

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.

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 29, 2018

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,  
and you give them their food  
in due season.  
-- Psalm 145:15

## Decimoséptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario 29 de julio de 2018

A ti, Señor, sus ojos vuelven todos  
y tú los alimentas a su tiempo.  
-- Salmo 145 (144):15

**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**

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- Trustee 1.....Carlos Lopez

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**Ministries**

- Communion to the Sick and Homebound.....Doug Pack & Herb Wethington
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- Prison Ministry.....
- Finance Council/Consejo de Finanzas.....Joe Rahija.....934-2485
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- Altar servers/servidores del altar.....Ricky DeLaRosa.....935-9071
- Lectors/communion ministers.....Lisa Hatley English.....930-8737
- Martha Sandoval Espanol.....717-3403
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- 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: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35  
 Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43  
 Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46  
 Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53  
 Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58  
 Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12  
 Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

#### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35  
 Martes: Jer 14:17-22; Sal 79 (78):8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43  
 Miércoles: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Sal 59 (58):2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46  
 Jueves: Jer 18:1-6; Sal 146 (145):1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53  
 Viernes: Jer 26:1-9; Sal 69 (68):5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58  
 Sábado: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Sal 69 (68):15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12  
 Domingo: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Sal 78 (77):3-4, 23-25, 54; Ef 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35



Pope John Paul II said that, "every vocation to the priestly ministry is an extraordinary gift of God's love." Christ told His Apostles and now He is saying to you: "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you."

Thus it is that receiving His love and our vocation are one in the same thing. Because this love is total and complete, without regard to our past mistakes, weaknesses, ignorance and confusion, it is only just that we give everything we can in return.

As the great poet Dante Alighieri wrote, "In his will is our peace." This is often the step that is most challenging to even the faithful Christian. To say "Yes" to God without condition is to put our lives radically at his disposal. When we say, "Not my will but your will be done," we are handing over to Him our plans, our ideas, our goals, our very selves. This can be frightening, but it is only in His Will that we will find peace in this life and in the world to come.

His Presence in the Most Blessed Sacrament is a primary way in which we encounter and accept His love and then give ourselves in return. In every Mass, He invites us to unite ourselves to Him in His Sacrifice on Calvary. In the Liturgy of the Word, He cuts us upon with His Word from Holy Scripture which is "sharper than any two edged sword", so that He can pour His very self into us. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist we see the Word become Flesh before our very eyes, and then receive Him into our flesh in Holy Communion. In every Mass, we join our Blessed Lord in His act of sacrificing Himself for the salvation of the world, and receive from the altar His very Body and Blood. The Mass is the primary place where this giving and acceptance of His love happens. To find your vocation, going to Mass faithfully and often is indispensable.

#### WEEKLY MIRACLE

This week marks the beginning of a kind of "liturgical detour." We have been listening to Saint Mark's Gospel during this liturgical year (Year B). Today we begin to hear a long section from John's Gospel, starting with the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. This miracle story is a prelude to the Lord's statements that we will begin hearing in a few weeks, in which Jesus refers to himself as the "bread of life." Each week we witness a miracle at Mass. We do not see a multiplication of loaves before us. What our eyes of faith allow us to see is the miracle of the transformation of common elements--bread and wine--into the Lord's Body and Blood. Once we have received the Lord, the multiplication begins, for in the Eucharist we are strengthened to multiply our efforts to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, and bring comfort to the despairing.

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#### MILAGRO SEMANAL

Esta semana señala el comienzo de una especie de "desvío litúrgico". Hemos estado escuchando el Evangelio según san Marcos durante este año litúrgico (Ciclo B). Hoy comenzamos a escuchar una larga sección del Evangelio según san Juan que empieza con el milagro de la multiplicación de los panes y peces. Este milagro es un preludio de las declaraciones del Señor, que comenzaremos a escuchar en algunas semanas, en las que Jesús se llama a sí mismo el "Pan de Vida". Cada semana somos testigos de un milagro en la Misa. No vemos la multiplicación de panes. Lo que vemos con los ojos de la fe es el milagro de la transformación de elementos comunes, pan y vino, en el Cuerpo y la Sangre del Señor. Una vez que hemos recibido al Señor, comienza la multiplicación, porque en la Eucaristía se nos fortalece para multiplicar nuestros esfuerzos por alimentar a los pobres, darles refugio a los que no tienen hogar y brindarles consuelo a los afligidos.

