St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church

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Rev. Krzysztof Pipa, SVD ~ Associate Pastor
Rev. Francis Xavier Rayappan, SVD ~ Associate Pastor

Mass Schedule:

English:	Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. (M-Sat.)
	Saturday - 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)
	Sunday - 7:30 , 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Polish:	Saturday - 6:30 p.m.
	Sunday - 5:15 p.m.
Spanish:	Thursday 7:00 p.m.
	Sunday - 12:00 p.m.

Holy Day of Obligation:

English:	7:00 p.m. (Vigil),
	7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., & 12:00 p.m.
Spanish:	6:30 p.m.
Polish:	8:00 p.m.

Civic Holidays

English:	9:00 a.m. Mass

First Fridays:

English:	8:30 a.m. Mass
Polish:	7:00 p.m. Reconciliation;
	8:00 p.m. Mass

Reconciliation

English/Spanish:	Saturday: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Polish:	30 minutes before Mass on the weeker
Spanish:	Thursday: 6:30 p.m.
	Friday: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Holy Hour:

Polish:	Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.
Spanish:	Friday – 7:00 p.m.

Adoration Chapel (Blessed Sacrament Exposed):

Monday - Friday:	7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday:	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Office Hours

E-mail: contact@stjosephworker.com

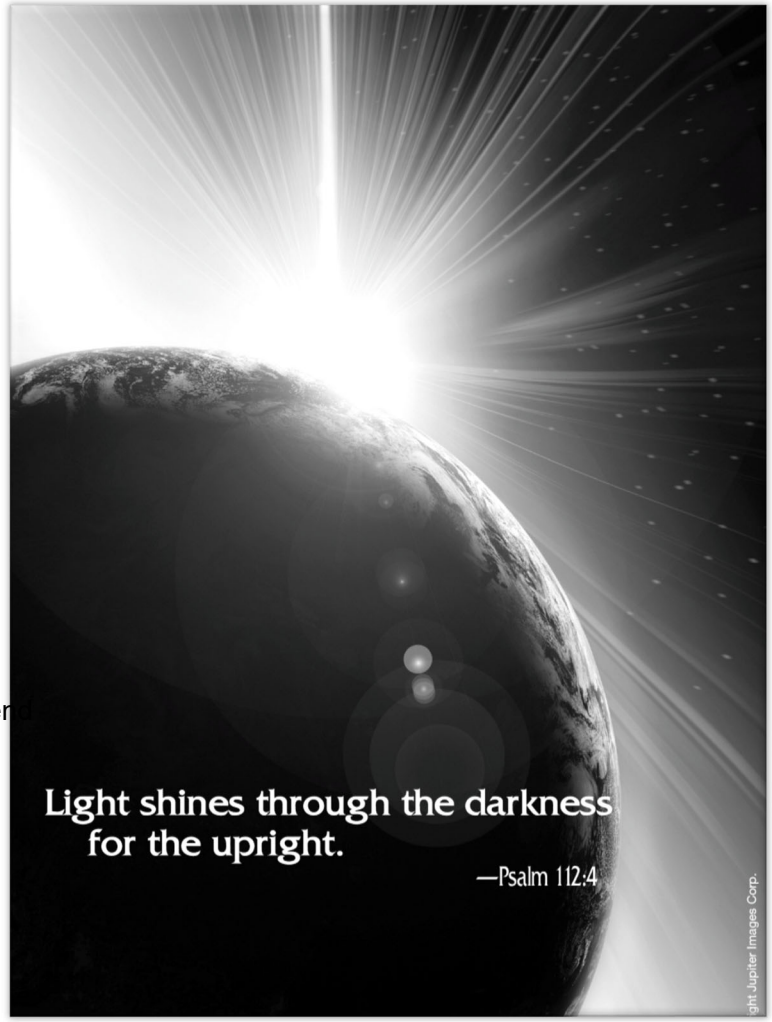
Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri	9:00 am - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 am - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 am - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday	CLOSED

Religious Education

English: 847-537-4182;
Monday & Wednesday: 2—9 pm; Friday 9—3 pm
Spanish: 847-537-4181; sjwreledsp@yahoo.com

Polish School

847-912-4193



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

Psalm — Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

Gospel — Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 4
Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday
8:30 — Special intentions for Michelangelo Gondolfi *(by the Family)*
For the repose of the soul of Julian † *(by Jolanta)*
5:00 — Mary Sykes—Rest in peace †
6:30 — In memory of Jozef Wilk † *(by the Wilk Family)*

Sunday, February 5
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 — Bernard—Blessings on his birthday *(by Jolanta)*
9:00 — For the soul of Jason Corl†
10:30 — Pray for this year's Confirmandi
12:00 — In memory of Gilberto Sanchez † *(by Becky & Dave Vogel)*
5:15 — (Polish) Special intentions

Monday, February 6
St Paul Miki and Companions
8:30 — In memory of Dolores Boksa † *(by Teresa Nowak)*
For the souls of Veronica and Joseph Nguyen † *(by the Family)*
For the soul of Helen Jones † *(by the Family)*

Tuesday, February 7
8:30 — George Luecker—for the repose of his soul † *(by the Lazarde Family)*
Pray for the souls of Vicente and Maria Danan † *(by Nick & Mae Danan)*

