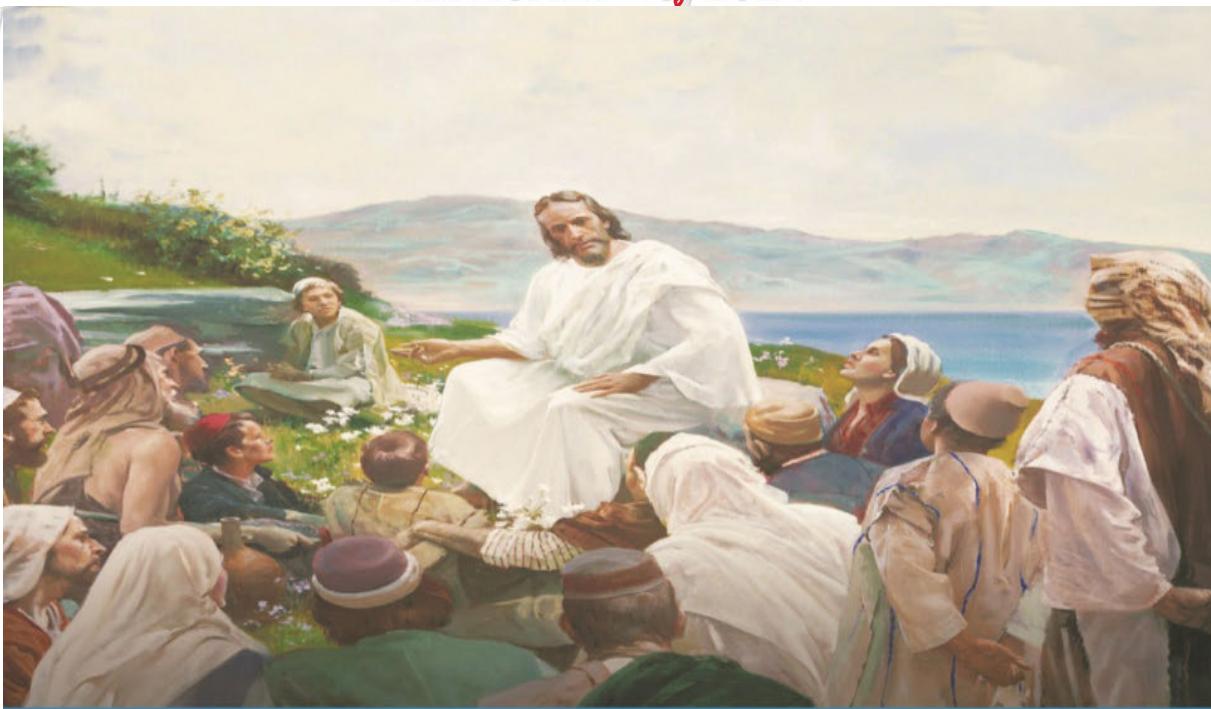


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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15

Después de que arrestaron a Juan el Bautista, Jesús se fue a Galilea para predicar el Evangelio de Dios y decía: "Se ha cumplido el tiempo y el Reino de Dios ya está cerca. Arrepíentanse y crean en el Evangelio". - Mc 1, 14-15

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WEEKEND SCHEDULES

ENGLISH MASS

SATURDAY: 5:00 P.M. ANTICIPATED HOLY MASS

SUNDAY: 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM

MISA EN ESPAÑOL

DOMINGO: 7:30 AM Y 12:00 PM



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ENGLISH Mon & Wed 7:00 A.M	SPANISH Martes Y Jueves 7:00 AM	BILINGÜE Fri./Viernes 7:00 AM	CONFESIONS Saturday 3 pm to 4 pm In the Church	CONFESIONES Sabado de 3 pm a 4 pm In la Iglesia	CAPILLA SAN JOSE 4101 Flores St. Edinburg, TX A Mission of Sacred Heart Church DOMINGO 9:00 AM - SPANISH

GOSPEL MEDITATION
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
February 18, 2024 - 1st Sunday of Lent

When I feel down, I sometimes watch the famous “Double Rainbow” video on YouTube to feel better. It’s hilarious. A young man camping in Yosemite Park sees two rainbows stretching across the sky. He bursts into a kind of ecstasy. “Double rainbow, all the way! Oh my God!” he announces. Then he starts to weep. He cries out, “What does it mean?” Beneath the humor of his glorious overreaction is the deep intuition we all have, I think, when we see the colorful bow in the sky. This Sunday, God sends a rainbow to Noah, and to us. What does it mean?

