

# St Joseph Catholic Church



## First Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022

The word is near you,  
in your mouth and in your heart.

— Romans 10:8

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## Welcome to Visitors & New Members

You are welcome to worship with us at any time. If you are new to the Randolph County area, may we invite you to register as a member of the parish.

Registration forms are available in parking lot vestibule or by calling the office.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacramento de la Reconciliación

Saturday/Sabado

1:00pm-3:00pm

### EUCARISTIC ADORATION/ ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA FIRST FRIDAY/ PRIMER VIERNES 9AM- 5AM

### Mass Schedule/ Misas

Saturday/Sabado: 4:00 PM English

6:00 PM Spanish

Sunday/ Domingo 7:00 AM Español

9:00 AM English

12:00 PM Español

4:00 PM Español

Weekly Masses/ Monday and Friday 8:15 AM

Misas entre semana Wednesday 6:00 PM

Thursday 7:00 AM

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30AM-5:00PM

## From the Pastor's Desk / Del Escritorio del Padre

We have entered the annual celebration of Lent with the traditional practices and disciplines that will lead us to a renewed commitment and reinvigorated spirit of our discipleship journey .

All these are meant to deepen our faith , make it more personal and personally binding. There are several steps and stages of growth in this process.

First of all we must review our life and our attitudes to our life and our faith to see whether they are in compliance with our true faith and the will of our Lord Jesus.

Few of the things to consider:

- do we feel closer to Jesus through prayer and simple chanting's during the day?
- are we sensitive to the importance of our faith when the secular world trivializes it ?
- do we participate in the Holy Mass attentively and feel the joy of His Love for us every time? When the celebrant says the prayers do we join it as if they are from our heart and mentally visualize our Heavenly Father hearing them ? Walking to Holy Communion do we feel the longing for the Lord's love and spend a moment silently to feel the joy of His being with us? Do we carry experience of this Christ encounter throughout the day to abstain from evil influences?

There many such crucial issues each one of us may find important to renew our faith such as our moral life, our observance of commandments and guidelines of the church etc.

secondly after this review we strongly resolve to improve our spiritual life on a daily basis

Thirdly we spend time alone and with our family on what needs be done to become better disciples of Jesus today.

Finally we start practicing those resolutions right away. On a weekly basis discuss with our family about the progress and the need for revamping the effort. This may include daily personal prayers, daily family prayers like the family rosary and divine Mercy Chaplet, reading the Bible personally and as a family together, more charitable and sacrificial church offerings, and regular participation in the stations of the cross etc.

God bless you all with a renewed faith during this Lent .

Hemos entrado en la celebración anual de la Cuaresma con las prácticas y disciplinas tradicionales que nos llevarán a un compromiso renovado y un espíritu revigorizado en nuestro viaje de discipulado.

Todos estos están destinados a profundizar nuestra fe, hacerla más personal y vinculante. Hay varios pasos y etapas de crecimiento en este proceso.

En primer lugar, debemos revisar nuestra vida y nuestras actitudes hacia nuestra vida y nuestra fe para ver si están en conformidad con nuestra verdadera fe y la voluntad de nuestro Señor Jesús.

Algunas de las cosas a considerar:

- ¿Nos sentimos más cerca de Jesús a través de la oración y cantos sencillos durante el día?
- ¿Somos sensibles a la importancia de nuestra fe cuando el mundo secular la banaliza?
- ¿Participamos atentamente en la Santa Misa y sentimos la alegría de Su Amor por nosotros cada vez? Cuando el celebrante dice las oraciones, ¿nos unimos a ellas como si fueran de nuestro corazón y visualizamos mentalmente a nuestro Padre Celestial escuchándolas? Caminando hacia la Sagrada Comunión, ¿sentimos el anhelo del amor del Señor y pasamos un momento en silencio para sentir la alegría de que Él esté con nosotros? ¿Llevamos la experiencia de este encuentro con Cristo a lo largo del día para abstenernos de las malas influencias?

Hay muchos temas cruciales que cada uno de nosotros puede encontrar importantes para renovar nuestra fe, como nuestra vida moral, nuestra observancia de los mandamientos y las pautas de la iglesia, etc.

