

SAINT ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY 21, 2021

1st Sunday of Lent

21 DE FEBRERO DEL 2021

1º Domingo de Cuaresma

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Thank you for joining us today!
Bienvenidos.
¡Gracias por acompañarnos!



**Jesus was tempted
by Satan and the
angels ministered to
Him.**

**Jesús fue tentado
por satanás y los
ángeles le servían.**

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FORMED



FORMED.org invites everyone to join them for a *Lent to Remember* specials. One can tune in to their programs called *Symbolon and Forgiven*, where one can explore the ways God reaches out to each of us with mercy. It will take us to Christ's suffering on the cross in the Paschal Mystery and his perpetual reception of His people in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A *Lent to Remember* communicates God's invitation to come and experience God's indescribable love this Lenten season.

Also, Formed welcomes everyone to God's love by watching short, daily videos from Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray. These will serve as awakening reflections during Lent. The Office of Religious Education urges everyone in the parish to see what Formed offers. Please follow the following steps to sign up: 1) Google Formed.org <https://signup.formed.org/> 2) Click on "I belong to the Parish Organization" and type 1311 Robinson Dr. Haines City 33845 3) Type your name 4) Type your e-mail address. At this point, the program will appear on your screen, and you can start navigating the page. The next time you open the page, go to Formed.org; just sign in with your e-mail address, and that's it. Enjoy!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 20, 2021

4:00 PM Intentions of Judy Kuglich
7:00 PM + Salvatore Cendegas

Sunday, February 21, 2021

7:30 AM Pro Populo
10:00 AM Intentions for Bishop Noonan's 70th Birthday
12:00 PM + Josefina Martinez
7:00 PM + David Mejia

Monday, February 22, 2021

9:00 AM + Santos Ortiz Flores

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

9:00 AM + Beatriz Peña

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

9:00 AM + Memorial Mass Association

Thursday, February 25, 2021

9:00 AM + Doug Traverson

Friday, February 26, 2021

9:00 AM + Solomon Vazquez Flores
7:00 PM (Sp.) Por las almas del purgatorio

Saturday, February 27, 2021

4:00 PM + Ann Schaefer
7:00 PM + Andres Gonzalez

Sunday, February 28, 2021

7:30 AM
10:00 AM + Douglas Traverson
12:00 PM + Nereida Marrero
7:00 PM Por las miembros de la Iglesia

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Please consider making a donation. Thanking you in advance.

February 13 & 14, 2021

Mail In: \$2,298
Offertory: \$8,401
FAITH DIRECT: \$3,819.50
50/50: M/M Joseph Porciello — \$118.50

OCA Update: Goal: \$123,749.00

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH



Remember, O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who implored your help and sought your intercession was left unassisted.

Full of confidence in your power, I fly unto you and beg your protection.

Despise not O Guardian of the Redeemer my humble supplication, but in your bounty, hear and answer me.

*Heart of Jesus, I adore Thee!
Heart of Mary, I implore Thee!
Heart of Joseph, pure and just!
In these three hearts, I place my trust! Amen.*



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St. Ann Catholic Church Haines City



We have resumed our normal Mass schedule.



Monday-Friday	9:00 AM - Eng.
Friday	7:00 PM - Sp.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday	4:00 PM - Eng.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday	7:00 PM - Sp.
Sunday 7:30 AM - Eng.	10:00 AM - Eng.
12:00 PM - Sp.	7:00 PM - Sp.

We will continue to broadcast Sunday Mass on Social Media.

Parishioners are invited to come celebrate with us. It is mandatory that you wear a mask and practice social distancing. Confessions are available by appointment only.

Please call the Parish Office at:
(863) 422-4370

Thank you.

TAX DONATION STATEMENTS

Thank you to all of our parishioners who were able to help during the 2020 tax year. During this trying time, your generous monetary donations were able to keep St. Ann Catholic Church open and running smoothly. Again, thank you for all your gifts.

Tax Donation Statements are now available in the Church Office.

