



St. Joseph Catholic Church

Diocese of Tyler – Most Rev. Joseph E. Strickland, Bishop
410 N. Alamo Blvd.
Marshall, Texas 75670

Established 1874

Msgr. Zacharias Kunnakkattuthara, Pastor
Rev. Roselio Fuentes, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Daniel Oghenerukevwe, Parochial Vicar
Magdaleno Aguirre, Felipe Pena,
John Sargent, Santiago Suarez, Deacons

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	12:05 p.m. 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Friday	12:05 p.m. 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Saturday	5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Sunday	7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

SPECIAL MASSES:

1st Saturday - Mass 10 a.m.

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - 30 minutes before Mass

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
or by appointment

BAPTISM - By Appointment.

Prior instructions required. Call 935-2536.

MARRIAGE - Please contact the church office
six (6) months in advance.

Adult Faith Formation:

Sundays 8:45 a.m. -10 a.m. St. Joseph School
9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall
Tuesday's 7:00 p.m.

Religious Education

Pre-K-8th grade: Sunday 8:45 - 10 a.m. – School
Grades 9-12: Wednesday's 7 p.m., Youth House

Anyone inquiring about the Catholic Faith
please call the church office.

Mission Statement: *We are a people called together by God, led by the Spirit and nourished by the word and body of Christ. We become the Living Word and Body of Christ through: liturgical and sacramental worship, love of neighbor, respect for life, peace and justice, evangelization and education.*

Ethics: *If you are a victim ... or if you know a victim...*

The Diocese of Tyler is committed to provide help to anyone who may have been hurt or abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the church.

If you know a minor currently being abused, or in danger, immediately report it to your local police or Texas Department of Family Protective Services (DFPS) Promoter of Justice – Very Rev. John Gomez, JCL

Rev. Gomez phone: 1-877-415-6423

Email: promoter@dioceseoftyler.org

Bi-lingual contact: Maria Flores

Email: mflores@dioceseoftyler.org

Phone: 903-534-1077 ext: 188

OFFICE HOURS

8 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Church Office & Rectory 903-935-2536

FAX: 903-938-1591

E-mail: saintjosephmarshall@yahoo.com

Church Website: stjosephmarshall.org

Facility Scheduling contact the church office.

Staff

Office Administrator Melanie Hughes

Director of Faith Formation Charlotte Smith

Liturgy Nancy Vines

Organist Elaine McMurry

Maintenance Joseph Cantu

March 10, 2019/10 de Marzo de 2019

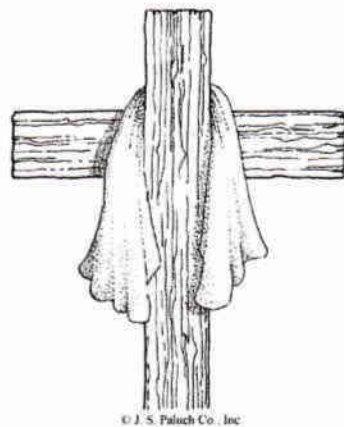
First Sunday of Lent/Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart. — Romans 10:8

Muy a tu alcance, en tu boca y en tu corazón, se encuentra la salvación. — Romanos 10:8

Mass Intentions

Sat/Sab	3/9	5:00 PM	+Roberta Hadlock (M/M Jack Hanson)
		7:00 PM	Spanish Priest's Intentions
Sun./Dom	3/10	7:30 AM	Visage Cousins (Sharon Carson) Daylight Savings Time Begins
		10:30 AM	+Joseph & Helen McMurry (M/M Ranny McMurry)
		12:30 PM	Spanish Priest's Intentions
Mon/Lun	3/11	6:00 PM	+Hugh & Dorothy McMillan (M/M Ranny McMurry)
Tues/Mart	3/12	6:00 PM	+Harold Hale (M/M Mario Cantu)
		7:00 PM	Spanish Priest's Intentions
Wed/Mier	3/13	6:00 PM	+Ed Melady (The Family)
Thur/Juev	3/14	12:05 PM	+Lloyd McClatchey (Carita McClatchey)
		7:00 PM	Spanish Priest's Intentions
Fri/Viern.	3/15	12:05 PM	+Ulma Somerford (Carita McClatchey)
		7:00 PM	Spanish Priest's Intentions
Sat/Sab	3/16	5:00 PM	-William & Melanie Hughes (M/M Jim Prince)
		7:00 PM	Spanish Priest's Intentions
Sun/Dom	3/17	7:30 AM	Mass for All Parishioners
		10:30 AM	+Harold Hale (Dom & Carolyn Pondant)
		12:30 PM	Spanish Priest's Intentions



