

Saint Mary Roman Catholic Church

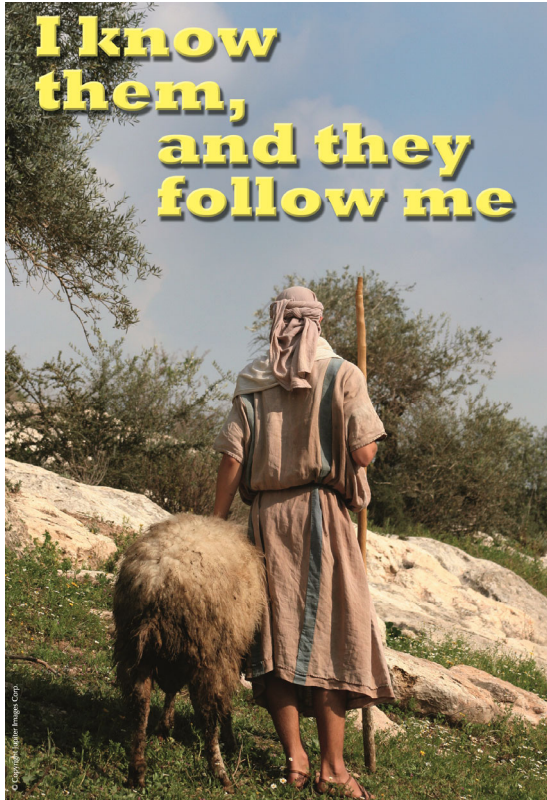
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Rev. Alex Gonzalez, Pastor

Deacon Webster James

April 17, 2016—Fourth Sunday of Easter



THE SHEPHERD'S FLOCK

In Christian art, the earliest depictions of Jesus Christ were not of his crucifixion or of his resurrection. The first known renderings of Jesus show him as the Good Shepherd, the image put before us in today's readings. In the Gospel passage Jesus reveals that he is the shepherd and his followers are his "flock."

In the first and second readings, we are told more about the flock. The passage from Acts assures us that both Jews and Gentiles are called to follow Jesus. It is faith, not birth-right, that makes us part of the company of believers. In the passage from the book of Revelation we learn that the flock that follows this Lamb of God will also be washed in his blood. They will endure a time of trial before they enjoy eternal life. Be assured of the promise, we are told, but know there is a price to be paid.

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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 May 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the JPII Conf. Room. All parishioners are invited to attend.

**Mass Intentions and Readings
for April 16 to April 24**

Sat.4/16	Acts 9:31-42; Psalms 116:12-17; John 6:60-69
5:00PM	Harold Davis, dec. by Peggy Davis
7:00PM	Pro Populo
Sun.4/17	Acts 13:14, 43-52; Psalms 100:1-3, 5; Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30
10:00AM	David Budine in Honor of his Birthday by Budine Family
1:00PM	For Unborn Babies by Kuczynski Family
Mon.4/18	Acts 11:1-18; Psalms 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; John 10:11-18
9:00AM	Lenore Kuczynski, dec. by Kuczynski Family
Tue.4/19	Acts 11:19-26; Psalms 87:1b-7; John 10:22-30
9:00AM	Joanne F. Garneau, dec. by Deacon & Mrs. W. James
Wed.4/20	Acts 12:24 -- 13:5a; Psalms 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; John 12:44-50
9:00AM	Alberta Wolff, dec. by Linda de Arujo
Thu.4/21	Acts 13:13-25; Psalms 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; John 13:16-20
7:00PM	For an end to Abortion by Gia Nguyen
Fri.4/22	Acts 13:26-33; Psalms 2:6-11ab; John 14:1-6
9:00AM	Rita Yurick, dec. by Gerry & Bob Crocker
Sat.4/23	Acts 13:44-52; Psalms 98:1-4; John 14:7-14
5:00PM	Mary Coppedge, dec. by Bob & Gerry Crocker
7:00PM	Virginia Valdés, dec. by Dr. & Mrs. Gilbert Garcia, Jr.
Sun.4/24	Acts 14:21-27; Psalms 145:8-13; Revelations 21:1-5a; John 13:31-33a, 34-35
10:00AM	Betty Shedan, dec. by Rick & Vicki Ellis & John Roberts
1:00PM	Pro Populo

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers may be given in memory of a loved one or in honor of a person or event. You may make arrangements for flowers by calling the parish office at 734-5033 ext. 10 or 26.

