

# Saint Mary Roman Catholic Church

1000 North Jefferson Avenue, Goldsboro NC 27530-3141

919-734-5033

Rev. Alex Gonzalez, Pastor

Deacon Webster James

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November 8, 2015—Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Fin de Semana</u>
Saturday Vigil	
5:00PM English	Sábado ~ 5:00 PM En Inglés
7:00PM Spanish	Sábado ~ 7:00 PM En Español
Sunday	
10:00 AM English	Domingo ~ 10:00 AM En Inglés
1:00 PM Spanish	Domingo ~ 1:00 PM En Español

<u>Weekdays</u>	<u>Días de Semana</u>
9:00 AM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	lunes, martes, miércoles, viernes
7:00 PM	Jueves en Español
No 9 AM Mass on Thursday	
No hay Misa los jueves a las 9 AM	

Holy Days check inside Bulletin  
Revise dentro del Boletín que se entrega en las Misas

First Friday Adoration begins after morning Mass  
and ends with Benediction at 9:30 PM.  
Todos los viernes primero de mes de 10:00 AM Adoración  
al Santísimo a 9:30 PM.

## WELCOME VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS

New members may register by calling the parish  
office (weekdays from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM).

## BIENVENIDOS LOS NUEVOS MIEMBROS

Para registrarse hablar con Elvira Ponce  
o llamar a la oficina

## Mission Statement

Saint Mary is a diverse Catholic community working  
together to live the Gospel, grow in faith through the  
Eucharist, and share our gifts in service to others.

## Misión de la Parroquia

La parroquia de Santa María es una comunidad  
católica y diversa que trabaja unida para vivir el  
evangelio, crecer en fe por la Eucaristía y compartir  
nuestros talentos en servicio a otros.

**PARISH DIRECTORY  
CHURCH**

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 Mrs. Debbie Gambella,  
 Parish Secretary.....ext. 10  
 Mrs. Kathy Hennessy,  
 Parish Secretary.....ext. 26  
 Mrs. Tracey Davis,  
 Parish Bookkeeper.....ext. 28  
 Mrs. Vicki Ellis,  
 Choir Director, 10:00 AM  
 Mr. Philip Eubanks, Organist  
 Mr. Mike Nault, Organist & Choir  
 Director, 5:00 PM  
 Mr. Van Tran, Sacristan

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 Supervisor.....ext. 31  
 Mr. Larry Jones,  
 Assistant.....ext. 31

**PASTORAL ADVISORY  
COUNCIL**

Chair Harold Breindel, Vice-Chair Gene Seward, Secretary Sharon Thomas  
 Finance Council Chair John Heeden,  
 John Beatty, Pat Emery, Lonnie Fissori, Anne Hurrey, Paula Long, Carlos Morales-Barrientos,  
 Phyllis Radford, Donna Stevenson.

The Parish Advisory Council meets August through May. Our next meeting will be October 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Faith Formation Conf. Room. All parishioners are invited to attend.

**Penance and Reconciliation**

Saturday ~ 4-4:40PM and by appointment.

**Mass Intentions and Readings  
for November 7 to November 15**

<b>Sat.11/7</b>	<b>Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Psalm 145:2-5, 10-11; Luke 16:9-15</b>
5:00PM	50th Anniversary Mass for Legion of Mary by Legion
7:00PM	Pro Populo
<b>Sun.11/8</b>	<b>1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146:7-10; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44 [41-44]</b>
10:00AM	For our Deceased Members by SVDP Society
1:00PM	Lilian Luna & Family, & Francisco Suárez by Fr. Alex
<b>Mon.11/9</b>	<b>Ezra 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22</b>
9:00AM	For all the Deceased of our Parish
<b>Tue.11/10</b>	<b>Wisdom 2:23—3:9; Psalm 34:2-3, 16-19; Luke 17:7-10</b>
9:00AM	Communion Service
<b>Wed.11/11</b>	<b>Wisdom 6:1-11; Psalm 82:3-4-2, 6-7; Luke 17:11-19</b>
9:00AM	No Mass Today
<b>Thu.11/12</b>	<b>Wisdom 7:22b—8:1; Psalm 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Luke 17:20-25</b>
9:00AM	No Mass
7:00PM	No Mass
<b>Fri.11/13</b>	<b>Wisdom 13:1-9; Psalm 19:2-5ab; Luke 17:26-37</b>
9:00AM	John Robert Bergeron, dec. by Fr. Alex and Deacon Webster
<b>Sat.11/14</b>	<b>Wisdom 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Psalm 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Luke 18:1-8</b>
5:00PM	Donald Bero, dec. by Bobby & Anne Marie Gambella
7:00PM	Pro Populo
<b>Sun.11/15</b>	<b>Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16:5, 8-11; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32</b>
10:00AM	Lorenzo McPhatter, dec. by Wilena McPhatter
1:00PM	Deceased Souls by Gia Nguyen

