

Our Lady OF THE Presentation

CATHOLIC CHURCH



Vision Statement:

Our Lady of the Presentation is a vibrant, Eucharist-centered community offering all Catholics participation in sacraments, social action and Christian education.

Mission Statement:

To share our gifts by providing opportunities for spiritual growth in worship, service, education and community activities.

Mass Schedule

Weekday (M-F): 8:15am

Weekend:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Livestreamed - Parish YouTube Channel

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12pm,
2pm (Spanish)

Reconciliation

Saturdays, 3:30-4:15pm

Sundays, 1:15-1:45pm

Or by appointment.

Adoration:

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays
9am to 8pm, St. Ann Chapel

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday

8:15am to 4:45pm

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Dcn. Mike Peterson (retired)



First Sunday of Lent - February 18, 2024

In today's Gospel,
Jesus leaves the desert
and begins his public ministry,
telling us we must
repent and believe in the Gospel.

Which sinful habits
will you leave behind
as you more deeply
encounter Jesus this Lent?

PARISH LENTEN MISSION
with Father Ricky Manalo

February 26, 27 & 28
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
at 6:30 p.m. in the Church

Our Lady of the Presentation Catholic Church's Annual Lenten

Fish Fry

**February 16, 23,
March 1, 8, 15, 22**

**5:00pm—7:00pm
Parish Auditorium**

Proceeds
benefit our Youth
Ministries
& the Charities
we serve!



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS®**

Sponsored by the
Knights of Columbus
Council #6819.

Enjoy a delicious Dinner:

Pick Two Entrees

Baked Fish (Cod)
Fried Fish (Tilapia or Pollock)
Vegetable Lasagna
Butterfly Fried Shrimp
Sweet Corn Medley
Homemade Coleslaw
Fresh Broccoli with Cheese
Gourmet Mac & Cheese
Hawaiian Bread

Lemonade, Tea or Coffee

- Beer and Wine available for donation
- Delicious Desserts available for donation

To Go Plates are
Available



*Menu subject to change**

2024 Ticket Prices

Adults	\$15.00
*2nd trip plate available for free will donation	
Ages 5 — 10	\$ 8.00
Children up to 4 years	Free
Ages 90 & above	Free



Our Lady of the Presentation
130 NW Murray Road ~ Lee's Summit

Bring Your Friends & Family! We look forward to serving you!

**Celebrate the
Sacrament of
Reconciliation
During Lent**



**Parish Reconciliation Service
Monday, March 18 - 6:30 p.m.**

Additional Opportunities for Confession:

Mondays: 7:45 - 8:15am

February 19, 26, March 4, 11, 18, 25

Wednesdays: 6:00 - 7:00pm

February 21, March 6, 13, 20

Fridays: 8:45am - 9:15am

February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:15pm

Sundays: 1:15 - 1:45pm

Weekday Mass Times During Lent

Mondays: 6:30am, 8:15am

Tuesdays: 8:15am

Wednesdays: 6:30am, 8:15am

Thursdays: 8:15am

Fridays: 6:30am, 8:15am



Confirmation



CONFIRMATION

**PARENTS OF 7TH-8TH GRADE STUDENTS:
CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN**

- PARENTS OF 7-8TH GRADERS, PLEASE UTILIZE THE LINK IN THE LETTER YOU RECEIVED OR SCAN BELOW TO REGISTER FOR THE MEETING OR CONFIRMATION
 - IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE A LETTER PLEASE CONNECT WITH MICHAEL NATIONS IN THE OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY
- CONFIRMATION PREPARATION DETAILS AND THE FUTURE OF YOUTH MINISTRY WILL BE SHARED AT THE PARENT MEETING ON MARCH 4TH OR 5TH.
 - YOU MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND

**Register for the
Parent Meeting.
Scan the QR Code**



**PARENTS OF 7-8TH GRADERS,
PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND AN
INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON
MARCH 4TH OR 5TH, FROM 7PM-8PM
IN THE AUDITORIUM**

