

February 11, 2024– SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 8:00AM
 †Pilar Aguirre
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 8:00AM
 †Edmond McCarthy
 †Michael John Salazar
 †Sam & Bessie Masiel
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15 8:00AM
 †Pilar Aguirre
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16 6:00PM
 †Evelyn Zeig
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17 5:00PM
 †Rosie Castilleja †Leo & Gerald Syzdek
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 9:00AM
 †Johnny Patranella †Domingo Martinez
 †Antonia Martinez
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 11:00AM
 Parishioners of St. Mary's



We pray for our sick parishioner's!
Si usted desea que oremos por su familiar enfermo!

Alfonso Alvarado, Jr.	Leslie Nolan
Sandra Anthony	Maria Pompa
John Charles Fazzino	Megan Ruiz
Marilyn Frenzel	Mary Joyce Scamardo
Lesleigh Jutson	Patty Syzdek
Jesse Lopez	Dennis Zeig
Suzanne Moltz	

Names will remain for 2 months, after 2 months names will be removed. Please call the Church office to re-add a name to the list.

Altar Flowers in Loving Memory of †Monica Jones & Gloria Aguirre By St. Mary's Altar Society



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we approach Ash Wednesday and the season of repentance and penitence, we hear how Jesus responded to a man who was considered unclean, both physically and spiritually. Over the following forty days, we will approach our Lord as sinners, in need of forgiveness, in need of being "made clean." May Jesus' response to the leper in today's gospel assure us of his love and mercy for us despite our failings, despite our sinfulness.

Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Al aproximarse el Miércoles de Ceniza, tiempo de arrepentimiento y penitencia, escuchamos cómo Jesús respondió a un hombre considerado impuro, tanto física como espiritualmente. Durante los próximos cuarenta días recurriremos al Señor como pecadores necesitados de perdón y de "quedar limpios". Que la respuesta de Jesús al leproso en el Evangelio de hoy nos dé la seguridad de que contamos con su amor y su misericordia a pesar de nuestras fallas y de nuestros pecados.

The best prayer Catholics have is the Mass... which is the greatest gift of all!

Sanctuary Candle in Loving Memory Of †Jesse O'Bella, Sr.



By Nickie O'Bella

LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal. Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Disciplinas Cuaresmales de Ayuno y Abstinencia

Los católicos con buena salud de 18 a 59 años deben ayunar y abstenerse de comer carne el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo. El ayuno consiste en comer una sola comida, con la posibilidad de dos refrigerios más pequeños que no suman una sola comida completa. Los católicos mayores de 14 años deben abstenerse de comer carne todos los viernes de Cuaresma.

Lector/Lectores Schedule

Ash Wednesday, February 14:
 8:00 AM: D Shaw 6:30 PM: L Garza
Saturday, February 17: 5:00 PM– B Nigliazzo
Sunday, February 18:
 9:00 AM- M Cortez, 11:00 AM– C/O Jorge

Readings for the Week

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12:
 James 1:1-11, Mark 8:11-13
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13:
 James 1:12-18, Mark 8:14-21
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14:
 Joel 2:12-18, 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2
 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15:
 Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Luke 9:22-25
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16:
 Isaiah 58:1-9A, Matthew 9:14-15
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17:
 Isaiah 58:9B-14, Luke 5:27-32
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18:
First Sunday of Lent, Year B
 Genesis 9:8-15, 1 Peter 3:18-22
 Mark 1:12-15



Stewardship of Treasure Report/ Reporte de Mayordomía:

February 3-4, 2024
Amount Needed Weekly: \$3,600.00
Building Fund: \$1,108.00
Children's Collection: \$50.00
Actual Collection: \$3,938.00
Above Weekly Collection: \$383.00
"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." - [1 Cor. 10:31]
 Do a quick check of your stewardship priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" [like our pride, ego, indifference, money and possessions] before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, "If I'm doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?"
Thank you for your support & generosity!