**Sacramental Life**

Baptism

Baptisms are during Mass the third weekend of each month. Preparation is required before *scheduling* the time and date.

Marriage

Contact the Deacon *six months in advance* of the ceremony.

Sacrament of the Sick

If you wish to receive the sacrament of the sick during a prolonged illness or before surgery, please call the office.

Communion

If you wish to receive communion from a Eucharistic Minister due to illness, age, or handicap, please call the office. These visits are made after the Mass has been celebrated.

**Altar Flowers**

Are in Honor of **Jim & Billie Myers** on the occasion of their 61st Wedding Anniversary.

**The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of November 8 to 14**

**Church Lamp:** will be lit in Honor of **Legion of Mary “Our Lady of Joy Praesidum” on the occasion of their 50th Anniversary** by The Legion of Mary.

**Chapel Lamp:** will be lit in Honor of **Ramona & Robert Ames** On the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary and **Robert’s Birthday**.

**Veterans Day...**

St. Mary Parish Office and Saint Mary School will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th in honor of Veterans Day.

We send our thanks and profound gratitude to all Veterans for their service to us and to our country. God Bless you.

**Dedication of the IHM Window in the Chapel...**

On Sunday, November 15th after or during the 10:00am Mass Father Alex will dedicate the windows in the Chapel. One of the windows is in honor of the IHM Sisters and several of the sisters will be in attendance for this special dedication. After Mass there will be a small reception in the Auditorium so you can meet and greet the Sisters.

**Ladies Guild...**

The Ladies Guild will meet on Monday, November 9th at 7:00pm in the Cafeteria. Members are reminded to bring their non-perishable food items to be donated to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. All ladies of the Parish are welcome to attend our meetings.

**Faith Formation Classes...**

No Faith Formation Classes on Sunday, November 15th. Because of the Dedication of the IHM window and reception after we are cancelling our Faith Formation Classes on Sunday, November 15th.

**Offertory Report**

October 18 \$ 8,347.73  
 \$7,750.00  
 \$ 597.73

Mission Sunday : \$1,311.93

**Second Collection November 15:**  
 Family Life Center

**Parish Calendar**

**Sunday, November 8 –32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

* Holyland Olive Wood	back of Church	before all Masses
* Rosary for Life	Church	9:25am
* Respect Life Meeting	Joan's	After 10:00am Mass
* K of C Memorial Brunch	Auditorium	After 10:00am Mass
* RCIA	Lounge	After 10:00am Mass
* Confirmation 1st year Prep.	Cafeteria	11:15am to 12:45pm
* Faith Formation MS & HS	Classrooms	11:15am to 12:45pm
* Faith Formation K to 5th	Classrooms	11:30am to 12:30pm
* Catholicism—New Evangelization	Parish House	11:30am to 12:30pm
* Spanish Language Choir	Church	After 1:00pm Mass

**Monday, November 9**

* Ladies Guild Meeting	Cafeteria	7:00pm
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**Tuesday, November 10**

* No Mass Today—Communion Service	Chapel	9:00am
* SMS Fall Musical 3rd to 5th grades	Auditorium	
* K of C 1st & 2nd Degree	Cafeteria	5:00 to 8:30pm
* SVDP Meeting	6th grade classroom	6:00pm
* Perpetual Novena	Chapel	6:45pm
* Legion of Mary	Library	7:00pm

**Wednesday, November 11-Veteran's Day**

* 27:17 Fellowship (Men's Group)	5 Star Restaurant	7:00am
* Bible Study Corinthians	5th grade classroom	7:00pm

**Thursday, November 12**

* 10:00am Choir Practice	Lounge	7:00pm
* No Spanish Mass tonight		
* 5:00pm Choir Practice	Church	8:00pm