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MICHAEL NATIONS AT MNATIONS@OLPLS.ORG OR 816-251-1107

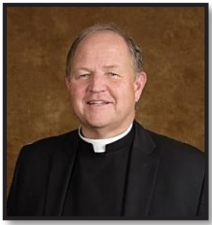
**Ready to register
for Confirmation?
Scan the QR Code**



FORTITUDE FEAR OF THE LORD PIETY



KNOWLEDGE COUNSEL UNDERSTANDING WISDOM



Thoughts from Fr. Tom

Every year on this First Sunday of Lent we hear the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. Mark's Gospel does not contain many details of this event but simply states that **the Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan.** The point Mark is trying to make is that Jesus has his own desert experience like his ancestors, confronts temptation, and returns victorious. Jesus is now ready to begin his public ministry as he proclaims: **This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.** The season of Lent provides all of us an opportunity each year to have our own desert experience so we can continue the work of proclaiming the good news of Jesus. With Christ, we have the power to confront our temptations and emerge victorious on our journey of faith. *Blessings on your Lenten journey!*

One of the great ways to enter into the spirit of Lent is through the disciplines of **prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.** These disciplines help us simplify our lives and focus on our relationship with God. Here are some ways you can live out these disciplines: Join us for **PRAYER** throughout Lent. In addition to weekend Mass, we also have **daily Mass** at 8:15 a.m. Monday through Friday and during Lent we add a **6:30 a.m. Mass on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.** Attending daily Mass is a great way to strengthen your faith during Lent. We also pray the **Stations of the Cross** every Friday of Lent at 6:30 p.m. Making Stations a weekly commitment is an opportunity to enter into the Passion of Christ. Everyone is encouraged to attend our 3-evening **Lenten PARISH MISSION** at 6:30 p.m. **February 26-28.** We are privileged to have international speaker *Fr. Ricky Manalo* lead the Mission. And as we ready our hearts for the celebration of Easter, we will have our **Parish Reconciliation Service** on March 18. Check the bulletin for all the details.

Make **FASTING** a daily commitment during Lent by not only "giving up things" but by "doing things" that will draw us closer to God. Fasting can take the form of refraining from behaviors that get in the way of our relationship with God – like fasting from gossip, judging others, or other sinful patterns. Let's all reflect on the fasting that will lead us closer to God.

The discipline of **ALMSGIVING** helps focus us on the needs of others. One of our Lenten almsgiving projects is our **Blessing Boxes** to support our sister community in El Salvador. You can learn about our sister community in the weekly bulletin reflections and then make a contribution at the end of Lent. You can also help people locally through our regular food and collection drives for our service partners. We can all do a little extra during Lent to share our blessings with others and make a difference.

We also celebrate community every Friday during Lent with our famous **Fish Fry!**
Many Blessings!

Events This Week

Monday, February 19

6:30 & 8:15am	Mass	Church
9am-8pm	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Ann Chapel
9:30am	Chair Yoga	Etue
6pm	Hispanic Marian Group	Church
6:30pm	Divorce Support	Mary's Room
7pm	Discipleship Group	Scheer
7pm	Hispanic Holy Hour	Church

Tuesday, February 20

8:15am	Mass	Church
9am	Holy Donuts	Mulligan
9:30am	Discipleship Group	Mary's Room
6pm	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	Cooper
6:30pm	Discipleship Group	Log House
7pm	Discipleship Group	Mary's Room

Wednesday, February 21

6:30 & 8:15am	Mass	Church
9am-8pm	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Ann Chapel
9am	Discipleship Group	Scheer/Mary's Room
5:30pm	CFF Classes	Classrooms
6pm	HS Youth Group	Yellow House
6pm	MS Youth Group	Scheer/Stayton
6:30pm	Discipleship Group	Mary's Room

