September 29, 2019
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Anthony Church
North Providence - 353-3120
Saintanthonychurch.org

Saint Edward Church
Providence-331-4035-Parroquiasaneduardo.org

Church of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
North Providence-722-7140-Presentationchurchnp.org

Rev. Edward S. Cardente, Pastor
Rev. Nolasco Tamayo, Part Time Associate
Diocesan Director of Intercultural Ministries

Deacon Louis Vani
Deacon Jose Fajardo
**WELCOME**

If you are alienated or upset, we welcome you lovingly.
If you are in need of forgiveness, Jesus forgives you completely - with unconditional love.
If you have been hurt by the Church, we are truly sorry.
If you are angry, Jesus offers you peace.
If life has become burdensome, we are here to support you.
We are happy you are here and want you to stay.
We would like to share our lives with you.
Come join us each week so we can worship God together.

**SAINT ANTHONY CHURCH**
Angelo Minervino, Sacristan

**Weekday Masses**  Monday - Thursday
8:30am in Trinity Chapel

**Novena Mass**  Tuesday at 8:30am
Trinity Chapel

**Saturday**  5:15pm

**Sunday**  8:00am & 11:30am
Holy Days as Announced

**CHURCH OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
Stephen Campbell, Sacristan

**Saturday** - 4:00pm

**Sunday** - 10:00am
Holy Days as Announced

**Reconciliation**
Saturday 3:15pm-3:45pm

**SAINT EDWARD CHURCH**
John Arena, Sacristan

**Saturday**  6:00pm - Spanish

**Sunday**  9:00am - English
11:30am - Spanish
Holy Days as Announced

**BUSINESS OFFICE**
5 Gibbs Street, North Providence, Rhode Island 02904

**Office Number**  401-353-3120
**Fax Number**  401-353-5126

**Office Hours**  Monday - Thursday 9am - 4pm

**OFFICE IS CLOSED ON FRIDAY**

Karleen Celona, Administrative Assistant
Information about the Sacrament of Marriage
Ministry to the Sick and Dying and Sacramental Records

**Bulletin Submissions**  Email to pbvm1912@gmail.com by Tuesday 9am

**MINISTRY TO THOSE IN NEED**
Saint Anthony Kitchen – Michelle Dilorio 714-7253
Saint Anthony Mobile Lunch - Stephen and Louise Bello 556-5129
Saint Edward Food & Wellness Center - Lori Porcaro, Director, 1001 Branch Avenue, Providence, RI
Holy Family Home for Women and Children
Ernest Spaziano, Director  304-7744; hfhprow@gmail.com
Mary’s Meals to the Poor - Leslie Corneau 545-5698

**CONVENT**
Daughters of Mary, Mother of Mercy
2 Pope Street, North Providence, RI 02904

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MINISTRY OFFICE**
Saint Anthony Parish Center 401 353-5215
Maryann Pallotta, Elementary Coordinator
Michelle Ficocelli - Jr. High Coordinator & Confirmation Coordinator
Mary Esther Watson - Rite of Christian Initiation - Adults
Sr. Carol Ann Murray, RSM - First Eucharist Coordinator
Information about Infant Baptism, Adult Sacraments, becoming Roman Catholic (RCIA)

**YOUTH MINISTRY OFFICE**
Saint Anthony Parish Center 353-5216
Gian Perrotta - Coordinator
Tom Malloy - CYO Basketball

**ABBA-AVE PRAYER MINISTRY**
401 353-3059

**SAINT EDWARD ADORATION MINISTRY**
Priscilla Sayward  401-439-6152

**MUSIC MINISTRY DIRECTOR**
Toby Andrews - 401-353-3120

**RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE**
Contact—Monica700@verizon.net
**SAINT ANTHONY CHURCH**

**MONDAY**
8:30 AM  
**SEPTEMBER 30**
11th Anniv - John Foye by Wife

**TUESDAY**
8:30 AM  
**OCTOBER 1**
2nd Anniv - Catherine Sousa by Family

**WEDNESDAY**
**OCTOBER 2**
8:30 AM  
For the Parishioners

**THURSDAY**
**OCTOBER 3**
8:30 AM  
For the Parishioners

**SATURDAY**
**OCTOBER 5**
5:15 PM  
Mem - John & Alice Dutchover by Family
Mem - Cesare & Anna Miale
by John & Virginia Silvestri
Mem - Giovanni & Concetta Paesano by Family

