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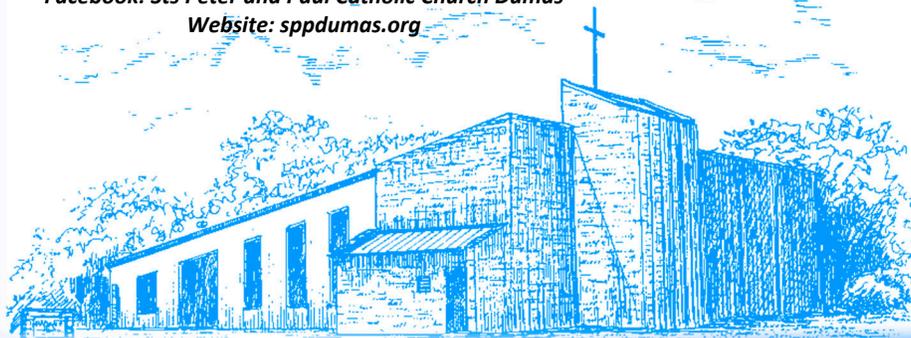
Finally, all of you, be of
one mind, sympathetic,
loving toward one
another, compassionate,
humble.

Tengan todo unos
mismos sentimientos,
sean compasivos, ámense
como hermanos, sean
misericordiosos y
humildes.
1 Peter 3:8

And let the peace of
Christ control your
hearts, the peace into
which you were also
called in one body. And
be thankful.

Que la paz de Cristo
reine en sus corazones:
esa paz a la que han sido
llamados, porque
formamos un solo
Cuerpo
1 Col 3:15

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Welcome to Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church. It is our hope that you feel at home and among friends here. If you are a visitor for a day, we pray God's speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you into our parish family. Please introduce yourselves. To register in our parish, please contact our office located to the north of our church building or call 935-5002.

Bienvenido a la Iglesia de San Pedro y San Pablo. Es nuestra esperanza que usted se sienta como en casa y entre amigos. Si esta aquí de vista por un día oramos a Dios que bendiga su viaje. Si usted esta buscando una comunidad parroquial estaríamos encantados de darle la bienvenida a nuestra familia parroquial. Por favor preséntese. Para registrarse en nuestra parroquia, por favor póngase en contacto con nuestra oficina ubicada al norte de la iglesia o llame al 935-5002.

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 17, 2018
They that are planted in the house of
the LORD
shall flourish in the courts of our God.
--Psalm 92:14

Undécimo Domingo del Tiempo
Ordinario
17 de junio de 2018
Plantados en la casa del Señor,
en medio de sus atrios los justos
darán flores.
-- Salmo 92(91):14

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

K-5: Sunday, 9:45-11:10 AM
 6-8: Wednesday, 6:15-8:30 PM
SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION For those children who did not prepare for or have not received sacraments as scheduled in our parish:
 9-12: Sunday, 9:45-11:10
 2-5: Sunday, 9:45-11:10 AM
 6-8: Wednesday, 6:15-8:30 PM

BAPTISM Parents must come to the parish office for information

MARRIAGE Couples must contact a priest at least 6 months before the proposed wedding date and couples of child bearing age must attend the Marriage Preparation and Natural Family Planning courses as offered and required by the diocese.

In the event of a death, please contact the parish office or priest, as soon as possible

DOCTRINA PARA NIÑOS

Grados K-5, domingo, 9:45-11:10 AM
 Grados 6 – 8, miércoles, 6:15-8:30 PM

PREPARACION DE LOS SACRAMENTOS

Para los niños/niñas que no están preparados o que no han recibido los sacramentos como está programado en nuestra parroquia.

Grados 9-12: domingo, 9:45-11:10 AM
 Grados 2-5 : domingo, 9:45-11:10 AM
 Grados 6-8: miércoles 6:15-8:30 PM

PREPARACION PREBAUTISMAL Por favor llame a la oficina , 935-5002

MATRIMONIO Por favor llame al párroco seis meses antes de poner la fecha de la boda.

