



JESUS, BREAD OF LIFE PARISH

PARROQUIA DE JESUS, PAN DE VIDA

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 5, 2023

ONE PARISH WITH
TWO WORSHIP SITES



Our Lady of Grace Church
2450 N Ridgeway Ave, Chicago, IL 60647

WEEKEND LITURGIES
Saturday Confessions at 4:30 pm & Mass
5:30pm (Bilingual)

SUNDAY MASSES
8:00am English, 10:00am & 12:00pm Español

WEEKLY BILINGUAL MASSES
Monday: 7:00 pm, Thursday 7:00 pm
Adoration after mass, Friday: 7:00 pm



St. Sylvester Church
2157 N. Humboldt Blvd., Chicago, IL
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SUNDAY MASSES
9:00am Español
11:00am English
1:00pm Español

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Missionary Disciple!

Pastor's Column

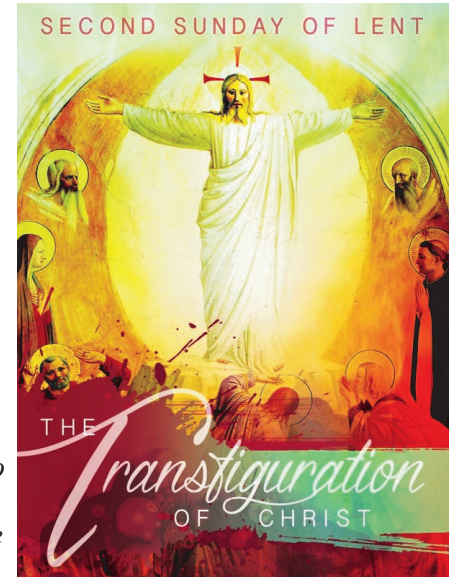
Are you willing to move to another place in your spiritual growth? Are you willing to start again and leave behind everything you have so that the Lord can work with you?

This weekend I would like to use the theme of moving. In the first reading God ask Abraham to move to a different land and nation. *The LORD said to Abram: "Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you. "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you and curse those*

who curse you. Abraham accepted to move as the Lord asked him. May be there is a movement the Lord want you to make in your life but you are not willing to let go. When we formed a new parish the best gift God gave me was after I moved to Our lady of Grace. I was able to see clearly, learn, understand and embrace the new reality and the mission the Lord was calling us. Leaving my culture behind and moving to America was the best gift God ever gave me. I did not know how much I was a slave of my culture until I moved out.

In the Gospel we hear how Jesus took three disciples to a different place to experience his presences. *Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, " Lord, it is good that we are here. Peter, James, and John receive a remarkable gift. Seeing the Lord transfigured before their eyes. We are given a remarkable gift every time we attend mass. We see our simple gifts of bread and wine transfigured into the Body and Blood of the Lord. We do not fully embrace the new reality of Jesus gift unless we accept to move with Jesus in a different place like the disciples did. There things we need to let go so we can see Jesus clearly.*

I would like to thank the 17 people who have started the process of preparing to go to Kenya to open the church we have helped built. Going to a new country opens our eyes to see God in newness. I know some people would have loved to go but it is expensive or other reasons. The parish will be represented very well. If you want to support us to finish the church please donate towards finishing the church. We still need to pay for painting all church, buying a cross and Stations of the Cross, buying chalices and priestly things like vestments. Finishing is very expensive. The group will leave June 8th and return the 19th.



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If you would like to volunteer to count money at Our Lady of Grace church and St. Sylvester church please send me an email or call the call the office. We count money Monday morning. We are looking for six people to volunteer so we can form teams that will help count money. We also would like to form fundraising team that will meet once a month to help coordinate and plan fundraising for the parish. Please call the church office or speak with Fr. Sam after mass and give your information.

In Christ Jesus,
Fr. Sam

¡Discípulo Misionario !

Página del Pastor

Hermanos y hermanas,

¿Estás dispuesto a pasar a otro lugar en tu crecimiento espiritual? ¿Estás dispuesto a empezar de nuevo y dejar atrás todo lo que tienes para que el Señor pueda trabajar contigo?

