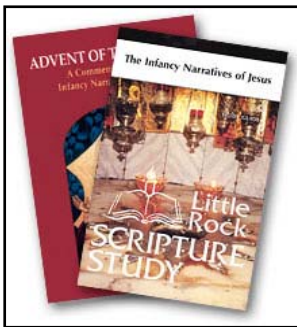


ONE MIND...ONE HEART...ONE SPIRIT!



Advent Study:

An opportunity to study the birth of our Lord in preparation for this Christmas Season...

The Infancy Narratives

**A Four Week Study that begins on
Dec. 2, 2009
7:00 to 8:30 PM**

Please register through the Church office.

*Facilitated by: Deacon Dennis Raczkowski,
MPS*

This study focuses on the connection between the Old and New Testaments. Deepen your longing for the Messiah's coming again and ask God to be Emmanuel, "**God with us.**"



Gift Shop News!

NEW MERCHANDISE IS IN THE SHOP!!!!

Come in and see all the new things we have purchased for your gift giving, and for your home. We have new Advent Wreaths, Plaques, Statues, Pictures, Religious articles and much more! Christmas will be here before you know it. We have Lay-Away for your convenience. We also have CD's by Dan Duet for sale. He is the young man who held a concert here at OLPH last week, some songs that he sung at the concert and one CD with Christmas songs. Come in for your copy before they are gone.

We are located in the hall behind the rectory. If you cannot make it after any of the weekend masses, call the rectory and we can make arrangements for you to come in during the week.

IT TAKES MORE

Simply going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile.

—Billy Sunday

Homebound Ministry

A class will be held on **November 12th at 7pm** in the church for all who are interested in taking communion to the homebound. You must have taken the Foundation class, "Called to protect". For more information please call Betty at 623 937 2226

Our Lady's Guild

The monthly meeting will be held at the parish hall on **Wednesday, November 11 at 7:00 pm.** Discussion of the Christmas gift for our adopted family will be held. Ladies, remember to bring DIAPERS, sizes 3, 4 & 5 for families that St. Vincent de Paul supports.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Veterans Day began with the signing of a symbolic treaty between the Allies and Germany ending World War I (then called the "Great War") on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. The auspicious date was actually a well-established religious holiday, the feast of Saint Martin of Tours, a beloved soldier saint of the army of Rome. After World War II, Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Britain, but of course the feast of Saint Martin endures.

Martin was named after Mars, the god of war, and against the advice of his parents he went on his own to church. He became a catechumen at the age of ten. By fifteen he was enlisted in the cavalry in France. Coming across a poor man, Martin had an impulse to divide his bright red soldier's cape and clothe him. He later had the insight that he had served Christ, and the other half of his cape became a lifelong sign to him of his duty to serve the poor. Housed in a tiny church *capella* or "chapel," the cape became a great object of pilgrimage on the way to Compostella, and a favored place for the prayers of soldiers. Martin was not so eager to serve as bishop as he had been as a soldier, and legend says that he hid in a barn filled with geese to avoid episcopal election. To this day, the customary meal for November 11 is goose! Traditionally, this is the last feast day before winter closes in, and begins a period of fasting once known as "Saint Martin's Lent" or "Martinmas," that later developed into the season of Advent.

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 Weekly Contribution Amounts
Sunday, November 1, 2009
 Sunday Collection \$15,016.15
Thank you for your continued generosity!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32



Winners of the Unity Fall Festival Raffles

4th Place Diane Kutcher ~ Apple I-Pod
3rd Place Soledad Gutierrez ~ Laptop Computer
2nd Place Brandon Webb ~ Flat Screen TV
 Grand Prize Winner
Steinheiser Family ~ \$2000

Congratulations to all our Winners!
 OLPH Church, School & Capilla
 Thanks you for your support!

Masses for the Week

Monday, November 9
 6:15 am - † Socorro Salazar
 8:30 am - † Jack Whalen
Tuesday, November 10—St. Leo the Great
 6:15 am - † Thomas Nowak
 8:30 am † Deonicio de la Cruz
Wednesday, November 11—St. Martin of Tours
 6:15 am - † Thomas Waddell
 8:30 am † Jack Whalen
Thursday, November 12—St. Josaphat
 6:15 am - † Jim Peterson
 8:30 am - † Jack Whalen
Friday, November 13 — St. Francis Xavier Cabrini
 6:15 am - † Jack T. Aldridge
 8:30 am - † Andrea Aldama
 7:00 pm - † Mary Tovar
Saturday, November 14
 8:30 am - † D.J.M & M.O.M
 5:00 pm - † Jesus & Carmen Medrano
 7:00 pm - † Carlotta Castro
Sunday, November 15
 6:30 am - For the People
 8:30 am † Magaña & Aburto families
 10:00 am † Elena Martinez
 10:30 am † Pete Marquez
 12:30 pm - Intent. Murrillo & Porras families

PARISH SCHEDULE

Monday, November 9 /Lunes, 9 de Noviembre, 2009
 5:30 pm Children's Choir Practice Confer. Rm
 7:00 pm Youth Group Hall
Tuesday, November 10/Martes, 10 de Noviembre
 9:30 am World Apostolate of Fatima Chapel
 6:00 pm Christian Formation, Spanish Class Rms
 7:00 pm RCIA, Spanish Confer. B
 7:00 pm RCIA, English Confer. A
 7:00 pm Novena/Rosary Church
Wednesday, Nov. 11/Miercoles, 11 de Noviembre
 6:00 pm Christian Formation, English Class Rms
 6:00 pm Choir Practice Confer. Rm
 7:00 pm Our Lay's Guild Meeting Hall
 7:00 pm Bible Study, Gospel of Luke Chapel
Thursday, November 12/Jueves, 12 de Noviembre
 6:00 pm Spanish Choir Practice Confer. Rm
 7:00 pm Adult Catechism Classroom
 7:00 pm Home Ministry Training Church
 7:00 pm Agua Viva Hall
 7:00 pm Guadalupanos Capilla
Friday, November 13/Viernes, 13 de Noviembre
 5:00 pm OLPH Sch. Mother/Son Dance Hall
 7:00 pm Grupo Familiar Capilla
 7:00 pm Grupo Jovenes Casa Maria
Saturday, November 14/Sabado, 14 de Noviembre
 9:00 am EXM Training Hall
 4:00 pm Youth Group Confer. Rm
Sunday, November 15/Domingo, 15 de Noviembre