Cuando un ser querido fallezca favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial

Knights of Columbus Council 5061 2015-2016 Officers

- Grand Knight.....Miguel Nevarez
- Deputy Grand Knight.....Ron Pray
- Recorder.....Gilbert Salinas
- Financial Secretary.....Jim Elzner
- Treasurer.....Edwin Wilhelm
- Chancellor.....Johnny Mendoza
- Lecturer..... Jose Barraza
- Chaplain.....Father Gabriel Garcia
- Advocate..... Mark Hatley
- Warden.....Fernando Guevara
- Inside Guard.....Eloy Gomez
- Outside Guard.....Isaac Gomez
- Trustee 3.....Coby Schacher
- Trustee 2..... Ricky DeLaRosa
- Trustee 1.....David Guevara

If you have any questions regarding the Knights of Columbus, please ask any Knight.

Ministries

- Communion to the Sick and Homebound.....Doug Pack & Herb Wethington
- Comunion a Enfermos.....Esperanza Barraza, Cruz Vasquez, Adela Mendoza
- Jail Ministry.....
- Prison Ministry.....
- Finance Council/Consejo de Finanzas.....Joe Rahija.....934-2485
- Pastoral Council/Consejo de Pastor.....
- Director of Religious Education.....Ofelia Garbalena.....570-9656
- Adult RCIA.....Lisa Hatley.....930-8737
- Altar servers/servidores del altar.....Ricky DeLaRosa.....935-9071
- Lectors/communion ministers.....Lisa Hatley English.....930-8737
- Martha Sandoval Espanol.....717-3403
- Caring hearts.....Dora Reyna/Bernice Schwertner.....935-3620
- Youth Group/jovenes.....Sue Stout/Dorothy Schwertner, Leticia Borunda
- Cursillistas.....Marcos Marquez.....930-9635
- Marriage Prep.....Miguel & Carol Nevarez.....
- Choice Wine (Marriage Enrichment).....Miguel & Carol.....
- Vocations Ministry.....
- Food Pantry.....Joyce Wethington
- Hospitality.....Joyce Wethington
- Hospital Ministry.....

Schedule of Masses/Horario de Misas

Daily Mass/Misa de la Semana: Tuesday/martes;
 Spanish/Español: 6:00 PM
 Wednesday/miércoles; English/Inglés: **6:15 PM**
 Thursday/jueves; English/Inglés: 7:30 AM
 Friday/viernes; English/Inglés 7:30 AM

Weekend Masses/Misa de fin de Semana:

Saturday/sabado English/Inglés 5:00 PM
 Sunday/domingo English/Inglés 8:30 AM
 Sunday/domingo Spanish/Español 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM
 Confession/Confesión: Saturday/sabado 4:00-4:45 PM
 Eucharistic Adoration/Adoración Eucarística: Thursday/
 jueves 8:00 AM-6:45 PM

Quinceañeras:

Debe llamar por lo menos 6-8 meses antes.

Los requisitos son: Asistir a misa regularmente los domingos, asistir a clases de formación religiosa y catecismo antes de la Celebración. Deben tener todos los sacramentos: Bautizo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación estar asistiendo grupo de jóvenes y asistir platicas de Quinceañera y el retiro.

Call at least 6-8 months in advance. Expectations are: regular attendance at Sunday Mass, faith formation classes and appropriate catechesis before celebration.. The young lady should be baptized, have received Communion and been Confirmed. There are classes and a retreat that must be attended before the celebration.

