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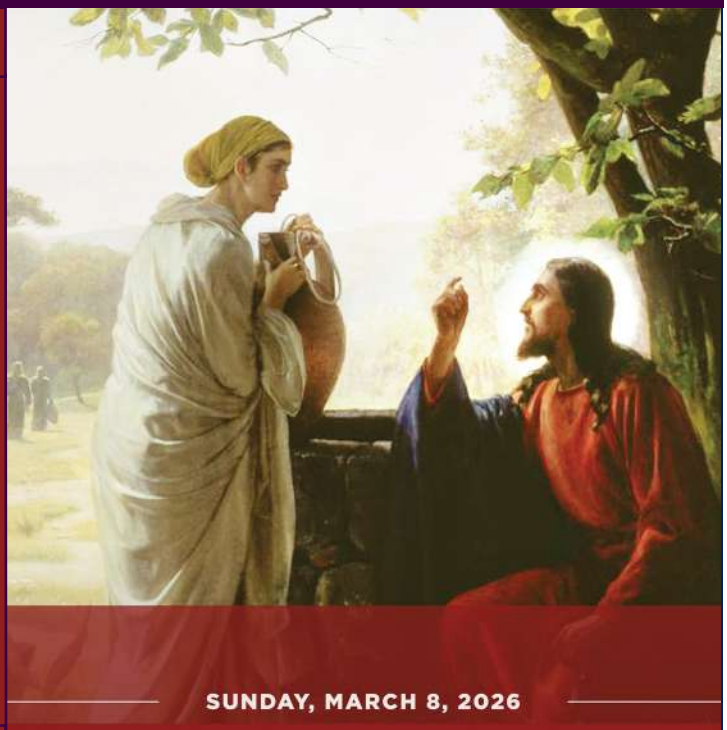

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

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Mass Times

Weekend: Saturday Vigil 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM *(English)*, 9:00AM *(Italian- Every 2nd & 4th Sunday in the Chapel)*, 9:30AM *(Bilingual)*, 10:30AM *(Czech-Slovak in the Chapel)*, 11:00AM *(English)*, 12:30PM *(Spanish)*, 3:00 PM *(Vietnamese)*

Weekday: 8:00AM & 12:00PM, Saturday 8:00AM

First Fridays: 7:30 PM *(Spanish)*
Holy Days: 8:00AM & 12:00PM, 7:30PM *(Bilingual)*
Holidays: 9:00AM

Office Hours

Weekday: 9:00am—8:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am—5:00pm

Infant Baptisms & Adult Sacraments: Contact Deacon Jacob Rodriguez for registration.

Confessions: Every Saturday in the Chapel from 3:30pm-4:30pm or by appointment during the week.

Weddings: Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with a priest.

Sweet Sixteen: Celebrated for parish members who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Anointing of the Sick: Available upon need. Hospital patients may ask to see the priest chaplain.

Bautismos Infantiles y Sacramentos para Adultos: Hable con el Diacono Rodríguez para registraciones.

Confesiones: Cada sábado en la capilla de 3:30pm-4:30pm o por cita durante la semana.

Bodas: Arreglos deben hacerse 6 meses en avance con un sacerdote.

Quinceaños: Solamente para miembros de la parroquia que han recibido la Confirmación.

Unción de los Enfermos: Disponible por necesidad. Pacientes de hospital pueden pedir ver el capellán.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, MARCH 7 *(Saint Perpetua & Felicity)*

5:00pm Unborn Nacinovich Children, Milagros Umila, James, Alice & Nicholas Colangelo

SUNDAY, MARCH 8 *(Third Sunday of Lent)*

8:00am Francesco Spadavecchia *(Living)*

9:00am Caterina Chiaramonte & Serafina Sacramone

9:30am Arcenio Saldana, Maria Celestina Galarza, Gonzalo Zuñiga, Adrian Leon *(Living—49th Birthday),* Por el grupo Altagraciano de nuestra parroquia

