Rodriguez  
Felix and Maria Rodriguez  
Mr. Franklin Rodriguez  
Luis Rodriguez  
Ms. Miriam C. Rodriguez  
Osiris and Lissette Rodriguez  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph and Iris  
Rodriguez  
Mr. and Mrs. Roman and Lucia  
Rodriguez  
Sucio Rodriguez  
Sr. and Sra. Carlos M. Rodriguez  
and Mery Marlina Vargas  
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Rojas and  
Luisa Palacios Rojas  
Ms. Maria Romero  
Ms. Mirna Romero  
Maria Rosario  
Mr. and Mrs. Raul and Silvia Ruiz  
Ms. Vera-Julia Sakins  
Wilmer and Martha Salgucio  
Deacon and Mrs. Norma Sanchez  
Mr. John J Sandhaas  
Mrs. Tina Scalamandre  
Donald and Mary Schleich  
Ms. Nancy Schultz  
Milo Schumacher  
Josue Serdein  
Ricardo Serrano  
Charles III and Deborah Shields  
Ms. Linda Siani  
Ricardo Sierra  
Mr. and Mrs. John and Eileen  
Skinner  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph and Bethann  
Smith  
Ms. Rosemary Smith  
Mr. and Mrs. John and Nancy  
Solazzo  
Herbert and Tania Stortz  
Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Joanne  
Stuhlinger  
Mr. Donald Suchan  
Mr. Jesus Suriel

Mrs. Barbara Sylvan  
Ms. Anna Taglieri  
Mr. and Ms. Marcos Tavarez  
and Yancar Espinosa  
Evelio Plasencia Tavera  
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence and  
Sonia Taylor Sr.  
Ms. Shireen Taylor  
Juan Carlos and Meyra Tejada  
Aimee Terzulli  
Mr. and Mrs. Antonio and  
Carolyn Terzulli  
Juan and Miledys Tineo  
Hector M. Tirado  
Silvia Tobar  
Carlo and Lunon Toussaint  
David Trejo  
Ruben Dario Trujillo  
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene and  
Laura Turner  
Mr. and Sra. Carlos Umana and  
Sonia E. Castro de Umana  
Rev. Carlos Mario Urrego  
Areanas  
Daniel Vaggi  
Armando Vasquez  
Sr. and Sra. Manrique Pérez and  
Sonia Vasquez  
Hosni Emanuel Vasquez Cruz  
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Oriena Vicioso  
Mr. Alberto Villanueva  
Mr. and Mrs. Antonio and  
Marisol Villatoro  
Ms. Veronica Vostinak  
Mr. Michael J. Walsh  
Mr. and Mrs. William and Sheila  
Walsh  
Mr. James Wehrum  
Maria E Yanez  
Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Yotagri  
and Claudia Bentancourt Yotagri  
Zapata  
Jose Zapatero





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



FEBRUARY 23, 2025

## Pastor's Message

**LENTEN PRACTICE:** During the Lenten Season we encourage parishioner who go to coffee fellowship after mass in the lower church to share the Word of God with one another. You are invited to use the following 4 step process below.

**LECTIO DIVINA:** In a group: Table Fellowship: you just heard the Gospel proclaimed at mass and the homily. Now with the people at your table seated in the Lower Church pray the process of LECTIO DIVINA

**STEP ONE: READ:** (someone at the table volunteers to read the Gospel again out loud or people can read it to themselves)

**FIRST SUNDAY:**

**STEP TWO: MEDITATE:** People at the table share out loud what they "SEE" the setting (where and what is going on?), the people, the characters involved (who are they), and the unfolding action (What is taking place). It is through this meditation that you encounter the text and discover its meaning for your life.

**STEP THREE: PRAYER: (ORATIO) YOUR PERSONAL RESPONSE:** what is the text saying to you personally. What is Jesus saying or trying to teach you? Each member at the table share out loud what Jesus is saying to you through this text.