**SUNDAY**
**OCTOBER 6**
8:00 AM  
Mem - Deceased members of the Bonaminio Family
by Domenic Bonaminio

11:30 AM  
Birth Rem - Richard Silvestri, Sr. by Wife & Family
Mem - Kyong Kim - by The Triggs Ladies Inner Club

**SAINT EDWARD CHURCH**

**WEDNESDAY**
**OCTOBER 2**
6:00 PM  
Exposicion del Santisimo
7:00 PM  
Spanish Mass

**SATURDAY**
**OCTOBER 5**
6:00 PM  
Spanish Liturgy

**SUNDAY**
**OCTOBER 6**
8:30 AM  
Weekly Rosary
9:00 AM  
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**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS**

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**CHURCH OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**SATURDAY**
**OCTOBER 5**
4:00 PM  
3rd Anniv - Larissa Downing by Mother & Sister
Mem - Giovanni & Concetta Paesano by Family
Mem - Norman Amelio Ricci, Jr., by Mother

**SUNDAY**
**OCTOBER 6**
10:00 AM  
Mem - Jennie & Oscar Bassett by Children
Mem - Mary & Evelyn Mullen
15th Anniv - Geraldine Mancone by Family

**THE VIGIL LAMP**

The Vigil Candle will burn October 5th through October 11th as an anniversary remembrance for Anthony & Rose Imondi by Daughters Rosemary Arlia and Carolyn Autiello and Families

**REST IN PEACE**

Lord, let perpetual light shine upon

*John Di Palma & John Di Marzio*

May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed through Your mercy, rest in peace.

**STEWARDSHIP**

**SEPTEMBER 21st & SEPTEMBER 22nd**

**Church of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Budgets $4,149.00 from 172 envelopes
Includes Mail in of $1,240.00
Donations for the Poor: $318.00

**Saint Anthony Church**

Budgets $5,948.00 from 287 envelopes
Mail in: $806.00
Donations for the Poor: $204.00

**Saint Edward Church**

Budgets $2,043.00 from 96 envelopes
Donations for the Poor: $92.00
RELIGIOUS FORMATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH

The registration for families with children is underway for the fall classes. There is serious concern for the spiritual welfare of our children especially during these times of cultural change wherein religion has lost its place in American Society for many people. The number of crimes committed by young people, especially the recent mass shootings, challenge the Church to continue to make every effort to provide opportunities for our children and youth to mold their identity around the Gospel of Jesus Christ which stands against hatred, racism and the many social ills that plague our society. When a person’s center is not built upon divine truth they can be misled along a false path leading to unhappiness and even self-destruction. The rampant materialism that surrounds our children can be toxic without a relationship with Jesus Christ which every responsible parent can facilitate. Every parent makes a promise to raise their children in the Catholic Faith on the day of their child’s Baptism. Commitment to the religious education programs that we offer is one way of fulfilling this obligation along with regular Mass attendance. Home study can be an option if the class schedule is a major obstacle. But to withdraw a child after they receive First Communion in the second grade is a grave injustice to that child. We encourage all parents and other family members to ensure the continuity of a child’s faith formation through the programs and opportunities offered at Saint Anthony Church for our tri-parish community.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

SEASONAL WORKERS

Grounds maintenance seasonal workers. At various locations throughout the state of RI. Looking for motivated, dedicated workers for grounds maintenance to cut grass, trim around obstacles, rake leaves, and dig small holes Must have drivers license or state identification. Must be 18 years of age and able to lift 50 lbs. Work Monday through Friday 7:30am-4:00pm. Please call (401) 944-8383.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Are you or someone you know experiencing Domestic Violence (verbal, emotional, psychological or physical abused)? Let us help! The Office of Life and Family is offering woman free counseling (as appropriate), emotional support, and advice from a Catholic perspective, resources, and referrals to outside agencies/Catholic Counselors as appropriate. Maybe you just want to talk! For more information, please call 401-278-2518 or 401-278-2517.

