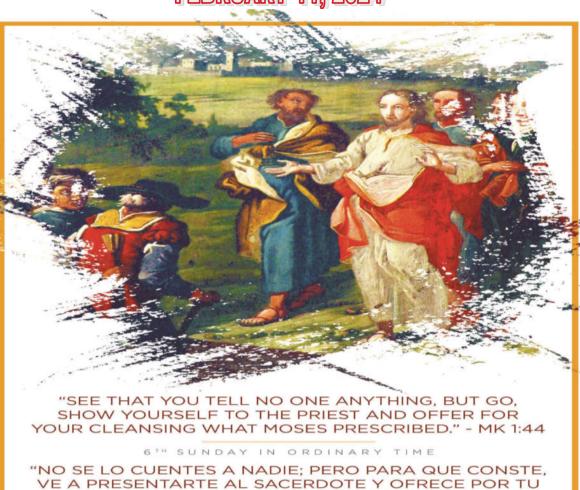
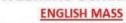


FEBRUARY 11, 2024



WEEKEND SCHEDULES



SATURDAY: 5:00 P.M. ANTICIPATED HOLY MASS SUNDAY: 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM

PURIFICACIÓN LO PRESCRITO POR MOISÉS". - MC 1, 44

MISA EN ESPANOL
DOMINGO: 7:30 AM Y 12:00 PM



ENGLISH Mon & Wed 7:00 A.M SPANISH Martes Y Jueves 7:00 AM BILINGÜE Fri./Viernes 7:00 AM

CONFESSIONS Saturday 3 pm to 4 pm In the Church CONFESIONES Sabado de 3 pm a 4 pm In la Iglesia



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DOMINGO 9:00 AM - SPANISH

# GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE February 11, 2024 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Recently I had a skin rash, and it was awful. (Please don't tell anyone.) I am embarrassed to admit that I didn't handle it well. Complaining, whining, begging for sympathy, and crying were my responses to the merciless itching and burning. In the aftermath, a silver lining emerged. I feel a new heartfelt sympathy for all those vexed with chronic skin problems. If you've ever had a seemingly unending skin problem, you know how that sympathy flows up from deep inside.

This gut-level compassion is something like what the Gospel describes in Jesus when the sore-covered leper says, "If you will it, you can make me clean." At this, just before the healing, Jesus was "moved with compassion." The Greek word used here is strong and earthy, closer to "his bowels and guts trembled with the deepest emotions of sadness, pity, and love." In Jesus, God heals our infirmities not from a divine distance but by learning what it feels like to be us. He acquires first-hand experience of what it costs us to be afflicted and still be faithful to God. He sympathizes with the burning, itching, and blistering of human existence in the deepest, first-hand way. To discover that is to touch Jesus' heart.

What in your life, right now, is breaking out like diseased skin? What is getting worse the more you try to soothe it? Perhaps only you feel it. Or maybe it's exposed to all. A bad habit, broken relationship, loneliness, fear of failure, self-hatred? Name it, and then find a way to bring it confidently to Jesus who will feel what we are feeling, and thereby heal us. Father John Muir

#### MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

11 de febrero de 2024 - 6º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En la actualidad, a pesar del avance de la medicina, existen enfermedades incurables. ¿Cuáles son las enfermedades incurables ahora? ¿De qué padecemos? ¿Quiénes son los leprosos actuales? ¿Qué personas son las expulsadas de la ciudad y de la sociedad? En tiempo de Jesús, era la lepra; los enfermos, al adquirir está enfermedad, eran expulsados de la ciudad y no podían acercarse a las personas sanas. Hoy, Jesús sigue haciendo milagros de todo tipo, sigue curando, tocando y alivianando a los necesitados. Acercarse al pobre significa luchar y comprometerse con su persona para que salga de su pobreza y enfermedad. ¿Cómo tocamos y ayudamos a los que sufren en la sociedad actual?

La curación del leproso del Evangelio nos dice que Jesús toco al leproso sin temor a contagiarse. Su compasión se muestra con el diálogo entre ambos: «Se le acercó un leproso, que se arrodilló ante él y le suplicó: "Si quieres, puedes limpiarme". Sintiendo compasión, Jesús extendió la mano y lo tocó diciendo: "Quiero, queda limpio"» (Marcos 1, 40-41). Jesús rompe las reglas al tocar el leproso, lo importante en este caso era la empatía, la compasión, el ser uno con el otro. Lo que hizo Jesús le traerá consecuencias fatales, romper la ley no era aceptable. El acercamiento con respeto a los enfermos significa una muestra de amor grande para ellos. Salgamos de nuestra burbuja, busquemos a los que sufren, que, con seguridad, están en la familia y amigos. ¡No seamos indiferentes a su sufrimiento!

