



# CHURCH OF ST JOSEPH

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## MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS

Sun./Dom.	9 AM (English), 11AM (Español)
Mon./Lun.	8:30 AM (English)
Tues./Mar.	7 PM (Español) Vísperas & Misa
Wed./Mier.	8:30 AM (English)
Fri./Vier.	7 PM (Español) Vísperas & Misa
Sat./Sab.	9 AM Mass for Children / Families (English)

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday, 9:30 AM. to 6 PM (Closed for lunch, 1:00—2:00 PM)

**HORARIO DE LA CASA CURAL:** Lunes a Viernes, 9:30 AM a 6 PM (Cerrada, 1 - 2 PM)

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Call anytime.

**UNCIÓN DE ENFERMOS:** llamar a cualquier hora.

### **SPECIAL DEVOTIONS/DEVOCIONES ESPECIALES:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, Fridays, after the 7 PM Mass

Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento con la Bendición : Viernes **luego** de la Misa de las 7 PM

The Miraculous Medal Novena, on Mondays after the Mass.

Novena de la Medalla Milagrosas, los lunes después de la Misa.

**BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES:** By appointment only. Please call the Parish Office well in advance.

**BAUTISMOS & BODAS:** Hacer una cita de antemano.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** 9 AM on Saturdays. Any time by appointment

**SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN** Sabado a las 9 AM. O llamar para una cita.

**COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** Any one who cannot attend church because of illness or age, please contact the parish office so that arrangements can be made to bring communion to you.

**COMUNION PARA LOS ENFERMOS:** Llámanos para que uno de nuestros ministros te lleve la Sagrada Comunión.

**WELCOME, NEW PARISHIONERS!** Please visit the Rectory so that we may formally register you as members of the parish.

**Sunday/Domingo, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Is 62: 1-5; 1 Cor 12: 4-11 / Jn 2: 1-11

9 AM † Arthur Pinho

11 AM †† Manuel & Isabel Nuñez  
†† Quilvio Nuñez, Justiniano Nuñez  
† Alex Popruzuk  
En honor a la Virgen de la Altagracia

**Monday/Lunes, January 21<sup>st</sup>**

St. Agnes  
Heb 5: 1-10 / Mk 2: 18-22

8:30 AM Available

**Tuesday/Martes, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Heb 6: 10-20 / Mk 2: 23-28

7 PM † Humberto López (1<sup>o</sup> Aniversario)

**Wednesday/Miércoles, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Heb 7: 1-2, 15-17 Mk 3: 1-6

8:30 AM † Bob Jones

**Friday/Viernes, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle  
Acts 22: 3-16 / Mk 16: 15-18

7 PM † Maria del Carmen Prieto

**Saturday/Sábados, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

Sts. Timothy & Titus  
2 Tm 1: 1-8 / Mk 3: 20-21

9 AM † Roberto Rosas (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**Sunday/Domingo, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Neh 8: 2-4, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 / Lk 1: 1-4; 4; 14-21

9 AM † Cecilia A. Favareau

11 AM En Acción de Gracias al Divino Niño

HAVING MASS OFFERED FOR SOMEONE MAKES A GREAT SPIRITUAL GIFT.  
PEDIR UNA MISA PARA ALGUIEN ES UN BONITO REGALO ESPIRITUAL.

**COLLECTIONS/COLECTAS January 13, 2019**

Weekly need is / Necesidad semanal es:	\$6,178.00
Sunday Offering (9 AM \$1,172 & 11 AM \$957.00)	\$2,129.00
Church Property Fund	\$901.00

May God Bless you for your generosity!  
¡Que Dios los bendigas a todos por su generosidad!

***Wedding Banns (I)***

**Jesús Cano-Calvario & Angélica Romero-Romero**  
(March 9, 2019, at San Pablo del Monte Tlaxcala, México).

***Amonestaciones de matrimonio (I)***

**Jesús Cano-Calvario & Angélica Romero-Romero**  
(09 de Marzo del 2019, en San Pablo del Monte Tlaxcala, México).

**URGENTLY NEEDED**

We are looking for a **volunteer** who is computer-savy to manage our Facebook Page and Social Media.

**FLOWERS/FLORES**

**In honor of Our Lady the Altagracia**  
**En honor a Ntra. Sra. De La Altagracia**  
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**ALTAR BREAD & WINE/HOSTIAS Y VINO**

**Por las necesidades de la República Dominicana**  
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By/Por Altagracia Cmte./ Comité de la Altagracia

**UNEXPECTED PREGNANCY?** If you are in a crisis pregnancy, please call (914) 620-4464  
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**¿EMBARAZO INESPERADO?** Si se encuentra en una crisis por causa del embarazo, llamar al (914) 620-4464  
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## Conversion of St Paul (Jan 25th)

The early chapters of the Acts of the Apostles set out St. Luke's account of the origins of the Church. Despite the fact that Jesus had been crucified and buried, a vocal group of his disciples were making quite a stir in Jerusalem by preaching that he had risen from the dead.