MRS CLAUS’ ATTIC / FLEA MARKET

DONATIONS NEEDED

We will be accepting items for the upcoming Holiday Bazaar. Christmas and/or holiday items, giftware, glass items, linens, table top Christmas trees only. We cannot accept the following: clothes, shoes, handbags, appliances, televisions, computers, computer monitors, VHS tapes, printers, furniture, stuffed animals, pillows, any type of bedding, full size Christmas trees, cribs, car seats, or baby walkers. We are looking primarily for Holiday & Christmas items. Thank you! Items can be dropped off at the rear of the Saint Anthony Parish Center only. For more information please call Susan at 232-5713 or Maryann at 353-5215.

2019 HOLIDAY BAZAAR - NOVEMBER 2nd & 3rd

2019 ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2nd 8AM - 3PM
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3rd 8AM - 2PM

Plans are underway for the 29th Annual Holiday Bazaar to benefit our Religious Education and Youth Ministry Programs. As in the past this event is a tri-parish effort to bring people together. Donations of hand-crafted items, gift baskets and Christmas items are needed. We are in need of volunteers to help before, and during the bazaar. If you can assist please contact Maryann Pallotta at 353-5215.

PARISH FAMILY BREAKFAST

Our annual parish family breakfast will take place on Sunday November 3rd from 8am-11am. Breakfast will include: eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, pancakes, cereal and assorted donuts. Santa arrives at 9:30am! Tickets are $5 per person and children under 3 eat free! They will be on sale after all Masses on the weekends of October 19th & 20th and October 26th & 27th. Thank you for your support!

BAKERS NEEDED

We are in need of sweet treats and baked goods for the Sweet Booth at the Holiday Bazaar. Donations of baked goods may be brought to the Bazaar Saturday morning or Sunday morning. If you would like to donate an item or volunteer at the Sweet Booth, please call Ann Amaral at 263-4203.

CRAFTS

Several of our parishioners are making crafts at home for our Holiday Bazaar. If you are talented in this area and are willing to donate some of your creations to our craft table, please contact the Religious Education Office, 353-5215.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MRS CLAUS’ ATTIC / FLEA MARKET

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## Respect for Life Committee

**Life Chain Sunday, October 6th, 2-3 PM**  
Life chain is a peaceful & prayerful public witness to life. Be the light in a darkened world; help end abortion with prayer; bring your entire family.  
Additional locations include:  
St. Patrick Church, 244 Smith Street, Providence and St. John Paul II (St. Cecilia’s), 755 Central Avenue Pawtucket

## Catholic School Students

**Grade 2 and Grade 9 - In September**  
Parents of children in grades 2 (attended Catholic School in grade 1) and children entering grade 9 who are or have been attending Catholic School are to contact the Religious Education Office to register their children for classes. Confirmation preparation begins in grade 9.

## Students Entering Grade 1 (Public School)

Parents of students entering grade 1 who have not contacted the Rel. Ed. Office to register their child’s name for classes are asked to do so immediately.  
**RCIA for Children:** If any parent has a child in grade 3 and up who has not received the Sacrament of First Eucharist and who has not previously been enrolled in our Rel. Ed. classes, please contact the Rel. Ed. Office to register his/her child’s name.  
**RCIA for Adults:** If anyone 18 years and older has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation or First Eucharist and Baptism, kindly call the Rel. Ed. Office for more information regarding classes.

## Fall Schedule of Classes

**Grades 7th & 8th:** Classes will meet on Sunday’s from 10am-11:15 am followed by 11:30am Mass.  
**Grade 2:** First Communion Students will meet on Monday’s from 6pm to 7pm, except where the classes meet on the following Sunday’s at 8am: 10/20; 11/17; & 12/9.  
**Confirmation Classes:** Will meet on Sunday’s from 10am-11:15am followed by 11:30am Mass.  
**Grades 1, 3-6:** Will meet on Monday’s from 6pm to 7pm or on Tuesday’s from 3:45pm-4:45pm.

