

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED: Hearing aids for use are in the sacristy—please return them after Mass.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67)

Second Reading — John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) *or Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.*

Gospel — Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you (John 14:23-29) *or John 17:20-26.*

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday May 25 St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi

5:30pm Howard Bittner (dec) by his wife & family

Sunday May 26

8:00 am St. Theresa parishioners

10:00 am Ed Burkart (dec) by Tom & Cindy Burkart

12:00 pm Father John Grace (dec) by St. Theresa parish staff

7:00 pm

Monday May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury

8:00 am In Thanksgiving, by Linda

Tuesday May 28

8:00 am Bob Shimmer (dec) by Carolyn Candelario

Wednesday May 29

8:00 am Emily Flora (bday) by Yaya Joanie

12:00 pm Father John Grace (dec) by the Barton Auxiliary

Thursday May 30

8:00 am Jennifer Gaston (bday) by St. Theresa parish staff

Friday May 31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am Haley Bettencourt (dec) by Grandma

12:00 pm Lori Krebsbach (bday) by Bridget Spencer

Saturday June 1 St. Justin

5:30pm The Anthony family & Sophie Zimnox (dec) by Bob Anthony

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH

5/19	Regular Collection	3798.45
	SEALING & RESTRIPIING THE PARKING LOTS	2051.37
FIRST COMMUNION		804.50

Second collection THIS weekend: **NO SECOND COLLECTION**

Second collection NEXT weekend:
CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

TAMALE SALE THIS WEEKEND AFTER MASSES

The Hispanic Committee will be selling tamales after Masses this weekend. The proceeds are for building maintenance.

LITURGICAL NOTE

The **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**, Thursday, May 30, is transferred to the following Sunday, June 2, Seven Sunday of Easter.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, May 27	8am Mass; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth Meal
Tuesday, May 28	8am Mass
Wednesday, May 29	8am Mass; 12noon Mass
Thursday, May 30	8am Mass; 10am Funeral; 2pm-4pm B&B4Kids; 6pm Blessed Is She
Friday, May 31	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 4pm-5pm Second Serving; 3pm-4:30pm Food Pantry;
Saturday, June 1	4pm confessions; 5:30pm Mass
Sunday, June 2	8am, 10am, 12 noon and 7pm (in Spanish) Masses; Pancake Breakfast after the 8am & 10am Masses

FR. MAURICIO'S WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, May 27	7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; day off
Tuesday, May 28	Personal retreat at <i>the Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux, Vina, California</i>
Wednesday, May 29	Personal retreat at <i>the Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux, Vina, California</i>
Thursday, May 30	Personal retreat at <i>the Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux, Vina, California</i>
Friday, May 31	Personal retreat at <i>the Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux, Vina, California</i>
Saturday, June 1	Attending the Ordinations to the Priesthood in Sacramento
Sunday, June 2	Coming back to Saint Theresa



DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
Wednesdays 10:30a.m. in the Church with the Rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, and novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



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<http://www.tahoecatholic.com/baptisms>



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KNIGHT'S CORNER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS California State Council
"Fear Not" For Nothing is Impossible With God

MEN: Are You Ready to make a change?

If you're too busy to participate in Knights of Columbus Council activities right now, but want to be a member, on-line membership is for you! California communities need strong Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend our values. For over 130 years, Knights of Columbus stood up for the Church, serve the least among us, and strengthen our parishes. The world needs more committed Catholic men to answer the call.

WILL YOU ANSWER?

All practical Catholic men, 18 years and over can join the Knights of Columbus on-line in a simple streamlined process:

eMembership Available at: www.knights.net

Find out about what Knights do in California

www.californiaknights.org

THE WORD OF GOD REMAINS FOREVER

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God remains for ever" (Isaiah 40:8). The Word of God is powerful indeed. Not only the Jesus Prayer but many words from the Scriptures can reshape the inner self. When I take the words that strike me during a service into the day and slowly repeat them while reading or working, more or less chewing on them, they create new life. Sometimes when I wake up during the night I am still saying them, and they become like wings carrying me above the moods and turbulences of the days and weeks.