Offertory Report

April 3:	\$10,141.55
	<u>\$ 7,750.00</u>
	\$ 2,391.55

Saint Mary School Support:
\$1,341.00

Second Collection April 24: Home Mission.

The Sanctuary Lamps

The Church Lamp is lit in Loving Memory of **Kieran Hennessy** by Kathy Hennessy

Chapel Lamp is lit for all our Children that they may be safe.

Mercy Quote from Pope Francis

“Mercy overcomes every wall, every barrier, and leads you to always seek the face of the man, of the person. And it is mercy which changes the heart and the life, which can regenerate a person and allow him or her to intergrate into society in a new way. (9/10/17)
 ~Pope Francis

Registration for Faith Formation 2015/2016...

We will hold registrations for Faith Formation for the 2015/2016 year on Saturday, May 14th and Sunday, May 15th after all Masses. If you can not registered after the Masses on that day please, fill out the registration form found on page 5 or 6 of this Bulletin and drop at the Parish Office or place in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket at Mass.

St. Mary Youth BBQ Pork Dinner...

Make sure you get a ticket to the BBQ Dinner to be held on Saturday, April 30th in the cafeteria of the School. Our teens are sponsoring this event to raise funds for their Mission Trip this summer. Cost is just \$8.00. You can eat in or take out. Serving from 5:30pm to 7:00pm.

An Invitation...

Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking volunteers to accompany a case worker on visits to the client's home. The time commitment is flexible and no experience is required – ideal opportunity for a stay-at-home parent, teachers out for the summer, shift workers, the self-employed, retirees, etc. to express their Catholic faith 'in a very special way'. For more information or to leave your name and number contact the church office or a SVdP member, leave a message at 919-922-4216, or email ssvdpstmary@gmail.com.

VBS Coming Up...

Our Vacation Bible School program will take place June 13th to 17th from 5:30pm to 8:15pm. Activities will be held in the School Cafeteria and Auditorium. Dinner will be served each night. All children who are rising Pre-K through current 5th graders are invited to participate. Watch upcoming Bulletins for registration information.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Do not feel totally, personally, irrevocably responsible for everything . . . That's my job.
--God

Parish Calendar

Sunday, April 17-Fourth Sunday of Easter

* Faith Formation MS & HS	classrooms	11:15am to 12:45pm
* Faith Formation K to 5th	classrooms	11:30am to 12:30pm
* Parish Spring Fling	outside Church	2:30 to 5:00pm
* Spanish Language Choir Practice	Church	after 1:00pm Mass

Monday, April 18

* No Meetings Today

Tuesday, April 19

* School Commission Meeting	Computer Lab	6:00pm
* Perpetual Novena	Chapel	6:45pm
* Legion of Mary	Library	7:00pm

Wednesday, April 20

* 27:17 Fellowship (Men's Group)	5 Star Restaurant	7:00am
* Youth Night	Parish House	6:00 to 8:00pm
* Women's Bible Study	5th grade classroom	7:00pm

Thursday, April 21

* "Highnooners" Book Club	Parish Office	noon
* 10:00am Choir Practice	Lounge	7:00pm
* K of C 1st & 2nd Degree	Cafeteria	5:30pm

Friday, April 22

* Morning Bible Study	Library	10:00am
* Spanish Language Choir Practice	Lounge	6:00pm

Saturday, April 23

* 5:00pm Choir Practice	Lounge	4:15pm
* PAC Elections	Church	during Masses

Sunday, April 24—Fifth Sunday of Easter

* PAC Elections	Church	during Masses
* Faith Formation MS & HS	classrooms	11:15am to 12:45pm
* Faith Formation K to 5th	classrooms	11:30am to 12:30pm
* Spanish Language Choir Practice	Church	after 1:00pm Mass

Parish Council Information...