En segundo lugar, después de esta revisión, decidimos firmemente mejorar nuestra vida espiritual diariamente. En tercer lugar, dedicamos tiempo a solas y con nuestra familia a lo que se necesita hacer para convertirnos en mejores discípulos de Jesús hoy.

Finalmente comenzamos a practicar esas resoluciones de inmediato. Semanalmente, hable con nuestra familia sobre el progreso y la necesidad de renovar el esfuerzo. Esto puede incluir oraciones personales diarias, oraciones familiares diarias como el rosario familiar y la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia, leer la Biblia personalmente y en familia juntos, más ofrendas eclesiásticas caritativas y sacrificiales, y participación regular en las estaciones de la cruz, etc.

Dios los bendiga a todos con una fe renovada durante esta Cuaresma.

I always thought today's Gospel shows how Jesus was tempted to be a Messiah in a way that matched human expectations—those of Jews waiting for a messiah—instead of doing what his Father wanted. But I also wonder if these temptations are what we expect of God.

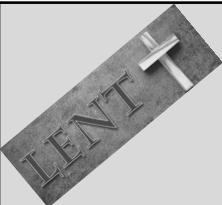
Do we expect God to provide for our needs by turning stones into money? God does help us with our troubles, but usually by giving us the strength to get through them with our God-given abilities.

This might mean finding a better job that uses more of our talents. It might be forgiving us, if we are the cause of our own troubles, and giving us the courage to start over.

Or do we expect God to bring peace to the world by instantly removing all nuclear weapons or capturing all terrorists? When we pray for peace, we could pray that God show us what we can do to bring that peace. We could be generous in giving to the poor, especially where poverty is the cause of war.

Maybe we expect God to be a superhero for us, strengthening our faith with spectacular miracles.

Jesus would tell us the same thing he told the devil: "Don't put the Lord your God to the test" (see Luke 4:12). Instead, as we take time to pray over the scriptures, read spiritual books, and share our faith with others, we will find our faith growing and know that the Lord has been with us all along the way.



## Station of the Cross Schedule Every Friday During Lent

After the 8:15 am Mass in English

5:30pm Confirmation Class and Youth

7:00pm Spanish

## WEEKLY OFFERINGS: 2/20/2022

Offertory: \$5,063.00

## MASS SCHEDULE: Week of 2/27/2022

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| Mon 3/07   | <u>8:15am</u> †Fran Michael by Albert Hodges  |
| Wed 3/09   | <u>7:00pm</u> †Santos Perez by Familia Perez  |
| Thurs 3/10 | <u>7:00am</u> St Jospeh Honor And Intentions by Albert Hodges   |
| Fri 3/11   | <u>8:15am</u> †Laurie Wills by Georgia And Carl McCollom  |
| Sat 3/12   | <u>4:00pm</u> †Luz de Saavedra by Maritza Dulac<br><u>6:00pm</u> Alberto Soto by Familia Alvarez Soto   |
| Sun 3/13   | <u>7:00am</u> †Alex Duran by Familia Alcarza Duran<br><u>9:00am</u> †William P. O'Brien by Higgins Family<br><u>12:00pm</u> Accion de Gracias by Familia Delgado<br><u>4:00pm</u> |



Saturday 1:00PM-3:00PM

## BIRTHDAY LIST

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| 3/07 | Belem Garcia, Jose Garcia, Bryan Jaimes, Steven Linin, Rosa Elena Macias, Joselyn Patino, Javier Ponce, Judith Serrano  |
| 3/08 | Jadira Aguilar Moreno, Eddie Glasgow, Fatima Reyes, Victor Hugo Sanchez, Samuel Santillan, Jayden Aaron Sesmas, Stephanie Velazquez   |
| 3/09 | Junior Aguilar Moreno, Julian Alvarez, Juan Fernandez, Fausto Hernandez, Juan Hernandez, Thomas Murphy, Pedro Ortiz, Alejandro Ramon, Yohan Salazar                                   |
| 3/10 | Francisco Ahumada, Marcos Alvarez, Christian Barrera, Francelia Calixtro, Edwin Cruz, Michelle Escutia, Julie Havens, Josefina Marin, Salvador Morales, Riley Smith, Alexander Tellez |
| 3/11 | Shawn Allred, Juan Aviles, Enrique Ramirez, Zayra Roman   |
| 3/12 | Jocelyn Guatzozon, Richard Lorenzo Gomez, Tam Trihn   |
| 3/13 | Cecilia Cabrera, Teodora Diaz, Denyce Gonzalez, Dillon Graham, Lubian Madias Mora, Valery Gisselle Sosa, Daniek Patino, Lluvia Vazquez  |