**Friday, November 13**

* School Liturgy	Church	9:00am
* Parish Appreciation Dinner	Auditorium	6:00pm
* Spanish Language Choir Practice	Church	6:00pm

**Saturday, November 14**

* Soup Kitchen Duty Team 3	Soup Kitchen	10:00am to noon
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**Sunday, November 15-33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

* Dedication of IHM Window	Chapel	at 10:00am Mass
* TYM Donut Sale	outside Church	After Mass
* Reception for IHM Sisters	Auditorium	After 10:00am Mass
* RCIA	Lounge	After 10:00am Mass
<b>* No Faith Formation Classes Today</b>		
* New Evangelization Study	Parish House	11:30am
* Spanish Language Choir Practice	Church	After 1:00pm Mass
* Middle School Youth Night	Auditorium	6:00 to 8:00pm

**On Veterans Day...**

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

~John F. Kennedy



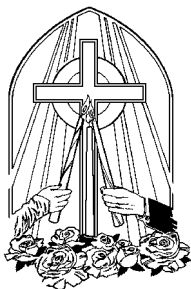
### In our thoughts and prayers:

Pray for the intentions of those in nursing facilities, the homebound, the chronically ill, and those who are critically ill.

Please remember in a special way the following parishioners who have requested your prayers:

Santiago Acevedo, Robert Ames, Dolores Barton, Jesse Brickhouse, Nubia Cano, Marco Castaneda, Judy Cordeiro, Andrea Cruz, Lee & Sarah Davis, Marjorie Dixon, Elaine Evans, Chris Griffin, Gustavo Gonzalez, Chris Griffin, Agnes Harris, Mary Hayman, Joan Jones, Laura Jones, Dianne Kendall, Bertha Kish, Erma Lawrence, Denise Lewis, Dorothy Lewis, Pat Marguglio, T.J. Mendoza, Billie Myers, Jim Myers, Wilbur & Mary Perry, Benjamin Raposa, Dolores Santi, Angela Scalia, Simon Scott, Natalie Ulrey.

If you would like your name included in the Prayers for the Sick in the Bulletin please contact our coordinators for "Prayers for the Sick", Gloria at 919-734-3810 or Barbara at 919-751-0024.



Congratulations to **Roger Delano May, II** and **Mary Ann Baddour Kannan** who were married here on October 8, 2015.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In 1974, a revised ritual of penance was given to the Church, and at forty years distance, we still are discovering its treasures and tentative about some of its provisions. The rite reaches deep into our tradition for an early insight: when we turn to God, we are restored to life in the Church.

There are three different forms of penance. The familiar individual confession is preserved, but with tremendous enrichment. It is less rushed, anchored by a reading from scripture, and the confession of sins is seen as an opportunity to proclaim faith in God's power to save. In a sense, what is "confessed" is the penitent's faith in God's gift of forgiveness. The priest suggests a penance that may be directly connected to the virtue that the person seeks as a means of overcoming the fault. There are formulas for contrition suggested, but the penitent might even express sorrow for sin and desire for mercy in his or her own words. The prayer of absolution grounds the event in the life and ministry of the Church. Harking back to the joyful dance of bishops leading penitents into the church, the rite now ends with a prayer of thanksgiving for God's mercy, and may include the gesture of laying on of hands. After forty years, we struggle to claim this rite forged of memory, tradition, and grace. History tells us to be patient; we do not always recognize a treasure at first.

--Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

### SVDP...For Christmas Baskets are in need of...

Paper towels, toilet paper, toothbrushes, dish washing detergent and laundry detergent.

For regular food distribution the following is needed:

Noodles, jelly, canned chicken, tuna and fruit.

Thank your for your generosity.

