MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 6, 2023

7:30 AM Maria Candida & Francisco Valente

12:30 PM Maria Barbosa Reis

7:30 PM Spanish Intentions

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

7:30 AM Pope Benedict

12:30 PM Josephine Abrusci

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

7:30 AM Nicola Cafaro

12:30 PM Joao Barbosa

Thursday, March 9, 2023

7:30 AM Patrick Murphy III

12:30 PM Peter Ribando

Friday, March 10, 2023

7:30 AM Lucrezia Iacovelli

12:30 PM Antonio Oliveira Lopes

Saturday, March 11, 2023

5:00 PM Nugent Cantileno

Domenica Scarcella

Olinda & Ernesto Marques

Vicencio Viegas

Bernard Sherry

Tony Lopes

Efigenia & Antonio Simoes

Sunday, March 12, 2023

7:00 AM Bernadette O'Brien

8:30 AM Portuguese Intentions

10:00 AM Margaret & Peter Bruder

11:30 AM People of the Parish

5:00 PM Spanish Intentinos

5:00 FIVE Spanish intentinos

7:00 PM Rosa Reis



Final 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.

PRIEST CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 11, 2023

5:00 PM Fr. Malcolm

Sunday, March 12, 2023

7:00 AM Fr. Jerome

8:30 AM Fr. Tomaz

10:00 AM Fr. Malcolm

11:30 AM Fr. Ngozi

5:00 PM Fr. Basilio

7:00 PM Fr. Ngozi

(Schedule is subject to change)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

"Mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost" (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [USCCB], Stewardship: A Disciple's Response, Tenth Anniversary Edition, 2002, page 42).

February 26th Actual Collection = \$8,783

February 26th Mail-In Donations = \$3,563

February 26th Electronic Donations = \$695

February 26th Total Collection = \$13,041

Attendance = 1,036

Maintenance = \$4.886

Ash Wednesday Collection which will go to

Outreach = \$3,348

Attendance = 1.795

Maintenance Envelopes

The March maintenance donation envelopes mailed to your homes have the incorrect date on them. It should read March 26 not March 19. You can bring your maintenance donations on either of those dates or at your convenience. Thank you for your generosity!





Message of the Holy Father

<u>Lenten Penance</u> and the Synodal Journey



Dear brothers and sisters!

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke all recount the episode of the Transfiguration of Jesus. There we see the Lord's response to the failure of his disciples to understand him. Shortly before, there had been a real clash between the Master and Simon Peter, who, after professing his faith in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God, rejected his prediction of the passion and the cross. Jesus had firmly rebuked him: "Get behind me, Satan! You are a scandal to me, because you do not think according to God, but according to men!" (*Mt* 16:23). Following this, "six days later, Jesus took with him Peter, James and John his brother and led them away to a high mountain" (*Mt* 17:1).

The Gospel of the Transfiguration is proclaimed every year on the Second Sunday of Lent. During this liturgical season, the Lord takes us with him to a place apart. While our ordinary commitments compel us to remain in our usual places and our often repetitive and sometimes boring routines, during Lent we are invited to ascend "a high mountain" in the company of Jesus and to live a particular experience of spiritual discipline – *ascesis* – as God's holy people.

Lenten penance is a commitment, sustained by grace, to overcoming our lack of faith and our resistance to following Jesus on the way of the cross. This is precisely what Peter and the other disciples needed to do. To deepen our knowledge of the Master, to fully understand and embrace the mystery of his salvation, accomplished in total self-giving inspired by love, we must allow ourselves to be taken aside by him and to detach ourselves from mediocrity and vanity. We need to set out on the journey, an uphill path that, like a mountain trek, requires effort, sacrifice and concentration. These requisites are also important for the synodal journey to which, as a Church, we are committed to making. We can benefit greatly from reflecting on the relationship between Lenten penance and the synodal experience.

In his "retreat" on Mount Tabor, Jesus takes with him three disciples, chosen to be witnesses of a unique event. He wants that experience of grace to be shared, not solitary, just as our whole life of faith is an experience that is shared. For it is in togetherness that we follow Jesus. Together too, as a pilgrim Church in time, we experience the liturgical year and Lent within it, walking alongside those whom the Lord has placed among us as fellow travellers. Like the ascent of Jesus and the disciples to Mount Tabor, we can say that our Lenten journey is "synodal", since we make it together along the same path, as disciples of the one Master. For we know that Jesus is himself the Way, and therefore, both in the liturgical journey and in the journey of the Synod, the Church does nothing other than enter ever more deeply and fully into the mystery of Christ the Saviour.