Have a Very Blessed Birthday

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The Israelites show their faith by offering the Lord first fruits of the products of their new land (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

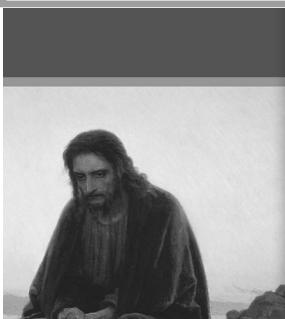
**Psalm** — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

**Second Reading** — All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (Romans 10:8-13).

**Gospel** — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (Luke 4:1-13).

## READINGS OF THE WEEK

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| <b>Monday:</b>    | Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;<br>Mt 25:31-46  |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19;<br>Mt 6:7-15   |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;<br>Lk 11:29-32                                     |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3,<br>7c-8; Mt 7:7-12                                  |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26   |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;<br>Mt 5:43-48  |
| <b>Sunday:</b>    | Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;<br>Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1];<br>Lk 9:28b-36 |



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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| <b>Sunday:</b>    | First Sunday of Lent;<br>Girl Scouting Sunday             |
| <b>Monday:</b>    | Ss. Perpetua and Felicity;<br>Julian calendar Lent begins |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | St. John of God   |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | St. Frances of Rome                                       |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | Abstinence  |

## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Libres de los egipcios opresores, los israelitas muestran su fe ofreciendo al Señor los primeros frutos de su nueva tierra (Deuteronomio 26:4-10).

**Salmo** — Está conmigo, Señor, en la tribulación (Salmo 91 [90]).

**Segunda lectura** — Todos los que expresan su fe en Jesús resucitado y confiesan que él es el Señor, se salvarán (Romanos 10:8-13).

**Evangelio** — Jesús fue conducido por el Espíritu al desierto y allí fue tentado (Lucas 4:1-13).



## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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| <b>Lunes:</b>     | Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15;<br>Mt 25:31-46                                       |
| <b>Martes:</b>    | Is 55:10-11; Sal 34 (33):4-7, 16-19;<br>Mt 6:7-15  |
| <b>Miércoles:</b> | Jon 3:1-10; Sal 51 (50):3-4, 12-13,<br>18-19; Lc 11:29-32                                    |
| <b>Jueves:</b>    | Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Sal 138 (137):<br>1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12                               |
| <b>Viernes:</b>   | Ez 18:21-28; Sal 130 (129):1-8;<br>Mt 5:20-26  |
| <b>Sábado:</b>    | Dt 26:16-19; Sal 119 (118):1-2, 4-5,<br>7-8; Mt 5:43-48                                      |
| <b>Domingo:</b>   | Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Sal 27 (26):1,<br>7-9, 13-14; Flp 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1];<br>Lc 9:28b-36 |

## LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

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| <b>Domingo:</b>   | Primer Domingo de Cuaresma;<br>Domingo de las Niñas Exploradoras                  |
| <b>Lunes:</b>     | Santas Perpetua y Felicidad;<br>Inicia de la Cuaresma en el<br>calendario juliano |
| <b>Martes:</b>    | San Juan de Dios  |
| <b>Miércoles:</b> | Santa Francisca de Roma   |
| <b>Viernes:</b>   | Abstinencia   |

## ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

### **Primer Domingo de Cuaresma**

Concédenos, Dios todopoderoso,  
que por las prácticas anuales de esta  
celebración cuaresmal, progresemos  
en el conocimiento del misterio de Cristo,  
y traduzcamos su efecto en una  
conducta irreprochable.

Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo,  
que vive y reina contigo en la unidad  
del Espíritu Santo  
y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

### **Pregunta de reflexión:**

¿Qué prácticas cuaresmales pienso hacer  
este año?

