

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 16, 2023

- 7:30 AM Antonio Oliveira Lopes
(1st month Anniversary)
- 12:30 PM Eleanor Tapply
- 7:30 PM Spanish Intentions

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

- 7:30 AM Pope Benedict
- 12:30 PM Joseph McKenna

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

- 7:30 AM Rev. Claude D'Souza
- 12:30 PM Donna Mary Sebastian

Thursday, January 19, 2023

- 7:30 AM Rev. Randall de Jesus Soto
- 12:30 PM Ryan Bautista

Friday, January 20, 2023

- 7:30 AM Ana Rodrigues Nogueira
- 12:30 PM Alice Giolitto

Saturday, January 21, 2023

- 5:00 PM Olga Viola
Arthur J. Ebner
Maria Victoria Santos
Jack Hehman
Antonio da Silva & Family
Tony Lopes
Mary Ann O'Sullivan

Sunday, January 22, 2023

- 7:00 AM The Unborn
- 8:30 AM Portuguese Intentions
- 10:00 AM Americo Agostinho
- 11:30 AM People of the Parish
- 7:00 PM Carrin Caracciolo

PRIEST CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 21, 2022

5:00 PM Bishop Anjay

Sunday, January 22, 2022

7:00 AM Fr. Jerome

8:30 AM Fr. Tomaz

10:00 AM Fr. Malcolm

11:30 AM Fr. Malcolm

5:00 PM Fr. Tomaz

7:00 PM Fr. Ngozi

(Schedule is subject to change)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

Today's responsorial psalm is the theme song of the good steward: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." May I, too, stand ready to offer myself and my gifts in service to God. See Psalm 40 (Our Sunday Visitor, *ibid.*, page 7).

January 8th Actual Collection = \$9,017

January 8th Mail-In Donations = \$993

January 8th Electronic Donations = \$713

January 8th Total Collection = \$10,723

Attendance = 1,086

Christmas gifts to date = \$53,722

Christmas flowers = \$3,165



*Please Pray For
The Deceased*



Souls in Purgatory



CMA Numbers for 2022

Goal = \$95,900

Pledges = \$62,500

Payments = \$62,128

Donors = 322

Average = \$193

Thank you to all the families who already have made a sacrificial gift. Please consider a yearly offering.



Pastor's Notes

With Christmas season over, the Church now enters the first six weeks of "Ordinary Time" leading up to Ash Wednesday on 22 February, beginning the penitential season of Lent. Part of the ordinary work of Corpus Christi is maintaining our buildings and grounds, to create a wholistic environment in which the Gospel of Jesus Christ can be lived every day. As you can see in the church this weekend, we have finally begun the long-awaited process of cleaning/painting the ceiling/walls from years of smoke/soot/water damage. The exterior roof that we completed last summer is holding up well, with no leakage into the attic. So the interior work should be done by February, and already paid for by property insurance funds (103,000). We plan on extending the bluish-green color over the sanctuary to now cover the concave-perimeter above the pews, to tie in the congregation with the Altar. The flat ceiling with the overly-bright high-hat lights will be softened up by becoming a soft sky-blue. I pray this combination works for you!

Two weeks ago, the whole world witnessed the sad death and moving funeral services in Rome, for Pope Emeritus Benedict the 16th, after 95 years of life and love for Catholicism. In the long history of the church, we have never seen one Pope celebrate the funeral Mass of his predecessor: with the Holy Father Francis presiding over the body/soul of Holy Father Benedict. Both these good men of God held/hold the sacred titles of the Successor to St. Peter and the Vicar of Christ. Both Popes were/are humble servants of the Lord; choosing not to exalt themselves but to lift up in glory the living, dying and rising of Jesus Christ. Even though many people try to impose political labels on them as being "conservative" and/or "progressive", both Popes had/have the wisdom and intelligence to rise above such trite titles; realizing more profoundly, what it means to be Christ-like to one another. Throughout the two millennium of Christianity, all 266 Popes have been guided by the Holy Spirit, which is why the Catholic Church has always survived and thrives. Only God knows (and perhaps Pope Francis), if our present Holy Father will follow suit and also retire; thus leading to a possible Papal conclave in the near future.