TIME OF CHANGES



The season of Lent, which we began with the imposition of ashes, marks on our calendars another important way for our life of faith. The words that we heard last Wednesday: "Repent, and believe in the Gospel," make a profound introduction telling us what the intention and purpose of this special time of grace is. We will hear concepts and exhortations that we have probably heard in the past: to pray, to fast, and to give alms. These practices have helped us for years living in our present time, taking a break from our everyday lives and routines. All of them are good, and I invite you to continue practicing them. But I wish to make another invitation to go forward and do a powerful meditation on the full meaning of "Repent and believe in the Gospel."

To repent is to die to ourselves and to rise to a new life with Christ. All of us have made mistakes, have vices, or have sinned in our lives for years, and we do not want or feel that we can change because we are trapped in our own darkness or have a defect that we are trying to hide. I want to live this Lent differently; I want to present my life with all that I am to the Lord, asking Him for the strength that I need to start a new life in Him. Our goal in this Lenten season is to enter communion with Jesus, renewing our life at the service of the Lord. In the desert, Jesus is the perfect model for Lent, giving us the example of dying to ourselves so that the Father's plan may be accomplished.

To believe in the Gospel is to take the word of Jesus and make it part of our life. "For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, joints and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God" (Hebrews 4:12-14). His word becomes for us light for our path, constant inspiration in moments of doubt or difficulty. The word of God touches all our being and comes to us but never returns to him void. Let us begin this beautiful journey of turning our lives to God by having a strong desire and powerful resolution to invite Jesus to our lives, to make him a good companion in our road of Lent. Because the only way to die in Christ is to ask him for a new life and to find an answer inside of us: What must I change to resurrect with him on Easter?

Fr. Alfonso Cely
Pastor

CONSECRATION OF ST. JOSEPH

Celebrating 150 years of the declaration of St. Joseph, a patron of the Catholic Church, by Pope Pius IX, Pope Francis has dedicated this year of 2021 to St. Joseph.

We invite you to start a consecration to St. Joseph starting February 15 through March 19. To be part of this journey, you will need to purchase the exercise book "The Consecration of St. Joseph: The Wonders of our Spiritual Father" which can be ordered from our website: www.stannhc.com. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Richard & Muriel Pelletier via E-mail at rpelletier10@gmail.com **St. Joseph, pray for us!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

SAINT OF THE WEEK: ST. AGNES

**KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS**
**FISH
FRY**
TAKE-OUT ONLY



No Inside
Dining
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Every Friday Feb 19 to Mar 26

Serving Time: 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

*Fried Fish, French Fries, Cole Slaw,
Hushpuppies, and Dessert*

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St Ann Catholic Church Social Hall
1311 Robinson Dr, Haines City, FL 33845



Agnes is one of the most revered of the Church's early virgin martyrs and one of the women mentioned in the Roman Canon. Various accounts of her passion and death have come down to us. All of them agree that she was executed in Rome in the early 4th Century at the age of twelve or thirteen—and that she died as a direct result of her fidelity to Jesus, to whom she had promised herself.

Agnes is said to have outlasted various tortures. A trial by fire was ended by her prayers. When the Roman prefect sent her to be exposed in a brothel, she was enveloped in an intense light that blinded any who came near. In response to threats,

Saint Ambrose reports, she replied: "To hope that any other will please me does wrong to my Spouse. I will be his who first chose me for himself. Executioner, why do you delay? If eyes that I do not want can desire this body, then let it perish." Thus thwarted in their attempts to assault Agnes' purity, a soldier was finally summoned to dispatch her by the sword.

Agnes' witness had a deep impact. In the middle of the 4th century, Constantine's daughter had a church built over her burial place in the Via Nomentana. Saints Augustine and Ambrose preached on her. Saint Jerome wrote, "Every nation praises the life of Agnes orally and in writing, especially in the churches. Despite her young age she defeated the tyrant, and by her martyrdom she vindicated the name of chastity."

Magnificat: February 2021

SUPPORTING ST. ANN

If you haven't already, please consider enrolling. You may visit faith.direct/FLI031 or through our website www.stannhc.com to enroll for regular Offertory and our Buildings and Grounds fund securely online. Also, "text to give" is available at (863) 400-1077. We pray for your continued good health and safety in this time of change and know you are in our prayers always. God Bless You!