11:00am Frank & Nicoletta Todisco

12:30pm Consuelo Peña Cordero, Constantina Rojas, María Cortes, Rogelio Raymundo, Carolina Garcia, Gabriel Aird, Julia Isabel Bravo *(2º Aniversario),* Zaida Palaguachi, Manuel Mayancela, Zoila Llguichuzhca, Jesus Edmundo Garcia, Rosa Liboria Hernandez, Por el bienestar de la familia Garcia Martinez

3:00pm For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, MARCH 9

8:00am Angie, Joey, Angel & Margaret Glynn

12:00pm Nicola Telesmanic *(5th Anniversary)*

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

8:00am Leonardo DiVittorio

12:00pm Maria Vuong Bao Anh & Consolation of the Vuong Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

8:00am May Gregg

12:00pm Marita Arellano *(For Healing)*

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

8:00am Nancy Rosario *(For Healing)*

12:00pm Mr & Mrs Petrus Saad

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

8:00am Maureen Avery

12:00pm Lillian Kuvernak

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

8:00am For the well-being of Virginia Marie Hoyns

5:00pm Maria Chat Pham *(Anniversary)*, Cristobalina Trejo, Vito Cellos, Brandon Guaman *(Living—18th Birthday)*

SUNDAY, MARCH 15 *(Fourth Sunday of Lent)*

8:00am Joanne Lee Carulli

9:30am For our Seminarians & young people in discernment, Joanni Moreno

11:00am Alfred Caridi

12:30pm Blanca Lavayen Jarrin, Consuelo Peña Cordero, José Antonio Centeno *(7º Aniversario)*, Rogelio Raymundo, Jesús Edmundo García, Rosa Liboria Hernández, Constantina Rojas, Carlota, Ambrosio & Beatriz Vargas

3:00pm For the People of the Parish

MEMORIAL OFFERINGS THIS WEEK

The Altar Bread & Wine & Candles are being offered for ***Nicola Telesmanic,*** *by Matilda, Angelo & Nicholas Telesmanic*

SECOND COLLECTIONS

We will have second collections taken after communion on the following dates. We thank you for your generosity.

March 8— Parish Maintenance
March 15— Catholic Relief Services

SEGUNDA COLECTA

Tendremos una segunda colecta después se la comunión en las siguientes fechas. Les agradecemos su generosidad.

8 de marzo— Mantenimiento Parroquial
15 de marzo— Servicios Católicos de Alivio

Annual Catholic Appeal 2026
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We have now begun the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal. We ask everyone to prayerfully consider making a donation. As of March 2, 2026, we have 19 donors who have pledged $7,680, from which $861 have been received.

CAMPAÑA CATOLICA ANUAL 2025

Hemos comenzado la Campaña Católica Anual del 2026. Les pedimos a todos, por favor considerar hacer una promesa este año. A partir del 2 de marzo, 2026, tenemos a 19 donantes, quienes han prometido $7,680 de cuales $861 han sido recibidos.

CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT

Last Week: $5,933 Last Year: $5,266

Faith Direct January 2025: $4,352
Parish Soft January 2026: $7,196

GROUP AND SOCIETY MEETINGS

Sunday, March 8

8:00am—11:30am	Italian Community	*Lourdes A/B*
9:30am—10:30am	Grupo de Amistad #14	*Nazareth*
9:30am—11:00am	Grupo de Amistad #5	*Assumption*
10:00am—11:00am	Grupo de Amistad #9	*Ascension*
10:00am—12:00pm	Spanish OCIA	*Fatima & Upper Room*
10:00am—12:30pm	Cursillo	*Guadalupe A*
10:00am—1:00pm	Czech Mass	*Guadalupe B*
10:00am—4:00pm	Venta Via Crucis	*Gym*

Monday, March 9

7:00am—5:00pm	TYWLS	*Gym*
5:00pm—9:00pm	CYO	*Gym*
7:00pm—9:00pm	Coro Guadalupano	*Lourdes A/B*
7:00pm—9:00pm	English OCIA	*Guadalupe A/B*

