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February
28,
2021

Second Sunday of Lent



MASS SCHEDULES

Reconciliation

Saturday 3-4 PM, Wednesday 6-7 PM

Reconciliación

Miércoles 6-7 PM, Sábado 3-4PM

Masses Currently we have outdoor masses in English on Sunday at 9:00 AM and in Spanish on Sunday at 2:00 PM

Mass Schedule

We have indoor weekend masses at on Saturday at 4:30 PM in English and 6:00 PM in Spanish and on Sunday at 10:30 AM in English — All Masses are live streamed on Facebook or our webpage live. You can receive communion after the weekend masses by coming to the placita immediately after mass.

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From the Pastor's Desk:

Dr. Peggy Hartshorn, president of Heartbeat International, tells a dramatic story about a woman who glimpsed the mystery of her unborn child. The young woman was seeking an abortion. She simply could not handle having a baby at

this time. But she agreed to an ultrasound. When the baby appeared on the screen, the woman was amazed to see the perfectly formed body, the tiny legs and arms moving inside her womb. But the woman kept saying, "No, no, I have to have an abortion." Dr. Hartshorn felt sad. She knew that seventy-five percent of women who see an ultrasound decide to keep their baby - but that a quarter, nevertheless, still have the abortion. It seemed like this woman would be in that twenty-five percent. All of sudden, Dr. Hartshorn's assistant said, "Reach out and take your baby's hand." Dr. Hartshorn thought, "Oh, gosh, why is she saying that?" But the woman raised her hand and touched the monitor. As if by some divine cue, the baby stretched out his arm to the exact place of his mom's hand. On the screen his tiny fingers met hers. She kept her baby. There is a mystery inside each one of us - the mystery of the image of God. Today's Gospel tells us how three of the apostles saw a glimpse, a tiny glimpse, of who Jesus was. That would transform them and sustain them through some dark moments following Jesus' arrest.

A few years ago, the television and print media carried the story of a seven-year-old boy who died in tragic circumstances while on vacation with his family in Italy. Armed thieves, attempting to take the family's car and valuables, waited in ambush in the Italian countryside. As the car passed, the thieves sprayed a shower of bullets at the vehicle. Although the family was able to escape, some of the bullets had hit the young boy, while he slept in the back seat. A short time later, the child was pronounced dead at a nearby hospital. People were shocked and outraged as the sad news was reported. But public outrage was soon replaced by wonder and admiration. The boy's family arranged that all of their son's vital organs be harvested and donated. As a result, the lives of eight Italians, each of whom received one or more of the child's healthy organs, were forever changed. For some it meant being able to see again; for others death was postponed because a young vital organ had replaced an aged, defective one. Because organ donation was such a rarity in Italy, the gift of life was all the more remarkable. This story reminds us of the death of another Son, whose dying brought life to so many. It is the life-giving death of this other Son, namely, Jesus, which is the focus of our Scripture readings for today.

A certain missionary on a study trip to the Holy Land was visiting Jaffa (Joppa) where Peter was residing when he baptized Cornelius (Acts 10). The breath-taking beauty of this small seaside town was such that it inspired him to come up with this joke: At the Transfiguration, Peter offered to build three tents, one for Jesus, one for Moses and one for Elijah. Jesus said, "And what about you, Peter?" And Peter replies, "Don't worry about me Lord, I got a better place in Jaffa."

Nota de nuestro pastor:

La Dra. Peggy Hartshorn, presidenta de Heartbeat International, cuenta una historia dramática sobre una mujer que vislumbró el misterio de su hijo por nacer. La joven buscaba un aborto. Simplemente no podía soportar tener un bebé en este momento. Pero aceptó hacerse una ecografía. Cuando el bebé apareció en la pantalla, la mujer se asombró al ver el cuerpo perfectamente formado, las diminutas piernas y brazos moviéndose dentro de su útero. Pero la mujer seguía diciendo: "No, no, tengo que abortar". El Dr. Hartshorn se sintió triste. Sabía que el setenta y cinco por ciento de las mujeres que ven un ultrasonido deciden quedarse con su bebé, pero que una cuarta parte, sin embargo, todavía tiene el aborto. Parecía que esta mujer estaría en ese veinticinco por ciento. De repente, el asistente del Dr. Hartshorn dijo: "Estírate y toma la mano de tu bebé". El Dr. Hartshorn pensó: "Oh, Dios mío, ¿por qué dice eso?" Pero la mujer levantó la mano y tocó el monitor. Como por alguna señal divina, el bebé extendió su brazo hasta el lugar exacto de la mano de su madre. En la pantalla, sus pequeños dedos se encontraron con los de ella. Ella se quedó con su bebé. Hay un misterio dentro de cada uno de nosotros: el misterio de la imagen de Dios. El evangelio de hoy nos cuenta cómo tres de los apóstoles vieron un destello, un pequeño destello de quién era Jesús. Eso los transformaría y los sostendría durante algunos momentos oscuros después del arresto de Jesús.

Hace unos años, la televisión y los medios impresos difundieron la historia de un niño de siete años que murió en trágicas circunstancias mientras estaba de vacaciones con su familia en Italia. Los ladrones armados, que intentaban llevarse el coche y los objetos de valor de la familia, esperaban emboscados en la campiña italiana. Al pasar el coche, los ladrones lanzaron una lluvia de balas al vehículo. Aunque la familia pudo escapar, algunas de las balas habían alcanzado al niño mientras dormía en el asiento trasero. Poco tiempo después, el niño fue declarado muerto en un hospital cercano. La gente se sorprendió e indignó cuando se informó la triste noticia. Pero la indignación pública pronto fue reemplazada por asombro y admiración. La familia del niño dispuso que todos los órganos vitales de su hijo fueran extraídos y donados. Como resultado, la vida de ocho italianos, cada uno de los cuales recibió uno o más de los órganos sanos del niño, cambió para siempre. Para algunos significó poder volver a ver; para otros, la muerte se pospuso porque un órgano vital joven había reemplazado a uno viejo y defectuoso. Dado que la donación de órganos era una rareza en Italia, el regalo de la vida era aún más notable. Esta historia nos recuerda la muerte de otro Hijo, cuya muerte trajo vida a tantos. Es la muerte vivificante de este otro Hijo, a saber, Jesús, que es el centro de nuestras lecturas de las Escrituras de hoy.

Cierto misionero en un viaje de estudios a Tierra Santa estaba visitando Jaffa (Jope) donde residía Pedro cuando bautizó a Cornelio (Hechos 10). La impresionante belleza de esta pequeña ciudad costera fue tal que lo inspiró a inventar este chiste: En la Transfiguración, Pedro se ofreció a construir tres tiendas, una para Jesús, una para Moisés y otra para Elías. Jesús dijo: "¿Y tú, Pedro?" Y Pedro responde: "No te preocupes por mí, Señor, tengo un lugar mejor en Jaffa".

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week
of February 28, 2021

Sun/Dom:

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Mon/Lunes:

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13
[cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

Tues/Martes:

Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23
[23b]/Mt 23:1-12

Wed/Mier:

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/
Mt 20:17-28

Thurs/Juev:

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/
Lk 16:19-31

Fri/Vier:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17,
18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt 21:33-43, 45-4

Sat/Sab:

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,
11-12 [8a]/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sun./Dom:

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9,
10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25
or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26,
39a, 40-42

THE WEEK AHEAD

Friday - Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM English 7:00 PM Spanish
on facebook and our webpage

Weekend Masses

Register in advance for indoor masses

- Saturday 4:30 English inside church
- Saturday 6:00 Spanish inside church
- Sunday 10:30 English inside Church

ALL INDOOR MASSES LIVE STREAMED

- Sunday 9:00 English parking lot
- Sunday 2:00 Spanish parking lot

OFFICE INFORMATION

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 10 AM-7:30

PM

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7:30 PM

Saturday 10 AM- 4 PM

Bilingual available 10 AM-4 PM

Sunday 12 PM -4 PM

Bilingual available 12 PM-4 PM

Rev. Joseph Antony Sebastian, SVD

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday

10 AM to 12 PM

5 PM to 8 PM (with appointment)

lunes, martes, miércoles, y viernes

10 AM a 12 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (con cita)

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In Loving Memory

Luzviminda "Minda" Bermudez

October 21, 1943 ---

February 21, 2021

May She Rest in Peace



PRAY FOR

Ruben & Altigracia Perez
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Ivan Benin
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February 15-21, 2021

