

*From the Pastor's Desk***A PARABLE**

There is a story found in a book written by William Bausch entitled "A World of Stories". He tells of a child who was always late coming home from school. There was no good reason for his tardiness. No amount of discussion seemed to help.

Finally, in desperation, the boy's father sat him down and said "the next time you come home late from school you are going to be given bread and water for supper — and nothing else. Is that clear?" The boy looked straight into his father's eyes and nodded. He understood perfectly.

A few days later the boy came home later than usual. As the boy approached the table he saw his parents' plates heaped high with food. At his place, however, sat a plate that held a single slice of bread. Next to that was a lonely glass of water.

The father waited for the full impact to sink in. Then he quietly took the boy's plate and placed it in front of himself. He took his own full plate and put it in front of the boy.

Years later, the boy said: "All my life I've known what God is like by what my father did that night."

Like the child, we are told over and over again to obey God's commandments and still we sin by our disobedience. Because we sin, we deserve punishment — the piece of bread and the glass of water. But God our father forgives. In place of the punishment we deserve, he forgives; he takes away the bread and water and gives us a plate overflowing with the nourishment of forgiveness.

Fill your plate — come to the Reconciliation Service Monday, March 29th, 7:00 pm at St. John Church.

Father John

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*Worship and Spirituality***Monday, March 8, St. John of God, religious**

2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30

- 7:00 am †Clara Zalapukis (SJB)
 8:00 am †Deceased of Strisko Family (SH)
 7:00 pm Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community
 (SH—Spanish)

Tuesday, March 9, St. Frances of Rome, religious

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

- 7:00 am †Robert Canner (SJB)
 8:00 am †Angela Vargas & Chavarria Family (SH)
 8:30 am †Florence Hegedus (SJB)

Wednesday, March 10, Lenten Weekday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

- 7:00 am †Bob Onley (SJB)
 8:00 am †David Field (SH)
 8:30 am †Marie Chirby (SJB)

Thursday, March 11, Lenten Weekday

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

- 7:00 am †Dubec & Pardek Families (SJB)
 8:00 am †Geraldine Valko (SH)

Friday, March 12, Lenten Weekday

Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

- 7:00 am †Josephine Bubala (SJB)
 8:00 am †Obermiller, Odliak & Deland Families (SH)
 8:30 am †Michael Linko (SJB)

Saturday, March 13, Lenten Weekday

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

- 7:00 am †Andrew J. Mihalov, Jr. (SJB)
 4:30 pm Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community

Sunday March 14, Fourth Sunday of Lent

Josor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

- 8:00 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SJB)
 8:00 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SA)
 8:15 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (IC)
 8:30 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SH)
 10:15 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SA)
 10:45 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SH)
 11:00 am Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community (SJB)

Rest in Peace

Ann J. "Honey" Janik
Adrian Kall
Charles Bannister
(father of elect Phillip Bannister)

Stewardship

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Immaculate Conception.....	\$1,236.00
Sacred Heart	\$3,010.75
St. Adalbert.....	\$1,016.00
St. John the Baptist	
Weekly.....	\$9,918.04
High School.....	19.70
Grade School.....	139.70
Total for Week.....	\$10,077.44

Peace and Social Justice

- Let us use this time and practice of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to lead us away from our self-centeredness, and shift our focus instead on the Lord and His will for us.
- Please take the time to read the monthly flyer we have prepared for you this first Sunday, entitled, "Peace is...Cultivating our Faith." Let us renew our Lenten resolutions!
- We may wonder how we can do much to alleviate so much suffering, especially in light of another natural disaster. We can help by contributing to the HAITI collection, until March 21st. These are the items needed.

Toothpaste; toothbrushes (x4); iodine potable tablets (1 tablet); sanitary pads (x1pkg); toilet paper (4 rolls); band-aids; non-perishable foods (canned foods, peanut butter, crackers, granola bars); bottled water, 14-16 oz.; soap (4 bars); white rice; dish washing soap (1 bottle); vasoline; flashlight w/batteries; paper plates (50-100); box of assorted plastic utensils; hand towels (2); wash cloths (4); 1 flat sheet; a toy for comfort; baby formula; hand sanitizer.

Let us not forget the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. The people provided what little they had, and God took care of the rest! God bless you.