Tuesday, March 10

7:00am—4:00pm	TYLWS	*Gym*
5:00pm—9:00pm	CYO	*Gym*
5:30pm—7:00pm	Mariachi Practice	*Balcony Room*
6:00pm—7:00pm	Clase PreBaustismal	*Lourdes A/B*
6:00pm—9:00pm	Marriage Encounter	*Guadalupe A/B +Fatima*
7:00pm—9:00pm	Practica de Coro #1	*Nazareth*

Wednesday, March 11

7:00am—4:00pm	TYLWS	*Gym*
4:00pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	*All Rooms*
7:30pm—10:00pm	CYO	*Gym*
8:00pm—10:00pm	Knights of Columbus	*Guadalupe A/B*

Thursday, March 12

7:00am—5:00pm	TYWLS	*Gym*
10:00am—11:30am	Legion of Mary	*Guadalupe A/B*
5:30pm—7:30pm	Religious Education	*All Rooms*
7:30pm—9:30pm	OLMC Jornada Group	*Guadalupe A*
7:30pm—10:00pm	CYO	*Gym*

Friday, March 13

7:00am—4:00pm	TYWLS	*Gym*
5:00pm—10:00pm	CYO	*Gym*
6:30pm—9:00pm	OLMC Youth Group	*Guadalupe A/B*
6:30pm—9:00pm	Practica de Niños	*Lourdes A/B*

Saturday, March 14

7:00am—2:00pm	Retiro Cuaresmal	*Guadalupe A/B*
9:00am—9:00pm	CYO	*Gym*
9:00am—1:00pm	AA Meeting	*Lourdes A/B*
9:00am—11:00am	Reunion de Amistad #15	*Fatima*
10:00am—12:00pm	Coro de Niños	*Assumption*
4:00pm—10:00pm	Adult Sewing Group	Lourdes A/B
5:00pm—7:00pm	Ministerio de Consolacion	*Fatima*
5:00pm—7:00pm	Bilingual Choir Practice	*Nazareth*
6:30pm—8:30pm	Coro Via Crucis	*Guadalupe A/B*

INFANT BAPTISM/ BAUTISMOS

Preparation Meeting Tuesday-6:00pm-Institute	**Baptism Ceremony 12:00pm-Main Church**
March 24, 2026	March 28, 2026
April 21, 2026	April 25, 2026
May 19, 2026	May 23, 2026
June 23, 2026	June 27, 2026
July 21, 2026	July 25, 2026
August 18, 2026	August 22, 2026
September 22, 2026	September 26, 2026
October 20	October 24
November 24	November 28

Reunion de Preparacion Martes-6:00pm-Instituto	**Ceremonia de Bautismo 12:00pm-Iglesia**
10 de marzo 2026	14 de marzo 2026
7 de abril 2026	11 de abril 2026
5 de mayo 2026	9 de mayo 2026
9 d junio 2026	13 de junio 2026
7 de julio 2026	11 de julio 2026
4 de agosto 2026	8 de agosto 2026
8 de septiembre	12 de septiembre
6 de octubre	10 de octubre
10 de noviembre	14 de octubre

SAINT JOSEPH'S ITALIAN MASS

The Italian Community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel—Astoria, and the Saint Joseph Congregation invites you to the celebration of Mass in Honor of Saint Joseph on Thursday, March 19, 2026 at 10 am. We will distribute the bread after the Mass.

FROM THE VOCATION DIRECTOR

I'm here to help as you seek to discover God's call for your life! If you have questions, need to talk through your discernment, or want to make an appointment, please feel free to contact me.

Fr. Chris Bethge, Vocation Director
718-827-2454 or email me at
cbethge@cathedralprep.org

FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

March 8, 2026

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

During the fourteen years I lived in Europe, I had the grace of visiting the Holy Land about half a dozen times. Living there made those pilgrimages possible, and I never took them for granted. I sometimes joked that I probably knew the narrow streets of the Old City of Jerusalem better than I knew parts of New York City. I walked those ancient stones often.

Yet what stayed with me most was not simply the history, but the surrounding wilderness—vast, dry, and severe. Under the relentless sun, the land looks cracked and lifeless. You understand immediately: without water, nothing survives. In that setting, the cry of the Israelites in the Book of Exodus becomes very real. Their thirst was not a small discomfort. It was life or death.