Thursday, February 22

8:15am	Mass	Church
9am	Discipleship Group	Scheer/Stayton
1pm	Discipleship Group	Scheer
6:30pm	BeFriender Training	Etue
6:30pm	Choir Rehearsal	Church
6:30pm	Men's Faith Sharing	Cooper
6:30pm	Young Adult City On A Hill	Log House
6:30pm	Young Adult Last Call for the Gospel	Offsite

Friday, February 23

6:30 & 8:15am	Mass	Church
9am-8pm	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Ann Chapel
2pm	Discipleship Group	Mary's Room
5-7pm	Parish Fish Fry	Auditorium
6:30pm	Stations of the Cross-Led by OLP 5th Grade	Church

Saturday, February 24

4:30pm	Mass	Church
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Sunday, February 25

8am	Mass	Church
8am & 10am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Mulligan
8am	RCIA	Etue
10am	Mass	Church
10am	Sunday School	Classrooms
11am	Confirmation-Fall Teacher Meeting	Yellow House
12pm	Mass	Church
2pm	Mass in Spanish	Church
2pm	Children's Liturgy of the Word-SP	Mulligan
4pm	Hispanic Lenten Retreat	Mulligan
6pm	Adult Volleyball	Gym
7pm	Discipleship Group	Mary's Room



Monday, February 19

6:30am, Carol Elsbury by the Ackland Family

8:15am, Gaynelle Barnett by Jamie Grosso

Tuesday, February 20

8:15am, Rose Holder by the Holder Family

Wednesday, February 21

6:30am, Special Intention: Connie Breiling by Becky Podjenski

8:15am, Mary Ann Gall by John Heuertz

Thursday, February 22

8:15am, Stella Henry by the Henry Family

Friday, February 23

6:30am, Margaret Ann Basgall by the St. Joseph's Guild

8:15am, Dolores Hopfinger by Mary Zubeck;

Special Intention: Nancy Pulliam by Rose Marie McColpin

Saturday, February 24

4:30pm, Deacon Daniel Peterson by Peggy & Mike Peterson;

Mary Ann Legleiter by Maureen Legleiter

Sunday, February 25

8:00am, Cheryl Lynn Sharp by the Wheeler Family

10:00am, Christine Cady by Molly & Jason Jonas

12:00pm, Larry Fitzgerald by the McNamara Family

2:00pm (Spanish), People of Presentation



Prayer Requests

To add or remove a name from the bulletin prayer list, contact the Pastoral Care Office, 816-251-1102.

Justin Andrews
Michelle Arreguin
Mary Beretta
Jackie Biondo
Louis Bosso
Marilyn Bosso
Pat Burke
Bridgena Cahill
Patrick Cahill
Teresa Calia
Greg Campbell
Stephen Colbern
John Condra
Barry Degges
Frank Emma
May Emma
Benjamin Gibson
Mary Kay Green
Leo Gusman

Vickie Herrman
Hudson Joseph
Diana Kennedy
Dave Kimminau
Michael Klein
Jeff Kudlacik
Carrie Landtiser
Joan Lankford
Nichole Reynolds
Lawson
Jill Long
Kent Long
Lori Long
Todd Long
Thomas Lukowski
Karen Massop
Sharon Maude
Wanda McCartney
Bob Merdian

Gretchen Merdian
Paul Niebergall
Mary O'Connor
Jennifer Pepple
Mike Peterson
Pat Plante
Beth Quinlan
Edna Quinlan
Judy Roberts
Anthony Romano
Mario Salinas
Chad Shaffer
Kathy Smith
Bridget Cahill
Stoppelman
Jackie Tarrantola
Mary Zubeck