Abstinence

Church is open daily from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Every Friday of Lent 5:30 p.m. in English and 6:30 p.m. in Spanish

PRAY FOR OUR SICK/ Oremos por Nuestros Enfermos –

Mary Coutee, Rita Huddleston, Charlie Parker, Cynthia Murry, Amy Baltz, Jody McInnis, Mary Alexander, M.D. Flanigan, Faye McIntosh, Elaine McMurry, William Hughes, Freddie & Pat McCullers, Libby Wood, Dr. Bob Palmer, Kenneth Hudson, Marie Boudreaux, Ben Benton, Frank Sepulvado, Joey Dye, Nell Mayfield, Paulina Marin, Dina Sachs, Paul Smith, Brette Brown, Mary Lou Plemmons, Ramon delaRosa, Jr., Polly O'Bannon, Carolyn Pondant, Fr. Joe Nassar, John Melady, Trudy Harris, Alexander Hernandez, Marisol Amador, Dr. Carl Turner, Bobby Zeigler, Sr., Joe Hudson, Barbara & Frank Gardiner, Joel Rivera, Joshua Jones, Jacqueline Raggio, Nina Bates, Gus Olesch, Stephanie Busby, James McGregor, Alice Gardiner, Betty Black, Charley Ray Furrh, Maggie Barns, Garret Burton, Lola Duncan, Norris Johnson, Jax Ford, Silvia Crockett, Jose Perez, A.D. Jordan, Charles Bright, Patricia Jackson, Dorothy Simmons, Agnes Verhalen, Cuisin Reyes, Bob Bahus, Rosa Lee Johnson, Jane Harris, Pet Hooker, Willie Whitaker, and Edward Blazek. and all the sick.

If you know of someone in the hospital please notify the church office. / Si usted sabe de alguien que está en el hospital, por favor notifique a la oficina de la Iglesia.

****PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of all the faithful departed/ Por favor oren por el descanso eterno de todos los fieles difuntos.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY/ Por Favor Oren Por Aquellos Que Están EN EL SERVICIO MILITAR: Robert Miller, Kendall Benton, Juan Carlos Acuna, Aubrey Sperier Arenavas, Bo Dylan Jordan, Brent Westbrook, Heath Zeigler, Desire Robertson, Dominick Pondant, Matthew Kopecky, Gabriel Cantu, Perry Staten, Mary Alder, Kyrié Lay Redd, James Trachier, Joseph Trachier, and Salvador Sanchez, Jr

CONTACT INFO

Msgr . Zach 903-724-0865

Rev. Roselio Fuentes 504-715-660



**STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE
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March 3, 2019 - \$7,724.45

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On-line giving Building Fund \$125.00

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LITURGY

Mar. 16 & 17

5:00 p.m. – Communion Minister: Anne & Sandra; **Acolyte:** Ziegler.; **Lector:** Cindy; **Video:** Lloyd.; **Greeters:** David Payne

7:30 a.m. – Communion Ministers: Kenneth & Wanda.; **Acolyte:** Kenneth; **Lector:** Mary

10:30 a.m. – Communion Ministers; Mario & Juanita; **Acolyte:** Elliott; **Lector:** Carolyn
Greeters: Ranny McMurry



Eucharistic Adoration – is every Thursday from 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. Eucharistic Adoration is also available on 1st **Fridays** from 7:30 p.m. – 12:00 Midnight. Please spend one hour with the Lord.

La adoración Eucarística - Todos los jueves de 8 a.m. a 7 p.m. en la capilla de adoración.