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#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: St. Peter Chysologus  
 Tuesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola  
 Wednesday: St. Alphonsus Liguori  
 Thursday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;  
 St. Peter Julian Eymard  
 Friday: First Friday  
 Saturday: St. John Vianney; First Saturday

#### LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Decimoséptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario  
 Lunes: San Pedro Crisólogo  
 Martes: San Ignacio de Loyola  
 Miércoles: San Alfonso María de Ligorio  
 Jueves: San Eusebio de Vercelli; San Pedro Juliano Eymard; Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles  
 Viernes: Primer viernes  
 Sábado: San Juan María Vianney; Primer sábado

Financial Update on the

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Ministers for next Sunday  Ministros para el próximo domingo	Lectors/Lectores	5:00 PM Nora Guerrero Brenda Elzner	8:30 AM Carol Nevarez Kelly Gerber	11:00 AM Gilberto Alcantar Daisy Villa	1:00 PM Marisela Trujillo Isela Acosta
	Communion Ministers/ Ministros de la Comunión	Jamie Schacher Herb Wethington Joyce Wethington	Miguel Nevarez Carol Nevarez Leonor Castro Chris Gerber Kelly Gerber	Norma Muñoz Adela Mendoza Silvia Garcia	Martina Ramos Amanda Garcia Guadalupe Garcia
	Altar Servers/Monaguillos	Rylee Schacher Raynee Schacher	Miranda Orrantia	Elian Ramos	Nataly Gomez

Mass Intentions		
31 de julio	6:00 PM	✠Felipe Aguero y ✠Rosendo Garcia
martes		Req. Familia Nava (Movido a 28 de agosto si es necesario)
August 1	6:00 PM	✠Moncerrat Marquez
Wednesday		Req. Mark & Lisa Hatley
August 2	7:30 AM	
Thursday		
August 3	7:30 AM	✠Rita Herrera
Friday		Req Caring Hearts
August 4	5:00 PM	✠Larry Lukasiewicz
Saturday		Req. Mark & Lisa Hatley
August 5	8:30 AM	✠Dcn. Joe Schwertner
Sunday		Req. Bernice Schwertner
5 de agosto	11:00 AM	✠Cruz Garcia y ✠Ruben Piñon
domingo		Req. Familia Piñon
5 de agosto	1:00 PM	✠Marisel Medina
domingo		Req Familia Gonzalez Medina

Birthdays Cumpleaños
<b>July 30:</b> Julio Adame, Denisia Garcia, Rafael Jurado Jr., Humberto Mendoza, Alexa Ontiveros
<b>July 31:</b> Norma Arellanes, Cecilia Baca, Emily Bonilla, Marty Franks, Brianna Garcia, Fabiola Gonzalez, Jennifer Ortiz, Gerardo Rodriguez, Gerardo Vargas
<b>Aug 1:</b> Mary Bitonel, Mateus Dos Santos, Kalina Hill, Olga Housand, Isabella Landeros, Hadee Mendoza, Dora Lizbeth Villa
<b>Aug 2:</b> Marlene Chavez, Gael Chavira, Zachary Garcia, Pamela Hernandez, Iris Rodriguez, Angle Alberto Ruiz, Herminia Soto,
<b>Aug 3:</b> Bristol Brinkmann, Yazlene Garcia, Brenda Gonzalez, Daleyza Luna, Rene Luna, Heidy Perez, Arturo Ramos, Corina Rodriguez, Nancy Rodriguez, Manuel Tarango
<b>Aug 4:</b> Sandra Borunda, Rafaela Chavez, Alyssa Gacia, Hector Hernandez, Nuvia Hernandez, Angel Rene Pelayo, Jose Cruz Rodriguez. Enedina Vasquez
<b>Aug 5:</b> Alexa Corona, Mike Felan, Angel Gonzalez, Jose Angel Rubio, Mercedes Tarango

**Happy Anniversary/Feliz Aniversario**  
 Rene and Cindy Vasquez, Jose and Cleme Nava, Monico and Adela Cortez, Robert and Grace Reznik, Alfonso and Patricia Garay, David and Mary Vitela.

**Collection: \$5,890.75**  
**Building Debt Donations: \$1,240.00**

**Festival is coming:  
 September 9th, 2018**  
 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. (We have one volunteer for help with this but will take anyone else who is willing to help.)**

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.  
**Thanks to Mildred Wieck for donating syrup to the snow cone booth, I know they appreciate it!!!**



The Parish Office will be closed this Thursday, August 2nd. The office staff try very hard to not have conflicts with needed time off but family illness and jury duty are beyond our control. We regret this and hope that it will only have to be the one day.