<https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/the-word-of-god-remains-forever/>

PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR PARISHIONERS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Kathleen Brady | Krista Carson | Romie Enriquez | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo | Gloria Walkowiak

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to add to the prayer list, please send an email with your loved one's name along with your name and phone number to tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com.

DECISION-MAKING

"It is the decision of the Holy Spirit, and ours too."

—Acts 15:28

Two weeks from today, we will celebrate Pentecost. We will have the possibility of receiving in a new way the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, Whom the Father will send in Jesus' name (Jn 14:26). The Spirit plans to instruct us in everything and remind us of all that Jesus told us (Jn 14:26). This instructing and reminding from the Spirit, if discerned and heeded, will have such an effect on our lives that our decisions will also be the decisions of the Holy Spirit (Acts 15:28). Therefore, our decisions will be correct, life-changing, life-giving, miraculously wise, and fruitful for God's kingdom.

Some of us may have messed up our marriages, finances, employment, family life, and lifestyle by a series of bad decisions. The way out of this situation is to make good decisions by the power of the Spirit. Therefore, we must receive the Holy Spirit. We must go into the upper room of prayer, repentance, and conversion. There we will receive the Spirit, Who will change our lives, hearts, minds, and decisions.

Prayer: Father, may I be able to hear and discern what the Spirit wishes to tell me.

Promise: "The city had no need of sun or moon, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb." —Rv 21:23

Praise: Alleluia! Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life! (Jn 11:25) All glory be to Him!

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PROMOTING LIFE | The Creator's Eternal Dream.

Pope Francis, in his Apostolic Exhortation "The Joy of Love," writes, "The Psalmist says: "You knit me together in my mother's womb" (Ps 139:13). Every child growing within the mother's womb is part of the eternal loving plan of God the Father: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you" (Jer 1:5). Each child has a place in God's heart from all eternity; once he or she is conceived, the Creator's eternal dream comes true. Let us pause to think of the great value of that embryo from the moment of conception. We need to see it with the eyes of God, who always looks beyond mere appearances." (AL, 168)

<https://www.priestsforlife.org/liturgy/liturgicalresource-cycles.aspx?id=55>



ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF SAINT THERESA

Saturday | June 22 | 12noon-9pm

REFLECTIONS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: ADDRESSING THE WOUNDS INFLICTED BY CLERGY ABUSE

Diocese of Sacramento. 4.29.19

What happens when the diocese receives a report of abuse ? The first thing the diocese does when it receives a report is to obtain as much information as possible from the reporting party, to determine when and where the abuse took place, whether the alleged perpetrator is still in ministry in the diocese, and any other details.

The priority in this process is to ensure that no children or vulnerable adults are at risk. If a priest or deacon facing a plausible accusation is in ministry, he is immediately removed, pending an investigation into the reported facts. If the report involves a minor or includes other illegal conduct, the diocese immediately reports it to child protective services and the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Unless requested otherwise by law enforcement (who may urge a delay while they investigate), an announcement will be read at every parish or school where the alleged perpetrator has served asking for victims or witnesses to step forward and contact law enforcement. In all cases, the diocese will offer its full cooperation to police and investigators.

The diocese, working with the Pastoral Care Coordinator, seeks to render any help – spiritual, psychological or other – that the reporting victim may need or want. Finally, the diocese conducts its own investigation of the report.

Typically, this would include interviews of the person making the report, any witnesses, and the alleged perpetrator. This information is shared with the Independent Review Board, who examines all the available evidence before advising the bishop on a recommended determination. If the report is found credible, the cleric is permanently removed from public ministry and faces other sanctions, which could include removal from the priesthood.