Liturgical Ministers: February 24-25, 2024

Mass Times	4:30pm	8:00am	10:00am	12:00pm
Lector	Donna Rybowicz Bill Massop	Robin Perusich John Ulett	Brooke Hilst Katie Murdock	Karen Norton David Miscannon
Eucharistic Ministers	Joannie Ackland Andy Fenstermann Rexanne Hill Regina Hogan Jim Hogan Mary Roach Sherri Staub	Terry Downs Kathy Gladden Sue Jacobi Jack Morasch Carol Ulett John Voss	Mike Kirse Mary Jo LeCluyse Arlene Owens Larry Reynolds Pat Reynolds Randy Rotert Margi Whitworth	Kathy Boas Karen Johnston Debbie Mahoney Andrew Perkins Deb Sheppard Erin Van Dom
Mass Coordinator	Frank Bolton	Richard Ripper Debbie Ripper	Kevin Emmendorfer Kim Emmendorfer	Jason Rush Mike Sanchez
Server	Ellie A. Fiona F. Ferris F.	Ben T. Emma K. Maggie T.	Isaac C. Maddi C. Anna C.	Annabelle F. Sawyer B. Nathan W.
Greeter	Betsy Dodson Janet Lumby Sherri Morehead	Carol Berger Dan Culross Jennifer Culross	Chris Jochems Steve Jochems Lavon Kimminau	Suzanne Rich Machelle Seiler Laura Vernon
Usher	Lloyd German Carol Jones Larry Munsterman	Jennifer Fleschute Dave Rebori Ron Smith	Rick Brown Len Danaher Steve Graboski	Liz Hartenstein Stacie Ventimiglia Bryan Woolworth

Scripture Readings For the Week of February 18

First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22;

Mk 1:12-15

Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17,

18-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Jl 2:12-13; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle

1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:18; Mt 16:13-19

Friday

Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

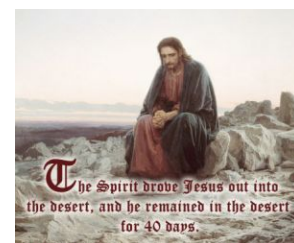
Saturday

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34;

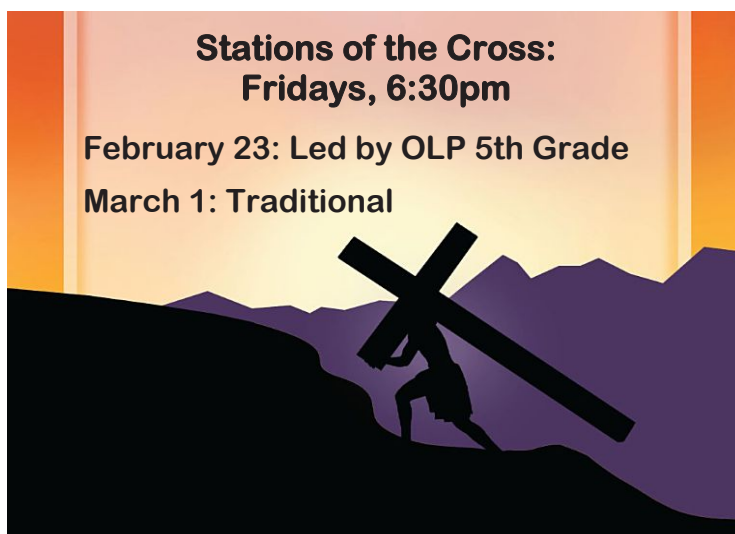
Mk 9:2-10



Stations of the Cross: Fridays, 6:30pm

February 23: Led by OLP 5th Grade

March 1: Traditional



Stewardship



The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism. . . that people place their gifts, their resources — their selves — at God's service in and through the Church." - *Stewardship by the Book*

Stewardship Giving:

1/29 - 2/4/24

Envelopes: \$29,885
Online Giving: \$21,071
Plate: \$ 1,501
Donor Advised Contributions: \$ 100
IRA Contributions: \$ 9,250
Future Projects Fund: \$ 6,157
Education Endowment Fund: \$ 5,652