**STEP FOUR: CONTEMPLATION:** share out loud what you see as the overall message of this Gospel reading and how would you apply to the faithful.



**I.--If we truly love our Lord and want to truly follow him our lives have to be distinctive from the people around us. Our Lord calls us as believers to a higher standard of living. We are called to be counter-cultural and live a higher standard.**

This Gospel is a continuation of Luke's Sermon on the Plain. Our Lord explains how the Beatitudes are lived out concretely in our lives.

**GOSPEL TODAY REQUIRES A COMPLETE CHANGE OF ATTITUDE ON REVENGE, FORGIVENESS AND MERCY.**

--I think it is safe say that our American Culture considers showing mercy and forgiveness as a sign of weakness.--Remember: we forgive others NOT to allow them off the hook, we forgive to allow healing in our heart . . . **we forgive to also follow our Lord's example.**

**The first reading** David made the right choice by not killing SAUL: God's anointed king

**Second reading**, St. Paul tells us how the "First Adam" was DISOBEDIENT: his disobedience brought death--Jesus, the "New Adam," WAS OBEDIENT, which brought life.

**Gospel:** is very challenging: if we love our Lord (and we all do) he calls us to a higher standard in life. Calls us to rise above our **mere human instincts** (retaliation / revenge)--as believers he calls us to be the better person... TO A HIGHER STANDARD. He calls us to imitate him.

\* **Love your enemies:** This is contrary to human nature. -Agape love is to wish other's well even if they have hurt and offended you—**why because God loves them just as much as he loves you.**

**St Thomas Aquinas: Agape Love:** (1) desire good, charity, and the well-being of the other person.--this is the love Paul was writing about in Corinthians...love is the greatest of the Spiritual gifts. (2) you have to keep the communication channels open.

\*To love your enemy doesn't mean you allow them to hurt you or anyone else again.

--Jesus gave us an example of this as **he forgave his persecutors from the cross.**

\* **Turn the other cheek....**: Our Lord does not want anyone to become a human punching bag: --We are NOT PACIFISTS: "Self-defense is *legitimate*, .

--Our Lord is saying here: DON'T RETURN VIOLENCE WITH VIOLENCE.

(Matt: you have heard it said . . . but I say to you) --BUT JESUS CALLS US TO A HIGHER STANDARD\* it requires far greater strength **not to hit back**. if you do hit back, you lower yourself to the same level as your "opponent". You are no better than he/she is.

\* **"Forgive and you will be forgiven."**-- PROPORTION: The degree I forgive others : is the degree I receive (leave myself open to) God's forgiveness.

--OUR FATHER: "*forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us,*" \***Be Merciful as your heavenly Father is merciful:** PROPORTION:

\***Stop condemning and you will not be condemned.**

\***The measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."**



--**PROPORTION**—the degree we show forgiveness, mercy, kindness, goodness, charity, IS THE DEGREE, we leave ourselves open to God's: forgiveness, mercy, kindness.-- As believers, Jesus expects us to **be the better person**, he calls us to a Higher Standard, and rise above our human instincts and follow his goodness and generosity.\*\*Jesus' teaching requires a tremendous inner strength and self-discipline.--It also requires a great respect of the dignity and rights of other people, irrespective of the way they behave.

**STORY:** *Martin Luther King Jr.'s home was burned down one night by a group of men who did not like his message about the equality of the races.*

*One of the things that Martin Luther King Jr told the crowd that night to calm them down was this: "When you live by the rule "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth, you end up with a nation of blind and toothless people"...*

**POPE FRANCIS:** --Catholics we have to forgive. We all need forgiveness . . . we must forgive because WE HAVE BEEN FORGIVEN...