What is more, they were gaining converts. For Paul of Tarsus this was a dangerous and heretical new movement, operating in the very heart of Jerusalem and as such it was potentially a threat to Judaism. As a zealous Pharisee, Paul was fiercely opposed to this Jesus cult. We might say he opposed it to the point of fanaticism.

We first meet him guarding the clothes of those who were stoning the first Christian martyr St Stephen, thereby agreeing with his execution, and beginning a severe persecution of Christians in Jerusalem. Many of them fled the city, but Paul was not content. He would hound them down, and so he petitioned the Jewish authorities in Damascus, over 130 miles to the north, to arrest any there who bore allegiance to Christ.

It was while he was approaching Damascus that he had his conversion experience. The significance of this event was such that St Luke includes three separate accounts of it in Acts of the Apostles; the narrative account in Acts 9, a speech by Paul in Hebrew to the Jews in Acts 22 and then in a speech in Greek to a Gentile Governor and a King in Acts 26. This story is worth repeating. The whole world should hear this. One version states that it was at noon that Paul had his vision – but the implication is that the light he saw far outshone the sun at its full strength, throwing him to the ground and blinding his eyes. In Christian art, he is often shown as falling off a horse, even though Luke doesn't tell us that Paul was riding a horse.

While Luke speaks of light from heaven, Paul's own testimony is that he saw the Risen Christ and thereby was an eye-witness of the Resurrection, the primary test of authentic apostleship. This is why Paul would consistently present himself as an Apostle of Jesus Christ.

We cannot over emphasize how important Paul's conversion and his understanding of the gospel is for the development of the Christian faith. Paul was given the vision of a new humanity under the Lordship of Christ embracing both Jew and Gentile. The theology of his epistles has given shape to Christian doctrine and ethics.

He undertook three great missionary journeys, to bring the gospel of Jesus to the gentiles - the non-Jewish world. And it's no exaggeration to say that perhaps most of us are Christians today, because of the missionary efforts of this Apostle to the gentiles - the Teacher of the Nations.

Fundamentally in St Paul's teaching is the great conviction that God in Christ sets us free; free from our past, free from the consequences of our sinfulness, free from the corruption of death. And it is that vision of freedom that must still motivate our prayers for the human family, that somehow all people might find that freedom which Paul's gospel proclaims. And so we pray for the peace of Damascus, of Syria, and all God's children in every part of the world.

## La Conversión de San Pablo (25 de Enero)

“Fui acogido por Dios con toda misericordia, porque obré por ignorancia en el tiempo de mi incredulidad. Y en verdad que sobreabundó en mí la gracia de nuestro Señor, juntamente con la fe y la caridad de Cristo Jesús. Soy indigno del nombre de apóstol, pues perseguí a la Iglesia de Dios.”

### Pablo lo sufrió todo Por amor a Cristo.

Qué es el hombre, cuán grande su nobleza y cuánta su capacidad de virtud lo podemos colegir sobre todo de la persona de Pablo. Cada día se levantaba con una mayor elevación y fervor de espíritu y, frente a los peligros que lo acechaban, era cada vez mayor su empuje, como lo atestiguan sus propias palabras: Olvidando lo que queda atrás y lanzándome hacia lo que veo por delante; y, al presentir la inminencia de su muerte, invitaba a los demás a compartir su gozo, diciendo: Alegraos y congratulaos conmigo; y, al pensar en sus peligros y oprobios, se alegra también y dice, escribiendo a los corintios: Vivo contento en medio de mis debilidades de los insultos y de las persecuciones; incluso llama a estas cosas armas de justicia, significando con ello que le sirven de gran provecho. Y así, en medio de las asechanzas de sus enemigos, habla en tono triunfal de las victorias alcanzadas sobre los ataques de sus perseguidores y, habiendo sufrido en todas partes azotes, injurias y maldiciones, como quien vuelve victorioso de la batalla, colmado de trofeos, da gracias a Dios, diciendo: Gracias sean dadas a Dios, que en todo tiempo nos lleva en el cortejo triunfal de Cristo. Imbuido de estos sentimientos, se lanzaba a las contradicciones e injurias, que le acarrea su predicación, con un ardor superior al que nosotros empleamos en la consecución de los honores, deseando la muerte más que nosotros deseamos la vida, la pobreza más que nosotros la riqueza, y el trabajo mucho más que otros apetecen el descanso que lo sigue. La única cosa que él temía era ofender a Dios; lo demás le tenía sin cuidado. Por esto mismo, lo único que deseaba era agradar siempre a Dios. Y, lo que era para él lo más importante de todo, gozaba del amor de Cristo; con esto se consideraba el más dichoso de todos, sin esto le era indiferente asociarse a los poderosos y a los príncipes; prefería ser, con este amor, el último de todos, incluso del número de los condenados, que formar parte sin él, de los más encumbrados y honorables. Para él, el tormento más grande y extraordinario era el verse privado de este amor: para él, su privación significaba el infierno, el único sufrimiento, el suplicio infinito e intolerable. Gozar del amor de Cristo representaba para él la vida, el mundo, la compañía de los ángeles, los bienes presentes y futuros, el reino, las promesas, el conjunto de todo bien; sin este amor, nada catalogaba como triste o alegre. Las cosas de este mundo no las consideraba, en sí mismas, ni duras ni suaves. Las realidades presentes las despreciaba como hierba ya podrida. A los mismos gobernantes y al pueblo enfurecido contra él les daba el mismo valor que a un insignificante mosquito. Consideraba como un juego de niños la muerte y la más variada clase de tormentos y suplicios, con tal de poder sufrir algo por Cristo.