Stewardship—A Way of Life

When you think of Jesus, do you think of Him with a daily to-do-list? Would His list tell us that He cured three people, fed 5,000, and ended His day by straightening out the scribes and the Pharisees? Jesus cared about the people, spent time with them and understood their needs. It may not have been productive, but it was fruitful. Productivity can become a mind set of constantly moving forward. Being busy becomes a lifestyle. Fruitfulness on the other hand allows one to be fully present in the moment—it is deeply rooted in the soil of God's grace. It requires a fundamental trust in the Holy Spirit. Like the compost around the fig tree in today's Gospel the Holy Spirit is always working and if we allow it, the Holy Spirit will work in us. Set aside your lists and waste time with God-pray, take a nap, play with the kids. It may not be productive, but it will be fruitful.



OPERATION RICE BOWL

Today we hear the call of Moses to lead his people from oppression to freedom. God promises to be with them as they journey to a new life. Our participation in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl unites us in prayer, fasting, and giving with the millions of people throughout the world who are oppressed by poverty, injustice, war, disease, and lack of education and other opportunities. Learn more at www.crs.org.

Prayer Requests

Please remember in your prayers all the homebound, all those who are in hospitals, adult foster care homes, those who are ill and those with ongoing health issues. Please remember those we have been asked to pray for: Dave Adams, Mary Bayus, Lucille Braun, Doris Cinotto, Abigail Coates, Rebecca Coates, Marie Dado, Gloria Demeter, Norbert & Helen Duray, Lucille Federenko, Anthony Fercik, Margaret (Mitzi) Fischer, Ann Furiak, Ann Gulvas, Marianne Gurekovich, Marie (Mitzi) Holman, Len Hoyda, Eleanor Jakubielski, Gloria A. Kaminsky, Mary Kasprzak, Richard Kovach, Julia Kukta, Lottie Kurek, Catherine Marnan, Janet Moran, Albert & Mary Odlivak, Ana Palomo, Jim & Joan Peters, Mary Petro, Alexis Puplava, Irene Radloff, Marcia Ross, Ed Roszkowski, Linda Sadler, Dave Sikes, Misty Sims, Olga Stiga, Michael Tomko, Mary Trelinski, Jack Vasilak, John & Marge Vriik, Dorothy Yuhás, Marianne Zemen.

Please continue to pray for all the service men and women who are currently serving in the military, especially:



Sean Bowman, Robert Bughman, Jason Chavez, Michael Clark, Austin Chiluski, Sean Coleman, Larry Gazafy, Matthew Geffert, Gerardo Gonzalez, Thomas Gormley, James Grunhard Jr., Michael Hartman, Joseph Igras, Thomas M. Kaminsky, Keith Kennedy, Jeff Klobucar, Jeffery Koval, Mark Koval, Scott Krull, Walter Malenki, Benjamin Mann, Randall McAllister, Philip Mlynarski, Curtis Morus, Nicholas Okamura, Mark Opachan, Michael Ortiz, Thomas Puplava Jr., Robert Rodriguez, Eric Schaufele, Elliott Schultz, Leticia Soto, Adam Starzyk, Alex Supergan, Jason Sutton, Samuel Valdyke, Carl Young.

CONFIRMATION

We welcome Bishop Dale Melczek, who celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation with our sixty-four young men and women at the 4:30 pm Mass on March 6th at St. John. We congratulate our new Confirmandi and offer them our continued prayers and blessings. We thank all who supported the Confirmandi during their preparation, especially their parents, sponsors and the youth from PHYRE Ministry. We also offer sincere and heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Matthew Saliga and Mr. Thomas Puplava for preparing them through catechesis.

BAPTISM MINISTRY

The First Rite of Baptism was being celebrated at the 11:00 am Mass at St. John Church today. Please pray for the parents who are requesting Baptism for their children. The Second Rite of Baptism will be celebrated on March 21st with the Third Rite being celebrated on Easter Sunday, April 4th.

RCIA

Our RCIA Elect came before the community of St. John the Baptist today at the 8:00 am Mass for the First Scrutiny. Phillip Bannister, Domingo Cruz, Robin Reyes, Sherry Reyes and Vianey Luna will receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Liturgy on Holy Saturday.

The RCIA Scrutinies are presented as a means to uncover what may cause the Elect to be unable to say "Yes" to Christ's invitation to die to self in order to receive eternal life through the waters of Baptism. For the Scrutinies, the Gospels from Year A are used (The Woman at the Well, The Man Born Blind and the Raising of Lazarus). Please continue to pray for our Elect each day. The Elect learn to respond "Yes, I believe" from the Word of God and the faith example of the parish community.

