

**St. Joseph Church**  
**Dover, Ohio 44622**  
**The Third Sunday of Lent**  
**February 27 and 28, 2016**  
**27 y 28 de febrero del 2016**

**Mass Intentions**



**Monday, February 29**

**No Mass**

Readings: 237: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42/Lk 4:24-30

**Tuesday, March 1**

**2:00 p.m.** John Karl (**Park Village**)

**6:00 p.m.** Theresa Doriche

Readings: 238: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25/Mt 18:21-35

**Wednesday, March 2**

**8:15 a.m.** Ann Dimond

**9:00 a.m.** **Rosary**

Readings: 239: Dt 4:1,5-9/Ps 147/Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday, March 3**

**8:15 a.m.** Rosemary Hidey

**9:00 a.m.** **Adoration of the Eucharist**

Readings: 240: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95/Lk 11:14-23

**Friday, March 4**

**8:15 a.m.** Living and Deceased Members  
of Berarducci Family

Readings: 241: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81/Mk 12:28-34

**Saturday, March 5,**

**The Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**4:00 p.m.** Dan English

**Sunday, March 6,**

**The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**8:30 a.m.** Ellen Detorio

**11:00 a.m.** Kirk Koehn

**1:30 p.m.** The People of the Parish (**Spanish Mass**)

Readings: 33: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34/  
2 Cor 5:17-21/ Lk 15:1-3,11-32

**Offertory for Sunday, February 20 and 21, 2016**

Loose	\$ 1,604.00
Adult (278 envelopes)	\$ 10,332.00
Online Giving	\$ 230.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,166.00</b>
Contributions needed each week	\$ 12,192.00

**Other Funds:**

Capital Improvement	\$ 232.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 125.00
Poor Fund	\$ 130.00
Lighting Fund	\$ 267.00
<i>The Catholic Times</i>	\$ 136.00
Catholic Home Mission	\$ 50.00

**Your contributions make the mission of St. Joseph Parish possible and keep our parish financially sound.**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**Ministry Schedules**  
**March 5 and 6, 2016**

**4:00 p.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Bonnie Edwards – 1st Reading

Vicki Wilhelm – 2nd Reading

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jessica DeBois, Kateri Renicker,  
Marlo Nowak, Mary Roberts, Denisse Garcia Paez,  
Cathy Galbraith, Dan Galbraith

**Hospitality:** Pastoral Council Members

**Servers:** Andrea Garcia Paez, Cade Renicker,  
Sage Winnie (Alt: Elizabeth Baio)

**8:30 a.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Peggy Biancamano – 1st Reading

Jack Burnham- 2nd Reading

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Marysu Sorohan,  
Lynn Ballantyne, Sharon Kuczirka, John Kuczirka,  
Jack Dooking, Rachel Capozella, Milt Hamilton,  
Teri Layton, Sub needed

**Hospitality:** Ann Riley and Pastoral Council

**Servers:** John Chaney, Carlos Fernandez,  
Javier Fernandez (Alt: Rebecca Conrad)

**11:00 a.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Ann Bruno – 1st Reading

Sandy Deetz – 2nd Reading

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ann Telle, Doug Telle,  
Tony Nasuta, Elizabeth Clemence, Kevin Fitzgerald,  
Rebecca Nylund, Dave Nylund

**Hospitality:** Pastoral Council Members

**Servers:** Katie Bruno, Luke Telle, John Telle  
(Alt: Matthew Dummermuth)

**If you know of a friend or family member that is in the hospital, for surgery or due to illness, or is currently homebound, please call the Parish Office and give us the information. Someone will visit them as soon as possible.**

**Prayer Chain:** To place your request on the prayer chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063.

## Spiritual Notes:

Moses' call in today's first reading reminds us that God calls us as we are. Moses is "tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro." We do not need to seek out God. God calls us; our task is to open to hearing the call. Moses' experience of the Lord is mysterious, as was Abrams'. He sees a burning bush that is "not consumed." One thing that is often overlooked in narratives like this is that God is the initiating force. "I have witnessed the affliction of my people," the Lord says; "I know well that they are suffering. Therefore I have come down to rescue them." It is not Moses who will rescue them, it is the Lord. Moses is merely the servant, called to do God's will. Paul reminds the Corinthians that even the people in the wilderness strayed from God's will. "God was not pleased with most of them" he tells us, and so "they were struck down in the desert." This serves as a warning for us, so that we might not desire evil things as they did. A similar theme is presented in today's Gospel: Jesus calls His audience to repentance; otherwise, "you will all perish." In the parable of the barren fig tree, Jesus presents an image of a tree that should have been producing fruit but did not. Frequently in the biblical text, such imagery symbolizes God and His people. The owner of the orchard orders the tree to be cut down. But the gardener requests, "Leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it," giving the tree one last chance to produce fruit. This imagery reminds us that God is patient with us, giving us opportunities to produce fruit in our own lives.

