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March
10, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent

JOHN 3:14-21

Come to the Light
the gospel of
JOHN
As for you, follow me

MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday Mass in English

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM & 12:15 PM

Daily Mass in English

8:30 AM Monday—Saturday

Misas Dominicales en Español

Sábado 6 PM, Domingo 2 & 6 PM

Reconciliation

Saturday 3-4 PM, Wednesday 6-7 PM

Reconciliación

Miércoles 6-7 PM

United in faith and guided by the Holy Spirit

Misas en Español

Miércoles 7 PM

Adoration ~ Benediction/ Adoración ~ Bendición

Every Friday—9 AM till 1 PM

First Friday ALSO 6 PM-9 PM

- RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Awake, O Sleeper!

This morning came a little earlier than I would have liked — Daylight Savings Time always does.

Sometimes that morning sunlight seems more intrusive than illuminating. You're still half-lost in sleep, and that sun is demanding of you a lot more than you're ready to give.

I've said it, and I'm sure you've said it, too. "Just five more minutes." You hit the "snooze" button on your iPhone once (maybe twice? Show of hands?) and turn away from the window.

So many kings of the Old Testament were steadfast in their sleepy ways, rejecting the light their God tried to share with them. Likewise, John tells us that, though Light — Christ — was sent into the world, the world preferred darkness.

Sometimes it seems, when reading through Scripture, that all throughout salvation history, God has been trying to pull back the curtains, to rouse us from our defiant slumber. And we resist Him. Time and time again, we resist Him.

Light brings a certain responsibility with it. It seems to compel productivity. Furthermore, there's no hiding in the light. Any photographer worth his salt knows how to manipulate it, highlighting the good and casting some merciful shade on the bad.

As we enter into the fourth week of Lent, we're getting so close to the main event. Can we handle the light that will come on Easter morning, bursting into the tomb as the stone is rolled away? Can we keep ourselves from hitting the "snooze" button on our souls, and sit up to face the dawn of a new day?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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RECONOCE A DIOS EN TUS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

¡Despierta, durmiente!

Esta mañana llegó un poco más temprano de lo que me hubiera gustado; el horario de verano siempre lo hace. A veces, la luz del sol de la mañana parece más intrusiva que iluminadora. Todavía estás medio perdido en el sueño y ese sol te exige mucho más de lo que estás listo para dar.

Lo he dicho, y estoy seguro de que tú también lo has dicho. "Solo cinco minutos más." Presionas el botón "posponer" en tu iPhone una vez (¿tal vez dos veces? ¿Levanta la mano?) Y te alejas de la ventana.

Tantos reyes del Antiguo Testamento se mantuvieron firmes en sus caminos soñolientos, rechazando la luz que su Dios trató de compartir con ellos. De la misma manera, Juan nos dice que, aunque la Luz, Cristo, fue enviada al mundo, el mundo prefirió la oscuridad.

A veces, al leer las Escrituras, parece que, a lo largo de la historia de la salvación, Dios ha estado tratando de abrir las cortinas para despertarnos de nuestro desafiante sueño. Y lo resistimos. Una y otra vez lo resistimos.

La luz trae consigo cierta responsabilidad. Parece obligar a la productividad. Además, no hay ningún escondite en la luz. Cualquier fotógrafo que valga la pena sabe cómo manipularla, resaltando lo bueno y arrojando una sombra misericordiosa sobre lo malo.

Al entrar en la cuarta semana de Cuaresma, nos acercamos mucho al evento principal. ¿Podemos manejar la luz que vendrá en la mañana de Pascua, irrumpiendo en la tumba mientras se quita la piedra? ¿Podemos evitar presionar el botón "posponer" en nuestras almas y sentarnos para enfrentar el amanecer de un nuevo día?