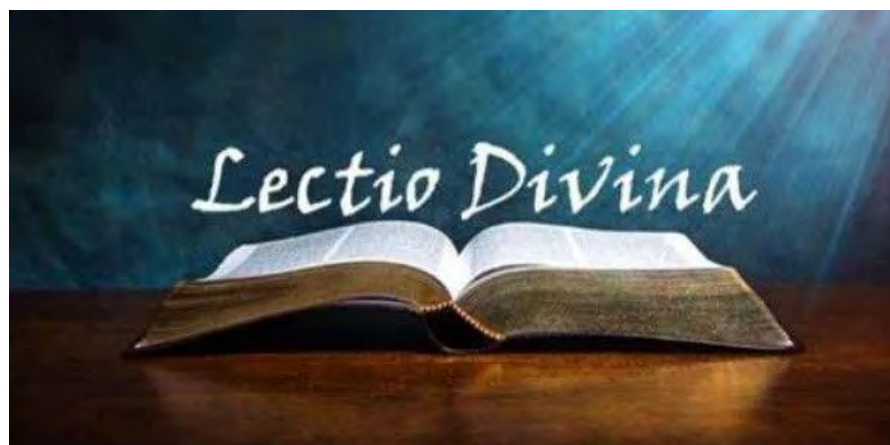
**CONCLUSION:** showing forgiveness and mercy is not a sign of weakness rather it is the way of our Lord

### Prayer for Children:

**GRATITUDE:** Lord, thank you for all that you give me: the air that I breath, the clothes on my back, my parents(s), the food that I eat, the home that I live in,

**FORGIVENESS:** Lord, forgive me for the times I have disobeyed you or my parents.

**FORGIVENESS:** Lord. Help me to follow you in every way. Teach me to forgive as you forgive. When someone tries to start an argument of fight with me, Lord, help me to walk away. Help me to be the better person, Lord, and walk away.



# Purgatorial Society Remembrances February 2025

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**Msgr. Donald T. Bennett**  
**Father R. Michael Reid**

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**Andrew Stoessel**  
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**Eugene Weston**  
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**Geraldine King**  
**Harry McMahan**  
**Herbert Ramirez, Sr.**  
**Jack (John J.) Weston**

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**Patrick Keegan**  
**Rose Stoessel**  
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**Thomas J. Suchan**  
**William E. Suchan Jr.**  
**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.**

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**The donation is \$20 per name.**

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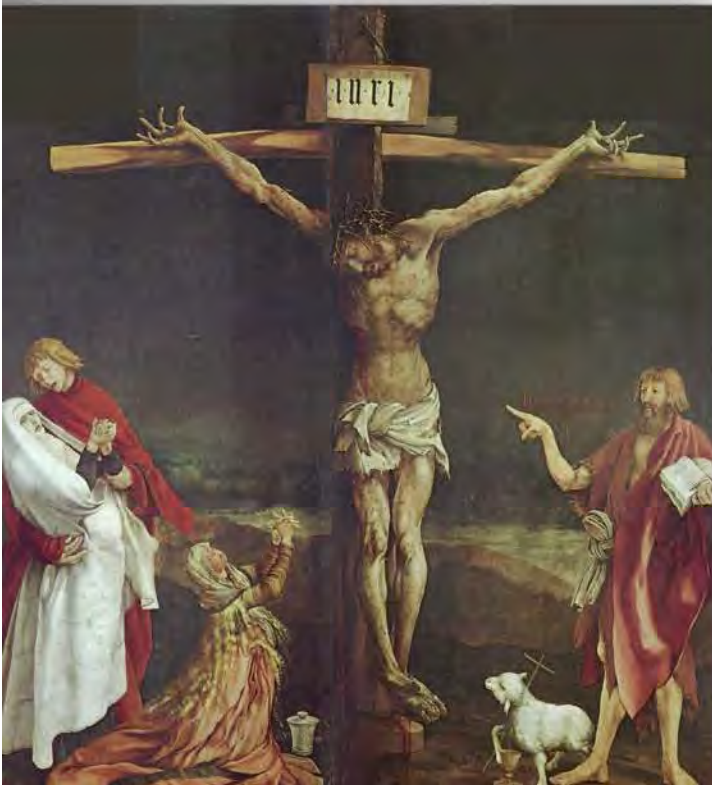
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## Diocese of Rockville Centre Eucharistic Pilgrimage