Yours in Christ,
Father Malcolm

P.S. Also, please begin your new year 2023 with a deepened commitment to the National Eucharistic Revival, by participating in our parish weekly Holy Hours: Mondays 8:00am-9:00am; Wednesdays 1:00pm-2:00pm; Thursdays 7:00pm-8:00pm. Exposition, Rosary Benediction!!!

P.S.S. In addition, please be patient with our church envelope mailing problem, as we are looking for a better company that can truly deliver on time with superior quality. As always, your generosity and contributions are deeply appreciated.



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January 16, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ:

Each year, our nation celebrates National Religious Freedom Day on January 16th. In 1992, Congress authorized the President to request to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to join together to celebrate their religious freedom and to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities. Since 1993, each President of the United States has proclaimed January 16th to be National Religious Freedom Day.

January 16th has been designated National Religious Freedom Day because it marks the anniversary of the passage of Thomas Jefferson's *Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom* by the Virginia General Assembly on January 16, 1786. This statute was a precursor to the First Amendment of the United States Constitution which, as we know, enshrines the freedom of religion as a right which is guaranteed by the Bill of Rights. In his statute, Jefferson states that "all men shall be free to profess ... their opinion in matters of religion, and that the same shall in no wise diminish, enlarge, or affect their civil capacities."¹ He concludes that any attempt to repeal or limit this statute "would be an infringement of natural right."²

Dignitatis humanae, the Second Vatican Council's 1965 Declaration on Religious Liberty, echoes Jefferson's sentiments and states that "the right to religious freedom has its foundation not in the subjective attitude of the individual but in his very nature."³ Elsewhere, the Declaration notes that "it is wrong for a public authority to compel its citizens by force or fear or any other means to profess or repudiate any religion."⁴ The similarity between the sentiments of Jefferson and *Dignitatis humanae* should not surprise us when we realize that American bishops and churchmen, including Father John Courtney Murray, were instrumental in incorporating the American experience of church-state relations into the declaration on religious liberty.⁵

Despite the time-honored assertion of religious freedom as a right guaranteed to all Americans, we have seen in recent years numerous attempts to curb or narrow the scope of religious liberty and freedom of conscience. The current Federal Administration's advocacy of a so-called "Super Rule," which is now awaiting final promulgation, threatens to egregiously and unjustly force Catholic medical institutions to be involved in procedures which are contrary to Church teaching and natural law. These would include abortion, sterilizations, in vitro fertilization, and transgender

¹ W. W. Hening, ed., *Statutes at Large of Virginia*, vol. 12 (1823): 84-86.

² *Ibid.*

³ Second Vatican Council, *Dignitatis humanae*, December 7, 1965: AAS 58 (1966) 929-946, 2.

⁴ *Ibid.*, 6.

⁵ See Robert T. Kennedy, "The Declaration on Religious Liberty Thirty Years Later: Challenges to the Church-State Relationship in the United States," *The Jurist* 55 (1995) 487.

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surgeries, even on minors. As diocesan bishop, it is my obligation to uphold and protect Catholic moral teaching, and our Catholic institutions will not participate in anything that forces healthcare workers to violate their consciences or the dignity of the human person.

The recent passage of the Respect for Marriage Act marks another threat to religious liberty. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has rightly called the Act “misnamed.”⁶ A statement released by the USCCB, notes that the Act’s “rejection of timeless truths about marriage is evident on its face and in its purpose.”⁷ As the largest non-governmental provider of social services in the United States, the Church has a vested interest in ensuring the protection of religious liberty. The supposed protections for religious liberty in the Act are insufficient, and the USCCB statement concludes that if it is passed, “the amended Act will put the ministries of the Catholic Church, people of faith, and other Americans who uphold a traditional meaning of marriage at greater risk of government discrimination.”⁸

This year, January 16 also marks the date when our country honors the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. King once stated that “the church must be reminded once again that it is not to be the master or the servant of the state, but the conscience of the state. It must be the guide and the critic of the state – never its tool.”⁹ As we celebrate National Religious Freedom Day this January 16th, let us pray for the preservation and protection of this God-given right:

Bless us, O heavenly Father,
in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty.
Give us the strength of mind and heart
to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened;
give us courage in making our voices heard
on behalf of the rights of your Church
and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.
Amen.¹⁰

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

⁶ Timothy Cardinal Dolan and Bishop Robert Barron to Senators and Representatives, November 23, 2022. United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington D.C.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Ibid.

