

January 9, 2022

*The Holy Spirit descended upon him
in bodily form like a dove.
And a voice came from heaven,
"You are my beloved Son;
with you I am well pleased."*

LUKE 3:22

*El Espíritu Santo bajó sobre él y se manifestó
exteriormente en forma de paloma,
y del cielo vino una voz:
"Tú eres mi Hijo, hoy te he dado a la vida."*

LUCAS 3:22



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MASS TIMES

Daily: Mon.-Fri. 8:30 AM, Sat. 8:00 AM
(English); Mon.-Fri. 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM (English),
7:00 PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 8:00 AM, (English),
12:00 PM (Spanish),
6:00 PM (Bilingual)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:30 PM
Other times by appointment.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Infant/Child Baptism: Baptism is our
incorporation into the Body of Christ
and the foundation of our sacramental
life. Contact Ana Valencia at the parish
center to begin the process of
instruction and celebration.

**Children's Penance/Eucharist/
Confirmation:** Preparation for these
sacraments of initiation are handled
within our Faith Formation program.
For questions, contact Ana Valencia.

Adult Initiation: The Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the
path for those seeking to learn more
and perhaps ask for full initiation
into the Catholic church.

A related process is available for
those adults who only need to receive
the Sacrament of Confirmation. For
initial questions, contact any clergy
person of the parish.

CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Congratulations and blessings on your
engagement. Every couple has unique
gifts and needs, and our clergy will
walk and work with you to meet our
own time-tested standards to get you
to the altar and beyond. Contact
anyone on the pastoral team.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Freely offered to those who are sick,
facing surgery, those with chronic
mental or emotional illness, and those
of advanced age. In the COVID-19 era,
there are certain conditions that
prevent clergy from home visits and
hospitals, but contact the parish if you
would like the sacrament and we can
determine if we can celebrate it safely.

HOLY ORDERS

If you are sensing God's call to
service as a priest or deacon in the
church, contact our pastor and/or
any parish team member you feel
can best serve you.

Similarly, even though there are no
sacraments associated with the
religious life, monastic life, lay
ministry or faith-based humanitarian
service, please contact us if we can
help you in your discernment.

DEVOTIONS

**First Friday Mass in Time of
Pandemic:** Every First Friday of the
Month, we offer a bilingual "Mass in
Time of Pandemic" at 7:00 PM.

Next Mass in Time of Pandemic:
Friday, Feb. 4 at 7:00 PM

**First and Last Friday Eucharistic
Adoration:** Every First Friday
morning of the month, Adoration of
the Blessed Sacrament will run from
9:00 AM - Noon. For every Last Friday
of the month, an evening Adoration
is offered from 5-7 PM.

*Next Opportunities: Jan. 28 (PM),
Feb. 4 (AM).*

Monthly St. Sharbel Healing Mass:
Every 22nd of the month, a bilingual
healing Mass will be offered, focusing
on the intercession of St. Sharbel, the
hermit of Lebanon.

Next St. Sharbel Healing Masses:
Fri., Jan. 21 at 7:00 PM.

Marian Devotion: first Friday
Angelus, 12:00 noon, at the
conclusion of Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament. *Next Angelus:*
Feb. 4 at 12:00 noon.

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BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022

MASSES/PENANCE FOR THE WEEK

ALL MASSES IN THE CHURCH

Monday, January 10, 2022

8:30 AM World Peace
6:00 PM Contemplative Prayer
6:30 PM^S Vespers
7:00 PM^S Spanish Mass

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

8:30 AM William Lore, request of Matilda Lore
6:00 PM Contemplative Prayer
6:30 PM^S Vespers
7:00 PM^S Julio Enrique Morillo Vivanco, request of Veronica Morillo

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

8:30 AM People of the Parish
6:00 PM Contemplative Prayer
6:30 PM^S Vespers
7:00 PM^S Spanish Mass

Thursday, January 13, 2022

8:30 AM Those who are ill in our parish
6:00 PM Contemplative Prayer
6:30 PM^S Vespers
7:00 PM^S Spanish Mass

Friday, January 14, 2022

8:30 AM An end to the Coronavirus pandemic
6:00 PM Contemplative Prayer
6:30 PM^S Vespers
7:00 PM^S Spanish Mass

Saturday, January 15, 2022

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory
4:00 PM Penance
5:00 PM J. Michael Rose, request of wife, Muriel
7:00 PM^S Isidra Guzman Arellanes, request of Benjamin Guzman

Sunday, January 16, 2022

8:00 AM Isidoro Garcia, request of Luis and Nancy Padilla
12:00 PM^S Teresa Cascante Figueroa, request of Masis family
6:00 PM^B Robert V. F. Canfield, request of Maria Wagner

s = Spanish Mass B = Bilingual Mass

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

JANUARY 10-16, 2022

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8 | Mk 1:14--20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20 | Mk 1:21--28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 | Mk 1:29--39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11 | Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a | Mk 2:1--12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1 | Mk 2:13--17
Sunday: Is 62:1-5 | 1 Cor 12:4-11 | Jn 2:1-11

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM (English) and 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Sunday: 8:00 AM (English), 12:00 PM (Spanish), 6:00 PM (Bilingual).