Finance Council Members:

Joe Rahija Becky Gomez
 Arnie Stork

Parish Council Members:

Joyce Wethington Stella Tan
 Jim Elzner Carol Nevarez Lisa Hatley



EVENTS

Tuesday

Rosary:
 5:10 PM English
Parish Council:
 6:45 PM Third Tuesday
 Parish Office
Cursillistas:
 7:00 PM Salón

Wednesday

Rosario:
 7:30 PM Español Cambio
 de ubicación
Holy Hour for Vocations:
 7:00 PM One Wed. a
 month

Thursday

Finance Council:
 Second Thursday
 6:00 PM Office

Grupo de Oración
 7:00 PM Salon

Friday

Rosario:
 2:30 PM Español Iglesia

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7; Mt 5:38-42
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16; Mt 5:43-48
 Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15
 Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 132:11-14, 17-18; Mt 6:19-23
 Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34; Mt 6:24-34
 Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6ab, 15ab, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17
 Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Re 21:1-16; Sal 5:2-3ab, 4b-7; Mt 5:38-42
 Martes: 1 Re 21:17-29; Sal 51 (50):3-6ab, 11, 16; Mt 5:43-48
 Miércoles: 2 Re 2:1, 6-14; Sal 31 (30):20, 21, 24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Jueves: Sir 48:1-14; Sal 97 (96):1-7; Mt 6:7-15
 Viernes: 2 Re 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Sal 132 (131):11-14, 17-18; Mt 6:19-23
 Sábado: 2 Cr 24:17-25; Sal 89 (88):4-5, 29-34; Mt 6:24-34
 Domingo: Vigilia: Jer 1:4-10; Sal 71 (70):1-6ab, 15ab, 17; 1 Pe 1:8-12; Lc 1:5-17
 Día: Is 49:1-6; Sal 139 (138):1-3, 13-15; Hch 13:22-26; Lc 1:57-66, 80

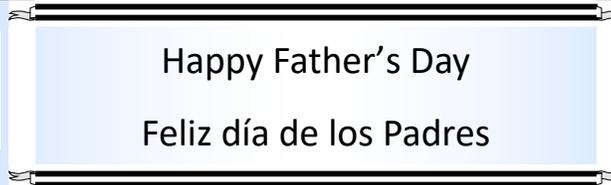
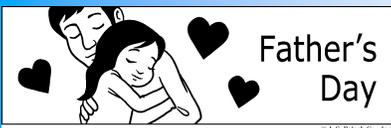


Vocation...God's Plan for my life.

The word "vocation" comes from the Latin vocare (verb to call); the idea of vocation is central to the Christian belief that God has created each person with gifts and talents oriented toward specific purposes and a way of life. This idea of vocation is especially associated with a divine call to service to the Church and humanity through particular vocational life commitments such as marriage to a particular person, consecration as a religious, ordination to priestly ministry in the Church and even a holy life as a single person.

It is logical to think that God's does call most people to the vocation of marriage. But, if you think further, you know that the terribly high divorce rate indicates that too many people marry with little or no concept of marriage as a vocation. So, it is important to become more thoughtful about choosing a way of life in which you are aware that you are choosing it because it is a way to respond to God's calling to live and love God and God's people. Imagine what our world would be like if every married couple made it their priority to love God and each other and their children unconditionally and faithfully.

(Taken from the website of our marriage preparation course)



THE MASTER STORYTELLER

In today's Gospel, Jesus is presented to us as the master storyteller. He loved to use parables as a tool for comparing one thing to something else. In most of his parables, Jesus revealed who God is by comparing God's essence or actions with something familiar to his listeners. In the parable of the mustard seed, Jesus proclaims a marvelous and irrefutable truth. His small band of disciples, as insignificant as they may have felt, would one day produce a mighty kingdom whose growth was initiated by God. The seeds of this kingdom were planted by God and it is God who will harvest the fruit brought forth from those seeds. The extent of the growth of God's kingdom cannot be predicted. We must trust the work of the Master's hand as we, the mustard plant, grow and grow.
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UN EXCELENTE CUENTISTA