### Diocese of Raleigh

[www.dioceseofraleigh.org](http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org)

### The Diocese of Raleigh office of Child and Youth Protection

Parents, guardians, and adults who care for children face constant challenges when trying to help keep children safer in today's fast-paced world. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

(NCMEC) offers easy-to-use safety resources to help address these challenges. NCMEC's Web site offers a range of practical information for parents and guardians that will help keep children safe from harm. Visit the NCMEC Web site at:

[www.missingkids.com](http://www.missingkids.com). If you need particular help you may call: **The**

**Diocese of Raleigh office of Child and Youth Protection at 1-866-535-7233.**

**DID YOU KNOW that the Diocese of Raleigh requires that all people who work in leadership with children and youth in our parishes and schools attend a training in how to recognize and report child sexual abuse. The training details five steps to prevent child sexual abuse:**

1. Knowing the warning signs of abuse.
2. Reporting suspected abuse to appropriate authorities.
3. Controlling access to children by carefully selecting the adults who work with children and youth.
4. Monitoring all programs for the safety of children and youth.
5. Awareness of and sensitive to the lives of children.

### World Wide Marriage Encounter...

Next weekend will be February 5-7, 2016 in Asheville, NC. Early sign up is highly recommended. For more information visit the website at : <http://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact [applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org](mailto:applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org) or 704-315-2144.



## Saint Mary School Corner

*Keeping Spirit and Faith in Education*

### The week at Saint Mary School

- From Thursday, Nov. 5th to Friday, Nov. 13th our SMS students will be collecting new adult socks for the “Socks for Soldiers Who Have Served” drive. If you would like to participate just bring a pair of adult socks and drop them in the bin at the entrance to the school.
- Tuesday, Nov. 10th Fall Musical Grades 3 to 5.
- Wednesday, Nov. 11th no school in honor of Veterans Day.
- Thursday, Nov. 12th 2nd grade has the Bake Sale.
- Friday, Nov. 13th School Liturgy at 9:00am in the Church.

### It’s Time for the Great Pumpkin Pie Sale...

If you need a good homemade pumpkin pie for thanksgiving why not order one from our Saint Mary Students! Pre-K thru 8th grade will be making dep dish pies homemade pies. Cost of the pies is \$10.00. **Pies must be ordered by Nov. 13th.** Fresh pies can be picked up on Thursday, November 19th after 3PM and frozen pies can be picked up on Friday, November 20th and after Masses the weekend of November 21/22.

All proceeds from the Pie Sale will go toward SMS Marketing cost.



Name _____
Phone _____
# of Pies _____
Fresh _____
Frozen _____

## Respect Life



### Abolition of Capital Punishment

First, abolition would send a message that we can break the cycle of violence, that we need not take life for life, that we can envisage more humane and more hopeful and effective responses to the growth of violent crime.

Second, abolition would also be a manifestation of our belief in the unique worth and dignity of each person from the moment of conception, a creature made in the image and likeness of God.

Third, abolition would provide further testimony to our conviction that God is indeed the Lord of life. It is a testimony which removes a certain ambiguity which might otherwise affect the witness that we wish to give to the sanctity of human life in all its stages. Fourth, we believe that abolition of the death penalty is most consonant with the example of Jesus, who both taught and practiced the forgiveness of injustice and who came “to give his life as a ransom for many.” (Mark 10:45).

### Watch for some interesting opportunities in upcoming Bulletins...

As we did not have an Auction last spring we are working on some items that our Parishioners can bid on to raise extra funds for various needs in the Parish and School Community. A few months back Mrs. Carla Berger offered 3 opportunities to bid on her “Dessert a Month” and we had many people bid on this item. Soon we will open up the opportunity to bid on the Parking Space in front of the Church for Saturday and Sunday Masses. So watch the upcoming Bulletins.

## Scrip...

Our next order will go in on Tuesday, November 17th. If you want to order Scrip please, have your order in the Parish Office by 8:15am on Tuesday, November 17th. Thank you for supporting our Scrip program.

## Visit Poland

Join Fr. Roch Drozdziak, Pastor of Transfiguration of Jesus Parish in Wallace NC, a native of Poland on a “voyage to Poland.”

Departure on June 6; Return on June 18, 2016.

The itinerary includes:

The Great City of Gdansk (birthplace of Solidarity) and the surrounding area; the Capital City of Warsaw, Black Madonna Shrine of Czestochowa, Historic Krakow (with the surrounding areas: Wieliczka Salt Mine, Wadowice – the birth place of St. John Paul II, Aushwitz Concentration Camp); The Mountain Resort of Zakopane, and more...

The total cost of the trip - \$2,750 per person. It includes Round Trip Air Travel, All Hotel Accommodations (11 nights), Two Meals Daily (Breakfasts/Dinners), All Travel in Poland on a First Class Motor Coach, All Group Site Seeing (admissions and entertainment).