"Starting in 2022 and for the next three years, every Catholic diocese, parish, school, apostolate, and family are invited to be a part of renewing the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist."- **USCCB**

"The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white Host." -- Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

"La mayor historia de amor de todos los tiempos está contenida en una pequeña Hostia blanca." -- Mons. Fulton J. Sheen

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord... For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself [1 Cor. 11:27-29]."





ASH WEDNESDAY marks the beginning of Lent. Begin your journey through Lent to Easter with the imposition of Ashes.

Ash Wednesday leads us into a 40th day period of reconciliation and reflection on the passion and death of Christ. The dual disciplines of fasting and abstinence have a long history in the Catholic Church. Going back to the early Church, the purpose behind the custom of self-denial is not punishment; it is to simplify our lifestyles, so that we create, a certain emptiness. In this way, freed from all distractions, we are able to hear and respond to God's continued call to conversion and holiness. For the faithful it is a time for penitential practices and spiritual discipline.

MIERCOLES DE CENIZA--marca el comienzo de la Cuaresma. Comience su viaje a través de la Cuaresma a la Pascua con la imposición de cenizas. El Miércoles de Ceniza nos lleva a un periodo de 40 días de reconciliación y reflexión sobre la pasión y la muerte de Cristo. Únase a nosotros en uno de estos servicios.

LENT AT ST. MARY'S / La Cuaresma en St. Mary's

We invite all parishioners to join us in prayer, reflection, and penance as we journey through Lent. All are welcome to participate and deepen their spiritual connection during this Lenten season.

Invitamos a todos los feligreses a unirse a nosotros en oración, reflexión y penitencia mientras transitamos la Cuaresma. Todos son bienvenidos a participar y profundizar su conexión espiritual durante esta temporada de Cuaresma.

PRAYER, FASTING, AND ALMSGIVING LEAD US TO THE HEART OF WHAT LENT IS ABOUT- A DEEPER CONVERSION.



MESSAGES FROM BISHOP VASQUEZ

Sisters and Brothers in Christ - As we begin this Lenten season, we are reminded of our vocation to holiness. Lent is an invitation to renew our relationship with God and remain faithful to the Gospel. Throughout these next 40 days, we are called to **fast, pray and give alms** as an expression of love for God and our neighbor. May we be renewed and grow in holiness. We are called to be faithful witnesses to Christ. May we walk together in this season knowing that together we are his Mystical Body.- Bishop Joe Vázquez

Hermanos y Hermanas, -- Al comenzar este tiempo de Cuaresma, recordamos nuestra vocación a la santidad. La Cuaresma es una invitación a renovar nuestra relación con Dios y permanecer fieles al Evangelio. A lo largo de estos próximos 40 días, estamos llamados a **ayunar, orar y dar limosna** como expresión de amor a Dios y al prójimo. Seamos renovados y crezcamos en santidad. Estamos llamados a ser testigos fieles de Cristo. Caminemos juntos en este tiempo sabiendo que juntos somos su Cuerpo Místico.

-- El Obispo José Vázquez



Stations of the Cross / VIACRUCIS

Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent after the 6:00 PM Mass
Viacrucis cada viernes durante la Cuaresma después de la Misa de 6:00 PM



World Marriage Day is observed annually in dioceses and parishes throughout our country as an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. The theme for World Marriage Day and National Marriage Week 2024 is "**Love Beyond Words.**"

El Día Mundial del Matrimonio se celebra anualmente en diócesis y parroquias de todo nuestro país como una oportunidad para centrarse en la construcción de una cultura de vida y amor que comienza con el apoyo y la promoción del matrimonio y la familia. El tema del Día Mundial del Matrimonio y la Semana Nacional del Matrimonio 2024 es "**Amor más allá de las palabras**".



Faith Formation

THANK YOU-

This past Sunday we welcomed back our teens from DCYC! Thank you for keeping them in your prayers. We have a total of 24 young people who participated in attending this conference. A special thanks to the following chaperons: **Leticia Garza, Remi Pina, John and Jeanette Anthony, Peggy & Cecilia Sifuentes.** Thank you also to our donors who supported our teens: **St. Mary's Altar Society, Leticia Garza, Edward and Danielle Scamardo, Mike and Brenda Werlinger.**