En el Evangelio de hoy, se nos presenta a Jesús como un excelente cuentista. A él le gustaba contar parábolas como una forma para comparar esto de aquello. En muchas de las parábolas, Jesús revela quien es Dios al comparar la naturaleza o acciones de Dios con alguna situación conocida de su audiencia. En la parábola de la semilla de mostaza, Jesús proclama una verdad maravillosa e irrefutable. Su pequeño grupo de discípulos, tan insignificantes como ellos se hubieran sentido, un día producirán un reinado poderoso cuyo crecimiento lo comenzó Dios. Las semillas de este reino fueron plantadas por Dios y es Dios quien cosechará el fruto producido por esas semillas. No se puede predecir que tanto crecerá el Reino de Dios. Debemos confiar el trabajo de las manos del dueño, así como nosotros, al igual que la semilla de mostaza, crece y crece.
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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day
 Tuesday: St. Romuald
 Thursday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga; Summer begins
 Friday: St. Paulinus of Nola; Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Undécimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Día de los Padres
 Martes: San Romualdo
 Jueves: San Luis Gonzaga; Comienzo del verano
 Viernes: San Paulino de Nola; San Juan Fisher; San Tomás Moro
 Sábado: Santa María Virgen

Financial Update on the Building
 Fund →

Building Debt

(\$833,865.46)

Ministers for next weekend	Lectors/Lectores	5:00 PM Lisa Hatley Jose Fuentes	8:30 AM Kevin Easterling Brenda Elzner	11:00 AM Gilberto Alcantar Tere Piñon	1:00 PM Manuel Garbalena Jesus Mendoza
	Communion Ministers/ Ministros de la Comunión	Mark Hatley Lisa Hatley Henry Perez	Doug Pack Sharon Pack Kevin Easterling Ann Easterling Rachel Easterling	Silvia Garcia	Amanda Garcia Rosa M. Garcia Maira Ramos
	Altar Servers/ Monaguillos	Justin Hill Aiden Hill	Breyden Brinkmann	Esmeralda Rodriguez	Voluntario
Ministros para el próximo fin de semana					

Mass Intentions

19 de junio	6:00 PM	✠Joe P. Gallegos
martes		Req. Andy & Rosa Castillo
June 20	6:00 PM	Vocations
Wednesday		Req. Vocations Committee
June 21	7:30 AM	✠Frances McAnarney
Thursday		Req. Mark & Lisa Hatley
June 22	7:30 AM	No Mass
Friday		
June 23	5:00 PM	✠Gloria Pena
Saturday		Req. Luis Pena
June 24	8:30 AM	✠Father Jon Prachar
Sunday		Req. Mary Swartz
24 de junio	11:00 AM	✠Ramona y ✠Piedad Cobos
domingo		Req. Familia Cobos
24 de junio	1:00 PM	✠Arturo Reyes
domingo		Req. Irene Reyes

Birthdays Cumpleaños

June 18th: Adriana Lopez, Mirna Giron, Trinidad Gonzalez, Brianna Mendoza, Mirna Pelayo, Geneva Perez, Efen Quiroz, Lizeth Rodriguez, Maritssa Ruiz

June 19th: Neveah Borunda, Mariah Cervantes, Jose Garcia, Marisol Guerrero, A. Juan Jimenez, Angel Mendoza, Jose Mendoza, Ismael Rodriguez, Guadalupe Villanueva

June 20th: Salome Andazola, Enedina Borunda, Axel Martinez, Edgar Mendoza, Felix Olguin, John Piang Thang, Flora Sanchez

June 21st: Jesus Acosta, Manuel Gonzalez, Ernesto Neave, Luis Ochoa, Miguel Perez, Edgar Salcido, Susan Stout

June 22nd: Jose Francisco Castillo, Kendra Fierro, Shawna Guest, Gisselle Lopez, Inocencia Mendoza, Perla Ruiz, Jose Vargas

June 23rd: Ismael Banuelos, Joe Beauchamp, Claudia Crunelle, Iliana Gonzalez, Cesar Lozano, Hector Reyes, Blanca Rodriguez, Miriam Velarde

June 24th: Ashley Armendariz, Laura Orozco, Juana Perianez, Elizabeth Ramirez, Victor Rubio, Jocelyn Ruiz, Arelie Vasquez

English pre-baptismal classes will be held on June 21st at 6:30 PM.