⁹ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., “A Knock at Midnight” (sermon, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Cincinnati, OH, June 11, 1967).

¹⁰ See “Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty,” United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (2012), Washington D.C.



Monday 16 January, 2023

**Masses: 7:30 AM, 12:30 PM & 7:30 PM (Spanish)
(The rectory will be closed on that day.)**

2022 Tax Letter Request



If you would like a tax letter please email us at Rectory@corpuschristi-mineola.net. In your email please include your name, envelope number, address and phone number. Please note that the tax letters will not be sent out until after January 30, 2023. Thank you for your patience.



50th ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

March for Life Expo

1/18 - 6PM – 8PM 1/19 – 9AM - 8PM 1/20 - 9AM - 11AM & 4PM – 7PM

1/19 Capitol Hill 101

Seminar - 11AM - 12PM Noon in person/virtual

Law of Life Summit - 9AM-6PM

1/20 March for Life

Pre-concert - 11:00AM-12:00PM Noon

Rally - 12PM Noon - 1PM

March - 1PM - 4PM

1/20 Priests for Life National Prayer

Service – 7:30AM Mass

Silent No More testimonies – 2:30PM

Rose Dinner Gala - 6PM - 9PM

1/21 Cardinal O'Connor Conference on Life - 8AM – 4:15PM



Holiday thank you from Parish Outreach



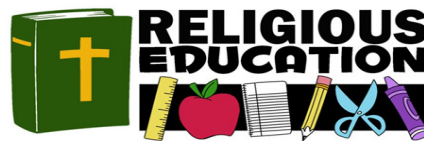
On behalf of all of us here in Parish Outreach, we would like to thank you for your immense generosity to our pantry during our Thanksgiving Blessing Bag and Christmas Giving Tree drives. Due to your generous response to these drives, we were able to provide food, hams, chickens, some turkeys and supermarket gift cards to our clients so that 233 people were able to have a substantial meal on their table during the holidays.

During these two drives, you, our wonderful parishioners, donated over \$8,100 in gift cards, cash and hundreds and hundreds of pounds of food, chickens and hams to help us provide for those who are suffering from food insecurity. Additionally, the donations you made at Thanksgiving and Christmas not only helped to feed our clients and their families now, but will also be used to support them going forward throughout the winter and early spring.

Your support of our brothers and sisters in our community who are in need truly reflects your devotion to our parish and the embodiment of our parish motto **“You Together Are My Body”**



Thanksgiving Food Drive



Sunday, Jan. 15, 2023

9:30 AM Gr. 5, 6, IC-3 (*Safety Lesson*)
10:00 AM Class Mass

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2023

Reunion de padres de la Primera Comunion por la clase de Ms. Carmen

La escuela, segundo piso **5:30 PM** IC-2 **6:30 PM** IC-3

Sunday, Jan. 22, 2023

9:30 AM Gr. 7, 8, IC-4, IC-6
10:00 AM Mass

“Twenty Minutes with the Director”

<i>Sunday, January 22</i>	Grades 7, 8, IC-4, IC-6
<i>Sunday, January 29</i>	Grades 1, 2, IC-2 (church)
<i>Sunday, February 5</i>	Grades 3, 4

Junior Lectors 10:00 AM Mass

Sunday, January 22	Shane Kelly/Luigi Sartori
Sunday, January 29	Gabriel Wasserman/Lily Wasserman
Sunday, February 5	Kylie Cunha/Michael Marketti

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

CATHOLIC CHURCHES, 2022-2025, UNITED STATES

CORPUS CHRISTI HOLY HOURS

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION

MONDAYS : 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

WEDNESDAYS : 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

THURSDAYS : 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

COME LET US ADORE HIM!



Mineola Choral Society

Celebrating 75 Years

Winter Concert 2023

Dr. Meg Messina, Music Director & Conductor

featuring

VIVALDI'S Gloria

with

The Mineola Choral Society Chorus and Orchestra

Karen Faust Baer, Pianist

and a special performance by the

Mineola High School A Cappella Choir

Sunday, February 5, 2023, 3 PM

Corpus Christi RC Church, 155 Garfield Avenue, Mineola NY 11501

Tickets may be purchased on-line at mineolachoralsociety.org/tickets.

