

FAITH AND THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025

MASSES

Monday, March 24

7:30am † Jayne Biscardi

12:10pm † Dr. Benedetto Caruso

Tuesday, March 25, THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

7:30am † Paul Robert Gianferrara

12:10pm † Norman Loehr

Wednesday, March 26

7:30am Intentions of The Razzano Family

12:10pm † Richard Siani

7:00pm † Felix Lora

Thursday, March 27

7:30am Intentions of Pope Francis

12:10pm Intentions of Bill & Sheila Walsh

Friday, March 28

7:30am † David Arcoleo

12:10pm † Paul Robert Gianferrara

7:30pm Stations of the Cross

8:30pm Stations of the Cross in Spanish

Saturday, March 29

9:00am † Those Listed in the Purgatorial Society

5:00pm Blessed Father Michael McGivney

7:00pm † Mario Bertrand

Sunday, March 30, FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Laetare)

7:00am Intentions of Bishop John Barres

8:00am † Cruz Bertrand

9:30am Parishioners of Our Holy Redeemer / Freeport;
Intentions of Christopher de Domenico; † Kim Mercado; &

† Paul Gianferrara

11:30am † Henry Motz; † Manuela Domenech; † Gavin Patrick McCormack; † Egbert L. Pryce; & † Pedro Rodriguez

1:30pm † Maria Xiques

5:00pm Priest's Intentions

READINGS FOR MARCH 30, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Lent

1st Reading

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 34

2nd Reading

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel

Saint Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

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 for Lent

† *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, 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, 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, Elaine Baubrun, Anne Bouchereau, Daniel Arce, Gloria Arce, Kathleen Burnham, Stacy Calixto, Maureen Carl, Frank Conanan, 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:
Gavin Patrick McCormack**



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

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

Springtime in schools brings a refreshing change of atmosphere! The days get longer, and the weather starts warming up, which often lifts students' spirits. The official start of the spring season, was Thursday, March 20, but the anticipation is palpable. Spring is a gift from God that symbolizes new life, hope, and renewal. Our students are passionate about their studies, and are showing more motivation for their education. This kind of enthusiasm is becoming contagious, inspiring their peers and creating a more vibrant learning environment.

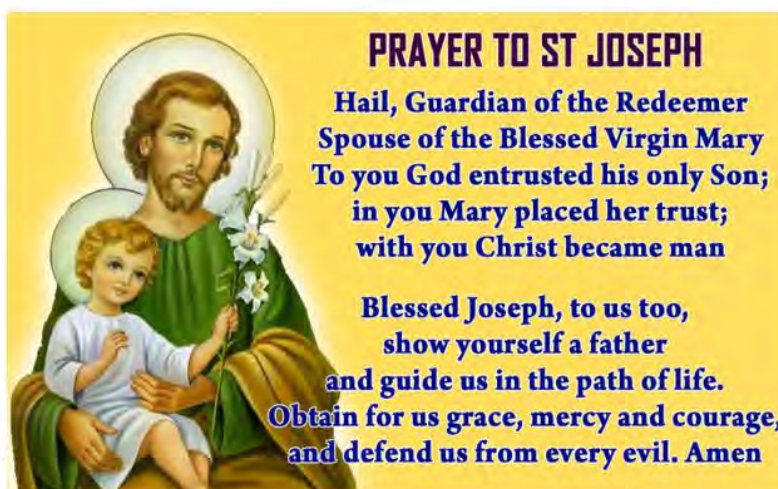
We give thanks to God for the gift of spring, a time of new beginnings and growth. We are especially grateful for the opportunities he provides to the young men we are called to serve as a San Miguel Lasallian School. As they step into this season of renewal, may they be filled with hope, strength, and the desire to grow in knowledge and character. May he continue to guide them as they embrace new opportunities, and may they always be inspired by the Lasallian spirit of faith, service, and community. We feel incredibly fortunate to have you as part of our community. As they look around God's beautiful Earth, may they see the big blessings and the little ones and always remember that YOU are blessings and may they always give thanks to God for your dedication to our mission.

Our 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

The Children of Our Holy Redeemer Faith Formation
are learning more about the Saints this month.