*De las Homilias de san Juan Crisóstomo, obispo*

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **REASONS TO BE REGISTERED IN THE PARISH:**

helps to support the church, identifies you as a practicing Catholic, allows you to receive sponsorship certificates and other church documentation, gives you access to the sacraments, helps you to register for the religious education program and gives you a community of believers.

**STAY CURRENT** with your support to our **Parish - take and use your box of envelopes for 2019!** Individually labeled boxes are placed on tables in the back of the church. **No box for you there?** Then kindly sign the form on the table or call the rectory to register in our parish!

**GOD PARENTS:** there is often misunderstanding about being a god parent, according to the directives of the universal church (Canon Law) a godparent needs to be a practicing Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Initiation and, if married, needs to be married in the Catholic Church. Practicing Catholics means that the person is a registered member of a parish, who attends Sunday Mass and who will be a role model of the Catholic faith for the child. Sounds reasonable!

**SPONSOR CERTIFICATES:** Please come to the rectory. In order to be a godparent or sponsor, you must have received your own sacraments, be registered and a practicing Catholic which means Sunday attendance and, if married, married in the Catholic Church.

## **ANUNCIOS**

**RAZONES PARA ESTAR REGISTRADO EN LA PARROQUIA:** ayuda a apoyar a la iglesia, te identifica como un católico practicante, te permite recibir certificados de patrocinio y otra documentación de la iglesia, te da acceso a los sacramentos, te ayuda a registrarte en el programa de educación religiosa, te da una comunidad de creyentes.

**MANTENGASE** actualizado con su apoyo a nuestra Parroquia: **¡tome y use su caja de sobres para 2019!** Se encuentran en las mesas en la parte posterior de la iglesia. **No hay caja para usted allí?** ¡Entonces, rellene el formulario de registración que se encuentra sobre la mesa o visite la rectoría para registrarse en nuestra parroquia!. Gracias por su generosidad.

**PADRINOS** -- a menudo hay malentendidos acerca de ser un padrino; de acuerdo con las directivas de la iglesia universal (Ley Canónica) un padrino debe ser un católico practicante que ha recibido los Sacramentos de Iniciación y, si está casado, debe estar casado en la Iglesia Católica. Católicos practicantes significa que la persona es un miembro registrado de una parroquia, que asiste a la misa dominical y que será un modelo a seguir de la fe católica para el niño. ¡Suena razonable!

**CERTIFICADOS PARA PADRINOS O MADRINAS:** Por favor venga a la rectoría. Para ser padrino o madrina, debe haber recibido sus propios sacramentos, estar registrado y ser católico practicante, que significa asistir a la misa los domingo y si es casado, casado en la iglesia católica.

## PARISH GROUPS –GRUPOS PARROQUIALES

### Monday/Lunes

Cursillistas 7:00 PM School Conf. Room

### Tuesday/Martes

Circulo de Oración 7:45 PM Church

Alcoholic Anonymous 7:00 PM School Cafeteria

### Thursday/Jueves

Alcoholic Anonymous 7:00 PM School Cafeteria

### Friday/Viernes

Rosario Pro-Vida 7:45 PM Church

Hora Santa (1<sup>st</sup> viernes) 7:45 PM Church

Hora Apostólica (2<sup>nd</sup> vier.) 7:45 PM Church

### Sunday/Domingo

Caballeros de Colón(1<sup>er</sup> Dom) 1PM K of C Room

Alcoholic Anonymous 6:30 PM School Cafeteria

## SERVICIOS A LA COMUNIDAD

**DISPENSA DE COMIDA**, todos los sábados desde las 8 AM a 9 AM. En el comedor parroquial del edificio escolar.

**COMEDOR**, servimos comida caliente a todos los necesitados, los domingo desde las 2 PM a 4 PM.

**Et cadens in terram audivit vocem dicentem  
sibi: Saule, Saule, quid me persequeris?  
(Actus Apostolorum 9:4)**





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