Festival is coming:
September 9th, 2018

Collection: \$6,676.76
Building Debt Donations: \$1,178.31

Please keep the following young people in your prayers, Mia Bustamante, Jasmin Chacon, Daniella Duran, Zoey Lopez, Gio Martinez, Karisma Martinez, Marisol Mendoza, Perla Mendoza, Sebastian Miramontes, Dennia Molina, Julio Moreno, Jairo Nava, Emily Schwertner, Martin Valles, Paloma Zamarripa, Raul Bustamante, Elias Longoria, and David Valdez as they travel with Father and their sponsors to the Steubenville of the Rockies Conference this Thursday!!!



The Parish Office will be closed from June 20th—June 22nd, for the move into our new facility. Please help us out by not expecting us to handle anything except of course emergencies. Please be patient with us as we settle into our new surroundings, it may take us a bit to be back up and running smoothly. We are hoping to be back to regular office hours beginning June 25th. The first week will be very hectic as we will be preparing for our celebration on June 29th.

If you need help in your booth let the office know, we will announce it HERE.

Yvonne Morales would like to have someone to help her make balloon animals.

The face painting booth could use some help this year also as they will be short handed.

If you want to help but don't know where you can help, let the office know we will put your name HERE.

Everyone of our parishioners should be helping in some way with our annual Festival. Eating and playing in the park on the day of the Festival, is something we all do, that is not enough. We need your help. We can find jobs that need to be done in lots of areas. Set-up, take-down, selling or monitoring the games. We can always accommodate more food booths and more activity booths. There are many great ideas out there that those who are already involved haven't thought of. Please, please support your parish and help out with the Festival.

This year the proposal has been made that our raffle tickets remain at the same price as last year with one exception. The \$5.00 single ticket price with the 5 for \$20.00 will be the price UNTIL the day of the Festival. At that point the tickets will then be \$5.00 each with no 5 for \$20.00 option. If the customer wants 5 tickets it will be \$25.00. Please spread the word.

Prayer Line/Linea de oración

Tony and Efnita Garcia, Jude Hannemann, Jessie Frausto, Steve Gauna, Willie Weick, Victor Gonzalez, Larry Garcia, Beatriz Ramos, Esther Lerma, Fernando Guevara, Rosa Moya, Irene Huseman, Jose Huerta and Joel Huerta, Aldelina Catano, Irma Madrid, Maria Rivera, Jose Dewayne Guzman, Christina Guzman, Stella Rivera, Leon Ramirez, Marlene Bernal, Mark Gillispie, Nora Chapa, Abacuc Martinez. Claro Gil Huerta Diaz, Jose Luis Nava, Pedro and Virginia Frausto, Adan Reyes, Manuel Reyes, Juan Reyes, Lupe Reyes, Felipe Reyes Jr., Victoria Reyes, Diana Reyes, Edgar Macias, Alex Guerrero, Andrea Williams, Craig McConnell, Lilia Castro, Agnes Schwertner, David Cross, Larry Monroe, Patricia Kresta. *We know everyone needs prayers and there are many, many people suffering from illnesses. We will keep your family member/friends on the prayer list for 3 months. If after 3 months your family member is still in need of healing prayers, please call for an additional 3 months. You can either call Mary at 935-5002 or email stspeterandpaul@hotmail.com Thanks!*

Moving day is HERE!!! We will be able to begin moving in to our new facilities on June 20th. For this reason the parish office will be closed to the public from June 20th to the 22nd. We hope to be back in operation by Monday June 25th but please for emergencies only as we will be busy preparing for our celebration on Friday, June 29th!!! We have been working to get things organized for the move into our new location. The office help will need some help with moving the large heavy items and some of the boxes, there will be many tables and chairs for both the main hall and the classrooms that will need to be moved, the kitchen items such as dishes, silverware etc. It is an exciting time in our parish, a dream for many years is becoming a reality. Thank you to everyone who has dedicated their time, talent and treasure to this project. Please be a part of the finishing touches by helping where you can to make this move.