St. Joseph



PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man**

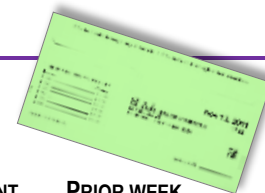
**Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen**

Patron Saint of the Universal Church, unborn children, fathers, workers,
travelers, immigrants, and a happy death. Feast day: March 19

Joanne Stuhlinger, Coordinator

FAITH AND FINANCES

OFFERTORY TOTALS



MASS	FIRST OFFERING MAR08/09,2025	FIRST OFFERING MAR01/02,2025	FIRST OFFERING FEB22/23, 205	FIRST OFFERING FEB15/16,2025	CURRENT WEEK ENVELOPES	PRIOR WEEK ENVELOPES
Automated Giving	\$ 1,001.9	\$ 1,004.62	\$ 1,010.40	\$ 1,009.40	28	28
Prior to Sunday	\$ 701.00	\$ 581.25	\$ 746.00	\$ 2,086.70	19	19
5:00 pm	\$ 949.00	\$ 1,097.00	\$ 1,107.00	\$ 701.00	20	19
7:00 pm	\$ 1,454.00	\$ 1,507.00	\$ 1,452.00	\$ 921.00	11	14
7:00 am	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,422.00	\$ 1,112.00	\$ 1,368.00	22	19
8:00 am	\$ 1,471.00	\$ 1,613.00	\$ 1,262.00	\$ 1,351.00	16	14
9:30 am	\$ 1,328.00	\$ 1,366.00	\$ 2,109.00	\$ 934.00	51	29
11:30 am	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 1,108.00	\$ 1,932.00	\$ 1,310.00	37	44
1:30 pm	\$ 3,289.00	\$ 3,070.00	\$ 2,508.00	\$ 2,081.00	25	16
5:00 pm	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,113.00	\$ 742.00	\$ 557.00	19	13
TOTAL	\$14,193.90	\$13,881.87	\$13,980.40	\$12,319.10	248	215

2025 Catholic Ministry Appeal (CMA) Results

Good News the Diocese has reduced our

New CMA Goal: \$42,400.00

Payments Received: \$4,949.00 (6.52% of New Goal!)

Only \$37,451.00 or 93.48% to go

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

Parish Outreach Programs; Respect Life; Vocations

Once we exceed \$59,360 (\$84,800*70%) our rebate will be 100% of all funds collected!

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 31st 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



In our dealings and encounters with other people, we are often quick to dismiss them or even write them off when they don't meet our standards or expectations. Thankfully this is not how God treats us. Just as *God is love, so also God is patient*. Time and time again, God offers us the opportunity to change, repent and start again. This is beautifully illustrated in the gospel for the third Sunday of Lent. The owner of the orchard is quick to uproot and cut down the fig tree because it bears no fruit. However, the gardener gives the tree yet another chance to mature and produce fruit.

During Lent, the voice of God calls to each of us with these words, *'Come back to me with all your heart, for I am all tenderness and compassion'*. Tempted as we might to give up on others and even ourselves, when we feel our Lenten promises are producing no fruit, God never gives up on each. God calls us by our name and waits and waits.

Deacon Bruce

EL RINCÓN DEL DIÁCONO

En nuestro trato y encuentro con otras personas, a menudo las ignoramos o incluso las descartamos cuando no cumplen con nuestros estándares o expectativas. Afortunadamente, Dios no nos trata así. Así como Dios es amor, también es paciente. Una y otra vez, Dios nos ofrece la oportunidad de cambiar, arrepentirnos y empezar de nuevo. Esto se ilustra de manera muy hermosa en el Evangelio del tercer domingo de Cuaresma. El dueño del huerto se apresura a arrancar y cortar la higuera porque no da fruto. Sin embargo, el jardinero le da al árbol otra oportunidad para madurar y dar fruto.

Durante la Cuaresma, la voz de Dios nos llama a cada uno con estas palabras: «Vuelvan a mí con todo su corazón, porque yo soy todo ternura y compasión». Por muy tentados que estemos a renunciar a los demás e incluso a nosotros mismos, cuando sentimos que las promesas cuaresmales no dan fruto, Dios nunca se da por vencido. Dios nos llama por nuestro nombre y espera y espera.

Diácono Bruce

VIRTUS INSTRUCTIONS

Volunteers in the Diocese of Rockville Centre

A person wishing to volunteer in any parish or organization in the Diocese of Rockville Centre must first complete three requirements:

1. Attend Protecting God's Children (Virtus)
2. Sign the Codes of Conduct
3. Complete a background screening application.