Are YOU being called to be a catechist in your parish community? Are YOU being called to serve and minister, to be a witness to Jesus Christ, to pray and to build up your parish community? We tend to think that a catechist is only called to teach children who are preparing for a sacrament or who are in "in-between" - those non-sacramental grades during a given year. However, a catechist is called to minister to all who seek to deepen their faith, by means of a variety of parish efforts. To this end, programs such as family sessions, scripture study, RCIA, youth groups, and more are provided by the parish catechetical leader, who works in conjunction with dedicated volunteers.  
 If you are thinking about this, please contact the office and let us know what you are interested in, we can put you in contact with the right person.

**Faith Formation Dates**

**August 11:** Ministry Conference (St. Mary's)  
9:00 AM-3:45 PM

**September 12 & 16:** First Day of Fall Faith Formation Classes

**October:** Canned Food Drive for the Food Pantry. (Only certain items will be accepted, watch for the note your student brings home)

**October:** Safe Environment Month for our students.



# What's Happening???

**Upcoming Fundraisers:**

**July 29th:** Food Sale (Building Debt)

**August 24th:** Enchildada Sale (Building Debt)

**Sept. 9th:** Festival (Building Debt)

**New Parish Directory**

We are still in need of someone to make calls and set up appointments for our English speaking community. Monie Hernandez will be taking care of this for the Spanish speaking community. There will be some additional work after the photos have all been taken and organized for the directory. We hope to include some photos of the Dedication of the Pastoral Center. Maybe even some of the demolition of the old buildings, at this point we just aren't sure what all but they would need to be organized and put together for the company.

A continuación se detallan las fechas en que Lifetouch estará en nuestra parroquia para fotografiar a todos los miembros de nuestra parroquia. Esto es muy importante para nosotros en este momento ya que este directorio que estamos creando será una parte importante de la historia de la Iglesia Católica de San Pedro y San Pablo en Dumas. Este directorio mostrará a todas las personas involucradas en la construcción de nuestro nuevo Centro Pastoral. Nuestro objetivo es el 100% de participación. Por lo tanto, estamos publicando las fechas ahora para que todos puedan planear estar aquí una de las siguientes fechas para tomarse una foto!!!

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!!!! We are in need of someone to take on this project for our parish, scheduling the appointments for the photo sessions will be the first step and there are some who parishioners who would like to do that now. If you can help with this, please call the office as soon as possible.

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

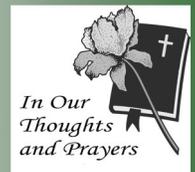
O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure.

Padre santo y todopoderoso, protector de los que en ti confían, ten misericordia de nosotros y enséñanos a usar con sabiduría de los bienes de la tierra, a fin de que no nos impidan alcanzar los delo cielo.

The story of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes recalls a particular aspect of the Mass. In this miracle, Jesus transforms a young boy's offering of five barley loaves and two fish. In the offertory at Mass, we present the fruits of our labors, represented by bread and wine. These gifts, given to us first by God as grain and fruit, are returned to God in our offering of thanksgiving. God in turn transforms our gifts, making this bread and wine the very Body and Blood of Jesus. We also offer ourselves in this exchange, and we, too, are transformed by the Eucharist.

La historia de la multiplicación de los panes y los peces nos recuerda un aspecto particular de la Misa. En este milagro, Jesús transforma la ofrenda de un niño de cinco panes de cebada y dos peces. Durante el ofertorio en la Misa, presentamos los frutos de nuestras labores, representados por el pan y el vino. Estos dones, que Dios nos dio como grano y fruto, son devueltos a Dios en nuestra ofrenda de acción de gracias. Dios, a su vez, transforma nuestros dones, haciendo de este pan y vino el mismo Cuerpo y Sangre de Jesús. También nos ofrecemos en este intercambio, y nosotros también somos transformados por la Eucaristía.

The parish family would like to offer their sympathy to Jessie Frausto. Jessie's dad, Pedro Frausto passed away several weeks ago. Jessie, you are in our thoughts and prayers. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help during this time of grief.



**Pope Francis' prayer intentions for AUGUST:**

Universal – The Treasure of Families

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

Thank you to the following men who answered our urgent plea for help with the chapel windows: Jose Humberto Garcia, Orlando Gajardo, Sammy and Ricky DeLaRosa!!! We appreciate you!!!