Bishop DeFalco Retreat Center is pleased to offer Beginning Experience, a healing retreat weekend for those impacted by the loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation
Retreat Weekends:
October 26-28, 2018
June 14-16, 2019



Beginning Experience is not a singles club. The retreat assists those experiencing loss in dealing with the natural grief process and offers an opportunity, through God, for turning the pain and loss into an experience of positive growth.

Dear Friends,

There are times we find ourselves in unexpected situations where we have lost a loved one through either illness, an unfortunate accident, or break-up of a marriage. While never wanted, planned, nor intended these situations do arise, they pose some real challenges for ourselves (personally), our families, and our children. When this happens that feeling of despair, loneliness, anger, bitterness becomes overwhelming, and can really affect us in ways we can neither see nor realize in the difficult moments. These feelings are one simple thing – it's called Grief. Grieving is a process we experience when we endure the pain of losing a loved one in ANY form or fashion. In my own situation I found myself torn, angry, blaming myself completely for what happened, despite having a wonderful Faith Family to lean upon and confiding in a few very special folks. While leaning on close friends and our Faith Family is important, I found it wasn't quite enough. I was still spit fire angry and not able to make sense of things, living in quiet torment – causing me to avoid my good friends, family, and even Church. I needed something to make sense of all the confusion and despair for not only my own wellbeing, but for my children as well.

I was introduced to a program and strongly encouraged to check it out – it was called "BE" or Beginning Experience. Unfortunately there was nothing offered in the Diocese at the time, and the Priest recommending it emphasized it will be worth traveling the distance, check it out, and GO! Reluctantly I made the inquiry and to my surprise was greeted, welcomed, and assured I was by no means alone by a BE team member. She also shared a little of her own experience, and it was very sobering. The first call was made with quivering stomach and sweating palms. Little did I know how the BE weekend would be so eye opening to the process of Grieving, understanding there are different parts to it, and opening the door to dealing with all the twists and turns involved. I was able to realize how I was making and disguising my feelings, hiding within myself, and most importantly how it was hurting myself and family. Over time I realized that a burden was lifted off my shoulders, and I was better able to deal with and work through those difficult moments as they came and passed. Knowing and understanding the grief process also helped me help others encountering similar circumstances. I also made some lifelong friendships, and got to know some really great people. Beginning Experience is not just a weekend, it is an introduction to the process of continuing our individual life journey, helping us deal with the process of grief.

I encourage you to embrace the idea of going to this weekend, make that inquiry and go to the weekend. It will offer you gifts that never stop giving. I hope you will join the BE family.

Your fellow parishioner at Saints Peter and Paul
(Thank you from all us here, for being willing to share your story so that others could understand and perhaps, with the love and understanding of our parish family and the family of BE, they will find great healing!!)

Faith Formation registration has ended for this year. If you are new to Dumas you may stop by and visit with us about registering your children. We do verify through the public school that the students are new to Dumas. Our classes will begin on September 12th for our Wednesday evening students and September 16th for our Sunday students. There will be no Monday classes this fall as the Sacramental Prep classes that were held on Mondays can now be moved to the grade appropriate day. Second through Fifth grade Sacramental Prep classes will now be held on Sunday mornings at 9:45 and 6th through 8th grade Sacramental Prep classes will be on Wednesday evening beginning with Mass at 6:15 PM. The 9th -12th grade Sacramental Prep classes will not change, they will remain on Sunday mornings and begin at 9:45.



FAITH FORMATION

"There is nothing more powerful than a person praying well."

- ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Lord as we continue to raise funds to pay for our new parish hall, please help us to always keep in mind that this project is for your honor and glory. Help us to work together and to understand that we are one family, desiring to do what you want us to do. Protect us from allowing little differences and our own stubborn hearts from getting in the way of our working together to pay off the debt on our beautiful building.

AMEN!!!