Parish Life

ALL WOMEN OF THE CLUSTER PARISHES....

are invited to Father John's annual Question and Answer session on questions you may have about our Catholic faith, beliefs, rituals, history and the Whiting/Robertsdale Cluster at the Rosary Society's March 18th meeting. Come and pray at 1:00 pm in St. John's Church, then join us in the Mural Room for an informative afternoon. Questions should be submitted in writing by Monday, March 15th. Place them in an envelope addressed to Father John Q&A then drop them in the drop box located at the side door of the rectory. Hope to see you on Thursday, March 18th!

PLEASE RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

The *Northwest Indiana Catholic* subscription drive is now underway. Please submit your subscription payment in the envelope provided in your monthly packet of envelopes. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS!



At the Whiting Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner, Len Hoyda was recently honored with the Binhammer Award for his generous service to the Whiting/Robertsdale community through his efforts at the Whiting Food Pantry, his many years of service through the St. Vincent DePaul Society, and his untiring involvement with St. Adalbert Church and the entire Whiting/Robertsdale Catholic Community. We "Thank you, Len" for your humble service and your Christian witness. Congratulations and may God continue to bless all you do.

MUSICAL NOTES



The Catholic Community of Whiting/Robertsdale will celebrate the Triduum liturgies of Holy Thursday and The Easter Vigil at St. John Church. We will be using a bi-lingual Mass setting and hymns, which we will be practicing together with the combined choirs of our cluster during the next couple of weeks. The community at large is invited to come and rehearse this new music on Sunday, March 7th from 1-3:00 pm, Thursday, March 11th from 6:30-8:30 pm and Sunday, March 21st from 1-3:00 pm at St. John Church in the choir loft. Your are thanked in advance for your interest and participation. It is hoped that the entire Catholic Community will benefit from our efforts.

HAVE AN ARTICLE FOR THE SPANISH PAGE?

If you have an article for the bulletin that needs to be translated into Spanish, please deliver it to Nora Perez at Sacred Heart Rectory or email her at shhministry@yahoo.com.

ST. ADALBERT ANNOUNCEMENT

The new St. Adalbert parish Lay Ministry for April, May & June is being planned. If you are interested in becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Altar Server, please drop a note with your name and number in the collection basket or call Gina Cassoday at 659-8497 before March 14th. Current members requesting scheduling preference please contact Gina before March 14. A volunteer sign-up sheet for the Triduum and Easter Sunday is located in the sacristy and in the main vestibule for anyone wishing to participate. If you have questions, contact Gina Cassoday.



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
KORELLIS ROOFING
 219-844-5010

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Following is the schedule for Lenten Penance Services being held in our area. All services start at 7:00 pm.

Monday, March 8	Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Monday, March 22	St. Catherine of Siena
Tuesday, March 23	St. Casimir
Thursday, March 25	St. Joseph (Hammond)
Monday, March 29	St. John the Baptist
Monday, March 29	All Saints
Tuesday, March 30	St. Stanislaus (East Chicago)

GIRL SCOUT ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY

The Girl Scout Sunday Mass will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception Church on Sunday, March 21st at 8:15 am. Please contact Laura Powell at 219-473-9931 by Sunday, March 14th if you will be attending with your Girl Scout and you would like her to receive a patch.

FAMILY OF GOD AWARD

Please pray for 2nd graders Claire Powell, Abbey Haynes and Alexia Hernandez from Girl Scout Troop #10151 as they complete their journey this month to earn their first religious award, "Family of God", through the Diocese. They will receive their awards on Girl Scout Sunday at Immaculate Conception Church on March 21st.

PHYRE Ministry

TAPT RETREAT

High School teens are invited to attend TAPT, a Diocesan Catholic weekend retreat, held March 19-21 at Camp Lawrence, north of Valparaiso. Retreat activities include: talks, discussions, prayer, recreation, Reconciliation, and Eucharist. TAPT is designed to bring teens into a more intimate encounter with the Incarnate Jesus Christ. Cost: \$65. Deadline: March 15. For complete details, visit garytapt.com, facebook.com/garytapt, or contact Kevin Driscoll at the Diocese of Gary office for Youth & Young Adults at 219-769-9292 x229.