And so we come to its culmination. The Gospel relates that Jesus "was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light" (*Mt* 17:2). This is the "summit", the goal of the journey. At the end of their ascent, as they stand on the mountain heights with Jesus, the three disciples are given the grace of seeing him in his glory, resplendent in supernatural light. That light did not come from without, but radiated from the Lord himself. The divine beauty of this vision was incomparably greater than all the efforts the disciples had made in the ascent of Tabor. During any strenuous mountain trek, we must keep our eyes firmly fixed on the path; yet the panorama that opens up at the end amazes us and rewards us by its grandeur. So too, the synodal process may often seem arduous, and at times we may become discouraged. Yet what awaits us at the end is undoubtedly something wondrous and amazing, which will help us to understand better God's will and our mission in the service of his kingdom.

The disciples' experience on Mount Tabor was further enriched when, alongside the transfigured Jesus, Moses and Elijah appeared, signifying respectively the Law and the Prophets (cf. *Mt* 17:3). The newness of Christ is at the same time the fulfilment of the ancient covenant and promises; it is inseparable from God's history with his people and discloses its deeper meaning. In a similar way, the synodal journey is rooted in the Church's tradition and at the same time open to newness. Tradition is a source of inspiration for seeking new paths and for avoiding the opposed temptations of immobility and improvised experimentation.

The Lenten journey of penance and the journey of the Synod alike have as their goal a transfiguration, both personal and ecclesial. A transformation that, in both cases, has its model in the Transfiguration of Jesus and is achieved by the grace of his paschal mystery. So that this transfiguration may become a reality in us this year, I would like to propose two "paths" to follow in order to ascend the mountain together with Jesus and, with him, to attain the goal.

The first path has to do with the command that God the Father addresses to the disciples on Mount Tabor as they contemplate Jesus transfigured. The voice from the cloud says: "Listen to him" (Mt 17:5). The first proposal, then, is very clear: we need to listen to Jesus. Lent is a time of grace to the extent that we listen to him as he speaks to us. And how does he speak to us? First, in the word of God, which the Church offers us in the liturgy. May that word not fall on deaf ears; if we cannot always attend Mass, let us study its daily biblical readings, even with the help of the internet. In addition to the Scriptures, the Lord speaks to us through our brothers and sisters, especially in the faces and the stories of those who are in need. Let me say something else, which is quite important for the synodal process: listening to Christ often takes place in listening to our brothers and sisters in the Church. Such mutual listening in some phases is the primary goal, but it remains always indispensable in the method and style of a synodal Church.

On hearing the Father's voice, the disciples "fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and do not be afraid.' And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone" (*Mt* 17:6-8). Here is the second proposal for this Lent: do not take refuge in a religiosity made up of extraordinary events and dramatic experiences, out of fear of facing reality and its daily struggles, its hardships and contradictions. The light that Jesus shows the disciples is an anticipation of Easter glory, and that must be the goal of our own journey, as we follow "him alone". Lent leads to Easter: the "retreat" is not an end in itself, but a means of preparing us to experience the Lord's passion and cross with faith, hope and love, and thus to arrive at the resurrection. Also on the synodal journey, when God gives us the grace of certain powerful experiences of communion, we should not imagine that we have arrived – for there too, the Lord repeats to us: "Rise, and do not be afraid". Let us go down, then, to the plain, and may the grace we have experienced strengthen us to be "artisans of synodality" in the ordinary life of our communities.

Dear brothers and sisters, may the Holy Spirit inspire and sustain us this Lent in our ascent with Jesus, so that we may experience his divine splendour and thus, confirmed in faith, persevere in our journey together with him, glory of his people and light of the nations.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 25 January, Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul

FRANCIS

Snacks

Corpus Christi Parish Outreach Needs Your Help

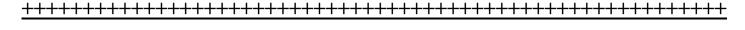
Parish Outreach has had the honor of providing food and supermarket gift cards to many of our clients in need, however our pantry supplies are running low. We are in need of the following items:

Dry Beans Apple Sauce Canned Fruit Jarred Pasta Sauce Tea **Peanut Butter** Spaghetti Fruit Juice Coffee Sugar Paper Towels Bathroom Tissue Jelly **Tooth Paste** Oatmeal Cooking Oil Mustard Ketchup Rice Mavonnaise

This is not an exhausted list of our needs but anything you can donate is greatly appreciated. Food donations can be left in the lobby of the church or dropped off at the Parish Outreach Office. Please help us take care of those in our community who are struggling with putting food on their table.

