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NOVEMBER

St. John Catholic School

Benefit  
Auction

NOVEMBER 13, 2021  
5:30PM  
ST. JOHN SCHOOL

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St. John the Evangelist, a Catholic Capuchin Franciscan Parish, welcomes all who are called to be disciples of Jesus Christ and proclaims His Gospel through prayer, worship, His Word, and the sacraments. Members, inspired by the Holy Spirit through faith formation and spiritual renewal, witness to the Gospel in lives of justice and charity, build up families and children through education, hospitality and fellowship, and serve those in need with compassion.

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Saturday.....8:00 am, 4:30 pm  
Sunday .....7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am,  
.....1:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 pm

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Monday - Friday: 7:30 am; Wednesday 5:30 pm (SP); Friday 12:10 pm

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In the Padre Pio Chapel (inside the north church entrance)  
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# ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. John Catholic School

*Benefit Auction*

NOVEMBER THIRTEENTH YEAR 2021

## ANNUAL ST. JOHN AUCTION

**Tickets are now on sale for the St. John Auction to be held on November 13!**

Please visit our school website - <http://sjevangelist.com/school/auction/> to purchase your tickets or look for ways to support our auction or call **785-842-3445**, or email: [auction@sjeagles.com](mailto:auction@sjeagles.com)

### WIN AN ITALIAN DINNER



Feast on an Italian dinner for 8-10 people prepared by former chef Father Jason! An evening of great company, conversation and cuisine with the priests of St John! This four-course dinner will be accompanied with wine pairings as well.

ST. JOHN SCHOOL BENEFIT AUCTION

**FUNDRAISING RAFFLE**  
*For VIP Parking!*

Skip the stress of finding the perfect parking spot, enter to win an Annual VIP parking pass at St. John! Raffle tickets are just \$25 each or 5 for \$100, 10 for \$200.

Bid now at: <http://sjevangelist.com/school/auction/>



**CONFIRMATION  
REGISTRATION  
NOW OPEN!**

Confirmation is  
April 6th at 7PM.

For info, contact  
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There will be a retreat in preparation



The St. John High School Youth Group will gather **November 7 at 6:15 pm in the Bosco Room** for an evening of fun, fellowship and good conversation. Come join your fellow teenagers in a large-group setting as we celebrate all things Catholic from a youth's perspective. We will also discuss our format for the year, which will include small group discussions that will meet throughout the week during the school year. For more information contact Allison Loecker at **785-843-0109** or email [sjyouth@sjevangelist.com](mailto:sjyouth@sjevangelist.com)

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Daily Masses

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am  
Wednesday: 5:30 pm; Friday: 12:10 pm  
Saturday: 8:00 am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am,  
1:00 pm Spanish, 5:00 pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wednesday: 11:00 am – Noon  
Saturday: 3:00-4:00 pm  
Or by appointment

## NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Please contact the parish office for a registration form at **785-843-0109** or complete the online registration on the parish website: [sjevangelist.com](http://sjevangelist.com)

## WELCOME!



## ST. JOHN ANNUAL *Christmas* SALE

1234 Kentucky St, church basement (enter at north door)

**Saturday, November 6: 8:00 am to 6:30 pm**

**Sunday, November 7: 8:00 am to 3:30 pm**

St. John the Evangelist Church invites you to its Annual *Christmas* Sale, located in the church basement, offering gently used decorations, gift items, trees, clothing, and accessories.

## RESETTLEMENT OF IMMIGRANTS

You may have heard that Afghan families and individuals are expected to be re-settled in our area. A group of St. John parishioners attended a meeting a few weeks ago hosted by Catholic Charities concerning the resettlement of Afghan immigrants and asylees. Catholic Charities is the sponsoring agency for our region and Archdiocese. If you are interested in helping with the re-settlement of Afghan families and individuals seeking re-settlement, please come to a planning and organizational meeting to be held in the **Bosco room in the basement of St. John School on Thursday, November 11 at 7:00 pm.**

There will be a variety of activities available for volunteers to consider. If you have questions in advance, you may contact Diana Carlin at: [dianacarlin@gmail.com](mailto:dianacarlin@gmail.com) or Susan Tabor at: [souljourner@sbcglobal.net](mailto:souljourner@sbcglobal.net) Thank you for prayerfully considering this opportunity to serve our brothers and sisters.