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\$ 5,717.00

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\$ 495.00

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\$ 715.00

TOTAL

\$ 6,927.00

VATICAN CORNER

...continued But the partnership of Cardinal Pell and Pope Francis as financial reformers fell apart soon after it began, and even before the sexual abuse charges against Pell caused him to return to his native Australia. Pell wanted to eliminate corruption, maximize profit, minimize expenses, adopt the “best practices” of international



finance. He wanted to create a consolidated and well managed Vatican investment fund. That fund would invest in international stock markets and currency markets. But Francis saw reform more as return of integrity, simplifying the Vatican bureaucracy, creating transparency, and providing more options for aiding the poor and the underprivileged. Francis never wanted to be running a religious version of a multi-national corporation. But nonetheless, the papal commission that had been set up continued to go forward with reforms and continued to review the activities of the Vatican Bank. The Bank’s internal auditing system was replaced with an independent, external one. New laws replaced indefinite appointments with single term limits. Moneyval, the European Union’s committee continued to evaluate the Bank’s compliance with international anti-money laundering and financial terrorism rules. Moneyval consistently praised the Vatican for improving its internal regulation. But along with reform came the uncovering of financial crime, and arrests of top church officials including the former head of the Vatican Bank. The trial of Angelo Caloia, 81, who was the president of the Vatican Bank from 1989 to 2009 began in 2018. He along with his 97 year-old lawyer - Gabriele Liuzzo and Liuzzo’s 55 year old son, were found guilty by the Vatican Court of the crimes of money-laundering and aggravated embezzlement on January 21, 2021. The verdict was a landmark moment in Vatican financial reform. Both Caloia and lawyer Liuzzo received eight year and 11 month jail sentences for their roles in a \$70 million fraud. The younger Liuzzo received a sentence of five years and 2 months. The crimes consisted of a complicated scheme to sell about 70 percent of the properties that belonged to the Vatican Bank in the period from 2001 to 2008. Some of the properties were high rent apartments in Rome, Milan and Genova. The properties were sold at below their real market value in exchange for kickbacks. The Vatican Bank is believed to have lost \$70 million since the real market value had not been paid. In the convicted men’s bank accounts, \$30 million was confiscated. The current lawyer for the Vatican Bank said the verdict makes a statement: “The party is over.” “Today there’s zero tolerance for behavior that plunders the institute (Bank).” It is the first time such a prosecution has been entirely the Vatican’s initiative.” In a handful of cases in the past the Italian justice system began the cases. This case was a Vatican undertaking and indicates that the reforms started by Pope Benedict XVI and continued under Pope Francis have taken hold. So it appears that justice will be served. However, the Vatican criminal justice system has two levels of appeal and appeals have been known to last for years. So at their advanced age, the two older men may never see the inside of a jail cell. Sources: cruxnow.com, theguardian.com, reuters.com, catholicnewsagency.com

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MASS INTENTIONS

February 27-March 6, 2021

Saturday 4:30 PM

Ferdinand Rodriguez †

Saturday 6:00 PM

Angel Perez (*cumpleanos*)

Salvador Saavedra †

Antonio Perez † (*aniversario*)

Carmen Rocha Reyes †

Sunday 9:00 AM

Angelica Rayatkah (*thanksgiving*)

Roberto & Julieta Rimando (*thanksgiving*)

David A. Tayco†

Salvador Saavedra †

Gary Renarata †

Maria Romero †

Sunday 10:30 AM

Razo Family (*thanksgiving*)

Rudolfo R. Ramos (*healing*)

Anthony Decoteau (*healing*)

Jericho Cuayzon (*anniversary*)