Contact Fr. Roch for more info at [rochdrozdziak@yahoo.com](mailto:rochdrozdziak@yahoo.com) or call him at 919.906.0464

## St. Martin of Tours, Feast Day Wednesday, November 11...

A conscientious objector who wanted to be a monk; a monk who was maneuvered into being a bishop; a bishop who fought paganism as well as pleaded for mercy to heretics—such was Martin of Tours, one of the most popular of saints and one of the first not to be a martyr.

Born of pagan parents in what is now Hungary and raised in Italy, this son of a veteran was forced at the age of 15 to serve in the army. He became a Christian catechumen and was baptized at 18. It was said that he lived more like a monk than a soldier. At 23, he refused a war bonus and told his commander: "I have served you as a soldier; now let me serve Christ.

## November is Black Catholic History Month

On July 24, 1990, the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus of the United States designated November as Black Catholic History Month to celebrate the long history and proud heritage of Black Catholics. Two commemorative dates fall within this month, Saint Augustine's Birthday (November 13) and Saint Martin de Porres' Feast Day (November 3). More importantly, November not only marks a time when we pray for all saints and souls in loving remembrance, but also a time to recall the saints and souls of Africa and the African Diaspora.

Some people forget that Christianity did not originate in Europe and even express surprise when they learn that Black Catholic History began in the Acts of the Apostles (8: 26-40) with the conversion of the Ethiopian Eunuch by Philip the Deacon. This text is important for several reasons. First, it chronicles the conversion of the first Black African in recorded Christian history. Second, the text suggests that the man was a wealthy, literate, and powerful emissary of the Nubian Queen and also a faithful, practicing Jew prior to his baptism. Clearly, he was not an ignorant heathen. Third, the Ethiopian Eunuch's conversion predates the conversions of Saints Paul and Cornelius. Most significantly, many cite this conversion as the very moment when the church changed from a Hebrew and Hellenist community to the truly Universal and Catholic Church.

Black Catholics trace their faith history back to Christian antiquity long before other nations heard the "Good News." Christian Africa was indeed a "leading light" in early Christendom. Black Catholics point to three popes who were born in Africa: Saints Victor I, Melchiades, and Gelasius I. All three shepherded the early church through tough and tumultuous times in history. Black Catholics claim many Black Saints like Saints Cyprian, Zeno, Anthony of Egypt, Moses the Black, Pachomius, Maurice, Athanasius, Pistentius, Mary of Egypt, Cyril of Alexandria, Monica of Hippo, Augustine of Hippo, Perpetua, Felicitas, and Thecla. Some of these mystics, monastics, and martyrs literally made the church what it is today.

Not many people know that King Nzinga-a-Nkuwu Mbemba (Afonso the Good) of the Kongo and his subjects made their profession of faith thanks to the work of Portuguese missionaries one year before Christopher Columbus made his famous voyage in 1492, or that Pope Leo X consecrated the king's son, Henrique, Titular Bishop of Utica in 1518 which was one year before Martin Luther nailed his list of ninety-five theses to the Church in Wittenberg. Bishop Henrique was the first native bishop of West Africa. However, he died in 1531. The Congolese Church and the hopes for an indigenous clergy died with him. Finally, the genocidal slave trade killed true evangelization in sub-Saharan Africa for several centuries.

Notwithstanding the moral crimes of chattel slavery, the French and Spanish missionaries ministered to their free and enslaved African population within their respective colonies. This ministry laid the foundation for Black Catholic communities within the United States, i.e. Mobile, Alabama; New Orleans, Louisiana; and Saint Augustine, Florida. It is important to note that many African-American Catholics cherish a certain Peruvian Dominican, Saint Martin de Porres, the only Black Saint from the Western Hemisphere to date.

Tragically, the American Catholic Church did not seriously commit its time and resources to minister to the African-American population during the ante-bellum or post-bellum periods. However, God made a way!!! In spite of insuperable obstacles and opposition, African-American Catholics created a remarkable movement of faith and evangelization. Many courageous people played pivotal roles within church history like Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange, Mathilda Beasley, Daniel Rudd, and the Reverend Augustus Tolton. They witnessed their faith, ministered to their people, and left lasting legacies in the face of prejudice, ignorance, and indifference. One cannot read their stories without feeling tremendous joy, sorrow, and inspiration. They are truly heroic accounts!