*For reflection: How has God caught my attention on my spiritual journey? What I is my own burning bush? Have I ever experienced God's patience?*

## In Our Parish

**Please keep in your prayers, Tommie Meyers-Palmer, age 10, who died on, Monday, February 22, 2016.** May her soul and all the souls of our faithful departed rest in peace. Please also, keep Tommie's family and friends in your prayers.

**Mark your calendars...** the Family Life Committee is hosting an afternoon of bowling, March 6th, at Boulevard Lanes at 2:00 p.m. We hope you will join us.

**There will be a Festival Committee Meeting** on Wednesday, March 9th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. If you are unable to attend, please call Dan and Cathy Galbraith.

## 24 Hours with the Lord

Pope Francis has invited all diocese and parishes to join him in participating in his "24 Hours with the Lord" initiative. In his Lenten message last year, he stated; "Let us not underestimate the power of so many voices in prayer! The 24 Hours with the Lord, which I hope will be observed throughout the Church, is meant to be a sign of this need for prayer!" The Holy Father stated his wish to place the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the center of the Church's mission of new evangelization. The Diocese of Columbus and St. Joseph will be joining the Holy Father on March 4th and 5th in this important initiative of prayer and reconciliation. Beginning Friday, March 4th, with Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by Eucharistic Adoration until Mass begins on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the Vestibule if you are able to participate. Please consider volunteering for an hour or more if your schedule allows.

## Spiritual Life of Saint Joseph Parish.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday Confession times are 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.; on Sunday mornings from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 10:15 a.m. until 10:45 a.m.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Following the 4:00 p.m. Mass the first weekend of each month, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass the second weekend of each month and following the 11:00 a.m. Mass the third weekend of each month.

**Adoration of the Eucharist:** The Eucharist will be exposed for Adoration every Thursday morning after Mass until 9:30 a.m.

**Rosary:** Each Wednesday morning after the 8:15 a.m. Mass, join us as we pray the Rosary.

**Stations of the Cross:** Fridays, March 11 and 18, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in English and 8:00 p.m. in Spanish. Or with the students from TCCES at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, March 11.

**Feast of St. Joseph - March 19, 2016:** Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will follow in the Family Life Center.

## The Jubilee Year of Mercy

December 8, 2015-November 20, 2016

*"It is a favorable time to heal wounds, a time to offer everyone the way of Forgiveness and Reconciliation."*

~ Pope Francis



**Spiritual Works of Mercy: Second spiritual work of mercy - instructing the ignorant.** (Part 2: sharing with others.) Jesus expects His followers to actively spread the Good News to others around them. Today it is known as the New Evangelization. Jesus "sent them forth to proclaim the reign of God and heal the afflicted" (Lk. 9:2). The twelve apostles "set out and went from village to village, spreading the good news everywhere and curing diseases" (Lk. 9:6). Later Jesus sent out 72 of His disciples to further proclaim the Good News (Lk 10:1-20). It all begins at home. Even though parents send their children to religious instruction or Catholic school, the parents still have the serious responsibility to personally teach their children who Jesus is and assist them in developing a deep relationship with Jesus. St. Pope John Paul II stressed that the parents are the primary educators of their children. When the opportunity or need arises, family members have the serious responsibility of sharing their belief in Jesus to other family members who exhibit difficulty and lack of understanding of whom Jesus is and his importance to them. This responsibility of instructing the ignorant also extends to friends, co-workers and those around you when you see them searching for the truths of life. You start by sharing how Jesus works in your life and what He means to you.

**Please remember in your prayers, all the sick, homebound and recovering in our parish. Also, pray for those coping with physical or mental conditions.** Please include all those on our prayer lists who have asked for our prayers and those who have no one to pray for them.