Tickets purchased on-line are \$25 each.

Advance-Sale Tickets (before January 25, 2023) are \$20 each.

For Advance-Sale Tickets, use the form below or Call 516-294-1175.

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I would like ___ advance-sale tickets x \$20 each = \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Please return this form along with your check payable to the Mineola Choral Society to
Diane C. Graf, 181 Charles Street, East Williston, NY 11596

This concert is made possible, in part, with funds from the Statewide Community Regrant Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and is administered by the Huntington Arts Council, Inc.





Please remember the sick in your daily prayers, including the following who have asked to be included in our list:

Connie Altvater, Aurora Antunes, Armandina Araujo, Vinnie Benedetto, Violeta Bernal. Anne Boland, Erin Burke, Marie Byrnes, Jeanne Carroll, Michael Castalino, Arlene Cavanagh, Frank de Carolis, Sue Citro, Emmanuel Colon, Joann Cornacchioli, James Cunney, Jerry Daraio, Kate Donovan, Virginia Fallon, Laurie Fefta, Lena Fiorillo, Lilly Fuentes, Kenneth Gallagher, Vanessa Gomes, Robert Hartlett, Eileen Hendrickson, Frank Iaquinto, Sue Krebs, Pat Kober, Diane LaBianca, Joseph LaBianca, Lorraine Liqury, Vincent Lodato, Christine Lucivero, Augustus & Camella Lodato, Jason Lopes, Thomas Mitchell, Susan O’Brien, Gabriel Palhete, Linda Pires, Dennis Radovic, Elizabeth Rose, JoAnn Russo, Mary Santucci, Robert Santucci, Ann Schwarz, Lisa Simeone, Lucy Elena Sivirichi, Beatriz Silva Pontes, Paul Tubito, Lorraine Verdade, and any other members of our parish who are sick at this time.



Distressed financially or need food or clothing? Please call 516-746-1223.

In Mark 1:40-45;

A leper came to Jesus begging him, and kneeling he said to him, “If you choose, you can make me clean.” And Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, “I do choose. Be made clean.” Immediately the leprosy left him. After warning him, he sent him away, saying to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest”. But he went out and began to proclaim it freely.

Often Jesus healed people by just his spoken word “Be healed!” But in his care for the poor leper, however, Jesus not only spoke to him, but physically touched him. In that time and place people kept lepers at a distance and vice-versa. Yet it was the character of Jesus to contact all people even one so ill as this leper. Nobody was beyond his reach; nobody was untouchable. He came to touch our lives in a very tangible way, all of our lives, regardless of our condition. The leper wasn’t sure whether Jesus wanted to heal him. Jesus showed he wanted to heal him, by touching him. Jesus wants to touch all of our lives, because he wants to bring life to all of us. Nothing we do or fail to do, no circumstance in which we find ourselves, need to place us beyond his reach. As Paul says in his letter to the Romans, “nothing can come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus.” The Lord touches our lives, where we are, as we are. All we need is something of the leper’s initiative in approaching Jesus.

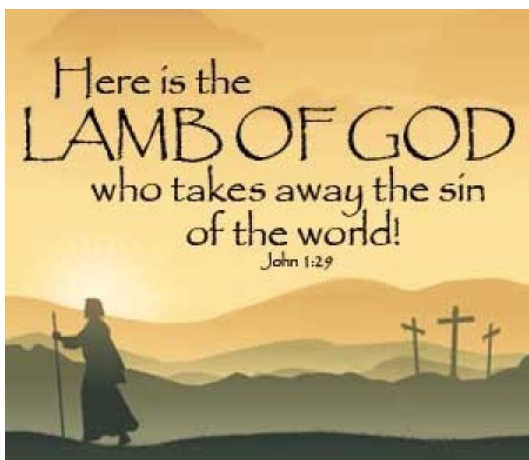
Jim O’Keefe, President

Altar Server Schedule 		
Sat., January 21	5:00 PM	L.Wasserman/G.Wasserman
Sun., January 22	10:00 AM	M.Kelly/M.Palumbo
	11:30 AM	K.Cunha/H.Calix