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, by visiting: [MISSIO.org](http://MISSIO.org).

## ADORATION



Eucharistic Adoration is one-on-one time with the One we love the most! A time to further that personal friendship and devotion to Jesus present in the Eucharist. Spend time with the Lord anytime between 6:00 am-7:30 pm in the Padre Pio Chapel; except during Mass times and Confession. No sign up is required, but a mask is **required**. If you want directions on how to expose the Eucharist contact St. John Parish office at **785-843-0109** or [office@sjevangelist.com](mailto:office@sjevangelist.com).

## REGISTRATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND COMMUNION



Registration is available for children (excluding Catechesis of the Good Shepherd) who would like to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. These Sacraments are beautiful opportunities to celebrate as a family. It is through you, that your child first experienced Jesus. We want to support parents, as the first and primary teacher of the Faith therefore parents are asked to attend the sessions with their child. Sessions begin on **Tuesday, November 9, 6:30-7:30 pm**. More information will be sent upon registration. Registration fee is \$40.00 (finances should never prevent a child from receiving the sacraments, please let us know if you need some assistance.) <https://form.jotform.com/212295582088059> If you have any questions, please reach out to Shelly Bole at: [sbole@sjevangelist.com](mailto:sbole@sjevangelist.com) or **785-843-0109**

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## GROCERY CARDS SOLD AFTER MASS

Grocery cards will be sold after all masses on the **first weekend of the month**. Please bring cash or check to purchase Checkers, Merc, and Hy-Vee\* grocery cards. Sales will be set up outdoors near the north door of the church. Grocery cards are sold to you at face value, and the grocery stores donate 5 to 6 percent of sales toward St. John School. Donations will be targeted to the mortgage on the gymnasium. To pre-order cards, or to help, email Nora at: [noramurphy777@gmail.com](mailto:noramurphy777@gmail.com), or phone **785-727-5083**.

\*If you shop at Dillon's and need help setting up the auto-donation there, please call.

## RUMMAGE HOUSE VOLUNTEERS

St. John's Rummage House is in need of more volunteers. The Rummage House has provided an amazing service to the Lawrence community for many years. In order to keep providing this service we need more volunteers while the store is open.

**Store hours:** Wednesday 11:00am-3:00pm and Saturday 8:30am- 12:30pm

Our greatest need are Wednesday and the first and third Saturdays of the month. If you are interested in volunteering just 4 hours a month, please contact Linday Brey at: [lbrey525@gmail.com](mailto:lbrey525@gmail.com).



**VETERANS DAY**  
HONORING ALL THOSE WHO SERVED IN OUR COMMUNITY  
SCHOOL MASS CELEBRATION  
NOVEMBER 11, 2021 | 9:20 AM  
ST. JOHN CHURCH

**VETERANS DAY SCHOOL MASS**  
The November 11 school Mass, we would like to invite any veterans or active military to our 9:20 Mass. As a way of celebrating Veterans Day, we would like to recognize your service and sacrifice to our nation.

# SOCIAL JUSTICE SOCIAL ACTION

By The Social Concerns for Peace and Justice Committee



Again, we are partnering with Catholic Charities and Centro Hispano to help families in our Lawrence community who are living in poverty. Again this year, we hope to provide households with a food voucher so that they can buy food to go with the turkey they will be receiving for Thanksgiving from Catholic Charities.

This is where you come in. If my math is correct, if 400 families in our parish would donate \$10, we could provide forty families with a \$40 food voucher.

We'd like to invite you to help with this project. You may put a check in the collection basket, designating in the memo that it is for Thanksgiving vouchers. Or you may put cash in an envelope and put it in the collection basket or drop it by the church, with a note designating it for Thanksgiving.

At this writing, we don't have a method in place for you to donate to the Thanksgiving project online, but if and when that becomes available, we will let you know.

Thank you in advance for helping make it possible for poor families in our community to have a Thanksgiving dinner for themselves and their families. As you prayerfully consider how much you will give, please say a prayer for those we are helping. Thank you very much, and God bless all of you!



