# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH



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#### **PARISH INFORMATION**

#### OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday

8:30 am - 4:00 pm

#### **Friday**

8:30 am - Noon

Closed on federal holidays and holy days of obligation

#### MASS SCHEDULE Monday - Saturday

8:00 am

#### Wednesday

7:00 pm en espanol

#### Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm

#### Sunday\*

8:00 am & 11:15 am 1:00 pm *en espanol* 

#### \* Memorial Day - Labor Day

an additional Sunday Mass is celebrated at 9:30 am

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Every first Saturday at the 8:00 am Mass

#### Close to Death Emergencies

843-785-2895, ext. 225 to reach the on-call priest

#### CONFESSION Monday - Friday

after the 8:00 am

Daily Mass

Saturday

#### 3:30 - 4:30 pm

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION
After the 8:00 am Mass

# FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

7:30 am Rosary

# ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

#### Monday - Friday

7:00 am - 6:00 pm

#### Saturday

7:00 am - 4:00 pm **Sunday** 

#### Sulluay

2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

#### DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET & BENEDICTION Wednesday

3:00 pm

#### SACRAMENT INQUIRIES Baptism, First Communion & Confirmation

education@holyfamilyhhi.org

#### Marriage

If you are seeking to be married at Holy Family, please contact Deacon Bill at deacon@holyfamilyhhi.org

#### RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SHOP Monday - Thursday

8:30 am - 4:00 pm

#### Friday

8:30 am - Noon

#### Saturday

4:30 pm - 5:15 pm

#### Sunday

Open after Mass

# RECURRING MINISTRY MEETINGS Ladies Guild

10:00 am | Parish Hall 3rd Wednesday of the month (September - April)

#### **Knights of Columbus**

7:30 pm | Parish Hall 3rd Wednesday of the month

#### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

10:30 am

3rd Thursday of the month (September - May)

#### **Rosary Making**

Friday, October 3rd after 8:00 am Mass

October 5, 2025

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Saturday, 10/4: St. Francis of Assisi

Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29 | Luke 10:17-24

8:00 am: Pastor's Intentions

5:00 pm: John Albertini + Joe Allegra

Sunday, 10/5: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 | 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 | Luke 17:5-10 8:00 am: James Robert Howe + Mary Kay Topper

11:15 am: Pro Populo

1:00 pm en espanol: Pro Populo

Monday, 10/6: St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Jonah 1:1-2:1-2, 11 | Luke 10:25-37

8:00 am: John Albertini + Barbara & Gerry Popovsky

Tuesday, 10/7: Our Lady of the Rosary

Jonah 3:1-10 | Luke 10:38-42

8:00 am: Juanita Carbajal Moreno + The Moreno Moreno Family

Wednesday, 10/8

Jonah 4:1-11 | Luke 11:1-4

8:00 am: David, Ada Gail & Maryanne

& Morty Sitvarin +

Thursday, 10/9: St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs;

St. John Leonardi, Priest

Malachi 3:13-20b | Luke 11:5-13

8:00 am: John Albertini + Suzie Gardner

Friday, 10/10

Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2 | Luke 11:15-26

8:00 am: Brigida Vivas + Mary Ann Pogoda

Saturday, 10/11: St. John XXIII, Pope

Joel 4:12-21 | Luke 11:27-28 8:00 am: Pastor's Intentions

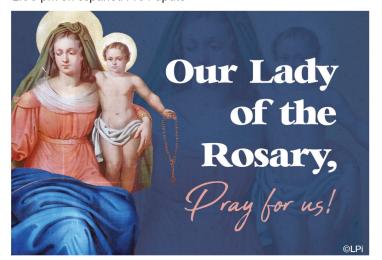
5:00 pm: Intentions of Anne Nykiel Mary Ann Pogoda

Sunday, 10/12: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 5:14-17 | 2 Timothy 2:8-13 | Luke 17:11-19

8:00 am: Arthur Arsenault +

11:15 am: Pro Populo 1:00 pm en espanol: Pro Populo



Arsenault Family

#### THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL FOCUS

#### October 5, 2025

# Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 17:5-10



A priest friend of mine received a call from a family whose elderly mother was dying. Within thirty minutes, he was at her bedside, offering the consolation of the sacraments, anointing her with the oil of the sick, and commending her soul to God. She passed not long after, and for months, her family spoke of their deep gratitude for his presence. When I phoned him to commend his faithful ministry, he simply said, "I was just doing my job."