**We encourage you to use:
Online Giving - Scan QR code
Or Text To Give:**



text OLPLS & amount you want to give to 5777

FINANCIAL REPORT

2nd Quarter ending December 31, 2023

	Actual YTD Thru 12/31/23	Budget YTD Thru 12/31/23
Operating Receipts	\$ 3,924,739	\$ 3,772,978
Operating Expenses	\$ (3,708,568)	\$ (3,642,538)
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 216,171	\$ 130,440
Future Projects & Year-End Giving	\$ 235,032	\$ 72,671

We are grateful for the generosity of our parishioners and thankful for the continued support of our Future Projects and Year-End Giving. Your generosity allows us to provide important ministries that further the mission of our parish.

Our Lady of the Presentation Church



*Discover God's
Love Etched
in
Your Heart*

"Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me."
Isaiah 49:16

Women's Lenten Retreat Friday, March 1

Check-in: 6:00 p.m. in the Mulligan Room
Stations of the Cross: 6:30 p.m. in the Church
Retreat: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15

Gather with other women for a spiritually uplifting evening as we embrace this Lenten Season. Discover ways that God is etched into our lives through our daily faith journey, our challenges and blessings and Encounter Joy during this evening of reflection and sharing. During the retreat every participant will create a special reminder of the importance of taking time to "Gather" in faith.



**Limited seating, register early!
Register Online, scan QR code or
at the Parish Office beginning February 12.**

Our Lady of the Presentation Church

Sunday, March 10
Table Blessing: 11:00 a.m.

Pasta Meal Served:
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
in the Auditorium

FREE-WILL donation
accepted for the meal.

St. Joseph Table

*Sicilian cookies and a variety of baked goods will also be for sale
after the Table Blessing.*

DONATIONS

Scan QR code or use this link to
Sign Up Genius:
[https://www.signupgenius.com/
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VOLUNTEERS

Scan QR code or use this link to
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Proceeds benefit our Parish Service Partner Uplift Organization.

Children's Faith Formation

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

PARENT & CHILD GATHERING

Thurs. March 14 at 6:00 pm

OR

Sat. March 16 at 9:00 a.m.

In the Church

Watch for Sign-Up Genius

Elda's Compassion

A free boutique offering First Communion apparel for children of all ages and sizes, will return to Our Lady of the Presentation on Thursday, March 14 5:30-7:00 p.m. in and Saturday, March 16 at 8:30 a.m. in the gathering space. They also accept donations of dresses, suits and shoes in nearly new condition to help continue this wonderful ministry.



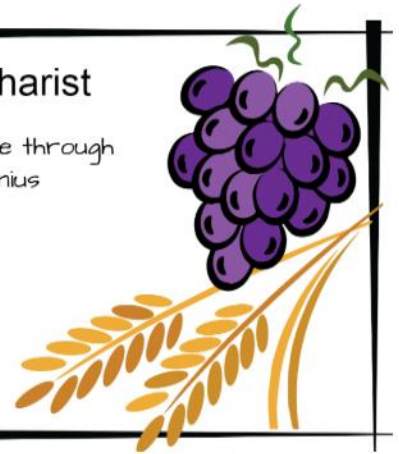
Children's Liturgy Kindergarten – 3rd Grade

**Every Sunday as volunteers are available.
8:00 – 10:00 – 2:00**

We are looking to expand Children's Liturgy of the Word to every Sunday. **Additional volunteers and teen helpers are needed.** If interested, please contact Karena Coatney, kcoatney@olpls.org or 816-251-1146.

First Eucharist

Select your date through
Sign-Up Genius



Youth Ministry News

ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

Come experience the fun night of
games, food, prayer, and friends!



MEET
GIAN



Gian Gamboa
TALKS + MUSIC for Young Catholics

\$10 for
the
whole
night

March 15th,
6pm-9pm at



ST. MICHAEL the ARCHANGEL
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



Scan QR
to sign up!