Scientists tell us that water is not optional. Remove it entirely from the human body, and life cannot continue. In much the same way, remove Christ from the center of our lives, and something begins to wither within us. We may remain busy, productive, even successful — but spiritually, we grow dry. In today's first reading, the Israelites — newly freed after four hundred and thirty years of slavery — begin to grumble in the desert (cf. Exodus 17:3-7). They question God: *"Is the Lord in our midst or not?"* That question still echoes today. When life feels uncertain, when prayers seem unanswered, when we are tired or discouraged, we may quietly ask the same thing.

God tells Moses to strike the rock, and from that rock water flows. The people drink and live. According to biblical theology, that rock points to Christ. He is the Rock of our salvation. From His pierced side flows the living water of grace. Saint Paul reminds us that "the love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit" (Romans 5:5-8). Poured — not rationed, not held back — but generously given. Through His death and resurrection, Christ became the source of our life.

In the Gospel of this Sunday, Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well. What begins as a request for water becomes a revelation: "Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life" (John 4:5-42). Jesus calls Himself *living water* because water is life. He is telling us plainly: *I am your life.*

We draw from many wells — achievement, security, comfort, distraction. Yet the thirst returns. What does it profit us to gain everything, but not have Christ? At best, we gain something temporary. With Him, we gain eternity. This Gospel comes to us in the middle of Lent for a reason. By now, our prayer may feel dry. Our sacrifices may feel heavy. But perhaps that dryness is not a failure — it is a grace. It reveals how much we need Him.

This weekend, our catechumens will celebrate the Rite of Election here in our parish as they prepare for Baptism at Easter. They are choosing the living water. Their desire for Christ should inspire us not to take our own faith for granted. They remind us that faith is not routine — it is a decision, a longing, a response to grace.

If you feel thirsty, do not distract yourself from it. Bring that thirst honestly to Christ and let it become prayer. Come to the Eucharist not out of routine, but knowing you cannot live without this Bread and this Living Water. In Confession, allow His mercy to wash through the hidden places of your soul. And when prayer feels dry and charity feels costly, remain. Persevere. It is often in the desert that the deepest springs are found.

When I think back to that arid landscape outside Jerusalem — the cracked earth, the endless stone, the burning sun — I am reminded that in that very desert, water flowed from the rock. Life appeared where none seemed possible. And that same Rock stands before us still.

May we never forget that even in our driest seasons, Christ remains our Rock. And from Him — even now — living water continues to flow.

With my prayers for you and your families,

Yours in Christ,

Msgr. "John" Cuong Pham

DEL CORAZON DEL PASTOR

8 de marzo, 2026

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Durante los catorce años que viví en Europa, tuve la gracia de peregrinar a Tierra Santa en varias ocasiones. Nunca lo di por hecho. A veces bromeaba diciendo que quizá conocía mejor las callecitas de la Ciudad Vieja de Jerusalén que algunas partes de Nueva York. Caminé muchas veces sobre esas piedras antiguas.

Pero lo que más me impactó no fue solo la historia, sino el desierto que rodea la ciudad: inmenso, seco, implacable. Bajo el sol ardiente, la tierra se ve agrietada, casi sin vida. Uno lo entiende enseguida: sin agua, nada puede sobrevivir. En ese contexto, el clamor del pueblo de Israel en el Éxodo cobra un sentido muy real. Su sed no era un simple malestar; era cuestión de vida o muerte.

Sabemos que el agua no es opcional. Sin ella, la vida no continúa. De la misma manera, cuando Cristo deja de estar en el centro de nuestra vida, algo dentro de nosotros comienza a secarse. Podemos seguir ocupados y cumpliendo responsabilidades, pero espiritualmente nos vamos vaciando.

En la primera lectura de este domingo, el pueblo—recién liberado después de cuatrocientos treinta años de esclavitud (cf. Éxodo 17, 3-7)—empieza a murmurar en el desierto y se pregunta: "¿Está o no está el Señor en medio de nosotros?" Esa pregunta también nace en nuestro corazón cuando la vida se vuelve incierta o sentimos que Dios guarda silencio.