Now here are a few more tips to help you live a more environmentally friendly lifestyle:

### 26. Invest in high-quality products

While deals may save you money instantly they end up being costly in the long run. Buy high-quality products that are built to last so you don't have to keep replacing them. Every time you have to replace something you're contributing to the amount of waste.

### 27. Buy second-hand

Recycling and reuse is a step in the right direction in an effort to being eco-conscious. Buying preloved items promotes the reduction of waste within a community. You also get to save money.

### 28. Say no to trends

Trends are exciting and very tempting. The fear of missing out is real, especially where trends are concerned. Before you jump onto the next trendy gadget or fashion ask yourself if you will want that item a year from now.

Switch to Reusable Eco-Friendly Products

### 29. Use reusable containers

Don't get tired to carry a water bottle, coffee mug and lunch box with you daily. The environment will love you for it. Store leftovers and your dry cereals in reusable containers instead of plastic disposable ones. Use reusable sandwich bags for lunches.

### 30. Take eco-friendly bags for grocery shopping

Keep forgetting to carry your reusable grocery bag? Put one reusable bag in every bag that you take out with you and you'll never forget again. Switching to reusable bags for your grocery shopping can make a huge impact on the environment.



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC PARISH

# GIVING TUESDAY MATCHING CHALLENGE

OUR CHURCH HOME NEEDS ATTENTION

NOVEMBER 1ST - DECEMBER 13TH

Maybe you stepped foot in the church to witness a family member's baptism, or walked down the aisle to say "I do" to the love of your life...Maybe your child received the Eucharist for the first time or you said goodbye to a loved one...For whatever reason it may be, St. John was right there with you to share in your experience. As the church building approaches 100 years old, it is in desperate need of repairs. Repairs consist of fixing a leaky roof, the choir loft ceiling, and water seeping into the church basement. From **Monday, November 1 until Tuesday, December 13**, help us raise \$50,000 and a generous donor will **MATCH** with the \$50,000 more that is needed!



### 3 Ways You Can Get Involved:

1. Donate to our Giving Tuesday Match Challenge starting Monday, November 1.
2. Share our fundraising page with family and friends
3. **Send in photos or video** of you or your family participating in sacraments, activities at St. John

Stay in the loop on all the exciting happenings at St. John by following our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages!



**Send In Family Photos**

# EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

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### The Look

Have you ever made the mistake of telling your spouse that you're out of something — only to see them respond with The Look? Then you realize it: of course, he or she knows you're out of butter. They knew it before a butter shortage was even a blip on your radar.

We might go to the fridge and lament the complete lack of ketchup. Then someone moves a couple items and show us the ketchup that so savagely eluded us just moments before.

Sometimes, we all have "the look" when dealing with God. We tell Him our stores are empty. "I'm out, God! I can't do any more!"

Can't give any more. Can't take any more. It's all gone." But we forget: God is the keeper of our stores. He is the one who fills them, and the one who watches as they empty.

See, we don't know how much we are capable of loving. We don't know how much we are capable of serving. We don't know how much we are capable of hoping. We see everything with spouse eyes. Only our Creator truly knows the limits of His creation.

Do you ever make the mistake of telling God "I'm done"? Be careful the next time you do. Chances are, He's far from finished working.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

The "Prayer List" includes the most recent information that the Simon Parish Center has about a parishioner and/or their family member. Contact the Center to request someone for the "Prayer List."

*Thank you on behalf of the families of those individuals for whom we pray.*

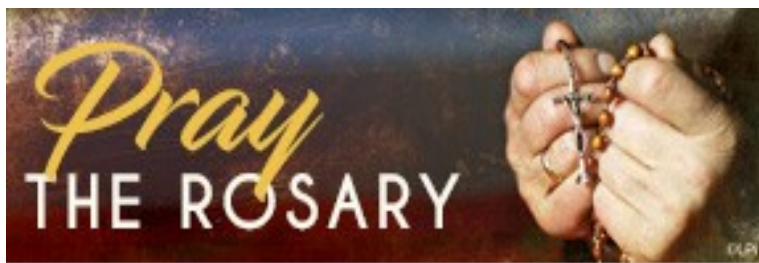
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### NOVEMBER 8 – NOVEMBER 14

