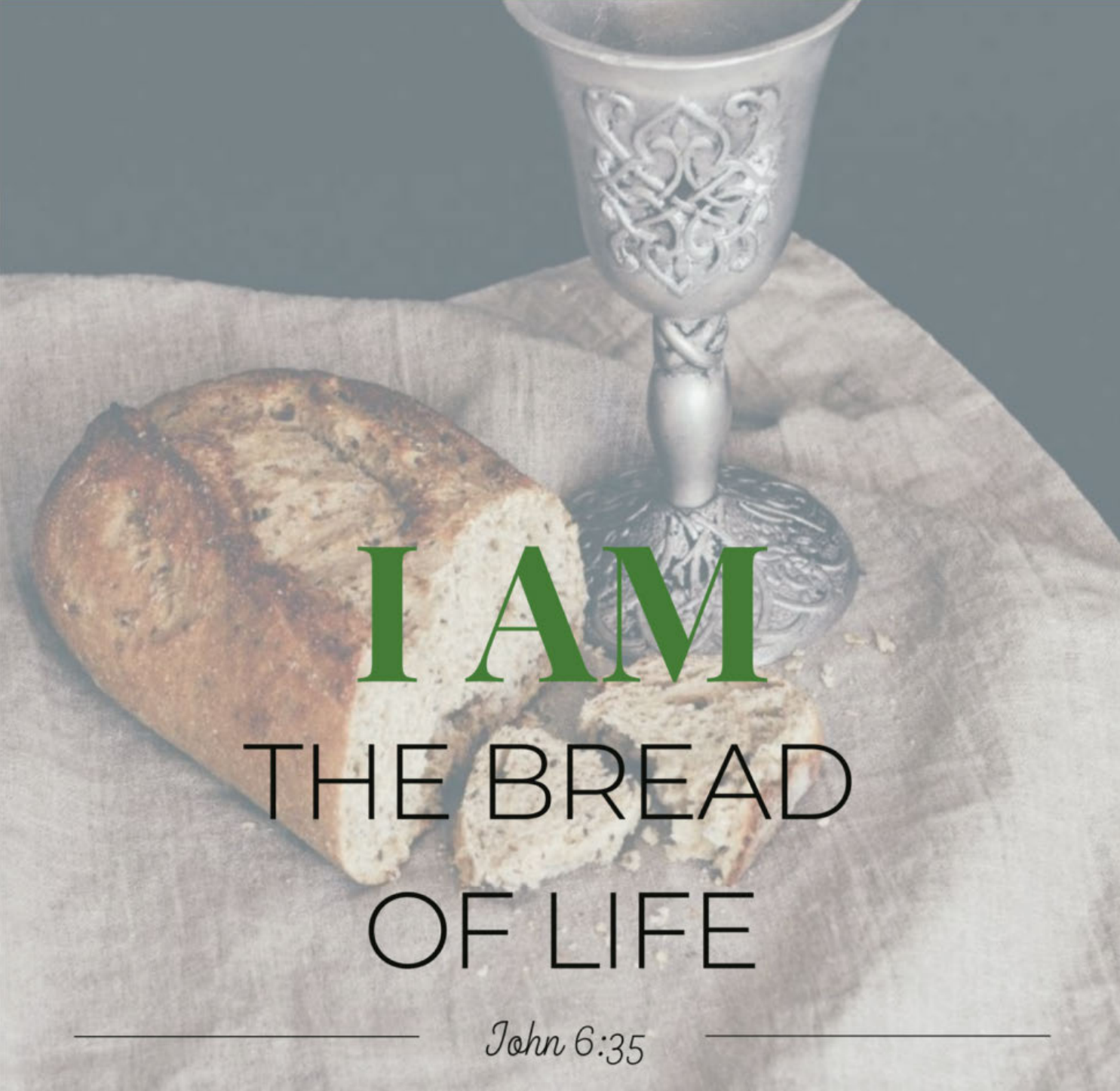


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AUGUST 4, 2024

A photograph of a loaf of bread and a chalice on a tablecloth. The bread is a long, rustic loaf, partially broken into pieces. The chalice is ornate with intricate scrollwork. The background is a textured, light-colored tablecloth.