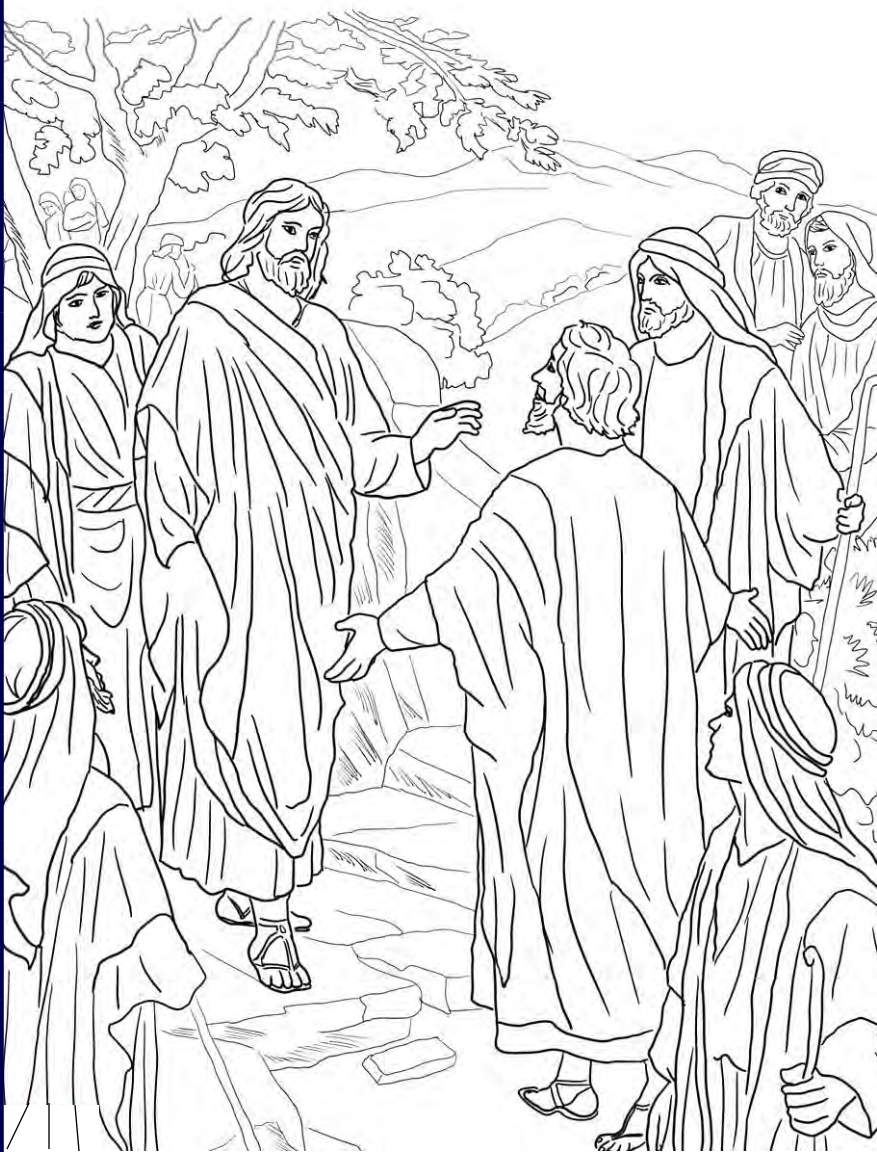
*During those days, Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to the town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.*

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.

# LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

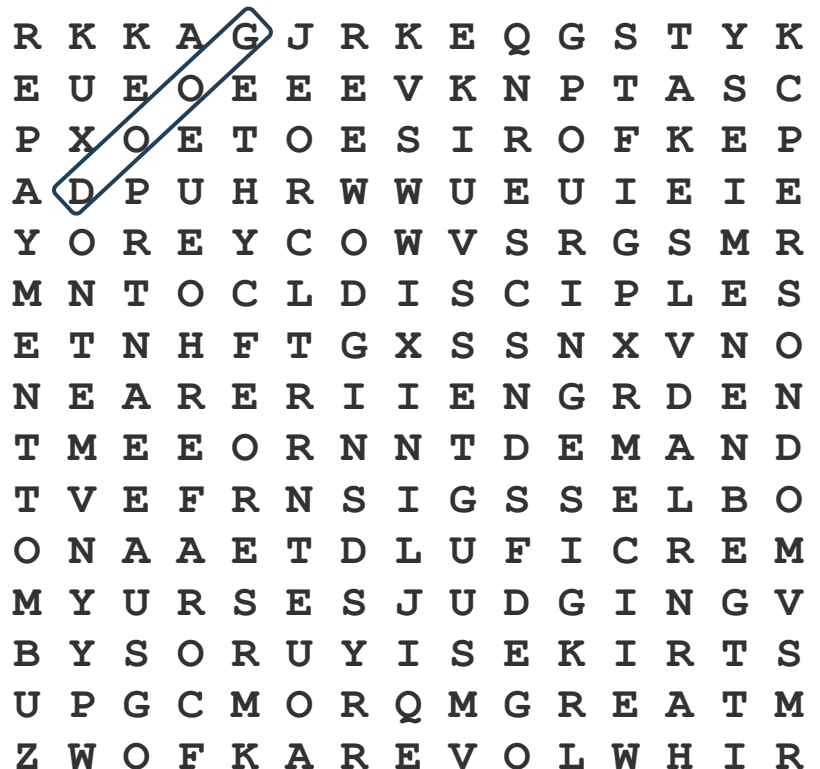


Jesus said to His disciples: "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. ... Love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

Saint Luke VI: 27-28, 35-38

**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).

- |                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| AMOUNT          | JUDGING     |
| BLESS           | LOVE        |
| CHEEK           | MEASURE     |
| CREDIT          | MERCIFUL    |
| DEMAND          | MISTREAT    |
| DISCIPLES       | OTHERS      |
| ENEMIES         | OVERFLOWING |
| EVERYONE        | PERSON      |
| EXPECTING       | POURING     |
| FORGIVE         | REPAYMENT   |
| GIFTS           | RETURN      |
| <del>GOOD</del> | SINNERS     |
| GREAT           | STRIKES     |
| JESUS           | TAKES       |







**WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE WHO WILL DEDICATE  
THEMSELVES TO ASSISTING THOSE WHO GRIEVE**

**"Comfort, give comfort to my people, says our God."  
Isaiah 40:1**

*To offer consolation is one of the most important ways to care. Life is so full of pain, sadness and loneliness that we often wonder what we can do to alleviate the immense suffering we see. We can and must offer consolation. To console does not mean to take away the pain, but rather to be there and say, "You are not alone, I am with you." We all need to give consolation as well as to receive it.*

*- Henri Nouwen*

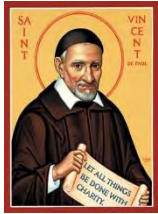
**Be a blessing to someone grieving the loss of a loved one. The blessings you receive are beyond your imagination.**

Our Holy Redeemer offers comfort to those who mourn through our Ministry of Consolation. Members who serve as companions help guide recently bereaved families through the planning and celebration of the funeral Mass for their loved one. They sometimes serve as greeters at the Mass. Volunteers in the Ministry of Consolation are known for their compassion and we are grateful for their service to our faith community.

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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 2 de Marzo de 2025**  
**Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**  
**Primera Lectura: Eclesiástico (Sirúcide) 27, 5-8**  
**Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 91**  
**Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 15:54-58**  
**Evangelio: San Lucas 6, 39-45**

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