**Mon.:** 7:30 am..... Kaiden DeWitt  
**Tues.:** 7:30 am ..... Florence & Donald Filet  
**Wed.:** 7:30 am..... Daniel Meyer & Robert Walkert  
 5:30pm (Sp.) ..... Intentions of Pope Francis  
**Thurs.:** 7:30 am ..... Betty Bigham†  
**Fri.:** 7:30 am..... Stanley Jesatko†  
 12:10 pm..... End To The Pandemic  
**Sat.:** 8:00 am..... Witold Grzymala-Busset  
 4:30 pm ..... Scott Smith  
**Sun.:** 7:00 am ..... Rev. Edward M. Tulley†  
 9:00am..... Rosemary Werth†  
 11:00am..... Sr. Marcella Schrant†  
 1:00 pm (Sp.) ..... Rosendo Diaz & Agripina Mendozat  
 5:00 pm ..... Parishioners of St. John

# FOCUS ON THE WORD

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

On December 10, 1979, a very petite holy woman known as Mother Teresa of Calcutta spoke these words in her Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Speech, "But I am sure in the families and many of our homes, maybe we are not hungry for a piece of bread, but maybe there is somebody there in the family who is unwanted, unloved, uncared, forgotten, there isn't love. Love begins at home. And love to be true has to hurt. I never forget a little child who taught me a very beautiful lesson. They heard in Calcutta, the children, that Mother Teresa had no sugar for her children, and this little one, Hindu boy four years old, he went home and he told his parents: I will not eat sugar for three days, I will give my sugar to Mother Teresa. How much a little child can give. After three days they brought into our house, and there was this little one who could scarcely pronounce my name, he loved with great love, he loved until it hurt. And this is what I bring before you, to love one another until it hurts, but don't forget that there are many children, many children, many men and women who haven't got what you have. And remember to love them until it hurts."

Living authentically and walking with holiness always involves sacrifice. It has to hurt. Only actions springing from true and

deep sacrifice demonstrate true integrity. Without sacrifice, even what is apparently a generous gesture can be nothing. It is no wonder that the widow who contributed from her poverty received great admiration from Jesus and the young child in our story above the interest of Mother Teresa. It is easy to make the houses of our lives look like they are in perfect order when in fact they are in shambles within. Religion can sometimes make this hypocritical masquerade easy to accomplish. We can find ourselves in all the right holy places, reciting all of the correct prayers, participating in community collections, and reciting the proper doctrines only to find ourselves empty, shallow, self-focused, and overly anxious about personal concerns.

The one who learns to discover their inner poverty, their spiritual poverty, is the only one who can truly place him or herself at the mercy of God. It is only when we allow ourselves to be empty that we realize Who we actually need to fill us. This is the real meaning of trust. Many of us are afraid to take the plunge. We allow ourselves to detach from only so much, always keeping a watchful eye on the protection of our securities. We understand the value of poverty, but we do not want to become too poor. As long as we are able to recognize this tension, our reluctance to let go and our struggle, we can continue our journey of humbly learning how to love so deeply that it hurts. God understands and waits. ©LPi

## ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI FEAST DAY NOVEMBER 13



You may recognize the name St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850 – 1917) as the first United States citizen to become a saint. Known for her deep trust in God, she was a courageous woman doing the work of Christ.

Her life of service began when she was first refused admission to the religious order which had educated her to be a teacher. Not one to take things face

value, she instead focused her charitable work at the House of Providence Orphanage in Cadogno, Italy, and in 1877, professed vows there and took the religious habit.

When the bishop closed the orphanage in 1880, he named St.

Frances Xavier Cabrini prioress of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart. However, she had a dream she was determined to fulfill. Since her early childhood, she had dreamed of being a missionary in China. Pope Leo XIII, however, urged her to see the need in the west. She traveled with six of her fellow religious sisters to New York City, where they worked with the thousands of Italian immigrants residing there.