I AM
THE BREAD
OF LIFE

John 6:35

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Sunday Masses: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 1:15 PM - Spanish

Daily Masses: Monday — Friday
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 6:30 PM
Tuesdays-6:30 PM Spanish

Penance: Saturdays 1:00 PM-2:00 PM in the Church

Sunday Offering: July 27th & 28th, 2024 — \$13,198.00

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Baptism

Please call the rectory at 201-384-0101 to schedule your baptism and confirm your attendance at the instructional meeting.

The **Parent Instructional** meeting is held the **1st Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM** and the **3rd Sunday at 2:45 PM in Spanish.**

Baptisms are held the **2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month at 3 PM in English** and the **4th Sunday of the month at 2:45 PM in Spanish.**

Parents **must** be registered parishioners and provide the child's birth certificate, and have godparents who are **practicing Catholics.**

Godparents need to be at least sixteen, confirmed, received the Eucharist, and if married, have the Sacrament of Matrimony.

A sponsor certificate, **for each Godparent**, must be provided a week prior to the baptism.

Matrimony

All wedding arrangements should be made **ONE** year in advance, **please call the rectory** at 201-384-0101 to **make an appointment** with a priest.

We encourage that you get an updated baptismal certificate.

Adults seeking to enter the Catholic Church, either unbaptized or baptized in another denomination, are invited to inquire about our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults preparation program which will begin in the fall. This program is also open to baptized Catholics who have not received First Communion or Confirmation.

For more information, contact Deacon Jim for English or Fr. César for Spanish at the rectory.

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EVEN SWEEPING,
SCRAPING VEGETABLES,
WEEDING A GARDEN
AND WAITING ON THE
SICK COULD BE A
PRAYER, IF IT WERE
OFFERED TO GOD.
”

SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES

PRAYER TO ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

To you Saint Martin de Porres we prayerfully lift up our hearts filled with serene confidence and devotion. Mindful of your unbounded and helpful charity to all levels of society and also of your meekness and humility of heart, we offer our petitions to you. Pour out upon our families the precious gifts of your solicitous and generous intercession; show to the people of every race and every color the paths of unity and of justice; implore from our Father in heaven the coming of his kingdom, so that through mutual benevolence in God men may increase the fruits of grace and merit the rewards of eternal life. Amen.

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"Brothers and sisters: I declare and testify in the Lord that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds...and be renewed in the spirit of your minds."

St. Paul is calling the Church in Ephesus to conversion. The Greek word for conversion is μετανοια (metanoia), which means to "change one's mind" or "a change of mentality". St. Paul is inviting us, like the Ephesians, to abandon the mentality of "the Gentiles", that is, the pagans, and to have our minds renewed by Jesus Christ - to have the mentality of Christ.

In the movie *Inception*, Leonardo DiCaprio famously says, "What is the most resilient parasite? Bacteria? A virus? An intestinal worm? An idea. Resilient... highly contagious. Once an idea has taken hold of the brain it's almost impossible to eradicate."

The movie does an excellent job illustrating this point. We can conclude that *ideas are not harmless. Ideas have tremendous ramifications, and greatly affect our personal actions and decisions, our outlook on life and our relationships. On a larger scale, ideas affect national policies, the culture, music, art and academia. Ideas, fully formed, can build or destroy entire civilizations.*

2024 is no exception to this. It's enough to watch the Olympics that is currently being held in France. In the opening ceremony, there was a horrific segment in which the Last Supper was reenacted by drag queens and other members of the LGBT community. This was done in the name of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) - the new standard by which everyone and everything is judged. DEI is the shield that defends gender ideology.