Mark Your Calendar Lenten Fish Fries are coming

Feb. 16th, 23rd,
Mar. 1st, 8th, 15th, & 22nd
Food Service is 5-7 pm
Volunteering is 4-8 pm



Scan the QR
code to sign up
to volunteer:



HIGH SCHOOL

Youth Ministry

MAIN EVENT

SOCIAL NIGHT: MAIN EVENT NIGHT

SUN. FEB. 18TH FROM 5-7 PM

MEET AT MAIN EVENT

BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

Scan QR
to sign up!



Confirmation 2024



Upcoming events for Candidates:

Feb. 12-13: Small Group Meeting

Feb. 16-Mar. 22: Lenten Fish Fries (Service)

Mar. 25th: Confirmation Name & Sponsor Report Due

**PLEASE CHECK EMAILS REGULARLY
FOR MORE INFORMATION.**



QUESTIONS? CONTACT MICHAEL NATIONS AT MNATIONS@OLPLS.ORG OR JANICE DRAKE AT YMASSISTANT@OLPLS.ORG

OLP School

Congratulations to our Sisters of Charity Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Sonderman, 2nd grade teacher! So thankful for our wonderful teachers and staff at OLP including Mrs. Connors, Middle School Religion teacher, and Mrs. Oberkrom, 3rd Grade Teacher, who were also named as honorable mentions for this annual award.



Early Childhood Center

We are looking for a couple of full-time teachers. One position will start immediately and one will begin in August. Please email Catherine Koob at ckoob@olpls.org if you are interested in learning more about open positions.





Adult Faith Formation

Lenten Parish Mission *Bonus*

Best Lent Ever

This year's
Best Lent Ever features
33 Days to Eucharistic Glory.
Sign up now!
dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html

Pray40 with Hallow

Check the kiosks in the south
gathering space for the qr
code to sign up.

Father Ricky will give a
mini-mission talk at
our 8:15 a.m. Masses
on February 26-27-28

Agape Latte.

Save the date!

Agape Latte
with Dave and Denise Brummel
on March 21, 6:30 p.m.

Pastoral Care

John Knox Village Mass February 20

Mass and Anointing will be offered on Tuesday,
February 20 at the John Knox Village Chapel, 400
NW Murray Road. Reconciliation begins at 9:45 a.m.
and Mass at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome.

Mutual Help Grief Support Group

Thursdays

Evening Session: 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
March 14, 21, April 4, 11, 18, 25

Morning Session: 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
March 21, April 4, 11, 25, May 2, 9

Groups meet in the Presentation Log House

Trained facilitators will guide the group for
six sessions focused on grief coping skills.

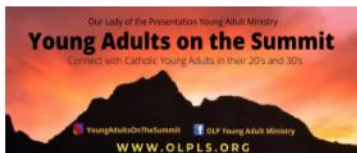
Participants are asked to commit to the
entire six weeks. Pre-registration is required.

For information or to register,
contact:

Shelli Lange, 816-251-1102
slange@olpls.org

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN, FOR THEY WILL BE COMFORTED.
MATTHEW 5:4

Young Adult Ministry



DON'T MISS ANY
EVENTS: SCAN THE QR
CODE TO JOIN OUR
EMAIL LIST



**BRUNCH
AFTER
MASS**

Save the Date
Join us on Mar. 10th for
Sunday Mass @ 10 am and
Martin City Brewery to follow.

**LAST
CALL**

4 THE GOSPEL

JOIN US ON FEB. 27TH FOR LAST
CALL 4 THE GOSPEL.
MORE DETAILS TBA.
[RECEIVE EMAILS FOR UPDATES.](#)



CONNECT WITH CATHOLIC SINGLES &
FRIENDS ON 2/17!
DETAILS WILL BE IN FUTURE POSTINGS.
[RECEIVE EMAILS FOR UPDATES.](#)



2ND MONDAYS
OF THE MONTH



Called
TO
SERVE

VOLUNTEER WITH OUR SERVICE PARTNERS



1ST THURSDAY
3RD TUESDAY
OF THE MONTH



Gals-Mark your calendars for
March 5th, the next Gals Night Out!
[Receive emails for Updates.](#)