Banns III

Beatriz Peneda, Corpus Christi Church & Daniel Campos, Corpus Christi Church



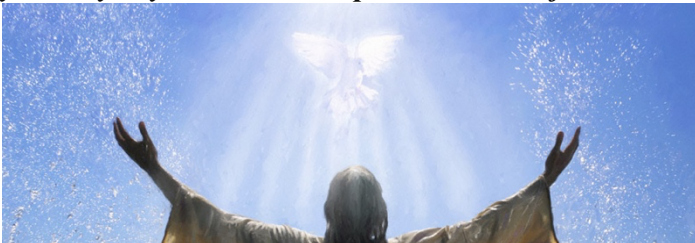
Español

II DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO



EVANGELIO SEGÚN SAN JUAN 1, 29-34

En aquel tiempo, vio Juan el Bautista a Jesús, que venía hacia él, y exclamó: *“Este es el Cordero de Dios, el que quita el pecado del mundo. Este es aquel de quien yo he dicho: El que viene después de mí, tiene precedencia sobre mí, porque ya existía antes que yo. Yo no lo conocía, pero he venido a bautizar con agua, para que él sea dado a conocer a Israel”*. Entonces Juan dio este testimonio. *“Vi el Espíritu descender del cielo en forma de paloma y posarse sobre él. Yo no lo conocía, pero el que me envió a bautizar con agua me dijo: Aquel sobre quien veas que baja y se posa el Espíritu Santo, ése es el que ha de bautizar con el Espíritu Santo. Pues bien, yo lo vi y doy testimonio de que éste es el Hijo de Dios”*.



Con el bautismo del Señor, que celebramos hoy, se concluye el tempo litúrgico de Navidad. Al Niño, a quien los Magos de Oriente vinieron a adorar en Belén, ofreciéndole sus dones simbólicos, lo encontramos ahora adulto, en el momento en que se hace bautizar en el río Jordán por Juan. Los cuatro evangelistas coinciden en afirmar que el cielo se abrió y descendió el Espíritu en forma de paloma sobre Jesús. Esa fue pues, su primera manifestación pública, después de casi treinta años de vida oculta en Nazaret. Hoy Jesús se presenta ante su pueblo para realizar lo que

escuchábamos en la segunda lectura: que con la fuerza del Espíritu Santo, pasó haciendo el bien y curando a los oprimidos por el diablo, porque Dios estaba con él. Con esta fiesta se cierra el ciclo de las fiestas navideñas y se da comienzo al diálogo con Jesucristo y con nosotros. La fiesta del Bautismo de Jesús es el comienzo de la misión de Jesús. Antes del Bautismo, se podría decir que Jesús aparecía hombre como los demás. Aquí él se lanza públicamente a su misión, a la tarea de preocuparse por los demás, de salvar. Esta tarea no la hacía por gusto personal, sino por encargo del Padre. Por eso le es dado el Espíritu.

La segunda idea es la de que el cielo se abrió. Se decía que con la muerte de los últimos profetas, se había el convencimiento general de que el pecado de Israel había alejado el Espíritu de Dios de los suyos. Dios se calla y el pueblo sufre su silencio. Los cielos permanecen cerrado e impenetrables. Los hombres caminan tristes a través de una tierra sin horizontes. Con el Bautismo de Jesús el cielo se abre. El Espíritu de Dios descende de nuevo sobre los hombres. En tercer lugar, esta fiesta viene a recordarnos nuestro propio bautismo. Toda la misión de Cristo, afirmaba el Papa, se resume en esto: bautizarnos en el Espíritu Santo para librarnos de la esclavitud de la muerte y abriremos el cielo.



La primera lectura es del segundo cantico del Siervo de Yahvé. El pueblo de Israel debe repensar su vida a la luz de este personaje Siervo de Yahvé. El papel del siervo es reunir a Jacob y Israel, eso quiere decir la totalidad del pueblo. Reunir, pacificar, consolar. Siempre la humanidad ha tenido necesidad de estos valores. Hoy, como nunca, necesitamos a alguien como el Siervo que traiga esa luz a este mundo dividido, en guerra, hambriento y desorientado. Esa misión, la vieron los primeros cristianos realizada en la misión de Jesús de Nazaret: luz de salvación para todos los pueblos, para la humanidad.