*Tendremos Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento cada **Primer Viernes de 7:30 p.m. a 12:00 Medianoche.** Por favor Pasen una hora con el Señor.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon/Lun: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27

Tues/Mart: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23;
Mk 10:28-31

Wed/Mier: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs/Juev: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Fri/Vier: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Sat/Sab: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sun/Dom: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13;
Lk 4:1-13

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Morning Adult F/F – Meets on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Faith Formation For Adults - Deacon John will lead classes each Thursday, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The Gospel of John will be studied. Bring a Friend!

Faith Formation For Children – NO CLASSES – MARCH 10 & 17. CLASSES RESUME MARCH 24.

Formación en la FE PARA NIÑOS - NO HAY CLASES - 10 Y 17 DE MARZO. INCIO DE CLASES 24 DE MARZO.

Next Sacramental Prep - **Sunday, March 24**, at 4:00 p.m. at the school. Parents & Sponsors are required to attend these sessions.

Proxima preparación sacramental - Domingo 24 de Marzo, a las 4:00 p.m. en la escuela. Se requiere que los padres y padrinos asistan a estas preparaciones.

Clases Pre-Bautismales - en español se llevarán a cabo *cada Primer y Tercer Sábado de cada mes de 10 a.m.-12 p.m., en el Salón Parroquial*

Clases De Quinceanera – Primer Miércoles de cada mes en el Salón Parroquial a las 7 p.m./ *Quinceañera classes - 1st Wednesday of each month in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m.*

Sr High Youth Group – meets every Wednesday, at 7 p.m., in the Parish Hall.

Los Jovenes Grupo Juvenil - *Se reúne los miércoles, a las 7:00 p.m., en el Salón Parroquial.*

Jr. High Youth Group – 7th & 8th Grade ONLY – will meet every **Wednesday**, from 7 – 8:30 p.m., in the classroom, behind Fr. Roselio's house.

Jr. High Youth Group - SOLO para 7º y 8º grado - *se reunirán todos los miércoles, de 7 a 8:30 p.m., en el aula, detrás La casa de del Padre.Roselio.*

February Birthdays

Birthday's

March	16	Millie Rosencrans
	27	Ranny McMurry
	28	Barbara Gardiner

Anniversaries

March	3	Steve & Sandi Darden
	17	Phillip & Melissa Beecham
	21	Dcn. John & Kathy Sargent
	31	Lawrence & Brenda Metoyer

Please contact the church office if you would like your birthday or anniversary publicized in the bulletin.

Póngase en contacto con la oficina de la Iglesia si quieres que tu cumpleaños o aniversario sea publicado en el boletín.

WORKS OF MERCY

Soup Kitchen – Hot meals served Tuesdays 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. 2nd Tuesday: Catholic Daughters

Cada Martes se sirve comida caliente de 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial. 2nd Martes – Catholic Daughters.



LENTEN PROJECT – 40 for 40. Each family is asked to collect one canned food item each day of Lent. Donations can be dropped off at the church office.

Food Pantry – Items needed: Canned chicken, soup, cereal. Remember the words from Scripture, “When did we see you hungry Lord...”

PROYECTO DE CUENTAS: 40 para 40. Se pide a cada familia que recoja un alimento enlatado cada día de la Cuaresma. Las donaciones se pueden dejar en la oficina de la iglesia.

Banco de Alimentos - Artículos necesarios: Conservas de pollo, sopa, cereales. Recuerde las palabras de la Escritura: “Cuando te vimos hambriento Señor...”

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Legion of Mary - meets in church conference room every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

Church Web-Site – We are looking for someone to be trained as an assistant webmaster to help maintain our church web-site. Please let Msgr. Zach know if you feel called to help. (903-935-2536)

Sitio web de la Iglesia: estamos buscando a alguien para capacitarnos como asistente de webmaster para ayudar a mantener el sitio web de nuestra iglesia. Por favor, deja que Msgr. Zach sabe si te sientes llamado a ayudar. (903-935-2536)

SINGLES GROUP – Organizational Meeting, Saturday, March 9, at 6:30 p.m., in the Nursery. Anyone 21 and older are encouraged to attend.