Black History Month provides opportunities to learn and share the whole history and rich heritage of Christian Catholicism. Ubi Victoria Veritas! The Victory of Truth!

During this special month we will look at more of the history of Black Catholics and learn together about this rich but often, unknown history of our faith.

## Parking a problem for Saturday or Sunday Mass?



Bid on this reserved parking space and solve your problem! For one year you can park at the first parking space in front of the church! There will be a sign telling everyone this space is reserved for the winners of the St. Mary Parking spot Auction and you will have a placard to hang in your car. Year will be January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. Just call the Parish Office at 919-734-5033 ext. 10 or 26 with your bid. Bidding will be open from November 9th to 23rd. You can bid for the space for the Saturday, 5PM or 7PM Mass and Sunday, 10:00AM or 1PM Mass

**Bids will start at \$300.00**

This could make a wonderful Christmas gift for someone so get your bid in early and don't miss out!!

## Directorio

Padre John Alexander Gonzalez  
919 734-5033 ext. 27

Bautismos—Elvira Ponce 919-252-0768

## Sacramentos

**Bautismo:** Asistir a la preparación, padres y padrinos y fijar la fecha con el sacerdote.

**Confesión:** Sábados de 4:00pm a 4:40pm

Para enfermos en el hospital o en casa comuníquese con la parroquia.

**Unción de los Enfermos:** Si usted quiere recibir el sacramento por enfermedad u operación favor de comunicárnoslo.

**Comunión para enfermos:** Si tiene algún familiar en el hospital o en casa que desee recibir la comunión comuníquese con la parroquia.

**Matrimonios:** Iniciar la preparación con seis meses de anticipación.

## Pláticas Pre-Bautismales

Requisitos:

- \* Asistir a las pláticas, padres y padrinos.
- \* Traer copia del acta de nacimiento del niño (a).
- \* Traer copia del acta de matrimonio de los padrinos.
- \* Llenar una solicitud por niño.
- \* Estar registrados o registrarse en la parroquia.

## Confirmaciones

- \* Estar bautizado.
- \* Haber hecho la primera comunión.
- \* Ser mayor de 15 años.

## Presentaciones

Requisitos:

- \* Solicitarla 2 meses antes.
- \* Estar bautizado (a).
- \* Donación
- \* Se hacen en la Misa del sábado o Domingo

## XV Años

Si cumples y/o deseas celebrar tus XV años en los primeros 6 meses del año te invitamos a inscribirte para la preparación:

Requisitos:

- \* Estar bautizada

- \* Haber hecho la primera Comunión
- \* Inscribirse con 4 meses de anticipación con María la coordinadora.
- \* Asistir a la preparación
- \* Donación
- \* Llevarse un volante de información y seguir las reglas.

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Entre las comunidades hispanas aún existe el concepto de que a la Iglesia se le da limosna. Esta es una horrible costumbre, puesto que ni a Dios ni a la Iglesia se le debe la limosna, sino el diezmo y no necesariamente económico, esto es, también debemos considerar tiempo y talento. Este diezmo se le da a Dios por medio del mantenimiento de la Iglesia, la ayuda directa a los necesitados, la generosidad con agencias de caridad, etcétera. No importa a quién o cómo damos el diezmo que debemos a Dios, lo que importa es reconocer que no es limosna, es decir, dar de lo que nos sobra. Es dar desde el corazón, compartir, como la viuda del Evangelio, lo que tenemos para vivir. No obstante, muchos somos tacaños con el Señor. En lugar de dar con generosidad, damos poco o damos para hacernos notar. Damos de lo que nos sobra, si acaso damos. Tenemos mucho que aprender de la viuda que se nos presenta en Marcos 12:41-44. Ella, siendo pobre y necesitada, aún así quiso compartir con Dios de lo que tenía para vivir. Casi siempre los pobres son más generosos que los ricos o la clase media. Son ellos quienes nos muestran la generosidad de Dios y nos desafían a hacer lo mismo, a fin de erradicar la pobreza. --Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