(Background screening is conducted on all volunteers and employees every 5 years.)

Directions to Complete the 3 Requirements:

1. Sign up to attend a Protecting God's Children class: www.Virtus.org

When you log on to the Virtus website, you will create a Virtus account.

- a. If you have not attended a Virtus class, you are a first time registrant.
 - b. The first screen will ask the name of your organization-from the drop down list select Rockville Centre-Safe Environment.
 - c. Follow all directions on the next screens.
 - d. One screen will have the Codes of Conduct. Please acknowledge the Codes of Conduct.
 - e. Continue with the registration process and select the class you will attend.
 - f. After selecting the class, you will be instructed to complete the background screening application.
2. Background Screening Application:
 - a. Sterling Volunteers is the company providing background screening.
 - b. Follow all the directions to complete the background screening application. **DO NOT STOP ONCE YOU BEGIN THE APPLICATION!**
 1. If you stop, you are locked out of the process due to security procedures.
 - c. You will need to provide your Social Security #; if you do not provide a Social Security # you will be charged a fee.
 - d. After completing the application, hit the 'Submit Button'

Congratulations! You have now: Registered to attend a Virtus class ~ signed the Codes of Conduct ~ Completed the Background Screening.

INSTRUCCIONES PARA VIRTUS

Voluntarios en la Diócesis de Rockville Centre

Una persona que desee ser voluntaria en cualquier parroquia u organización en la Diócesis de Rockville Centre primero debe completar tres requisitos:

1. Asistir al Taller de Protegiendo a los Hijos de Dios (Virtus)
2. Firmar los Códigos de Conducta
3. Completar una solicitud de Investigación de Antecedentes.

(La evaluación de antecedentes se lleva a cabo en todos los voluntarios y empleados cada 5 años).

Instrucciones para completar los 3 requisitos:

1. Regístrese para asistir a una clase de Protegiendo a los Hijos de Dios: www.Virtus.org Cuando inicie sesión en el sitio web de Virtus, usted creará una cuenta de Virtus.
 - a. Si no ha asistido a una clase de Virtus y es la primera vez que se registra, elija "Español: Inicio o Inscripción".
 1. Inscripción".
 - b. La primera pantalla le preguntará el nombre de su organización; en la lista desplegable, seleccione "Rockville Centre-Safe Environment".
 - c. Siga todas las instrucciones en las siguientes pantallas.
 - d. Una pantalla tendrá los Códigos de Conducta. Por favor, escriba su nombre completo para aceptar Los Códigos de Conducta.
 - e. Continúe con el proceso de inscripción y seleccione la clase de Virtus a la que asistirá.
 - f. Después de seleccionar la clase, se le indicará que complete la solicitud de Investigación de Antecedentes (Background Screening).
2. Solicitud de Investigación de Antecedentes:
 - a. Sterling Volunteers es la compañía que proporciona la Investigación de Antecedentes.
 - b. Siga todas las instrucciones para completar la solicitud de investigación de antecedentes. ¡NO TE DETENGAS UNA VEZ QUE COMIENCES LA APLICACIÓN! Si se detiene, se le bloquea el proceso debido a los procedimientos de seguridad.
 - c. Deberá proporcionar su # de Seguro Social; si no proporciona un # de Seguro Social, se le cobrará una tarifa.
 - e. Después de completar la solicitud, presione el botón "Enviar";

¡Felicitaciones! Ahora usted ya completó:

La registración para asistir a una clase de Virtus ~ La firma del Código de Conducta ~ y el proceso de Chequeo de Antecedentes.

3 NIGHTS • LENTEN PARISH MISSION 2025

PILGRIMS of HOPE

Learning to journey through life brimming with hope

with Guest Preachers:



*Father Joseph-Mary
Hertzog, O.P.*



*Father John
Corbett, O.P.*

March 31st - April 2nd

Our Holy Redeemer Church

37 South Ocean Avenue, Freeport, NY 11520

6:30 PM Rosary • 7:00 PM Mission

There will be opportunities for confession during the mission,
as well as an anointing with the oil of St. Joseph on April 2nd.

