

**3st Sunday of Advent
3ro Domingo de Adviento
December/Diciembre 15, 2019**

Mass Intentions Intenciones de la Misa

Saturday/Sabado 12/14 9:00am Derral Smith+
5:30pm Souls in Purgatory

Sunday/Domingo 12/15 7:00am Souls in Purgatory
9:00am Nikki Paola Undag
10:30am Pro-Popolo
1:00pm Daniel Vega+
7:00pm

Monday/Lunes 12/16 9:00am Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday/Martes 12/17 9:00am Souls in Purgatory
8:00pm Juan Victor Jimenez

Wed/Miércoles 12/18 9:00am Holy Souls

Thursday/Jueves 12/19 9:00am Souls in Purgatory

Friday/Viernes 12/20 9:00am Gloria Cavan+

Saturday/Sabado 12/21 9:00am Holy Souls
5:30pm For healing and support of
victims of clergy abuse

Prayer Requests/Solicitud de Oraciones

Isabel & Martin Lopez, Harry Sanders, Mark Bruce, Clay Van Artsdalen, Pat Hayes, Susan Motley, Maureen Holden, Toni Seeley, Gary LaFountain, Natalie LaFountain, Carson Pfoesich, Anne Calvillo, John Ridge, Chris Shimada, Julio Andrés Aquino, Don LaBash, Angela Marie Solís, Karen D'Ambrogi, Bill Gray, Ernesto Manuyag, JosephFox, Mario Vera, Roslyn Brown, Paul Finn, Eric Jensen, Jaime Paniagua, Jacob Dyer, Al & Cleo Konnoff, Joan Gatley, Amie Lands, The Hermogenes Fam., Sylvia Jaynes, Marcia Fasarella, Quy Ta, Jim Colter, Giang Dao, Phiyen Ta, TiangDao, Diane Tomczak, Jim Mavrogenis, Michael Dolce, Elena Herrera, Elena Velsaco, Bill & Lynn Gleeson.

A Baby Shower for Mary

It's that time again... for the youth group to put on our annual "baby shower for Mary". If you are interested in donating baby attire, diapers, blankets, strollers.... Whatever... to Life Pregnancy Services for those "mom's to be" who need extra help... you may leave it in the office for Gayle by December 17th and it will be included in the Christmas delivery from the youth.

Posadas de Diciembre 16 al 23, 2019

de las 7:00pm todos son bienvenidos, serviran chocolate y aginaldos para los niños. Sabado 22 y Domingo 23 empiezan a las 6:00pm

Posadas from December 16 to 23, 2019

from 7:00 pm all are welcome, they will serve hot chocolate and candy bags for the children. Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 posadas will start at 6:00 pm

Please congratulate

Fr. Jose Gonzalez

for his

50th Anniversary

Finances

Last weekend/fin de la semana pasada	\$ 9,914.00
Last year/El año pasado	\$ 8,791.00
12/08 2nd collection/Retirement for Religious 12/08 2nda coleccion/Jubilación para Religiosos	\$3,738.00
12/15 2nd collection/Maintenance 12/15 2nda coleccion/Mantenimiento	
12/22 2nd collection/Religious Education and Youth Ministry 12/22 2nda coleccion/Educacion Relijiosa y Ministerio Juvenil	
Thank you for your support and may God bless you abundantly! Gracias por tu apoyo y que Dios le bendiga ¡abundantemente!	

St. Vincent de Paul Society

5th Sunday Collection – December 29, 2019

Your ever so generous donations made in 2019 have made a REAL difference in the lives of many!

Your donations have allowed us to provide much needed food assistance to hundreds of our brothers and sisters in Christ, as well as respond to miscellaneous calls for assistance. The long line snaking around the old CCD building, each 2nd and 4th Thursday, includes a melting pot of American citizens and immigrants; young, old, disabled, working poor, and homeless folks, consisting of many nationalities. As we announce the final 5th Sunday collection for 2019, we ask God to bless you for all your good works, donations and prayers! :)

Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul

Colección del 5to Domingo - 29 de Diciembre de 2019

¡Sus generosas donaciones hechas en 2019 han marcado una diferencia REAL en la vida de muchos!