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED INDEFINITELY

The Parish Office will continue to remain closed to the public for the foreseeable future in 2022. The pastoral team can be reached by phone or email. The Church Community Room opens each Tuesday evening 6:30-8:30 PM for pastoral services with one or two pastoral team members present.

LIVE-STREAM MASS AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

The English 8:00 AM and the Spanish 12:00 PM Masses are being live streamed on YouTube. Simply log onto our website. The best way to access the Mass is use the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiyE03bu2KX2rb7RXiDulmg/live>. Thank you to Julian Mahecha and Luz Helena Escobar for providing this service.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...' (LUKE 3:16)
The Catholic Catechism states that *"Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will."* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

PARISH GIVING

St. Joseph Parish offers *Parish Giving*, an online option for donating to the Sunday collection. It's simple. Go to the St. Joseph Parish website dreamsofstjoseph.org and click on the Parish Giving Logo. For one-time gifts, click on the PayPal logo on the website.

INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDER

As winter has now officially begun, a reminder that parish activity is likely to be impacted at times by the weather. Please remember to check either our website or Twitter for news of delays or cancellations.

PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS, FOR JANUARY 2022

For true human fraternity... We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

To learn more about human fraternity as the church understands it and would like to see it lived, read Pope Francis' encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*...

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20201003_enciclica-fratelli-tutti.html.

RALLY FOR LIFE

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life & Dignity will be running a bus trip to the Rally for Life in Trenton on Friday, January 14, 2022. The bus will leave the Diocesan Center in Piscataway at 9:30 AM. The Rally at the State House begins at 11:00 AM and ends at 1:00 PM. The bus will be back around 2:30 PM. You may bring a bagged lunch on the bus. To register call Angela Marshall at (732) 562-1543.

POVERTY AWARENESS MONTH

More than 1.5 million children in the United States experience homelessness in a year. More than 38 million Americans live in poverty.

These and other sobering realities are brought to our attention for prayer and action each January by the Catholic Church in the United States, through "Poverty Awareness Month." Go to povertyusa.org to learn more about poverty and how to act to alleviate it.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17 –

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

One Mass, bilingual at 9am, is scheduled for this upcoming holiday. Parish pastoral services will not be available from our team that day, and there will be no evening activity at the church.

WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY

If various weather conditions make church services or activities questionable, please check our website homepage for information. In the event of a power failure and/or internet outage, check our parish Twitter or Facebook pages, as well.

2022 COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Beginning 2022, your weekly collection envelopes will be mailed to your home every two months. As such, it is important that the church has your current mailing address on file. If you recently moved, please email MaryEllen.Kirchman@sjcbb.net or Martha.Rovitto@sjcbb.net with your current address.

BOUND BROOK COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Help Reduce Food Insecurity in our Community

Thanks to our parish NeXt Level team that is now regularly participating in the food pantry service days on Sunday!

The Bound Brook Presbyterian Church (BBPC) is serving as the interim host for a community food pantry previously operated by the Bound Brook School District at the LaMonte School. This pantry will eventually move to the Methodist Church on Union Avenue, once flooding-associated repairs are completed. During the interim period, the pantry will be held in the PFC gym every Sunday from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM. You can help by volunteering to work at the market. Ten volunteers are needed from 12:15 PM - 3:15 PM. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0445aaa829a6f58-bound>.

The offering of food and personal care items at the market is primarily supported via the cooperative efforts of the Branchburg Rotary, The Giving Garden and local houses of worship. These items are gleaned from Costco every Saturday and Sunday. Donations are welcome. Suggestions include:

- Cereal and oatmeal granola bars
- small bags chips/pretzels
- pancake mix/syrup
- rice (<5 lb. bags)
- beans (preferably black)
- cookies/crackers
- fruit cups
- flour/sugar
- peanut butter and jelly
- Spaghetti O's
- ramen noodles
- baby food/wipes
- toilet paper
- towels/napkins
- canned tuna/ chicken
- coffee/tea
- soap
- laundry detergent
- mayo/ ketchup/mustard
- salad dressing
- baking items/mixers
- dish soap/sponges
- household cleaning products
- shampoo/conditioner
- toothbrushes/toothpaste
- cooking oil/vinegar
- other hygiene products

Donations will be accepted at BBPC, 409 Mountain Avenue, Bound Brook on weekdays from 9:30 AM -1:00 PM and 2:00-4:00 PM and on Sundays before and after BBPC services. Questions, call BBPC at (732) 356-3575 or contact D'Maris Dempsey at joedm88@msn.com.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2022-23 TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2022. Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

PARISH PRIORITIES

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH CONTINUES...