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 Zanobia 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
Mr. and Mrs. Celso and Marta
Alicia Hernandez
David and Vilma Hernandez
Jose William Hernandez
Melvin Hernandez
Mr. and Ms. Reyes Hernandez and
Jenniuza Reyes
Natividad Hidalgo
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Jessica
Higgins
Mr. and Mrs. Paul and Monica
Hladky
Hungerford Clark Funeral Home
Mr. and Mrs. Adilson Iglesias
Martinez and Elsi Vasquez-Iglesias
Mr. and Mrs. Jack and Mary
Impellizeri
Sr. and Sra. Luis A. Inoa and Ana
Y. Almonte
Reginald and Marie Isaac
Marcelin Jean
Robert and Priscilla Johnson
Ms. Mary Kane
Kathleen Keating
Ms. Hazel E. Kelly
Ms. Bernadina Kerasiotis
Mr. and Mrs. Agyemang Kuragu
and Theresa Osei Kuragu
Mrs. Gayle LaCascia
Lynne LaCascia
Mr. and Mrs. Carl and Margaret
Laibach
Ms. Leonidas Lamar
Lindsay Lambert
Sr. and Sra. Melchor Loja and
Maria Aguayza
Ivis Alfonso Lopez
Jorge and Rosario Lopez
Luis Lopez
Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Lopez and
Ramona Vicioso
Sra. Felicia Lora Acosta
William and Donna Maclay
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Doreen

Mannanice
Hugo Nelson Mancia
Mr. and Mrs. Anthony and Lorraine
Marchese
Mrs. Aura Marine
Mary Marino
Juan and Carmen Marmol
Wendy Martin
Dennis Martinez
Juan Carlos and Brenda Martinez
Santos and Rosa Martinez
Mr. and Ms. Jose Matos and
Carmen Pina
Donald and Marilyn Mauersberger
Maria and Tony McLaughlin
Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Susan
McShane
Mr. Douglas E Mehrtens
Sr. and Sra. Edison Mendez and
Janny Soliz
William and Noreen Meyer
Mr. and Mrs. Jaime and Mirna Molina
Mr. and Mrs. Victor M. and Jeny
Morales
Sr. and Sra. Jose A. Morales and
Maria D. Garcia
Sr. and Srta. Teofilo Moronta and
Miguela Paez
William and Patricia Morris
Steven and Debra Mulé
Fred and Patricia Muscarella
Mr. and Mrs. Mauricio Navarrete
and Rosa Martinez
Mr. Stephen Nicolino
Mrs. Valerie Nicolino
Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan and Carol
Niles
Mr. James J. Nolan
Rev. Christopher Nowak
Mr. Herbert W. Nowak
Ms. Brenda Nunez
Mrs. Brigida Nunez
Margarita Nunez
Sila Nunez

Mr. Michael O'Connor
Peter O'Connor
Lawrence and Ngozi Ogbutor
Ms. Marion Oliver
Mr. and Mrs. Abel Orellana
Romero and Elsy Romero Diaz
Angel and Alma Ortiz
Ingris M Ortiz Zabaleta
Srta. Norma Ortiz Zabaleta
Mrs. Gifty Osei
Jose Tomas Paes
Jorge Palacios
Sandra Paredes
Sra. Yrene Paredes
Saul Payamps
Mr. Juan Pena
Ms. Maria Pena
Mr. and Mrs. Radame and
Mercedes Pena
Juana Peralla
Ms. Blanca Peralta
Eva and Francisco Pichardo
Ms. Rosa Pichardo
Francis Pichardo-Acosta and
Andrew Acosta
Carmen Pina
Ms. Blanca Pino
Mrs. Maira Portillo
Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Portillo and
Esmeralda Orellana-Portillo
Raimos Pizza
Clementino Ramirez
Jose and Blanca Ramos
Junior and Yamile Ramos
Ms. Mary M. Rano
Fatima Reyes
Juaguin Reyes and Lucia
Rodriguez
Martha Rosario de Fatima
Ricardo
Mr. and Mrs. Luis and Olga
Rincon
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
Mrs. Cleotilde Vicioso
Dilena Vicioso
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



MARCH 23, 2025

Pastor's Message for the Third Sunday of Lent

I.-- If we had to summarize today's readings it would be: USE IT OR LOSE IT. All that we are and all that we have has been given to us by God. Our very life, our faith, our time (ability to forgive and show mercy and to say the needed words like "I love you" to family)

If we don't use our time well, it can be taken away. God will always forgive us when we are contrite and want to do better; but we have to forgive others... use it or lose it.