Gender ideology is very different from those who actually suffer from gender dysmorphia. Gender ideology is the radical political movement that seeks to destroy the institutions of family and marriage - amongst other things - in the name of freeing humanity from the oppressive categories of male and female, in favor of an unlimited plethora of options, which has *your personal preference at the center, void of the truth or any notion of objectivity. In other words, it is an ideology that puts my feelings as the highest criteria. If your 5 year-old child claims to be an astronaut, you must take him seriously and send him to NASA immediately. If your child feels they are a cat, get them a litter box (they are doing this in the schools in Guam). If I feel that 2+2=5, then nobody can tell me otherwise. As a side note, this is actually happening in Canada, where radical teachers are proposing that math is racist. Google it!*

These ideologies are the consequence of *an original idea, which comes from the Devil: it is the lie that "God does not love you", therefore you are god of your life and can do whatever you want. To undo the lie of the Devil, God sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to bring a different idea. But it was more than an idea. Jesus Christ is a person. And he is love. And this person, full of love for you and I, offers us a new life, a new spirit, not rooted in an idea, but rooted in a fact, the fact that Christ is risen and that God loves us. Therefore, I can put God's will, and not my personal feelings, as the highest criteria and value. And God will not disappoint or lie to you. Every ideology has failed humanity. God has not failed or given up on us. God loves you!*

Hermanos y hermanas: afirmo y atestigo en el Señor que ya no debéis vivir como los gentiles, en la vanidad de sus mentes... sino renovaros en el espíritu de vuestra mente.

San Pablo invita a la Iglesia de Éfeso a la transformación. La palabra griega para transformación es μετανοια (metanoia), que significa "cambiar de opinión" o "un cambio de mentalidad". San Pablo nos anima, al igual que a los efesios, a abandonar la mentalidad de "los gentiles", es decir, los paganos, y a permitir que Jesucristo renueve nuestra mente, a tener la mentalidad de Cristo.

En la película Inception, Leonardo DiCaprio pronuncia la célebre cita: "¿Cuál es el parásito más resistente? ¿Bacterias? ¿Un virus? ¿Un gusano intestinal? Una idea. Resiliente... altamente contagiosa. Una vez que una idea se ha afianzado en la mente, es casi imposible eliminarla".

La película realiza un trabajo excepcional al ilustrar este punto. Podemos concluir que *las ideas no son inofensivas. Las ideas tienen ramificaciones tremendas y afectan enormemente nuestras acciones y decisiones personales, nuestra perspectiva de la vida y nuestras relaciones. A una escala mayor, las ideas impactan en las políticas nacionales, la cultura, la música, el arte y el mundo académico. Las ideas, completamente formadas, pueden construir o destruir civilizaciones enteras.*

El año 2024 no es una excepción a esto. Simplemente observa los Juegos Olímpicos que se están llevando a cabo actualmente en Francia. Durante la ceremonia de apertura, se presentó un segmento impactante en el que drag queens y otros miembros de la comunidad LGBT recrearon la Última Cena. Todo en nombre de la Diversidad, Equidad e Inclusión (DEI), el nuevo estándar por el cual se evalúa todo. La DEI actúa como un escudo que protege la ideología de género.

La mentalidad de género difiere notablemente de la de quienes experimentan disforia de género. Es un enfoque radical que busca transformar las bases de la familia y el matrimonio, entre otros aspectos, en pos de una diversidad infinita de posibilidades, donde cada individuo encuentra su propia identidad sin límites, sin verdad absoluta ni objetividad. Es una mentalidad que coloca las emociones como guía suprema. Si un niño de 5 años expresa ser astronauta, es crucial tomarlo en serio y fomentar su sueño. Si un niño se identifica como un gato, apoyémoslo en su singularidad (como ya se hace en algunas escuelas). Si percibes que 2+2=5, nadie debería invalidar tu percepción. Por otro lado, en Canadá, se plantea que las matemáticas tienen sesgos raciales. ¡Investiga en Google!