The Parish Advisory Council meets August through May. Our next meeting will be **May 24, 2016** at 6:00 p.m. in the St. John Paul II room. All parishioners are invited to attend.

Parish Advisory Council April 5, 2016 meeting topics of discussion:

Bilingual Readers - The Liturgy Committee is looking for bilingual readers for the Pentecost Masses.

AAMEN Each year there is a National Black Congress. Prior to the congress there is a Pre-Congress Conference to discuss issues that will be brought forward to the National Black Congress. A group of self-funded AAMEN members from our parish/diocese will attend the conference in Orlando, Florida on April 9, 2016.

Old Saint Mary - The downtown Saint Mary Church is offering services such as Mass and Communion. We want to make certain that our community knows that they are **not** a part of our Saint Mary Church and they do **not** belong to our parish or our diocese.



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, Dolores & Gary Barton, Jesse Brickhouse, Marco Castaneda, Judy Cordeiro, Andrea Cruz, Maria del Socorro Cruz, Lee & Sarah Davis, Marjorie Dixon, Mary Lindsey Edwards, Elaine Evans, Sr. Maryla Farfour, IHM, John-Alex Gonzalez, Jr., Gustavo Gonzalez, Agnes Harris, Mary Hayman, Rogisides Jaimes, Joan Jones, Laura Jones, Snag Kannan, Dianne Kendall, Bertha Kish, Erma Lawrence, Denise Lewis, Dorothy Lewis, Pat Marguglio, T J Mendoza, Billie Myers, Betty Paquette, Wilbert & Mary Perry, Brandon Quinn, Benjamin Raposa, Angela Scalia, Natalie Ulrey, Azeneth Viafara, Richard Wagner.

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.

Rice Bowls...

If you have been using a Rice Bowl during Lent as part of your Lenten Sacrifice please, return the rice bowl to the Parish Office. Thank You.

Are you a Social Person...

We are in need of someone who would be willing to head up our Social Committee. Our current Chair, Carla Berger will work with new volunteers for the first year to bridge the learning curve. For more information or to volunteer call the Parish Office at 919-734-5033 ext. 10 or 26.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just as the early church consecrated women living alone in the world, today that consecration is available to women who take solemn vows as cloistered nuns (different from religious sisters), women who follow a way of life in communities called "secular institutes," and laywomen. Oddly, the ritual is not permitted for religious sisters. The prayers talk about the woman's self-gift to Christ, and her self-gift to the Church. Up until recent years, this was a solemn ceremony performed only for cloistered nuns under certain circumstances. In its new form, we have a ritual that revives a very ancient and little-known way of life. Today, a woman can live independently at home, without association with any religious sisterhood or institute, yet be consecrated to holiness and service. Normally, a ring and/or a veil may be given in the liturgy of consecration. It is a rite very different from religious profession, where the sister makes promises or vows, and is rather an expression of approval and blessing for a way of life already embraced. Unlike ancient times, which valued actual virginity, the new rite may be celebrated for anyone provided there has never been a marriage and the woman has always lived a virtuous life.

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Mark Your Calendars for the Following Upcoming Events...

- TYM Pork BBQ Dinner Saturday, April 30th. Eat in or Take Out from 5:30pm to 7:00pm cost \$8.00 per ticket. Get tickets from any TYM member.
- 8th Annual St. Mary Gold Tournament, Wednesday, May 11th at Walnut Creek Country Club. Watch for more information on this event.
- Letter Carriers Food Drive, Saturday, May 14th. Our SVDP Society helps work the collection and they also receive can goods to help stock their shelves with food for those in need within Wayne County.