Lord, we miss our brothers and sisters who take the summer off from you. Please gently touch their hearts and bring them back to Mass this summer. We are incomplete without them. Please watch over all those who are battling illness, whether physical or spiritual. We want to serve you as best we can and we need all of our brothers and sisters to accomplish that. Give us the knowledge and faith to accomplish your will. Help us to remember that when we let our parish family down, we let you down. If we succeed, in what you want us to do, our parish family benefits. We want to serve You, our parish family, and our community to the very best of our ability, guide us in this effort.

There will be no Adoration on Thursdays for the rest of the summer. We do not have the coverage we need to respect the Blessed Sacrament and not leave it unaccompanied. We would like to begin again in September and run through May of next year, we can not do this if we do not have the commitment of 3 people per hour. Our schedule had been 8:00 AM –7:00 PM with reposition beginning at 6:45 PM. That is 10 hours, 3 Guardians per hour so 30 people are needed to continue this beautiful time of prayer. This commitment is not hard at all but it is necessary for all who take on this beautiful responsibility to find a substitute if they can not be here for some reason. Please let us know if you want to continue, if you are currently serving, or if you would be interested in spending an hour with Jesus!!



Undécimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

HABÍA UNA VEZ

Déjame contarte un cuento. . . Esa frase nos encanta. De alguna manera nuestros cuerpos se relajan y nuestra anticipación aumenta. Déjame contarte un cuento, parece que eso es lo que dice Jesús, mientras busca imágenes vívidas que nos ayuden a amar la realidad misteriosa del Reino de Dios. Jesús explica que el Reino de Dios es como una semilla que crece. El sembrador que planta la semilla, aunque sabe que crece quizá no conoce de qué manera ocurre su plenitud. La fotografía moderna puede ayudarnos a registrar paso a paso en un periodo de tiempo el desarrollo de una semilla en una planta, pero aquellas personas contemporáneas de Jesús que lo escuchaban nunca pudieron ver dichas fotografías. Para esas personas que lo escuchaban, el crecimiento de la semilla, imperceptible pero inconfundible, parecía milagroso. Jesús aprovecha el conocimiento y asombro de su audiencia para ayudarles a tener una experiencia de lo que quiere comunicar: aunque no siempre podemos verlo o comprobarlo, Dios se manifiesta a nosotros en todo tiempo y lugar. El Reino de Dios está en todas partes, y no hay ningún lugar donde Dios no guíe nuestro crecimiento.

POTENCIAL DE CRECIMIENTO

A lo largo de los evangelios, Jesús nos cuenta muchas parábolas para ayudar a explicar el Reino de Dios. Ambas parábolas del día de hoy tomadas del Evangelio de Marcos incluyen semillas, por extraño que parezca. Las semillas son realmente una cosa rara para un reino. ¿Te puedes imaginar a un poderoso reino en cuyas banderas y estandartes reales tengan la imagen de una pequeña semilla? Sin embargo, Jesús la menciona de manera doble invitándonos primero a imaginar una semilla de grano y luego una semilla de mostaza. Jesús anhela que comprendamos el Reino de Dios está lleno de una fuerza inesperada. Un árbol marchito florece, una virgen tiene un hijo, un hombre muerto sale de su tumba. Nuestras Escrituras son un amplio catálogo de victorias inverosímiles. Caminamos por la fe, como san Pablo dice, y no por la vista, debemos creer que Dios transforma la debilidad en fuerza, la muerte en vida. Es muy posible que preferíamos victorias rápidas y demostrables en nuestras vidas, pero el estilo de Dios a menudo se asemeja a la forma delicada de las semillas.

Lecturas de hoy: Ez 17:22-24; Sal 92 (91):2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mc 4:26-34

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What's Happening???