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WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week
of March 10, 2024

Sun/Dom:

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6
(6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 Scrutiny: 1 Sm
16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
(1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17,
34-38

Mon/Lunes:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and
13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tues/Martes:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wed/Mier:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/
Jn 5:17-30

Thurs/Juev:

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/
Jn 5:31-47

Fri/Vier:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and
23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sat/Sab:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn
7:40-53

Next Sun./Dom:

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/
Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 Scrutiny: Ez
37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/
Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27,
33b-45

THE WEEK AHEAD

Wednesday March 13th

6:00 PM Lenten Reconciliation

Thursday March 14th

7:00 PM Multi-lingual Rosary in the Church

Friday March 15th

7:00 PM Bilingual Stations of the Cross in the
Church

Saturday March 16th

3:00 PM Lenten Reconciliation

OFFICE INFORMATION

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Monday & Friday (*lunes y viernes*)

11:00 AM— 7:00 PM

Tuesday & Thursday (*martes y jueves*)

— 11:00 AM—5:00 PM

Wednesday (*miercoles*)

—1:00 PM— 7:00 PM

Bilingual available Mon.,Wed, Fri

(*lunes, miercoles y viernes*)

— 3:00 PM— 7:00 PM

Rev. Henry Noga, SVD

Pastor

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*)

Rev. Emilio Reyes, SVD

Parochial Vicar

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

5 PM to 8 PM (*with appointment*)

lunes, miércoles, jueves y viernes

10:00 AM a 12:00 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (*con cita*)

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Ministry to the Sick

We will be re-establishing the Ministry to the Sick with a Training Seminar for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Legion of Mary Members and those who have served in this ministry in the past that would like to start taking communion to the home bound. Please plan on attending a training seminar on:

Saturday March 23, 2024

following the 8:30 morning mass in the Hall.

This training seminar will be bilingual

STEWARDSHIP FAIR NEXT WEEKEND

MARCH 16-17, 2024

Is God calling you to share your faith, time and talents? Please stop the placita next weekend after mass and look at the many different ways you can become involved. If you have been thinking about the ways to share your gifts of time and talent or would just like more information on what is going on here at St. Joachim Parish, please stop by to see where your time and talents are best used to serve



others. Your active participation in our parish community is vital to what makes our parish community "United in Faith and guided by the Holy Spirit" See you next weekend at the placita after Mass.



PRAY FOR

Melia Perrizo
Mary Hennessey
Nini Bolinger
Porfirio Loza
Greg Komendanchik
Geri Coelho
Christiane Renard
Behilda Fabia
Olivia Guzman
Marissa Dela Cruz
Carl Costa
Francisca Oseguera
Shawn Silva
Baby Cy'Anna
Arturo Limongco
Joe Silva
Celestina Enrique
Lelia Nocon
Paul Hennessey

DONATIONS

St Vincent de Paul

offering for next week:

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Donations are very much appreciated—but please no expired food.
~ Thank You

CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUCIONES COLLECTIONS FOR March 3, 2024

1st Collection \$ 11,412.50

EFT Collection \$ 80.00

On Line Giving \$ 1,276.00

**1st Collection TOTAL
\$ 12,768.50**

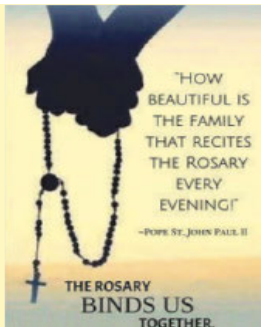
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\$ 2,995.00