Long before YouTube had the double rainbow, Dante’s medieval poem The Divine Comedy featured one in his image of paradise. Seeing two rainbows, he muses that one is born of the other. The bow is God’s promise of peace. For Dante, it’s even more: nature’s encrypted image of the Trinitarian God. One visible rainbow (God the Son) is begotten of another usually invisible one (God the Father) united by invisible light between them (God the Spirit). Like invisible light, Trinitarian glory surrounds us in every moment — but Jesus has made it visible in his glorious body.

Lenten challenge: This might seem silly, but this Lent I invite you to find a rainbow and meditate on it. You might have to make one yourself, like this current desert-dweller will. Gaze on it. See there a natural gift from the Creator, saying to you, “Here I am! I will love and protect you, surrounding you in My glory.” This Lent let’s embrace that with confidence,

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO
ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA
18 de febrero de 2024 - 1er Domingo de la Cuaresma

Ha llegado el Tiempo de Cuaresma, que va desde el Miércoles de Ceniza hasta antes de la Misa de la Cena del Señor del Jueves Santo, dando inicio al Triduo Pascual, donde celebramos los acontecimientos principales de la Vida, Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesús. La Iglesia nos motiva a estar atentos, porque es un tiempo favorable para convertirnos de corazón. La Cuaresma es un tiempo que nos prepara al Tiempo Pascual, el acontecimiento más importante del Calendario Litúrgico. También es un tiempo para recordar la historia de la salvación. Tiempo fuerte para acercarnos a los Sacramentos especialmente de la Reconciliación.

La Liturgia, con sus signos visibles, nos prepara a escuchar y creer en el Evangelio, ya que éste debe ocupar un lugar particularmente importante en nuestra vida. En este primer Domingo de Cuaresma, se nos dice que Jesús, antes de comenzar su misión, será guiado por el Espíritu Santo y será llevado hasta el desierto, donde será tentado por el demonio. Ahí, Jesús, con oración y ayuno, discernirá el plan divino que Dios tiene planeado para él. ¿Qué plan tenemos para esta Cuaresma? ¿Quizá unas buenas vacaciones? Convertirnos, cambiar el corazón, ser mejores. ¡Eso es para después! Este tiempo es para reaccionar. El Señor nos espera, cuenta con cada uno de nosotros para mejorar la sociedad. Es tiempo de trabajar en ello. “El tiempo se ha cumplido, el Reino de Dios está cerca. Renuncien a su mal camino y crean en la Buena Nueva” (Marcos 1,15) ¿Lo haremos?



The Rite of Sending was celebrated on February 11, 2024. The godparents testified and the catechumens affirmed their intention to join the Church. The Church then made its "election" of these catechumens to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. The catechumens inscribed their names in the Book of Elect as a pledge of fidelity and are now being sent off to see the Bishop at the Rite of Election next week.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Lent and the Flood

I would bet money that somewhere in your church this Lent, there's a bare tree branch draped in purple fabric and an empty bowl filled with rocks.

I'm not poking fun, the desert imagery that surrounds the season of Lent isn't a cliché — or if it is, it's only because clichés are essentially true. Lent is the dessert. Lent is the wilderness. Lent is the time of less.

But what if Lent was also the flood?

It seems counterintuitive, floods are excessive, and we don't think of Lent as a time for superabundance. Lent is when we limit experiences outside of ourselves in order to limit proclivities within ourselves. Lent is not a time for anything to be washing over us, consuming us, carrying us away on a tide.