Calendar of Events

March 10	Nursing Home Ministry, 2:30 p.m., Reunion Inn, 2801 E. Travis.
11	Catholic Daughters, Mass at 6 p.m., followed by meeting.
15	Stations of the Cross 5:30 p.m. - English 6:30 p.m. - Spanish KC Fish Fry – 5-8 p.m.. Cost: \$8 per plate

2019 BISHOP’S APPEAL – The 2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal is how YOU can support our seminarians, our retired clergy, and our diocesan mission to teach the Catholic Faith throughout East Texas. Our clergy, families, parishes, and missions are strengthened through your gifts to the Appeal. Please mail in your pledge or gift, drop in in the collections basket, or make your donation online at www.dioceseoftyler.org/appeal. Every gift brings us closer to our goal. Thank you!

La Promesa Anual al Obispo 2019 es la manera en que USTED puede ayudar a nuestros seminaristas, cléricos jubilados, y a nuestra misión diocesana de enseñar la fe católica en el Este de Texas. Nuestro clero, familias, parroquias y misiones son fortalecidos con su generosidad a la Promesa. Por favor envíe por correo su promesa o donativo, póngala en la canasta de la colecta, o haga su donación por pagina de internet: www.givercentral.org/tylerbishop/. Cada donativo nos acerca más a nuestra meta. ¡Gracias!

It’s not too late!!!! – We will be photographing families for a new church directory March 21-23.

There are still appointments available. You can either register on the weekends in the church or come by the church office. We would love to see all of our families in the directory.

If you bring canned food items for the Food Pantry you will receive a \$5 coupon to be used if you want to purchase additional photos.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – We are in need of volunteers to be host/hostesses the days of photography. *This would be a great opportunity for High School Seniors and College Students needing Community hours.*

We need two people to work each shift:

March 21 1st shift 1:45 – 5:30 p.m.

March 23 2nd shift 1:15 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Please contact the church office 903-935-2536, if you would like to help.

¡¡¡No es demasiado tarde!!!! - Fotografiaremos a las familias para un nuevo directorio de la iglesia del 21 al 23 de marzo. Nos encantaría ver a todas nuestras familias en el directorio.

Todavía hay citas disponibles. Puedes registrarte los fines de semana en la iglesia o pasar por la oficina de la iglesia.

Si trae alimentos enlatados para la despensa de alimentos, recibirá un cupón de \$5 que se usará si desea comprar fotografías adicionales.

SE NECESITAN VOLUNTARIOS - Necesitamos voluntarios para ser anfitriones los días de la fotografía. Necesitamos dos personas para trabajar cada turno:

21 de marzo 1er turno 1:45 - 5:30 p.m.

2do turno 5:15 - 9 p.m.

23 de marzo 2do turno 1:15 p.m. - 5 p.m. Por favor, póngase en contacto con la oficina de la iglesia 903-935-2536 si desea ayudar.



March 6 through April 14. You're invited to join other Christians for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Planned Parenthood abortion referral center located at 601 Turtle Creek Dr. in Tyler.. Additional information is available by visiting 40daysforlife.com/tyler. Sponsored by the Sanctity of Life Office for the Diocese of Tyler.

40 días por la vida. Tyler: del 6 de Marzo al 14 de Abril. Te invitamos a unirte a otros cristianos por 40 días de oración y ayuno para terminar con el aborto. También estás invitado a pararte y orar en paz de 7 a.m. a 7 p.m. diariamente durante una vigilia de 40 días en el derecho de paso fuera del centro de referencia de abortos de Planned Parenthood ubicado en 601 Turtle Creek Dr. en Tyler; y también para ayudar a correr la voz acerca de este importante alcance comunitario. Información adicional está disponible visitando 40daysforlife.com/tyler. Patrocinado por la Oficina de Santidad de Vida para la Diócesis de Tyler.

THANK YOU! – Many thanks to all who helped to make our Mardi Gras dance a success. Profits: \$1,535.00.

¡GRACIAS! - Muchas gracias a todos los que ayudaron a que nuestro baile de Mardi Gras fuera un éxito. Beneficios: \$ 1,535.00.



Everyone is invited to join us for our Parish Lenten Retreat/ Todos están invitados a unirse a nosotros para nuestro retiro parroquial de Cuaresma.