VATICAN CORNER

Machine Learning, or Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a field in computer science that develops and studies how machines can learn from experience, adjust to new inputs and perform human-like tasks. Many of the AI examples talked about these days come from game playing computers, search engines, robots and self-driving cars. These examples rely heavily on deep learning and natural language processing. AI in the 21st century is influencing a social and economic shift towards automation, data-driven decision-making and its integration into economics, affecting job markets, healthcare, government, industry and education. Questions have been raised about AI's ethical implications and the risks it poses to jobs that can be done by robots, privacy, copyright protection and even human life itself. Regulatory policies are thought to be needed to ensure the safety and benefits of the AI technology. In Dec. 2023, the European Union provisionally approved the world's first comprehensive Artificial Intelligence (AI) rules. On Dec. 14, 2023, Pope Francis, in his World Day of Peace message, called for binding global regulation of AI with an international treaty, to ensure AI is developed and used ethically. He said the risk of technology lacking human values of compassion, mercy, morality, and forgiveness are too great. Over the past year, AI has captured the world's attention with great advances like Open AI's ChatGPT showing its ability to produce human-like text, photos and songs. Pope Francis spoke of the promise AI offers and praised it as a manifestation of the creativity of human intelligence. But he emphasized the grave concerns that have been raised by ethicists and human rights advocates about the technology that promises to transform life in ways that can disrupt everything from democratic elections to art.



Pope Francis' greatest alarm has to do with remote weapons systems which he said have already led to a "distancing from the immense tragedy of war and a lessened perception of the devastation caused by those weapons systems." He called for "adequate, meaningful and consistent" human oversight of Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems (or LAWS), arguing that the world has no need for new technologies that merely "end up promoting the folly of war." The Pope's message did not give details of how a binding treaty could result, other than to say it must be negotiated at a global level, to both promote best practices and prevent harmful ones. Technology companies alone cannot be trusted to regulate themselves. Pope Francis was the victim of some AI foolery in early 2023 when AI was used to generate an image of him in a luxury white puffer jacket which went viral. It showed how fast a realistic fake image can be made and spread on-line. The comments made by the people who saw it made it clear that they thought the image was real. A new documentary by Hans Block and Moritz Riesewieck entitled "Eternal You," looks at the growing industry of the digital afterlife, where artificial intelligence is used to create avatars of deceased loved ones. The living can then have simulated communications with the dead. Artificial intelligence uses text, social media profiles, images and videos to create functioning avatars intended to extend the lives of the dearly departed into the future digital world. The documentary includes the views of ethicists and sociologists and critics. There is one story that a woman created a digital version of her late father so her children can know their grandpa. There is also a heartbreaking story of a South Korean woman preparing to meet a virtual reality version of the young daughter she lost. AI is capable of scary stuff, but it may also be able to help us deal better with our grief from the loss of loved ones. Pope Francis said whether or not humanity develops a greater awareness of the "epochal change" that we are experiencing, will determine if Artificial Intelligence becomes "a new form of slavery" in which a "select few can condition the thoughts of others," or a means of freedom by which "all people can participate in the development of thought." Sources: [nbcnews.com](https://www.nbcnews.com), [ncronlin.org](https://www.nbcnews.com), [vaticannews.va](https://www.vaticannews.va), [catholicreview.org](https://www.catholicreview.org)



Come pray the rosary with your parish community.
We pray a multi-lingual rosary
on Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church
All are invited to come pray together.
The rosary is led by the Knights of Columbus.

MASS INTENTIONS

March 9-16, 2024

Saturday 4:30 PM

David, Stella & Terence Pereira †
Miljohn Masangkay †

Saturday 6:00 PM

Salvador Haro † (8th aniversario)
Esteban Robles †
Martha Giacomani † (1st aniversario)
Jose Luis Arceo Flores †
Familia Martinez-Guzman †
Josefina Ramos Aguilera † (7th aniversario)

Sunday 7:30 AM

Max & Ismael Dizon & friends
(special intention)
Ria & Herman Guan (special intention)
Mark & Susan Erickson (healing)
Jessie Cabrinha †
Maria Talaue † (anniversary)
Cresente B. Delos Reyes †
All souls in Purgatory †

Sunday 9:00 AM

Teresita B. Denia (89th birthday)
Glass Family (thanksgiving)
Francis Carlo Salta (healing)
Anna's Ancestors †
Edgar Delos Angeles †
Clemente Velasquez †
David A. Tayco †

