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February 22, 2026

First Sunday of Lent

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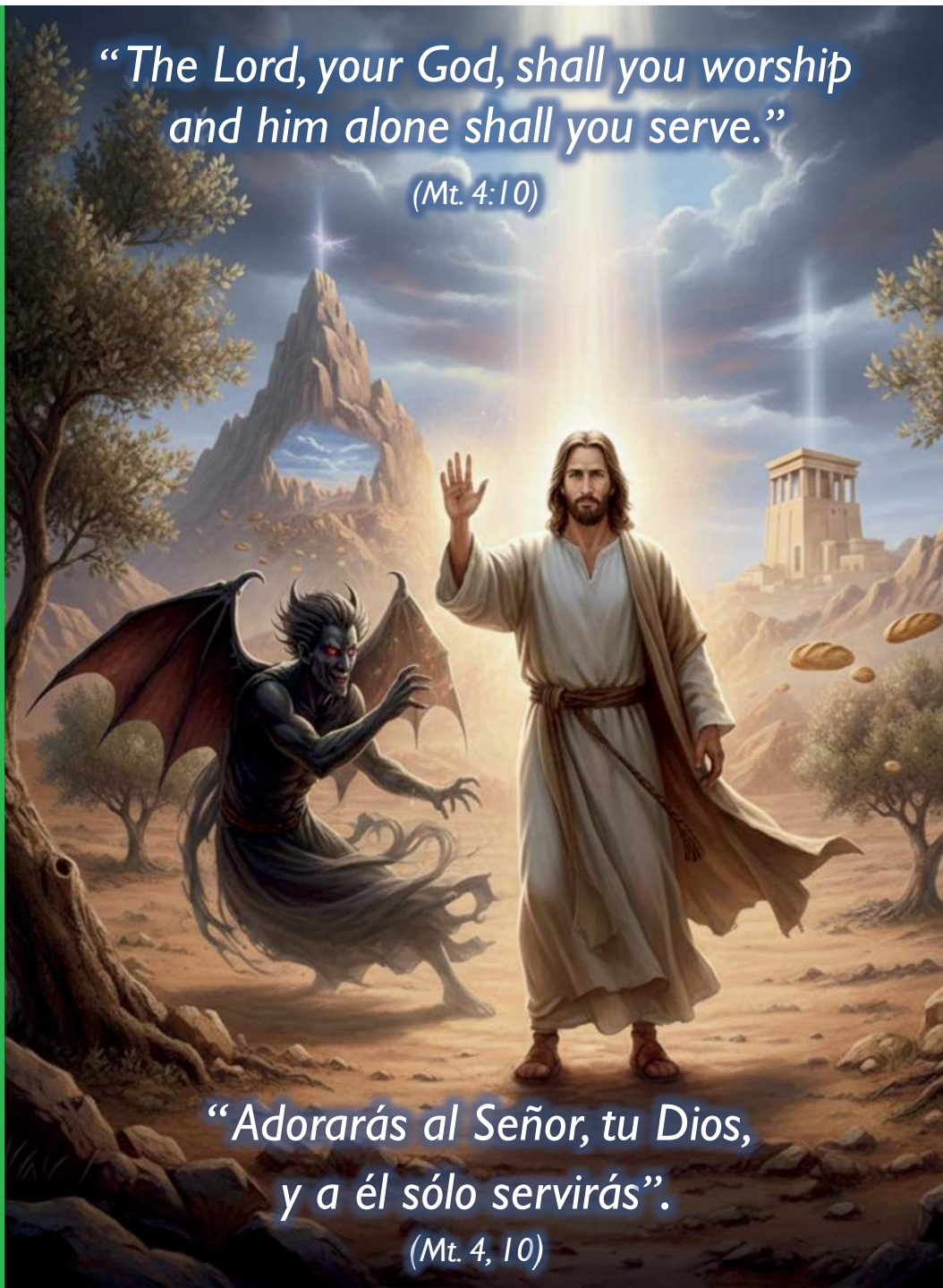
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Thank you for joining us today!
¡Gracias por acompañarnos!

*“The Lord, your God, shall you worship
and him alone shall you serve.”*

(Mt. 4:10)



*“Adorarás al Señor, tu Dios,
y a él sólo servirás”.*

(Mt. 4, 10)

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MASS SCHEDULE



Parishioners are invited to come celebrate with us the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.



Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - Eng.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 4:00 PM - Eng.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 6:00 PM - Sp.
Sunday 8:00 AM - Eng. 10:00 AM - Eng.
 12:00 PM - Sp. 6:00 PM - Sp.

Confessions:

Saturdays 2:00-3:30 PM, English & Spanish, or by appointment.

Call the Parish Office at (863) 422-4370. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 21, 2026

4:00 PM † Ralph Varrone
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Laura Isabel Velez

Sunday, February 22, 2026

8:00 AM † Art Hagen
 10:00 AM † Judy Navarre
 12:00 PM (Sp.) † Julio Aranguren & Manuel Diaz
 6:00 PM (Sp.) Vicente & Lilliam Santana 46th Wed. Anniv.

Monday, February 23, 2026

9:00 AM † Jerry Costello

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

9:00 AM Pro Populo (For the People of St. Ann)

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

9:00 AM † Memorial Mass Association

Thursday, February 26, 2026

9:00 AM † Eduardo De Peña

Friday, February 27, 2026

9:00 AM † John Pergamo (1st Anniv.)

Saturday, February 28, 2026

4:00 PM † Sixto Marquez
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Williams Mujica

Sunday, March 1, 2026

8:00 AM Special Intentions of Miles Evans
 10:00 AM † Rosalina Pepanio
 12:00 PM (Sp.) Teresa Arenas Saldarriaga
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Henry Arrieta



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PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

February 14 & 15, 2026

Regular Offertory: \$24,815
 Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$4,115
 50/50: Winner has been notified - \$191
 Faith Direct January 16-31: \$4,127
 Miscellaneous: \$2,890



OCA 2025 Update:

Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.

Goal: \$191,737.10
 Pledged to Date: \$182,633.17
 Cash received to Date: \$181,689.16
 Still needed in Pledges: \$944.01

While we have made a lot of progress in pledges, there is an amount in pledges that needs to be covered. Thank you for helping to spread the good news of salvation!



Due to the Lenten Schedule, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place all day on **Fridays** in the church from **9:30 AM-5:00 PM**.

*First Friday Mass in Spanish will be suspended.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



To receive offertory envelopes, you must be a registered member of St. Ann Church. You may register by filling out a registration card at the desk in the Narthex. You can then drop it in the offertory basket or take it to the church office. Please be patient as you wait for your envelopes to arrive in the mail. They are sent out every 1-2 months, depending on the time of year.

LISTENING ASSISTANT APPLICATION



The "ListenWIFI App" is now available at our church to support those with hearing difficulties. Simply scan the barcode, download the app, and follow the on-screen instructions.

Connect to WiFi:
 ST Ann Hearing Assist
 Password: Listen1311

OUR LEGACY CONTINUES

Parish Construction Project: Week 27 Update

We are happy to share that we continue making great progress on our parish construction project!

The old Office Building is now complete. We are currently adding the finishing touches, including door hardware, the ADA parking space, and temporary exterior handrails.

At the Fr. Anderson Building, exterior painting and the entrance sidewalk have been completed. All windows have been installed and successfully water tested. Interior painting and electrical wiring are now in progress.



We are deeply grateful for your prayers, patience, and generosity as we move forward with this very important project for our parish community.

"Whoever sows generously will also reap generously" (2 Cor. 9:6).

THE DESERT, A SPIRITUAL EXERCISE

In the Gospel, we see Jesus led by the Spirit into the desert. It's important to note that Lent isn't just about "giving things up" for the sake of a challenge; it's about entering our own spiritual desert.

The desert is a place of stripping away. Without the noise of social media, the comfort of a full fridge, or the distractions of a busy schedule, we are forced to face ourselves—and our hunger. Hunger isn't just physical; it's that deep, concerning ache for meaning, love, and security.



The devil's approach to Jesus is a masterclass in how temptation works on us today. He doesn't start with "evil" things; he starts with "reasonable" things:

- The Bread (Physical Security): "Turn these stones into bread." He targets our physical needs and anxieties. He asks: *Do you really trust God to provide, or should you take matters into your own hands?*
- The Temple Pinnacle (Pride/Testing God): "Throw yourself down." This is the temptation to use God for our own celebrity or to demand "proof" of His love. It's the "What have you done for me lately?" spirituality.
- The Kingdoms (Power/Shortcut): "All these I will give you." The devil offers the crown without the Cross. He offers success, influence, and control, provided we compromise our integrity just a little bit. We all have "deserts" in our lives—periods of grief, loneliness, or doubt. The Good News of this first Sunday of Lent is that Jesus has been there first. He didn't avoid the struggle; He went through it to show us that we don't have to face our temptations alone.

