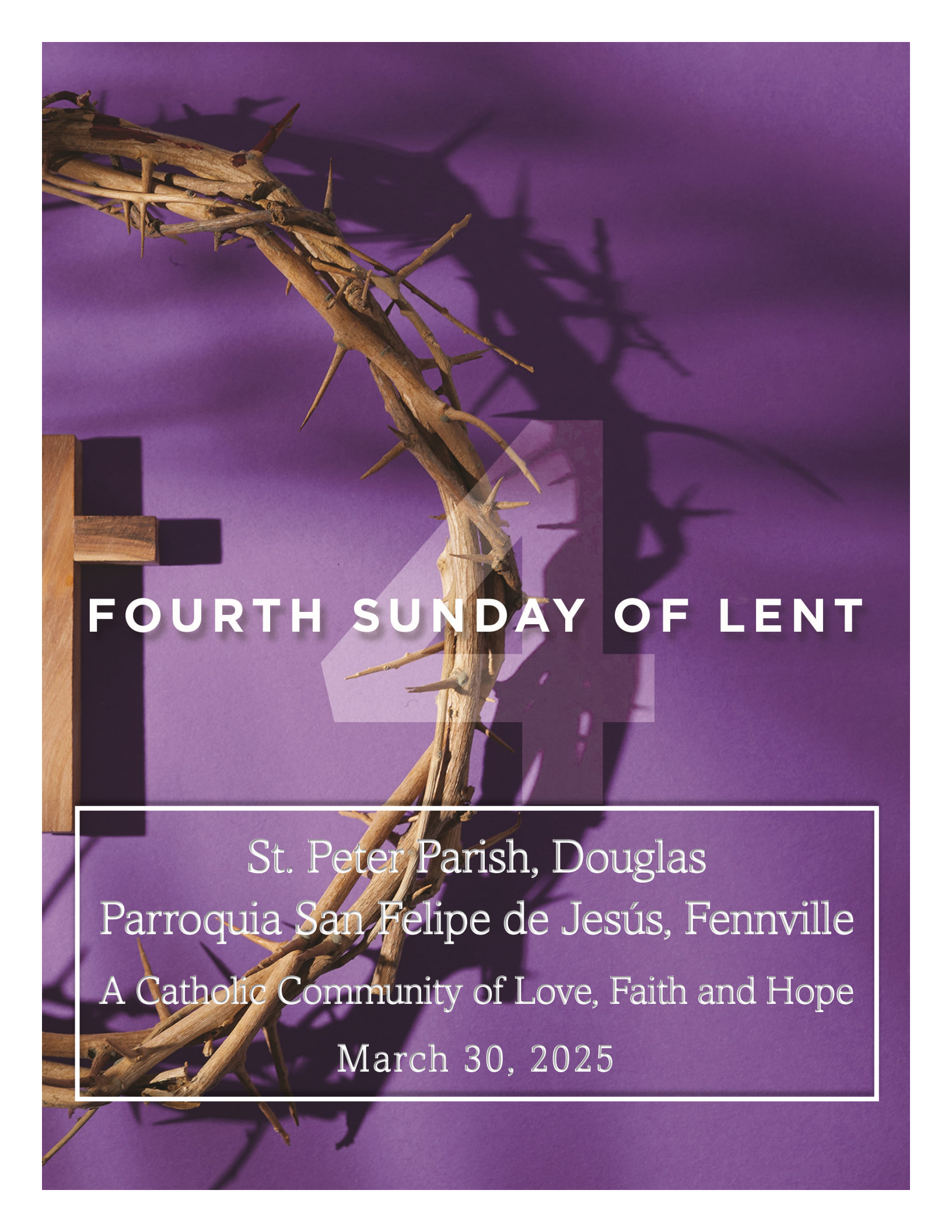




FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 29

5:00pm *Abbey Sapita* by Bob Sapita

Sunday, March 30

8:00am † *Patrick (JoJo) Murphy*
by Patrick & Pam Murphy

10:30am *For all deceased members of Knights of Columbus, Council 8687*

Monday, March 31

8:30am *For the People of St. Peter Parish*

Tuesday, April 1

8:30am *For deceased members of the Ray Family*
by John & Lorna Napoli

Thursday, April 3

8:30am † *Rebecca Bolles (Birthday Remembrance)*
by Joseph Bolles

Friday, April 4

8:30am *In Reparation for sins Committed against the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Saturday, April 5

8:30am *In Reparation for sins Committed against the Sacred Heart of Mary*

5:00pm † *Jose Alfaro, Sr.* by Deacon Jose Alfaro

Sunday, April 6

8:00am *Michael Akey* by Family
10:30am *Abbey Sapita* by Bob Sapita

Readings for the week of March 30

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Alex Ramirez

Bertha Denemy

Carol Powers

Dcn. Tony Nethercott

Isa Rodriguez Kupres

Janet Fahey

Karen Martin

Lynne Adamczyk

Madison McAllister

Saul Suarez, Jr.