Parents: There are students who still have not registered for the Fall program. Follow-up telephone calls have been made to all families. Please submit the registrations forms as soon as possible or contact the office if there is a change in your family regarding classes. No registration forms will be accepted once classes begin.  
**Please Note:** Sister Carol has met with Grade 1 and 2 (First Eucharist) parents recently. If any parent has not attended these meetings, please contact the Rel. Ed. Office as soon as possible.

## Parents of any Students Entering Grades 3 and Up

Who have not received the Sacrament of the Eucharist (First Communion) are to contact the Religious Education office to register for classes, 353-5215. To avoid confusion, these students have not attended classes this past school year.

## Wanting to Become a Catholic or Haven’t Made Confirmation?

Any adult over 18 who is desirous of becoming a Catholic or wanting to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please take note. The process of preparation, called the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is beginning this fall under the leadership of Mary Ester Watson. The meetings will be held in the Saint Anthony Parish Center with dates and time to be determined. If interested please call Mrs. Pallotta to register at 353-5125.
TUNA FISH AND HEALTH & BEAUTY AIDS NEEDED
All are needed at the Saint Edward Food and Wellness Center. Donations can be dropped off at Mass and placed in the food baskets, or they can be dropped off at food center on Tuesday mornings. Thank you for your generosity.

FR. ED AND FR. MARK ALONG WITH COLETTE PRESENT "GREECE ISLAND HOPPER" OCTOBER 16-26, 2020
The "Greece Island Hopper" is an 11 day trip including Athens, Mykonos and Santorini with guided tours as well as time for you to relax or explore on your own. Brochures containing a detailed itinerary and pricing are available by calling the rectory 353-3120.

COME CELEBRATE A TRI-PARISH EVENT DON'T MISS THIS MILESTONE CELEBRATION THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. ANTHONY CHURCH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019 11:30 ANNIVERSARY MASS DINNER 1 - 5 PM KIRKRAE COUNTRY CLUB 197 OLD RIVER ROAD LINCOLN, RI MUSIC BY JOE VONO FEATURING TOBY ANDREWS PRICE $35.00 PER PERSON TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES AT BOTH ST. ANTHONY CHURCH AND THE CHURCH OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TICKETS ARE LIMITED AND WILL BE ON SALE THROUGH OCTOBER 13 NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR

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DIVORCED? SEPARATED?
The Office of Life and Family is offering a support group for divorced and separated Catholics. It will take place at Saint Mary Church, 437 Carolina Back Road (Rte. 112), Charlestown, Rhode Island. This group meets the first and third Wednesday evening of each month from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. If you are interested, please contact Peter Magnotta at 421-7833, ext. 217.

MOUNT SAIN CHARLES ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE
Mount Saint Charles Academy invites prospective students and their families to open house on Sunday, Oct. 20th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Attend our Open House to learn about our rigorous academics, service-learning, dedicated faculty, and a wide range of student clubs, sports, and fine and performing arts opportunities. You'll get to meet teachers, alumni, and current students and tour our school and visit our beautiful 20-acre campus! Mount Saint Charles Academy is a Catholic, college preparatory school for boys and girls in grades 6-12 that is committed to developing the whole child. Visit mountsaintcharles.org or call 401-769-0310 to learn more.

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Rejoice in Hope Youth Center, 804 Dyer Avenue, Cranston.
KNITTING MINISTRY RESUMED

The knitters have resumed their weekly meetings. They will meet every Monday at 1PM at Presentation Church Hall. There is an elevator to access the lower level. All are invited to join!