### Joy-Filled Marriage

Engaged couples....don't forget to register for the March 12th Joy-Filled Marriage retreat day! We will meet in the Family Life Center, from 8:15 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. You will hear presentations from local couples based on St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body. The cost is \$65.00 for materials and meals. Please call 330-343-9109 to register no later than Saturday, March 5th.

### Upcoming Meetings in the Life of the Parish

**Secular Franciscans** invite everyone wishing to attend the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. for Morning Prayer and Eucharistic Prayer followed by coffee and donuts.

**Men's Bible Study Group:** Saturday mornings at 7:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center. For more information, please contact John Kuczirka.

**Heart of Mary Bible Study:** Come and join us the first and third Fridays of every month, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**LCBA:** Tuesday, March 1, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center - downstairs.

**R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):** Thursday, March 3, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. The topic is the Beatitudes and Forgiveness.

**Family Life Committee:** Monday, March 7, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center - Room A.

### 2016 Lenten Enrichment Series

**St. Joseph Parish will host a Lenten Series again this year. We are blessed and honored to have such an amazing lineup of guest speakers.**

**Tuesday, March 1st** - Dr. Donald Asci will present "Christ Lives in Me: Reflections on Embracing the Call to Follow Christ." Dr. Asci has a Doctorate in Sacred Theology with a specialization in Moral Theology. He is an Associate Professor of Theology at Franciscan University in Steubenville.

**Tuesdays, March 8th and 15th** - Dr. John Bergsma will speak to us on "Seven Habits of Highly Effective Catholics and Confession as Spiritual Warfare." Dr. Bergsma has a Doctorate of Philosophy in Theology. He is an Associate Professor at Franciscan University in Steubenville.

**Each session will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall (TCCES gym) and last approximately one hour. A light dinner will be served. If you would like to learn more about our presenters, please visit <http://www.franciscan.edu/theology/faculty>. Please feel free to attend one or all of the sessions, as your schedule allows!**



## Youth Ministry News

### High School Group

Sunday, February 28st - Sacred Heart

Sunday, March 6th - Sacred Heart

High School Youth Group Sunday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

### Junior High Youth Group

Sunday, February 28st - St. Joseph

Sunday, March 6th - St. Joseph

Jr. High Youth Group - Sunday, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

**Did you know....the Youth Group attends Mass together on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m.?** After Mass there is food and fellowship. If you are able to join us, we would love to see you there!!

**Parents and Teens:** If you would like more information about upcoming youth events, please call Andy in the Parish Office.



## Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School



**Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School to offer full-day Pre-Kindergarten class**

Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School is expanding the Pre-Kindergarten registration options available to families for the 2016-2017 school year. TCCES will offer both full-day and half-day Pre-Kindergarten classes. Full-day and half-day morning and afternoon classes will be offered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The Preschool classes will continue to be held each Thursday and Friday.

**Registration for all classes from preschool through sixth grade is now open for the 2016-2017 school year.** Registration information is available on the school website, [www.tccesdover.org](http://www.tccesdover.org). Parents can also call the school to arrange a visit to meet the students and teachers. The number is 330-343-9134.

**Get ready for the 4th Annual Immaculate Conception PTA card party, Sunday, March 13th, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the IC school cafeteria.** Tickets are \$10.00, includes your entrance, meal (including Dennison Yard pizza) and salad buffet. For more information, please contact the school office at 740-922-3539.



## Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School



### **Save the Date!**

The TCC Annual Irish Extravaganza will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the McDonald Marlite Center. Tickets are \$40.00 a person or \$75.00 a couple, silent auction and cocktail reception begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner and a live auction. For more information, please call TCC at 330-343-3302.

### **Dave Myers Scholarship**

Applications for the \$1,500.00 scholarship are available at Tuscarawas Central Catholic. This is the 32nd year this award has been giving to a graduating senior at TCC based on Academic, Leadership, Character, Sportsmanship and Service. Myers was a 1967 graduate of Dover St. Joseph High School. All applications must be returned by March 23rd

## St. Joseph Soup Kitchen

**Everyone is welcome!!**

The intention for the Soup Kitchen is to serve God's children in need: the poor in spirit, as well as the needy. Below you will find the upcoming schedule.