AYUDANDO A SANTA ANA

Faith Direct también le ofrece tarjetas de ofertorio personalizadas para reemplazar los sobres utilizados en la colecta realizada por canasta. Si aún no lo ha hecho considere inscribirse y apoyar así nuestros fondos de "Ofertorio Regular" y de "Edificios y Terrenos" de forma segura, para ello puede visitar faith.direct/FLI031 o a través de nuestro sitio web www.stannhc.com. Además "Texto para dar" está disponible en (863) 400-1077. Oramos por su buena salud y seguridad en este momento de cambio, recuerde que siempre está en nuestras oraciones.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



We will be having Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent in the Church. We will have English Stations at 5:30 PM and 6:30 PM in Spanish. This is a tradition to add to your Lenten journey. We will enter and stay seated during the stations. This year we will not distribute booklets; but will be able to see the Readings on the overhead projectors for you to follow along. All are invited to attend wearing a mask and practice social distancing.

COLLECTION BASKETS



St. Ann's will return to using long-handled baskets this week. But, we will also continue to use the collection boxes in the Narthex for at least the next two weeks.

PRAY FAST GIVE

WHAT IS LENT?

Lent is a time of prayer and penance, when Christ wants to lead us back to our baptismal promises of dying to sin and of living for God.

WHEN IS LENT?

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and continues until the afternoon of Holy Thursday. It runs for about 40 days.

WHY 40 DAYS? The "40 days" (not including Sundays) of fasting, prayer, and penance before Easter reflect Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO DURING LENT?

1. Turn away from our sins and turn back to God. Detach from habits and tendencies that are contrary to God's will. Lent is a time of conversion.
2. Open our hearts to our Father, so that we may live with Christ for God. Jesus is calling us to be people of praise and prayer, and living signs of his love for all.

"This time of fasting opens the gates of heaven to us. Let us welcome it and pray that when Easter comes we may share the joy of the risen Lord."
LENTEN RESPONSORY

Archdiocese of Toronto
www.archtoronto.org
Text from Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' "Living Lent"

LENT & EASTER

ASH WEDNESDAY LENT BEGINS

Emphasizes our mortality and our need for ongoing repentance.

PALM SUNDAY

Commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem.

HOLY THURSDAY

Celebrates the Last Supper with the disciples and Passover.

GOOD FRIDAY

We remember the Passion and Jesus' sacrifice for us on the cross.

EASTER SUNDAY HE HAS RISEN!

Alleluia! The principal feast of the ecclesiastical year. Jesus has risen!

Easter is an 8 day celebration leading to Easter Season, which ends on Pentecost.

DAYS OF FASTING

ASH WEDNESDAY
GOOD FRIDAY

WHAT IS FASTING?

One full meal and two smaller meals.

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE

ASH WEDNESDAY
GOOD FRIDAY
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?

No meat.

40

The 40 days of Lent are based on two accounts: the 40 years of wandering by the Israelites and our Lord's 40 days in the wilderness at which point He was tempted by Satan.

PILLARS OF LENT

PRAYER
FASTING
ALMSGIVING

The key to understanding the meaning of Lent is simple: Baptism.



WHAT'S UP IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION?

The approved "Penance for Your Thoughts Project" and timed from Ash Wednesday through the succeeding five Sundays of Lent this year saw the light of day a few days ago when the three initial video presentations were posted on social media, such as YouTube and on Facebook accounts. Great thanks and appreciation to Lily Muniz, Operations and Administration.

Many who had watched these videotapes were pleased with the presentations in general, particularly with our Faith Formation children who have actively assumed their respective singing and Scripture reading roles in the said project, which in the viewers' words have been rarely seen.



Our catechetical program has always focused on the catechists and the parents as our principal partners for the children's journey in faith under their care. Indeed, with their help, we see that our kids are slowly demonstrating their abilities to be spreading the faith themselves, so to speak to their peers, members of their families, and in this particular case, to everyone watching them proclaim the Word of the Lord. Thanks to the adults who are enabling these children to be mission-minded as God expects them to be.

Aware that children are always enthusiastic about showing off new things they have learned, we see that they get actively involved in "evangelization" in many different ways. For instance, during the pre-pandemic, our children were asked to invite their friends to come to Mass on Sundays; they were involved in a skit for First Reconciliation entitled "The Lost Sheep" as actors or as crew members; and many of them have been taught to sing some adoration hymns, to read the Bible, and currently to be lectors, and to render opening songs for the Sundays of Lent as part of the video production currently released on social media.