SAINT ANTHONY CHURCH EXTERIOR REPAIR PROJECT

In the next few weeks scheduled repairs will progressively take place to the exterior walls of Saint Anthony Church. The principle project will be a rebuilding of the upper portion of the lower east wall of the church which has been deteriorating over the years because of insidious water damage during the winter seasons. To remedy the problem the giant cypress trees which had shielded the wall from exposure to the sun were removed allowing the sun to do its job of keeping the wall dry. The white concrete capstones will be removed while steel reinforcements to the inner wall are installed and new brick is layered. The lower portion of the roof over the damaged area will be replaced and heating cables added to prevent dangerous ice build-up in the future. The outer walls of the church will be pressure washed to remove decades of grime and discoloration. Several areas of brick which need repointing will be attended to on the south and west walls of the church. When this portion of the project is completed, the next phase of new aggregate concrete walkways and granite curbing will be installed. The final phase is new landscaping which was highlighted during the Grateful for God’s Providence Campaign last year. Because the scope of the work was greater than originally anticipated the repaving of the parking lot will be delayed until next year until funding is obtained. Your patient cooperation is appreciated during these weeks due to any inconvenience that may occur as the work is being executed.

TRI-PARISH MEN’S RETREAT

Saturday, October 5, 2019
St. Anthony Parish Center Dining Room

Time: 9 AM to 3 PM
Theme: Living in the Presence of God
Schedule: A blend of verbal communal prayer, presentations, quiet time, journaling (writing personal thoughts and reflections) sharing in a group and reflective music. There will be two 15-20 minute breaks in the morning and afternoon.
Food: Coffee and donuts for the coffee break and lunch will be catered by Pauly Penta’s.
Cost: Free (Donations accepted)
Contact: To make a reservation, please call Paul Capracotta at 401-215-0320.

ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE PETS OCTOBER 6TH

In honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, whom we will honor next weekend, October 6th, everyone is invited to bring their pets to the front of the Church of the Presentation, after the 10am Mass to receive a special blessing for their pets.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE
PASTORAL PROFILE

The publication of these statistics derive from a larger report that the Diocese has made to the Vatican in preparation for the visit that the bishops will make this fall. The Diocese of Providence is experiencing a quantitative decline as numbers of ordained priests, registered parishioners, Sunday Mass attendees, faithful receiving the sacraments and students in Catholic education have all fallen significantly in recent years. This decline is not unique to this diocese but common to other dioceses in our part of the world and to other faith communities as well. But the Catholic Church is still the largest and most impactful faith community in the state and responsible for many good and positive things despite what the less numbers indicate. Every week we will disclose the results of the research. First are the numbers since 2000. State population in 2000 was 987,429; in 2010 it was 1,053,209; in 2018 it was 1,057,315. The number of parishioners reported in 2000 was 525,181; in 2010 it was 422,827; in 2018 it was 321,315. These latter numbers were compiled by the information which every parish reports to the diocese annually.
“When you’re up to your waist in alligators, it’s hard to remember that your original objective was to drain the swamp.” I remember the first time I came across that expression (which I just purged of any vulgarity). I was struck by the humor of it as well as the truth. How we invent humans can make light of a serious truth! How at the first sight of danger or threat we can change our minds. I don’t know of any similar expression that captures as well the situation of being so rich that we don’t even notice the poor.

That is precisely the point that the Holy Spirit wants to make in the complementary Readings from Amos and Luke that we hear this weekend. The precise evil here is not that the wealthy Israelites and the unnamed rich man seem to have it all. It is that both do not even notice people among them who have nothing. At least in the material sense.

We learn that “not noticing” is a sin because in Our Lord’s mind that’s enough to keep one barred from heaven. In classical literature we have Charles Dickens telling us that his Scrooge had this same problem until the three spirits of Christmas shook him out of it just in time. Just as that story is perennial, so is the problem for us in today’s world.

A wag has written that “most of us have two chances of becoming wealthy—slim and none.” Seriously, it is not wealth, but the arrogance of wealth that offends the poor. Do we really want to go through life offending them? After all, Jesus highly respected the poor. In fact, He chose to live and die poor. So let’s assume that we avoid arrogance for that reason alone.