### Prayer Line/Linea de oración

Tony and Efinita Garcia, Jude Hannemann, Jessie Frausto, Steve Gauna, Willie Wieck, 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, Nora Bernal-Gonzalez, Mark Gillispie, 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, David Cross, Larry Monroe, Patricia Kresta, Augustine Sanchez, Dennis Weeg, Debbie Fetsch, Tim Benavides, Manuel Estrada, Jeremy's family, Andrea Williams, Dorothy Harkrider, Cynthia Pieratt.

*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!*

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.



Found on the Internet:

Researchers claim that an average person needs less than 30 seconds to appraise someone at a first encounter. Even before the individual speaks, there is non-verbal communication. Body language such as crossed arms, dilated pupils, and forced smiles send a message. So does one's clothing.

In a day that places a high premium on communication and where even one's appearance is crafted to evoke a certain response, clothes have become extremely meaningful. Gone are the days when the wealthy dressed to flaunt their riches and the less fortunate wore their work clothes as a badge of honest labor.

The choices of clothing tell others something about ourselves. Clothes can communicate our occupation. In a hospital, their uniforms set the nurses apart from the cleaning staff; on a city street, blue uniforms identify our police force. Some today use clothing to signify their choice of gender.

The very colors we choose for our clothing also have meaning. Black signifies formality and elegance as well as authority. Red communicates energy, passion, speed and strength. Green, youth and vigor; white, innocence and cleanliness. Yellow and orange shout out joy, optimism and hope.

Clothes also mark the occasions. Picnic-goers dress down. Prom-goers dress up. A bride usually wears a white dress; a groom, a tuxedo. Beach-goers wear shorts and T-shirts. Graduates, cap and gown. Pallbearers at funerals dress in somber tones; and, clowns in circuses dress in bright colors. T-shirts, jeans and shorts all have their place and proper setting. And, our choice of them on a particular day or occasion tells people something about us.

Generally speaking, since the 1960s, we Americans have become more and more casual in our dress code. While the pilot and co-pilot along with the flight attendants still appear in neat and clean uniforms, no one else dresses up anymore to board an airplane. College students dress casually for class. And, business people heartily embrace casual Fridays. We are at a time where comfort and practicality matter in dress as well as the ability to express one's own individuality.

Informal, casual attire has almost become de rigeur for the average American. Even church-goers no longer feel the need to put on their Sunday best. All except one group of church-goers. Many African Americans who go to church on Sunday distinguish themselves by dressing up for the occasion. Their long tradition of honoring the Lord with the way in which they appear before him to worship has not collapsed in the face of tidal waves of casual dress. Perhaps, there is a needed lesson in their example!

Beachwear, flip-flops, tank-tops (and the list could continue) are simply not proper attire to come into the presence of the Lord. No one would appear before the Queen of England unless attired properly. How much more before the Lord of heaven and earth. Perhaps, here is where the real challenge is. Have we been losing our sense of the transcendence of God? While many no longer believe in God, have some church-goers forgotten who God truly is? Have we become more focused on ourselves, our comfort, than our God and the respect due to him when we enter his presence to worship him?

When coming to church, we should remember that "People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart" (1 Sam. 16:7). Thus, our first concern is always that we come before the Lord "with clean hands and pure heart" (Ps 24:4). And, if we have sinned, then with contrition and the purpose of amendment.

Curso de Profundización en la Fe

Impartido por Nicolás y Lily Robles (de Blessed Sacrament Parish)

Primera reunión informativa el martes 21 de agosto a las 7:00 pm en el salón parroquial.

Las clases serán los martes a las 7:00 pm siguiendo el libro de "Teología de la Perfección Cristiana", de Antonio Royo Marín. Te esperamos!

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last Wednesday, the greatest pilgrimage in our tradition ended with the feast of Saint James at his shrine in Compostela, Spain. Every year, as many as a hundred thousand persons walk a portion of the medieval way of the pilgrim, earning the right to wear the scallop shell symbol of this journey of faith. In legend, this city on the northern coast of Spain is the final resting place of the apostle, and the full name of the cathedral is "Saint James of the Field of Stars." There is a tradition that Saint James the Great preached there. In the Roman Catholic tradition, the pilgrimage, like any procession, is a symbol, life's journey distilled, a powerful sign of our journey toward a certain goal. The perils of the road, the support of companions, the contemplative slower pace of life, have the potential to transform and renew the pilgrims in ways that last a lifetime. Along the way, the distinctions between rich and poor fall away, and everyone shares humble rustic food and stops for the night in hostels or under the stars. After a long walk, the experience of entering through the great doors into the vast cathedral filled with incense, light, and song is a foretaste of heaven. The pilgrims often say that their whole lives are redirected toward that moment of entry into the heavenly Jerusalem. The most memorable feature of the cathedral is called the botofumeiro, an incense burner on pulleys and chains that sweeps through the cathedral in immense circles, swirling clouds of sweet-smelling incense around the vast nave.

