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**Office Hours**

**Horario de la Oficina**

Monday – Thursday / Lunes a Jueves  
9:00am - 2:00pm **401-722-9054**

**Weekend Masses**

**Misas de fin de semana**

Saturday: 4:30pm English / Inglés  
Sábado 6:00pm Español / Spanish  
Sunday: 9:30am English / Inglés  
Domingo 11:30am Español / Spanish

**Daily Masses**

**Misas durante la semana**

Monday & Wednesday 8:00am English / Inglés  
Martes y Viernes 7:00pm Español / Spanish  
Bilingual Mass Saturday / Sábado at 8:00am

**Confessions (Chapel) / Confessions (Capilla)**

Saturday / Sábado 3:30pm to 4:20pm  
& 5:30pm to 5:50pm

**Baptism / Bautismo**

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of every Month after the 11:30am Mass. Please call the rectory at least two months in advance.

Los Bautismos se celebran el segundo Domingo de cada mes después de la Misa de las 11:30am.  
Llame a la rectoría con 2 meses de anticipación.

**Anointing of the Sick**

**Unción de los enfermos**

Please call the parish  
Por favor llamar a la parroquia.

**Legión de María**

Lunes a las 6:00pm en la Sacristía

**Matrimony / Matrimonio**

Call one year in advance to begin preparation.  
Llamar con un año de anticipación.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Adoración Eucarística**

Every Friday / Todos los Viernes  
9:00am to 6:45pm in the Church / en la Iglesia

**Youth Group / Grupo Juvenil**

Thursday (Jueves) TBD  
from 6:00pm to 7:30pm  
(Grades 7th to 12th)

**Chiquitin Misionero**

Saturdays / Sabados 10am – 12 pm  
5 to 7 years old / Niños de 5 a 7 años

**Comunidad Evangelizadora (CERS)**

Sábado a las 7:00pm en la Capilla

**Food Bank / Banco de Comida**

January / Enero  
Monday / Lunes 22 & 29  
9:30am to 11:00am & 6:00pm to 7:00pm  
Wednesday / Miércoles 24 & 31  
9:30am to 11:00 am

**Hospitality House / Casa de Hospitalidad**

Open every Tuesday / Martes at 10:30am  
Hot lunch / Almuerzo caliente at 11:30am

**New Parishioners**

Please call the Rectory to register.  
Llamar a la Rectoría para registrarse.

# **Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

## **January 28, 2024**

Dear Parishioners,

One of my daily obligations as a priest is to pray the Liturgy of the Hours. These hours include the Office of Readings, and Morning, Daytime, Evening, and Night Prayer. I would like to share with you the Second Reading from last Monday's (January 22nd) Office of Readings. It comes from the Second Vatican Council's pastoral constitution "Gaudium et spes" on the Church in the modern world, and speaks about the importance of Marriage and family life. Here are some excerpts: "A man and a woman, who by the marriage covenant of conjugal love 'are no longer two, but one flesh', render mutual help and service to each other through an intimate union of their persons and of their actions. Through this union they experience the meaning of their oneness and attain to it with growing perfection day by day. As a mutual gift of two persons, this intimate union, as well as the good of the children, imposes total fidelity on the spouses and argues for an unbreakable oneness between them... Authentic married love is caught up into divine love and is governed and enriched by Christ's redeeming power and the saving activity of the Church. Thus this love can lead the spouses to God with powerful effect and can aid and strengthen them in the sublime office of being a father or a mother...As a result, with their parents leading the way by example and family prayer, children and indeed everyone gathered around the family hearth will find a readier path to human maturity, salvation, and holiness. Graced with the dignity and office of fatherhood and motherhood, parents will energetically acquit themselves of a duty which devolves primarily on them, namely education, and especially religious education. As living members of the family, children contribute in their own way to making their parents holy. For they will respond to the kindness of their parents with sentiments of gratitude, with love and trust. They will stand by them as children should when

hardships overtake their parents and old age brings its loneliness." The beautiful Sacrament of Marriage in the Church and raising children in the Catholic Faith, leading by example – these are two very important ways in which we can begin to renew our society and build a culture of life and civilization of love. This should always include coming to Mass as a family EVERY weekend and praying together as a family at home. As the Servant of God Fr. Patrick Peyton used to say, "The family that prays together, stays together". God bless!