Yet, taking an honest inventory of our lives, we all have a roof over our heads, suitable meals each day, and enough money in our checkbooks to pay our bills. Moreover, the proliferation of those storage shed businesses everywhere you look testifies that many of us have too much “stuff” to stuff into our overstuffed housing. That alone makes us vulnerable to this “disease” of not noticing the “have nots” among us. It seems like we need a storm surge flooding our abodes or a fallen tree crashing into our roof or crushing our car to make us snap out of our often twisted set of priorities.

Watching the evening news on TV or reading about it online is all we need these days to get depressed. And an overly large segment of our entertainment devices keep pounding away, often without much subtlety, the message that amassing this world’s goods is the only way to live. That’s why we need to reinforce our spiritual lives at least with Sunday Mass and the sacraments, especially Reconciliation, and frequent reading and praying with Scripture.

And if God seems lost in the mix, or at least in your life at any time, I suggest there is rich spiritual advice in the old railroad crossing signs that were invented for our safety. Remember the words? They were “Stop, Look and Listen.” Remember them, friends. And do what they say.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

SANT AGNES CHURCH SACRED TRIDUUM TO SAINT JUDE
Sunday, October 20 6pm Mass and Novena
Monday October 21 6pm Mass and Novena
Tuesday October 22 6pm Mass and Novena
Coffee An’ and the Grand Raffle Drawing will be held after the Tuesday night Novena at Saint Agnes Church, 100 Chatham Street, Providence.

NARRAGANSETT BAY SYMPHONY COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA SEASON OPENER
This concert will feature “Feldman Plays Schumann.” NABSCO strives to share live classical music with RI communities at little or no cost, to promote music education, enrich the cultural life of our region, and to provide the opportunity for participants to continue a life long study of music. Tickets on sale Fall 2019.

TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST
The powerful live production performed by actor Jim Coleman and directed by Leonardo De Filippis of Saint Luke Productions, will be presented at St. Patrick Church on Saturday, October 5 at 7:00pm. Meet Fr. Augustus Tolton, the first African American priest, in this one-man multimedia performance. From his dramatic escape from slavery to his courageous struggle in the face of prejudice, Fr. Tolton’s inspiring life centers around his message reconciliation and hope. This riveting drama is filled with all the elements of professional theater, runs 75 minutes, and is suitable for ages 10 and up. Admission will be $10/ticket, $30 for a family of 4 or more, and $5 for ages 15 & under. For additional information, contact St. Patrick Church at (401) 421-7070 or e-mail stpatrickprov@outlook.com

BISHOP MCVINNEY AUDITORIUM - NOVEMBER 22 AT 7PM
PATRICK MADRID: ANSWERS TO LIES SOCIETY TELLS YOU
A fast-paced, information-packed look at several common fallacies we frequently encounter in our culture, including ones like these: “If it feels good, do it,” “There’s no such thing as objective truth,” “The earth is overcrowded,” “Suffering is bad,” “Abortion is wrong, except in cases of rape and incest,” “Belief in Christ is just a blind leap of faith,” “Assisted suicide is a noble option for those whose quality of life is not worth living,” “The Catholic Church is anti-intellectual,” “Question authority!” and more. Please visit mcvinneyauditorium.org for more information.
**DOMINGO XXVI TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

**PROGRAMA DE CONFIRMACIÓN PARA JÓVENES**

El martes pasado, 17 de septiembre comenzó el programa de confirmación para jovencitos y jovencitas que están cursando ahora el grado décimo en adelante. Edades desde los 15 años, no antes. Es bilingüe para aquellos que tengan dificultades con el Español y adaptado a jóvenes. Es distinto al RICA (programa de adultos). Mayores informes con Katherine Jiménez al 659-7575. Comienza @6:30 PM

**PROGRAMA DE CATEQUETISMO DE ADULTOS**

El pasado Martes 17 de septiembre dio inicio el programa de adultos para todos aquellos adultos que aún no han recibido los sacramentos restantes del proceso de Iniciación Cristiana... o sea para quienes no han hecho su primera comunión o confirmación, porque piensan casarse por la Iglesia o porque no se han bautizado o se quieren convertir a la fe católica. Pueden inscribirse con Guillhermina Arias al 499-8387. Necesitan partida de bautismo para inscribirse al programa. Comienza a las 6.30 PM.