Wednesday, February 8
St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita
8:30 — In memory of George Luecker † *(by the Breakfast Group)*

Thursday, February 9
8:30 — In memory of Helen Swiec † *(by the Gondolfi Family)*
Blessings for Fr George on his birthday
7:00 — (Spanish) Special intention

Friday, February 10
St. Scholastica
8:30 — For all souls in purgatory

Saturday, February 11
Blessed Virgin Mary; Our Lady of Lourdes
8:30 — Charles Rotchford †
Sally—for health and blessing
5:00 — In loving memory of Rose Rodriguez † *(by the Montemayor & Rodriguez Families*
6:30 — (Polish) Special intentions

Sunday, February 12
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 — Special intention for the Intong Family
9:00 — In memory of Joseph and Maria Gawlik †
10:30 — In memory of Maria Pipa †
12:00 — (Spanish) Special intentions
2:00 — (Polish) Special intentions
5:15 — (Polish) Special intentions

Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 5—*Knights of Columbus Donut Sale*
12:00 am - Adoracion de Mes—Church/Hall
7:00 am - Knights of Columbus Donut Sale
10:30 am - (Spanish) Religious Ed Classes—School
1:15 pm - Immigration Workshop—Hall
2:30 pm - (English) Baptism—Church
4:00 pm - (Polish) Baptism—Church
7:00 pm - Domestic Violence Awareness—Rm 8
7:30 pm - AA Group—Hall/Kitchen

Monday, February 6
6:00 pm - (English) Sacrament Classes—School
6:30 pm - (English) Religious Ed Classes—School
7:00 pm - Disciples of Emaus (Women) - House
8:00 pm - (Hispanic) Cross School—Rm 5

Tuesday, February 7
5:00 pm - (Polish) Dance—Rm 9
5:30 pm - Mensajeros de la Paz Youth Choir—Rm 2
6:00 pm - (Spanish) Confirmation Class—Rm 3
6:00 pm - Alegria Mexicana Dance—Rm 11
6:00 pm - (Spanish) Youth Ministry—Rm 8
6:00 pm - (Polish) Music Practice—Rm 7
6:00 pm - Angeles de Dios Choir—Rm 6
7:00 pm - (Polish) Holy Hour— Church
7:00 pm - Disciples of Emmaus (Men) - Rm 12
7:00 pm - (English) Choir—Rm 10
7:00 pm - Bible Study: Creed & Sacraments—Rm 5
7:30 pm - Crochet Group

Wednesday, February 8
7:00 pm - (Spanish) Confirmation Class—Rm 9
7:00 pm - Bible Study: Gospel of Matthew—Rm 5
7:00 pm - Disciples of Emmaus (Women) - Rm 12

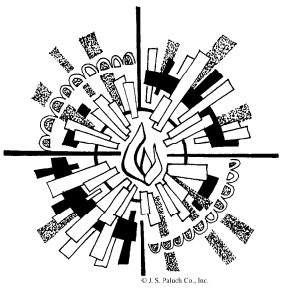
Thursday, February 9
5:00 pm - (Polish) School—Rm 4 & 6
5:30 pm - Mensajeros de la Paz Youth Choir—Rm 3
5:45 pm - (Spanish) Confirmation Class—Rm 5
6:00 pm - Alegria Mexicana Dance—Rm 11
7:00 pm - (Spanish) Mass—Church
7:00 pm - (Polish) Choir—Rm 10
8:00 pm - Guadalupano—Rm 5 & 7
8:00 pm - Divine Mercy—Rm 9 & 12

Friday, February 10
4:45 pm - (Polish) School/Hall
7:00 pm - (Spanish) Holy Hour—Church

Saturday, February 11
8:00 am - (Polish) School/Hall
10:30 am - (Spanish) Youth Ministry—House
6:00 pm - Grupo de la Tercer Edad—Rm 5
7:00 pm - Pre-Marriage Class—Rm 9

Sunday, February 12
10:30 am - (Spanish) Religious Ed Classes—School
2:00 pm - (Polish) Children Mass—Church
7:30 pm - AA Group—Hall/Kitchen

You are The Salt and the Light



The story is told about a German pastor who was to speak at a gathering, and who requested the emcee to make a simple and basic introduction of him sans titles or achievements, to just say that he is a humble shepherd or something to that effect. So the emcee said: "Ladies and gentlemen, may I introduce to you our speaker, a simple German shepherd!" In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us the most simple and most basic description of what a Christian should be—i.e., the salt of the earth and a light of the world. We are called to make a difference in this world. To be like salt is to be of substance, and to be like light is to be of radiance, to give glory to God.

Now what do these mean? Do you know that the word "sugar" never occurs in the Bible? In ancient times salt was the ultimate seasoning that gave taste to food. Without salt food would be tasteless. Jesus is saying that as salt is to food, so are Christians to the world. Christians are in the world to make it a sweeter place. How can we make the world a sweeter place? We find the answer in the parallel passage in Mark: **"Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another"** (Mark 9:50).

As salt we are called to be friendly and kind, living at peace with everybody. As light we are called to show the way. Without light we bump into each another and fall into the ditch. But light says: "Here is the road, take it; here is danger, avoid it." Without light and salt the world would be in a very bad shape, uninteresting and impossible to live in. With light and salt the world becomes a safer and better place. It is our duty as Christians to make the world a better place.