Remember our parish motto "YOU Together are My Body"

Pasta



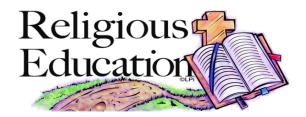


Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Immaculata #444

Lenten Dinner & a Talk with Bishop Anjay
Thursday March 9 at 6:30pm
Fitzgerald Hall

The Catholic Daughters invites everyone to a turkey dinner with all the trimmings followed by an inspiring talk by our own Bishop Anjay. This is a lovely way to enrich our Lenten experience and to bring us closer to Jesus and each other. Please join us for this spiritually enriching evening. Tickets are \$30. For more information please contact Gloria Carney at 516-742-8077.





Sunday, Mar. 5, 2023

Blood Drive (Fitzgerald Hall) "Twenty Minutes with the Director" resumes on March 12th.

Tuesday, Mar. 7, 2023

Gr. 6 Confirmation Workbooks

6A Mrs. Sandy Fernandes

No class today for:

2A Mrs. Rosier (4:00 PM) 2B Ms. DeSousa (5:30 PM)

7:00 PM Penance Service for the Confirmation Students (church)

Wednesday, Mar. 8, 2023

5:30 -6:30 PM First Communion

Hymn Practice (church)

All Communion students - Serves as class for the week.

Practica musica para primera comunion.

Todos los estudiantes comunion. Sirve como la clase por la semana.

Gr. 6 Confirmation Workbooks

6B Mrs. J. Ludwig/Mr. B. Ludwig

Thursday, Mar. 9, 2023

Gr. 6 Confirmation Workbooks

6C Mr. Mariniello/Mr. Prosceo 6D Mr. Mullen/Mr. O'Keefe

5:30 PM No class for 2D (Mrs. Maria Palumbo)

Sunday, Mar. 12, 2023

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

10:00 AM Class Mass

Twenty Minutes with the Director Sunday, March 19 Grades 1, 2, IC-2 Sunday, March 26 Grades 3, 4

	Junior Lectors
	10:00 AM Mass
Sunday, March 12	Brendan Ludwig/Shane Kelly
Sunday, March 19	Alcina Lima/Diana Lima
Sunday, March 26	Emma DaCosta/Luigi Sartori

BOODDRME

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

Sunday, March 5, 2023 7:30am - 1:30pm **Corpus Christi Church**

155 Garfield Avenue, Mineola

Click on link below to schedule an appointment: https://donate.nvbc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/301313

or scan the QR code:

or call 1 800-933-BLOOD



For more information, please contact Parish Outreach 516-248-4858

Appointments preferred but Walk-ins are welcome. Please bring your Donor ID if you have one.

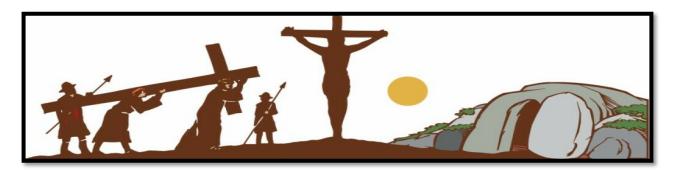
Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.

Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.





Stations of the Cross



We commemorate the Passion and death of Our Lord Jesus Christ through the devotion of the Stations of the Cross.

Please join us every Friday night to pray the Stations of the Cross, beginning on February 24th

7:00 PM in English 8:00 PM in Portuguese and Spanish



Lenten Nail Meditation

Once again this Lent, we will provide Lenten Nails for you to take and use as your personal Lenten meditation. These nails are intended to revive the ancient Christian practice of meditation, to help you think, ponder, reflect and consider and certainly pray about the meaning of the suffering and death of Jesus Christ for you. This Lent we hope you will take one and keep it with you in your pocket, pocketbook, car, anywhere you go.

These Lenten Nails will be available on Ash Wednesday and the first Sunday of Lent on a table in the back vestibule of the Church.



Corpus Christi Parish

Lenten Project



One of the most requested items from homeless shelters is new, unused socks.

During the six weeks of Lent, Parish Outreach will be sponsoring "Socks for the Homeless", where we will be donating new, unopened socks for men, women and children to The INN in Hempstead.

There will be a container in the Church lobby for your generous donations.

We will bring them forth at evening Mass on Holy Thursday.

'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'



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, Frank de Carolis, Sue Citro, Christine Englund, 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.