Diocese of Raleigh

www.dioceseofraleigh.org

National Prevent Child Abuse

Month Did you know that when a person is assaulted as a child, he or she may wait years or decades to tell another person about it? The reasons for this vary. Victims may want to deny the fact that someone they trusted could do this to them; they may want to just put the abuse behind them and move forward. They may believe that they caused the assault by their behavior; or they may fear how other people will react to the truth. For more information on learning how you can help ensure the safety of children and how to help them when they do not feel safe, call 1-800-CHILDREN (1-800-244-53736). You may also call: The Diocese of Raleigh Office of Child and Youth Protection at 1-866-535-7233 or email safe@raldioc.org

Ignited By Truth Speaker Series Friday Evening, April 22, 2016 7:00-9:30pm St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church, Cary. **Jeff Cavins**, *Founder of The Great Adventure Bible Studies*, presents two talks: "The Modern Day Disciple" and "Mary and the Gift of Mercy". Music between talks by **Dana Catherine**, *Catholic Songwriter*. Seating is Limited! \$10 online or \$15 at the door while seats are available. www.IgnitedByTruth.org.

Congratulations...

We send our congratulations to: **Michelle Diane Benedetto** who on April 2, 2016 made a Profession of Faith, First Holy Communion and was Confirmed.

Congratulations to **Rose Maria Jaramillo and Alexander Wayne Dishman**, who were married here on April 2, 2016.

Congratulations to **Eliyanna Jean Miller**, daughter of Jerry & Amanda Miller who was baptized here on April 2, 2016.



Saint Mary School Corner

Keeping Spirit and Faith in Education

The Week at Saint Mary School:

- Tuesday, April 19th, School Commission Meeting at 6:00pm
- Wednesday, April 20th, graduation pictures & class pictures for pre-K to 7th grade.
- Thursday, April 21st the 4th grade has the Bake Sale.
- Friday, April 22nd, School Liturgy in the Church at 9:00am

Scrubbles... get a clean car and help raise funds for SMS. Go to Scrubbles touch-Free Car Wash at 2111 E. Ash Street and when you buy a was enter the **code 123456** before buying the wash and Saint Mary will get \$1.

Landings...

A program for those who have been away from the church and would like to come back. If you, or someone you know, have been away from the Church and would like to get information about our Faith consider joining our Landings Program. Just call the Parish Office at 919-734-5033 ext. 10 or 26 and give us your name and phone number.

Scrip...

The next scrip order is going in on **Tuesday, April 19th**. If you want to place a scrip order you must have the order in the Parish Office by 8:15am the morning of April 19th.

SVDP...

Our SVDP Society is in need of the following items: canned vegetables (other than green beans and corn), canned fruit, potted meats (Treet, Spam, Salmon, Vienna Sausages). We could also use brown paper grocery bags. Thank you for your continued generosity to our Society.

Respect Life



Easter and the Victory of LIFE

Easter celebrates the victory of LIFE. Christians do not come to Church on Easter simply to congratulate Jesus for rising from the dead. They come in order to touch their own victory over death.

In rising, Christ destroyed not only His own death, but ours! He overturned the entire kingdom of death. Death has no more power over Him; nor does it have ultimate power over those who live in Him. The influence of the Church on the world, therefore, is the influence of a community which already participates in victory over death. That influence moves the choices of society away from death and destruction, and toward the affirmation, in word and deed, of the precious gift of LIFE.

The victory of LIFE has already been won, but has not yet fully unfolded. We therefore rejoice and struggle at the same time. We have unshakeable confidence that the power of LIFE is greater than the forces of death. Yet we must not relax our efforts to protect God's gift of LIFE from the culture of death which surrounds us. Easter Pro-life Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, we praise your Resurrection! We celebrate your triumph over the Kingdom of death! May we, your Church, proclaim, celebrate, and serve the victory of LIFE in our world. May we respond to the needs of those who are tempted to destroy the LIFE within them by abortion, and may we help to build a world which rejects every form of violence and in particular, the violence of abortion. You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

~Pro-Life Articles for Bulletins

World Day of Prayer for Vocations, April 17th...