**No sólo  
de pan vive  
el hombre**

### **EN EL DESIERTO**

El Espíritu guió a Jesús al desierto durante cuarenta días, y luego el diablo le puso tentaciones. Moisés y los israelitas habían estado en el desierto por cuarenta años antes de ser guiados a la tierra que mana leche y miel. Hubo momentos cuando invocaron a Dios, seguros de que, como san Pablo escribe a los romanos “todo el que invoque el nombre del Señor se salvará”. Algunas veces también nosotros pasamos tiempo en el desierto. Literalmente no es un desierto muchas de las veces, sino un desierto en el que parece difícil percibir la presencia de Dios, momentos en los que nos enfrentamos a la dificultad y somos tentados a dejar atrás los caminos de Dios. En este Primer Domingo de Cuaresma, Jesús nos muestra qué hacer en esos momentos: mantenernos firmes y confiar en Dios.

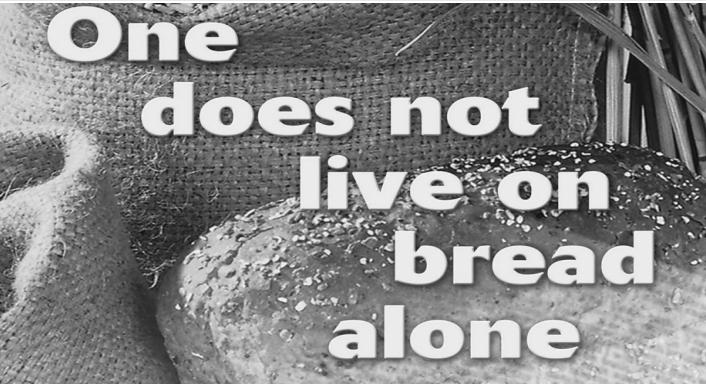
## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

### **First Sunday of Lent**

Grant, almighty God,  
through the yearly observances of holy Lent,  
that we may grow in understanding  
of the riches hidden in Christ  
and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

### **Reflection question:**

What Lenten observances do I intend to keep  
this year?



### **IN THE DESERT**

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, and then the devil tested him. Moses and the Israelites had been in the desert for forty years before being led to the land of milk and honey. There were times when they called out to God, sure that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” We sometimes spend time in the desert as well. Not a literal desert most of the time, but a desert in which it seems difficult to perceive God’s presence, times when we face difficulty and are tempted to leave God’s ways behind. On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus shows us what to do in these moments: stand firm and trust in God.

## † Sacraments †

**\*\*Sacrament of Baptism**—Baptism is a highly sacred event and deserves careful and complete readiness. Please contact the church office (336-629-0221) to register for the Baptism Preparation Class, which is done on a regular basis. Parents must be registered and participating members of our parish community

**\*\*Sacrament of Marriage** - Couples should contact the Pastor (336-629-0221) at least 6 months prior to the wedding date for necessary preparation.

**\*\*Ministry of the Sick**—Please call the church office (336-629-0221) to inform us of an illness or hospitalization of a family member. Federal Privacy Law prohibits the hospital from giving room numbers, so we must have prior knowledge of a patient's room number before we visit the hospital. The Sacrament of Anointing is done upon request prior to surgery or a illness.



**\*\*Prayers for our Military**—please call the office (336-629-0221) to notify us of their Military Status

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*Out of respect for the Liturgy in which we partake, please turn off or mute all cell phones and pagers as you enter the Sanctuary of Our Lord. If your Children are acting up, please take them to the cry room in order not to disrupt the liturgy for others.*

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*Luke 4:1-2*

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Calling all young men ages 10-18. Are you looking to grow in your faith, learn to become a community leader, or help your community and church all while having fun with other Catholic young man? Well, the Columbian Squires are looking for new members. The Columbian Squires is part of the Knights of Columbus family. For more information please have a parent contact Grand Knight Jason Kroeger at 336-301-4418



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

\*The Knights are looking for new members to join their brotherhood. If interested please contact the church office and a Knight will return your call



## COLUMBIETTES:

The St. Joseph Columbiettes – Auxiliary 10891 would like to extend an invitation to all the ladies of the parish to join our organization. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact the church office. A current Columbiette will return your call.