**Teams, if you need assistance, please contact  
Andrea Settimio or the Parish Office.**

March 2, 2016 - Team L (Chrissie Hensel)

March 9, 2016 - Team M (Fran Mason)

March 16, 2016 - Team N (Mary DeBois)

March 23, 2016 - Team O (Regina Study Club)

**Please keep our volunteers in your prayers.  
Thank you for your support!**



### **Did you know.....**

You can now find Father Jimmy's weekly homily on our webpage, along with a monthly calendar of events, ministry schedules and much more at [www.stjosephdover.org](http://www.stjosephdover.org)?

## Crafty Ladies

Crafty Ladies meet the first and third Tuesdays, from 10:00 a.m. until Noon **\*\*Weather permitting\*\***. Come share your talents with the group. Join us and have fun! For more information, call Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063 or Mary Pusateri at 330-364-2775.



## Other Information To Note:

**Mass Intentions:** Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to request Masses be celebrated for deceased or living loved ones. To schedule a Mass Intention, please contact the Parish Office.

### **Can you help with transportation to Mass?**

We often get calls from parishioners in both Dover and New Philadelphia who need help getting to Mass. If you are able to help, please call the Parish Office.

**Please Note:** If you would like to present the gifts at the Offertory, please contact the Ushers before Mass.

**Prayer Chain:** To place your request on the Prayer Chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063.

**Low-Gluten Hosts:** If you are a person who needs to receive a **low-gluten host** because of wheat allergies or celiac disease, please call the Parish Office.

**Bulletin deadline:** The bulletin deadline is Monday at 3:00 p.m. Please include your contact information with phone number and email address. Bulletin notices may be in writing, faxed to 330-602-7488, dropped off or emailed to [stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com](mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com).

### St. Joseph Calvary Cemetery

**Cemetery Cleanup:** Cemetery workers will be removing wintertime decorations from the graves beginning March 14th. We request that anyone wishing to retain personal keepsakes, to please remove them by March 7th. Due to the number of decorations involved, the cemetery staff cannot be responsible for collecting or storing personal items. If you are unable to do so, or need assistance, please call Don in the Parish Office.

**If you are interested in purchasing lots, or if you have questions regarding rules and regulations, Please call Don in the Parish Office and he will be happy to assist you.**

**There will be a special screening of *Full of Grace* at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 13th, at Holy Trinity Church in Bolivar. Admission is free! There will be a freewill offering.**

Ten years after Christ's resurrection, *Full of Grace* sheds light on a critical moment in the history of Christianity. Fraught with heresies and conflict, the early followers of Christ seek to live in a way that respects Jewish law, but with the boldness they experienced when they met Jesus of Nazareth. Mary, the mother of Jesus, quietly awaits the return of Peter, the "rock," whom Jesus asked to lead the Christian people. Arriving at Mary's home after years of traveling, preaching and narrowly escaping death, Peter expresses the overwhelming responsibility of the task set before him and his own helplessness. As Mary recalls the incredible mystery of her life with Christ, Peter rediscovers the truth: He is not leading. He is following.

Fr. Peter Cameron, O.P. - Editor-In-Chief of *Magnificat* remarked that *Full of Grace* is "A breathtaking film and celebration of faith. I have not been moved by a film like this since *The Passion of the Christ*."

**A Light for My Path: Praying the Psalms on the Way of the Cross.** During this Lenten season, offer yourself the opportunity to meditate on the Way of the Cross in a different way. You are invited to reflect on Jesus' Way of the Cross by using the same prayers He used in His life: the Book of Psalms. The prayer service will journey through the traditional fourteen Stations of the Cross while providing time for personal reflection, an examination of conscience, and the communal singing of the psalms. Sacred Heart Church, Wednesday, March 9, 6:15 p.m. A freewill offering will benefit Pathway to Wellness Recovery Center, a partnership with Friends of the Homeless.



**Easter Flower Memorials** are in your envelope packets. The cost is \$20.00 for three names. They must be returned by March 16, 2015. **PLEASE PRINT.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

## Office of Social Concerns

### March is Developmental Disabilities Month

The National Catholic Partnership on Disability (NCPD) facilitates the implementation of the Pastoral Statement of US Catholic Bishops on People with Disabilities by calling for the inclusion of people with disabilities in the life of the Church and society. For more information, visit [www.ncpd.org](http://www.ncpd.org).

