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Weekly Schedule

Sunday	March 09th, 2025 9:00 am Mass (English) 11:00 am Mass (Spanish)
Monday	March 10th, 2025 12:00 pm Mass 6:00 pm Holy hour 7:30 pm Catechesis
Tuesday	March 11th, 2025 12:00 pm Mass
Wednesday	March 12th, 2025 6:30 pm Mass (Spanish)
Thursday	March 13th, 2025 12:00 pm Mass 7:30 pm Catechesis
Friday	March 14th, 2025 12:00 pm Mass 5:00 pm Station of The Cross
Saturday	March 15th, 2025 4:30 pm Mass (English) 6:30 pm Mass (Spanish)

Horario Semanal

Domingo	Marzo 09, 2025 9:00 am Misa (ingles) 11:00 am Misa (Español)
Lunes	Marzo 10, 2025 12:00 pm Misa (ingles) 6:00 pm Hora Santa 7:30 pm Catequesis
Martes	Marzo 11, 2025 12:00 pm Misa (ingles)
Miércoles	Marzo 12, 2025 6:30 pm Misa (Español)
Jueves	Marzo 13, 2025 12:00 pm Misa (Ingles) 7:30 pm Catequesis
Viernes	Marzo 14, 2025 12:00 pm Misa (Ingles) 5:00 pm Via Crucis
Sabado	Marzo 15, 2025 4:30 pm Misa (Ingles) 6:30 pm Misa (Español)



Dear brothers and sisters,

I am eager to share with you the news of the wonderful event that unfolded in our parish last Sunday! After months of marriage preparation, six couples took a significant step forward by entering the sacrament of matrimony. This journey was marked by deep reflection, sometimes challenging experiences, and a heartfelt desire for closeness to Jesus Christ and the sacraments.

It was my first time celebrating a communal wedding, and the atmosphere was truly moving. Couples of various ages and backgrounds stood together, ready to say their "I do's," each moment filled with emotions, gratitude, and a profound sense of fulfillment as they embraced this unique milestone in their lives.

After receiving the sacrament of confession a day earlier, exchanging vows, and partaking in the body and blood of Christ, their long-awaited dreams became reality! I can still picture their faces from the start of the marriage preparation last November—how they gradually

transformed throughout this journey—culminating in the radiant joy we witnessed on their wedding day, complete with tears of gratitude.

Following the ceremony, we enjoyed a beautiful reception organized by our generous parishioners, who devoted their time, effort, and resources to create a memorable celebration for the couples and their families. The Sienna Hall was transformed into a stunning reception space, elegantly adorned to reflect the true love shared by our newlyweds.

I want to take this moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to the marriage preparation team, the music ministry, the ushers, and all the volunteers who helped decorate and prepare delicious meals. Your contributions made this day truly special and unforgettable for the six couples, whom we continue to pray for as they embark on this exciting new chapter in their lives.

May God bless each and everyone of you at the beginning of Lent!

Fr. Zygmunt

Total collection \$6239





Pope Francis

The Gospel passage for this first Sunday of Lent (cf. Lk 4:1-13) recounts the experience of the temptation of Jesus in the desert. The first, the path of *greed for possession*. This is always the devil's insidious logic. He begins from the natural and legitimate need for nourishment, life, fulfilment, happiness, in order to encourage us to believe that all this is possible without God, or rather, even despite Him. But Jesus countervails, stating: "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone'" (v. 4). Recalling the long journey of the chosen people through the desert, Jesus affirms his desire to fully entrust himself to the providence of the Father, who always takes care of his children. The second temptation: the path of *human vainglory*. The devil says: "If you, then, will worship me, it shall all be yours" (v. 7). One can lose all personal dignity if one allows oneself to be corrupted by the idols of money, success and power, in order to achieve one's own self-affirmation. And one tastes the euphoria of a fleeting joy. And this also leads us to be 'peacocks', to vanity, but this vanishes. For this reason Jesus responds: "You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve" (v. 8). And then the third temptation: *exploiting God* to one's own advantage. In response to the devil — who, citing Scripture, invites Him to seek a conspicuous miracle from God — Jesus again opposes with the firm decision to remain humble, to remain confident before the Father: "It is said, 'You shall not tempt the Lord your God'" (v. 12). Thus, he rejects perhaps the most subtle temptation: that of wanting to 'pull God to our side', asking him for graces which in reality serve and will serve to satisfy our pride. Therefore, let us benefit from Lent as a privileged time to purify ourselves, to feel God's comforting presence in our life.

Papa Francisco

El Evangelio de este primer domingo de Cuaresma (cf. Lc 4, 1-13) narra la experiencia de las tentaciones de Jesús en el desierto.

La primera, el camino de *la codicia de poseer*. Esta es siempre la lógica insidiosa del diablo. Empieza por la necesidad natural y legítima de comer, de vivir, de realizarse, de ser feliz, para empujarnos a creer que todo esto es posible sin Dios e incluso contra Él. Pero Jesús se opone diciendo: «Está escrito: "No solo de pan vive el hombre"» (v. 4). Recordando el largo camino del pueblo elegido a través del desierto, Jesús afirma que quiere abandonarse con confianza plena a la providencia del Padre, que siempre cuida de sus hijos.

La segunda tentación: el camino de *la gloria humana*. El diablo dice: «Si me adoras, todo será tuyo» (v. 7). Uno puede perder toda su dignidad personal, si se deja corromper por los ídolos del dinero, del éxito y del poder, para alcanzar la autoafirmación. Y se saborea la ebriedad de una alegría vacía que muy pronto se desvanece. Y esto también nos lleva a pavonearnos, la vanidad, pero esto se desvanece. Por eso Jesús responde: «Adorarás al Señor tu Dios y solo a Él darás culto» (versículo 8).

Y luego la tercera tentación: *instrumentalizar* a Dios en beneficio propio. Al diablo que, citando las Escrituras, lo invita a obtener de Dios un milagro sorprendente, Jesús opone nuevamente la firme decisión de permanecer humilde, de permanecer confiado ante el Padre: «Está dicho: "No tentarás al Señor tu Dios"» (v. 12). Y así rechaza la tentación quizás más sutil: la de querer "poner a Dios de nuestro lado", pidiéndole gracias que, en realidad, sirven y servirán para satisfacer nuestro orgullo.

Aprovechemos, pues, la Cuaresma, como un tiempo privilegiado para purificarnos, para experimentar la presencia consoladora de Dios en nuestras vidas.

ACTIVIDADES

Marzo 9-15

Lunes—Marzo 10

La hora Santa —6pm

Miercoles—Marzo 12

Misa en Español—6:30pm

Viernes—Marzo 14

Vía Crucis—bilingüe—5pm