March 24-March 27

Retreat starts each evening at 7 p.m. in the Church./ El retiro comienza cada noche a las 7 p.m. en la iglesia.



Presenter: Bishop Edmond Carmody

Topics:/ Temas:

Welcoming Parish/ Parroquia de bienvenida
Vibrant Liturgy/ Vibrant Liturgy
United community/ Comunidad unida
Praying the Bible/ Rezando la biblia
Our Journey of Faith/ Nuestro viaje de fe
Lord, That I May See/ Señor, para que yo vea



St. Joseph Feast Day

Fiesta de San José

Come join us on as we celebrate the Feast of our Patron Saint./ Ven y únete a nosotros YA QUE CELEBRAREMOS NUESTRA Fiesta Patronal..

**On Sunday, March 17, 2019
El domingo 17 de marzo de 2019.**

**At 5 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
A las 5 pm. en el salón parroquial.**

We will start with Evening Prayer, followed by the Blessing of the Bread and a Social. Comenzaremos con la oración de la tarde, seguida de la bendición del pan y un evento social.

Church will provide Ham, families are asked to bring the following:

La iglesia proporcionará jamón, se les pide a las familias que traigan lo siguiente:

- **If your last name begins** with the letter **A-H** - bring a dessert for our St. Joseph Altar./ Si su apellido comienza con la letra **A-H**, traiga un postre para nuestro Altar de San José.
- **If your last name begins** with the letter **I - Z** - bring a covered dish./ Si su apellido comienza con la letra **I - Z** - traiga un plato cubierto.



St. Matthew's Catholic Church

Women's ACTS Retreat

April 4-7, 2019

Thursday evening - Sunday

An ACTS retreat weekend is a three-day and three-night retreat presented by Catholic laywomen who are fellow parishioners like you. **ACTS stand for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service.**

The retreat will begin **Thursday, April 4th** at 5:30 PM with check-in at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Longview TX. You are welcome to bring family members or friends to see you off. *Transportation to the Lakeview Baptist Retreat Center in Lone Star will be provided.*

The weekend will conclude on **Sunday, April 7** at the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Retreatants will share refreshments and fellowship in the St. John Paul Family Center with their families and other members of the parish community.

The cost for each retreatant is **\$160.00**. This covers all meals and lodging. A registration deposit fee of **\$25.00** must be submitted with this form to reserve your place. The remaining balance of \$135.00 is due Thursday, April 4th at check-in. **Please do not let the cost of the retreat keep you from participating.** If you are in need of financial assistance or have any questions, please contact Director: **Teresa Fogle at 903-235-0063** or Co-Directors: **Suzie Pierce at 281-793-4230, Pat Cheatham at 903-237-8547**

Complete and detach here

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Return bottom form with fee/deposit of \$ \$25.00

PERSONAL INFORMATION			
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Special Dietary, medical or other needs*			
EMERGENCY CONTACT (2 REQUIRED)			
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Make Check or Money Order payable to **St. Matthew's ACTS**

Mail to: Teresa Fogle, 849 Montreal, Longview, TX 75601

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Registration Received: Date ____/____/____ Received By: _____

Deposit Paid: Y / N Amount paid _____ Paid in Full Y / N

Check # _____ Money Order _____

Partial Scholarship Requested: Y / N

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

At the beginning of Lent we are presented with the familiar text of the temptation of Jesus. Jesus, filled with the Holy Spirit and led by the Holy Spirit, moves into new territory. Having been prepared by his thirty or so years of life and obedience to God's word, he recognizes the Spirit pushing him and encouraging him to step out into a new space. This new space will be challenging but ultimately rewarding. The wilderness is a place where there are few signposts; the terrain is often monotonous and difficult to navigate. This is serious stuff, requiring commitment and spiritual preparation.

In this difficult space of the barren wilderness, all of Jesus' life experience and his relationship and knowledge of God are put to the test. Jesus is being sharpened and honed for the short and trying public ministry which lies ahead. Jesus encounters the old adversary, the devil, head-on. Tempted to misuse his power, Jesus has to think on his feet and be resolute in standing up against the father of lies. Worship of God alone; not putting God to the test; being satisfied solely with the bread of God's word – these are the fundamental lessons that Jesus has learnt and will stand him in good stead for the future. Because Jesus is strong in these areas, the devil has no way in and leaves him.