Fr. Sistare

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday January 27</b>	<b>4:30am</b>
+PRO-POPULO (For the Parish )	
<b>Sunday January 28</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
+Louis Martin, by the Welch family	
<b>Monday January 29</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
<b>Wednesday January 31</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
<b>Saturday February 3 Bilingual Mass</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>
+William Lopera, by his wife and children	
<b>Sunday February 4</b>	<b>9:30pm</b>
+Julio John Mendes Lopes, by Paulina Lopes	

<b>Collection 1/21</b>	<b>\$2899.00</b>
Catholic University	\$ 694.00
<b>Second Collection</b>	
Church in Latin America	1/28

### **WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

For the following parishioners:

**Jeanne Jugan Residence:** Florence Corneau, Jeannine Rondeau & Annette Tetreault

**At Home:** Jovina De Barros & Joyce Lagesse

**St. Antoine:** Georgette Smith

**Elmhurst Nursing Home:** Cesar Zuleta Sr.

## RATED “R”

**“I have no desire to place restrictions on you, but I do want to promote what is good, what will help you to devote yourselves entirely to the Lord.” —1 Corinthians 7:35**

We must accept certain restrictions if we wish to totally commit our lives to the Lord. Gospel poverty, celibacy, a large family, a faithful marriage, a demanding ministry — all restrict us significantly. However, any decision or commitment restricts us. Any successful athlete, business person, or celebrity has placed severe restrictions on themselves. How much more willing should we be to restrict ourselves out of love for the Lord! (see 1 Cor 9:27)

Consider what Jesus did for us. When He became a man, He emptied Himself and took the form of a slave (Phil 2:7). There is no greater restriction than to be nailed to a cross. Jesus was the most restricted person who has ever lived, but also the most free. He broke all restrictions of space and time by rising from the dead and ascending to heaven (1 Pt 3:22). Give your life completely to Jesus. Be restricted and resurrected as He was.

**Prayer:** Jesus, give me the freedom to be committed and self-sacrificing.

**Promise:** “The unclean spirit convulsed the man violently and with a loud shriek came out of him.” —Mk 1:26

**Praise:** Jesus is risen! In Him, we will also die and rise again. Alleluia!

Presentation Ministries

## FOOD BANK

Please bring a bag of non-perishable food (Rice, Beans, Tuna, Cereal, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned soup, Peanut Butter, Canned fruits, Canned vegetables) and drop off the bag in the wooden box in back of the Church. All of the food and monetary donations support our Food Bank here at Saint John the Baptist. Thank you!

*“But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but indeed and in truth.” (1 John 3:17-18)*

### Faith Formation Class Schedule

**January 28 – Classes**

**February 4, 11, 18, 25**

**Time 10:15 to 11:20am**

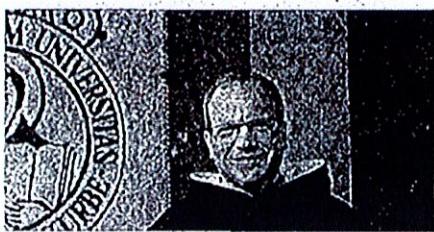
In the Church Hall, please enter thru Bullock Street.

Please make sure to pick up your **budget envelopes** as well as the **calendar** for this year as you leave church this weekend.

**The Young Adult Leadership Apostolate for the Diocese of Providence is hosting the following events at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul:**

- Friday, February 2, at 7:00 PM – Holy Hour & Confession followed by food and fellowship.
- Saturday, February 10, from 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM – Lenten Retreat Day.
- Friday, March 1, at 7:00 PM – Holy Hour & Confession followed by food and fellowship. For more information on any of the events, please visit [www.evangelizeri.org/yae](http://www.evangelizeri.org/yae).

# FEB 3



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3  
6 to 7:30 p.m.  
RSVP required

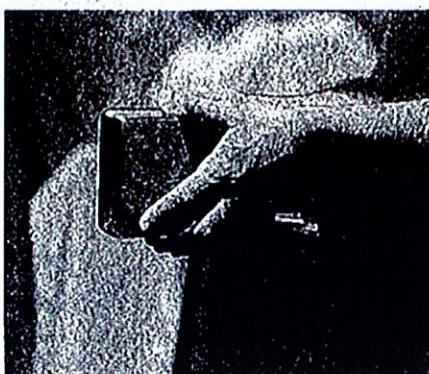
### "Catholicism in the 21st Century: What should Catholics be doing in theology today to prepare for tomorrow?"

A Presentation by Fr. Thomas Joseph White, OP, Rector of the Angelicum

Hosted by Bishop Richard G. Henning

McVinney Auditorium  
43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence

# FEB 10



### Young Adult Lenten Retreat

Join us as we prepare our hearts and minds to enter the sacred and penitential season of Lent. May the Holy Spirit purify each of us so that we may have deeper union with the risen Christ this Easter.

Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul  
30 Fenner Street, Providence

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10  
8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
RSVP required

# FEB 13



### A Beer with the Bishop

Enjoy an evening with Bishop Richard G. Henning

Includes an informal talk and audience Q&A

McVinney Auditorium  
43 Dave Gavitt Way, Providence

FAT TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13  
6:30 p.m.  
RSVP required

## PRAYER FOR PEACE IN OUR FAMILY



Lord Jesus, be with my family. Grant us Your peace and harmony, an end to conflict and division. Gift us with the compassion to better understand each other, the wisdom and love to assist each other, and the trust and patience to live peacefully together. Grant that, through the intercession of Your mother, Mary, and St. Joseph our family too may become a holy family, accepting each other, working together in unity, and selflessly dedicated to one another and to You. Amen.

## Oración por las Familias

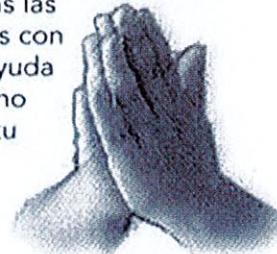
Dios amante y misericordioso, Padre nuestro, une a todas las familias y mantén las juntas con el lazo del amor y de la ayuda mutua. Infunde en cada uno de sus miembros el espíritu de comprensión, de tolerancia y de amor de unos para con otros.

Aparta de ellos toda discordia, aspereza y mezquindad. Concédeles la paz y el perdón de las faltas y caídas de cada día.

Que el amor y ternura de los padres entre sí sean origen de obediencia amorosa y de disciplina familiar. Que su castidad y fidelidad sean inspiración para sus hijos.

Infunde en los hijos una consideración tal de sí mismos que les lleve a respetar también a los demás, a obedecer a sus padres y a quienes tengan autoridad, y a crecer dentro de una madura independencia y en la alegría que da una amistad sana.

Haz que el cariño recíproco y la estima de las familias sean signos claros de vivencia cristiana en esta vida y en la otra. Por Jesucristo, Señor y Salvador nuestro. Amén.



# **Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

## **28 de Enero, 2024**

Queridos feligreses,  
Una de mis obligaciones diarias como sacerdote es rezar la Liturgia de las Horas. Estos horarios incluyen el Oficio de Lecturas y la Oración Matutina, Diaria, Vespertina y Nocturna. Me gustaría compartir con ustedes la Segunda Lectura de la Oficina de Lecturas del lunes pasado (22 de enero). Proviene de la constitución pastoral "Gaudium et spes" del Concilio Vaticano II sobre la Iglesia en el mundo moderno y habla de la importancia del matrimonio y la vida familiar. He aquí algunos extractos: "Un hombre y una mujer, que por la alianza matrimonial de amor conyugal 'ya no son dos, sino una sola carne', se prestan ayuda y servicio mutuo mediante la unión íntima de sus personas y de sus acciones. A través de esta unión experimentan el significado de su unidad y la alcanzan con creciente perfección día a día. Como don mutuo de dos personas, esta unión íntima, así como el bien de los hijos, impone una fidelidad total a los cónyuges y aboga por una unidad inquebrantable entre ellos... El auténtico amor conyugal es atrapado en el amor divino y es gobernado y enriquecido por el poder redentor de Cristo y la actividad salvadora de la Iglesia. Así, este amor puede conducir a los cónyuges a Dios con un efecto poderoso y puede ayudarlos y fortalecerlos en el sublime oficio de ser padre o madre... Como resultado, con sus padres liderando el camino con el ejemplo y la oración familiar, los hijos y, de hecho, todos reunidos en torno al hogar familiar encontrarán un camino más fácil hacia la madurez humana, la salvación y la santidad. Dotados de la dignidad y del oficio de paternidad y maternidad, los padres cumplirán con energía un deber que les incumbe principalmente: la educación, y especialmente la educación religiosa. Como miembros vivos de la familia, los hijos contribuyen a su manera a santificar a sus padres. Porque responderán a la bondad de sus padres con sentimientos de gratitud, amor y confianza. Los apoyarán como deben hacerlo los niños cuando las dificultades se apoderen de sus padres y la vejez les traiga soledad". El hermoso Sacramento del Matrimonio en la Iglesia y criar a los niños en la fe católica, predicando con el ejemplo: estas son dos formas muy importantes en las que podemos comenzar a renovar nuestra sociedad y construir una cultura de vida y una civilización del amor. Esto siempre debe incluir asistir a Misa en familia CADA fin de semana y

orar juntos como familia en casa. Como Siervo de Dios el Padre Patrick Peyton solía decir: "La familia que ora unida, permanece unida". ¡Dios los bendiga!  
Padre Sistare

