

THE CHOSEN REMNANT

Zephaniah is one of the least-known of the Old Testament prophets. He speaks in today's first reading of impending judgment. But the Lord will leave a "remnant" in Israel. This image of a remnant, or remainder, was to become vital to both Judaism and Christianity.

Paul's letter to Corinth makes obvious his deep concern for the Christians there. They are too self-confident, he says, too sure of themselves. He admonishes them to remember that Christ has given them all they have.

Today's Gospel comprises the opening of Jesus' "Great Sermon." As God gave Moses the law on Sinai, so now Jesus gathers his disciples on a hillside to teach them the new law. Each of these Beatitudes contrasts the humiliation of the present with the glory of the future: poverty vs. the riches of God's kingdom, hunger for holiness vs. fulfillment in the Spirit, persecution vs. the reign of God. Jesus is here speaking to God's chosen "remnant." © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

A.D. A. ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2008

By following Christ faithfully in our lives, we "Secure the Vision." We have each been blessed with many gifts and are called to reach out in faith to share those blessings with one another. Please be as generous as you can in contributing to the 2008 A.D.A. To date 32 families have made pledges and gifts of \$ 6,455.00 we are \$38,315.00 short of reaching our goal of \$44,770.00. In order to reach our goal, we need everyone's participation. Please make your pledge today.

LENTEN WORKSHOPS

During the season of Lent, our Religious Staff will be conducting Lenten Workshops beginning Tuesday, February 12th in the C.C.D. building at 7:00PM. The classes will be held on the following evening dates:

- February 12 - English
February 19 - Spanish
February 26 - English
March 4 - Spanish
March 11 - English



ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

Any baptized Catholic who is dangerously ill due to sickness, injury, or old age may receive the Anointing of the Sick, even though there is no apparent danger of death. The sacrament should be received when the sick person is best able to profit from it, and not be delayed until the person is at the point of death. The elderly who are in a weakened condition are encouraged by the Church to receive Anointing, even though no dangerous illness is present. On Saturday, March 8th, during the 5:00 P.M. evening Mass we will have the anointing of the sick. For those who fulfill the requirements.

PRAY FOR THE SICK + OREN POR LOS ENFERMOS

Alberto & Socorro del Alto, Natalina Andreini, Alice and Becky Avelar, Marlene Aza, Carmen Bondi, Ann Fitzgerald, Alice Garcia, David Garcia, John Germaine, Mark Holmes, Yvonne Kuzinich, Lilian Macri, Gregorio Mariano, Josephine Martino, Joseph, Gerome, Jeffrey, Violeta, Magsuci, Frank Pacheco, Joseph Piazza, Blas Ramos, Louise Cava Rodolfa, Benedetto Rossallo, Clifford Sciba, Frank & Pearl Sunseri, Alice G. Torres, Pordina Toschi, Edith William, Aatha Youn

If you wish to add your name in our sick list, please call the rectory office. Thank you.

Liturgia Della Settimana * Lecturas De La Semana READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday/Lunes: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday/Martes: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday/Miércoles: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday/Jueves: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
Friday/Viernes: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday/Sábado: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday/Domingo: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51; Rom 5:12-19

COMMENTO ALLE LETTURE

Felicità, magica parola che risveglia in noi un'eco profonda, ma anche parola umana carica di equivoci e di ambiguità, usata troppo spesso per cose che non la meritano. Non dobbiamo dimenticare, che nell'uomo c'è qualcosa che lo supera, quel richiamo alla trascendenza, un'inquietudine che sempre rinasce, uno slancio mai appagato del pensiero e del cuore: la beatitudine è qualcosa a cui l'uomo può aspirare. Le beatitudini sono un programma che si affida alla dinamica sovversiva della Parola di Dio, che propone nello stesso tempo una promessa e un compito da svolgere.

FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting (18 to 59 years old) and of Abstinence of meat (14 and over). All Friday's of Lent are days of Abstinence.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the season of Lent we invite all our parishioners to join us every Friday at 7:00 P.M. for our traditional Tri-Lingual Stations of the Cross.

By praying and mediating on the Stations of the Cross it is one way of drawing us closer to Christ by making us realize that we too have to suffer like Jesus.

ATTENTION STATION OF THE CROSS PARTICIPANTS:

On Thursday, February 7th, we will have an important meeting in Scalabrini Hall for all who participated in the Living Stations of the Cross last year.