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priest in your prayers throughout the week.
- Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

April 17, 2016

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Good Shepherd Sunday: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

This Sunday celebrates Jesus as "the Good Shepherd." When announcing this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis focused on Jesus' "lost sheep" parable in Luke. "[Who] among you," Jesus asks, "having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it?" (Luke 15:4). A reasonable answer? "No responsible shepherd who wants to keep the job!" Yet Jesus considers one lost person supremely important and suggests blaming the shepherd. The sheep didn't "go astray," the shepherd "lost" it. Thus, "when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy" (15:5). That tender image of Jesus adorns the simple cross Pope Francis has always worn, the Good Shepherd gently carrying the lost sheep home on his shoulders. During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, may we, who once were lost ourselves but now are found, join Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home at least one precious lamb.

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**REGISTRATION FORM
FAITH FORMATION**

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
DATE: _____
CHECK#: _____
CHECK \$: _____
CASH \$: _____

Date _____

REGISTRATION FEE—\$60.00 PER CHILD CAP OF \$180.00 PER FAMILY
COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION STUDENTS WILL PAY ADDITIONAL \$25.00 MATERIALS FEE.

Are you registered at Saint Mary Catholic Church? Yes__ No__

STUDENT INFORMATION

_____	_____	_____
(LAST NAME)	(CHILD'S FIRST NAME)	(MIDDLE NAME)
_____	_____	_____
(CHILD'S NICKNAME)	(DATE OF BIRTH)	(GRADE LEVEL)
		(AGE)
		(M/F)

What SACREMENTS has your child made? Check all that child has made & list year they received the sacrament if you know.

BAPTISM _____ 1st RECONCILIATION _____ 1st COMMUNION _____ CONFIRMATION _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

_____	_____	_____	_____
(STREET ADDRESS)	(CITY)	(STATE)	(ZIP)
_____	_____	_____	_____
(PHONE)	(CELL PHONE)	(E-MAIL)	

STUDENTS: _____
(CELL PHONE) _____ (E-MAIL)

PARENTS/GUARDIANS

FATHER

MOTHER

NAME: _____

NAME: _____

MAIDEN _____

Iglesia Católica de Santa Maria
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Formulario de registro
Para la formación de Fe

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
DATE: _____
CHECK#: _____
CHECK \$: _____
CASH \$: _____

Fecha _____

Inscripción: \$60.00 por niño hasta un máximo de \$180.00 por familia. Los estudiantes de Comunión y Confirmación pagarán un cargo adicional de \$25.00 por costos de materiales.
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Esta usted registrado (a) en la Iglesia Católica de Santa Maria? Sí__ No__

Información Del Estudiante

_____ (APELLIDO) (PRIMER NOMBRE DEL NIÑO) (SEGUNDO NOMBRE)

_____ (APODO DEL NIÑO)

_____ (fecha de nacimiento) (grado escolar) (edad) (fecha de Bautismo)

niño/niña _____

¿Qué Sacramentos ha recibido su hijo? Anotar los que haya recibido y el año, si lo recuerda.

Bautismos _____ Primera Reconciliación _____ Primera Comunión _____ Confirmación _____

Información Familiar

_____ (Dirección de residencia) (Ciudad de Residencia) (Estado) (ZIP)

_____ (Numero Telefónico) (Numero celular) (Correo Electrónico)

Estudiante: _____ (Numero celular) _____ (Correo Electrónico)

Padres/Custodios

Padre:

Madre:

Nombre: _____ Primer Nombre: _____

Nombre de Soltera _____

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 comunicármolo.

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.

Platicas 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

El 25 de abril la Iglesia conmemora a Pedro de Betancur (1626-1667). Originalmente de las Islas Canarias, a la edad de 24, se trasladó a Cuba. En 1651 llegó a Guatemala con la ambición de predicar a Cristo. Esto lo hizo, no como sacerdote ni religioso. El fue como laico, reconociendo su deber bautismal de evangelizar. En 1655 ingresó en la Orden Seglar Franciscana y como laico quiso poner en práctica la espiritualidad franciscana, ayudando a los pobres. Con su propio pan o casa el alimentaba al hambriento y amparaba al indigente. A todos recordaba la necesidad de la salvación y en la simplicidad de su mensaje derretía el egoísmo de los ricos. Les abría el corazón enseñándoles a compartir con los más pequeños de sus hermanos y hermanas.