This Lent, don't just focus on what you're avoiding (chocolate, coffee, etc.). Focus on what you're choosing. Choose to replace the noise with prayer, the hunger with the Word, and the ego with service.

Fr. Alfonso Cely
Pastor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2026-2027

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION BEGINS

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026

FOR SPECIFIC REGISTRATION
INFORMATION:

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IN THE NARTHEX**

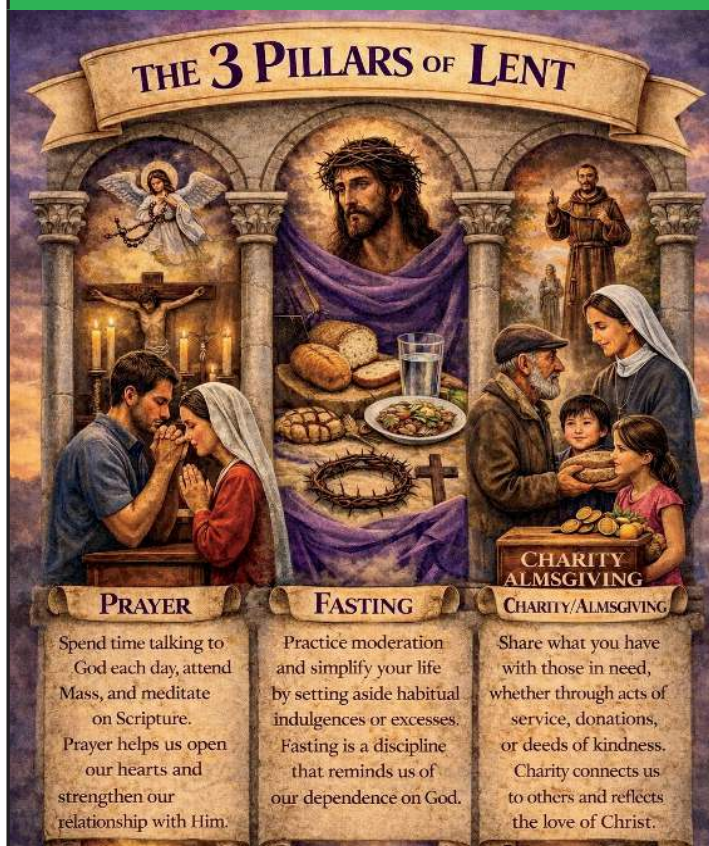
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**COME TO THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
OFFICE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS
HOURS**

Monday & Wednesday: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Friday: Office Closed



LIVING LENT



PRAYER

Spend time talking to God each day, attend Mass, and meditate on Scripture. Prayer helps us open our hearts and strengthen our relationship with Him.

FASTING

Practice moderation and simplify your life by setting aside habitual indulgences or excesses. Fasting is a discipline that reminds us of our dependence on God.

CHARITY/ALMSGIVING

Share what you have with those in need, whether through acts of service, donations, or deeds of kindness. Charity connects us to others and reflects the love of Christ.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER



Dear Parishioners,
 Thank you for your continued generosity!
 We kindly remind you that when making donations by check, please use the date **2026** and make the check payable to **St. Ann Catholic Church** to avoid the bank returning it.

May God bless you, and thank you for your support!

ST. ANN PARISH SAFETY



For your safety, and in accordance with Diocesan safety guidelines, all side entrances will be locked **five minutes before Mass begins**. The front doors will be open.
 All exits will remain open for anyone who wishes to leave during Mass.

MUSIC MINISTRY



Journey through Lent with us.
 Scan for Sunday hymns, reflections, and resources to enrich your prayer.

SPRING DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Daylight Saving Time Begins



Time Change Reminder!

Set your clocks forward one hour on **Saturday night, March 7**

Daylight Saving Time begins on **Sunday, March 8**

We look forward to seeing you on time for Mass!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross – Lent



Our Lenten journey begins Friday, February 20, as we pray the Stations of the Cross following the Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

- + **English:** Fridays at 5:15 PM
- + **Spanish:** Fridays at 6:30 PM

All are welcome to walk with Christ on the way of the Cross.