Remember in prayer all who are sick in our community, and those who have asked for your prayers: Jose Dorame, Lucy Santa Cruz, Christine Lopez, Angie Fass, Natalia Batista, Rod Bagnall, Lucretia Mondrogon, Jason Abril, Cruz Hernandez, Leonard Schroeder, John Simmons, Michael Alvarez, Donny Mangerie, Lupe Andrade, Anita de la Cruz, Ben Figueroa, Doug Brunner, George and Lydia Bicolis, Mary Fedro, Anne Fogus, Delfina Noriega, Darrell Dockery, William Seely, Lupe Escamilla, Jenny Dunston, Frances Bowers, Maria Carpenter, Cindy Gentry, Michael Manners, Rose Ann Carpenter, Belen Ani, John Boland, Madeline Gross, and Marjorie A. Weise. **Pray for deployed members of the military:** Lance Corp. Juan Torres and Michael George Alvarez
Pray for all who have died: Betty Jane Baron

THE CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

The core vocation in the Gospel of Mark is the vocation, or call, to discipleship. Today's Gospel passage provides us with one last example of what the vocation to discipleship means, and one example of what it doesn't mean. A destitute widow shows us that discipleship means following Jesus' way of service, even if it requires giving one's livelihood (or life). The scribes show us by their bad example that discipleship should entail a vocation to extend God's care to those who are most in need.

In our reading from the book of Kings another widow and her son are close to death. They, too, give what little they have, but they are rewarded by Elijah with food enough for a year. And the reading from the Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that Jesus sacrificed his life **"to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him"** (Hebrews 9:28).

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LLAMADOS A SER DISCÍPULOS

La vocación central en el Evangelio según san Marcos es la vocación, o el llamado de ser discípulos. El pasaje del Evangelio de hoy nos brinda por lo menos un ejemplo de qué significa la vocación de ser discípulo y un ejemplo de lo que no significa. Una viuda pobre nos muestra que ser un buen discípulo significa seguir el camino de servicio de Jesús, incluso si implica entregar todo lo que tenemos para vivir (o incluso nuestra vida). Los letrados nos muestran con su mal ejemplo que ser un buen discípulo implica la vocación de hacer llegar el cuidado de Dios a los más necesitados.

En nuestra lectura del libro de los Reyes otra viuda y su hijo corren peligro de morir. Ellos también entregan lo poco que tienen pero son recompensados por Elías con comida suficiente para un año. Y la lectura de la carta a los hebreos nos recuerda que Jesús sacrificó su vida **"para salvación de aquellos que lo aguardan"** (Hebreos 9:28).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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Viernes: Sab 13:1-9; Lc 17:26-37

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La Tienda de Regalos

Tiene muy buenas noticias para todos nuestros clientes.

Muy pronto estaremos recibiendo, artículos de regalos para toda ocasión.

Porque no tenemos todo el espacio que quisiéramos tener, tenemos que vender mucho de lo que tenemos al precio de liquidación, para hacer lugar, a la nueva mercancía.

Comenzando hoy estaremos rebajando nuestros precios en todos los artículos.

LIBROS, CD'S, Y DVD todo estará al 20% de descuento del precio regular. La mayoría de otros artículos será reducida al 25% de descuento del precio regular.

Venga y ayúdenos hacer lugar para la nueva mercancía y a la vez hacer una muy buena compra a un buen precio. Con su compra usted ayuda a la Iglesia y sus Ministerios.

Estamos situados en el Salón Parroquial detrás de Rectoría. Si usted no puede venir después de la Misa de las 5:00 pm. del Sábado o el Domingo en la mañana, por favor llame a la oficina y hacemos arreglos a un horario conveniente para usted.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Entre las comunidades hispanas aún existe el concepto de que a la Iglesia se le da limosna. Esta es una horrible costumbre, puesto que ni a Dios ni a la Iglesia se le debe la limosna, sino el diezmo y no necesariamente económico, esto es, también debemos considerar tiempo y talento. Este diezmo se le da a Dios por medio del mantenimiento de la Iglesia, la ayuda directa a los necesitados, la generosidad con agencias de caridad, etcétera. No importa a quién o cómo damos el diezmo que debemos a Dios, lo que importa es reconocer que no es limosna, es decir, dar de lo que nos sobra. Es dar desde el corazón, compartir, como la viuda del Evangelio, lo que tenemos para vivir.

No obstante, muchos somos tacaños con el Señor. En lugar de dar con generosidad, damos poco o damos para hacernos notar. Damos de lo que nos sobra, si acaso damos. Tenemos mucho que aprender de la viuda que se nos presenta en Marcos 12:41-44. Ella, siendo pobre y necesitada, aún así quiso compartir con Dios de lo que tenía para vivir. Casi siempre los pobres son más generosos que los ricos o la clase media. Son ellos quienes nos muestran la generosidad de Dios y nos desafían a hacer lo mismo, a fin de erradicar la pobreza.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.