FORGIVE YOUR ENEMIES

Christians mention one another in their prayers (Romans 1:9; 2 Corinthians 1:11; Ephesians 6:8; Colossians 4:3), and in so doing they bring help and even salvation to those for whom they pray (Romans 15:30; Philippians 1:19). But the final test of compassionate prayer goes beyond prayers for fellow Christians, members of the community, friends, and relatives. Jesus says it most unambiguously, “I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you” (Matthew 5:44); and in the depth of his agony on the cross, he prays for those who are killing him, “Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing” (Luke 23:34). Here the full significance of the discipline of prayer becomes visible. Prayer allows us to lead into the center of our hearts not only those who love us but also those who hate us. This is possible only when we are willing to make our enemies part of ourselves and thus convert them first of all in our own hearts.

<https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/forgive-your-enemies/>

IMAGINING CHRIST

Contemplative prayer can be described as an imagining of God’s Son, Jesus, a letting him enter fully into our consciousness so that he becomes the icon always present in the inner room of our hearts. By gazing at Jesus, walking on the earth, we give him loving attention and we “see” with our minds and hearts how he is the way to the Father. Jesus’ life and work is an uninterrupted union with and contemplation of his Father. We, as followers of Jesus, try to enter into the same disposition. We welcome the discipline of contemplation, taking time regularly to enter into the life of Jesus to contemplate the incredible bond between Jesus and the Father. And we trust that in, through, and with Jesus, we, too, may live and bask in God’s unconditional love.

<https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/imagining-christ/>

THANKS!

Our deepest gratitude to the following businesses for their gift of time, talent and treasure. They helped us honor Fr. John Grace during his funeral services: Accurate Audio Video, Tahoe Production House, Thran’s Flowers, Taco Bell, La Mexicana Meat & Market, Jalapenos Restaurant, La Promesa Restaurant, Taqueria Jalisco, Margarita’s Restaurant, Pizza Hut, Taco Taqueria Restaurant, Los Sombreros Restaurant, and Los Mexicanos Restaurant. Thanks! Fr. Mauricio

NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT | May 31 to June 8

I encourage you to pray for **nine days for the gift of the Holy Spirit**. Let’s invoke that Spirit, the third Person of the Trinity, whom we received in Baptism and Confirmation. Just as the disciples prayed for this gift and received the Breath of God in Pentecost, let us ask the Holy Spirit to breath in us again. Please find a copy of the novena on the tables in the vestibule.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PRIEST, PROPHET AND KING

Bible Study/Formation Program | Parish Center (corner of Rufus Allen/Lyons Ave.) | Tuesdays at 9am s

Join this six-session Bible Study! "We cannot introduce Jesus to others unless we have first been introduced to him ourselves, and this is our purpose with the Priest, Prophet and King- to provide and introduction to the Lord so that in coming to know him, people might better introduce him to other." Come to better understand Jesus, become more familiar with Scripture, and realize your own priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission received at Baptism.

June 4: Ordering the Kingdom | June 11: King of Kings

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN | June 1 & 2

Next week, our second collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Fully 50% of funds collected remain here in the Diocese of Sacramento to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD | June 1, 2019 | 10am | Cathedral of Blessed Sacrament

With gladness and thanksgiving to God the families of the ordinandi and the Diocese of Sacramento announce the Ordination to the Priesthood of **Dean Marshall, Manuel "Manny" Rodriguez and Steven Joseph Wood** and the Ordination to the Diaconate of **Ryan Mahar** by the Most Reverend Jaime Soto on Saturday, June 1 2019 at 10am at the Cathedral of Blessed Sacrament (1017 11th St., Sacramento, CA). Reception to follow in lower level of the Cathedral.

THANKSGIVING MASSES

Rev. Mr. Manuel Manny Rodriguez
and

Rev. Mr. Steven Wood

will be celebrating a Mass of thanksgiving at St. Theresa
the following dates:

**Mass of thanksgiving by Rev. Mr. Manuel "Manny"
Rodriguez**

Saturday, June 8 at 5:30pm

Reception to follow in Grace Hall.

Mass of thanksgiving by Rev. Mr. Steven Wood

Sunday, June 9 at 12noon

Reception to follow in Grace Hall.