Sat., March 11 Sun., March 12

5:00 PM M.Machado/G.Lamme-Damas 10:00 AM J.Donatelli/M.Kelly

11:30 AM L.Wasserman/G.Wasserman



Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Chuck & Maria Reiss at 631-486-8607 or https://wwmenyli.org/.



Banns I

Nicole Lindsi Hartlett, Corpus Christi Church & Matthew Cunha Barroca, Corpus Christi Church

The Columbiettes

Would you like to join a Catholic group in 2023? The Columbiettes, from Corpus Christi Council 2502, invite you to join our group. We are Catholic women 18 years and over. We meet at the Knights of Columbus Hall 186 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola. RSVP to Ruth Ann at 516-317-6356 or Marge at 516-269-9178.



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

We Catholics believe our journey from the cradle to the grave is going somewhere: instead of simply dying, we will emerge into the life of heaven. We are pilgrims, like Abraham, moving toward the land of promise. Like St Paul, we try to deal with the problems and setbacks along the way, with the help of the Lord. And in the end, if we are faithful, we will share the total joy of joining Christ in glory.

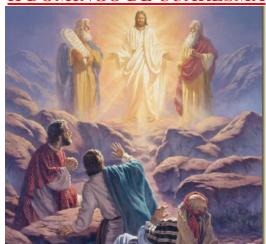
Today we tend to move around a lot, without showing much signs of spiritual progress. Our goals and desires are short-term, narrow, superficial. Moved by a restless urge for money, for celebrity, novelty, success and pleasure, we go round in circles. But the pilgrims' sights are set on a higher destination, however far-off and hard to reach their dreams may be, it is worth more than all the short-term desires we follow. Each step on the journey takes on meaning.

Our whole life can be made a pilgrimage towards God. Just as he called Abraham, so he calls each of us to be his own. His call to us is quiet but insistent, "leave your old way; the pride and selfishness, the hardness of heart, the angry temper, the envy and the falsehood. And go to the land I shall show you." The direction of our pilgrimage is moral: "Go towards charity, purity, sharing in truth and prayer and good-will. Go in the way of the gospel. Go to heaven.'

Abraham, having God's command, and submitting entirely to it, made all his activity the value of obedience to God. The same spirit would give the deepest meaning to our lives too. Far from being absurd or useless, our efforts to follow the gospel of our Master are full of meaning.

Jim O'Keefe. President

Español II DOMINGO DE CUARESMA



EVANGELIO DE SAN MATEO 17, 1-9

En aquel tiempo, Jesús tomó consigo a Pedro, a Santiago y a Juan, el hermano de éste, y los hizo subir a solas con él a un monte elevado. Ahí se transfiguró en su presencia: su rostro se puso resplandeciente como el sol y sus vestiduras se volvieron blancas como la nieve. De pronto aparecieron ante ellos Moisés y Elías conversando con Jesús. Entonces Pedro le dijo a Jesús: "Señor, qué bueno sería quedarnos aqui. Si quieres, haremos aqui tres chozas, una para ti, otra para Moisés y otra para Elías". Cuando aún estaba hablando, una nube luminosa los cubrió y de ella salió una voz que decía: "Este es mi Hijo muy amado en quien tengo puestas mis complacencias; escúchenlo". Al oír esto, los discípulos cayeron rostro en tierra, llenos de gran temor. Jesús se acercó a ellos, los tocó y les dijo: "Levántense y no teman". Alzando entonces los ojos, ya no vieron a nadie más que a Jesús. Mientras bajaban del monte, Jesús les ordenó: "No le cuenten a nadie lo que han visto, hasta que el Hijo del hombre haya resucitado de entre los muertos".



Iniciamos el Segundo domingo de Cuaresma. La Palabra de Dios nos invita, como a Abrahán, a

dejar nuestra vida tranquila y a subir al monte Tabor (el monte de la transfiguración), no sin antes participar de la cruz de Cristo. Jesús está a camino de Jerusalén para cumplir su misión: entregar su vida para la salvación de nosotros. Los apóstoles, como el pueblo judio, esperaban un Mesías poderoso, que aplastara al pueblo romano; añade además que, si alguno quiere ser su discípulo no tiene más camino que negarse, tomar su cruz y seguirle. Jesús toma consigo a los tres apóstoles, Pedro y los hijos de Zebedeo, que estarían con él en el monte de los Olivos y se los lleva a un monte. Quiere Jesús levantarles el ánimo y mantener su fe cuando presencien su agonia. La transifiguración tiene por finalidade fortalecer la fe de los apóstoles ante la proximidad de la Pasión.