But how do we do that? First, salt must be different from the food before it can be of use. If salt loses its taste then it is useless and can no longer make a difference. Light must be different from darkness in order to be of help. So being salt and light of the world means being different from the world. If believers have nothing that distinguishes them from unbelievers, then they are like salt that has lost its saltiness and therefore cannot make a difference. And what distinguishes us from non-believers should be not so much what we claim to be or the badges and pins we wear but the life we live. As Jesus says in John 13:35, **"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."** Love is the distinctive mark by which you can tell the true Christian from the false.

Secondly, both salt and light operate by associating with the thing that they want to change. Salt cannot improve the food unless it goes into the food and changes it from within. Light cannot show the way unless it encounters the darkness. Sometimes Christians think that the way to go is to keep away from getting involved with society. To make a difference we must get up and get involved.

Fr. Jerzy Gawlik, SVD

A jednak warto się modlić

Napisano już bardzo wiele książek i artykułów na temat modlitwy. Ciagle jednak aktualne wydaje się być pytanie: dlaczego mamy się modlić? Co mi to daje, że się modlę? Możemy się spotkać z osobami, które mówią, że nie widzą wiekszego sensu w chodzeniu w niedziele do kościoła i odmawianiu codziennej modlitwy. Przez tyle lat chodziłem do kościoła, mówią, wysłuchałem tysiące kazań i żadnego z nich tak naprawdę nie pamiętam. Myślę, że zarówno ja, dodają, marnuję swój czas jak i księża wygłaszajacy swoje kazania. Ktoś w sposób prosty ale bardzo logiczny odpowiedział na te wątpliwości. Powiedział tak: jestem żonaty od 30 lat. W tym czasie moja kochana żona przygotowała ponad 32,000 posiłków. Trudno mi przypomnieć sobie te wszystkie posiłki. Ale wiem jedno, wszystkie z nich były smaczne i dawały mi siły do wypełniania moich obowiązków. Gdyby nie posiłki mojej żony, to dzisiaj już by mnie nie było na tym świecie.

Może i w nas rodzą się pytania odnośnie modlitwy. Może czasami powątpiewamy, czy wszystkie nasze modlitwy są wysłuchane. Możemy być pewni, że każda nasza modlitwa jest wysłuchana. Musimy jednak pamiętać, że czasami Bóg odpowiada NIE na nasze prośby, albo każe nam POCZEKAĆ. Jeżeli się spodziewamy, że Bóg zawsze odpowie TAK na nasze prośby, to tak naprawdę nie modlimy się do Boga tylko do samych siebie. Naszą modlitwą nie staramy się zmienić woli Boga, ale stajemy się gotowi przyjąć Jego wolę, która jest dla nas zawsze najlepsza.

Bóg wysłuchuje w swoim czasie i dla nas najbardziej odpowiednim. Pewna historia opowiada o oddziale położniczym w szpitalu. W poczekalni siedzi kilku zniecierpliwionych przyszłych ojców. Wychodzi do nich siostra położona i zwracając się do jednego z nich z radością oznajmia: ma pan syna. Siedzący obok mężczyzna wstaje i nerwowowym głosem zwraca się do siostry: przepraszam, ale to ja byłem tutaj pierwszy. My mamy bardzo dobrego Ojca w niebie. Nam daleko do Jego szczodrobliwości, bo często dbamy tylko o swoje. Prośmy, abyśmy mogli się upodobnić do Jego hojności i bezinteresowności.

Pewien człowiek miał sen, że zginał w wypadku samochowdowym. Rankiem po przebudzeniu udał się do banku i wyciągnął wszystkie swoje oszczędnosci. Zapytany dlaczego to robi, odpowiedział: bo motto tego banku brzmi: spełnimy wszystkie twoje sny. Bóg nie spełnia wszystkich naszych snów i marzeń ale daje nam zawsze to co dla nas najlepsze w tym życiu i nadzieję życia wiecznego. Dlatego warto się modlić, czyli trwać w żywej relacji z Jezusem, który w mocy Ducha Świętego prowadzi nas do Ojca.

Ogłoszenia

Msze święte w języku polskim:
Sobota 6:30 wieczorem, 6:15 odmawiamy Koronkę do Miłosierdzia Bożego
Spowiedź święta: pół godziny przed Mszą świętą o 6:00.
Niedziela 5:15 po południu
Spowiedź święta: pół godziny przed Mszą świętą o 4:45.

Pierwszy Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta przez wstawiennctwo św. Jana Pawła II. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy nabożeństwo do Św. Jana Pawła II

Pierwszy Piątek Miesiąca: 7:00 wieczorem wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu i adoracja. O 7:30 nabożeństwo do Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa. W tym czasie od 7:00 do 8:00 jest spowiedź święta. O godzienie 8:00 Msza święta ku czci Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa.

Pierwsza Sobota Miesiąca: Po Mszy świętej wieczornej o 7:30 odmawiamy różaniec wynagradzający za zniewagi wyrządzone Niepokalanemu Sercu Maryi.

Drugi Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta o Miłosierdziu Bożym. Po Mszy świętej odmawiamy Koronkę do Miłosierdzia Bożego.