Although she experienced many disappointments during this time, she persevered. When she arrived in New York, the house intended to be her first orphanage in the United States was not available. Rather than come back to Italy and the order she oversaw, she instead found a way to establish that orphanage elsewhere — plus a few more. Throughout her life, she is known for founding 67 institutions dedicated to caring for the poor, the abandoned, the uneducated, and the sick. She died of malaria in her own Columbus Hospital in Chicago in 1917.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

**Monday:** Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

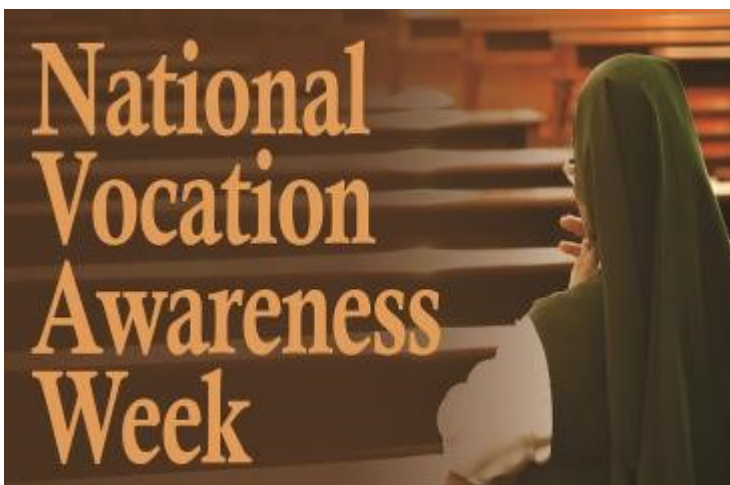
**Wednesday:** Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday:** Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8

**Next Sunday:** Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32





## CUENTO NÚMERO 8

### Job: una llaga y un grito (Job 30)

¿Oyeron ustedes hablar alguna vez de Job? Según nos cuenta un antiguo relato, era un buen hombre. Tenía familia, muchos bienes, era feliz. Su mujer lo apreciaba y tenía fieles amigos. Sus hijos correteaban, queriendo ganarle en velocidad al viento, y cometían las mismas travesuras que otros chicos de su edad. Cuentan también que, un día, Mister Diablo, bicho astuto y ambicioso, perverso y mentiroso, chanta, loco, maligno, padre de todo vicio y pecado, no conforme con los muchos adeptos que iban a su capillita, y con las numerosas fechorías con que contaba en su haber, se metió con don Job, aunque con el permiso de Dios, debidamente firmado y autenticado ante escribano público nacional: lo sabía fiel y permitió que lo pusieran a prueba. Y los problemas cayeron sobre él, uno a uno, como el huracán Mitch sobre Centro América o como un tifón que se desata en alta mar, convirtiendo cada ola en un gigante de mil cabezas; o como un terremoto que desploma torres elevadas; como un soplo que desmorona un castillo de naipes. O como el insulto del mundo en los oídos de un pobre hombre que a nadie hizo mal. Desde ese entonces, las revistas especializadas se refieren a él como “el paciente Job”.

Quebraron sus empresas. La plaga diezmó a sus rebaños. Se apestaron sus cultivos. Fue calumniado y enjuiciado. Su esposa y sus hijos se rebelaron contra el tildándolo de “fracasado”. Los amigos desaparecieron como arte de magia, tal como sobreabundaban en tiempos de bonanza. Las enfermedades lo asolaban: menos el SIDA (enfermedad aun no inventada), tuvo de todo. En la calle, las pandillas de chiquilines crueles y maleducados le gritaban: - Las siete plagas del Egipto! (En esos tiempos, los chicos tenían “cultura bíblica”, y sabían hacer sesudas bromas pesadas).

Nos dice el relato mencionado al comienzo que el pobre Job se cascaba con una teja: tal era la picazón que sus llagas le provocaban. Todo él era un lamento vivo. El mayor dolor fue la soledad (hoy diríamos “la marginación”).

¿Dónde está Dios, ese Dios al que siempre guardo fidelidad?  
¿Dónde su familia, sus amigos y sus bienes? ¿Dónde su salud?  
¿Qué ganas locas de maldecir tanta desgracia! ¿Cuántos deseos de levantar al cielo un puño cerrado clamando venganza, como lo haría el más aguerrido de los manifestantes callejeros, para gritarle a Dios su odio profundo por haberlo abandonado a su mala suerte!

Su esposa, Zoraida, dulce en otro tiempo, pero ahora avinagrada, lo invitaba e incitaba: - ¡Dáale, fracasado...! ¡A ver si sigues con ganas de rezar el Rosario e ir a misa! ¡Invita al párroco a cenar, como lo hacías antes, para hablar del Movimiento Familiar Cristiano, de la catequesis y de lo bueno que es Dios! ¿De qué te sirvió comprar los casetes del padre Mamerto Manapace e ir a los cursos de Liturgia del padre Héctor Muñoz? ¿De qué te sirvió bendecir a los chicos con agua bendita antes de irse a dormir, y tener la foto del Papa en el comedor?