Estas creencias se derivan de *un pensamiento inicial, que proviene de una fuente negativa: la falsedad de que "Dios no te ama", por lo tanto, tú eres el dueño de tu destino y puedes seguir tus deseos. Para dismantelar la mentira inicial, Dios envió a su Hijo, Jesucristo, para presentar una perspectiva distinta. Pero fue más que una perspectiva. Jesucristo es una presencia. Y esa presencia es amor. Este ser, rebosante de amor por ti y por mí, nos brinda una existencia renovada, un espíritu renovado, no basado en una idea, sino en un hecho, el hecho de la resurrección de Cristo y el amor de Dios hacia nosotros. Por ende, puedo adoptar la voluntad de Dios, en lugar de mis emociones personales, como la norma y el valor supremo. Dios nunca te defraudará ni te engañará. Todas las creencias humanas han defraudado a la humanidad. Dios nunca nos ha fallado ni nos ha abandonado. ¡Dios te ama!*



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

5:30 PM Geraro Baniquad Jr.
7:00 PM (Spanish) Maria Castro Ruiz - 3rd Anniv.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

7:30 AM The People of the Parish
9:00 AM God, The Father of All Mankind - Thanksgiving
10:30 AM Intentions of the D'Silva Family
12:00 PM Pedro Cabrera
1:15 PM (Spanish) Madeline Jungerman
5:30 PM (Tagalog) Special Intentions

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

7:00 AM Jose Luis Rosario
9:00 AM Theresa A Edone
6:30 PM Raul Contillo

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

7:00 AM Salem, Macabasco, & Burgos Families
9:00 AM Socorro Ladera Anora
6:30 PM (Spanish) Jose & Jesus Nuñez

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

7:00 AM Patricia Sutherland
9:00 AM Santiago Valencia - Birthday
6:30 PM Anthony Rizzuto - Anniversary

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

7:00 AM Johnny Sierra
9:00 AM Filomena Fix
6:30 PM Benito Manuel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

7:00 AM Michael Miller
9:00 AM Zaldy Mateo & Cassian Ramon Virda - Sp. Int.
6:30 PM Alfred Cialone

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00 AM (Spanish) Matthew J. Connell
9:00 AM Demetria Interino
5:30 PM George Cabray
7:00 PM (Spanish) Gustavo Guzman

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:00 AM Rogelia Trompeta
10:30 AM Amarita Mendoza
12:00 PM Msgr. Richard Arnhols
1:15 PM (Spanish) Lucas Flores - Birthday & Thanksg.

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember Jane Dunn in your prayers

Memorial Fund/Special Intention August 3rd-9th

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Rosarians will gather for the 9am Mass on **Monday, August 4th** and pray the rosary together after Mass. All are invited to join in the Rosary.

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Requesting donations of the following:

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- White Rice
- Cereal for Kids & Adults
- Coffee & Tea
- Juice or Drinks for Kids
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En esta necesidad y pena que me agobia acudo a ti, mi protector San Martín de Porres. Quiero sentir tu poderosa intercesión. Tú, que viviste sólo para Dios y para tus hermanos, que tan solícito fuiste en socorrer a los necesitados, escucha a quienes admiramos tus virtudes. Confío en tu poderoso valimiento para que, intercediendo ante el Dios de bondad, me sean perdonados mis pecados y me vea libre de males y desgracias.

Alcánzame tu espíritu de caridad y servicio para que amorosamente te sirva entregado a mis hermanos y a hacer el bien. Padre celestial, por los méritos de tu fiel siervo San Martín, ayúdame en mis problemas y no permitas que quede confundida mi esperanza.

Te lo pedimos por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor. Amen.

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GRUPOS PARROQUIALES

La Palabra ~ lunes,
Iglesia de abajo
7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Legión de María ~ martes,
Capilla del Parish Life Center
6:00pm ~ 7:30pm

Tienda del Encuentro ~ martes,
Basement del Parish Life Center
7:00pm ~ 10:00pm

Emaús Mujeres ~ miércoles,
Iglesia de abajo,
7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Emaús Hombres ~ miércoles,
Basement del Parish Life Center
7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Grupo de Oración Luz y Vida ~ jueves,
Iglesia de abajo,
7:30pm ~ 9:30pm

Devoción a la Preciosa Sangre de Cristo ~ viernes,
Basement del Parish Life Center,
8:00pm ~ 9:00pm

Ministerio Matrimonios Con Cristo ~
tercer viernes del mes, Iglesia de abajo
7:30pm ~ 9:45pm



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Para más detalles, contacte al diácono Jim para inglés o al p. César de español en la rectoría.

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