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Rice Bowls are available in the narthex. Please fill them up with change and return them before the Holy Week. Thank you for your generous support.

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RCIA If you are an adult, not baptized or baptized other than the Catholic baptism, and would like to join the Catholic Church, the RCIA is a venue to learn the Catholic faith more and eventually get initiated or fully accepted in the Catholic faith. The instruction/formation runs about a year (10 months). If you are interested, join us anytime. Normally, initiation happens at Easter Vigil. Easter Vigil is on the eve of Easter Sunday. Call 503-829-2080 for more information.

Come and see.

Adult Confirmation. If you are over 18 or over and have not been confirmed, join us for May 2021 Confirmation. Formation is every Monday at 6:30PM. Call us at 503-829.2080 or talk to Fr. Cit or Miguel Serrano to be listed.

C A L E N D A R

February 26, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross March 5, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross March 7, 10:00am First Scrutiny (RCIA) March 12, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross March 14, 10:00am Second Scrutiny (RCIA) March 19, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross March 21, 10:00am Third Scrutiny (RCIA) March 26, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross March 28, Palm Sunday

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.

Somos una comunidad Cristian de raíces variadas, unidas por Dios, guiada por Santiago el mayor, adorando, evangelizándo y guiando mutuamente hacia la santidad.

We form our young, adults, and families to develop Christian values, that all may serve the church and community through faith.

Formamos a nuestros jóvenes, adultos y familias para desarrollar valores cristianos, que todos pueden server a la Iglesia y a nuestra comunidad por medio de la fe.

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant. Ps25:10

Help us continue to deliver church services to all our parishioners by supporting our financial stability. Please donate online. You can donate using Paypal stjames2do-

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{General Collection} & \$ \ 2 \ 227.00 \\ \text{Expenses (weekly estimate)} & \underline{\$ \ 4 \ 316.00} \\ \text{Deficit} & \$ \ 2 \ 089.00 \\ \end{array}$

Collection Update for February 13-14, 2021

Thank you all for your constant support to the welfare of our parish family. We ask you to continue to help us as our parish is also experiencing financial stretch. If you are not comfortable doing online giving, the envelopes works fairly well. Please consider doing so. God bless you.



MASS INTENTIONS:

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MASS SCHEDULE

M to F at 9:00AM

Also 10:00AM Span
Sat at 5:30PM
Sun at 8:00AM and
10:00AM (English) and
12:0PM and 2:00PM
(Spanish)
Adoration on Thursdays at

9:30AM to 8:00PM
Confession Sat at 4:005:00PM but is always available as needed.





THE SCALLOP

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Fr. Cit's Column

Almsgiving. It is better to give than to receive, so goes the old saying. Giving especially makes the heart feel happy seeing the receiver content and happy. A gift soothes a sad, worried or afraid heart. As a gen-

eral practice, giving is a sharing of anything from someone who is capable of parting what good they have to someone who can benefit from that good. In communal living, each person has a moral obligation to support the challenged. In international policy, it is a moral obligation of an industrialized nation to help and support the growth of nations that are persevering to build their economy.

It looks like the practice of giving is a straightforward act by those who are capable of giving what they have in excess to support those who are challenged. While it is true that many who have more are morally obliged to do equity, the practice of giving, as a general norm, is actually an act of generosity by anyone, from surplus or not. The widow who gave from all that she had is a great example. That giving is revolutionary and moving. That kind of giving promotes a livable world, a world filled with charity, justice and peace.

Now more than ever, sharing is a staple. Many are in dire need of help. With the effects of the pandemic to the economy getting worse by the day, our underprivileged brothers and sisters are helpless. And what's sad is, we find ourselves helpless too. I have never experienced until now many people sending me request for help. It pains me to say no because I understand how hard life is without finding any one to turn to for help. It is like a dead end. It is like damnation.

These forty days of lent, we are invited to share not from our surplus but from what we have. Even a little. I urge you to join us in sharing from what little we have; this giving is extra special. You will realize how better it is to give if it is coming from your wealth, not from your surplus.

In the narthex are bins. You can drop your canned donations there. The St. Vincent de Paul envelopes are on the counters in the narthex. You can use them for your cash donations. Thank you. –30-

Limosna. Es mejor dar que recibir, así es el viejo dicho. Dar especialmente hace que el corazón se sienta feliz al ver el contenido del receptor y feliz. Un regalo alivia un corazón triste, preocupado o con miedo. Como práctica general, dar es compartir cualquier cosa de alguien que es capaz de separar lo bueno que tienen a alguien que puede beneficiarse de ese bien. En la vida comunal, cada persona tiene la obligación moral de apoyar a los desafiados. En la política internacional, es una obligación moral de una nación industrializada ayudar y apoyar el crecimiento de las naciones que son perseverantes para construir su economía.

Parece que la práctica de dar es un acto directo de aquellos que son capaces de dar lo que tienen en exceso para apoyar a aquellos que son desafiados. Si bien es cierto que muchos que tienen más están moralmente obligados a hacer equidad, la práctica de dar, como norma general, es en realidad un acto de generosidad de cualquier persona, de excedente o no. La viuda que dio de todo lo que tenía es un gran ejemplo. Esa entrega es revolucionaria y conmovedora. Ese tipo de donación promueve un mundo habitable, un mundo lleno de caridad, justicia y paz.