His words brought to mind Jesus' teaching this week in Luke 17:10: "So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty." In a world that often seeks recognition and applause, the Lord invites us into a different mindset – one of humble service. The priest did not see his response as extraordinary; he saw it as a grace to fulfill his vocation. How tempting it is to seek affirmation for doing what I ought to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that true discipleship is not about grandstanding but about quiet faithfulness. It is enough to have served. It is enough to have loved. It is enough to be grateful that we were given the chance to do our duty in the first place. Whether in priesthood, parenthood, or any vocation, what peace-soaked freedom there is in simply doing what is asked of us. No more, no less. Jesus, that is how you quietly love us.

– Father John Muir ©LPi

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Your financial support funds all ministries and daily operations at Holy Family. Your contributions enable us to maintain a safe, spiritual, and inspiring environment. If you wish, you may register for online giving by scanning the QR code with your smartphone's camera, or you may place your gift in the offering basket each week. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office. *Thank you for your generosity!* 



WEEKLY NEED: \$19,821.11

Due to the printing schedule, weekly financials are not available



**Daily Rosary** Monday - Saturda 7:30 am l Church Ladies Guild Rosary
Monday
10:00 am | Church

Pro-Life Rosary
Wednesday
4:45 pm | Adoration Chapel

Patriotic Rosary
Wednesday
3:30 pm | Adoration Chapel

Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary
Saturday
8:30 am | Adoration Chapel

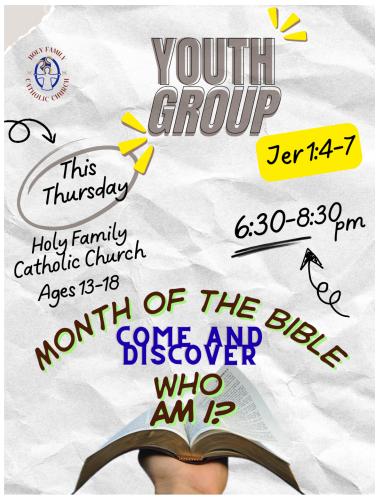
#### Online

Monday - Friday
Join Rick Kane on YouTube
as he prays the daily
Rosary along with original
scripture-based
reflections on each mystery



Scan with your smartphone's









As a reminder, in the event of severe weather ALL updates regarding the parish schedule will be communicated via Flocknote emails to your inbox and shared on our website: <a href="https://www.holyfamilyhhi.org">www.holyfamilyhhi.org</a>

# TOWN OF HILTON HEAD EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GUIDE

Visit www.hiltonheadislandsc.gov to learn how you can prepare in the event of an emergency on Hilton Head Island.



# **PROCLAIM THE FAITH**YEAR 1 STUDY GUIDES

Monthly study guides can be used in personal prayer and for small group reflection.

# OCTOBER 2025

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Read Mt 13:1-23

#### REFLECT:

- 1. Why do you think Jesus uses this image of the "sower" to talk about the Kingdom of God? What can we ascertain from pondering the figure of the sower and his behavior in this passage?
- 2. What might the different types of soil tell us about receptiveness to the Gospel message? How might this affect how we think about evangelizing?
- 3. What type of soil do you think you are at this moment? What areas of potential growth can you identify?

#### **READ:** A selection from *Via Fidelis* — Chapter 3

When we hear the word "evangelization," we often imagine knocking on people's doors or preaching on a streetcorner. While such efforts are sometimes helpful, this is not how most of us will be called to evangelize.

Rather, evangelization begins by walking alongside the people who God has placed in our lives — our family members, friends, neighbors and co-workers. We form relationships with them and meet them where they are. This is what Jesus did when he first began to walk with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, asking about them and listening to their worries and fears.