**K O C Fish Fry**  
March 11th  
5pm to 7pm

## **PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS & THEIR FAMILIES**

Please take a moment to pray for our parishioners needs, Illness, persona problems and our young men serving our country:

Christopher Gardner, Lillian Hazelwood, Colleen Greene, Flora Smith, Gary Hutchins, Jose Espiallet, Monica Smith, Patrick Guarion, Raphael Guriel, Josefina Arellano, Laurie Wills, JR Newsome, Mary Matthews, Sara Dunmeyer's daughter,



Donald Hills, Robert Barker, Mary Poremba, Sharon Derosi, Chester Devarney, Ernest Devarney, Albert Trapani, Luis Saavedra, Don Troup, Phyllis Morrison, Harry Chriscoe

**Military:** Adolfo Angel Vasquez, Matthew Bryant, Angela Salinas Ruiz, Manuel Salinas Ruiz

**Seminarians & Religious:** Jose Palma, Kevin Martinez, & Jessica Palma

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A small image of Jesus in the desert.

## St Joseph Cares

Our Parish council has proposed to establish a Catholic Family Fund.

Children are special gifts from God. It is the most holy privilege of parents to raise them for God, not for the world.

Our community has to support parents who raise their children in faith and love. They have to have regular family prayers and devotional practices akin to catholic traditions.

This fund is raised by depositing the offertory of the fifth weekend of any month. Requests are reviewed by a committee established by the pastoral council which makes recommendations to the Pastor who makes the decision.

Registered practicing catholic families of our parish who raise more than one child for God are eligible to apply. The family must be active in the liturgical and other spiritual activities of this parish. Exceptions are at the Pastor's discretion. Family may be required for a money management evaluation and a brief counseling for fiduciary responsibility if necessary. Either the Pastor or his delegate will do this session.

Funds may be requested for rent/mortgage, food, utilities, educational, medical or transportation needs.

Let us together build His Kingdom in our community.



## San Jose te Cuida

El Consejo Pastoral ha propuesto establecer un Fondo de Caridad Familiar Católico.

Este fondo se obtendrá depositando el ofertorio del quinto fin de semana de cualquier mes. Las peticiones de ayuda son revisadas por un comité establecido por el consejo pastoral que hace recomendaciones al párroco y el toma la decisión.

Las familias católicas practicantes registradas de nuestra parroquia que crían a más de un niño para Dios son elegibles para aplicar. La familia debe participar activamente en las actividades litúrgicas y espirituales de esta parroquia. Las excepciones quedan a discreción del párroco. La familia que solicite ayuda puede ser requerida para una evaluación de manejo de dinero y un breve asesoramiento sobre responsabilidad financiera si es necesario. El Párroco o su delegado hará esta sesión. Se pueden solicitar fondos para alquiler/hipoteca, alimentos, servicios públicos, necesidades educativas, médicas o de transporte.

Construyamos juntos Su Reino en nuestra comunidad.

*"We were the couple who never fought. We don't like conflict so we just didn't talk. Never. Discussed. Issues. He lived his married single lifestyle, and I lived mine."* Sound familiar?

**Retrouvaille** is a marriage program that teaches effective communication. The presenting team, three couples and a priest, presents practical tools to enable you to take a good look at many areas of your relationship. They have 'been there' and 'done that'. They will tell you what worked for them. For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with the weekend of April 8-10, 2022 call (434) 793-0242 or email: [retrouvaillenc@msn.com](mailto:retrouvaillenc@msn.com) or visit the website at [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

## RECYCLING

The Youth Group is collecting aluminum cans, tin cans, and other metal items for recycling to support the Youth Group activities. Please leave your items by the shed in the corner of the parking lot. Thank you in advance for separating the cans into separate bags for aluminum and steel. Steel items like old fry pans, basketball hoops, poles, tools, shovels, tire rims etc. can be turned in for cash. Please donate. Thank you.



## RECICLANDO

El Grupo de Jovenes es recogiendo latas de aluminio, latas de comida o cualquier otro metal para apoyar las actividades del Grupo Juvenil. Por favor deposite los artículos que usted tenga a la esquina de la casita.

Gracias a los que poneen en bolsa separadas el aluminio y el acero.

Articulos de acero como sartenes biejos, erramientas, palas etc.. Se convierten en efectivo. Porfavor Done. Muchas Gracias.



Please print and send 150 copies.

Than you for the help and assistance