STORY: There is a tragic story that illustrates how we have to use the present moment: now is all we have, tomorrow may never come:

As a newly ordained priest, a woman came up to me after mass and asked how she obtain forgiveness from the grave? She told me this story: When she was 15 years old, she lived with her mom and older sister in an apartment building on Kingsbridge Ave. in the Bronx. She was a smart student and attended Bronx High School of Science. Her mom was an immigrant, and she was very protective of her daughters. The mom was an LPN nurse at Bronx Montefiore Hosp. The rule of the house was no boyfriends until they were 18 and in college. They have to apply themselves to school first.

One day the mom was doing the laundry and emptying the pockets and she found a note from a boyfriend. She confronted her daughter, and an argument ensued. The mom growing bored said, "you want to live under my roof than you live by my rules. Or get out!" The 15-year-old daughter was aghast. Frustrated she yelled several nasty words to her mom, ran to her room and slammed the door crying profusely.

Several hours past and the mom knocked on the door... but no response. Finally, the mom knocked again and asked her daughter to open the door, she didn't want to leave for work mad like this. But you know that I am right and only want the best for you. As she tells it her face was pressed against the door, and she could feel the knock of her mother's fist. But her heart was cold... she could see her tears dropping on the floor, but nothing—she remained silent

Finally, the mother said, OK then. I have to leave and go to work, when my shift at the hospital is over tomorrow, we will go to breakfast. You know I love you and only want the best for you. The daughter remained silent.

The mother took the elevator down and took one step off the curb at Kingsbridge she was hit by a bus and killed instantly. Now that 15-year-old girl now a mom of her own has had to live with the fact that her last words to her mother were nasty words her mother never deserved.

She would have nightmares of throwing her door open and telling her mom that she was sorry. All those times her mom knocked on her door and she remained silent on the other side. USE IT OR LOSE IT. OUR TIME AND ABILITY TO FORGIVE...THE PRESENT MOMENT...TODAY IS ALL WE HAVE.

God will always give us a chance to repent, but as we hear in the parable of the Fig Tree our opportunity to use our gift of time (e.g to forgive, show mercy, etc.) can run out.

Remember the degree that I forgive, show mercy to others: is the degree that I can receive God's forgiveness and mercy.

II.-- The Gospel also raises the question: Does God punish? Or does God allow events to occur to teach us something? Every time there is a tragedy: we are left asking: How could God let this happen? Of course the secular mindset also says: "you get what you deserve" or fate will catch up with you." Or "What goes around comes around"

Yet this was the religious belief in our Lord's time: that if you suffered a tragedy or were sick or ill or poor: you were paying for your sinfulness or the sinfulness of your ancestors. So, the belief was: if you were victim or even a family member of someone who suffered a tragedy, you deserved it you were being punished by God.

In the Gospel, People (with this mindset) came to Jesus with a story of some Galileans who had been killed by Pilate while they were offering their sacrifices in the Temple (probably at Passover). Jesus aware of this mentality asks, "Where these Galileans greater sinners than anyone else? Did they deserve this? Of course not. It's difficult to accept that God does not punish.

Jesus offers a second example: A water tower part of an aqueduct system collapsed and killed 18 people—an accident and tragedy. Jesus uses this opportunity to teach a very important lesson: That we need to repent and be reconciled ASAP... as long as we have the time and the ability. We don't know the moment of the hour...so as long as we are alive and have the ability, we should be reconciled. A tragedy could befall anyone at any time, so we make every day count.

Clearly then, God does not allow accidents to punish people, but still, according to Jesus' parable, nor does He infinitely wait. As the parable suggests: we have to bear fruit in life with what God has given us.

A fig tree should produce fruit every year, just as human lives should bear the fruits of good deeds. This fig tree had been barren "for three years" and not only did it not bear figs, it seemed to be draining nourishment from other plants in the vineyard.

III.-- It is the third week of Lent, if we haven't already it is time to consider those aspects of our lives in need of conversion...that which is keeping us from growing closer to God.

In using the example of the Fig Tree, Jesus heightens awareness wasting what he has given us. Life, Faith, Time: USE IT OR LOSE IT!

All that God has given us: we either use it well or it could be taken away. As long as we have the gift of time we must repent and be reconciled.