BEGINNING THE CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH FOR INTERESTED PARISHIONERS

Starting after the 7 PM Mass Dec. 29, we began a bi-weekly devotional process of Consecration to St. Joseph, developed by our parish Pastoral Council, and concluding with the formal consecration when our St. Joseph Year ends on May 1, in our 6pm bilingual Mass that evening. This process is based on the book Donald H. Calloway, MIC, Consecration *to St Joseph*, and includes:

- 33 themes in total, from December 29, 2021 to May 1, 2022.
- Every Wednesday at the 8:30 AM and 7 PM Mass and Sunday before the 6 PM Mass.
- People who want to do the consecration will be invited to attend either of our Wednesday Masses and Sunday at 6 PM.

As the year of St. Joseph continues at the parish, note: Continuing until May 1, 2022, at the end of the Universal Prayer at each Sunday Mass for the duration of the year, we will pray the prayer to St. Joseph that concludes Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde*. Cards are available in church.

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

2) We have begun planning the **March 18-20 St. Joseph Feast Day Weekend**. Save the date: **Friday, March 18** for a one-man play, "Merton and Me," at the church.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Children's Faith Formation is now **Family Faith Formation** at St. Joseph, *integrating the whole family into faith formation, not just children*. This new model will be a 12-month continuous program with monthly sessions. Sessions will begin January 23-24 and 30 and registrations are still open. For more information about our program and to register visit www.dreamsofstjoseph.org > Faith Formation > Children's Faith Formation. We are looking forward to empowering parents and families and making faith formation more relational and real for families.

STEWARDSHIP

December 19 Weekend Masses	\$ 5,684.50
Building & Maintenance.....	\$ 1,063.25
Christmas	\$ 11,463.00
December 26 Weekend Masses	\$ 2,479.25
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 1,272.00
January 2 Weekend Masses	\$ 2,803.25
Weekday Masses (3 weeks)	\$ 251.25
Online Giving (3 weeks)	\$ 2,768.14
Total.....	\$27,784.64

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Our culture is characterized by its extraordinary pace of life. Many of us feel we are riding in a whirlwind. It is astonishing how quickly one season passes before we find ourselves in another. As a result of this rapid pace of life, we often feel worn out and drained. What keeps us going? Few things are more important to living fully and productively than finding resources that can energize us. At present we have inquirers, candidates and catechumens who have discovered that experiencing God's always-present love can be energizing. Would you, or anyone you know, like to learn more about how knowing and following Jesus with the catholic faith family can fill you up when you feel "on empty"?

For more information about sessions in English, please contact Deacon Gary Newton at Deacon.Gary@sjcbb.net or for sessions in Spanish, please contact Deacon Edgar Chaves at Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net.

Now that the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season is over, let us commit ourselves to praying for our candidates and catechumens. They need our prayers to carry them through to initiation.

COMMEMORATIVE PAVER

SIGN-UP DRIVE IN FULL SWING

Donation Information is widely available now around the parish and on the website about our commemorative paver project. You can order a paver in memory or honor of a loved one through the order forms, and either pay at the time of your request or later. We will present a bulk order to the engraver, and the goal is to have the names in place by February.

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

SEGUNDO DOMINGO ORDINARIO

Primera Lectura: Isaías 62: 1-5

Las naciones verán tu justicia, y tu gloria todos los reyes.

Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 12: 4-11

El Espíritu Santo distribuye a cada uno de nosotros sus dones.

Evangelio: Juan 2: 1-11

Jesús transforma el agua en vino.

AVISOS A LA COMUNIDAD

Confesiones:

Las confesiones se realizan en inglés y español:

- **Sábados** de 4:00 a 4:30 PM en la Iglesia.

Se requerirá máscaras y distanciamiento social.

Para confesarse en otro momento debe hacer una cita previa llamando al (732) 356-0027 ext. 10.

TOME NOTA

El Diácono Gustavo Sandoval está disponible para aquellas personas que necesiten alguna ayuda espiritual. Para comunicarse con él, favor llamarle al teléfono (732) 317-8544 o a su correo Deacon.Gustavo@sjcbb.net.