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#### TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El día 2 de agosto es la fiesta de Santa María de los Ángeles, patrona de Costa Rica y de los franciscanos. En 1635 la mestiza Juana Pereira descubrió una pequeña imagen de María con el Niño Dios. Varias veces la imagen se le perdió y regresaba al sitio donde la había encontrado el día 2 de agosto. Por esta razón el lugar a donde regresaba se convirtió en su santuario y se le dio el título de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles en honor de la capilla dedicada a Santa María de los Ángeles afuera del pueblito de Asís en Italia. Esta capillita reconocida como la Porciúncula (pedacito de tierra) fue restaurada por san Francisco. Allí nació la familia franciscana y Francisco insistió que los frailes nunca abandonaran ese lugar porque era consagrado a Dios. Allí María y los ángeles alababan a Dios cuando los seres humanos habían dejado de hacerlo.

Según parece, la imagen costarricense también insistió en quedarse en un pedacito de tierra consagrado a Dios donde sus hijos e hijas pueden recurrir a ella y adorar al Dios eterno.

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Muchos han comentado en las últimas dos semanas cómo hemos planeado tanto tiempo para tener este hermoso nuevo centro pastoral pero durante tantos años fue sólo planificación y charla. ¿qué cambió? ¿por qué finalmente sucedió realmente? Cada persona con la que he tenido esta conversación tiene la misma respuesta..... Padre Gabriel!!! No nos iba a dejar salir con sólo hablar y planear!!! Gracias Padre Gabriel por ser la fuerza que nos ha llevado hasta donde estamos hoy. Usted es una verdadera bendición para nuestra parroquia.

Many have commented in the last couple of weeks how we have planned so long to have this beautiful new Pastoral center but for so many years it was just planning and talk. What changed? Why did it finally actually happen? Every person that I have had this conversation with has the same answer.....Father Gabriel!!! He wasn't going to let us get away with just talking and planning!!! Thank you Father Gabriel for being the force that got us where we are today. You are a true blessing to our parish and while many of us realize it, we are not always quick to voice it!!!

#### Festival Updates

*Food Booths: Tortas, Gorditas, Protein Shakes, Pozole, Sticky Rice, Nachos, Rooster Eggs, Egg Rolls, Brisket Burritos, Barbacoa Burritos & Tacos, Cotton Candy, Curl Fries, Asado, Agua Frescas, Tamales, Champarrado, Cookies, Ice Cream, Elotes (Corn), Desserts, Menudo, Brisket Burritos, Tortas, Carnitas, Banana Pudding, Corn in a cup, Tropical Fruit, Chicken & Carnitas, Fruit Water(Agua Frescas), Chicharrones, Tacos, Steak Tacos, Desserts, Snow Cones, Cinnamon Rolls, Chilindrinas (note all booths should provide some kind of drinks, water, lemonade, soda etc. )*

*Other Booths: Vocations, First Aid, Face Painting, Balloon Animals*

*Other Activities: Volleyball Tournament*

The tickets are leaving the church, some have come back in accompanied with the money. If you have sold tickets, please don't wait to turn them and the money in to the parish office. It helps us to know if we need to print more tickets and also how are sales are going. If you complete a book in sales, please drop it by the office.

We received some more booth registrations at the meeting on the 12th. Thanks to all who turned them in. We still don't have any funnel cakes, those always go well. Corn dogs are another option. Pickles, sopapillas, and you might have an even better idea. Don't be afraid to try something, it just might work!!! There is still time to register a booth if you want to.

The meat and bread order was compiled after the meeting this past week. JBS Cactus has been very supportive of us in the past. We may not get everything we ordered but we always get a lot. Be prepared to supplement with purchased products if all is not donated.

Keeping the park clean and presentable will help our sales. Be careful to make sure that trash goes in the proper receptacles. If you see an overflowing trash can let someone know or take care of it yourself. There will be liners available at the bank.

As always, remember, you are the face of the Catholic church to those who attend. Be pleasant, kind, loving and friendly.