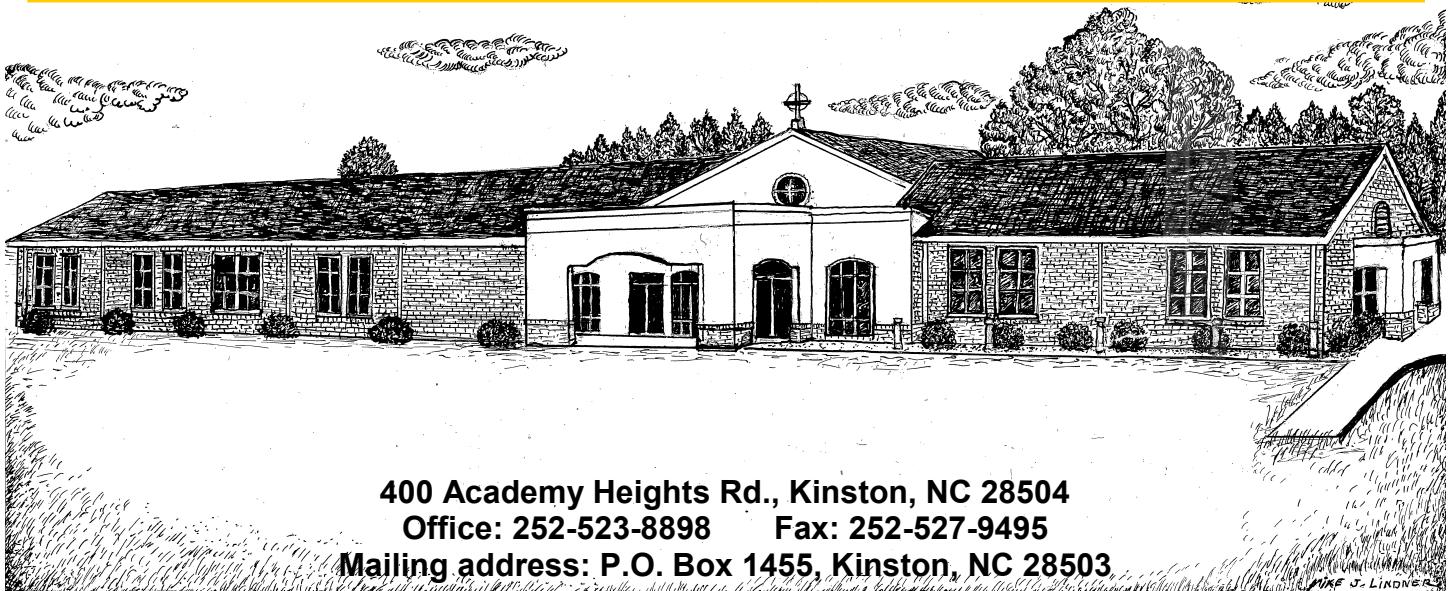


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**Mass Schedule (During Pandemic Times)**

**Weekdays:** Mass times announced via text alert system

**Weekend:**

Saturday	4:00 PM	English
Sunday	9:00 AM	English
Sunday	10:15 AM	Spanish
Sunday	11:30 AM	Spanish