El Diácono Edgar Chaves está disponible para las personas adultas que deseen hacer el bautismo, comunión o confirmación. También él está a cargo de la Divina Misericordia y los ensayos de matrimonio en español, si desea más información contacte al diácono en su correo: Deacon.Edgar@sjcbb.net.

La Sra. Martha Rovitto atiende todo lo relacionado con Misas, bautismos, registros parroquiales y certificados. Llamando al (732)356-0027 ext.15 o al correo Martha.Rovitto@sjcbb.net.

La Srta. Ana Valencia la directora del programa de Educación Religiosa (FFF), pueden contactarla llamando (732)356-0027 ext. 17, o al correo Ana.Valencia@sjcbb.net, para las personas que necesiten registración o consultar sobre el Nuevo modelo de Formación en la Fe Familiar.

LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL CONTINÚA CERRADA

La oficina parroquial seguirá estando cerrada al público. Puede comunicarse con el personal por teléfono o correo electrónico.

El Salón Comunitario de la Iglesia abre todos los martes por la noche de 6:30 - 8:30 PM para servicios pastorales con uno o dos miembros del personal presentes.

LIBRO DE INTENCIÓN DE MISAS 2022

El libro de intención de misas del 2022 está disponible. Usted puede enviar sus solicitudes de intención de la misa visitando nuestro sitio web: www.dreamsofstjoseph.org → Liturgia y Sacramentos → Formulario de intención de misa, o ir personalmente los martes en la iglesia de 6:30 a 8:30 PM. La donación para una intención de misa sigue siendo de \$ 10.00.

NUEVO MODELO DE FORMACIÓN DE FE

La Formación en la Fe de los Niños es ahora la Formación en la Fe familiar en San José, integrando a toda la familia en la formación de la fe, no solo a los niños.

Este nuevo modelo será un programa continuo de 12 meses con sesiones mensuales. Las sesiones comenzarán del 23 al 24 y 30 de enero y las inscripciones siguen abiertas. Para obtener más información sobre nuestro programa y para registrarse, visite www.dreamsofstjoseph.org > Formación en la Fe > Formación en la Fe para Niños. Esperamos empoderar a los padres y las familias, hacer que la formación en la fe sea más relacional, integrarla más con la vida parroquial, responder mejor a las continuas restricciones de la pandemia y poner fin a la noción de formación en la fe como simplemente otra clase para obtener información.

CRECIENDO LA ESPIRITUALIDAD DE NUESTRA PARROQUIA

En la actualidad, tenemos tres movimientos de oración y devoción (fuera de la Eucaristía) practicados de manera regular y pública por los feligreses: -Oración contemplativa -Oración carismática-Devoción a la Divina Misericordia Este verano estamos profundizando nuestras prácticas en estas áreas e invitando a más a participar, dedicando una noche de la semana por práctica

Miercoles: Mañana y tarde de Espiritualidad Contemplativa
Cantos contemplativos en las misas diarias. Lectio Divina practicado 10 minutos antes de la Misa de las 7:00 PM. aspectos de la práctica contemplativa inmediatamente después de la Misa de las 7:00 PM.

Jueves: Noches de Espiritualidad Divina Misericordia
Una decena de la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia recitada durante la Misa de las 7:00PM, Coronilla completa recitada después de la Misa como parte de una reunión semanal de devotos.

Viernes: Noche de Espiritualidad Carismática
Cada 2 y 3 viernes por la noche, Misa a las 7:00 PM con un tema carismático. Encuentro de participantes del movimiento carismático después de la Misa cada 2º y 3º domingo.

DIA DE DR. LUTHER KING JR.

Lunes, 17 de enero

Una misa, bilingüe a las 9 de la mañana, está programada para este próximo feriado. Los servicios parroquiales no estarán disponibles ese día en observación al feriado, y no habrá ninguna actividad nocturna en la iglesia.

RECORDATORIO DE INCLEMENCIAS DEL TIEMPO

Como el invierno ha comenzado oficialmente, solo un recordatorio en caso de que las actividades parroquiales se vea afectada a veces por el clima. Por favor, recuerde consultar nuestro sitio web o Twitter para noticias de retrasos o cancelaciones.

EL AÑO DE SAN JOSÉ CONTINUA...

INICIO DE LA CONSAGRACIÓN A SAN JOSÉ PARA LOS FELIGRESES INTERESADOS

El 29 de diciembre, se comenzó después de la Misa de las 7:00 PM un proceso quincenal de Consagración a San José, desarrollado por nuestro Consejo Pastoral parroquial, y concluyendo alrededor del momento en que nuestro Año de San José termina el 1 de mayo.

