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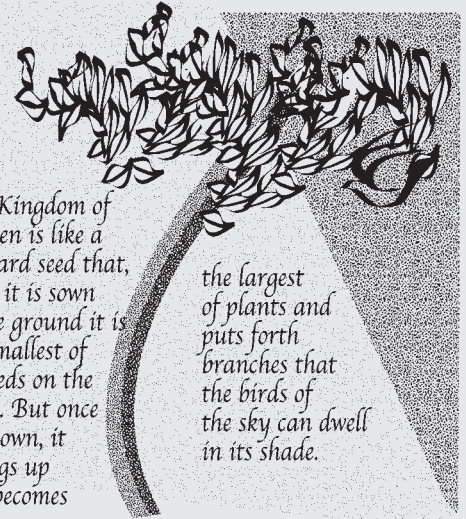
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As a faith community, we keep in mind who have asked us to pray for them, that they may experience the healing power of our gracious God. Special requests for prayers at liturgy and donations made in honor of loved ones. These intentions and names of our sick are noted on the Table in the Remembrance Book and on the Weekly Sheet.

The Kingdom of Heaven is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground it is the smallest of all seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes

the largest of plants and puts forth branches that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade.



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THE A/C SYSTEM HAS ARRIVED!!!!



Laudato Sí Our Common Home

Pope Francis states the gravest effects of all attacks on the environment are suffered by the poorest. It is clear that as a result of human-induced climate change the world is experiencing higher temperatures, rising sea levels and increased frequency and intensity of floods and hurricanes. Low income developing nations are suffering most as drought-prone areas become drier and tropical regions wetter. Countries in East Africa are experiencing drought, and others like Bangladesh, are suffering floods.

The wealthier countries, tend to be less vulnerable to the effects of climate change, that contribute the

vast majority of carbon emissions causing the problem. This “climate debt” can be measured by those countries that pollute more than their fair share per head of population. The United States leads in this measure.

It is time to act and wealthy countries should commit to helping developing countries adapt to climate change. Pope Francis quotes the United States bishops, “...greater attention must be given to the needs of the poor, the weak and the vulnerable, in a debate often dominated by more powerful interests.”[52] TIP Freeze fruits and vegetables grown close to home, avoiding transporting out-of-season foods.

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK'S LITURGY

Birth of John the Baptist (the patronal feast of the Diocese of Paterson)

First Reading: Isaiah 49: 1-6

The book of Isaiah in four different places speaks of a mysterious servant of God.

In today's passage, the servant is described as called from his mother's womb. The parallel with John the Baptist is clear

Second Reading: Acts 13: 22-26

In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul gives several major speeches. Today's passage is a small part of one of those speeches. It was chosen for this feast because it refers to John the Baptist.

This Week's Question

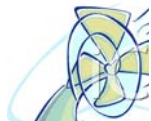
For Adults:

In what way could you widen the circle of your family to include someone in need?

For Children:

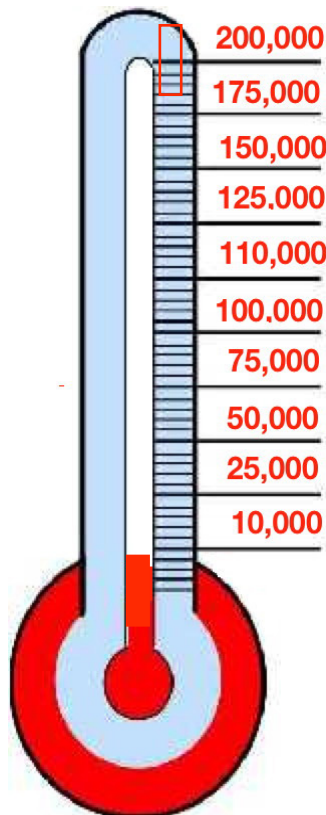
Whom could you invite to share a happy time with your family?

Beginning July 1, we will commence with our second collections for the Cool Air Fund. We need everyone's help. It's a Look to the future and to our comfort and health.



Cool Air Fund

So Far: \$8,760



What's Happening This Week?

Tuesday
Parish Office
Closed



Next Sunday
Seminarian Collection
Latin America Collection

Every Sunday
Pound A Week



Stewardship of Treasure

Last week's Collection:
May online: \$2292
Sign up Today
for **electronic giving**
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Presiders Next Sunday

5 pm: Fr. Joe Farias
9 am: Abbot Richard
11 am: Fr. Joe Davis
7 pm Fr. Joe Farias

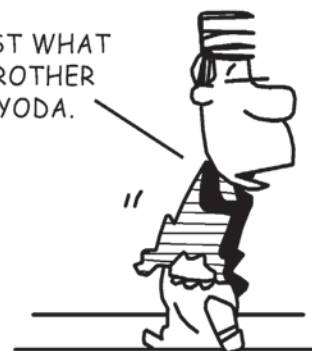
I HOPE
I GIVE
A GOOD
HOMILY
TODAY.



THERE IS
NO "HOPE"
FATHER,
THERE IS
ONLY "DO."



GREAT. JUST WHAT
I NEED. BROTHER
XAVIER YODA.



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Gracious God and Father,
You brought us to life in this world you created. Look with favor on our earthly fathers and those who act fatherly. They help create us in your image. We realize just how important they are to us. Bless all our fathers, living and deceased, with comfort and health. We bring all their needs to you and ask for strength so they may live worthy lives. We ask all this in the name of your Son, our model of what it means to reverence our fathers.

"The [one] who graduates today and stops learning tomorrow is uneducated the day after." —Newton Baker

Congratulations to all our graduates. May they embark on a life-long journey of learning.

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Weekly Eucharists

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday, 9 am, 11 am, 7 pm

Monday – Saturday: 8:15 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm or by appt.

Holy Days

8:15 am, 12:10 pm, 7 pm

Parish Office Hours

Mon. - Wed, 9:30–2 pm

*Other times & days,
call to see if office
is open.*

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