LENTEN TUESDAY SCRIPTURE SERIES



Back by popular demand, Fr. Jerry Schweitzer will present *St. Paul's Pastoral Letters* on Tuesday, March 9, and then he'll teach on the *Letter to the Hebrews* on March 16 and 23. If you can make all the Tuesdays great! But if you can only attend one or two, that's all right too. The point is to make time to consider these important writings of our faith. Everyone is welcome to the Sacred Heart Rose Room on Lenten Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm.

The Pastoral Letters are unique in the writings of Paul as they address two individuals who are bound with Paul in Faith; Timothy and Titus. They are given the authority and responsibility of directing and developing Christians in the area of Crete and Ephesus. Their theological and legal position gives us an insight into the make up of the Church today in governance and teaching the gospel message.

The Book of Hebrews is one of the most challenging books of the New Testament. Its high theological thought is combined with its argumentative propositions on the very nature and insight into who Jesus Christ is.

Why not make plans to attend? Bring your Bible and a friend or two, and count on an inspiring presentation. Questions? Call Margaret at 659-4138.

ABOUT THE CENSUS

In March 2010, more than 130 million addresses across the nation will receive a 2010 Census form. The U.S. Constitution requires a national census once every 10 years for the purpose of reapportioning the U.S. House of Representatives. Every person living in the United States must be counted. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, citizens and noncitizens. Additionally, census data directly affect how more than \$400 billion per year in federal funding is distributed to state, local and tribal governments. Please complete and mail back your form and encourage your family, friends and neighbors to do the same. For more information visit 2010census.gov.

RESPECT LIFE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join The Respect Life Ministry & The Shrine of Christ's Passion on a pilgrimage and experience the Passion of Christ while praying a "Pro-life" Stations of the Cross lead by Diocesan Pro-Life Director, Fr. Theodore Mens. This event will take place on Friday, March 26th at 7:00 pm at The Shrine of Christ's Passion in St. John, IN.

If weather is inclement, the Stations will be said in St. John the Evangelist Church, 10701 Olcott Avenue in St. John, IN.

ANDREAN ENTRANCE EXAM

Andrean High School is having a third Entrance Exam for incoming freshmen on Saturday, March 13th from 8:00 to 11:30 am. Please enter through entrance A in the front of the school, bring \$20.00 for the test fee and two #2 pencils. Any questions, please contact Dawn at 887-5281 x228 or dwojkovich@andreanhs.com

RIGHT TO LIFE ORATORY CONTEST

Lake County Right to Life is sponsoring its Annual Oratory Contest on Saturday, April 10 at 11:00 am at Hildebrandt Hall, 525 N. Lafayette St. (across from St. Mary's Church) in Griffith, IN.

For high school juniors and seniors, 5 to 7 minute speeches will be on abortion, infanticide, euthanasia or embryonic stem cell research. First prize is \$200 to the student and the coach. Second prize is \$100. First prize winner takes part in the State Contest in Indianapolis on May 1st.

A separate Oratory Contest for freshmen and sophomores, will also take place that day, on the same topics. One prize of \$100 will be awarded. For application and rules, call Lake County RTL office at 219-838-1138.

BISHOP NOLL

The Bishop Noll Parents Club is once again sponsoring their Lenten Fish Fry in the Noll cafeteria, 1519 Hoffman St. Dinner will be served every Friday of Lent from 4:30-7:30 pm. Ocean perch or catfish dinner is \$7 and shrimp \$8. All dinners include baked potato with sour cream and butter, salad bar, dessert table and coffee. For more information call 219-932-9058.

ST. STAN'S

St. Stanislaus School in East Chicago will be having Fish Fry's during all Fridays of Lent except Good Friday. They will be offering Fried or Baked Fish, Shrimp, Frog Legs, Pierogi, Children's dinner. Soup and salad bar available. Hours are 4-7:00 pm. For Questions call 398-1316.

ST. CASIMIR

St. Casimir School, 4329 Cameron St. in Hammond, is holding Fish Fries on the Fridays of Lent from 4-7:00 pm. In addition to Fish, they offer enchiladas, pierogi and pizza. Tip boards, 50/50 and raffles will also be held.