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## EL DOMINGO DE LA MISIÓN MUNDIAL

GRACIAS por su generoso aporte a la colecta para la Sociedad para la Propagación de la Fe que se llevó a cabo durante el fin de semana pasado, el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones. Puede permanecer conectado todo el año a las misiones del Papa, manteniendo el compromiso del Domingo Mundial de las Misiones, visitando: [MISSIO.org](http://MISSIO.org).

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## LA FE SE PUEDE ALIMENTAR

Hermano, a veces te sientes triste o con necesidad de Dios, ven yo te puedo acompañar a orar, nos podemos ver en la Iglesia o en la oficina. Estoy para ayudarte. Oro por todos, bendiciones María Mota.

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## CATECISMO EN ESPAÑOL

Las Inscripciones son en agosto. Por favor para más información llamar a María Mota.

## CONFESIONES

**Sábado de 3:00 pm a 4:00 pm y Miércoles de 11:00 am a 12:00 pm** Habrá confesiones en español para quien lo necesite, y pueda recibir este sacramento.

## LAS LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA DEL 7 DE NOVIEMBRE

**Domingo:** 1 Re 17, 10-16/Sal 145, 7. 8-9. 9-10 [1]/Heb 9, 24-28/Mc 12, 38-44 o 12, 41-44

**Lunes:** Sab 1, 1-7/Sal 138, 1-3. 4-6. 7-8. 9-10 [24]/Lc 17, 1-6

**Martes:** Ez 47, 1-2. 8-9. 12/Sal 45, 2-3. 5-6. 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3, 9-11. 16-17/Jn 2, 13-22

**Miércoles:** Sab 6, 1-11/Sal 81, 3-4. 6-7 [8]/Lc 17, 11-19

**Jueves:** Sab 7, 22—8, 1/Sal 118, 89. 90. 91. 130. 135. 175 [89]/Lc 17, 20-25

**Viernes:** Sab 13, 1-9/Sal 18, 2-3. 4-5 [2]/Lc 17, 26-37

**Sábado:** Sab 18, 14-16; 19, 6-9/Sal 104, 2-3. 36-37. 42-43 [5]/Lc 18, 1-8

**Domingo siguiente:** Dn 12, 1-3/Sal 15, 5. 8. 9-10. 11 [1]/Heb 10, 11-14. 18/Mc 13, 24-32

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Y Job callaba, tanto más cuanto más crecían las agresiones. En su interior, el alma le punzaba, con agujas de diamante, clavadas en el límite extremo de la vida, allí donde Dios extiende la mano y llega para tomarla. ¿No quedaría tranquilo renegando de ese Dios de pacotilla que desaparecía cuando más lo necesitaba?

Iba a abrir los labios para terminar con todo este absurdo, pero los abrió, no para terminar con nada, sino para recapitular todo. Su mujer y sus hijos solícitos que lo molestaban, oyeron, case como un murmullo que brotaba de su debilidad, estas palabras: - Dios me lo dio, Dios me lo quito. ¡Bendito sea Dios!

Todavía no se había diluido el eco, cuando Job se vio envuelto en flores. De los poros del aire nacían melodías que Bach y Mozart imaginarían siglos mas tarde. Cientos de ángeles bailaban,

vestidos de blanco, entrelazando sus brazos. Lo llamaron del Citibank para renovar el crédito. Los campos quemados volvieron a ser vergeles, y la piel del pobre y paciente Job, del triste y abandonado Job, parecía la de una publicidad del mejor jabón de tocador.

¡Pobre míster Diablo... no pudo con él!

*Muchas veces, creemos que, cuando algo nos va mal, es un castigo de Dios, y estamos muy pero muy equivocados. Si fuera así, Cristo habría sido el mas "castigado" por el Padre.*

*El dolor, la adversidad y las lagrimas son una prueba a nuestra fidelidad. Job padeció y salió fortalecido de la prueba.*

-Héctor Muñoz

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