Dios le dice a Moisés que golpee la roca, y de la roca brota agua. El pueblo bebe y vive. Esa roca es figura de Cristo. Él es nuestra Roca firme. De su costado abierto brota el agua viva de la gracia. San Pablo nos recuerda que *"el amor de Dios ha sido derramado en nuestros corazones por el Espíritu Santo"* (Romanos 5, 5-8). Derramado —con generosidad— por su muerte y resurrección.

En el Evangelio, Jesús se encuentra con la mujer samaritana junto al pozo y le dice: *"El que beba del agua que yo le daré, no tendrá sed jamás… será en él un manantial que brota para vida eterna"* (Juan 4, 5-42). Jesús se presenta como el Agua Viva porque el agua es vida. Nos dice claramente: *Yo soy tu vida.*

Buscamos en muchos pozos —el éxito, la seguridad, las distracciones— pero la sed vuelve. ¿De qué sirve ganarlo todo si nos falta Cristo? Todo pasa. Solo Él permanece. Este Evangelio llega en medio de la Cuaresma por una razón. Tal vez nuestra oración ya se siente seca o el sacrificio pesa. Pero esa sequedad puede ser una gracia. Nos recuerda cuánto lo necesitamos.

Este fin de semana, nuestros catecúmenos celebrarán el Rito de Elección aquí en la parroquia mientras se preparan para el Bautismo en Pascua. Ellos están eligiendo el Agua Viva. Su deseo de Cristo debe despertarnos. La fe no es rutina; es decisión y respuesta al amor de Dios.

Si sientes sed, no la ignores. Llévala a Cristo y deja que se convierta en oración. Acércate a la Eucaristía sabiendo que no puedes vivir sin este Pan y esta Agua Viva. En la Confesión, permite que su misericordia limpie tu corazón. Y cuando la oración se sienta seca y amar cueste, no te vayas. Permanece. Persevera. Muchas veces es en el desierto donde nacen los manantiales más profundos.

Cuando recuerdo aquel paisaje árido a las afueras de Jerusalén —la tierra agrietada, la piedra interminable, el sol abrasador— comprendo algo esencial: fue precisamente en ese desierto donde brotó agua de la roca. Donde parecía imposible la vida, Dios hizo surgir un manantial. Y esa misma Roca sigue hoy delante de nosotros.

Que nunca olvidemos que, aun en nuestras estaciones más secas, Cristo sigue siendo nuestra Roca. Y de Él —también ahora— sigue brotando el Agua Viva.

Cuenten siempre con mis oraciones,

En Cristo,

Mons. "Juan" Cuong Pham

PARISH REGISTRATION

We encourage all who worship with us to consider registering to our parish. Please return this form in the collection or drop it off at the parish office. Your participation will strengthen your sense of belonging in God's family.

Name(s): _____

Address:_____ **Apt**_____

City _____ **ZIP** _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

PLEASE MARK ONE:

[ ] New Registration [ ] Change of Address

PLEASE MARK ONE:

[ ] I prefer envelopes [ ] I prefer E-giving

REGISTRACION PARROQUIAL

Registrarse permite que nuestra parroquia les pueda servir sus necesidades espirituales. Por favor devuelva este formulario en la colecta o déjelo en la oficina parroquial. Su participación fortalecerá su fe y su sentido de pertenencia en la familia de Dios.

Nombre(s): _____

Dirección:_____ **Apt**_____

Ciudad:_____ **Código Postal**_____

Teléfono: _____

E-mail: _____

POR FAVOR MARCAR:

[ ] Nueva Registración [ ] Cambio de dirección

POR FAVOR MARCAR:

[ ] Prefiero Sobres [ ] Donaciones en línea

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

You are cordially invited to participate in our parish's celebration of the Stations of the Cross/Via Crucis. **This devotion is held in English every Friday during Lent right after the 12 Noon Mass in the main church, while repairs are still being done in the chapel.** Booklets will be provided for all participants. Come to retrace the steps of Jesus, to know the depth of His love for you!

ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

Están cordialmente invitados a participar en la celebración de las estaciones de la cruz/ el vía crucis en nuestra parroquia. **Esta devoción se realiza cada viernes durante la cuaresma a las 7:00pm en la Iglesia principal mientras siguen las reparaciones en la capilla.** Ven a repasar los pasos de Jesús para saber que tan profundo es Su amor por ti!

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

The next Rosary Society meeting will be held on **May 3, 2026** after the 9:30am bilingual Mass, in the Lourdes room. There will be no meeting on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026. All ladies over 15 years old are welcome. Refreshments will be served. Bring a friend!

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Spiritual writers speak of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as "the Mass held in contemplation." Devotion to the Eucharist will take place on **Friday, March 6, 2026**.

Exposition and Adoration will take place right after the 8:00am Mass and will conclude with Solemn Benediction before the start of the 12 Noon Mass.

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

We remember our deceased loved ones by having them prayed for at Mass on every first Friday of the month (the day traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus) as a meaningful way to express our love. Enrollment is $20 per name. Those enrolled the Purgatorial Society will be remembered for a whole year. We have currently enrolled: **Kevin Wooley & Genevieve Gallagher, Anna Golub, Joseph Golub, Gregory Ukic, Silvia Torres Heredia & Maria Luisa Bibiano Ozuna**

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

Prayer is one of the most powerful tools we have. It's a way for us to communicate with God and obtain His divine intervention. It can help sick people get well again and also gives us the strength in our own weakness and suffering. To add names to our Prayer List, please contact the parish office. There is no cost for enrolling people onto this list.

We are currently praying for: **William "Billy" Rumstick & Irene Luna.**

JOURNEYING HOME TOGETHER

Some activities simply become more enriching and enjoyable when shared with others. Be it watching a movie, dining out, or participating in a community Mass, these experiences often gain an added layer of joy and fulfillment in the company of others. The Lenten Season embodies a similar spirit of communal engagement. During Lent, the entire Church collectively embarks on a reflective journey, examining the presence and impact of sin both in our personal lives and in the wider world.

At the onset of Lent, we mark each other's foreheads with ashes, a symbolic act that serves as a poignant reminder of Jesus' call for us to renounce sin and worldly vanities. These forty days are a time of intentional effort and sacrifice, where we choose to eat less and redirect our resources towards assisting those in need. It's a period where we consciously abstain from harmful habits like gossip, replacing them with positive thoughts and attitudes.

Together, as a community, we strive to engage more deeply with God's word, taking deliberate steps to reorient our lives. This reorganization aims to reestablish our relationship with God and His Church as our foremost priority. Lent provides an opportune moment to partake in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a time for spiritual renewal and returning to our faith's core values.

The journey towards spiritual homecoming feels significantly more profound and meaningful when we undertake it as a community. Walking this path with others not only strengthens our individual faith but also reinforces the bonds of our shared belief and fellowship.

CAMINO A CASA JUNTOS

Algunas actividades se vuelven más enriquecedoras y placenteras cuando se comparten con otros. Ya sea viendo una película, saliendo a comer o participando en una Misa comunitaria, estas experiencias a menudo adquieren una capa adicional de alegría y satisfacción en compañía de otros. La temporada de Cuaresma encarna un espíritu similar de compromiso comunitario. Durante la Cuaresma, toda la Iglesia se embarca colectivamente en un viaje reflexivo, examinando la presencia y el impacto del pecado tanto en nuestras vidas personales como en el mundo en general.

Al comienzo de la Cuaresma, marcamos las frentes de cada uno con cenizas, un acto simbólico que sirve como un recordatorio conmovedor del llamado de Jesús a renunciar al pecado y a las vanidades mundanas. Estos cuarenta días son un tiempo de esfuerzo intencional y sacrificio, donde elegimos comer menos y redirigir nuestros recursos para ayudar a los necesitados. Es un período en el que conscientemente nos abstenemos de hábitos dañinos como el chisme, reemplazándolos con pensamientos y actitudes positivas.

