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# C A L E N D A R

January 31 Rite of Acceptance (RCIA) at Masses February 17 Ash Wednesday (Miercoles de Ceniza) Masses at 9:00am English, 12:00nn English, 7:00pm Spanish Imposition of ashes outside Mass 10:00am to 11:30am, 2:00pm to 6:30pm Drive by the front door of the church to receive the ash. La ceniza será impuesta durante todo el día fuera de Misa en las siguientes: 10:00am a 11:30am, 2:00pm a 6:30pm. Conduzca a través de la puerta principal de la Iglesia para conseguir la ceniza. February 21, Rite of Sending (RCIA) at Masses

Parish Collection Update January 16-17, 2021

General Collection	\$ 2 724.00
Estimated weekly expense	\$ 3 100.00
Deficit	\$ 376.00

Thank you very much for your usual support to our parish

Please continue to help us in the best way possible that you can to support our parish's needs.

Show your love to our parish. Be generous of your time, talent and treasure. For volunteers and donations, contact the office 5038292080. Thank you very much!

## PARISH MISSION AND VISION

We are a Christian community from varied roots, united by God, guided by St. James the Greater, worshiping, evangelizing and helping each other toward holiness. We form our young, adults, and families to develop Christian values, that all may serve the church and community through faith. Somos una comunidad Cristiana de raíces variadas, unidas por Dios, guiada por Santiago el mayor, adorando, evangelizándo y guiando mutuamente. Formamos a nuestros jóvenes, adultos y familias para desarrollar valores cristianos, que todos pueden server a la

Iglesia v a nuestra comunidad.

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are an adult, not baptized or baptized other than the Catholic baptism, and are thinking about joining the Catholic Church, the RCIA is a venue for you to know the Catholic Church more and eventually get initiated or fully accepted in the faith. The instruction / formation goes approximately a year (10 months). While formation starts in September, anyone who is interested can come anytime and start the process. Typically initiation happens during the Easter Vigil, the eve of Easter Sunday.

If you know a friend or family member who is interested, let us know 503-829-2080. See you there.

Teach me your ways, O Lord. Ps. 25

# The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.

# -Mk 1:15

#### PRAYER TO OVERCOME INDIFFERENCE

our lives, our homes, our challenges. Forgive us our isolation. Help us to see with your eyes: eyes which notice one another and help us understand. and where diverse people creatively coopera Help us to be people of solidarity and action so moved by prayer, encounter, and und that peace can become a reality Amen.



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Fr. Cit's Column God's way. God's way is a turning point for a believer. Without knowing God's way and acceptance thereof, the person possibly is selfdependent or self-sufficient. A person who knows God's way is a servant of God's will. In the example of Jonah, he wants to be who wants to be until he accepted the will of God. In his story, do not mistake God's action as coercion. The meaning of Jonah's plight is the power of God's call. When we are chosen, no matter how persevering we are to resist, God's call is more powerful than our own vision or goals. God will do what makes better our path and the fulfillment of our plans. Notice that God will use our plan to enact his better plan. In Jonah's story, he was swallowed by the whale while fleeing. The whale took him to Nineveh. In Nineveh, Jonah preached God's message.

No matter how we try to reject God, those ways we use to escape him will find us doing what he plans for us no matter how long the journey would be. The only hindrance, which does not necessarily stop the fulfillment of God's plan but complicates our journey or worse prolongs our supposed quick fulfillment of God's will.

Many beautiful stories of conversion are examples of this evident plan of God. One good example is the story of Fr. Donald H. Calloway. If you are familiar with Fr. Calloway's story, it is inspiring many of us. He lived a colorful past. As a youth, he wasted his energy and time and resources in inordinate passions. But God knows that Fr. Calloway's colored past is a way to take him to the path of restoration and become an instrument of restoration for others, especially his parishioners and followers.

What do you think are the things in your life that God may be leading you to understand his plans, and eventually take you to the fulfillment of his divine plan? We can only know if we listen to God on reflection and prayer. -30-

El camino de Dios. El camino de Dios es un punto decisivo para un crevente. Sin conocer el camino de Dios y su aceptación, la persona posiblemente sea autodependiente o autosuficiente. Una persona que conoce el camino de Dios es un siervo de la voluntad de Dios. En el ejemplo de Jonás, él quiere ser quien quiere ser hasta que acepte la voluntad de Dios. En su historia, no confunda la acción de Dios con coerción. El significado de la difícil situación de Jonás es el poder del llamado de Dios. Cuando somos elegidos, no importa cuán perseverantes somos para resistir, el llamado de Dios es más poderoso que nuestra propia visión o metas. Dios hará lo que mejore nuestro camino y el cumplimiento de nuestros planes. Note que Dios usará nuestro plan para promulgar su mejor plan. En la historia de Jonás, fue tragado por la ballena mientras huía. La ballena lo llevó a Nínive. En Nínive, Jonás predicó el mensaje de Di-OS.

No importa cómo tratemos de rechazar a Dios, esas maneras que usamos para escapar de él nos encontrarán haciendo lo que planea para nosotros sin importar cuánto tiempo duraría el viaje. El único obstáculo, que no necesariamente detiene el cumplimiento del plan de Dios, sino que complica nuestro viaje o, peor aún, prolonga nuestro supuesto cumplimiento rápido de la voluntad de Dios.