Trzeci Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta o Duchu Świętym w intencji osób samotnych, małżonków i kapłanów. Po Mszy świętej odmawiamy Koronkę do Trójcy Przenajświętszej.

Ostatni wtorek miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta ku czci świętego Ojca Pio. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy nabożeństwo do Św. O. Pio.

Kaplica Adoracji Najświętszego Sakramentu (przy plebanii):
Otwarta od 7:00 rano do 10:00 wieczorem każdego dnia tygodnia.

Sakrament Chrztu Swiętego: w każdą pierwszą sobotę miesiąca o godzinie 10:30 rano oraz w każdą pierwszą i trzecią niedzielę miesiąca o godzinie 4:00 po południu.

Sakrament Małżeństwa : należy zgłosić się co najmniej cztery miesiące wcześniej.

Biuro Parafialne: od 9:00 rano do 7:00 wieczorem
od 9:00 rano do 4:00 po południu – sobota
od 9:00 rano do 1:00 po południu - niedziela

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2 Niedziela miesiąca 2:00 PM – Msza święta dla dzieci
4 Niedziela miesiąca 7:00 PM – Msza święta dla młodzieży
Godzina Święta we wtorki – 7PM

Del escritorio de Padre Krzysztof (Kristof)

Cristo nos pidió que fuéramos sal de la tierra y no azúcar, luz y no oscuridad o tinieblas. Escuchamos este domingo el Evangelio que es claro en su mensaje: *"Ustedes son la sal de la tierra. Pero si la sal se vuelve sosa, ¿con qué la salarán? Ustedes son la luz del mundo. No se puede ocultar una ciudad puesta en la cima de un monte"*.

Cuando leemos este trozo de Evangelio seguramente a muchos les impacta el imperativo de Jesús. Él mismo nos dice que somos sal, que somos luz y no lo pone suavecito por el estilo que traten, que deben de ser, que hagan un esfuerzo de ser lo uno o lo otro. Todo suena como una exigencia que induce las consecuencias concretas, donde uno puede preguntarse si somos o no somos la sal, la luz.

La sal no parece gran cosa por sí sola, pero comienza a producir sus efectos, precisamente cuando se la mezcla con los alimentos. Así, agregada a los alimentos la sal parece que ha desaparecido, pero basta probar el plato de comida para que nos demos cuenta de sus efectos. Todos alguna vez hemos probado comida donde el cocinero o la cocinera otros dirían el ama de la casa se ha olvidado de poner la sal; o por el contrario ha colocado demasiada. Lo mismo sucede cuando se enciende una luz. Esta sólo puede iluminar cuando la ponemos en medio de la oscuridad, en lo alto y con detalles como nos lo cuenta el Evangelio de hoy. Sea a lo antiguo una vela o a lo moderno un foco todo tiene su propósito y lugar adecuado de colocarlo.

Desde el día de nuestro Bautismo se nos llama a vivir como hijos de la Luz. Se nos invita a irradiar la luz de la fe en Cristo. Él es, desde ese momento, nuestra Luz.

A veces podemos convertirnos en una especie de "focos y delicadas bombillas cristianas de bajo consumo" que apenas dan una luz. O peor aún encerradas en la caja de cartón de la comodidad y la indiferencia, permanecen insensibles con lo que sucede en mí alrededor, en nuestra comunidad- parroquia, país, etc.

Ser la luz del mundo, ser la sal de la tierra son las palabras de Jesús que en algunos casos fotografían la vida de los que somos discípulos suyos. Pero que en otras ocasiones, quieren ser estimulo, llamada a la conversión, para que realmente podamos poner el sabor del Evangelio en nuestra vida personal, familiar y comunitaria.

Ser luz, ser sal es atreverse a ser distinto, atreverse a obrar desde otros principios. Si te encuentras en un ambiente donde la mentira, la envidia, el resentimiento o la vulgaridad han echado profundas raíces, no te dejes contagiar siendo igualito como los demás. Ser luz y sal implica ser distinto, mejor, con sus valores, criterios, convicciones. En una palabra, alguien que marca la diferencia y refleja algo de Jesús en su vida.

Rincón Parroquial

Misas en español:
Los domingos a las 12:00 pm. Todos los jueves a las 7 de la noche. Cada primer jueves del mes se celebra la misa para los enfermos donde pedimos la sanación física y espiritual para los participantes.

Hora Santa:
Un momento de adoración al Santísimo Sacramento todos los viernes a las 7:00 p.m. en la Iglesia. Cada segundo viernes del mes tenemos la Hora Santa de Sanación pidiendo a Jesús sacramentado sanación espiritual y corporal. Únicamente los primeros viernes del mes la adoración tiene lugar en la Capilla de la Adoración al lado de la Casa parroquial.

Confesiones:
Tienen lugar siempre media hora antes de la misa los jueves en el horario de 6:30- 7:00 pm. Además el viernes durante la adoración del Santísimo Sacramento de 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Despacho Parroquial:
Suministra toda la información relacionada con los sacramentos, celebraciones y todas las actividades que se realizan en la Parroquia San José Obrero.