Juntos, como comunidad, nos esforzamos por involucrarnos más profundamente con la palabra de Dios, tomando pasos deliberados para reorientar nuestras vidas. Esta reorganización tiene como objetivo restablecer nuestra relación con Dios y Su Iglesia como nuestra máxima prioridad. La Cuaresma proporciona un momento oportuno para participar en el Sacramento de la Reconciliación, un tiempo para la renovación espiritual y el retorno a los valores fundamentales de nuestra fe.

El viaje hacia el regreso espiritual a casa se siente significativamente más profundo y significativo cuando lo emprendemos como comunidad. Caminar este camino con otros no solo fortalece nuestra fe individual, sino que también refuerza los lazos de nuestra creencia y compañerismo compartidos.

A Simple Way to Give This Lent

Lent is a sacred season of prayer, sacrifice, and generosity. As we prepare our hearts for Easter, we are invited to reflect on the blessings God has given us and how we can share them with others. One meaningful way to live out this Lenten call is through eGiving.

eGiving is a simple, secure way to give online, making it easy to support our parish all year long. Please consider eGiving to support our parish and sustain ministries, programs, and services that strengthen our community and serve those in need every day.

It's easy to get started. Here are the ways to sign up:

- Call ParishSOFT Customer Service at 866-930-4774 option 6
- Scan the QR code
- Text "Give" to **929-254-3850**

Thank you and may God bless your generosity.

Una manera sencilla de dar durante esta Cuaresma

La Cuaresma es un tiempo sagrado de oración, sacrificio y generosidad. Mientras preparamos nuestros corazones para la Pascua, se nos invita a reflexionar sobre las bendiciones que Dios nos ha concedido y cómo podemos compartirlas con los demás. Una manera significativa de vivir este llamado cuaresmal es a través de eGiving.

eGiving es una forma sencilla y segura de donar en línea, lo que facilita apoyar a nuestra parroquia durante todo el año. Por favor, considere eGiving para apoyar a nuestra parroquia y sostener los ministerios, programas y servicios que fortalecen a nuestra comunidad y sirven a quienes más lo necesitan cada día.

Es fácil empezar. Estas son las formas de registrarse:

- Llame a Servicio al Cliente de ParishSOFT al 866-930-4774 opt 6
- Escanea el código QR
- Envíe un mensaje de texto con la palabra "Give" a **929-254-3850**

Gracias y que Dios bendiga su generosidad.

A WORD OF GRATITUDE TO DAYONEL MEJIA

We share with gratitude that Dayonel Mejia is concluding his service as Youth Minister of our parish. For the past four years, he has generously dedicated himself to our young people, inspiring them through his faith, leadership, and joyful witness. His ministry has borne much fruit in the lives of our youth and their families.

We are grateful that Dayonel will continue serving our parish, especially as a catechist, a role he has faithfully embraced for many years.

As we thank Dayonel for his generous service, we also look ahead with hope. If you feel called to serve our youth as a Youth Minister or Youth Leader, please speak with one of our priests. We are blessed with a wonderful team and would gladly welcome new members. All that is needed is a love for Christ, a heart for young people, and the desire to be a positive role model. Our teens need faithful mentors – **perhaps the Lord is calling you.**

Con sincero agradecimiento compartimos que Dayonel Mejia concluye su servicio como Ministro de Jóvenes en nuestra parroquia. Durante los últimos tres años, se ha entregado generosamente a nuestros jóvenes, inspirándolos con su fe, liderazgo y testimonio alegre. Su ministerio ha dado abundantes frutos en la vida de nuestros jóvenes y de sus familias.

Nos alegra saber que Dayonel continuará sirviendo en nuestra parroquia, especialmente como catequista, un ministerio que ha desempeñado con fidelidad durante muchos años.