Our catechists and parents are frequently reminded to make the children see Jesus as mission-minded, and they as well, in their own right. Children love to hear stories, to read the Gospels with the concepts explained to them in words they can understand. When they learn how much Jesus loves them, almost always they share the good news to others. They will make good as young "missionaries," not only making up almost one-third of the world's population but also many of them live with, if not surrounded by, people who know little about Jesus. The challenge is great, but St. Ann's Office of Religious Education/Catechetical Ministry is, as usual, ever ready to embrace the challenge.

We take this opportunity to invite you to visit YouTube and search "Penance for Your Thoughts St. Ann Catholic Church Haines City" from time to time now until the 5th Sunday of Lent for prayers and reflections on the Word of God.



THANK YOU TO OUR CHAIRMAN!



A heartfelt thank you to Dr. Dan Renuart for a rousing kick-off speech for OCA 2021! It was very informative as well as well-received. As he pointed out, "we all have to pay government taxes whether we believe in the tax or not. But with OCA, all the programs funded by OCA are founded on our basic Catholic Christian principles of love, justice, and generosity!"

FEBRUARY 26, 2021, IS A BIG DAY!

Happy 70th Birthday to Bishop John Noonan! We hope you have a wonderful birthday and a healthy and happy year ahead. Join us as we celebrate Bishop Noonan's birthday Mass at 10:00 AM on Sunday, Feb. 28.



OCA 2021

The OCA 2021 kick-off was last weekend: Feb. 13 & 14. We heard from Bishop John Noonan about all the wonderful things that OCA achieves and makes possible. This year our goal amount is \$123,749.00.

Remember, funds from our OCA commitment go to help our Seminarians with their tuition, the Retired Religious for their care, Catholic Schools, on-going Parish Ministerial needs and classes, Safe Environment, Catholic Charities that fund Food Banks and Medical clinics, helping Migrants acclimate to their new surroundings, providing housing and job training to the needy, and our Sister Diocese: San Juan de la Maguana in the Dominican Republic with a brand new Science Lab last year. And, so much more!

We are off to a great start! Let's keep those pledges coming! Saint Ann and its people will always make it happen! Thank you.



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TIEMPO DE CAMBIOS



El tiempo de Cuaresma, que comenzamos con la imposición de cenizas, marca en nuestros calendarios otro camino importante para nuestra vida de fe. Las palabras que escuchamos el miércoles pasado: "Arrepentíos y creed en el Evangelio", hacen una introducción profunda que nos dice cuál es la intención y el propósito de este tiempo especial de gracia. Escucharemos conceptos y exhortaciones que probablemente hayamos escuchado en el pasado: rezar, ayunar y dar limosna. Estas prácticas nos han ayudado durante años a vivir en nuestro tiempo presente, tomando un descanso de nuestra vida y rutinas cotidianas. Todos son buenos y los invito a seguir practicándolos. Pero deseo hacer otra invitación para seguir adelante y hacer una meditación poderosa sobre el significado completo de "Arrepentíos y creed en el Evangelio".

Arrepentirse es morir a nosotros mismos y resucitar a una nueva vida con Cristo. Todos hemos cometido errores, tenemos vicios o hemos pecado en nuestra vida durante años, y no queremos ni sentimos que podamos cambiar porque estamos atrapados en nuestra propia oscuridad o tenemos un defecto que estamos tratando de ocultar.

Quiero vivir esta Cuaresma de otra manera; Quiero presentarle mi vida con todo lo que soy al Señor, pidiéndole la fuerza que necesito para comenzar una nueva vida en Él. Nuestro objetivo en este tiempo de Cuaresma es entrar en comunión con Jesús, renovando nuestra vida al servicio del Señor. En el desierto, Jesús es el modelo perfecto para la Cuaresma, dándonos el ejemplo de morir a nosotros mismos para que el plan del Padre se cumpla.