Dr. John Leo

Fr. Don Klinger

Paulino Ortiz, Sr.

Emily Keen

Dennis Dreyer

Michael Akey

Bill Alwin

Dorothy Lockwood

Henryka Ternier

Abbey Sapita

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, 3/30

8:00am...Mass
10:30am...Mass
11:30am...MS/HS Mural Painting

MONDAY, 3/31

8:30am...Mass
6:30pm...Reconciliation Service

TUESDAY, 4/1

8:30am...Mass - Tuesday Treats
9:30 - 11:00am...Open Vessels
5:00 - 8:00pm...Eucharistic Exposition
4:30pm...Bereavement Group

WEDNESDAY, 4/2

8:30am...No Mass
6:00 - 8:00pm...K of C Meeting

THURSDAY, 4/3

8:30am...Mass

FRIDAY, 4/4

8:30am...Mass
9:30am - Noon...Eucharistic Exposition
12:15pm...Al-Anon
4:30 - 7:00pm...Fish Fry
7:00pm...Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, 4/5

8:00 - 10:00am...Catholic Men's Fellowship
8:30am...1st Saturday Mass & Devotions
9:30am...Men's Day of Reflection
3:30 - 4:30pm...Reconciliation
5:00pm...Mass

NEXT SUNDAY, 4/6

8:00am...Mass
10:30am...Mass



5K RUN & WALK EVENT

Join us for fun family fitness and sign up for the 5K Run & Walk or Kids' 1 Mile Fun Run!

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At 08:00AM

► Location:

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MEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION

**A Man's Reflection on FAITH during this
Special Jubilee Year
Saturday, April 5 at 9:30am**

Led by Father Jim Kastigar, men of faith are invited to spend part of the day with God. Together, we'll explore prayer in daily life and put our faith into action. \$10.00 covers materials, refreshments, and lunch. Make checks to Knights of Columbus 8687. Leave registration in the basket at the back of church. Join us as we grow in faith and strengthen our relationship with God.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

April 12 - 13

Anointing will be offered following Mass on Saturday, April 12, and between Masses on Sunday, April 13. Those experiencing illness, facing surgery, or dealing with the challenges of aging are invited to attend. No registration required.

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Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am

Wednesday: No Mass

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
3:30pm - 4:30pm or by Appointment.

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Mass Times in our

Collaborative

San Felipe, Fennville

Sunday: 12:30pm (Spanish)

Thursday: 6:30pm (Spanish)

St. Basil, South Haven

Year-Round~Saturday 5:00pm & 7:00pm(Spanish); Labor Day weekend through Memorial Day weekend~Sunday 9am & 11am; Memorial Day through Labor Day ~Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am



Rick Hardy
Pastoral Associate

POP = DEI? Discuss.

The *Preferential Option for the Poor* is a staple of Catholic Social Doctrine. It makes very clear, citing various papal teachings, that the poor have the inherent right to basic human needs, and that those who are better off have no right to hoard the resources that would provide these needs. Here are a couple of examples, and you should probably sit down:

*"The needs of the poor take **priority over** the desires of the rich; the rights of workers over the maximization of profits; the preservation of the environment over uncontrolled industrial expansion...."* (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Economic Justice for All*, no. 94 citing St. John Paul II's Address September 14, 1984)

*"Therefore everyone **has the right to possess a sufficient amount** of the earth's goods for themselves and their family. This has been the opinion of the Fathers and Doctors of the church, who taught that people are bound to come to the aid of the poor and to do so not merely out of their superfluous goods... (Vatican II, The Church in the Modern World, #69). (I left out the last sentence of this section, not because I don't affirm it, but because it's extremely provocative. If you want to know what it says, ask me some time.)*

What is described in these and other citations that support the *Preferential Option for the Poor* (aka *The Option for the Poor and Vulnerable*) is *equity*. Equity is not the same as equality; it does not mean that everyone is expected to have the same resources; no one is wealthy, and no one is poor. It means that everyone's basic, essential needs are met so that they have the possibility of making some progress, economically and socially, toward a better life for themselves and their family.