El alma humana anhela la salvación

En este primer domingo de cuaresma Jesús se embarca en un viaje, o en un retiro humano en que esta vulnerable. El enemigo lo pone en tentación, pero el vence las tentaciones mostrando al ser humano que si es posible resistirnos a los deseos humanos. Jesús vence las tentaciones más atractivas humanamente hablando para invitarnos a todos a la conversión y a tener fe o reforzar nuestra poca fe.

La biblia en general habla de la salvación del hombre, pero en especial en los versos y capítulos de las lecturas que la Iglesia nos propone durante la cuaresma. Interiormente el hombre tiene unas fuerzas o impulsos que lo dominan y lo encadenan al pecado. Es por eso que el hombre necesita reconocer su limitación y buscar una mano amiga que lo ayude a levantarse para seguir su misión terrenal. Y esa mano amiga solo se encuentra en la fuente de nuestra existencia, nuestro creador y redentor. Esas cadenas que nos atan al pecado solamente pueden ser desgarradas por el poder de Jesucristo. Él es quien nos puede hacer volver a la vida plena y al amor.

El ejemplo de cómo Dios salva a Noe y su familia es el inicio de una nueva creación con el hombre vie-

jo pero arrepentido y convertido a Dios. Dios Padre por medio de la muerte y resurrección de Jesucristo desea que todo ser viviente viva y sea feliz. El diluvio prefigura nuestro bautismo, una nueva creatura ya lavada del pecado del pasado. Luego el bautismo de Jesucristo es el renacimiento por el agua y el Espíritu Santo. Este mismo bautismo es la entrada he invitación a la salvación. La invitación es para todos y véase bien que la invitación a la conversión no es un momento de alegría o de sentimientos aflorando, tampoco lo conversión es una ideología. La conversión es conversión a la persona de Cristo; dejar otros caminos atrás por atractivos que parezcan y tomar el camino de Cristo.

Padre Angel Lemus

Lecturas de las Escrituras Para la Semana del 18 de Febrero

Primero Domingo de Cuaresma

Gn 9, 8-15; Sal 24, 4bc-5ab. 6-7bc. 8-9; 1 Pt 3, 18-22; Mc 1, 12-15

Lunes

Lv 19, 1-2. 11-18; Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 15; Mt 25, 31-46

Martes

Is 55, 10-11; Sal 33, 4-5. 6-7. 16-17. 18-19; Mt 6, 7-15

Miércoles

Jon 3, 1-10; Sal 50, 3-4. 12-13. 18-19; Lc 11, 29-32

Jueves: Fiesta de la Cátedra de San Pedro, Apóstol

1 Ped 5, 1-4; Sal 22, 1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6; Mt 16, 13-19

Viernes

Ez 18, 21-28; Sal 129, 1-2. 3-4ab. 4c-6. 7-8; Mt 5, 20-26

Sábado

Dt 26, 16-19; Sal 118, 1-2. 4-5. 7-8; Mt 5, 43-48

Domingo: Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

Gn 22, 1-2. 9-13. 15-18; Sal 115, 10 y 15. 16-17. 18-19; Rom 8, 31b-34; Mc 9, 2-10



News From El Salvador



Presentation parishioner, Richard Sinning, traveled to El Salvador as an Election Observer for their recent Presidential election.

CIS is one of the few entities that has organized volunteer observers from abroad in an election observation mission for every presidential and legislative election in El Salvador since the return of democracy with the signing of the Peace Accords in 1992. El Salvador's Supreme Electoral Tribunal, Salvadoran communities, and local civic and grassroots organizations have continued to ask CIS to organize observation missions.

The CIS International Election Observer Missions have earned a reputation of respect both in El Salvador and abroad for their professional organization and commitment to a free and fair democratic election process.

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