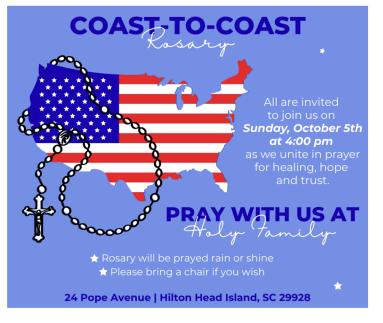
In the context of this relationship, we can help to gradually establish trust and clear away obstacles that might hindering the person's relationship with God. By being approachable and joyful in living our faith, they can feel comfortable to inquire or pose questions to us about God.

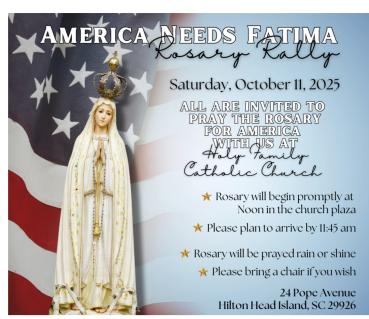
This is a gradual process of "clearing the soil" so that their hearts might be better prepared to receive the seeds of faith, so that the seeds of faith can land in good soil rather than rocky soil (Mt 13:1-9). This preparation can be called "pre-evangelization."

#### REFLECT:

- 1.In this passage, the bishop talks about the importance of relationships. Why do you think this is such a key component for the process of evangelization?
- 2. The image invoked here from Emmaus is one of walking together with others. How does this inform our understanding of our baptismal mission to make disciples?
- 3.In what ways does understanding ourselves in the context of the soil in the "Parable of the Sower" help us to understand others? In what ways can we "cultivate the soil" in the hearts of those we walk with?









# SAVE-THE-DATE: VETERAN'S DAY CONCERT ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH!

Please email a .jpeg photo of you or your loved one to Dr. Kane at music@holyfamilyhhi.org by Monday, November 3rd to be included in the slideshow during the concert. Provide full name and branch of service.

PART-TIMERS are welcome to submit phots as well!







Prepare for a trip of a lifetime!

September 8-18, 2026

Fr. Christopher and Holy Family Parish invite you on a pilgrimage to Ireland, where our Catholic faith is woven into the fabric of Irish history, culture, and the stunning landscapes. This journey is designed for pilgrims seeking a meaningful connection with their faith in a land steeped in religious tradition.

Double Occupancy: \$5,950

Single Occupancy: + \$1,375

payment discounts available

For a detailed itinerary and to register, please visit: www.holyfamilyhhi.org





# TO OUR NEWLY REGISTERED FAMILIES TO HOLY FAMILY!



### JOIN OUR PARISH!

Are you new to the area? Visit our website or scan the QR code with your smartphone's camera to register!



# CONNECT WITH US!

















#### **LIFE-CHAIN BEAUFORT**

All are welcome to make a public, prayerful stand for life.

WHEN: Sunday, October 5th

TIME: Registration begins at 1:45 pm

WHERE: Beaufort City Hall at 1911 Boundary Street

#### Rosary Makers

The next meeting will take place in the Parish Office conference room on Friday, October 10th following 8:30 am Mass. Please join this great group, as they are in need of more volunteers! Supplies are provided!





#### **LOURDES PILGRIMAGE**

Do you have a chronic and/or terminal medical or mental health condition? Are you being called by Mary to be healed, be it physically, emotionally or spiritually? Would you and a

companion consider joining with others from around the world for an all-expenses paid pilgrimage to Lourdes, France from April 29 - May 6, 2026?

The Order of Malta is now accepting applications until Friday, December 1, 2025. If interested, please leave your contact information at the Parish Office, 843-785-2895, and someone from the Order of Malta will notify you to provide further details about the 2026 pilgrimage.

#### ITALIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL Holy Family Ladies Guild & Deanery Ticket Sales Service Project

Your ticket purchase help with our fundraising for the John Paul II Catholic School Scholarship Fund! Purchase a ticket for yourself, treat someone, or have Terry Doyle donate it! *Tickets will be on sale in the plaza on October 12th.* 

Chairperson: Terry Doyle 843-816-7677 - Call for Tickets Where: Coastal Discovery Museum at Honey Horn When: Saturday, October 18, 2025, 11:00 am - 4:00pm Cost: Adults \$8.00 - Children 10 and under free

For more information, please visit: https://www.iachh.org/italian-heritage-festival

#### THE CHOSEN SEASON 4

Come and see what the disciples of Jesus discovered. All are welcome to check out The Chosen in the Parish Hall on Wednesdays after the 8:00 am Mass.

Wednesdays:

10/8; 10/22; 10/29; 11/5; 11/19



Food Pantry

Please bring your donations to the baskets in the church narthex, or to the SVDP office Monday-Friday, before noon.

We appreciate your generosity!

Questions? Please call the SDVP office at 843-785-2895, ext. 222



fresh produce

# **Prayer**REQUESTS

The Prayer Chain Ministry is an email group that prays for the intentions of Holy Family parishioners. Submit a prayer request by emailing info@holyfamilyhhi.org or by calling the Parish Office.

Listing will remain in the bulletin for 1 month.



#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

# For those that have recently died, especially:

Kristine De Rubertis William Fitzpatrick Joanne Knauss

# For the sick in our community, especially:

John Fitzpatrick
Angel Gerena
Ed Gruchacz
Michael Luchino
Nancy Mahoney
Mary Mendoni
Fr. Ronald Farrell
Brendan Reilley



#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Fresh altar flower arrangements may be donated:

- to honor a friend or family member
- to remember a loved one
- to celebrate an anniversary or for any reason you wish.

To donate and dedicate altar flowers, please contact info@holyfamilyhhi.org

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#### October 4 & 5, 2025

#### Prelude

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" Sebastian Temple (1928-1997) setting by Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

"We Gather Together"

KREMSER; Dutch melody, 1626
setting by Thaddeus P. Cavuoti (b. 1955)

"Peace" Karen Beaumont (b. 1965)

#### Communion Meditation

"My Song of Today/I Want to Walk as a Child" St. Therese de Lisieux/K. Thomerson/PM Kane sung by The Holy Family Choirs at 8:00 & 11:15

#### Postlude

"Grand Chorus in D Major"

"in the style of Handel"

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

#### October 11 & 12, 2025

#### **Prelude**

"Ciacona"

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

2 settings of "Balm in Gilead" (Gullah Spiritual) Setting 1 by Robert Lau (b. 1943) Setting 2 by Edwin T. Childs (b. 1945)

#### Communion Meditation

"All My Days"

based on Psalm 8/Dan Schutte (b. 1947) sung by The Holy Family Choirs at 8:00 & 11:15

#### Postlude

"Now Thank We All Our God" from Cantata No. 79 J. S. Bach (1695-1750/arr. Virgl Fox (1912-1980)

#### Memorial of Thérèse de Lisieux, October 1

As a communion meditation on **October 5**, the choir will sing a setting of a poem written by **St. Thérèse de Lisieux**, the Little Flower of Jesus, called "Mon Chant Aujourd'hui" ("My Song of Today"). St. Therese's text is aptly paired in a partner song (also known as a "quodlibet") with the first verse of Kathleen Thomerson's "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light." We praise and thank God for this remarkable saint who knew that to get to heaven: "I need not grow. On the contrary, I must remain little, I must become still less."

# "Mon Chant Aujourd'hui" ("My Song of Today") Oh! how I love Thee, Jesus! my soul aspires to Thee – And yet for one day only my simple prayer I pray!

And yet for one day only my simple prayer I pray! Come reign within my heart, smile tenderly on me, Today, dear Lord, today.

But if I dare take thought of what the morrow brings – That fills my fickle heart with dreary, dull dismay; I crave, indeed, my God, trials and sufferings, But only for today!



O sweetest Star of heaven! O Virgin, spotless, blest, Shining with Jesus' light, guiding to Him my way! O Mother! 'neath thy veil let my tired spirit rest, For this brief passing day!