Upcoming Parish Events

June 20th-22nd: Office Closed moving to new building
 June 21st: English Pre-baptismal class 6:30 PM
 June 29th: Parish Feast Day/Blessing of new Hall/Reception
 (time for all of the parish to see the new hall and enjoy the fruits of all of our hard work fundraising) Mass at 6:00 PM and the blessing of the new building and reception will follow.
 July 1st: Open House for the Community 3:00-6:00 PM

Upcoming Fundraisers:

July 11th: Salad Luncheon (Building Debt)
 Sept. 9th: Festival (Building Debt)

Fundraising

We still have some Sundays open this summer for fundraising after the Masses. The last couple of weeks there haven't been any food fundraisers and some of us are missing those. If you want to get a group together to do breakfast burritos or something else, please call the office and we will get you on the Sunday fundraising schedule.

Pope Francis' prayer intentions for JUNE Universal"

That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences



Please, make plans now to schedule a session with the photographer for our upcoming Parish Directory

Below are the dates that Lifetouch will be in our parish to photograph all the members of our parish. This is a big deal for us right now as this directory we are creating will be an important part of the history of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Dumas. This directory will show all the people involved with the building of our new Pastoral Center. Our goal is 100% participation. So, we are getting the dates out now so that everyone can plan to be here one of the following dates to get your picture taken!!!!

Tuesday	Oct 23	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Wednesday	Oct 24	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Thursday	Oct 25	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Friday	Oct 26	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Saturday	Oct 27	10:00AM – 5:00PM
Tuesday	Oct 30	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Wednesday	Oct 31	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Thursday	Nov 1	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Friday	Nov 2	2:00PM – 9:00PM
Saturday	Nov 3	10:00AM – 5:00PM

O God, strength of those who hope in you, graciously hear our pleas, and, since without you mortal frailty can do nothing, grant us always the help of your grace, that in following your commands we may please you by our resolve and deeds.

Dios nuestro, fuerza de todos los que en ti confían, ayúdanos con tu gracia, sin la cual nada puede nuestra humana debilidad, para que podamos ser fieles en la observancia de tus mandamientos

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. Many popular television shows exploit an unattractive side of human nature by pitting contestants against one another, even to the point of performing dangerous stunts or devious schemes, to gain money or favor.

At the liturgy, we counter that impulse by committing ourselves to live generously. In response to Christ's total gift, we offer bread and wine as the emblems of our lives, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. The bread and wine carried to the altar contain our lives, and by offering our lives to God, we prepare to receive the gift of God's own life. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ. On Sundays, this self-giving is often accompanied by a collection and procession of gifts for the poor and money for the upkeep of the parish. There are certainly other methods of collecting money, some perhaps more efficient. Yet the acts of giving from our abundance and attending to the needs of the poor open us up to participation in the changes the Reign of God requires.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Muchas parejas se casan durante este mes. Las bodas son ritos religiosos y culturales que celebran el inicio de un matrimonio. En 1215 el matrimonio se convirtió en sacramento cristiano. Este sacramento tiene un rito simple por el cual la pareja se casa proclamando en público su mutuo consentimiento. En Latinoamérica varios ritos culturales han sido incorporados al rito cristiano para embellecerlo con simbolismo y folclor.

Uno de estos ritos es el de las arras y es mencionado por Jesús en la parábola de la mujer que encuentra su moneda perdida. Según tradiciones judías y árabes la familia del novio entregaba una cantidad de dinero al padre de la novia. Algunas de estas monedas eran dadas a la novia como recuerdo del día de su boda. Esta costumbre llega a España durante la invasión de los Moros. Pero luego los españoles la trajeron a América.

Arras significan "garantía" y son las primicias del sostenimiento económico que el novio dará a la nueva familia que se establece en el matrimonio de la pareja. Normalmente son 13 monedas representando a Jesús y a los doce apóstoles.

--Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc

The plan is to have our next Salad Luncheon on July 11th. Please help us out by getting the word out and talking about it. It will give everyone in the community that would like to see the inside of our new building the opportunity to do so. They can come and have lunch and see what the new facility looks like. If you would like to make a salad for our luncheon or help out in some other way, please contact Sharon Pack: 935-3240