Lida Castillon †

Rumulo Garay †

Fortunato B. Martinez †

Maria Silva †

Luzviminda Bermudez †

Sunday 2:00 PM

Jose Luis Hurtado Lopez

(*intencion especial*)

Familia Hernandez Barboa Jimenez

(*salud*)

Eduardo Mercardo †

Maria Teresa Robledo Moreno†

(*aniversario*)

Esther Guevara †

Carlos Vazquez Chavez †

Monday 10:00 AM

Aida Smith (*healing*)

Luzviminda Bermudez†

Tuesday 10:00 AM

Luzviminda Bermudez †

Wednesday 10:00 AM

Cristie Anilao (*birthday*)

Domingo Marquez †

Thursday 10:00 AM

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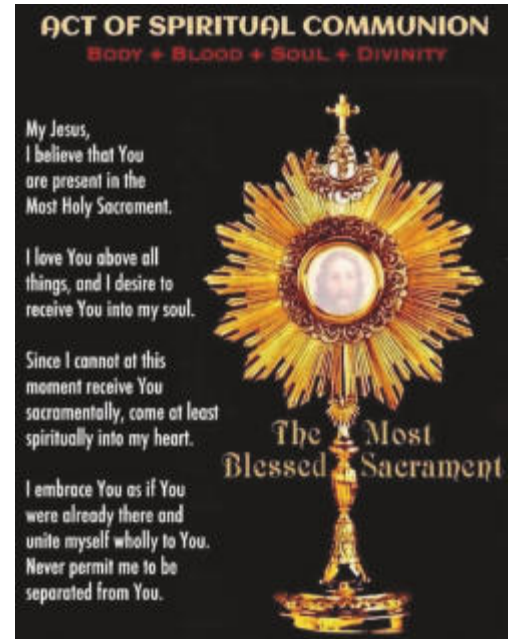
Friday 10:00 AM

Sacred Heart of Jesus Members

(*thanksgiving*)

Saturday 10:00 AM

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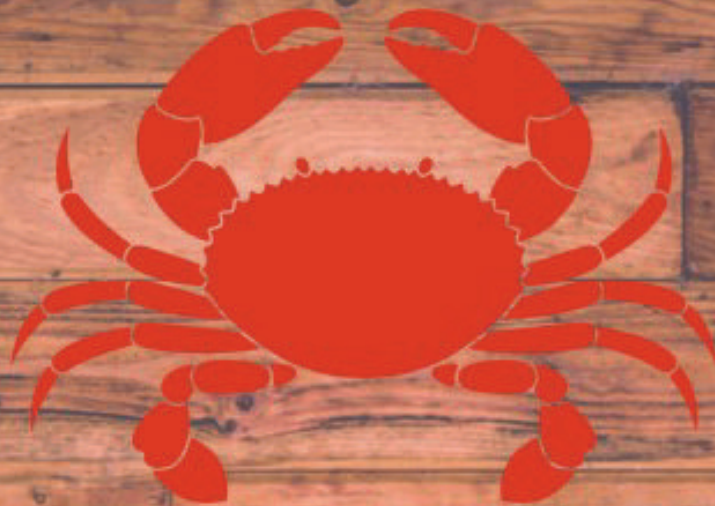
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the comment section please put a date and time of the mass you would like your intention read at. Even though right now those mass times do not exist we would like to know which mass would be your preference. Intentions must be in by noon the day before except for the weekend masses - those must be submitted by noon on Friday. You can still drop mass intentions in the Rectory mail slot or in the mail but these must be a minimum of one week in advance since we are not in the office on a regular basis now. If you have questions about this process, please call the Rectory Office and someone will return your call.



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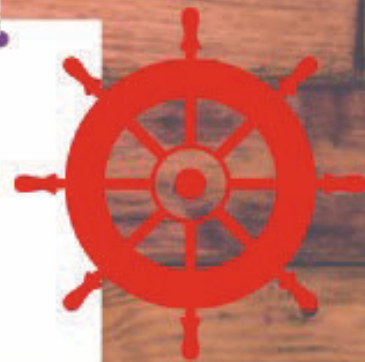
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