Al agradecerle su generoso servicio, miramos también al futuro con esperanza. Si sientes el llamado a servir a nuestros jóvenes como Ministro o Líder Juvenil, te invitamos a hablar con uno de nuestros sacerdotes. Somos un gran equipo y estaremos felices de recibir nuevos miembros. Solo se necesita amor por Cristo, un corazón dispuesto para acompañar a los jóvenes y el deseo de ser un buen ejemplo para ellos. Nuestros adolescentes necesitan mentores de fe – **quizá el Señor te está llamando a ti.**

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BABY-BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

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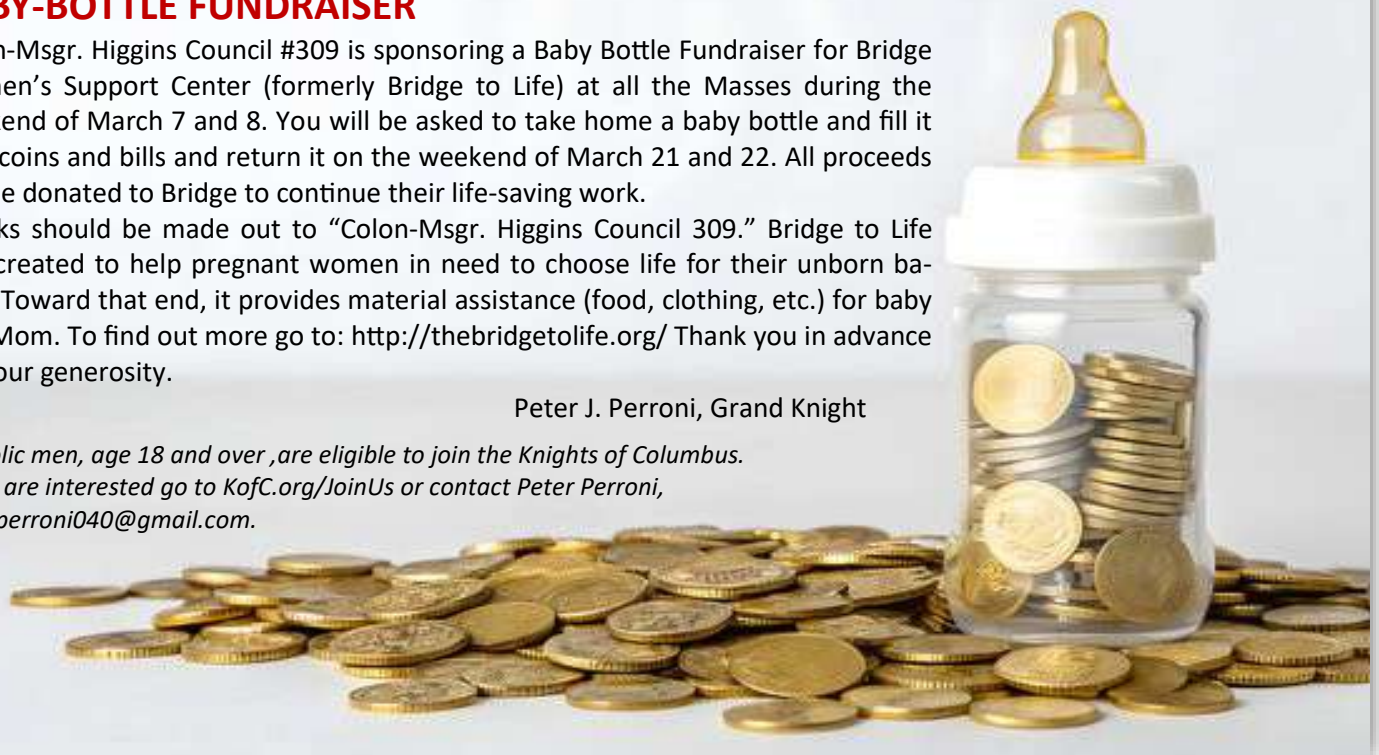
Checks should be made out to "Colon-Msgr. Higgins Council 309." Bridge to Life was created to help pregnant women in need to choose life for their unborn babies. Toward that end, it provides material assistance (food, clothing, etc.) for baby and Mom. To find out more go to: http://thebridgetolife.org/ Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Peter J. Perroni, Grand Knight

Catholic men, age 18 and over ,are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. If you are interested go to KofC.org/JoinUs or contact Peter Perroni, peterperroni040@gmail.com.



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