Eventualmente su nobleza de espíritu atrajo a hombres y mujeres que deseaban compartir su apostolado y fundó la Orden Betlehemitica.

También fundó la primera escuela de niños en Centro América convirtiéndose en el alfabetizador de Guatemala. Así dio ejemplo de lo que la Iglesia debe hacer por el pobre y marginado.

--Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

Año Jubilar de la Misericordia 17 de abril de 2016**Cuarto Domingo de Pascua**

Domingo del Buen Pastor: Jornada Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones

Este domingo se celebra a Jesús como "el Buen Pastor". Cuando el Papa Francisco anunció este Año Jubilar de la Misericordia, se meditó a Jesús en la parábola de Lucas de "la oveja perdida", "¿Qué hombre de ustedes, si tiene cien ovejas y una de ellas se pierde, no deja las noventa y nueve

en el campo y va tras la que está perdida hasta que la encuentra?" (Lucas 15:4). ¿Cuál sería una posible respuesta? "Un pastor responsable que quiera cuidar su buen nombre". Sin embargo, Jesús considera a una persona que esté perdida, sumamente importante y sugiere culpar al pastor. La oveja no "se extravió", el pastor la "perdió". Así que "al encontrarla, la pone sobre sus hombros, gozoso" (15:5). Esa es la imagen compasiva de la cruz pectoral que usa el Papa Francisco, el Buen Pastor llevando sobre sus hombros a la oveja perdida a casa. Durante este Año Jubilar de la Misericordia, que nosotros, que también nosotros estuvimos perdidos pero fuimos encontrados, unámonos a Jesús a buscar, encontrar y llevar con cuidado a casa al menos a una oveja perdida.

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Inscripción para Formación de la Fe 2015/2016...

Tendremos las inscripciones para Formación de la Fe para el período 2015/2016 el sábado, 14 de mayo y el domingo, 15 de mayo después de todas las Misas. Si no le es posible inscribirse después de las Misas en los días antes mencionados, favor de llenar el formato de inscripción que pueden encontrar en la página 5 de este Boletín y dejarlo en la Oficina de la Parroquia o dentro de un sobre en la cesta de colección durante la Misa.

DESCRIPCIÓN DEL TRABAJO

No te sientas total, personal e irrevocablemente responsable por todo. . . Ese es mi trabajo.

--Dios

Lecturas De La Semana

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plenamente. Por lo tanto, nos regocijamos y luchamos al mismo tiempo. Tenemos una confianza inquebrantable de que el poder de la vida es mayor que las fuerzas de la muerte. Sin embargo, no debemos cejar en nuestros esfuerzos para proteger al don divino de la vida, de la cultura de la muerte que nos rodea.

Oración Pro-Vida de Pascua

Señor Jesucristo, te alabamos por tu Resurrección! Celebramos tu triunfo sobre el Reino de la muerte! Que nosotros, tu Iglesia, anuncie, celebre y sirva a la victoria de la vida en nuestro mundo. Que podamos responder a las necesidades de las mujeres que sientan la tentación de destruir la vida dentro de ellas mediante el aborto, y que podamos ayudar a construir un mundo que rechaza toda forma de violencia y, en particular, la violencia del aborto. Tú que vives y reinas por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

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Pascua y la victoria de la vida

La Pascua celebra la victoria de la vida. Los cristianos no vienen a la iglesia en Pascua simplemente para felicitar a Jesús por resucitar de entre los muertos.

Vienen con el fin de tocar su propia victoria sobre la muerte.

Al resucitar, Cristo destruyó no sólo su propia muerte, sino también la nuestra! Derrocó todo el reino de la muerte. La muerte ya no tiene dominio sobre Él; ni tiene poder absoluto sobre los que viven en Él. La influencia de la Iglesia en el mundo, por lo tanto, es la influencia de una comunidad que ya participa en la victoria sobre la muerte. Esa influencia mueve las decisiones de la sociedad lejos de la muerte y la destrucción, y hacia la afirmación, de palabra y obra, del don precioso de la vida.

La victoria de la vida ya se ha ganado, pero aún no se ha desarrollado