Soon shall I fly afar among the holy choirs, Then shall be mine the joy that never knows decay; And then my lips shall sing, to heaven's angelic lyres. The eternal, glad today!

"Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love."

— St. Therese of Lisieux

#### AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

# JOHN PAUL II STUDENTS & THE UNITED WAY OF THE LOWCOUNTRY Recently, JPII seniors took part in a powerfu

Recently, JPII seniors took part in a powerful Poverty Simulation with United Way of the Lowcountry, stepping into the daily struggles faced by families living in poverty. For three hours, the Class of 2026 juggled job loss, rent

payments, transportation issues, and unexpected expenses—each decision bringing home the reality of life on the financial edge. This eye-opening experience launches their Capstone service projects and reminds students of their call to serve with empathy and action.

"This simulation challenges us to reflect on service, empathy, and social responsibility," shared JPII President David Lima. "Our seniors are ready to lead with faith, compassion, and purpose."



Ready to see how JPII combines academic excellence, athletic achievement, artistic sensibility, and a focus on safety to create a nurturing environment? Visit the admissions section of our website at johnpaul2school.org. Online applications for the 2026-2027 school

year open October 15. Contact Anne McClure, Admissions Director, at 843.645.3838, ext. 109, to schedule your private tour today!



# "LET'S TALK CANCER"

2<sup>ND</sup> Annual – Cancer Forum

Tuesday, October 14th 2:00pm - 5:00pm

#### St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church

31 Saint Gregory Drive, Bluffton, SC 29909

Complimentary refreshments will be severed from 2:00 – 2:45 pm.

The program begins at 3:00pm. This is a "Free Ticketed" Event.

Guest Speakers from Medical University of South Carolina Hollings Cancer Center in Charleston—An NCI Cancer Center

Hear about the latest in CANCER RESEARCH and TREATMENTS happening at the state's only NCI-designated cancer center. Also, learn more about MUSC's EXPANSION into the area and the introduction of Dr. Christie Hilton (Oncologist) who specializes in the treatment of Breast Cancer. Keynote Speakers:

- William Hawkins, M.D. Deputy Director of Hollings Cancer Center, Oncologist
- \* Kevin Hughes, M.D. Director of Hereditary Cancer Genetics, Surgical Oncologist
- Theodore Gourdin, M.D. Prostate & Genitourinary Cancers, Medical Oncologist
- Judit Jimenez Sainz Ph.D. MUSC Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology / Breast & Ovarian Cancer Researcher Dr. Sainz is the Recipient of the Terminate Cancer Foundation Idea Award-2025

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OCTOBER 24-25, 2025

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#### TIMES & MEALS

FRIDAY: 6:00-7:00 DINNER FRIDAY: 7:00-9:00 RETREAT SATURDAY: 8:30 LIGHT BREAKFAST SATURDAY: 9:00-12:00 RETREAT SATURDAY: 12:00 LUNCH SATURDAY: 1:00-4:30 RETREAT



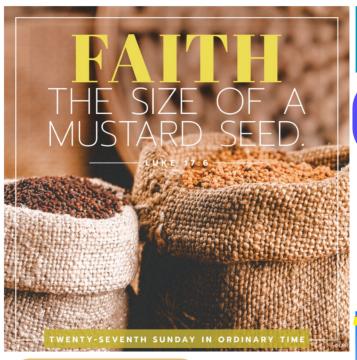


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Adquiere tus boletos para el peregrinaje del JUBILEO 2025! Despues de misa o en la oficina



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11 de Oct



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# 8 de Nov

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- Desayuno ligero
- Transporte de Holy Family a Catedral
- Tour de la catedral

# Jesús Eucaristía

### Visita a Jesús



**LUNES - VIERNES** 

7:00AM - 6:00PM

**SABADO** 

7:00AM - 4:00PM

**DOMINGOS** 

2:00PM - 6:00PM

Preguntas o para anotarse | (843) 785-2895; ext. 223

#### **SANTA MISA EN ESPAÑOL:**

Miercoles 7pm **Domingos 1pm** 

### **ESCUELA DE LA FE**

Las proximas clases seran el **22** de **septiembre** y **8** de **octubre** a las **7pm**. ¿Preguntas? Comuniquese con la Sra. Gloria Benitez, al (843)816-9051