When opportunities or resources are denied to individuals because of their difference from whatever is considered the mainstream of a given society, equity is absent. In this case, the concern for *diversity* arises. When applied with integrity, a concern for diversity can support the *Option for the Poor and Vulnerable* ("vulnerable" in this case meaning vulnerable to unjust discrimination.)

In order to fill out the topics suggested by the cryptic title of this piece, it's necessary to mention *inclusion*. To me, it seems redundant, once we explore the real meaning of equity and diversity. But there's a great source of support for the idea of inclusion: The Gospel. Jesus is definitely into inclusion, in a big way. Just off the top of my head, without even looking anything up, here's what comes to mind:

A Roman centurion. Syro-Phoenician woman (the one with the hemorrhage). Lepers. The "Good Samaritan," who was a character in one of his parables. An actual Samaritan woman. A woman caught in adultery. Blind, lame, deaf, and mute people. Tax collectors, sinners, prostitutes. Every one of these was of a category of people considered as unacceptable as anyone that some find unacceptable today. Yet Jesus embraced every one of them, offering forgiveness and salvation to each one. And to us, all of whom would have been considered "outsiders" by the people of Jesus' day.

When an effort to correct an injustice becomes itself an instrument of injustice, a correction is perfectly appropriate and even urgent. But when the correction becomes the instrument of an even worse injustice, it's time to stop and reassess just what is happening. The Gospel, and prayer about what it teaches, is a great place to stop and reassess.

The *Option for the Poor and Vulnerable* is a doctrine of our Church. Are we proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord...?

You can find the page from which I've taken the quotes here at this link. There are many more, and they do not pull any punches! <https://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/option-for-the-poor-and-vulnerable>

Family Faith Formation

**Sunday, April 13
at 9:10am**



A handful of children in our parish attended a 1st Reconciliation Retreat with their parents and celebrated the Sacrament for the first time last weekend. What an important step in their journey of faith!



**Veterans Support Drive
March 8 – April 13**



During the month of March, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting new clothing & toiletries for the VA Medical Center in Battle Creek. A list of needed items are in the Gathering Space. For any questions please contact Mike Sobutka 810-691-9217

or msdswildcat@hotmail.com

Thank you for your support!

Lenten Penance Services

**Monday, March 31 at 6:30pm
St. Peter Church, Douglas**

**Tuesday, April 1 at 6:30pm
St. Basil Church, South Haven**

Several priests will be available at both locations, including bilingual priests. All are welcome to attend either service.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bedding Drive

During the month of April, consider donating new twin-sized sheet sets, comforters, bed-in-a-bag, pillows. The collection "box" will be in the Gathering Space.

For more information about this nonprofit organizations and the Holland Chapter Leaders, parishioners, Ryan & Lisa Ghiardi, visit - shpbs.org/chapter/mi-holland.



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**FISH FRY 2025
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4:30 - 7:00PM**

FRIED FISH DINNER

Small	\$15.00
Large	\$20.00
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FISH TACO DINNER

2 Tacos	\$15.00
<i>Choice of Flour or Corn Tortilla, French Fries, Slaw, Dessert and beverage.</i>	

GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH DINNER

Grilled Cheese	\$10.00
<i>Choice of Cheddar or Swiss Cheese, French Fries, Slaw, Dessert and beverage.</i>	

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Macaroni & Cheese	\$5.00
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LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Various St. Peter Church Ministries have prepared homemade meatless soups for a light evening meal. Join us for warm food and fellowship during this Lenten season.

**Free Will Offerings are encouraged
for the soup supper**

RETIRO CUARESMA



El sábado pasado un grupo de parroquianos de San Felipe y San Basilio se juntaron en San Basilio para el Retiro Cuaresmal. Reflexionamos sobre el Año Jubilar y cómo podemos aprovecharnos para crecer en nuestra vida cristiana durante este año de gracia.

Aprendimos de las puertas para entrar en este año y las indulgencias para recibir el perdón y la misericordia de Dios. Cobramos fuerza para seguir en el camino de purificación para poder celebrar la Pascua de Jesús. Agradecemos a todos que hicieron el sacrificio para participar.