A.-- Other examples of parables of: USE IT OR LOSE IT!

--Do you remember the Parable of the Talents? The master gave ten talents, five talents, and one talent of money to a third servant. The first two servants put their master's money to work but the third one, the useless one, the unproductive one, did nothing with it. The master rightly condemned that servant for doing nothing.

--Then there was the parable of the merchant who found a really valuable treasure buried in a field. He went out, sold all that he had and bought the field containing the treasure.

Finally there was the parable of the unjust steward who "cooked the books" of his master so that after he was fired they would take care of him.

These parables and others similar to them, all point to the idea: that we have to use well all that God has given us to produce fruit but especially use our time well and repent and be reconciled: **NOW USE IT OR LOSE IT!**

The parable of the fig tree isn't about God's vindictive anger. Clearly Jesus is not being vindictive or harsh. He never was and never will be. No, he is simply stating a fact of life: **USE IT OR LOSE IT!**

JOKE:

--a priest parked his car in a no-parking zone because he couldn't find a space. He put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 100 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. ***Forgive us our trespasses.***"

---When he returned, he found a **TICKET** from a police officer along with this note: "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I'll lose my job. ***Lead us not into temptation.***"



Children's Prayer

GRATITUDE: Lord, thank you for all that you give me: the air that I breathe, the clothes on my back, my parent(s), the food that I eat, the home that I live in, the school that I go to.

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

JUDGING OTHERS: Lord, help me to always look at myself first instead of judging and criticizing others.

Lord, help me to always begin with myself instead of looking for fault in other people.

My Lenten Practice : Feeding and Being fed by the Word of God

LENTEN OBSERVANCE: after moving from the Eucharistic Table to the Fellowship Table (either in the Lower Church or in your Kitchen at home) now break open God's Word and share it with your fellow parishioners and family members

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)

LENT FIRST SUNDAY: Gospel [Saint Luke 13:1-9](#)

Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!"

And he told them this parable:

"There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?' He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"

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 him or herself 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.

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(Spanish)

CUMPLIMIENTO DE CUARESMA: Después de pasar de la Mesa Eucarística a la Mesa de la Comunidad (ya sea en la Iglesia Inferior o en la Cocina de su casa), ahora abra la Palabra de Dios y compártala con sus compañeros feligreses y / o miembros de su familia.

LECTIO DIVINA: En grupo: En la mesa común: acaban de escuchar el Evangelio proclamado en la misa y la homilía. Ahora, con las personas sentadas en su mesa en la Iglesia de abajo, recen el proceso de la LECTIO DIVINA

PASO UNO: LEER: (alguien en la mesa se ofrece como voluntario para leer el Evangelio nuevamente en voz alta o el grupo puede leerlo para sí misma)

PRIMER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA: Evangelio Lucas 13, 1-9

En aquel tiempo, algunos hombres fueron a ver a Jesús y le contaron que Pilato había mandado matar a unos galileos, mientras estaban ofreciendo sus sacrificios. Jesús les hizo este comentario: "¿Piensan ustedes que aquellos galileos, porque les sucedió esto, eran más pecadores que todos los demás galileos? Ciertamente que no; y si ustedes no se arrepienten, perecerán de manera semejante. Y aquellos dieciocho que murieron aplastados por la torre de Siloé, ¿piensan acaso que eran más culpables que todos los demás habitantes de Jerusalén? Ciertamente que no; y si ustedes no se arrepienten, perecerán de manera semejante".

Entonces les dijo esta parábola: "Un hombre tenía una higuera plantada en su viñedo; fue a buscar higos y no los encontró. Dijo entonces al viñador: 'Mira, durante tres años seguidos he venido a buscar higos en esta higuera y no los he

encontrado. Córdala. ¿Para qué ocupa la tierra inútilmente?' El viñador le contestó: 'Señor, déjala todavía este año; voy a aflojar la tierra alrededor y a echarle abono, para ver si da fruto. Si no, el año que viene la cortaré' ".

PASO DOS: MEDITAR: Las personas sentadas a la mesa comparten en voz alta lo que "VEN": el contexto (¿dónde y qué está sucediendo?), las personas, los personajes involucrados (¿quiénes son?) y la acción que se está desarrollando (¿qué está sucediendo?). Es a través de esta meditación que te encuentras con el texto y descubres su significado para tu vida.