Bautizos de los niños:
Inscripciones para Bautizos son de lunes a viernes en el horario de la oficina de 9:00 am — 4:45 pm

Presentación de los niños:
Se pide a los padres anunciar con anticipación en el despacho parroquial (oficina) o antes de la misa el deseo de presentar sus hijos/as en la misa de domingo. Todo eso para tomar los datos del niño o la niña ponerlo en la oración y mencionarlo en la misa.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Cuando compartas tu pan con el hambriento, y sacies la necesidad del humillado, entonces brillará tu luz en las tinieblas (Isaías 58:7-10).

Salmo — El justo brilla como luz en las tinieblas (Salmo 112 [111]).

Segunda lectura — He anunciado a ustedes el misterio de Cristo crucificado, a fin de que la fe de ustedes dependa del poder de Dios y no de la sabiduría de los hombres (1 Corintios 2:1-5).

Evangelio — Que su luz brille ante los hombres, para que viendo sus buenas obras, den gloria a su Padre, que está en los Cielos (Mateo 5:13-16).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Gn 1:1-19; Sal 104 (103):1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mc 6:53-56
Martes: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Sal 8:4-9; Mc 7:1-13
Miércoles: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Sal 104 (103):1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mc 7:14-23
Jueves: Gn 2:18-25; Sal 128 (127):1-5; Mc 7:24-30
Viernes: Gn 3:1-8; Sal 32 (31):1-2, 5-7; Mc 7:31-37
Sábado: Gn 3:9-24; Sal 90 (89):2-6, 12-13; Mc 8:1-10
Domingo: Sir 15:15-20; Sal 119 (118):1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

Pray For the Sick ...

Judy Abruscato
Pablo Albavera
Domenick Bagnuolo
John Becker
The Benz Family
Regina Berman
Winifred Boyack
Yolanda Burch
Catherine Cross
Rosemary Davis
Avery DeLuca
William Downs
Len Dudas
Dario Eusse
Andrea Fanella
Stephen Field
Joseph Flanagan
Michelangelo Gondolfi
Dolores Gluzynski
Miguel Gonzalez
Ernie Hackett
Harley Halleck
Kellar Harris
Cheri Johnson
Elizabeth Jusak
Brian Kawamura
Jack & Mary Kedroski
Sara Kesterke
Mary Ketchum
Tim Kickel
Tim Koller
Celeste Lambert
Ruth Lance
Joan Lutz
William T. Lyman
Angeline Mabeley
Doris Malicki
Olga Mancilla
Millie Mastriann
Carmen M. Matos
Bonnie Miley
Kristi Mogley
Javier Monroy & Family
Brian Moore
Ethan Moore
Thomas Mueller
Kathleen O'Rourke
Eileen Peluso
Michael Peluso
Patrick Peluso
Pedro Perez
Michael Perrela
Krystyna Popek
Beth Ramos
Ava Rodriguez
Chester Salzmann
Chris Scanlon
John Scott
David Schimpf
Joanne Shields
Denis Siena
Deana Skulemowski
Mary Sobczak
Carol Spiller
Steve Stecker
Art Stemp
Rick Stolfa
Jean Storey
Melissa Stoutamire
Dave Sykes
Mark Sykes
Anna Marie Tarsitano
Fran Theriault
Melanie Thuet
Evelyn Torres
Bill Trnka
Jerry Vanderberg
Pinky Wennerstrom
Ed Witecha
Matt Wzerick
Rose Mary Zambuto
Kathy Zeivel
Virginia Zink
Dolores Funk Falato
Dorothy Kurutz
John McCormack
Kathleen Morris
Joan Early
Rosemary Barlett
Benjamin Velasquez
Robert Egan
Windy Suarez
Nikolaus Kadar
David Madden
Tom Dworzak
Josephine Quigley
Patricia Sumner
Ida Basse
Alice Pulsifer
Ernestine Haller
Corina Hernandez

'I resolved to know nothing except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.' In the Cross is our salvation, proclaim that salvation in all you do!

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Keep Our Dear Lord company in the Adoration Chapel

Please consider spending a half hour or more a week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The Chapel is open weekdays from 7:00 am to 10:00 pm and 8:00 am to 10:00 pm on the weekend.

There is no place like a home

Catholics often have our homes blessed on the Epiphany, on January 6, the visitation of the Magi to the child Jesus and during the Easter season. The occasion provides a special opportunity for a gathering of the members of the family to mark the joyful event and to thank God, from whom all blessings come and for the gift of your home.

To arrange a time, please contact the parish office at 847-537-2740.

PARISH WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY
Sunday Collection: $ 7,542.00

The collection taken up each week is the life support of this parish. Thank you for your generosity!

Do you like to sew?

Do you like to sew and are you willing to use your time and talent to help convert wedding gowns into beautiful baby burial outfits ("angel gowns") for infants who do not make it home from the hospital? If so, please join us for a Sewing Workshop sponsored by Rest in His Arms on February 25th from 10am – 3pm at St. Mary's in the lunch room.

Please RSVP no later than Feb 20th either through Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/events/274331562982371/ or by email to GraciesMom@comcast.net. All are welcome and feel free to invite friends from outside the parish. Those who do not sew can help with dress deconstruction. We will be providing lunch so please RSVP.