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

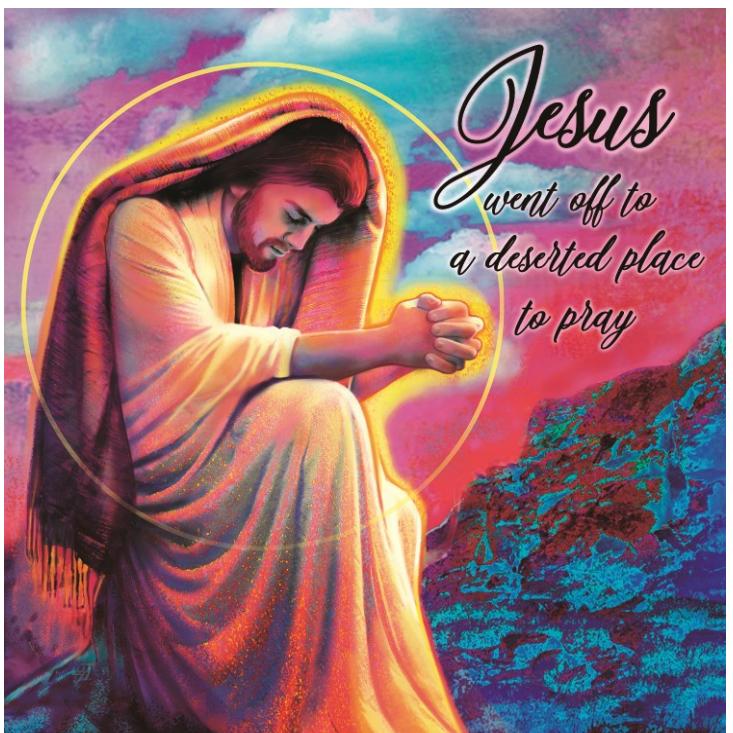
Saturday from 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Or any time by appointment with Fr. Arturo

JESÚS FUE A UN LUGAR  
SOLITARIO PARA ORAR

FIFTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
FEBRUARY 7TH 2021

QUINTO DOMINGO  
DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO  
7 DE FEBRERO DE 2021



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## February 7, 2021

### The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33–34)). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

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#### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Job finds life on earth to be drudgery; he is filled with restlessness (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).  
**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

**Second Reading** — Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel. I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

**Gospel** — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

#### Pope's Monthly Intention

#### February 2021: Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

## From the Pastor

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Dear Parishioners,

Throughout this week the Bishops of the United States invite all Catholics to celebrate National Marriage Week.

They want to remind us of what is really important on these days of the year when the theme of love is celebrated on the secular Saint Valentine's Day.

The Bishops invite us to reflect on the gift that marriage is both for the Church and for the country.

The traditional doctrine of the Church tells us that the family is the domestic Church. That is to say, in the home the faith of the believers of our Lord is already lived. Therefore, to be the image of the Church, the family must be founded on the Church's faith. A couple joins together to form a family through the divine blessing that comes from the celebration of the sacrament in the Church.

Family is also a gift to the country. Children have to grow up in well-composed families, with fathers and mothers who train their children with civil and religious values. Children raised in a healthy family are going to be responsible citizens.

This week we pray for all spouses and those who are preparing to enter the holy covenant of married life.

Yours Sincerely, Fr. Arturo

#### ON LOVE

If you would be loved, love and be lovable.  
—Benjamin Franklin

## National Marriage Week

February 7-14, 2021

This year's theme is "To Have, To Hold, To Honor." This is a wonderful opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family.

This week we pray for all married and engaged couples, that they may strive daily to faithfully and lovingly live out their marriage vows, bearing witness to the love God has for each of us.

## World Day for the Sick

February 11, 2021

We pray for all those suffering from illness, especially those whose health has been impacted by the Coronavirus. We also pray for their caregivers and family members.

## Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

For the Weekend of January 24th, 2021

(Fiscal Year starts July 1st)

1st collection January 26th, 2020:.....\$4,926.00  
1st collection January 24th, 2021:.....\$1,197.00  
Accum. 1st collection previous year.....\$55,155.00  
Accum. 1st collection current year.....\$44,815.00  
Accum. Operation income\* previous year.....\$106,196.00  
Accum. Operation income\* current year.....\$92,439.00  
Church in Latin America Collection Jan. 2020.....\$505.00  
Church in Latin America Collection Jan. 2021.....\$210.00

\*Moneys non-restricted for regular parish functioning

## Next Weekend Second Collection

**Name:** For the Church in Eastern Europe

**Purpose:** Help with evangelization programs and the formation seminarians and lay leaders.

**Type:** National level (all funds are sent to the Conference of Bishops for distribution; small donations like \$1.00-\$2.00 go a long way in this nationwide pool of donors).