PASO TRES:

ORACIÓN: (ORATIO) TU RESPUESTA PERSONAL: ¿Qué te dice el texto personalmente? ¿Qué te está diciendo o tratando de enseñar Jesús? Cada miembro de la mesa comparte en voz alta lo que Jesús le está diciendo a él o ella en este texto.

PASO CUATRO:

CONTEMPLACIÓN: comparte en voz alta lo que ves como el mensaje general de esta lectura del Evangelio y cómo lo aplicarías a los fieles.



THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL LESSON

LUKE 13:1-9

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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.

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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 March 24, 2025, will be enrolled for April 2025.

The donation is \$20 per name.

Please print clearly.

Name to be enrolled: _____

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ARE YOU BEARING FRUIT?



And Jesus told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?' He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"

Saint Luke XIII: 6-9

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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| AROUND | NONE |
| BEAR | ORCHARD |
| COME | PARABLE |
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| FERTILIZE | REPENT |
| FOUND | SEARCH |
| FRUIT | SINNERS |
| FUTURE | SOIL |
| GARDENER | SUFFERED |
| GROUND | THREE |
| JESUS | TREE |
| LEAVE | YEAR |

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During the Lenten Season of Sacrifice

*Come to the Lower Church and share
Some soup, bread, and God's Word with
Your fellow parishioners.*

After the 11:30 AM Mass

March 23 – OHR Fellowship Ministry
March 30 – Catholic Daughters of the Americas
& English Legion of Mary
April 6 – Ushers (English)

After the 1:30 PM Mass

March 23 – Jóvenes Adultos
March 30 – Santo Redentor
April 6 – Reina de la Paz

After both the 11:30 AM & 1:30 PM Sunday Masses



Durante la Temporada Cuaresmal de Sacrificio

*Ven al Sótano de la Iglesia y comparte algo de
sopa, pan y la Palabra de Dios con tus
compañeros feligreses.*

Después de la Misa de las 11:30 AM

23 de Marzo – Ministerio OHR de Compañerismo
30 de Marzo – Damas Católicas de las Américas
Legión de María (inglés)
6 de Abril – Acomodadores (inglés)

Después de la Misa de la 1:30 PM

23 de Marzo – Jóvenes Adultos
30 de Marzo – Santo Redentor
6 de Abril – Reina de la Paz

Después de las Misas dominicales de las 11:30 AM & de la 1:30 PM





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Ultreya

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Lecturas para el 30 de Marzo de 2025

Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma

Primera Lectura: Josué 5, 9, 10-12

Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 33

Segunda Lectura: 2 Corintios 5, 17-21

Evangelio: San Lucas 15, 1-3, 11-32

**El Grupo Señor
de las Misericordias**

Nos reunimos todos los lunes a las 7 PM en la Capilla del Convento.



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de la Iglesia?*



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¡Urgente Llamado a los Monaguillos!



¿Te gustaría ayudar a servir en el altar? ¿Por qué no unirse al creciente grupo de jóvenes que ayudan al Sacerdote en nuestro Altar? Si estás interesado, y tus padres están de acuerdo, llama al Padre Carlos al 516-378-0665. Si él

no está disponible, déjale un recado con tu nombre y teléfono y él o un delegado te llamará. El primer paso es recibir instrucción para que sepas lo que tienes que hacer y las primeras veces que sirves te acompañará otro servidor con experiencia que te ayudará a hacer lo que debes hacer. De modo, que ¡manos a la obra!

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- ♥ My heart is beating at 18 to 25 days.
- ♥ The foundation for my nervous system is in place at 20 days.
- ♥ My skeleton is complete at 42 days and I have reflexes.
- ♥ My brain waves can be detected as early as 43 days.
- ♥ At 8 weeks my brain and all body systems are present and I look like a miniature doll.
- ♥ During weeks 9 and 10 I squint, swallow and can make a fist.
- ♥ By the 11th and 12th weeks I am moving my arms and legs, sucking my thumb and breathing amniotic fluid. All my systems are working.
- ♥ My movements by 16 weeks are quite active and I can be seen performing somersaults on ultrasound but am not yet felt by my mother.
- ♥ From the 3rd month on nothing new develops. I continue to grow in size and by 20 weeks I have hair on my head, weigh 1 pound and am 12 inches tall.