## (Diócesis de Raleigh la Oficina de Protección de Niños y Adolescentes

Los padres, tutores y adultos que cuidan niños enfrentan constantes desafíos al tratar de ayudar a mantener a los niños alejados del peligro en el acelerado mundo de hoy. El Centro Nacional para Menores Desaparecidos o Explotados (NCMEM) –ofician de asuntos públicos- ofrece recursos fácil de utilizar para ayudar

a abordar los desafíos. La página web NCMEC's ofrece una variedad de información práctica para padres y tutores que ayudan a mantener los niños alejados del peligro. Visite la página web NCMEC [www.missingkids.com](http://www.missingkids.com). Si necesita ayuda especial puedes llamar a la Oficina de Protección de Niños y Adolescentes de la Diócesis de Raleigh al 1-866-535-7233. - See more at: <http://dioceseofraleigh.org/offices/>

## ¿SABIA USTED que la Diócesis de Raleigh requiere que toda persona trabajando en un liderazgo con los niños y adolescentes en las parroquias y escuelas asistan a un entrenamiento de; como reconocer y reportar el abuso infantil? El entrenamiento se detalla en cinco pasos para prevenir el abuso sexual infantil:

1. ¡Conocer las señales de advertencia!
2. Denunciar cualquier abuso sospechoso a las autoridades competentes.
3. Controlar el acceso a los niños mediante una selección cuidadosa de adultos que trabajarán con los niños y adolescentes.
4. Supervisar todos los programas para la seguridad de los niños y adolescentes.
5. Estar conscientes y ser sensibles entorno a la vida de los niños. Para ayuda comuníquese con: *La Oficina de Protección del Menor y del Adolescente de la Diócesis de Raleigh* 1-866-535-7233 (1-866-535-SAFE) o al correo electrónico [safe@raldioc.org](mailto:safe@raldioc.org). Abril es el Mes Nacional de la Prevención del Abuso Infantil.

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**Lecturas De La Semana**

- Lunes:** Exequiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Salmos 46 (45):2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Corintios 3:9c-11, 16-17; Juan 2:13-22
- Martes:** Sabiduría 2:23—3:9; Salmos 34 (33):2-3, 16-19; Lucas 17:7-10
- Miércoles:** Sabiduría 6:1-11; Salmos 82 (81):3-4, 6-7; Lucas 17:11-19
- Jueves:** Sabiduría 7:22b—8:1; Salmos 119 (118):89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lucas 17:20-25
- Viernes:** Sabiduría 13:1-9; Salmos 19 (18):2-5ab; Lucas 17:26-37
- Sábado:** Sabiduría 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Salmos 105 (104):2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lucas 18:1-8
- Domingo:** Daniel:12:1-3; Salmos 16 (15):5, 8-11; Hebreos 10:11-14, 18; Marco 13:24-32

**ENTREGA TOTAL**

Las viudas confiadas juegan un importante papel en las lecturas de esta semana. Aunque eran pobres y el dar aún algo bien pequeño podría poner en peligro su salud y bienestar, confiaban en Dios y daban lo que podían. Lo que es importante sobre sus donativos no es la cantidad que daban, sino que daban algo. Sin egoísmo, daban para ayudar a otros. Su dar salía del corazón, con poca esperanza o intención de recibir algún premio o reconocimiento por su generosidad. El valor monetario de los dones de las viudas eran pequeños, pero su valor en la medida del Reino era inestimable. Hay una gran semejanza entre su regalo y el regalo que Jesús ha dado a cada uno de nosotros. Las viudas ofrecieron sus vidas a Dios.

Jesús ofreció su vida por nosotros.  
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**Abolición de la Pena de Muerte**

En primer lugar, la abolición enviaría un mensaje de que podemos romper el ciclo de la violencia, que no tenemos que tomar una vida por una vida, que podemos prever respuestas más humanas y más esperanzadas y eficaces para el crecimiento de la delincuencia violenta. En segundo lugar, la abolición también sería una manifestación de nuestra creencia en el valor único y la dignidad de cada persona desde el momento de la concepción, una criatura hecha a imagen y semejanza de Dios. En tercer lugar, la abolición proporcionaría un testimonio más de nuestra convicción de que Dios es en verdad el Señor de la vida. Es un testimonio que elimina una cierta ambigüedad que de otro modo podría afectar el testimonio que queremos dar de la santidad de la vida humana en todas sus etapas.