Ahora más que nunca, compartir es un elemento básico. Muchos necesitan urgentemente ayuda. Con los efectos de la pandemia en la economía empeorando cada día, nuestros hermanos y hermanas desfavorecidos están indefensos. Y lo triste es que también nos encontramos indefensos. Nunca he experimentado hasta ahora muchas personas que me envían solicitud de ayuda. Me duele decir que no porque entiendo lo difícil que es la vida sin encontrar a nadie a quien acudir en busca de ayuda. Es como un callejón sin salida. Es como una condenación.

Estos cuarenta días de préstamo, estamos invitados a compartir no de nuestro excedente, sino de lo que tenemos. Incluso un poco. Los insto a que se unan a nosotros para compartir lo poco que tenemos; esta entrega es muy especial. Te darás cuenta de lo mejor que es dar si viene de nuestra riqueza, no de nuestro excedente.

En el narthex hay contenedores. Puede dejar sus donaciones enlatadas allí. Los sobres de San Vicente de Paul están en los mostradores del narthex. Puede usarlos para sus donaciones en efectivo. Gracias. 30-

From the Divine Worship Newsletter, Issue 40, February 2021

THE SEASON OF LENT II

From the Directory of Popular Piety

The various and numerous devotions to the crucified Christ acquire a special significance in those churches dedicated to the mystery of the Cross or where authentic relics of the true cross are venerated. The "invention of the Cross" in the early fourth century, and the subsequent diffusion throughout the Church of particles of the true Cross, gave notable impulse to devotion to the Cross. Devotions to the crucified Christ contain many elements usually found in popular piety: hymns and prayers, acts such as the unveiling and kissing of the Cross, processions and blessing with the Cross. These can lead to the development of pious exercises often containing many valuable formal and material elements. Devotion to the Cross, however, sometimes requires a certain enlightenment. The faithful should be taught to place the Cross in its essential reference to the Resurrection of Christ: the Cross, the empty tomb, the Death and Resurrection of Christ are indispensable in the Gospel narrative of God's salvific plan. In the Christian faith, the Cross is an expression of the triumph of Christ over the powers of darkness. Hence, it is adorned with precious stones and is a sign of blessing when made upon one's self, or on others or on objects. The Gospel texts of the Passion are especially detailed. Coupled with a tendency in popular piety to isolate specific moments of the narrative, this has induced the faithful to turn their attention to specific aspects of the Passion of Christ, making of them specific devotions: devotion to the "Ecce Homo", Christ despised, "crowned with thorns and clothed in a purple cloak" (John 19, 5), and shown to the multitude by Pilate; devotion to the five sacred wounds of Christ, especially to the side of Christ from which flowed blood and water for the salvation of mankind (John 19, 34); devotion to the instruments of the Passion, the pillar at which Christ was scourged, the steps of the Praetorium, the crown of thorns, the nails, the lance that pierced Him; devotion to the Holy Shroud. Such expressions of

piety, often promoted by persons of great sanctity, are legitimate. However, in order to avoid excessive fragmentation in contemplation of the mystery of the Cross, it is always useful to emphasize the whole event of the Passion, as is the case in biblical and patristic tradition. The Church exhorts the faithful to frequent personal and community reading of the Word of God. Undoubtedly, the account of the Lord's Passion is among the most important pastoral passages in the New Testament. Hence, for the Christian in his last agony, the Order of the Anointing of the Sick suggests the reading of the Lord's Passion either in its entirety, or at least some pericopes from it.



GRISIS SPIRITUALITY:

St. Paul of the Shipwreck, Pray for Us

Lent is not a time for useless sermons, but for recognizing that our lowly ashes are loved by God. It is a time of grace, a time for letting God gaze upon us with love and in this way change our lives.

— Pope Francis, February 26, 2020



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A Paulist Fathers National Lenten Retreat

St. Paul's missionary journey to Rome crashed on the shores of Malta. He trusted God and did more than survive.

Saturday, February 27, 2021

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern • Noon to 2 p.m. Central • 10 a.m. to Noon Pacific • Via Zoom

To register, please visit: paulist.org/Retreat
For details, please contact Paulist Fr. Frank Desiderio at: frankd@paulist.org

Retreat Program:

St. Paul of the Shipwreck, Fr. Frank Desiderio, C.S.P. — mission preacher, poet and author of "Can You Let Go of a Grudge" from Paulist Press.

From the Bottom Up, Fr. Terry Ryan, C.S.P.—retreat leader and teached of contemplative prayer and meditation.

Currently living at a Trappist monastery in Colorado.

Moving Forward, Fr. Mark-David Janus, C.S.P. — Paulist Press publisher, PhD in psychology and author of "Your One Wild and Precious Life."





Next weekend, February 27-28, is Commitment Weekend for the 2021 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. If you received a personalized commitment card in the mail please bring it to Mass as we join together to support our Catholic Church.







We are pleased to announce this special online retreat:
'Crisis Spirituality: St. Paul of the Shipwreck, Pray for Us"
The retreat will be held on Saturday, February 27, on Zoom.
The registration cost is \$25. For more details, and to register, please visit: http://paulist.org/Retreat