Português

DOMINGO II DO TEMPO COMUM



EVANGELHO SEGUNDO SÃO JOÃO 1, 29-34

Naquele tempo, João Baptista viu Jesus, que vinha ao seu encontro, e exclamou: *“Eis o Cordeiro de Deus, que tira o pecado do mundo. É dele que eu dizia: Depois de mim vem um homem, que passou à minha frente, porque era antes de mim. Eu não o conhecia, mas foi para ele se manifestar a Israel que eu vim baptizar na água”*. João deu mais este testemunho: *“Eu vi o Espírito Santo descer do céu como uma pomba e permanecer sobre ele. Eu não o conhecia, mas quem me enviou a baptizar na água é que me disse: Aquele sobre quem vires o Espírito Santo descer e permanecer é que baptiza no Espírito Santo. Ora, eu vi e dou testemunho de que ele é o Filho de Deus”*.



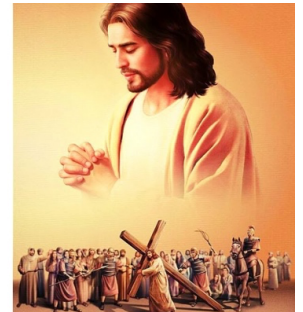
Principia o longo período litúrgico em que refletiremos sobre a vida pública de Jesus: o Tempo Comum. No Evangelho, João Baptista atribui a Jesus o título de Cordeiro de Deus: o Cordeiro de Deus que tira o pecado do mundo. Essa afirmação evoca provavelmente, duas imagens tradicionais extremamente sugestivas. Por um lado, evoca a imagem do servo sofredor, o cordeiro levado para o matadouro, que assume os pecados do seu Povo e realiza a expiação; por outro lado, evoca a imagem do cordeiro pascal, aquele cujo sangue salvou os israelitas da escravidão do Egito, símbolo da acção libertadora de Deus em favor de Israel. Qualquer uma destas imagens sugere que a pessoa de Jesus está ligada à libertação dos homens. A missão de Jesus é tirar,

eliminar o pecado do mundo. A palavra pecado aparece aqui no singular. Engloba não somente apagar todos os pecados numericamente, mas também e sobretudo a situação de pecado do mundo, a condição escravizada do homem pecador; supõe a destruição do mistério de iniquidade que é o pecado, a vitória da luz sobre as trevas e sobretudo a negação do amor a Deus e aos irmãos. Deus propôs-se tirar a humanidade da situação de escravidão em que esta se encontra; enviou ao mundo Jesus, com a missão de realizar um novo êxodo, que leve os homens da terra da escravidão para a terra da liberdade. Na segunda parte do Evangelho é apresentado como Filho de Deus aquele sobre o qual viu descer e permanecer o Espírito Santo. O Espírito não só é visto descer sobre Jesus, mas também permanecer nele. A missão de Jesus consiste em derramar o Espírito sobre o homem e o homem é transformado por essa fonte de vida, abandona a experiência da escuridão (o pecado) e alcança o seu pleno desenvolvimento, a plenitude da vida. A declaração de João convida os homens de todas as épocas a voltarem-se para Jesus e a acolherem a proposta libertadora que, em nome de Deus, Ele faz: só a partir do encontro com Jesus será possível chegar à vida plena.

1^ª LEITURA

Livro do Profeta Isaías 49,1-6

Eu te farei luz das nações, para que minha salvação chegue até aos confins da terra.



A primeira leitura apresenta-nos uma personagem misteriosa - Servo de Jahwéh – a quem Deus elegeu desde o seio materno para que fosse um sinal no mundo e levasse aos povos de toda a terra a Boa Nova do projeto libertador de Deus.

INTENCÕES PARA O DIA 22 DE JANEIRO

+Manuel dos Santos Gonçalves + Rodrigo Anjo
+José Rodrigues + António Mendes Oliveira
+ António Pires e Pais + José Reis Barbosa + Joaquina Lopes Pinheiro + Angelina Do Vale + Olívia da Silva + Joaquim e Celeste Godinho

PASSEIO ÀS ILHAS DOS AÇORES

Estamos planejando fazer um passeio para os Açores no mês de Setembro. A Isabel do Martins Travel está organizando esse passeio para mim. Se você estiver interessado, procure a Isabel ou fale comigo. Não perca essa oportunidade.