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"Awakening Sacred Heart: The Gift of Attention," a talk by **Tony Sorgi**, will be presented at **2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19**, in the Rectory Assembly of Immaculate Conception Parish, 7211 W. Talcott, Chicago, Freewill donation, refreshments, ample parking. For more information call Mike at 773-685-4736 after 3 p.m.

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9:00 am

Lector:	L. Prindle
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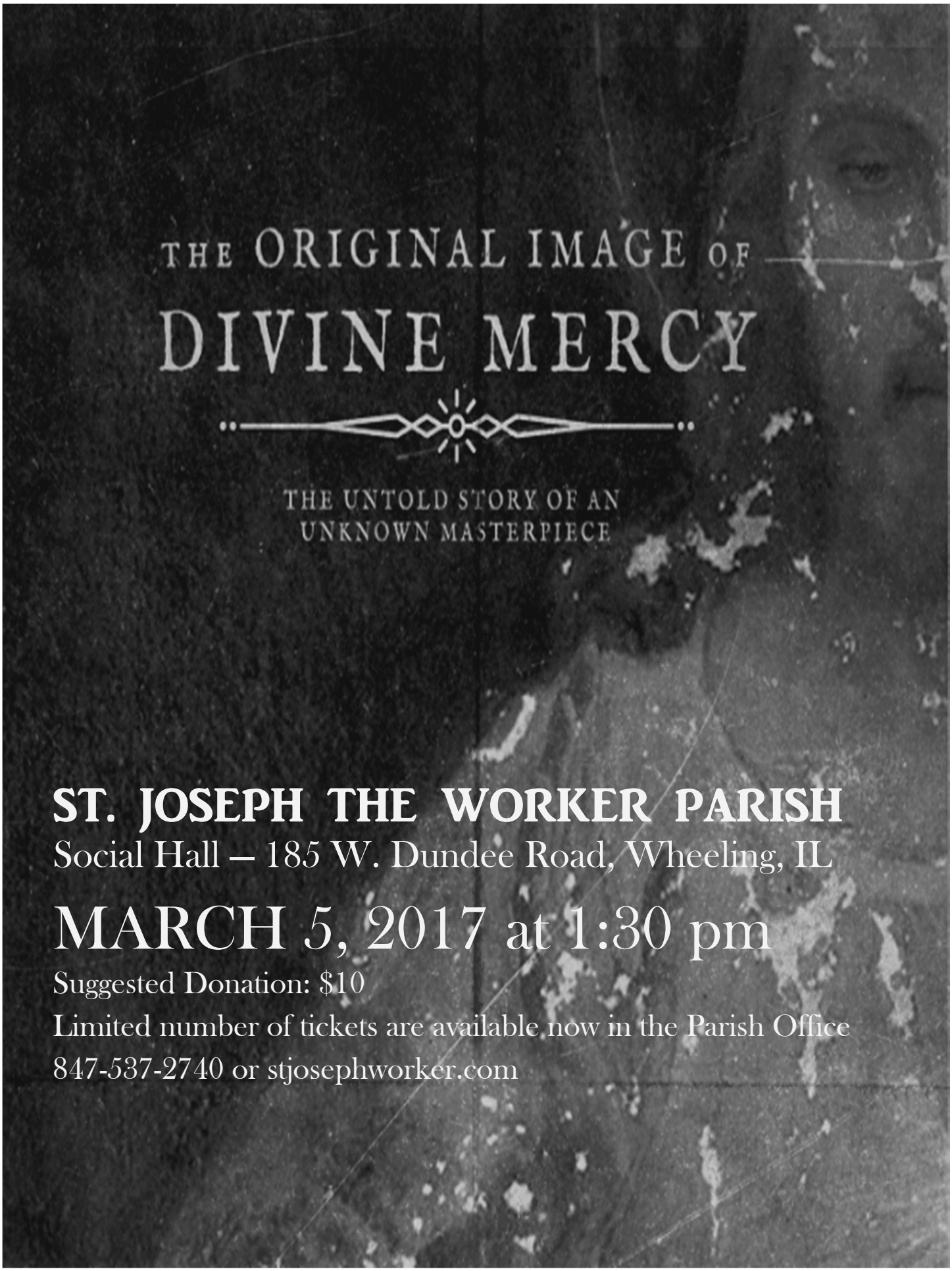

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THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

As children we sang the lively song *This Little Light of Mine*. The words, of course, are based on today's Gospel, in which we are called as disciples to be salt and light for the world. Children are uninhibited about sharing their faith. It's only when we grow older that we prefer to hide our light under a bushel basket because our culture tends not to emphasize discipleship. The message in this week's readings is clear: in order to give glory to God through our discipleship, we must show the light of Christ in our words and deeds. Not an easy thing for inhibited adults. Often we may think of salt and light in terms of what we do for others, but it can be just as important not to do something, such as getting angry with the stranger on the road, or telling an offensive joke.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When the custom of the stational liturgies was revived in the city of Rome in the early days of the twentieth century, the papal liturgy for Good Friday was appropriately housed in the stational church of *Santa Croce in Gerusalemme,* the Holy Cross of Jerusalem.