### **INTENCIÓNES DE LAS MISAS**

#### **Sábado 27 de enero**

**6:00pm**

- +En acción de gracias al Espíritu Santo, intención de Marta Santiago
- +Por el eterno descanso de Gustavo Giraldo, intención de Carolina Torres
- +Por el eterno descanso de María Marta Cante Pineda y Ceferino Boche Hernández, intención de la familia Boche
- +Por el eterno descanso de Luz Helena Ateortua, intención familia Ateortua Tobón

#### **Domingo 28 de enero**

**11:30am**

- + Por el eterno descanso de Alicia Echeverry y Jordan Berson, intención de familia Durango
- +Por el eterno descanso de Ana Cipriano, intención familia Mosquera
- +Por el eterno descanso de Zelita de Fatima Correia, intención de Helena Barros
- +Por el eterno descanso de Olmedo Ernesto Falconi Morales, intención de Karina Benavides
- +Por el eterno descanso de Efraín Figueroa y Vilma Figueroa, intención de Graciela Figueroa
- +Por las Almas del Purgatorio, intención de la familia González Hernández

#### **Martes 30 de enero**

**7:00pm**

- +Por las Almas del Purgatorio, intención de la familia González Hernández

#### **Viernes 26 de enero**

**7:00pm**

- +Por las Almas del Purgatorio, intención de la familia González Hernández

#### **Sábado 3 de febrero (Misa Bilingüe)**

**8:00am**

- +Por las Almas del Purgatorio, intención de la familia González Hernández

#### **Vigilia**

**6:00pm**

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<b>Segunda Colecta</b>	
Iglesia en Latino-América	1/28

### Horario de Clases de Formación de Fe

Enero 28 – Hay clases

Febrero 4, 11, 18, 25

De las 10:15 a las 11:20am

En el sótano de la Iglesia, entrar por la calle Bullock.

Por favor, asegúrese de recoger los **sobres para la ofrenda**, así como el **calendario** para este año al salir de la iglesia este fin de semana.

### BANCO DE COMIDA

Por favor traiga una bolsa de comida (arroz, frijoles, atún, cereales, pasta, salsa de espaguetis, sopas, frutas, verduras enlatadas, mantequilla de manís, etc.). Por favor colocar la bolsa en la entrada de la Iglesia en la caja de madera. Todas las donaciones de alimentos y dinero van en apoyo de nuestro Banco de Comida aquí en la Parroquia de San Juan Bautista. ¡Gracias!

*“Pero el que tiene bienes de este mundo, y ve a su hermano en necesidad y cierra su corazón contra él, ¿cómo puede morar el amor de Dios en él? Hijos, no amemos de palabra ni de lengua, sino de hecho y en verdad.” (1 John 3:17-18)*

### **CLASIFICACION “X”**

**“Les he dicho estas cosas para el bien de ustedes, no para ponerles un obstáculo, sino para que ustedes hagan lo que es más conveniente y se entreguen totalmente al Señor” (1 Corintios 7:35).**

Debemos aceptar ciertas restricciones si deseamos entregar totalmente nuestra vida al Señor. La pobreza evangélica, el celibato, una familia numerosa, un matrimonio fiel, un ministerio exigente, todo nos restringe drásticamente. Toda decisión o compromiso nos restringe. Cualquier atleta exitoso, persona de negocios o celebridad se autoimpone severas restricciones. ¡Mientras más dispuestos, debemos restringirnos más por amor al Señor! (ver 1 Co 9:27)

Considere lo que Jesús hizo por nosotros. Cuando se hizo hombre, se despojó a Sí Mismo y tomó la forma de esclavo (Fil 2:7). No hay mayor restricción que ser clavado en una cruz. Jesús fue la persona más restringida que jamás haya existido, pero también la más libre. Rompió todas las restricciones de espacio y tiempo al resucitar de entre los muertos y ascender al cielo (1 Pe 3:22). Entrega tu vida completamente a Jesús. Restríngete y resucita como Él lo hizo.

**Oración:** Jesús, concédeme la libertad de estar comprometido y ser abnegado.

**Promesa:** “El espíritu impuro lo sacudió violentamente, y dando un alarido, salió de ese hombre” (Mc 1:26).

**Alabanza:** ¡Jesús ha resucitado! En Él, también moriremos y resucitaremos de nuevo. ¡Aleluya!

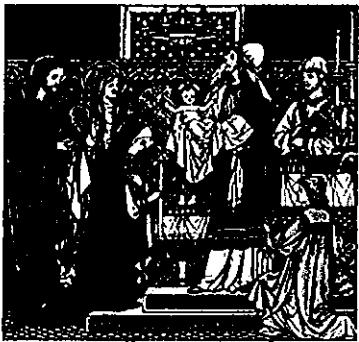
# Baby Jesus is Presented in the Temple

On February second we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. That is the day that Saint Joseph and Our Lady took the baby Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to consecrate Him to God. The Jews were supposed to dedicate their first-born sons to God, so Mary and Joseph were obedient to the law even though their Baby was God Himself!

