

<b>March 18, 2018</b>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
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**FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED:** Hearing aids for use are in the sacristy—please return them after Mass.

*With joy & happiness we welcome all of you who have come to pray and worship with us. We hope you will find friendship and fellowship in our community and encouragement to face whatever may come in the week ahead. For our guests & visitors, we pray that your stay in Tahoe is wonderful, that you have a safe journey home – and return to us soon.*

<b>TODAY'S READINGS</b> <b>First Reading</b> — I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts. (Jeremiah 31:31-34) Psalm — Create a clean heart in me, O God (Psalm 51) <b>Second Reading</b> — Christ became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him (Hebrews 5:7-9) <b>Gospel</b> — If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit (John 12:20-33)	<b>READINGS FOR THE WEEK</b> Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42 Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56 Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession) Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]
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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	WEEK AT A GLANCE
<b>Saturday March 17 Saint Patrick</b> 5:30 pm Dylan Rohrer (dec—bday) by Mom	<b>Monday, March 19</b> 8am; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth meal
<b>Sunday March 18</b> 8:00 am Michael Border (dec) by Jim & Nita Summers 10:00 am Rudy Pakes (dec) by Moni & Colleen 12:00 pm St. Theresa parishioners 7:00 pm	<b>Tuesday, March 20</b> 8am Mass; 9am Bible Study on Conversion; 4:30pm Faith Formation; 6:30pm RCIA
<b>Monday March 19 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> 8:00 am Teresa Wilhelm (dec) by Sep	<b>Wednesday, March 21</b> 8am & 12noon Masses; 7pm Bible Study in Spanish
<b>Tuesday March 20</b> 8:00 am Michael Roach (dec) by his family	<b>Thursday, March 22</b> 8am Mass; 7pm RCIA in Spanish
<b>Wednesday March 21</b> 8:00 am Mark & John Hurley (dec) 12:00 pm Concordia Balong (healing) by the Balong family	<b>Friday, March 23</b> 8am & 12noon Masses; 3pm–4:30pm Food Pantry; 6pm Station of the Cross and Soup Supper; 7:00pm Station of the Cross in Spanish
<b>Thursday March 22</b> 8:00 am Fr. Michael Newman (dec)	<b>Saturday, March 24</b> 4pm Confessions & 5:30pm Vigil Mass
<b>Friday March 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo</b> 8:00 am Michael Roach (dec) by his family 12:00 pm Fr. Michael Newman (dec)	<b>Sunday, March 25</b> 8am, 10am, 12 noon and 7pm (in Spanish) Masses
<b>Saturday March 24</b> 5:30 pm Soledad Aquino (dec) by the Aquino family	



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STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH		
03/11	Regular Collection	4313.99
	Catholic Relief Services	1512.20
Second collection THIS weekend: <b>NO SECOND COLLECTION</b>		
Second collection NEXT weekend: <i>Snow Removal</i>		



**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

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   Romie Enriquez   Gene Estepa   Steve Frick   Ophelia Kirvida   Kel Lohmeier   Matthew Morisky   Simon McQuarrie   Byron Melrose   Jamie O'Malley   Cecilia Ramirez   Tony Russo
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 <a href="mailto:tahoeatholicbulletin@gmail.com">tahoeatholicbulletin@gmail.com</a> .



### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Call or visit the Religious Education Office  
530.544.4788 Find the **2017 SCHEDULE**:  
<http://www.tahoeatholic.com/baptisms>



### PREGNANT ? NEED HELP?

We offer practical help to any women with a crisis pregnancy. We have a special concern for you and your unborn child. For any help with a troubled pregnancy, 544-3533.



### KNIGHT'S CORNER

*"If you want things to be different, perhaps the answer is to become different yourself." \*Norman Vincent Peale*

**MONTHLY MEETING**—April 11<sup>th</sup> with Dinner @6pm

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**—April 8<sup>th</sup> after the 8 & 10AM Masses

**Become a better version of yourself. Become a knight!**

George Westinghouse (530)-721-1753 will be happy to help you learn more about the Knights of Columbus

### CREATING A HOME TOGETHER

Many human relationships are like the interlocking fingers of two hands. Our loneliness makes us cling to each other, and this mutual clinging makes us suffer immensely because it does not take our loneliness away. But the harder we try, the more desperate we become. Many of these "interlocking" relationships fall apart because they become suffocating and oppressive. Human relationships are meant to be like two hands folded together. They can move away from each other while still touching with the fingertips. They can create space between themselves, a little tent, a home, a safe place to be.