## Segunda Colecta del siguiente Domingo

**Nombre:** Para la Iglesia en Europa Oriental

**Propósito:** Ayudar con programas de evangelización y la formación de seminaristas y laicos.

**Clase:** Nivel nacional (todos los fondos son enviados a la Conferencia de Obispos para ser distribuidos; donaciones pequeñas como \$1.00-\$2.00 contribuyen a una colecta

## International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking

February 8, 2021

With encouragement from Pope Francis, the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the International Union of Superiors General designated February 8th as an annual day of prayer, reflection, and action against human trafficking. On this day, we remember and pray for survivors and victims of modern day slavery. We pray that we may work together to remove the causes of this disgraceful scourge that is present in all our cities and neighborhoods.



**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

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## Saints of the Week

**Monday, Feb. 8th:** (1) Saint Jerome Emiliani; died 1537 at age 51 of the plague; Venetian soldier whose conversion led to the founding (1534) of the Clerks Regular of Somasca, today numbering about 530 members; dedicated to the poor and the education of youth; patron of orphans and abandoned children.



(2) Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin; was born around 1869 in Sudan and raised in the Islamic faith. Kidnapped as a child by slave traders, she was given the name, "Bakhita", meaning "lucky one". She was sold to a number of owners until she was purchased around the age of twelve by the Italian Consul Callisto Legnani. He brought her to Italy and, while serving as a nanny, was sent to live with the Canossian Sisters in Venice. There she was formally introduced to the faith, baptized Giuseppina, and eventually granted her freedom. In 1896 she joined the Conossian Daughters of Charity, and for twenty-five years served her sisters as cook, seamstress, and portress at their houses in Venice, Verona, and Schio. She was especially beloved by her students for her sweet nature and musical voice. After a long and painful illness she died in 1947 at age 79. Pope John Paul II canonized this first Sudanese saint 1 October 2000 as a witness to evangelical reconciliation and a model of freedom.

**Wednesday, Feb. 10th:** Saint Scholastica, Virgin; died 543 at age 63 at Monte Cassino; twin sister of St. Benedict; "She could do more because she loved more" (Gregory the Great, The Dialogues); eventually interred in the same grave with her brother; invoked against storms; patroness of Benedictine nunneries.

**Thursday, Feb. 11th:** Our Lady of Lourdes. According to Saint Bernadette (April 16), the visionary at Lourdes in 1858, the Virgin Mary proclaimed herself "The Immaculate Conception". Patroness of Portugal and the Philippines.



## African American History & Heritage

**Feb. 9th:** Author Ralph Ellison's novel Invisible Man wins the National Book Award. -1952

**Feb. 12th:** The NAACP was founded in New York City by a group of black and white citizens committed to social justice, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is the nation's largest and strongest civil rights organization.-1909

## 7 de Febrero de 2021

### Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

#### LAS BUENAS NOTICIAS

Las lecturas de hoy comienzan con unos versos del libro de Job. En primer lugar, Job se queja de que sus noches se alargan indefinidamente. Y luego, aún peor, "Mis días corren más aprisa que una lanzadera y se consumen sin esperanza" (Job 7:6). No son precisamente alentadoras estas lamentaciones, no cuando se examinan por separado.

La mayoría de nosotros ha estado allí, sin embargo, y el antídoto es la "buena noticia" que Pablo encontró tan convincente que sentía que predicarla "era su obligación. ¡Ay de mí, si no anuncio el Evangelio!" (1 Corintios 9:16). Pablo se sentía impulsado a anunciar el Evangelio a tantos como fuera posible, "para ganarlos a todos" (9:22).

Esta buena noticia era el misterio de la vida, muerte y Resurrección de Jesucristo, que levantó a la suegra de Simón Pedro de su lecho de enferma con un simple toque de su mano. "Todo el pueblo se apiñó junto a la puerta. Curó a muchos enfermos de diversos males y expulsó a muchos demonios" (Marcos 1:33–34).