The church is off the tourist track today, but true pilgrims would never miss it. It stands on the grounds of the Sessorian Palace, the home of the Empress St. Helena, mother of Constantine. She dedicated her life to finding the true cross of Christ in Jerusalem, and desired to found a church in Rome for people who could not make the long and dangerous trip to the Holy Land. Eventually, it came to house relics of the cross. When the pope fled the city of Rome for Avignon, the religious institutions of Rome collapsed and the church was abandoned. Centuries later it was given into the care of monks. Amazingly, it concealed a forgotten treasure. In 1492 repairmen took down a brick wall and discovered a niche with the inscription "Title of the Cross," and within, an ancient wooden tablet on which was carved the inscription dictated by Pilate for the cross of Christ in Hebrew, Latin, and Greek. No one is certain that this is authentic, although its discovery was enough to give the church great prestige among pilgrims. The veneration of the relic of the cross located here was a factor in shaping our restored Holy Week.

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MI PEQUEÑA LUZ

Cuando éramos niños cantábamos efusivamente la canción *Mi pequeña luz (This Little Light of Mine)*. La letra de la canción, desde luego, está basada en el Evangelio de hoy,
en este estamos llamados como discípulos a ser la sal y la luz del mundo. Los niños no tienen dificultad para compartir su fe; solo es cuando crecemos que preferimos esconder nuestra luz bajo un tazón porque nuestra cultura tiende a no enfatizar el discipulado. El mensaje en las lecturas de esta semana es claro: para poder dar gloria a Dios por medio del discipulado, debemos mostrar la luz de Cristo en nuestras palabras y obras. No es algo fácil para adultos inhibidos. A menudo podemos pensar en la sal y la luz en términos de lo que hacemos por los demás, pero puede ser tan importante como el no hacer nada, ya sea como enojarse con un desconocido en la carretera o decir una broma ofensiva.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

La primera santa americana fue Rosa de Lima, peruana de nacimiento. Murió en 1617 y fue canonizada en 1671, diez años después de la primera fundación inglesa en lo que hoy son Estados Unidos de América. Esta santa americana es acompañada por otros santos como san Felipe de Jesús (mexicano) canonizado en 1862 y Madre Francisca Cabrini (italoestadounidense y la primera santa de EE. UU.) canonizada en 1946.

Oficialmente hay 60 santos y 77 beatos que nacieron o trabajaron en América. La mayoría de estos son 50 mexicanos, 33 brasileños, 12 canadienses, nueve estadounidenses, ocho colombianos, siete peruanos, tres argentinos y tres chilenos. Guatemala, Cuba, República Dominicana, Uruguay y Venezuela tienen un santo(a) cada uno. Estados Unidos y Canadá comparten siete mártires. La mayoría de los santos o santas del continente americano fueron beatificados o canonizados durante los últimos 100 años. Sólo ocho de ellos fueron canonizados durante los últimos ocho años.

No todos estos santos nacieron en América, pero sí dedicaron su vida a evangelizarla. Estos 137 santos de la Iglesia universal son un testimonio de la obra del Espíritu Santo en el continente americano.

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In the News at SJW

The Polish School students celebrated Bal Karnawalowy (Carnival Ball).

The Ministry of Care group in our Vicariate met last Saturday in the Social Hall to listen to Fr. Denis and enjoyed the day getting to know each other.

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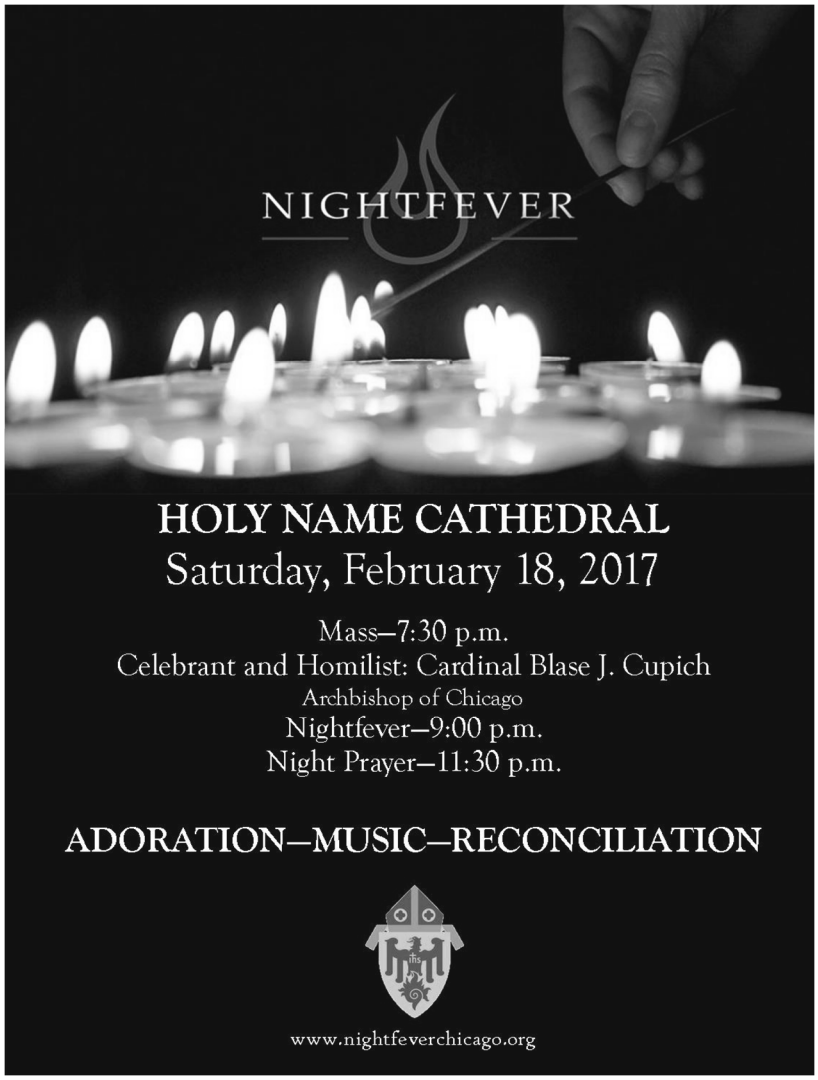