# **Liturgical** Life

# CATHOLIC

#### Sin and Loneliness

When I was in high school, we read "The Metamorphosis" by Franz Kafka. It's a depressing little novella about a man who (spoiler alert!) turns into a cockroach and dies of neglect, his family gradually ceasing to recognize the creature he has become.

"Never underestimate how badly human beings need touch," our teacher told us. "Without each other, we curl up and die."

Our need for communion with each other is written into our biology — breathing and heart rate of newborns regulates when they lie against the skin of their mothers, and we instinctively reach out to embrace someone who has been wounded. But it is also written into our souls. Consider the early days of the pandemic, and the emotional starvation we all experienced, prevented from gathering in groups to worship, to celebrate and to mourn. And when we did encounter other people, we kept a mutual distance. "I feel like a leper," we grumbled to our families when we returned home, because we finally understood it: the real tragedy of leprosy is not pain and disfigurement. The real tragedy of leprosy is loneliness.

"If you wish, you can make me clean," begged the leper as he knelt before Christ (Mark 1:40). He wasn't begging for deliverance from pain and disfigurement. He was begging for deliverance from isolation.

"If you wish, you can make me clean," we beg God in confession, not because we are physically withering and dying but because we are so desperate to once again be held in His embrace.

"Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, 'I do will it. Be made clean.'" — Mark 1:41

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

# Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

What is the difference between a "Saint" and a "Blessed"?

#### Answer:

The process of proclaiming someone as a saint in the Catholic Church has evolved over the course of many centuries. In the beginning, those honored as saints were almost exclusively biblical figures or martyrs. However, after the legalization of Christianity in the fourth century, new holy women and men came to be honored as saints, and this was often done by popular acclaim or by the local bishop or abbot.

It was Pope Gregory IX (who was pope from 1227 to 1241) who officially proclaimed that only the pope had the authority to add someone to the official list (the "canon") of saints. This is the meaning of the word "canonization."

Today, the saint-making process includes several steps, including detailed studies of the person's life and a recognition that they died as a martyr or lived a life of "heroic virtue." Once someone is recognized as a martyr or if a miracle is attributed to their intercession. they will be beatified and honored as "Blessed." This means that they can be celebrated by Catholics in a particular country or region or by the members of certain religious community. If another miracle occurs and is approved, then the "Blessed" is canonized and honored with the title "Saint," meaning that they are now officially recognized as a universal model of holiness and an intercessor.



# Sacred Heart Scout Troop 1927



Once again this year, our Sacred Heart Scout Troop 1927 has earned the distinction of being a Pope Paul VI Catholic Unit of Excellence—the fourth consecutive year our scouts have earned this honor. Troop 1927 is the only Catholic scout troop in the Diocese of Brownsville to earn this distinction.

Additionally, several of our scouts earned their Catholic Religious Emblem, the Ad Altare Dei ("To the Altar of God") and were presented with it at last Sunday's 5:30 PM Mass:

Joaquin Alonzo, Jacob Cantu, Patrick Gilkerson, Juan Gael Hernandez, Matthew Maldonado, Daniel Kai Miller, Joshua Anthony Ozuna, Justin Archer Ozuna, Evan Saabedra, Sean Tamez

Congratulations to all of our Sacred Heart Scouts and Leaders.



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Mass & Ash Distribution Schedule Wednesday, February 14, 2024



7:00 am
7:30 am – 11:45am
Ash Distribution
12:00 pm
Bilingual Mass
1:00 pm – 2:45 pm
3:00 pm
Bilingual Service
4:00 pm – 5:45 pm
6:00 pm
Bilingual Mass

St. Joseph Misión Chapel 6:30 PM Bilingual Service & Distribution Horario de Misas y Distribución de cenizas Miércoles, 14 de febrero de 2024



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3:00PM Servicio Bilingüe
4:00PM-5:45PM Distribución de cenizas
6:00PM Misa Bilingüe