*"Each of Us is a Masterpiece of God's Creation"*

### Catholic Relief Services

At each of the entrances of the church, there are Rice Bowls for you to take home. These monies support Catholic Relief Services agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. They provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and share Christ's love and respect for all people.

**For a Catholic perspective, the *Catholic Times* weekly newspaper features insightful and informative news around our diocese, our country, and the world.** Sign up for or continue receiving the *Catholic Times* for another year by placing your *Catholic Times* envelope, (or a plain envelope marked *Catholic Times* with your name and address) with a minimum donation of only \$18.00 into the regular Mass collection. This donation helps St. Joseph Parish provide the *Catholic Times* you and many of our parishioners. Checks should be made payable to St. Joseph Church. As an evangelization tool, Bishop Campbell encourages every Catholic household to receive the *Catholic Times*.

### Courage/Encourage:

Courage offers spiritual support for Catholic men and women with same sex attractions and is endorsed by the Pontifical Council for the Family. Courage was founded in 1980 by Cardinal Cook to help Catholics with same sex attractions live chaste lives in accordance with the Roman Catholic Church's teachings. EnCourage is the affiliate support group for family members, spouses, and friends of men and women with same sex attractions. For confidential inquiries, please contact Father Pat Toner at 614-296-7404. For more information, contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or by visiting [www.couragerc.net](http://www.couragerc.net).



Online Giving

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### Leave a Legacy of Love and Faith



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Your last will and testament can leave a legacy of your faith by helping to pass it on to others. When drafting your will, after taking care of your family, please consider naming St. Joseph Parish or the Diocese of Columbus as a recipient of your estate. For more information, contact James Anzelmo at the Catholic Foundation at 1-866-298-8893 or [JAnzelmo@catholic-foundation.org](mailto:JAnzelmo@catholic-foundation.org).



When traveling and you need to know where the closest Catholic Church is and the times for their Masses, please check out [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).

### The Amazing Parish Prayer

*Heavenly Father, You have gathered us together as a parish to be Your visible life in our world. Here we unite in worship, proclaim Your word, celebrate the Eucharist, and are sent forth to share Your love and make disciples. Lord, we take your Great Commission seriously and long for our parish to be so on fire that we draw people to You. Help us in that endeavor, as we strive to work together - ordained, religious and laity. Please make our parish amazing, through Your power and Your grace. Amen.*

### The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

#### February 2016

**Universal Intention:** That we may take good care of creation - a gift freely given - cultivating and protecting it for future generations.

**Evangelization Intention:** That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

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## **“Living the Works of Mercy” Friar Jerome Harrington, OFM**

On February 8, we celebrated the feast of St. Josephine Bakhita, whose life was burdened with many wrongs. She was kidnapped when she was 7, sold into slavery, and resold several times, bearing a lot of abuse along the way. In 1883, Callisto Legnani, Italian consul in Khartoum, Sudan, bought her and, two years later, took her to Italy and gave her to a friend and his family. Eventually, she learned about the Catholic faith, was baptized, got her freedom, and became a well-loved sister. A willingness to forgive and show mercy were highlights of her life and sainthood. She was once asked, “What would you do if you were to meet your captors?” Her response: “I would kneel and kiss their hands. For if those things had not happened, I would not have been a Christian and a religious today.”

In this [Year of Mercy](#), Pope Francis asks us to reflect on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. He says we have to admit that the practice of mercy is waning in our culture. It’s time, he says, “to return to basics and bear the weaknesses and struggles of our brothers and sisters.” The sixth spiritual work of mercy is “bearing wrongs patiently.” Who of us hasn’t been cut off in traffic by another driver and didn’t bear the wrong patiently? Having to wait in a long line at a store can make us lose our cool. Cleaning up after someone who habitually leaves a mess can test our patience. The “wrongs” can be more serious, such as lies or gossip that poison a friendship or a marriage. We can be the victim of false information that keeps us from getting a promotion. Sometimes we may be able to talk and reconcile with the offender, but often all we can do is admit that life is not always fair. We have to smile and bear it. But there are always alternatives. We can leave justice to God and not try to get even. Jesus asks us to be merciful and forgive: “Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. God makes his sun rise on the bad and on the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and unjust” (Mt 5). St. Paul tells us that “love is patient” and “does not brood over injuries” (1 Cor 13). Jesus himself showed great restraint when the soldier slapped him as he was awaiting trial. For those who scourged him, forced him to carry the cross to Calvary, and then nailed him to it, Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, they know not what they do” (Lk 23:34). Jesus forgave Peter, who betrayed him, and the other apostles who deserted him. Bearing wrongs patiently has its rewards. Instead of brooding over injuries or slipping into self-pity, we can enjoy a peaceful heart.