Este fin de semana me gustaría utilizar el tema de la mudanza. En la primera lectura, Dios pide a Abraham que se traslade a una tierra y una nación diferentes. *"Deja tu país, a tu parentela y la casa de tu padre, para ir a la tierra que yo te mostraré. Haré nacer de ti un gran pueblo y te bendeciré. Engrandeceré tu nombre y tú mismo serás una bendición. Bendeciré a los que te bendigan, maldeciré a los que te maldigan.* Abraham aceptó moverse como el Señor le pidió. Puede que haya un movimiento que el Señor quiera que hagas en tu vida, pero no estás dispuesto a dejarlo ir. Cuando formamos una nueva parroquia, el mejor regalo que Dios me dio fue después de trasladarme a Nuestra Señora de Gracia. Pude ver claramente, aprender, entender y abrazar la nueva realidad y la misión a la que el Señor nos llamaba. Dejar atrás mi cultura y mudarme a América fue el mejor regalo que Dios me hizo. No supe hasta qué punto era esclavo de mi cultura hasta que me mudé.

En el Evangelio oímos cómo Jesús llevó a tres discípulos a un lugar diferente para que experimentaran su presencia. *En aquel tiempo, Jesús tomó consigo a Pedro, a Santiago y a Juan, el hermano de éste, y los hizo subir a solas con él a un monte elevado. Ahí se transfiguró en su presencia: su rostro se puso resplandeciente como el sol y sus vestiduras se volvieron blancas como la nieve. De pronto aparecieron ante ellos Moisés y Elías, conversando con Jesús. Entonces Pedro le dijo a Jesús: "Señor, ¡qué bueno sería quedarnos aquí!"* Pedro, Santiago y Juan reciben un don extraordinario. Ver al Señor transfigurado ante sus ojos. Nosotros recibimos un don extraordinario cada vez que asistimos a misa. Vemos nuestros simples dones de pan y vino transfigurados en el Cuerpo y la Sangre del Señor. No abrazamos plenamente la nueva realidad del don de Jesús a menos que aceptemos movernos con Jesús en un lugar diferente como hicieron los discípulos. Hay cosas que tenemos que soltar para poder ver a Jesús con claridad.

Me gustaría dar las gracias a las 15 personas que han comenzado el proceso de preparación para ir a Kenia a abrir la iglesia que hemos ayudado a construir. Ir a un país nuevo nos abre los ojos para ver a Dios en una forma nueva. Sé que a algunas personas les hubiera encantado ir pero es caro o por otras razones. La parroquia estará muy bien representada. Si quieren apoyarnos para terminar la iglesia por favor donen para terminar la iglesia. Todavía tenemos que pagar para pintar toda la iglesia, comprar una cruz y el Vía Crucis, comprar cálices y cosas sacerdotales como las vestiduras. Terminar es muy caro. El grupo saldrá el 8 de junio y regresará el 19.

Si le gustaría ser voluntario para contar dinero en la iglesia de Nuestra Señora de Gracia y la iglesia de San Silvestre por favor envíeme un correo electrónico o llame a la oficina. Contamos dinero los lunes por la mañana. Estamos buscando a seis personas para ser voluntarios para que podamos formar equipos que ayudarán a contar el dinero. También nos gustaría formar un equipo de recaudación de fondos que se reunirá una vez al mes para ayudar a coordinar y planificar la recaudación de fondos para la parroquia. Por favor llamen a la oficina de la iglesia o hablen con el Padre Sam después de misa y den su información.