True relationships among people point to God. They are like prayers in the world. Sometimes the hands that pray are fully touching, sometimes there is distance between them. They always move to and from each other, but they never lose touch. They keep praying to the One who brought them together.

<http://henrinouwen.org/meditation/creating-home-together/>

### ABSENCE THAT CREATES PRESENCE

It is good to visit people who are sick, dying, shut in, handicapped, or lonely. But it is also important not to feel guilty when our visits have to be short or can only happen occasionally. Often we are so apologetic about our limitations that our apologies prevent us from really being with the other when we are there. A short time fully present to a sick person is much better than a long time with many explanations of why we are too busy to come more often.

If we are able to be fully present to our friends when we are with them, our absence too will bear many fruits. Our friends will say: "He visited me" or "She visited me," and discover in our absence the lasting grace of our presence.

<http://henrinouwen.org/meditation/absence-creates-presence/>

### FACING OUR MORTALITY

We all have dreams about the perfect life: a life without pain, sadness, conflict, or war. The spiritual challenge is to experience glimpses of this perfect life right in the middle of our many struggles. By embracing the reality of our mortal life, we can get in touch with the eternal life that has been sown there. The apostle Paul expresses this powerfully when he writes: "We are subjected to every kind of hardship, but never distressed; we see no way out but we never despair; we are pursued but never cut off; knocked down, but still have some life in us; always we carry with us in our body the death of Jesus so that the life of Jesus, too, may be visible in our ... mortal flesh" (2 Corinthians 4:8-12).

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### THE SPIRIT OF JESUS LISTENING IN US

Listening in the spiritual life is much more than a psychological strategy to help others discover themselves. In the spiritual life the listener is not the ego, which would like to speak but is trained to restrain itself, but the Spirit of God within us. When we are baptized in the Spirit – that is, when we have received the Spirit of Jesus as the breath of God breathing within us – that Spirit creates in us a sacred space where the other can be received and listened to. The Spirit of Jesus prays in us and listens in us to all who come to us with their sufferings and pains. When we dare to fully trust in the power of God's Spirit listening in us, we will see true healing occur.

<http://henrinouwen.org/meditation/spirit-jesus-listening-us/>

## REFLECTIONS

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER | March 2018 | : Formation in Spiritual Discernment

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

<https://www.popesprayer.net/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/English-2018-def-temi-3.pdf>

### CROSS-WORD

**"I — once I am lifted up from earth — will draw all men to Myself." —John 12:32**

The Lord promised us a new covenant (Jer 31:31). Jesus called it the covenant in His blood (Mt 26:28). Jesus "became the Source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him" by learning "obedience from what He suffered" (Heb 5:9, 8). "Unless the grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat. But if it dies, it produces much fruit" (Jn 12:24). Once Jesus was lifted up on the cross, He began to draw all people to Himself (Jn 12:32). Jesus' bloody suffering and death on the cross established the new covenant, gave us salvation, and continues to bear the fruit of evangelization by drawing all people to Him.

When we think of Jesus' cross and our daily crosses (Lk 9:23), our souls are troubled (Jn 12:27). Like Jesus, we are tempted to pray that we will be saved from the cross rather than saved by the cross (Jn 12:27). Yet it is for the cross that we have come to this hour (Jn 12:27). Therefore, let us embrace the cross and determine to "speak of nothing but Jesus Christ and Him crucified" (1 Cor 2:2). Pray with St. Francis of Assisi: "We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You because by Your holy cross You have redeemed the world." "May I never boast of anything but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ!" (Gal 6:14)

**Prayer:** Father, I will stay "near the cross" (see Jn 19:25).

**Promise:** "In the days when He was in the flesh, He offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to God, Who was able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence." —Heb 5:7

**Praise:** *Praise You, Jesus, the crucified Resurrection and Life (Jn 11:25). You are "the Author of Life" (Acts 3:15)*

<http://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=es&d=3/18/2018>

### EASTER TRIDUUM

"The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery. The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil."