Muchas historias hermosas de conversión son ejemplos de este plan evidente de Dios. Un buen ejemplo es la historia de P. Donald H. Calloway. Si estás familiarizado con la historia de P. Cal loway es inspiradora que muchos de nosotros podemos relacionarnos. Vivió un parche colorido. Como joven, perdió su energía, tiempo y recursos en pasiones desordenadas. Pero Dios sabe que Fr. El colorido pasado de Calloway es una manera de llevarlo al camino de la restauración y convertirse en un instrumento de restauración para otros, especialmente sus feligreses y seguidores.-30-



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January 24, 2021

#### **Mass Intentions**

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#### Mass Times

- Monday to Friday at 9:00 in the Morning and 10:00am Spanish
- Weekend Saturday at 5:30 in the afternoon
- Sunday at 8:00 and 10:00 in the morning, both are English and 12:00 and 2:00 in the afternoon, Spanish
- Adoration Thursdays at 10:30AM to 8:00PM
- Confession Saturdays at 4:00-5:00PM but is always available as needed.

## Statement on the Inauguration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr.,

### as 46th President of the United States of America

On this day, upon which a new President has been inaugurated for our country, the President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Archbishop José Gomez, has issued a statement to which I wish to draw particular attention. I encourage all to read carefully and thoughtfully this important statement at a critical time in the history of our nation.

As the Archbishop of this local Church in western Oregon, I express my full support for this statement by Archbishop Gomez. I am aware that his words are the fruit of much consultation and prayer.

As we face the moral, social and political challenges ahead for our nation, I encourage all Catholics to pray for our new President, Joseph Biden. May the Holy Spirit inspire in his heart a desire and a resolve to serve in the spirit of the Gospel, with a special concern for the most vulnerable among us, including the child in the womb.

May God bless this great land with justice, peace and love.

Most Rev. Alexander K. Sample

Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

Statement on the Inauguration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., as 46th President of the United States of America from Most Reverend José H. Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles, President, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

My prayers are with our new President and his family today.

I am praying that God grant him wisdom and courage to lead this great nation and that God help him to meet the tests of these times, to heal the wounds caused by this pandemic, to ease our intense political and cultural divisions, and to bring people together with renewed dedication to America's founding purposes, to be one nation under God committed to liberty and equality for all.

Catholic bishops are not partisan players in our nation's politics. We are pastors responsible for the souls of millions of Americans and we are advocates for the needs of all our neighbors. In every community across the country, Catholic parishes, schools, hospitals, and ministries form an essential culture of compassion and care, serving women, children, and the elderly, the poor and sick, the imprisoned, the migrant, and the marginalized, no

matter what their race or religion.

When we speak on issues in American public life, we try to guide consciences, and we offer principles. These principles are rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the social teachings of his Church. Christ revealed God's plan of love for creation and revealed the truth about the human person, who is created in God's image, endowed with God-given dignity, rights and responsibilities, and called to transcendent destiny.

Based on these truths, which are reflected in the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights, the bishops and Catholic faithful carry out Christ's commandment to love God and love our neighbors working for an America that protects human dignity, expands equality and opportunities for every person, and is open-hearted towards the suffering and weak.

For many years now, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has tried to help Catholics and others of good will in their reflections on political issues through a publication we call Forming Co sciences for Faithful Citizenship. The most recent edition addresses a wide range of concerns. Among them: abortion, euthanasia, the death penalty, immigration, racism, poverty, care for the environment, criminal justice reform, economic development, and international peace.

On these and other issues, our duty to love and our moral principles lead us to prudential judgments and positions that do not align neatly with the political categories of left or right or the platforms of two major political parties. We work with every President and every Congress. On some issues we find ourselves more on the side of Democrats, while on others we find ourselves standing with Republi Our priorities are never partisan. We are Catholics first, seeking only to follow Jesus Christ faithfully and to advance his vision for human fraternity and community.

I look forward to working with President Biden and his administration, and the new Congress. As with every administration, there will be areas where we agree and work closely together and areas where will have principled disagreement and strong opposition.

Working with President Biden will be unique, however, as he is our first president in 60 years to profess the Catholic faith. In a time of growing and aggressive secularism in American culture, when reli believers face many challenges, it will be refreshing to engage with a President who clearly understands, in a deep and personal way, the importance of religious faith and institutions. To be continued...



You select one of 3 pick-up times when purchasing tickets: 4:30 - 5:30 pm 5:30 - 6:30 pm 6:30 - 7:30

Menu Crab or Chicken Cordon Bleu Sides: Caesar salad, coleslaw, Spanish & chicken rice pilaf, dinner roll and dessert. \$35 per Ticket

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#ShareYourFaith: Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America at Mass (January 23-24)

For over 50 years, Catholics in the United States have participated in the Collection for the Church in Latin America as a concrete expression of solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Central and South American and the Caribbean. This year the needs of the Church in Latin America are even greater in the wake of the COVID pandemic. Your contribution to the collection on the weekend of January 23-24, no matter how small, is a chance for you to support religious education, evangelization, and formation of priests and religious sisters and brothers throughout the Americas. Join the conversation on Twitter #1church1mission and connect with us on Facebook and Instagram. Learn more visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

# **Poverty Awareness Month**

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As Poverty Awareness Month continues, take time to learn more about poverty in the United States, understand the root causes, and how people are helping themselves and others out of Poverty USA. http://www.povertyusa.org/learn

# The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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