VALENTINE LUNCHEON

The Ladies Guild of our parish will be hosting their annual Valentine Luncheon on Wednesday, February 13th at 11:30 A.M. in Scalabrini Hall. Donation is \$12.00. For tickets please call the rectory or contact any Ladies Guild members.

ATT: PRESENT AND FUTURE ALTAR SERVERS!

Fr. Leonardo will be having two meetings for all our present altar servers and those who want to be one. On Saturday, February 16 and 23rd from 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM in the church. Participation is mandatory at least in one of the meetings during which we will go over some polices about being altar servers.

EARLY C.C.D. REGISTRATIONS

During the month of March, we will be registering new students and returning students in our Religious Education Program. Whoever takes this early registration opportunity and pays their tuition in full will save \$10.00 off their regular tuition.

The tuition for families who are registered in the parish and using their Sunday Envelopes will be \$50.00 for one child and \$60.00 for two or more children. Tuition for non registered parishioners will be \$80.00 for one child and \$100.00 for two or more students.

All new students are required to bring a copy of their Baptism Certificate at registration. As a reminder to parents whose children will be receiving their First Communion this year, remember that your child's faith formation does not end after First Communion or return when it is time for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

INCOME TAX

Dear Parishioners, The parish has already mailed the Annual Income Tax Donation Record for the year 2007 this week. If you did not receive your Income Tax Donation Record please call the rectory. La Parroquia les ha enviado en relación de sus donaciones de la Iglesia que pueden ser incluidas en sus declaraciones de Income Tax. Si no la recibistes por favor llamar la rectoría.

IMPUESTO

Your donation counts!!!



Tú donación cuenta!!!

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Sunday, February 3 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM †Iola Fredianelli, †Ernesto & †Adela Fredianelli and †Ugo & †Amelia Pasquinelli

8:30 AM Altar Society of Holy Cross *Living & †Deceased Members †Joe Kuzinich by Carmen Bondi †Marge Sasser by Josephine Francesconi

10:00 AM †Sergio Acosta †Benita Alfaro †Sam Palizzi *Griselda Sanchez, Cumpleaños y Bien Estar *Familia Sanchez en Acción de Gracias

11:30 AM †Alfonso L. Olegario by Mabel Mannina

1:00 PM †Dionisio & †Maria Moro, †Andrew & †Mary and †Joseph Pizziol

6:00 PM People of the Parish Monday, February 4

7:30 AM †Joseph & †Mary Terrano, †William Oliver and †Elizabeth Carroll

Tuesday, February 5 St. Agatha 7:30 AM †Della Maggiore Family and †Ugo & †Amelia Pasquinelli

Wednesday, February 6 Ash Wed.; Fast and Abstinence

7:30 AM *Lisa Marie Gonzales, Birthday by Raquel & Ben Acosta 12:00PM Para Liturgy with distribution of Ashes

3:00PM Para Liturgy with distribution of Ashes Para- liturgia y distribución de Cenizas

5:00PM Para Liturgy with distribution of Ashes Para- liturgia y distribución de Cenizas

6:00 PM People of the Parish 7:30PM Para Liturgy with distribution of Ashes Para- liturgia y distribución de Cenizas



Thursday, February 7 Chinese New Year

7:30 AM †Dolores Spada by Macialek Family Abstinence

Friday, February 8 7:30 AM *Christina Huh †Consuelo Melendez

6:30 PM All Souls Saturday, February 9 7:30 AM *Eva Deen

Sunday, February 10 First Sunday of Lent 5:00 PM †Audrey O. Cancilla

8:30 AM †Joe Kuzinich †Lena Lirati †Orazio D'Agostino by Wife

10:00 AM †Monica & †Ricardo Medrano Gomez 11:30 AM People of the Parish

1:00 PM †Antonio Fasano †Giuseppe Andreini †Betty Della Maggiora

6:00 PM All Souls

Lectors/Lectores/Lettori and Communion Ministers Sunday/Domingo/Domenica, February 10, 2008

5:00 PM (C) Rocio Ruano (1L) Katherine McCarthy (2L) Paul Arpin (M) Adolphi DeMattei

8:30 AM (C) Josie (1L) Carl (2L) Pauline (M) Maria 10:00 AM (C) Ana Frias (1L) Maria Carlos

(2L) Ezequiel Casas (M) Juan Manuel Flores (M) Gloria Flores

11:30 AM (C) Sonia (1L) Gloria (2L) Char (M) Laddy 1:00 PM (C) Maria Della Pema (1L) Maria Caruso

(2L) Marcello Caporicci (M) Francesco D'Anna 6:00 PM (C) Celia Cervantez (1L) Socorro Luna

(2L) Vicky Martinez (M) Marilu Miranda

EL RESTO ELEGIDO

Sofonías es uno de los profetas menos conocidos del Antiguo Testamento. Hoy habla en la primera lectura sobre el juicio inminente. Pero el Señor dejará un "resto" en Israel. Esta imagen de un resto, de lo que quedará, será vital para

judíos y cristianos.