The liturgical services that take place during the Triduum are:

- ♦ Mass of the Lord's Supper
- ♦ Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
- ♦ Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

### EASTER

**The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils. "Easter Sunday, then, is the greatest of all Sundays,** and Easter Time is the most important of all liturgical times. Easter is the celebration of the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. **There are 50 days of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost.** It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death, expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)

"What you sow is not brought to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel of wheat, perhaps, or of some other kind...So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown corruptible; it is raised incorruptible. It is sown dishonorable; it is raised glorious. It is sown weak; it is raised powerful. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual one. So, too, it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being," the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven. As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one (1 Cor 15:36-37, 42-49).

The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. In a sense, every day of the Octave is like a little Sunday.

The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world. **The Paschal Candle is a central symbol of this divine light,** which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time and lit for all liturgical celebrations.

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/easter/>

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MARCH



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
FRIDAYS during Lent at  
6PM



**LENTEN SOUP DINNER**  
Following the Stations of the  
Cross | **Globin Hall**

### SPRING CLEANING COIN DRIVE FOR CHARITY

Clean out the clutter. Get rid of your bags and jars of coins. We will accept your pesky coins at each Mass on March 17/18 and March 24/25. Feel free to drop off your coins in the container found in the vestibule. Your donation will help support the charitable works of Saint Theresa. No amount is too big or too small.

**CHRISM MASS | Thursday, March 22, 2017 at 6:00 PM** at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Sac. The CHRISM MASS is one of the most important and most beautiful Liturgies in the Church. At this Mass the Bishop blesses the HOLY OILS that will be used in sacramental celebrations throughout the Diocese for the coming year. Also at this Mass the priests of the diocese renew their commitment to priestly service. The Chrism Mass is a reminder that we are a priestly people, called to proclaim the gospel in accordance with the sacraments we have received. You are cordially invited to join Bishop Soto, the priests of the diocese and your Catholic brothers and sisters as we pray for God's continued blessings on the Church of Sacramento.

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



#### **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (March 24 & 25)**

**5:30pm Vigil Mass; 8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (Spanish) Masses**

Note: We gather 5 minutes before Mass in front of the Church for the blessing of palms.

#### **Monday & Tuesday (March 26 & 27)**

8am Daily Mass

#### **Wednesday (March 28)**

8am & 12noon Daily Masses



#### **Holy Thursday (March 29)**

**No morning Mass**

**Mass of the Lord's Supper  
at 7pm** (with adoration of the

Holy Eucharist until 7am next day)



#### **Good Friday of the Lord's Passion Liturgy (March 30)**

at 12:15 pm (with Stations of the Cross around 1:30pm, concluding with the Divine Mercy Chaplet *Divine Mercy Novena's first day*)



#### **Good Friday of the Lord's Passion Liturgy in Spanish 7pm**



#### **Easter Vigil (March 31) 8:15pm**

Note: There are NO CONFESSIONS  
at 4pm and NO 5:30pm Mass

#### **Easter Sunday (April 1)**

8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (Spanish) Masses

### THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION | Good Friday – March 30

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Please make your check payable to Saint Theresa Catholic Church. Please be generous.

### LISTENING AS SPIRITUAL HOSPITALITY | <http://henrinouwen.org/meditation/spirit-jesus-listening-us/>

To listen is very hard, because it asks of us so much interior stability that we no longer need to prove ourselves by speeches, arguments, statements, or declarations. True listeners no longer have an inner need to make their presence known. They are free to receive, to welcome, to accept.

Listening is much more than allowing another to talk while waiting for a chance to respond. Listening is paying full attention to others and welcoming them into our very beings. The beauty of listening is that, those who are listened to start feeling accepted, start taking their words more seriously and discovering their own true selves. Listening is a form of spiritual hospitality by which you invite strangers to become friends, to get to know their inner selves more fully, and even to dare to be silent with you.