Unless...it is.

Consider the flood of the Old Testament. An act of destruction, yes, but also an act of purification. An endurance test for the soul, an epic trust fall exercise between God and Noah in which Noah had to ride the literal waves, clinging to life as God wiped away everything familiar. Everything sinful.

In Lent, we relinquish our weaknesses and our infirmities to the flood. It's frightening, certainly. But it's also exciting. Because just as the flood destroys everything, it also makes everything possible. It is a baptism.

Lent, like the flood, makes the world new.

"Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit." — 1 Peter 3:18

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What do the colors of the priest's and deacon's vestments mean?

Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the colors of the vestments evolved over the course of several centuries and there was wide variation both in the colors used, and in the feasts and seasons associated with particular colors. It was Pope Innocent III (d. 1216) who gave us the basic outline that was later prescribed by Pope Saint Pius V in 1570. The various colors remind us of the dominant themes of a particular season or celebration.

- **White:** Used for the seasons of Christmas and Easter and in celebrations of the Lord, of Mary, the angels, and saints who were not martyrs. This color is also used in Masses for the dead, at baptisms, weddings and other festive celebrations.
- **Red:** As the color of both blood and fire, red is used on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, as well as Pentecost and special celebrations of the Holy Spirit. Moreover, red is used on the feasts and memorials of the Apostles and those saints who died as martyrs.
- **Violet:** The color for Advent and Lent. Violet may also be used in Masses for the dead and on All Souls Day (November 2).
- **Green:** A color of life and hope, green is used throughout Ordinary Time.

Other colors: Rose may be used on the Third Sunday of Advent and the Fourth Sunday of Lent, black may be used in Masses of the dead and on All Souls Day, gold or silver may be used on solemn occasions in place of white, red, or green.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent starting at 6 pm on February 16, 2024
Inside the church, this will be bilingual and everyone is welcome.



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SATURDAY	February 17
5:00 pm	† Roberto Garza † Jovita Garza † Francisca D. Ochoa † Jose & Adeliada Dimas † Maria Luz Divina Dimas
SUNDAY	February 18
7:30 am	† Ramiro Garza † Ruben Flores Sr. † Juan Eliudd Lozano † Maria del Pilar Perez de Urbina
10:00 am	† Alfredo, Zenaida Fuentes † Wilfredo Monzon † Gilbert R. Garza
12:00 pm	† Carlos Rios † Barbarita Garcia † Alejandra Salinas, Jesus Martin Garcia † Armandina Garcia † Difuntos de la Familia Cantu Gonzalez
5:30 pm	Hermencia " Mincha" Garza Faithful of the Parish
MONDAY	February 19
7:00 am	† Abigail Gomez † Noe Roberto Lopez
TUESDAY	February 20
7:00 am	† Celina Nell Flores † Jaime Salazar
WEDNESDAY	February 21
7:00 am	Birthday Blessing for Marissa & Bianca Garcia
THURSDAY	February 22
7:00 am	† Maria Angelica Quintero † Diana Ximena Sandoval † Josefina Avila Hernandez † Sarah Garza † Alvaro & Luz Luna † Anita & Francisco Gonzalez
FRIDAY	February 23
7:00 am	Faithful of the Parish

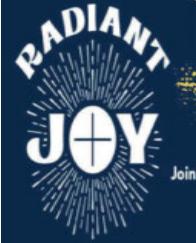
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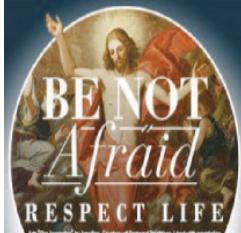
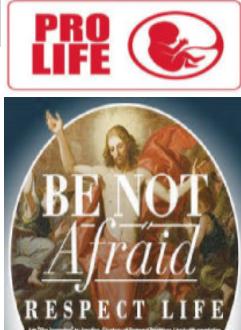
Pro-Life Quotations for Bulletins

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.



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Favor de llamar a la oficina

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

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