En Cristo Jesús,
Padre Sam



Nights of Mercy
 Wednesday, March 15, 2023
 Jesus, Bread of Life Parish
 @ Our Lady of Grace Church
 2450 N Ridgeway Ave, Chicago, IL 60647
 Adoration, Confession, and Music
 6:00PM-8:30PM



Noches de Misericordia
 Miércoles, 15 de Marzo 2023
 Parroquia Jesus, Pan de Vida
 Iglesia Nuestra Señora de Gracia
 2450 N Ridgeway Ave, Chicago, IL 60647
 Adoración, Sacramento de la Confesión, y Música
 6:00PM-8:30PM

As Lent begins, please keep in mind the following:

- The theme of this year is walking together. As two communities we continue to work on our unity.
- We shall use Apostles Creed during Lent.
- We shall use the long formula of I Confess to Almighty God— Penitential act as we begin mass
- After communion the choir will sing a short meditation hymn
- We do not do baptisms during Lent and hence no Holy Water in church.
- No flowers during Lent for all Liturgical celebrations except funerals which should be cleared after the funeral
- Holy Thursday service will be at Our Lady of Grace. Good Friday service at Our Lady of Grace and Holy Saturday at St. Sylvester. All will be at 7pm.
- This year all statues will be covered starting Ash Wednesday until the end of Holy Week.
- We shall continue to do presentations of children only during mass by a priest.
- Stations of the Cross will be done Friday in Spanish at Our Lady of Grace and Tuesday at St. Sylvester in English both at 6pm.
- Night of Mercy will be March 15th at Our Lady of Grace at 6-8:30pm
- We have retiro de parejas in Spanish on April 1st at Our Lady of Grace from 8am and ends at 5:30pm with mass.
- We shall have Good Friday Retreat as we always do at St. Sylvester school building from 7am to 3pm

These are main features I wanted everyone to keep be aware. Blessings.



Jesus Bread of Life Parish
 General Offertory
<https://lpsay.co/isi.coG5llgw>

FOOD SALE

Our Lady of Grace Church has a Food Sale this Sunday, March 5th after all the Masses in the school cafeteria. Everyone is welcome. We need your support to make this event a success.

La Iglesia Nuestra Señora de Gracia tiene venta de Comida este Domingo, Marzo 5 después de todas las misas en la cafetería de la escuela. Todos son bienvenidos. Necesitamos su apoyo para hacer este evento un éxito.

Consider online giving—
Considere dar su contribución en línea

SHARE YOUR VOICE SUPPORT OUR PARISH

It's official! The Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey is a great way to reflect on your own spiritual growth while helping our parish plan for the future.

Please help by completing the short, 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible. Visit catholicleaders.org/chicagodmi or scan the code below.

There are also opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Mass. You can obtain a paper copy in the narthex or parish office.

The survey is available from **Ash Wednesday, February 22 to March 31** and will ask you to consider your spiritual growth and provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses are anonymous and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole.

We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.



Don't miss this opportunity to be heard.

Thank you for helping our parish.

Mass Intentions at Our Lady of Grace Church

Saturday, March 4

5:30p †

Sunday, March 5

8:00a †Valeri Jamba

10:00a Agustín Arzate en Acción de Gracia a Dios Padre, Julian Dix Salgado, Alejandro Rendon, Ana María Ciani

12:00p †Irma Colon Candelaria, †Nilsa Colon, Wilson Chaparo

Mass Intentions at St. Sylvester Church

Sunday, March 5

9:00a †Manuel Fernandez, †Carmen Rodriguez, †Andres Lagunas, †Christina Delgado, †Miguel Delgado

11:00a †Edward Velasco, and the Velasco and Vera Family, †Walter Justiniano,

1:00pm Luisa Fernanda Garcia, Maria Del Mar Hernandez,

In Your Prayers / En sus Oraciones

Luisa Fernanda García, Carmen Vázquez, Leonor Lincheta
 Albert Batch, Veneranda Serrano, Annie Reyes, Ana María Ciani
 María Del Mar Hernández, Anahí Rodríguez,
 Melissa Rendón, Annie Reyes, Jesus Arroyo,
 Isabel Diaz, Marlene Abdala, Maggie Torres Martinez,
 Edward Solava, Alejandro Rendon, Crucita Roman,
 Delia Roman, Julian Dix Salgado

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