## 18 DE MARZO DE 2018 | QUINTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

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.

### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura**—El Señor hará una nueva alianza con la casa de Israel. (Jeremías 31:31-34)  
 Salmo — Oh Dios, crea en mí un corazón puro (Salmo 51 [50]).  
**Segunda lectura** — Cristo aprendió obediencia, y los que ahora le obedecen encuentran en él la salvación eterna (Hebreos 5:7-9)  
**Evangelio** — Si el grano de trigo cae en tierra y muere, da mucho fruto (Juan 12:20-33)

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
 Martes: Nm 21:4-9; Sal 102 (101):2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30  
 Miércoles: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42  
 Jueves: Gn 17:3-9; Sal 105 (104):4-9; Jn 8:51-59  
 Viernes: Jer 20:10-13; Sal 18 (17):2-7; Jn 10:31-42  
 Sábado: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56  
 Domingo: Mc 11:1-10 o Jn 12:12-16; (procesión) Is 50:4-7; Sal 22 (21): 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Flp 2:6-11; Mc 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

### SALVADOS POR EL AMOR DE DIOS |

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Después de que los israelitas quebrantaron la antigua alianza, Dios prometió una nueva alianza, no con la sangre de bueyes y otros animales sino con la sangre del Hijo, Jesucristo. Esta nueva alianza, que Jeremías y los profetas habían anticipado, no sería grabada en piedra ni escrita en papel, sino que se escribiría en el corazón, para que pudiéramos conocer a Dios íntimamente. La salvación no está en obedecer muchos preceptos, sino en el amor de Dios, que está vivo y es real en nuestro corazón gracias al sacrificio de Cristo.

Nuestra Eucaristía es la promesa del Cristo que vive dentro nuestro y de nuestra respuesta de alabanza y agradecimiento a Dios por su misericordia, amor y bondad al perdonar nuestros pecados y limpiarnos el corazón de todo mal. Dios extiende esta invitación a la intimidad al ofrecernos la oportunidad de que nuestro sufrimiento se transforme en el amor perfecto del Salvador, que siempre nos amó.

### INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

<b>17 de marzo   sábado   San Patricio</b>
<b>5:30 pm</b> Dylan Rohrer (dec—bday) by Mom
<b>18 de marzo   domingo  </b>
<b>8:00 am</b> Michael Border (dec) by Jim & Nita Summers
<b>10:00 am</b> Rudy Pakes (dec) by Moni & Colleen
<b>12:00 pm</b> St. Theresa parishioners
<b>7:00 pm</b>
<b>19 de marzo   lunes   San José, Esposo de la Virgen María</b>
<b>8:00 am</b> Teresa Wilhelm (dec) by Sep
<b>20 de marzo   martes  </b>
<b>8:00 am</b> Michael Roach (dec) by his family
<b>21 de marzo   miércoles  </b>
<b>8:00 am</b> Mark & John Hurley (dec)
<b>12:00 pm</b> Concordia Balong (healing) by the Balong family
<b>22 de marzo   jueves  </b>
<b>8:00 am</b> Fr. Michael Newman (dec)
<b>23 de marzo   viernes  </b>
<b>8:00 am</b> Michael Roach (dec) by his family
<b>12:00 pm</b> Fr. Michael Newman (dec)
<b>24 de marzo   sábado   San Toribio de Mogrovejo</b>
<b>5:30 pm</b> Soledad Aquino (dec) by the Aquino family

### 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 | Romie Enriquez | Gene Estepa | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo

#### 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](mailto:tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com)



### ¡GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD!

03/11	Colecta Regular	4313.99
	Catholic Relief Services	1512.20
Segunda colecta—17/18 de marzo: no colecta		
Segunda colecta— 24/25 de marzo: snow removal		



### 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.



## VÍA CRUCIS

Los viernes de cuaresma el Vía Crucis a las **7pm**. Pueden llegar temprano para ser parte de la cena de Sopa que se estará ofreciendo después del Vía Crucis en inglés y antes del Vía Crucis en español.