This was a most amazing moment, even though almost nobody noticed it: here was the great Temple where the people came to worship God, and now God had actually come into it- as a little Baby! But only Mary and Joseph and the prophets Simeon and Anna knew what had happened.

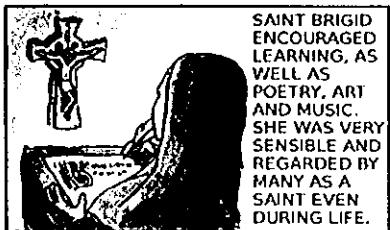
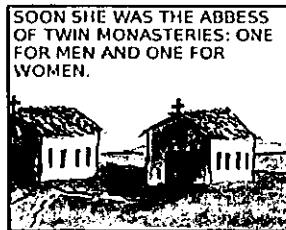
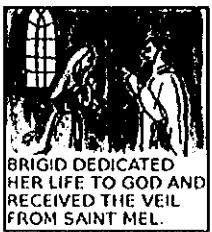
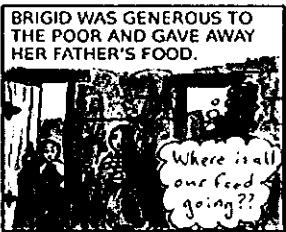
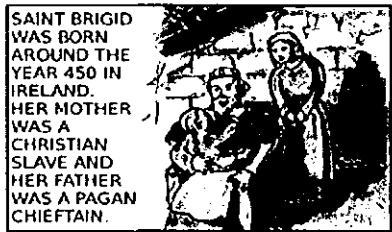
Saint Paul tells us that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. Every time you receive Holy Communion, it's like baby Jesus entering the Temple. When you go to Communion, remember that you know that amazing secret- that even though the rest of the world might not know, you have just received Jesus! What a special moment!

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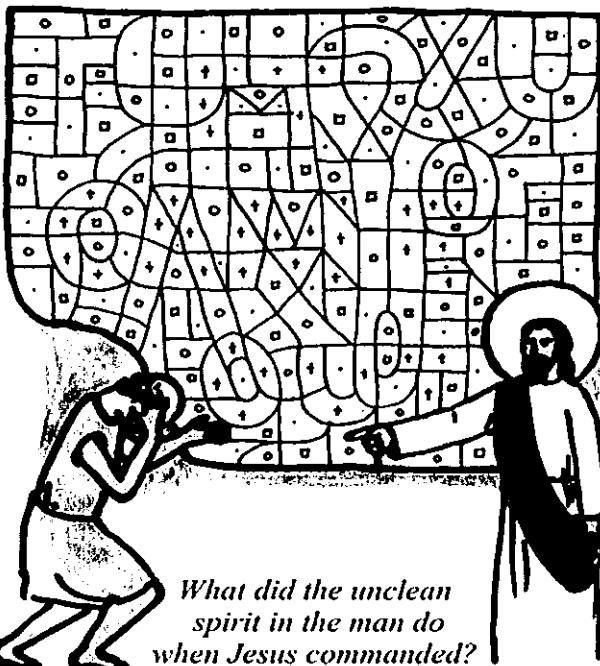
## Saint Brigid of Kildare February 1



**Saint Brigid is held in great honour, especially in Ireland, where she helped so many people come to God. And yet all she did was what she ought to have done- she shared food, taught people about the truth and beauty and most of all loved God. Can you do the same?**

# The Kids' Bulletin

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 28th, 2024



*What did the unclean spirit in the man do when Jesus commanded?*

*Colour in only the spaces that have crosses to find out what it did.*

## Unscramble: Jesus Casts out a Demon

*Sort out the letters to fill in the blanks.  
Use the letters in the boxes to fill in the last row of boxes.*

And immediately there was in their synagogue a  (NMA) with an unclean spirit; and he cried out, "What have you to do with us,  (ESSJU) of Nazareth? Have you come to  (YDSETRO) us? I know who you are, the  (OYLH) One of God."

But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and  (MEOC) out of him!"  
And the unclean  (TRSIPI), convulsing him and crying with a loud  (IOCEV), came out of him.

And  (YEHT) were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves,  (YSNIAG), "What is this? A new teaching!"

With  he commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."



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