Sus donaciones nos han permitido brindar asistencia alimentaria muy necesaria a cientos de nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Cristo, así como responder a varias llamadas de asistencia. La larga fila que serpentea alrededor del antiguo edificio del CCD, cada segundo y cuarto Jueves, incluye un crisol de ciudadanos e inmigrantes estadounidenses; jóvenes, ancianos, discapacitados, trabajadores pobres y personas sin hogar, que consisten en muchas nacionalidades. ¡Al anunciar la colección final del 5to Domingo para 2019, le pedimos a Dios que lo bendiga por todas sus buenas obras, donaciones y oraciones! :)

NCYC 2019

We left, we returned.... What did we learn? We hope you were able to see some of the live streaming of the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis November 21-23. If you see Grace Mosier, Christian Alcaraz, Diego Guzman Barajas, or Lyric Salmeri ask them about their experiences on this trip. We thank you for all of your financial and spiritual support.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) provides a person who **is not baptized with a supportive individual journey of faith**. We also welcome those who have not yet received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation. This may be the time for you to make your first step... for more information please call Marge at 544-7272 ext. 202, or send her an e-mail to: margebailly@att.net

Mass Schedule For Christmas And New Year's Day

Horario De Misas para Navidad y Año Nuevo

Christmas Eve/Nochebuena

Tuesday/Martes	Dec./Dic. 24, 2019	4:00pm	English
		7:00pm	Español
		9:00pm	Englissh

Christmas Day/Navidad

Wednesday/Miercoles	Dec./Dic. 25, 2019	9:00am	English
		1:00pm	Español

New Year's Day/Nuevo Año

Wed/Miercoles	January/Enero 01, 2020	9:00am	English
		7:00pm	Español

Big wrap

Please come in and help with our Big Wrap on Dec. 17, 2019 at 9:30am. In the Youth room. If interested in donating: your time, blankets, socks, and toiletries are all welcome. Lunch will be served. God bless you!

Gran Envoltura

Entra y ayuda con nuestro Big Wrap a las 9:30am el dia 17 de Diciembre. Si está interesado en donar: su tiempo, mantas, calcetines y artículos de tocador son bienvenidos. Habra almuerzo. ¡Dios te bendiga!

2nd Collection 12/22

Next Sunday you will see envelopes for a second collection for Religious Education and Youth Ministry. This is divided 4 ways. The English Religious Education, the English Youth Ministry, the Spanish Religious Education, and the Spanish Youth Ministry departments all benefit from your generosity. Your money is put to great use in all of these ministries as they assess their needs in scholarships, retreats, and much more.

2da Colección 12/22

El próximo Domingo habrá sobres para una segunda colección de Educación Religiosa y Ministerio de Jóvenes. Esto se divide de 4 maneras. Los departamentos de Educación Religiosa de Ingles, Ministerio Juvenil Inglés, Educación Religiosa Español y Ministerio Juvenil Español se benefician de su generosidad. Su dinero se utiliza en todos estos ministerios, ya que evalúan sus necesidades en becas, retiros y mucho más.

Calais, August, 1802

By: Geoff Wood

Sometime around the commencement of the year 1802 it was possible for English men and women to return to France – to vacation, do sight seeing, *in other words get out of England!* And the seaside city of Calais was a favorite vacation spot. And so the poet William Wordsworth happened to be in Calais at that time.

It seems the return of such visitors was occasioned by the worst of the French Revolution having ended, i.e. the Reign of Terror and a war between France and Britain. The settling down of events in France was attributable to the rise of Napoleon Bonaparte, who on August 15th, his birthday, was made in effect dictator for life (he would crown himself Emperor two years later). Dictator yes – as the quick fix to political disorder.

Wordsworth, being an Englishman and committed to the momentum of a more democratic form of order, was uneasy about Napoleon's dictatorship – and at the acclamation it received. He was upset at the way all levels of society rejoiced over the event (which would eventually lead France into wars of conquest and ultimately its Waterloo as the pariah of all Europe).

And so whom did Wordsworth quote to express his concern? None other than the Jesus of today's Gospel! The poem is simply called *Calais, August, 1802*

It begins: *Is it a Reed that's shaken by the wind, / Or what is it that ye go forth to see?* It then describes those who acclaim the event: *Lords, Lawyers, Statesmen, Squires of low degree, / Men known, and men unknown, Sick, Lame, and Blind, / Post forward all, like Creatures of one kind, / With first-fruit offerings crowd to bend the knee / In France, before the new-born Majesty.*

So universal is the hope that this one fellow – good at war and a military kind of order – will *save us all*. You can understand this, after everything France had gone through during its revolution. Peace at any price, prosperity enforced.

Wordsworth is not convinced. *'Tis ever thus. Ye Men of prostrate mind! / A seemly reverence may be paid to power; / But that's a loyal virtue, never sown / In haste, nor springing with a transient shower: / When truth, when sense, when liberty were flown / What hardship had it been to wait an hour? Shame on you, feeble Heads, to* *slavery* *prone!*

Even so, Jesus says today; *What did you go out in the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind?* [In modern parlance we might say: a wimp?] No, says Jesus – you went out to see a man of faith, hope, principle . . . a prophet who can predict the future because he can see through the present – and tell it like it is – not in simply political terms [that may even leave you more confused] but – yes – in theological language, which seems to be little respected or even understood in the public discourse of nations nowadays.

If I were living at the time of William Wordsworth and were asked who among my contemporaries refused to be a “reed shaken by the wind” – I would nominate: *William Wordsworth, for writing this poem.*