*Community Calendar***Sunday, March 7**

- Food Pantry (SJB)
- 8:00 am RCIA First Scrutiny (SJB)
- 9:30-10:30 am Middle School Faith Formation Classes (SH)
- 11:00 am 1st Rite of Baptism (SJB)
- 11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJB)
- 1:00 pm Stations of the Cross (SA)
- 1-3:00 pm Cluster Choir Rehearsal for Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday (SJB)
- 1:00 pm Stations of the Cross (SA)

Monday, March 8

- 10:30 am Bible Study (SH)
- 7:00 pm RCIA (SJB)
- 7:00 pm Bi-Lingual Mass (SH)
- 7:00 pm Lenten Penance Service (Our Lady of Perpetual Help)
- 7:15 pm Peace & Social Justice Meeting (SJB)

Tuesday, March 9

- 6:30-8:00 pm Faith Enrichment Lenten Series (SH)
- 7:00 pm Advisory Board (SJB)

Wednesday, March 10

- 6-7:30 pm Faith Formation Classes Levels 1-5 (SH)
- 6:30 pm St. John Liturgy Meeting (SJB)

Thursday, March 11

- 6:30 pm Bible Study (Spanish) (SH)
- 6:30 pm First Communion Parent Formation (SJB)
- 6:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (SJB)
- 6:30 pm Crime Watch Meeting (Calumet College)
- 7:30 pm Cluster Choir Rehearsal (SJB)

Friday, March 12

- 2:30 pm Stations of the Cross (IC)
- 6:00 pm Holy Hour—Spanish (SH)
- 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross—Spanish (SH)
- 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (SJB)

Saturday, March 13

- 4:30 pm RCIA 2nd Scrutiny (SJB)

Sunday, March 14

- Food Pantry (SJB)
- 9:30-10:30 am Middle School Faith Formation Classes (SH)
- 11:00 am 1st Communion Rite of Enrollment (SJB)
- 11:00 am NO Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJB)
- 12-2:30 pm PHYRE Ministry Teen Gathering (SJB)
- 12-3:00 pm St. John School Open House (SJB)
- 1:00 pm Stations of the Cross (SA)

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Any person who struggles with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion is invited to experience a new beginning. Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekend is a unique process designed specifically to help you experience God's unconditional love and forgiveness in a confidential and safe atmosphere. The Diocese of Gary will offer a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat April 16-18, 2010. Reservations are being accepted. Call (219) 558-0625 for information or visit their website at www.rachelsvineyard.org. All calls are confidential.

CRIME WATCH MEETING

The Whiting/Robertsdale Crime Watch meeting will be held on Thursday, March 11th, 6:30 pm at Calumet College of St. Joseph, Room 200. Let's work together as one community to keep our neighborhood safe! All are welcome.

ANUNCIOS DOMINICALES

¡Anuncios Para El Boletín!

Si usted desea clasificar un anuncio en el boletín (en español) pueden enviarlo vía e-mail a shhministry@yahoo.com. ó también puede llamar al teléfono 659-0140. Estos anuncios deben de entregarse los Lunes **NO más** tarde de las 12:00 del día.



Calendario de Cuaresma: Sabemos que durante la Cuaresma es tiempo de ayuno, confesión, oración y ofrecer sacrificios. Es por eso que lo invitamos a seguir un calendario durante la Cuaresma y que a la vez este sea un sacrificio para usted. El Calendario consiste en lo siguiente: Todos los lunes durante la Cuaresma se va a celebrar Misa a las 7:00 p.m. (en español), los Jueves lo invitamos a un estudio bíblico con las lecturas y el evangelio de los Domingos, y los Viernes de 6:00 a 7:00 pm. tendremos una hora santa con la exposición del Santísimo y continuamos con el Vía Crucis.

Mamás como Mentores: El sábado 27 de Marzo, el Instituto de Bishop Noll tendrá las siguientes actividades: 10 a 11 a.m. Taller de Autoestima y de 11 a 2 p.m. Venta de Vestidos de Gala Pre-usados. Todos los fondos recaudados serán para las jovencitas de BNI que necesiten ayuda para asistir a su baile de gala escolar. Trae todos los vestidos de fiesta pre usados (Casi Nuevos y limpios) zapatillas elegantes de todas las tallas, accesorios, o donaciones monetarias a Debbie Bolaños 711 West Chicago Ave. East Chicago, IN. Pueden comunicarse con la Sra. Debbie a 219-805-4626 y Adeline Torres 219-397-2125.