RECEPTIONS AFTER MASSES OF THANKSGIVING

For the reception for Deacon Manny on June 8, families
are asked to bring a dish and drinks to share! If your last
name begins with:

A-M bring a main dish to share,

N-R bring desserts,

S-Z bring fruits, finger foods or soft drinks.

For the reception for Deacon Steven on June 9, families
are asked to bring a dish and drinks to share! If your last
name begins with:

A-D bring desserts,

E-H bring fruits, finger foods or soft drinks,

I-Z bring a main dish to share.

5th ANNUAL BASKETBALL GAME

Priests vs Seminarians | Tuesday, July 9, 2019

Game starts 7pm | Doors open 6:30pm Christian Brothers High School Gym 4315 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.,
Sacramento, CA 95820

\$15 Adults · \$60 Group of 6 Adults · \$5 Students K-College Buy tickets: WWW.SCD.ORG/BASKETBALL For more
information, contact Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations at (916) 733-0258 or msmith@scd.org

WEEKEND OF REFLECTION | June 14th and 15th | Zephyr Point Conference Center, Zephyr Cove, NV

Join us for a two day event with the spiritually uplifting motivational speaker, Becky Eldredge. Her knowledge, training and experience which leads people on a faith filled journey, will transform the heart and renew the mind and spirit. She will introduce simple practices that will show us how even brief moments of quiet with Jesus will change the way we deal with everyday frustrations and our interactions with others. She also will teach us to take notice of the presence of God in the middle of our overscheduled lives.

Friday, June 14th (6-9pm)

Making Hope Real

An FREE evening event for both men and women.

Saturday, June 15th (9-5pm)

Making Room for God in the Busyness

A full day of reflection and includes breakfast and lunch. Open to women 12 and older.

Cost: \$40 per person

Tickets may be purchased at: <https://www.eventbrite.com> (Zephyr Cove)

Or Contact **Bridget Spencer** at (916) 595-2570

26 DE MAYO DE 2019 | SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

PARA PROBLEMAS DE ESCUCHA: hay audífonos disponibles en la sacristía. Favor de devolverlos después de Misa.

¡Bienvenidos a todos! Nos reunimos con Jesús. Cristo es quien nos invita al banquete celestial. Qué esta liturgia les traiga paz. Si están visitando nuestra iglesia por la primera vez, ójala que se sienten como en familia, una parte de la familia mundial del Señor. Les damos la bienvenida cordialmente y celebramos y contemplamos el misterio de la Eucaristía y rezamos que su viaje a su casa será seguro y que regresen pronto.

ORDENACIONES AL SACERDOCIO

1 de junio de 2019 | 10 AM | Catedral del Santísimo Sacramento

Con alegría y acción de gracias a Dios las familias de los ordenandos y la Diócesis de Sacramento anuncian la ordenación al sacerdocio de Dean Marshall, Manuel "Manny" Rodríguez y Steven Joseph Wood y la ordenación al Diaconado de Ryan Mahar por el Obispo Jaime Soto el sábado, 1 de junio 2019 a las 10am en la Catedral del Santísimo Sacramento (1017 11th Street, Sacramento, CA). Hay una recepción en el nivel inferior de la Catedral.

MISAS DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

Los Reverendos Manuel Manny Rodríguez y Steven Wood celebrarán una Misa de acción de gracias en Santa Teresa las siguientes fechas:

Misa de acción de gracias por el Reverendo Manuel Manny Rodríguez

Sábado, 8 de junio a las 5:30pm

Hay Recepción después de Misa en Grace Hall.

Misa de acción de gracias por el Reverendo Steven Wood

Domingo, 9 de junio a las 12mediodia

Hay Recepción después de Misa en Grace Hall

RECEPCIONES DESPUÉS DE LAS MISAS DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

Para la recepción del Diácono Manny el 8 de junio, se les invita a traer algo para compartir. Lo pueden que traer está asignado por la letra inicial de su apellido:

A-M trae un platillo para compartir | N-R trae postre | S-Z traer fruta, bocadillos o sodas

Para la recepción del Diácono Steven el 9 de junio, se les invita a traer algo para compartir. Lo pueden que traer está asignado por la letra inicial de su apellido:

A-D prostres | E-H fruta, bocadillos o sodas | I-Z un platillo para compartir.

INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

25 de mayo | sábado | San Beda el Venerable; San Gregorio VII; Santa María Magdalena de Pazzi

5:30 pm Howard Bittner (dec) by his wife & family

26 de mayo | domingo |

8:00 am St. Theresa parishioners

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7:00 pm

27 de mayo | lunes | San Agustín de Canterbury

8:00 am In Thanksgiving, by Linda

28 de mayo | martes |

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29 de mayo | miércoles |

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12:00 pm Father John Grace (dec) by the Barton Auxiliary

30 de mayo | jueves |

8:00 am Jennifer Gaston (bday) by St. Theresa parish staff

31 de mayo | viernes | La Visitación de la Santísima Virgen María

8:00 am Haley Bettencourt (dec) by Grandma

12:00 pm Lori Krebsbach (bday) by Bridget Spencer

1 de junio | sábado | San Justino

5:30 pm The Anthony family & Sophie Zimnox (dec) by Bob Anthony



DEVOCIÓN A NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PERPETUO SOCORRO

Cada miercoles a las horas de 10:30 am con la "coronilla de la Divina Misericordia". Rosario y oraciones special a Peretuo Socorro.

PETICIONES POR ESTAS PERSONAS

POR LOS FELIGRESES—ACTIVOS CON EL SERVICIO MILITAR

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

POR LOS QUE ESTÁN ENFERMOS

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Kathleen Brady | Krista Carson | Romie Enriquez | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo | Gloria Walkowiak

LISTA DE LOS ENFERMOS

Si desea conservar su ser querido en la /lista, por favor, envíe un correo electrónico con el nombre de su ser querido, junto con su nombre y número de teléfono a tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com

¡GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!

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5/19	SEALING & RESTRIPIING THE PARKING LOTS	2051.37
	<i>FIRST COMMUNION</i>	804.50
	<i>Segunda colecta—NO HAY COLECTA</i>	
	<i>Segunda colecta—1/2 de junio: COLECTA PARA LA CAMPAÑA CATÓLICA DE LA COMUNICACIÓN</i>	

COLECTA PARA LA "CAMPAÑA CATÓLICA DE LA COMUNICACIÓN" | 1 & 2 DE JUNIO

Nuestra segunda colecta la próxima semana es para la Campaña Católica de la Comunicación. Esta campaña conecta a las personas con Cristo en Estados Unidos y en los países en desarrollo alrededor del mundo a través del Internet, la televisión, la radio y los medios impresos. Y, el cincuenta por ciento de los fondos recaudados permanece en la Diócesis de Sacramento para financiar nuestros esfuerzos locales en el campo de las comunicaciones. ¡El apoyo de ustedes ayuda a propagar el mensaje del evangelio! Para informarse más, visiten www.usccb.org/ccc.

EL DON DE LA PAZ

"Surgieron no pocos desacuerdos y debates". ¿Pasó eso en el trabajo esta semana? Muchos de nosotros pueden recordar algunos roces con compañeros de trabajo, incluso con el jefe. ¿Pasó también mientras socializaba con amigos? Evita hablar de política, religión . . . incluso de deportes. ¿En casa? Incluso el hogar más pacífico experimenta un poco de "estira y afloja" de vez en cuando. Entonces ¿dónde fue que "surgieron no pocos desacuerdos y debates"? Ese tumultuoso conflicto ocurrió en medio de nuestros primeros hermanos cristianos, interrumpiendo la vida de la comunidad de la Iglesia primitiva. Pero en los Hechos de los Apóstoles muestra cuán bello es el Espíritu Santo, prometido por Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy, que ayudó a la Iglesia a lograr una decisión llena de gracia. Lo que evolucionó fue que la "diversidad reconciliada" frecuentemente animada por el Papa Francisco e incluso previstas en el pasaje de hoy del Apocalipsis y una experiencia maravillosa del don de Jesús prometido por Jesús: "La paz les dejo, mi paz les doy".