La Preparación para el Matrimonio



Si quieren o piensan casarse en los próximos años, la Hermana Leidy está comenzando el curso de preparación prematrimonial. Para más información hablen con ella. Son nueve meses con una reunión cada mes.

AVISO IMPORTANTE:

El jubileo infantil ha sido pospuesto



El jubileo de niños programado para el 5 de abril ha sido pospuesto al sábado 26 de abril.

Este evento especial está dirigido a niños entre 4 y 12 años de edad como parte de la celebración del año jubilar.

Próximamente compartiremos más detalles sobre las actividades. Las inscripciones estarán abiertas hasta el 12 de abril para poder planificar adecuadamente la comida y los materiales necesarios.

Oportunidades para Acercarse a Dios durante la Cuaresma

**La Adoración al Santísimo
Todos los jueves
5:00 - 6:30pm**

**El Vía Crucis Los Viernes
a las 6:30pm**

**Lectura de la Biblia Los Domingos
6:30pm**

Si alguien mayor de 18 años quiere hacer la Primera Comunión o la Confirmación, hable con Joe. Queremos facilitar lo más posible la recepción de los sacramentos por los adultos.

UN VISTAZO A SAN FELIPE ESTA SEMANA

DOMINGO, 3/30

10:45am...Catequesis para Niños y Papás
12:30pm...Misa
3:00pm...Catequesis de Confirmación Año 1
6:30pm...Estudio de Biblia

MARTES, 4/1

6:30pm...Catequesis para Niños y Papás

JUEVES, 4/3

5:00pm...Adoración y Confesiones

6:30pm...Misa

VIERNES, 4/4

6:30pm...Vía Crucis

DOMINGO, 4/6

10:45am...Catequesis para Niños y Papás
12:30pm...Misa
3:00pm...Catequesis de Confirmación Año 1
6:30pm...Estudio de Biblia

INTENCIONES DE LA MISA

Domingo, 30 de marzo

12:30pm † Ana Maria Castro
(primer año de su fallecimiento)

Jueves, 3 de abril

6:30pm † Salvador Domingo Martinez

INFORME DE OFERTORIO PARROQUIAL

Domingo 3/23: **\$1,446.00**

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Venta de Comida en la Cocina 3/23: **\$869.00**

Gracias por mantener nuestra parroquia.

Las lecturas de la semana del 30 de marzo

Domingo: Jos 5, 9. 10-12/Sal 33, 2-3. 4-5. 6-7 (9)/2 Co 5, 17-21/Lc 15, 1-3. 11-32 *Escrutinio:* 1 Sm 16, 1. 6-7. 10-13/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6 (1)/Ef 5, 8-14/Jn 9, 1-41 o 9, 1. 6-9. 13-17. 34-38

Lunes: Is 65, 17-21/Sal 29, 2 y 4. 5-6. 11-12 y 13/Jn 4, 43-54

Martes: Ez 47, 1-9. 12/Sal 45, 2-3. 5-6. 8-9/Jn 5, 1-3. 5-16

Miércoles: Is 49, 8-15/Sal 144, 8-9. 13-14. 17-18/Jn 5, 17-30

Jueves: Ex 32, 7-14/Sal 105, 19-20. 21-22. 23/Jn 5, 31-47

Viernes: Sab 2, 1. 12-22/Sal 33, 17-18. 19-20. 21 y 23/Jn 7, 1-2. 10. 25-30

Sábado: Jr 11, 18-20/Sal 7, 2-3. 9-10. 11-12/Jn 7, 40-53

Domingo siguiente: Is 43, 16-21/Sal 125, 1-2. 2-3. 4-5. 6 (3)/Flp 3, 8-14/Jn 8, 1-11*Escrutinio:* Ez 37, 12-14/Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8 (7)/Rom 8, 8-11/Jn 11, 1-45 o 11, 3-7. 17. 20-27. 33-45

Servicios de Penitencia de Cuaresma

Lunes, 31 de marzo a las 6:30pm
San Pedro, Douglas

Martes, 1 de abril a las 6:30pm
San Basilio, South Haven

Varios sacerdotes estarán disponibles incluyendo sacerdotes bilingües.
Todos son bienvenidos a asistir a cualquiera de los servicios.

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