Capilla San Jose 6:30PM servicio bilingüe y distribución de cenizas



SATURDAY		February 10
5:00 pm	† † †	Fr. Ricardo Garcia Guadalupe Navarro
SUNDAY		February 11
7:30 am	† † †	Maria del Socorro Arturo Martinez, Andres Alvarez Juana Mendoza, Demetrio Lopez
10:00 am	† †	Joe Vasquez Arturo Sanchez
12:00 pm	† † † †	
5:30 pm		Faithful of the Parish
MONDAY		February 12
7:00 am	†	Fr. Richard Lifrak,SS,CC.
TUESDAY		February 13
7:00 am	† †	Deacon Oscar Cuevas, Victoria Martinez, Connie Saetta Joe Vasquez, Arturo Sanchez
WEDNESDAY		February 14
7:00 am 12:00 pm		Faithful of the Parish Fieles de la Parroquia
THURSDAY		February 15
7:00 am	†	Maria Guadalupe Rios Gonzalez
FRIDAY		February 16
7:00 am	† † †	Victor, Petra & Alfonso Rodriguez Diana Anzaldua, Martin & Joel Porras, Eulalia Romero

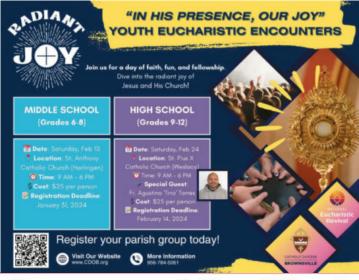
# GRUPO DE ORACION MISA Y ADORACION JUEVES 15 DE FEBRERO, 2024 7:00 PM

#### The Unfailing Goodness of God

I have always wondered why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It's not that I can't understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, he knew that as soon as people heard, he would be mobbed with requests for healings, and his movements restricted.

What gets me is the fact that Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It's a - complicated question, and when I reflect on it, I can't help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen? Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when - He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him. Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That's a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it's plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus' command, God still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As someone trying to live out a stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of you right now?
Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS





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#### **Confessions**

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For those who are unable to attend on Saturday please call the Parish Office to make an appointment...

#### **Confesiones**

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Los que no pueden asistir el Sabado pueden hablar a la oficina parroquial para hacer una cita

#### Marriage

Please contact a priest or a deacon at least six months before your proposed wedding date. We look forward to helping you get ready for this great sacrament.

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#### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament helps with serious illnesses or disabilities of the aged. Contact the office for more information.

#### Unción de los Enfermos

Este sacramento ayuda en una enfermedad seria o en la fragilidad de la vejez. Pueden llamar a la oficina.

#### **Quinceñeras Services**

Please Contact the parish office for more information. Favor de llamar a la oficina

#### Visiting the Sick/Visitando a los Enfermos

Contact the office for a home visit. Llamar a la oficina para que lo visiten

#### **Pro-Life Quotations for Bulletins**

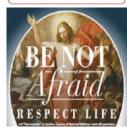
Nonetheless, every child conceived by in vitro fertilization is truly deserving of respect and love: Each is a human person, regardless of the manner of conception. The problem is that the way they are brought into the world does not live up to their dignity.

"Life Matters: Reproductive Technologies," Respect Life Program 2011-2012

#### A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life. Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.





#### Citas Pro-Vida para Boletines

Sin embargo, cada niño concebido por fertilización in vitro es verdaderamente merecedor de respeto y amor: cada uno es una persona humana, independientemente de la forma de concepción. El problema es que la forma en que son traídos al mundo no está a la altura de su dignidad.

"La Vida Importa: Tecnologías Reproductivas", Programa Respeto a la Vida 2011-2012

#### Oración a san José, defensor de la vida

Amadísimo san José: Ante el pedido de un ángel, amorosamente llevaste a María a tu hogar. Como humilde siervo de Dios, guiaste a la Sagrada Familia por el camino hacia Belén, acogiste a Jesús como tu hijo en el refugio de un pesebre, y huiste lejos de tu patria para la seguridad de la Madre y el Hijo. Alabamos a Dios porque tú, siendo su fiel protector, nunca dudaste sacrificarte por quienes fueron encomendados a ti. Que tu ejemplo nos inspire también para acoger, atesorar y proteger el más preciado don de la vida que nos regala Dios. Ayúdanos a comprometernos con fidelidad para servir y defender la vida humana —en especial donde es vulnerable o esté amenazada. Obtennos la gracia de hacer la voluntad de Dios en todas las cosas. Amén.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT. MAY GOD BLESS YOU.



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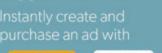
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