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PROMOVIENDO LA VIDA El Sueño Eterno del Creador.

"Es como dice el Salmo: «Tú me has tejido en el seno materno» (139,13). Cada niño que se forma dentro de su madre es un proyecto eterno del Padre Dios y de su amor eterno: «Antes de formarte en el vientre, te escogí; antes de que salieras del seno materno, te consagré» (Jr 1,5). Cada niño está en el corazón de Dios desde siempre, y en el momento en que es concebido se cumple el sueño eterno del Creador. Pensemos cuánto vale ese embrión desde el instante en que es concebido. Hay que mirarlo con esos ojos de amor del Padre, que mira más allá de toda apariencia." (Papa Francisco, Amoris Laetitia, 168).

<https://www.priestsforlife.org/spanish/liturgia/liturgicalresource-cycles.aspx?id=55>

DECISIONES, MÁS DECISIONES, Y AUN MÁS DECISIONES | "El Espíritu Santo, y nosotros mismos, hemos decidido" (Hechos 15:28).

Jesús prometió que el Espíritu Santo, el Paráclito que viene en nuestra ayuda, nos guiará a toda verdad (Jn 16:13). Por el poder del Espíritu Santo, podemos tomar decisiones que serán milagrosamente sabias y previsoras (ver Hch 15:28ss). El Señor ha prometido: "Invócame y te responderé, y te anunciaré cosas grandes e impenetrables, que tú no conocías" (Jer 33:3).

Para tomar buenas decisiones, debemos ser conscientes del contexto eterno de todas las decisiones. También necesitamos conocer el futuro o conocer a alguien que conozca el futuro. En fin, debemos conocer toda la información relevante. Para las decisiones importantes, significa conocer el pasado, el presente, y los corazones de las personas involucradas en nuestras decisiones.

Obviamente, tendrías que ser Dios que todo lo sabe para conocer lo necesario para tomar decisiones correctas. El Espíritu Santo es Dios (2 Co 3:18). Él puede enseñarnos todo (Jn 14:26) porque Él lo sabe todo (ver 1 Co 2:10-11). Podemos tomar mala decisión repetidas veces a lo largo de la vida, e incluso tomar una mala decisión final e ir al infierno. Entonces podremos dar excusas para siempre por nuestras malas decisiones. Alternativamente, podemos ser dóciles al Espíritu Santo. ¡Ven, Espíritu Santo!

Oración: Padre, que muchas personas se conviertan a la fe al ver la excelencia de mis decisiones.

Promesa: "El que Me ama será fiel a Mi palabra, y Mi Padre lo amará; iremos a Él y habitaremos en Él" (Jn 14:23).

Alabanza: ¡Aleluya! ¡Jesús es la Resurrección y la Vida! (Jn 11:25) ¡Toda gloria sea para Él!

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Tristemente una vez que muchos latinoamericanos llegan a los Estados Unidos es difícil regresar a sus tierras de origen, ni siquiera para visitar. Por esta razón, muchos pueblos latinoamericanos han construido santuarios a sus vírgenes y santos patronos en tierra estadounidense. De esta manera buscan estar cerca al suelo que les trajo a luz, que les nutrió con frutas, verduras, flores, cantos, costumbres y tradiciones. En Miami el pueblo cubano ha construido una ermita dedicada a la Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre, cuya capilla del Santísimo fue bendecida en la fiesta de la Ascensión del Señor. Debajo de su altar principal se guarda una piedra hecha con tierra de las distintas provincias de Cuba. Es bello el hecho, porque de esta manera todo cubano que se acerca al altar del Señor puede estar cerca de su terruño aunque sea solo por un momento.

Que hay en la tierra que nos llama tanto a nosotros los latinos. Será que el libro del Génesis tiene razón, Dios forma toda persona del polvo y el corazón latino anhela la tierra de la que fue sacado.

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