Sunday 10:30 AM

Arneil Luna (birthday)
Joamil Dela Cruz (special intention)
Johnmel Guiao (healing)
Christian & Dolores Reese †
Francisco Olalo †

Sunday 12:15 PM

Ronald Roa & Family (special intention)
Benedict Roa & Family (special intention)
Fredrick Roa & Family (special intention)
Orlando Eballo Jr. (healing)
Rodolfo Jimenez †
Leandro & Shirley Tacuban Montierno †
Lati †
Justin Ryan Maniquis †

Sunday 2:00 PM

Familia Villanueva-Covarrubias (salud)
Esteban Robles †
Margarita Anaya †
Abraham Rosas †

Sunday 6:00 PM

Familia Martinez-Guzman †

Monday 8:30 AM

Rodolfo Jimenez †
Esteban Robles †

Tuesday 8:30 AM

Rodolfo Jimenez †
Esteban Robles †

Wednesday 8:30 AM

Celia Olarte † (anniversary)
Rodolfo Jimenez †
Esteban Robles †

Wednesday 7:00 PM

Maria Cruz (salud)
Esteban Robles †
Familia Martinez-Guzman †

Thursday 8:30 AM

Rodolfo Jimenez †
Esteban Robles †
Matilde Lourdes Julianio († birthday)

Friday 8:30 AM

Ernesto Salta (healing)
Rodolfo Jimenez †
Esteban Robles †
Ivan P. Benin († birthday)

Saturday 8:30 AM

Rodolfo Jimenez †
Belen & Primo Salta †

Recovering from the Burglary/Break-In

We still have much to do after the break-in of a couple weeks ago. We are very encouraged by those that have come forward wanting to help, or have mentioned they want to help. We have established a "recovery Fund" to make it easy for anyone to give what they feel is right for them. You can put it in either collection on Sunday inside an envelope or check marked as "recovery fund". You can bring your donation to the rectory office, put it in the rectory mailbox or mail it to us. You can also give to the Recovery Fund by clicking on the donate tab on our website and search "recovery". These funds will be used to repair and replace what was damaged or taken. We also plan to secure the church better and hopefully be able to alarm the church. We will come through this together—United as one church. May God Bless our Parish Community.

Recuperarse del robo/robo

Todavía tenemos mucho que hacer después del robo de hace un par de semanas. Nos alientan mucho aquellos que se han acercado con ganas de ayudar, o han mencionado que quieren ayudar. Hemos establecido un "Fondo de recuperación" para que a cualquiera le resulte más fácil dar lo que considere adecuado para él. Puedes ponerlo en cualquier recogida el domingo dentro de un sobre o cheque marcado como "fondo de recuperación". Puede traer su donación a la oficina de la rectoría, ponerla en el buzón de la rectoría o enviárnosla por correo. También puede donar al Fondo de Recuperación haciendo clic en la pestaña de donación en nuestro sitio web y buscando "recuperación". Estos fondos se utilizarán para reparar y reemplazar lo que se dañó o se quitó. También planeamos proteger mejor a la iglesia y, con suerte, podremos alarmarla. Saldremos de esto juntos, unidos como una sola iglesia. Que Dios bendiga nuestra comunidad parroquial.

Bilingual Stations of the Cross

Join your Parish Community
every Friday of Lent for the
Bilingual Stations of the Cross
in the Church at 7:00 PM .

Join us this Friday
March 15, 2024 7:00 PM



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LENTEN RECONCILIATION

Two Reconciliation dates:

Wednesday /Miercoles ~~ 6:00 PM

Saturday /Sabado ~~ 3:00 PM

Both Priests will be available for both dates, lines
will be in the back of the church as normal on
these days

*Ambos Sacerdotes estarán disponibles para ambas
fechas, las filas estarán en la parte trasera de la
iglesia como es normal en estos días.*

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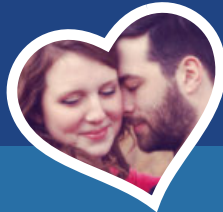
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