Nuestros males y demonios son tan reales como los de Job, y Jesús es nuestro salvador.

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#### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Job declara que la vida en la tierra es monótona, miserable y triste (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

**Salmo** — Alaben al Señor, que sana los corazones quebrantados (Salmo 147 [146]).

**Segunda lectura** — Pablo dice que no tiene otra alternativa sino la de predicar el Evangelio (1 Corintios 9:16-19, 22-23).

**Evangelio** — Despues de sanar a muchos enfermos y de expulsar a los demonios, Jesús predica la Buena Nueva (Marcos 1:29-39).

#### Intención Mensual del Papa

##### Febrero de 2021: Violencia Contra las Mujeres

Oramos por las mujeres víctimas de violencia, para que sean protegidas por la sociedad y para que sus sufrimientos sean considerados y atendidos.

#### Notas del Párroco

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Estimados Feligreses,

Durante toda esta semana los Obispos de Estados Unidos invitan a todos los católicos a celebrar la Semana Nacional del Matrimonio. Ellos quieren recordarnos lo que es realmente importante en estos días del año cuando el tema del amor es celebrado en el día secular de San Valentín.

Los Obispos nos invitan a reflexionar acerca del regalo que es el matrimonio tanto para la Iglesia como para el país.

La doctrina tradicional de la Iglesia nos dice que la familia es la Iglesia doméstica. Es decir, en el hogar se vive ya la fe de los creyentes de nuestro Señor. La familia por tanto para ser imagen de la Iglesia tiene que estar fundada en la fe de esta. Una pareja se junta a formar una familia con la bendición divina que le viene de la celebración del sacramento en la Iglesia.

La familia es también un regalo para el país. Los niños han de crecer en familias bien compuestas, con padres y madres que formen a sus hijos con valores civiles y religiosos. Niños criados en el seno de una familia saludable van a ser ciudadanos responsables.

Esta semana hacemos oración por todos los esposos y los que se preparan para entrar en la santa alianza de vida matrimonial.

Cordialmente, Padre Arturo

#### SOBRE AMOR

Si quieres ser amado, ama y sé amable.

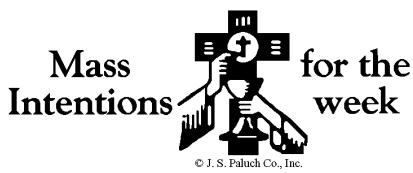
—Benjamin Franklin

#### Día Internacional de Oración y Conciencia contra Trata de Personas

8 de febrero de 2021

Con el apoyo del Papa Francisco, el Consejo Pontificio para la Justicia y la Paz y la Unión Internacional de Superiores Generales designaron el 8 de febrero como día anual de oración, reflexión, y acción contra trata de personas. En este día, nosotros recordamos y rezamos por los sobrevivientes y víctimas de esta esclavitud contemporánea. Oramos para que podamos trabajar juntos para eliminar las causas de este vergonzoso flagelo que está presente en todos nuestras ciudades y barrios.

El 8 de febrero también es la fiesta de Santa Josefina Bakhita. Nacida en la región de Darfur de Sudán en 1869, Santa Josefina fue secuestrada y esclavizada. Finalmente fue vendida a un diplomático italiano y llevada a Italia, donde valientemente reivindicó su libertad con la ayuda de las Hermanas de la Caridad en Venecia. Mediante su fe, Santa Josefina se dio cuenta de la promesa de libertad inherente al espíritu humano. Vivió el resto de su vida como hermana dando testimonio de la caridad y la dignidad humana. En 2000, el Papa San Juan Pablo II canonizó a Josefina Bakhita, señalando que en esta santa, "encontramos una brillante defensora de emancipación genuina."