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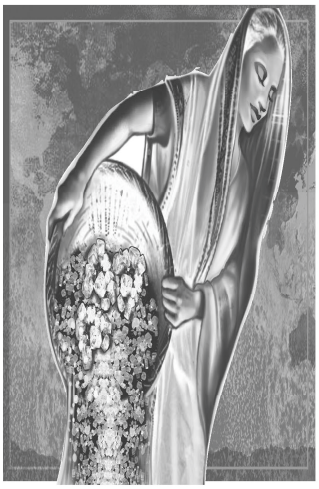

Jesus uses the present tense, "you *are*" salt of the earth and light of the world. This can be troubling to hear, upon a little reflection, when we already suspect that we are not. It's easy to see how often we fail to truly be salt and light for others. This can lead to discouragement and a fear of failing again. But Jesus says that being salt and light is God's gift, and not our own accomplishment.

He notes the "bushel basket" that prevents the light of the lamp from being seen. We have created and received all kinds of patterns of thinking and behaving that block our capacity to be light for others. But these patterns do not define us. Whatever our faults, we are primarily God's beloved and gifted people. We can have hope that God will assist us in addressing our "bushel basket," to overcome what blocks our ability to love others. Jesus' Good News for us is that we are ultimately not the bushel basket, but the lamp.

CITY ON A MOUNTAIN

Often, we envision Jesus' imagery of salt and light applied to the life of individual Christians. This is indeed appropriate. However, along with "salt of the earth" and "light of the world", we hear of a "*city* set on a mountain." Clearly, these images are also directed to Christian communities. A parish, for example, is called to have a visible, caring presence in its local area. As salt and light, a community of faith can add its own flavor and wisdom to its surroundings.

A faith community can have its own "bushel basket," too. This might include unresolved internal conflicts, or a lack of welcoming to strangers, or just being too internally focused. These can prevent the community from demonstrating God's love. However, just as with individuals, God can lead the faithful to address these obstacles, and to become salt and light more fully for their neighborhood.

Today's Readings: Is 58:7–10; Ps 112:4–9; 1 Cor 2:1–5; Mt 5:13–16

5 de febrero de 2017
Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Jesús para hablar usa el tiempo presente, "ustedes *son*" la sal de la tierra y la luz del mundo. Escuchar esto puede ser problemático, con un poco de meditación, quizá deje de serlo. Es fácil ver lo frecuente que fallamos ser sal y luz para los demás. Esto podría llevarnos al desanimo y un miedo de fracasar una vez más. Pero Jesús dice que ser sal y luz es un don de Dios, y no un logro de nuestra parte.

Él recalca que un «cajón» ocasiona que la luz de una lámpara no se vea. Hemos creado y recibido todo tipo de formas de pensamiento y comportamiento que bloquean nuestra capacidad de ser luz para los demás. Pero estas formas no definen quienes somos. Pese a nuestras faltas, somos primeramente los hijos amados de Dios y personas con dones. Podemos tener esperanza que Dios nos ayudará a dirigir nuestros «cajones» para evitar que bloquen nuestra habilidad de amar a los demás. La Buena Nueva de Jesús para nosotros es que en definitiva no somos cajones sino lámparas.

UNA CIUDAD EN UNA MONTAÑA

A menudo, podemos tener fuertes imágenes de Jesús acerca de sal y luz que se refiere a la vida de los cristianos. Esto efectivamente es apropiado. Sin embargo, junto con "sal de la tierra" y "luz del mundo", escuchamos acerca de una "*ciudad* construida en una montaña». Claramente, estas imágenes también están dirigidas a las comunidades cristianas. Una parroquia, por ejemplo, está llamada a tener una visible presencia de servicio en el lugar donde esté ubicada. Como sal y luz, una comunidad de fe puede añadir su propio sabor y sabiduría a sus alrededores.

Una comunidad de fe puede tener sus propios "cajones" también. Esto podría incluir conflictos internos que no han sido resueltos, o una falta de recibimiento a los extraños, o solo estar enfocada hacía sí misma. Esto puede prevenir a la comunidad de demostrar el amor de Dios. Sin embargo, así como los individuos, Dios puede guiar a los fieles a dirigir esos obstáculos, y ser sal y luz más plenamente a sus prójimos.

Lecturas del día: Is 58:7–10; Sal 112:4–9; 1 Cor 2:1–5; Mt 5:13–16

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