This is the first Sunday of Lent and so we have the opportunity once again to enter into the wilderness space that the Church opens up for us in her liturgical calendar. This is a grace-filled season where we can be led by the Holy Spirit to move out of our comfort zone and grow in our awareness of God's goodness and God's constant help. Lent, which will lead us to renew our baptismal promises in forty days, gives us the chance to be adventurous and try something new.

To avail ourselves of the blessings that God wants to shower upon us in this season, we will need to make some preparations. Decisions about prayer and being nourished by the word of God will need to be made. A firm resolve is always helpful in ensuring that we stick to our plans. So today is the day, if we have not done it already, to commit ourselves to stepping away from the familiar and onto this Lenten journey. Of course, all this is done with faith that blessings will be received. It might not be the physical lifting of a trophy, but it could be the ability to raise our hands aloft at the forthcoming feast with a renewed sense of all that God has done and is doing for us in Christ.

Your friend in Jesus
Msgr. Zach

Desde el escritorio del Pastor

Queridos Amigos,

Al comienzo de la Cuaresma se nos presenta el texto familiar de la tentación de Jesús. Jesús, lleno del Espíritu Santo y guiado por el Espíritu Santo, se traslada a un nuevo territorio. Habiendo sido preparado por sus treinta años de vida y obediencia a la palabra de Dios, reconoce al Espíritu que lo empuja y lo alienta a salir a un nuevo espacio. Este nuevo espacio será desafiante pero en última instancia gratificante. El desierto es un lugar donde hay pocas señales; El terreno es a menudo monótono y difícil de navegar. Esto es algo serio, que requiere compromiso y preparación espiritual.

En este difícil espacio del desierto árido, toda la experiencia de la vida de Jesús y su relación y conocimiento de Dios se ponen a prueba. Jesús se está preparando para el ministerio público breve y difícil que está por venir. Jesús se encuentra con el viejo adversario, el diablo, de frente. Tentado a hacer un mal uso de su poder, Jesús tiene que pensar sobre sus pies y estar resuelto a enfrentarse al padre de la mentira. Adoración de Dios solo; no poner a prueba a Dios; Satisfecho únicamente con el pan de la palabra de Dios: estas son las lecciones fundamentales que Jesús ha aprendido y lo mantendrán en una buena posición para el futuro. Debido a que Jesús es fuerte en estas áreas, el diablo no puede entrar y lo abandona.

Este es el primer domingo de Cuaresma, por lo que tenemos la oportunidad una vez más de entrar en el espacio del desierto que la Iglesia nos abre en su calendario litúrgico. Esta es una temporada llena de gracia donde podemos ser guiados por el Espíritu Santo para salir de nuestra zona de comodidad y crecer en nuestra conciencia de la bondad de Dios y la ayuda constante de Dios. La Cuaresma, que nos llevará a renovar nuestras promesas bautismales en cuarenta días, nos da la oportunidad de ser aventureros y probar algo nuevo.

Para aprovecharnos de las bendiciones que Dios quiere derramarnos sobre esta temporada, necesitaremos hacer algunos preparativos. Las decisiones sobre la oración y el ser alimentado por la palabra de Dios tendrán que ser tomadas. Una resolución firme siempre es útil para asegurarnos de que nos atenemos a nuestros planes. Así que hoy es el día, si aún no lo hemos hecho, comprometernos a alejarnos de lo familiar y emprender este viaje de Cuaresma. Por supuesto, todo esto se hace con fe en que se recibirán bendiciones. Puede que no sea el levantamiento físico de un trofeo, pero podría ser la capacidad de levantar nuestras manos en la próxima fiesta con un sentido renovado de todo lo que Dios ha hecho y está haciendo por nosotros en Cristo.

Tu amigo en Jesús
Mons. Zach



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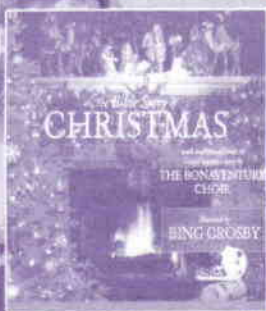


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