Creer en el Evangelio es tomar la palabra de Jesús y hacerla parte de nuestra vida. "Porque la palabra de Dios es viva y poderosa. Es más cortante que la espada de dos filos más afilada, corta entre el alma y el espíritu, las coyunturas y la médula. Expone nuestros pensamientos y deseos más íntimos. Nada en toda la creación se esconde de Dios" (Hebreos 4: 12-14). Su palabra se convierte para nosotros en luz para nuestro camino, inspiración constante en momentos de duda o dificultad. La palabra de Dios toca todo nuestro ser y llega a nosotros pero nunca vuelve a él vacía.

Comencemos este hermoso camino de volver nuestra vida a Dios con un fuerte deseo y una poderosa resolución de invitar a Jesús a nuestras vidas, para convertirlo en un buen compañero en nuestro camino de Cuaresma. Porque la única forma de morir en Cristo es pedirle una nueva vida y encontrar una respuesta dentro de nosotros: ¿Qué debo cambiar para resucitar con él en Pascua?

P. Alfonso Cely

Pastor

GRACIAS A NUESTRA COORDINADORA

De todo corazón agradecemos a Karyleen Magual por su gran ayuda en la presentación de Nuestro llamado Católico. Con su engrín y entusiasmo estamos seguros que alcanzaremos nuestra meta.

¿QUÉ HAY DE NUEVO EN LA EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA?

El "Proyecto Penitencia por Tus Pensamientos" aprobado y sincronizado desde el Miércoles de Ceniza hasta los siguientes cinco domingos de Cuaresma de este año vio la luz hace unos días cuando, las tres presentaciones de video iniciales se publicaron en redes sociales como YouTube y cuenta personal de Facebook. Muchas gracias y aprecio a Lily Muniz, Operaciones y Administración.

Muchos de los que habían visto estas cintas de video estaban complacidos con las presentaciones en general, y en particular con nuestros niños de Formación en la Fe que han asumido activamente sus respectivos roles de canto y lectura de las Escrituras en dicho proyecto, que en palabras de los espectadores rara vez se han visto.



Nuestro programa catequético siempre se ha enfocado en los catequistas y los padres como nuestros principales socios en el camino de fe de los niños bajo su cuidado. De hecho, con su ayuda, estamos viendo que nuestros niños están demostrando lentamente sus habilidades para difundir la fe ellos mismos, por así decirlo, a sus compañeros, miembros de sus familias y, en este caso particular, a todos los que los ven proclamar la Palabra del Señor. Gracias a los adultos que están permitiendo que estos niños tengan una mentalidad misionera como Dios espera que lo sean. Conscientes de que los niños siempre están entusiasmados por mostrar las cosas nuevas que han aprendido, nos aseguramos de que se involucren activamente en la "evangelización" de muchas formas diferentes. Por ejemplo, durante la prepaandemia, se pidió a nuestros niños que invitaran a sus amigos a venir a misa los domingos;

participaron en una obra de teatro para la Primera Reconciliación titulada "La oveja perdida" como actores o como miembros del equipo; ya muchos de ellos se les ha enseñado a cantar algunos himnos de adoración, a leer la Biblia, y actualmente a ser lectores y a interpretar los cantos de apertura de los domingos de Cuaresma como parte de la producción de video que actualmente se publica en las redes sociales.

A nuestros catequistas y padres se les recuerda con frecuencia que deben hacer que los niños vean a Jesús con una mentalidad misionera y lo mismo para ellos. A los niños les encanta escuchar historias, leer los Evangelios con los conceptos que se les explican en palabras que puedan entender. Cuando aprenden cuánto los ama Jesús, casi siempre comparten las buenas nuevas con los demás. Serán buenos como jóvenes "misioneros", no solo constituyen casi un tercio de la población mundial, sino que también muchos de ellos viven con, si no rodeados de, personas que saben poco acerca de Jesús. El desafío es grande, pero la Oficina de Educación Religiosa / Ministerio Catequético de St. Ann, como siempre, está siempre lista para aceptar el desafío.

Aprovechamos esta oportunidad para invitarlo a visitar YouTube y buscar "Penitencia por sus pensamientos St. Ann Catholic Church Haines City" de vez en cuando hasta el quinto domingo de Cuaresma y participar a las oraciones y reflexiones sobre la Palabra de Dios.



ORACION A SAN JOSÉ



Recuerda, casto esposo de la Virgen María, que nunca se supo que alguien que imploró tu ayuda y buscó tu intercesión se quedó sin ayuda.

