

STEWARDSHIP

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LAW OF THE GIFT

The story of Elijah and the widow of Zarephath is one of the most compelling exemplifications of what Saint John Paul II called "the law of the gift," namely, that one's being increases in the measure that one gives it away.

During a time of terrible drought, Elijah comes upon the widow, and he boldly asks that she give him something to eat and drink. When she explains that all she has left is enough to make a last meal for herself and her son, the prophet persists: *Make me a little cake and bring it to me.* She must have shaken her head, but she acquiesces. Then the miracle occurred: *She was able to eat for a year.*

By an instinct born of aeons of evolution, we seek to hang on to what we have, to cling to our possessions, to defend our lives at all costs. But in the spiritual order this instinct

is counter-indicated, for in regard to the things of God, grasping leads, not to gain, but to loss. Though he was in the form of God, *Jesus did not deem equality with God something to be grasped at. Rather, he emptied himself* (Phil 2:6-7a)

Therefore, if you want the divine life in you never to run out, don't hang on to it. Give it away! And you will find it increasing in you thirty, sixty, and a hundredfold.

from Bishop Robert Barron

WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Ends Thurs. Nov. 15th Thank you to all those who have already donated! Deliveries will be Fri. Nov. 16th, 2pm-5pm and Sat. Nov. 17th, 8am-12:30pm. If you are interesting in helping deliver, please contact Alyssa Ontiveros at 915-238-9854, or see an Ambassador.

PARISH ENGAGEMENT TEAM (PET)

Meets today after 10am Mass

10/14 MEETING SUMMARY

Have you attended a parish engagement team meeting? Meetings are held the 2nd Sunday of the month after the 10am Mass and are open to all members of the permanent community. Drop in on Nov. 11 see what's cooking in your parish, and find new opportunities to engage! Pastor's Report, Development Report and Women of Wisdom Report given. Business Items - To get to know each other better in the community, magnetic name tags will be ordered for parishioners that are active in one or more parish programs. Russ Louch was delegated to represent the PET on the Pastoral Council. The upcoming clothing and food collection for the homeless and needy in San Marcos was announced; details will be in the Oct. 21 bulletin.

MATCHING GIFT WEEK DECEMBER 2ND-9TH



All are invited to our

Community

Thanksgiving Dinner

Sun. Nov. 18th at 6pm.

Please be sure and bring a side dish or dessert to share!

THANKSGIVING BREAK

the office and building will be closed Wed., Nov. 21st at 1:30pm through Sat., Nov. 25th at 10pm.

There will be NO Masses on Thurs. Nov. 22nd or Fri. Nov. 23rd

Normal business hours and Masses will resume Sunday November 25th.

Both Fr. Craig & Deacon Cris will be out of the office

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Thu. Nov. 15th- No Services

Fri. Nov. 16th- 12:30pm Mass and 11:30am Confessions with Fr. Richard Andre

Mon. Nov. 19th- No Services

Tues. Nov. 20th- No Services

VETERAN'S DAY

A remembrance of all U.S. Military Veterans past and present, is celebrated every Nov. 11th and has been a federal holiday since 1926.

Our heartfelt prayers for Veterans to bring blessings to all our men and women in uniform. We give them our thanks for the freedom preserved, future defended, and the ideals embodied. Bless the Veterans who defended our country with strength and selfless devotion. Amen



WE PRAY

Please join us in prayer for the members of our parish in need of healing and spiritual support.

"Pray for one another...effective prayer can accomplish much." James 5:16

LIPSTICK

Ladies, especially those who use pink lipstick, please wipe it completely off before receiving The Precious Blood from the Chalice. Lipstick is staining our Purificators. Our volunteer parishioner must make new cloths to replace them. Thank you for being considerate of our liturgical linens and our volunteer parishioner who cares for them.

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