En los capítulos anteriores del Libro de Génesis que vimos en el domingo passado, el autor describía una humanidade que escogió el pecado y que se alejó de Dios; ahora, el autor va a presentar un nuevo punto de partida: Dios todavia no ha desistido de la humanidade y continua queriendo construir con ella una historia de salvación. Para eso, llama diretamente a un hombre de en médio de una multitud de naciones. Esta elección no es un privilegio, sino más bien una invitación a realizar una tarea difícil: ser un signo de Dios en médio de los hombres. El tema central de nuestro texto es la llamada de Dios a Abraham. Dios lo invita a dejar su tierra y su família y a ir al encuentro de otra tierra. Ligada a esta invitación, aparece una bendición y la promessa de que la família de Abraham se convertiria en una gran nación. Detrás de la historia de la humanidad hay un Dios que tiene un proyecto para los hombres y para el mundo y que ese proyecto es de amor y de salvación. A pesar de que los hombres lo ignoren y prescindan orientaciones y propuestas, Dios continua viniendo a su encuentro, retando a caminar en dirección a lo nuevo, proponiéndoles ir más allá.

Português domingo ii da quaresma



EVANGELHO DE SÃO MATEUS 17, 1-9

Naquele tempo, Jesus tomou consigo Pedro, Tiago e João, seu irmão, e levou-os, em particular, a um alto monte e transfigurou-se diante deles: o seu rosto ficou resplandecente como o sol e as suas vestes tornaram-se brancas como a luz. E apareceram Moisés e Elias a falar com ele. Pedro disse a Jesus: "Senhor, como é bom estarmos aqui! Se quiseres, farei aqui três tendas: uma para Ti, outra para Moisés e outra para Elias". Ainda falava, quando uma nuvem luminosa os cobriu com a sua sombra e da nuvem uma voz dizia: "Este é o meu Filho muito amado, no qual pus toda a minha complacência. Escutai-o". Ao ouvirem estas palavras, os discípulos caíram de rosto por terra e assustaram-se muito. Então Jesus aproximou-se e, tocando-os, disse: "Levantai-vos e não temais". Erguendo os olhos, eles não viram mais ninguém, senão Jesus. Ao descerem do monte, Jesus deu-hes esta ordem: "Não conteis a ninguém esta visão, até o Filho do homem ressuscitar dos mortos".



O Evangelho narra o mistério da Transfiguração de Jesus: consiste numa manifestação externa e visível da sua divindade, da sua natureza divina. Aparecem Moisés e Elias, que representam a Lei e os Profetas, e falam com Jesus. Jesus leva apenas três dos Apóstolos à montanha. Por que somente estes três? Porque eles serão testemunhas da agonia de Jesus no horto das Oliveiras. Depois também assistirão a outras humilhações: os maus tratos em casa do sumo sacerdote e o julgamento iníquo e falso. Deus permite que eles saboreiem a visão da sua Glória para que se mantenham firmes e não desanimem ao tomar contacto com a miséria humana e aos sofrimentos horríveis que o resgate dos nossos pecados exige. Estes Apóstolos duvidaram, vacilaram. Pedro chegou a negar que conhecia Jesus, quando foi preso.



Na primeira leitura deste domingo do Livro do Gênesis, apresenta-se a figura de Abraão. Abraão é o homem de fé, que vive numa constante escuta de Deus e o segue de todo o coração. Abraão é o homem que encontra Deus, que está atento aos seus sinais e sabe interpretá-los, que responde aos desafios de Deus com uma obediência total e com uma entrega confiada. A figura de Abraão questiona o homem moderno que nuca tem tempo para encontrar-se com Deus nem para perceber os seus sinais, pois está demasiado ocupado a ganhar dinheiro ou a construir a carreira professional.

LEITURA II

2 Tim 1, 8b-10

Leitura da Segunda Epístola do apóstolo

São Paulo a Timóteo

Caríssimo: Sofre comigo pelo Evangelho, apoiado na força de Deus. Ele salvou-nos e chamou-nos à santidade, não em virtude das nossas obras, mas do seu próprio desígnio e da sua graça. Esta graça, que nos foi dada em Cristo Jesus,

Na segunda leitura, há um apelo aos seguidores de Jesus, no sentido de que sejam, de forma verdadeira, empenhada e coerente, as testemunhas dos projecto de Deus no mundo.

INTENÇÕES PARA O DIA 12 DE MARÇO

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