**AYUDEMOS A LOS POBRES CADA SEMANA**

No olvides cada semana, a partir de ahora, ayudar a muchos hermanos nuestros en necesidad... $1.00 dólar cada semana hará la diferencia! Dios te bendiga!!!
Invitamos a la comunidad a una peregrinación a Francia, conociendo los Campos elíseos, El arco del triunfo, Torre Eiffel y la Basílica Bizantina Sacre Cuer. El rio Sena, museos, etc. La Basílica del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús donde se apareció a Santa Margarita Alacoque y empezó su devoción. Visitaremos Ars, y la Iglesia del Santo Cura del Siglo XII.

Ginebra, Suiza y los preciosos paisajes de los Alpes, Italia, llegando primero a Turín donde está la Sábana Santa, luego a Milán capital cosmopolita y la famosa catedral Gotica y el Santuario de San Ambrosio. Después iremos a Padua, para visitar la famosa basílica de San Antonio y sus reliquias. Finalmente llegaremos a Venecia con sus 118 pequeñas islas y visitaremos la Basílica de San Marco, el palacio de Doges, etc. No te arrepentirás!

Cuando? Noviembre 2—11 de 2020 Duración = 10 días
Cupo limitado, debes registrarte pronto para separarlo.
Más informes y registración = Llamar a Dianne Delgado al 401-249-1729

TUS TALENTOS REFLEJAN A DIOS

Muchas veces nos preguntamos: ¿Qué se supone que debo hacer con mi vida?, ¿Cuáles es el propósito de estar vivo?, ¿Tiene Dios un plan para mí?. Dios contesta estas preguntas a través de nuestros dones y talentos naturales. Él nos guía para entender nuestro propósito a través de las habilidades y talentos que Él nos ha dado.

Un talento dado por Dios, o lo que a menudo llamamos ‘un don’, es algo que podemos hacer fácilmente, algo que sale naturalmente. Por ejemplo, muchos grandes artistas saben cómo combinar de manera precisa formas y colores, por lo que disfrutan pintar, esculturar o diseñar edificios. Muchos compositores escuchan música en sus cabezas, y simplemente escriben estas melodías y letras para compo- ner música hermosa. Algunas personas tienen habilidad natural para organizar o administrar, mientras que otras son talentosas como consejeras, ayudando a otros a arreglar sus vidas y relaciones. Sin importan cuáles sean nuestros talentos, obtenemos un gran placer haciendo lo que naturalmente somos buenos para hacer.

Si no estamos seguros de cuál es tu propósito en la vida, solo has las cosas en las que eres bueno y luego verás a Dios confirmando tus decisiones al bendecir tus esfuerzos. Dios nos dice “todo lo que hagan, háganlo de corazón, como para el Señor y no como para la gente (Colosenses 3:23). Por esta razón no pases la vida intentando hacer cosas a las que Dios no te ha llamado por tus talentos, si lo haces te vas a frustrar en tus trabajos y decisiones, pero cuando estás en el lugar apropiado, vas a sobresalir en tu lugar de trabajo o estudio y serás de bendición para tus compañeros y los que te rodean.

Si hacemos las cosas en las que somos buenos para hacer, sentiremos el respaldo de Dios en nuestros esfuerzos. Sabremos que estamos utilizando nuestros talentos y que haciendo esto honramos a Dios. Cuando sentimos paz y gozo al usar nuestros talentos entendemos que estamos cumpliendo Su plan para nuestras vidas.

NUESTRA CO-RRESPONSABILIDAD!!!

“Cuando le das a Dios, descubres que Dios te da a ti”

Tesor: Una persona ha devuelto su día de trabajo al Señor esta Semanal Bendiciones a ella! Ofrenda del 21 y 22 de Septiembre $2,043.00 en 96 sobres. Dios les bendiga por su generosidad!!!

Tiempo y Talento: Gracias a Israel Cabrera por su tiempo y talento en trabajos de la parroquia. Mil bendiciones a él. Gracias por su generosidad. Dios le Pague!