#### **Emergencias Financieras**

Si usted vive en Hilton Head, no dude en contactar a la oficina para analizar cómo podemos ayudarle. (843) 785-2895; ext 222



**JUEVES DE** 6:30-8:30PM



**UNITE A SERVIR** COMO **MONAGUILLO** 

Llama a la oficina; ext.223 Ora con María v recibe a la Virgen Peregrina en tu hogar! Llamaala oficina

# Sacramentos

#### Bautismos para menores de años

\*Acta de nacimiento del niño \*Formulario para bautizo (en oficina) \*Formulario para padrinos

Platica Pre-bautismales

21 Oct (St Francis)
Por favor llamar a la oficina para registrarse

# Emergencias Sacramentales

Llame al (843)785-2895; ext. 225
Unción de los Enfermos
Llame al (843)785-2895, ext. 223 ... si en su hogar hay una persona enferma que no puede asistir a Misa por su condición de salud.



# PROCLAMAR LA FE AÑO 1: GUÍAS DE ESTUDIO

Las quías de estudio mensuales se pueden utilizar en la oración personal y para la reflexión en grupos pequeños.

# 2025 DE OCTUBRE

#### SAGRADA ESCRITURA

Leer Mateo: 13:1-23

#### REFLEXIÓN:

- 1.¿Por qué crees que Jesús usa esta imagen del "sembrador" para hablar del Reino de Dios? Qué podemos concluir al reflexionar sobre la figura del sembrador y su comportamiento en
- 2.; Qué nos dicen los diferentes tipos de suelo sobre la receptividad al mensaje del Evangelio? ¿Cómo podría esto afectar nuestra forma de pensar sobre la evangelización?
- 3. En qué tipo de suelo crees que te encuentras en este momento? ¿Qué áreas de crecimiento

#### **LEER:** Una selección de *Via Fidelis* — Capítulo 3

Cuando escuchamos la palabra "evangelización", a menudo nos imaginamos tocando puertas o predicando en una esquina. Si bien estos esfuerzos a veces son útiles, no es así como la mayoría de nosotros estamos llamados a evangelizar. Más bien, la evangelización comienza mayoria de nosotros estamos llamados a evangelizar. Más bien, la evangelización comienza acompañando a las personas que Dios ha puesto en nuestras vidas: nuestros familiares, amigos, vecinos y compañeros de trabajo. Forjamos relaciones con ellos y los encontramos donde están. Esto es lo que hizo Jesús cuando comenzó a caminar con los dos discípulos en el camino a Emaús, preguntándose por ellos y escuchando sus preocupaciones y temores. En el contexto de esta relación, podemos ayudar a establecer gradualmente la confianza y a eliminar los obstáculos que podrían obstaculizar la relación de la persona con Dios. Al ser accesibles y vivir nuestra fe con alegría, pueden sentirse cómodos para preguntarnos o hacernos preguntas sobre Dios. Este es un proceso gradual de "preparación del terreno" para que sus corazones estén mejor preparados para recibir las semillas de la fe, de modo que estas puedan caer en tierra fertil y no en terreno pedregoso (Mt 13,1-9). Esta preparación puede llamarse preevangelización

#### **REFLEXION:**

1.En este pasaje, el obispo habla de la importancia de las relaciones. ¿Por qué crees que son un componente clave para el proceso de evangelización? 2.La imagen que se evoca aquí, de Emaús, es la de caminar juntos. ¿Cómo influye esto en nuestra comprensión de nuestra misión bautismal de hacer discípulos? 3. ¿De qué maneras comprendernos a nosotros mismos en el contexto de la tierra en la "Parábola del Sembrador" nos ayuda a comprender a los demás? ¿Cómo podemos "cultivar la tierra" en los corazones de quienes nos acompañan?