By growing in the virtue of patience, we can gain self-control and maturity. We first received mercy from God. That allows us to be instruments of mercy and forgiveness in this Year of Mercy.

# Iglesia San José

## Ministerios Hispanos

### Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma

#### 27 y 28 de Febrero del 2016

#### Calendario Litúrgico:



#### Misas en Español

Domingo 28 de Febrero 1:30 p.m.  
Domingo 6 de Marzo 1:30 p.m.

#### Misas en Ingles

Sábados 4:00 p.m.  
Domingos 8:30 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.

#### Confesiones

Antes d misa de español de 12:45 p.m. a 1:15 p.m.



**La Cuaresma:** Es un tiempo de Oración, penitencia y ayuno. Cuarenta días que la iglesia nos pide un cambio a nuestras vidas. El ayuno consiste en hacer una sola comida al día y la abstinencia es no comer carne. Este es un modo de pedirle perdón a Dios por haberlo ofendido y decirle que queremos cambiar de vida para agradecerle siempre.

#### Vía crucis "Estaciones de la Cruz"

Marzo 11 y 18

8:00 p.m. en Español



#### Invitación al coro "Guadalupe"

Están cordialmente invitados a practicar en el coro, todos los viernes a las 2:00 p.m. Si tiene preguntas llame a Carmen al tel 330-432-0811 ó a la oficina al 330-364-6661.

**Grupo "Corazón de María":** Todas las mujeres están invitadas a participar cada viernes, de 11:00 a.m. a 2:00 p.m., en este grupo para Oración, Evangelización, clases de Inglés, labores del hogar y consejos prácticos para la vida.

El "Grupo de hombres" se reúne todos los viernes en Family Life 7:30 p.m. (en el edificio nuevo en frente de la Iglesia San José).

#### Notas Espirituales:

El llamado de Moisés en la primera lectura de hoy nos recuerda que Dios nos llama como somos. Moisés "Pastoreaba el rebaño de su suegro Jetró." No necesitamos buscar a Dios. Dios nos llama; nuestra tarea es ser abiertos a escuchar la llamada. La experiencia de Moisés del Señor en el misterio (como era de Abraham). Él ve una zarza ardiente que "no se consume." Una cosa que a menudo ignoramos en los relatos como Dios es la fuerza iniciadora. "He visto la opresión de mi pueblo," dice el SEÑOR; "Sé muy bien que están sufriendo. Por lo tanto he descendido para rescatarlos." Es Moisés quien los rescate, es el SEÑOR. Moisés no es más que el sirviente, llamado a hacer la voluntad de Dios.

Pablo recuerda a los Corintios que incluso las personas en el desierto desviaron de la voluntad de Dios. "Dios no estaba contento con la mayoría de ellos," nos dice, y así "fueron derribados en el desierto." Esto sirve como una advertencia para nosotros," por lo que no debemos desear cosas malas, como ellos."

Un tema similar se presenta en el Evangelio de hoy: Jesús llama a su gente al arrepentimiento; de lo contrario, "todos perecerán." En la parábola de la higuera estéril, Jesús presenta una imagen de un árbol que debería haber sido la producción de fruta, pero no lo hizo. Con frecuencia en el texto bíblico, tales imágenes simboliza a Dios y su pueblo. El dueño de la finca ordena que el árbol sea cortado. Sin embargo, la petición del jardinero, "déchela todavía este año, y voy a aflojar la tierra alrededor de ella y a echarle abono," dándole al árbol una última oportunidad para producir frutas. Estas imágenes nos recuerda que Dios es paciente con nosotros, que nos da la oportunidad de producir frutos en nuestras propias vidas.

**Para la reflexión.** Cómo Dios me ha llamado la atención en mi viaje espiritual? ¿Cuál es mi propia "zarza ardiente?" ¿Alguna vez he experimentado la paciencia de Dios?