Este proceso se basa en el libro Donald H. Calloway, MIC, Consagración a San José, e incluye:

- 33 temas en total, del 29 de diciembre de 2021 a 1 de mayo de 2022.
- Las personas que quieran hacer la consagración serán invitadas a asistir a la misa todos los miércoles a las 7:00 pm y los domingos a las 6:00 pm.
- **Calendario de apertura de temas**
- Domingo, 9 de enero día 4, Dios, el Hijo, Redentor de la Palabra, Ten misericordia de nosotros
- Miércoles, 12 de enero día 5, Dios, Espíritu Santo, Ten Misericordia de Nosotros
- Domingo, 16 de enero día 6, Santísima Trinidad, Un solo Dios, Ten misericordia de nosotros

A medida que el año de San José continúa en la parroquia:

Continuando hasta el 1 de mayo de 2022, al final de la Oración Universal en cada Misa dominical durante todo el año, rezaremos la oración a San José que concluye la Carta Apostólica Patris Corde del Papa Francisco. Las tarjetas están disponibles en la iglesia.

Salve, custodio del Redentor y esposo de la Virgen María.

A ti Dios confió a su Hijo, en ti María depositó su confianza, contigo Cristo se forjó como hombre.

Oh, bienaventurado José, muéstrate, padre también a nosotros y guíanos en el camino de la vida.

Concédenos gracia, misericordia y valentía, y defiéndenos de todo mal. Amén.

2) Hemos comenzado a planificar el fin de semana del Día de la Fiesta de San José del 18 al 20 de marzo. Guarde la fecha: viernes 18 de marzo para una obra de un solo hombre, "Merton and Me".

CAMPAÑA CONMEMORATIVA DE REGISTRO DE PAVIMENTO EN PLENO APOGEO

La información sobre donaciones está ampliamente disponible ahora en toda la parroquia y en el sitio web sobre nuestro proyecto de Bloque de Adoquines conmemorativo. Puede pedir un Bloque en memoria u honor de un ser querido a través de los formularios de pedido, y pagar en el momento de su solicitud o más tarde. Presentaremos un pedido a granel al grabador, el objetivo es tener los nombres en su lugar para febrero.

FIESTA DEL BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR



La festividad del Bautismo del Señor, fiesta que se celebra el domingo siguiente a la Epifanía y con la que se cierra el Tiempo de Navidad, comenzando el Tiempo Ordinario, en que meditamos a Cristo, Salvador del mundo.

El bautismo en el Jordán fue para Jesús dejar la vida silenciosa de Nazaret y el comienzo de su misión mesiánica. Isaías habla del **elegido** que promoverá el derecho y la justicia, curará y librerá. El "elegido" fue investido como Mesías en las aguas del Jordán donde se escuchó la palabra del Padre.

En muy poco tiempo la liturgia nos hace pasar de la cuna a la madurez.

Cristo estuvo preparándose para su misión durante 30 años, una misión que consistió en hacer cercano al hombre el Reino de Dios.

A lo largo de esos años Jesús fue descubriendo su identidad. Para descubrirlo, Jesús siente una llamada especial, es lo que hoy recordamos en la fiesta de su Bautismo.

REFLEXIÓN

"Juan les respondió, 'Yo bautizo con agua; pero ya viene el que es más poderoso ...él los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo...'" (LUCAS 3:16)

El Catecismo Católico establece que "la inmersión de Jesús en el agua es una señal para todos los seres humanos de la necesidad de morir para cumplir la voluntad de Dios". En otras palabras, como católicos bautizados solo necesitamos darle un don a Jesús - el don de nosotros mismos. Ríndete ante Dios, coloca tu confianza en Él y permite al Espíritu Santo trabajar a través de ti para la mayor gloria de Dios.

MES DE CONCIENTIZACIÓN SOBRE LA POBREZA

Más de 1.5 millones de niños en los Estados Unidos experimentan la falta de vivienda en un año. Más de 38 millones de estadounidenses viven en la pobreza. Estas y otras realidades aleccionadoras son llevadas a nuestra atención para la oración y la acción cada enero por parte de la Iglesia Católica en los Estados Unidos, a través del "Mes de Conciencia sobre la Pobreza". Ir a povertyusa.org para aprender más sobre la pobreza y cómo actuar para aliviarla.

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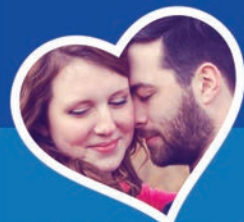
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