La Carta de Pablo a los corintios evidencia su profunda preocupación por los cristianos de allí. Están muy confiados, dice, muy seguros de sí mismos. Los insta a recordar que Cristo les ha dado todo lo que tienen.

El Evangelio de hoy incluye el comienzo del "Gran Sermón" de Jesús. Así como Dios le dio a Moisés la Ley en el Sinaí, ahora Jesús reúne a sus discípulos en un monte para enseñarles la nueva Ley. Cada una de estas Bienaventuranzas contrasta la humillación del presente con la gloria del futuro. La pobreza frente a las riquezas del Reino de Dios, el hambre de Dios frente a la satisfacción en el Espíritu, la persecución frente al Reino de Dios. Jesús aquí está hablando al "resto" elegido de Dios.

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AYUNO Y ABSTINENCIA

El Miércoles de Ceniza es día de Ayuno (18 a 59 años) y de Abstinencia de carne. (14 y mayores). Todos los Viernes de la Cuaresma son días de Abstinencia de carne.

EL VIACRUCIS

Es un peregrinaje, en el cual conmemoramos las escenas mas importantes de la Pasión de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo en Jerusalem. Invitamos a los parroquianos todos los Viernes durante las Cuaresma a las 7:00 P.M. para rezar juntos y acercarnos a Cristo para prepararnos a vivir la Pascua.

TALLERES CUARESMALES

Durante la cuaresma, habrá talleres cuaresmales en Inglés y Español que comienzan el Martes, 12 de Febrero en el edificio de C.C.D. a las 7:00PM. Las clases serán llevadas a cabo el la noche: Febrero 12 - Inglés, Febrero 19 - Español Febrero 26 - Inglés, March 4 - Español y March 11 -Inglés.

NOTICIAS DE CATECISMO

Durante el mes de marzo estaremos inscribiendo nuevos estudiantes y estudiantes que seguirán el programa de Catecismo. A los que se inscriban en marzo se les dará un descuento. El descuento sera de \$10.00 de su pago normal.

ATENCIÓN: MONAGUILLOS PRESENTES Y NUEVOS REUNIÓN MUY IMPORTANTE!

El P. Leonardo tendrá dos reuniones para todos los monaguillos (as) y los que desean ser monaguillos (as). El Sábado, 16 y 23 de Febrero de 9:30 - 10:30 AM en la Iglesia. La participación es obligatoria por lo menos a una de las reuniones, durante las cuales se les dará las reglas para ser monaguillos (as).



LADIES GUILD

Tendrán su almuerzo de San Valentín el Miércoles, 13 de Febrero a las 11:30 A.M. en el salón Scalabrini. Donación: \$12.00. Para boletos llame a la rectoría al (408) 294-2440.

APELACIÓN DIOCESANA

Si nosotros vemos en nuestras vidas, el Señor nos bendice de muchas maneras, démosle un poco de lo que El nos da por medio de "Asegurando La Visión". Esta puede ser una forma de decirle gracias a Dios por todas sus bendiciones. Si usted no ha hecho su compromiso para ayudar a la diócesis, por favor hágalo hoy mismo. Puede encontrar los sobres en la mesita en la entrada de la Iglesia. Debe haber recibido ya su información del ADA. Hasta la fecha 32 familias han hecho su compromiso, hemos colectado \$6,455.00. Nos falta \$38,315.00 para alcanzar nuestra meta de \$44,770.00. Considerar por favor tu regalo a la APELACION DIOCESANA ANUAL. Por favor considere generosamente se puede y traer su compromiso contigo el próximo fin de semana.

SECOND COLLECTION

Next week at all the Masses, we will have a second collection for the Aid to Churches in Eastern and Central Europe. In your Sunday Contribution Envelopes you'll find the envelope for this collection.

La próxima semana en todas las misas tendremos una segunda colecta para Ayudar a las Iglesias del Este y Central Europa.