Paz y Justicia Social

Usemos este tiempo de hacer oración, ayuno, y ayudar a los necesitados. No pensemos solamente en nosotros mismos. Cambiemos nuestro rumbo y hagamos la voluntad de Nuestro Padre. Por favor tómese un tiempito y lea el boletín mensual que preparamos para usted en este primer Domingo, titulado, "La Paz esta Cultivando nuestra Fe." Renovemos nuestras resoluciones en esta Cuaresma! Quizás nos preguntemos que podemos hacer para aliviar un poquito tanto sufrimiento, especialmente en la víspera de otro desastre natural. Podemos ayudar contribuyendo con las donaciones para **HAITI**, hasta el 21 de Marzo. (puede leer el boletín del domingo pasado para ver qué tipo de donaciones se necesitan) *No olvidemos el milagro de la multiplicación del pan y el pescado. Ellos ofrecieron lo poco que tenían y Nuestro Padre Dios se encargo del resto! Que Dios los bendiga.*

Las Iglesias Católicas de la Comunidad de Whiting celebraran las liturgias del Triduo el Jueves Santo y Sábado de Gloria en la Iglesia de San Juan Bautista. La Misa será celebrada bilingüe y los coros de nuestra comunidad participaran juntos en estas celebraciones. Los invitamos a que asistan a las prácticas de los coros el Domingo 7 de Marzo de 1 a 3 pm., Jueves 11 de Marzo de 6:30 a 8:30 pm., y Domingo 21 de Marzo de 1a 3 pm. Esperamos que al asistir a estas prácticas sea un gran beneficio para cada uno de nosotros.

Oración por los Enfermos

Si usted tiene algún familiar enfermo ó conoce alguna persona que se encuentra enferma, (o) usted puede llamar a la Oficina del Ministerio Hispano al teléfono 219-659-0140 y facilitar el nombre de la persona para que sea agregado a la lista de oraciones en el boletín. También puede hablar con Nora Pérez los Domingos después de la Misa de 8:30 a.m.

Confirmaciones

Damos la bienvenida al Obispo Dale Melczek, quien celebró el sacramento de confirmación con sesenta y cinco jovencitos (as) en la Misa de 4:30 p.m. el 6 de Marzo en la Iglesia de San Juan Bautista. Felicitamos a todos los candidatos (as) y continuaran estando en nuestras oraciones. Agradecemos a todas las personas que ayudaron a los candidatos durante su preparación, especialmente a sus papas, padrinos, y el grupo de jóvenes Phyre Ministry. También ofrecemos nuestra más sincera gratitud al Sr. Matthew Saliga y al Sr. Thomas Pupilava por preparar a estos jóvenes.

RICA

Nuestros siguientes electos del grupo de RICA serán presentados ante la comunidad de San Juan Bautista en la Misa de 8:00 a.m. para su primer escrutinio. Phillip Bannister, Domingo Cruz, Robin Reyes, Sherry Reyes and Vianey Luna recibirán los Sacramentos de Iniciación en la Vigilia del Sábado de Gloria. Los electos de RICA son presentados para preguntarles que es la cause que les impide decir "Si" para recibir la vida eterna atreves del Bautismo. Para estos candidatos se leerán los Evangelios del Año A (la samaritana, el hombre ciego y la resurrección de Lázaro). Por favor sigan ofreciendo sus oraciones cada día para estos Candidatos para que su respuesta sea "Si, creo" en la Palabra de Dios y en el ejemplo de la comunidad Católica.

Servicio Especial de Oración

Se le invita a un servicio especial de oración el Viernes Santo 2 de Abril que será celebrado en la Iglesia de San Juan Bautista a las 12:00 p.m. Todas las parroquias de la Comunidad de Whiting-Robertsdale estarán unidas en este servicio de oración. Todos están cordialmente invitados a asistir. Donaciones monetarias serán aceptadas para ayudar al gabinete de comida de Whiting. A la 1:30 p.m. la comunidad Católica celebrara la solemnidad del Viernes Santo.

Como pertenecer a la Iglesia del Sagrado Corazón

Si usted no está registrado en nuestra Parroquia y le gustaría ser miembro del la Iglesia del Sagrado Corazón, puede llamar al TEL. 219-659-0140. Si usted está registrado pero **NO** está recibiendo los sobres, por favor comunicarse con Nora Pérez al teléfono ya mencionado.