Tue. Feb. 9	†Bernice Jacobs Req. by Jean Peterman
Wed. Feb. 10	Open Mass Intention
Thurs. Feb. 11	Open Mass Intention
Fri. Feb. 12	Open Mass Intention
Sat. Feb. 13	Open Mass Intention
Sun. Feb. 14	†Cy and Nemesia Fostanes Req. by Ana Fostanes †Juvencio Rocha-Olivares Req. by Elianett Rocha-Peralta Holy Spirit Parishioners

† Denotes an intention for the deceased

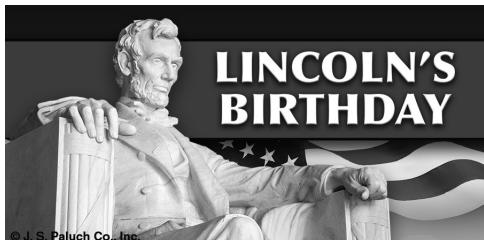
## 2020 Individual Church Donations Reports

Parishioners who made donations to Holy Spirit and would like to have a statement from the parish for their 2020 taxes preparation, need to fill out a form in the atrium or call the office directly. Thank you.

### Choosing Sides

My great concern is not whether God is on our side; my great concern is to be on God's side.

—Abraham Lincoln



## “Holy Spirit is Me and I am Holy Spirit” Increased Offertory Program

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted their Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to them with a personalized Commitment Card. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card as we will be mailing out a Summary Report of the program and need all commitments accounted for in this report.



## Programa para Aumentar el Ofertorio "Espíritu Santo soy Yo y Yo soy Espíritu Santo"

Gracias a todos los feligreses que completaron y enviaron su Tarjeta de Compromiso a la iglesia. Para aquellos feligreses que aún no han tenido la oportunidad de enviar su tarjeta, se les enviará una carta con una Tarjeta de Compromiso personalizada. Es importante que todos los feligreses completen una Tarjeta de Compromiso, ya que enviaremos por correo un informe resumido del programa y es necesario que todos los compromisos se tengan en cuenta en este informe.

### Bishop Annual Appeal (BAA)

Our yearly diocesan collection to support many programs in the Diocese of Raleigh is back again. The entire Diocese dedicates these first two months of the year to collect the extraordinary funds for the new fiscal year.

Communications from the Bishop's office have been recently sent directly to parishioner's mailing addresses. The BAA is not just a collection of financial resources; it is above all a spiritual endeavor, and prayers and sacrifices are also needed for the success of the Church work.

### Campaña Anual del Obispo

Nuestra colecta diocesana anual para apoyar numerosos programas en la Diócesis de Raleigh está de regreso nuevamente. Toda la Diócesis dedica estos dos primeros meses del año a recaudar los fondos extraordinarios para el nuevo año fiscal. Las comunicaciones de la oficina del Obispo han sido enviadas directamente a sus direcciones postales recientemente.

La Campaña Anual del Obispo no es solo una colecta de recursos financieros; es sobre todo un esfuerzo espiritual y también se necesitan oraciones y sacrificios para el éxito de la obra de la Iglesia.



Remember  
the Sick

We kindly ask that you pray for the following parishioners and loved ones: Lee Alphin, Mila Q. Arionday, Joseph Bennet, Betty Billings, Julie Blue, Judith Boyette, Michael Cannon, Kathy and Monroe Clevenger, Brenda Edwards, Patrick Gallagher, Trey Hamlin, Fabian & Joyce Hayden, Beth Stalnaker Hill, Maria Hill, Johnny Hinson, Baylor Jackson, John Jones, Bonnie and Andrew Kasper, Beth Kirby, Sonia Koonce, Maria Linder, Charles Thomas McDonald, Caroline McMahon, Ivory Meadows, Robert Melton, Fredrick Miller, Basil Moots, Benita Parker, Ariana N. Parkman, Jackie Pitt, Genie Register, Herb Register, Gina Riggs, Anne & Anthony Ruggiero, Phil Ryals, Msgr. Jerry Sherba, Laydon Stanley, Lillian Stogner, John & Julie Stowawy, Karen Stubbs, Joy Taylor, Darlene Vaughn, Henry Ward, and Justin Wharton.