## HORARIO DE SEMANA SANTA

### DOMINGO DE RAMOS (25 DE MARZO)

5:30pm Misa de Vigilia; Misas de 8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (español)

*Nota:* Favor de llegar 10 minutos antes de la Misa para la bendición de palmas.

### LUNES Y MARTES (26 & 27 DE MARZO)

8am Misa Diaria

### MIÉRCOLES (28 DE MARZO)

Misa de 8am & 12medio día

### JUEVES SANTO (29 DE MARZO) A LAS 7PM

No hay Misa de 8am

Misa de la Cena del Señor a las 7pm (con Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento hasta las 7am del día siguiente)

### VIERNES SANTO: LITURGIA DE LA PASIÓN DEL SEÑOR (30 DE MARZO) A LAS 12:15 PM (INGLÉS)

(Vía Crucis a la 1:30pm, y Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia)

**Liturgia de la Pasión del Señor (30 DE MARZO) a las 7:30pm en ESPAÑOL**

### VIGILIA PASCUAL (31 DE MARZO) 8:15PM

*Nota:* No hay confesiones a las 4pm y no hay Misa de 5:30pm

### DOMINGO DE PASCUA (1 DE ABRIL)

Misas de 8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (español)

## CRUCIGRAMA

**"Cuando Yo sea levantado en alto sobre la tierra, atraeré a todos hacia Mí" (Juan 12:32).**

El Señor nos prometió una nueva alianza (Jer 31:31). Jesús la llamó la Sangre de la Alianza (Mt 26:28). Jesús "alcanzó la perfección y llegó a ser causa de salvación eterna para todos los que le obedecen" porque "aprendió por medio de sus propios sufrimientos qué significa obedecer" (Heb 5:9, 8). "Si el grano de trigo que cae en la tierra no muere, queda solo; pero si muere, da mucho fruto" (Jn 12:24). Una vez que Jesús fue levantado en la cruz, comenzó a atraer a todas las personas a Sí (Jn 12:32). El sufrimiento sangriento y la muerte de Jesús en la cruz establecieron la nueva alianza, nos dieron la salvación y sigue dando el fruto de la evangelización al conducir a todas las personas hacia Él. Cuando pensamos en la cruz de Jesús y en nuestras cruces diarias (Lc 9:23), nuestras almas están turbadas (Jn 12:27). Como Jesús, somos tentados a rezar para que seamos salvados de la cruz en vez de ser salvados por la cruz (Jn 12:27). Sin embargo, es por la cruz que hemos llegado a esta hora (Jn 12:27). Por lo tanto, abracemos la cruz y estemos determinados a "no saber nada, fuera de Jesucristo, y Jesucristo crucificado" (1 Co 2:2). Ora con san Francisco de Asís: "Te adoramos, oh Cristo, y te alabamos porque por Tu santa cruz has redimido al mundo". "Yo solo me gloriaré en la cruz de nuestro Señor Jesucristo" (Gal 6:14)

**Oración:** *Padre, me quedaré "junto a la cruz" (ver Jn 19:25).*

**Promesa:** *"Él dirigió durante su vida terrenal súplicas y plegarias, con fuertes gritos y lágrimas, a Aquel que podía salvarlo de la muerte, y fue escuchado por su humilde sumisión" (Heb 5:7).*

**Alabanza:** *Alabado seas Jesús, la Resurrección y la Vida crucificada (Jn 11:25). Tú eres el "autor de la vida" (Hch 3:15).*

<http://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=es&d=3/18/2018>

## COLECTA DEL VIERNES SANTO - UNA COLECTA PONTIFICIA

**Viernes Santo – 30 de marzo**

El Papa Francisco ha pedido a nuestra parroquia apoyo para la colecta del Viernes Santo – Una Colecta Pontificia que ayuda a los cristianos en Tierra Santa. A través de la Colecta del Viernes Santo, somos solidarios con la Iglesia en Tierra Santa como testigos de paz, apoyando a los católicos en parroquias y escuelas, manteniendo santuarios cristianos y cuidando a los refugiados en Tierra Santa. Por favor hagan el cheque a nombre de Saint Therese Parish. Por favor colaboren generosamente