Lleno de confianza en tu poder, vengo a ti y pido tu protección.

No desprecies, oh Guardián del Redentor, mi humilde súplica, pero en tu bondad, escúchame y respóndeme. Corazón de Jesús, ¡te adoro!

Corazón de María, ¡te lo suplico!

¡Corazón de José, puro y justo! ¡En estos tres corazones, pongo mi confianza! Amén.

AS DECLARACIONES DE DONACIONES

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses que pudieron ayudar durante el año fiscal 2020. Durante este tiempo de prueba, sus generosas donaciones monetarias pudieron mantener nuestra St. Ann abierta y funcionando sin problemas. Nuevamente, gracias por todos sus regalos.

Las declaraciones de donación de impuestos ahora están disponibles en la oficina de la iglesia.

NUEVAS LETRAS PARA EL LETRERO

Probablemente haya notado el nuevo letrero al final de Robinson Drive. Pero, ¿se dio cuenta de que tenemos letras que se pueden colocar en la parte inferior para informarnos sobre los próximos eventos? No olvide revisarlo, ya que será un recordatorio de lo que sucederá en las próximas semanas, especialmente durante la Cuaresma.

CONSAGRACIÓN A SAN JOSÉ

Inicia 15 de Febrero



Al cumplirse 150 años de la declaración de San José como patrono de la Iglesia, por Pío IX; el Papa Francisco ha dedicado este año a San José; con el motivo de que la Iglesia implore su protección e imite sus virtudes.

Por tal razón; te invitamos a que te acerques y conozcas más sobre este Santo Hombre, que Dios tuvo a bien elegir y que tan poco conocido es.

Consagra tu vida y tu familia; poniéndola bajo la protección y el cuidado de San José, protector de las familias.

Para más información contactar a los misioneros Ángel y María
727-678-0720 / 727-900-9144

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Días



¡EL 26 DE FEBRERO DE 2021 ES UN GRAN DÍA!

¡Feliz 70 cumpleaños al obispo John Noonan! Esperamos que tengas un cumpleaños maravilloso y un año feliz y saludable por delante. Únase a nosotros para celebrar la misa de cumpleaños del obispo Noonan a las 10:00 a.m. del domingo 28 de febrero.



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SANTA DE LA SEMANA: INES



Ines es una de las primeras vírgenes mártires de la Iglesia más veneradas y una de las mujeres mencionadas en el Canon Romano. Nos han llegado varios relatos de su pasión y muerte. Todos coinciden en que fue ejecutada en Roma a principios del siglo IV a los doce o trece años, y que murió como resultado directo de su fidelidad a Jesús, a quien se había prometido. Se dice que Ines sobrevivió a varias torturas. Una prueba de fuego terminó con sus oraciones. Cuando el prefecto romano la envió a exponerse a un burdel, quedó envuelta en una luz intensa que cegó a todo aquel que se acercara. En respuesta a las amenazas, informa Saint

Ambrosio, ella respondió: "Esperar que cualquier otro me complazca le hace mal a mi Cónyuge. Yo seré para el que primero me eligió para él. Verdugo, ¿por qué te demoras? Si ojos que no quiero pueden desear este cuerpo, que perezca ". Así frustrados en sus intentos de asaltar la pureza de Ines, un soldado fue finalmente convocado para despacharla por la espada.

El testimonio de Ines tuvo un impacto profundo. A mediados del siglo IV, la hija de Constantino hizo construir una iglesia sobre su lugar de enterramiento en la Vía Nomentana. Los santos Agustín y Ambrosio predicaron sobre ella. San Jerónimo escribió: "Todas las naciones alaban la vida de Inés oralmente y por escrito, especialmente en las iglesias. A pesar de su corta edad, derrotó al tirano y con su martirio reivindicó el nombre de la castidad".

Magnificat: febrero de 2021

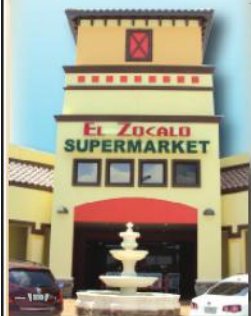
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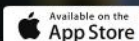
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