SILVER ROSE

Come join the Knights of Columbus as we honor Our Lady of Guadalupe at the **Silver Rose Prayer Service**



on **Wednesday, March 4, 2026,** at **2:00 pm** in Church

Made of pure silver, The Silver Rose is journeying through Florida and other states to the Shrine of Our Lady in Mexico City. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion to pray for respect for life, the spiritual renewal of every nation, and advancing the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We need Our Lady's prayers even more today. Everyone is invited to attend.

EL DESIERTO, UN EJERCICIO ESPIRITUAL

En el Evangelio, vemos a Jesús guiado por el Espíritu al desierto. Es importante destacar que la Cuaresma no se trata solo de "renunciar" por un desafío; se trata de adentrarnos en nuestro propio desierto espiritual.

El desierto es un lugar de despojamiento. Sin el ruido de las redes sociales, la comodidad de un refrigerador lleno, ni las distracciones de una agenda apretada, nos vemos obligados a enfrentarnos a nosotros mismos y a nuestra hambre. El hambre no es solo física; es esa profunda y preocupante necesidad de significado, amor y seguridad.



La forma en que el diablo se acerca a Jesús es una lección magistral de cómo la tentación nos afecta hoy. No empieza con cosas "malas", sino con cosas "razonables":

- El Pan (Seguridad Física): "Convierte estas piedras en pan". Se centra en nuestras necesidades y ansiedades físicas. El pregunta: *¿De verdad confías en que Dios proveerá o deberías tomar las riendas?*
- El Pináculo del Templo (Orgullo/Prueba a Dios): "Arrojarse abajo". Esta es la tentación de usar a Dios para nuestra propia fama o exigir "pruebas" de su amor. Es la espiritualidad de "¿Qué has hecho por mí últimamente?".
- Los Reinos (Poder/Atajo): "Todo esto te daré". El diablo ofrece la corona sin la cruz. Ofrece éxito, influencia y control, siempre que comprometamos nuestra integridad aunque sea un poco. Todos tenemos "desiertos" en nuestras vidas: períodos de dolor, soledad o duda. La Buena Nueva de este primer domingo de Cuaresma es que Jesús estuvo ahí primero. No evitó la lucha; la atravesó para mostrarnos que no tenemos que enfrentar las tentaciones solos.

Esta Cuaresma, no te enfoques solo en lo que estás evitando (chocolate, café, etc.). Concéntrate en lo que estás eligiendo. Elige reemplazar el ruido con la oración, el hambre con la Palabra y el ego con el servicio.

Fr. Alfonso Cely
Párroco

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

2026-2027

PROGRAMA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA COMIENZAN LAS INSCRIPCIONES

MARTES, 14 DE ABRIL DE 2026

**PARA INFORMACIÓN ESPECÍFICA SOBRE
LA INSCRIPCIÓN:**

**CONSULTE EL TABLÓN DE ANUNCIOS
DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA
EN EL NARTHEX**



**VISITE LA OFICINA DE EDUCACIÓN
RELIGIOSA
DURANTE EL HORARIO DE ATENCIÓN AL
PÚBLICO**

Lunes y Miércoles: 10:00 AM a 3:00 PM

Martes y Jueves: 10:00 AM a 5:00 PM

Viernes: Oficina cerrada



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VIVIENDO LA CUARESMA

LOS 3 PILARES DE LA CUARESMA

ORACIÓN	AYUNO	LIMOSNA/CARIDAD
Dedica tiempo a hablar con Dios cada día, asistir a Misa y meditar en la Escritura. La oración nos ayuda a abrir el corazón y fortalecer nuestra relación con El.	Practica la moderación y simplifica tu vida dejando de lado hábitos o excesos. El ayuno nos enseña disciplina y nos recuerda nuestra dependencia de Dios.	Comparte lo que tienes con los necesitados, ya sea a través de servicio, donaciones o actos de bondad. La caridad nos conecta con los demás y refleja el amor de Cristo.

FEBRERO 22, 2026

AVISO IMPORTANTE



A todos nuestros queridos parroquianos, ¡gracias por su constante generosidad!

Les recordamos amablemente que, al hacer donaciones por cheque, por favor utilicen la fecha **2026** y emitan el cheque a nombre de **St. Ann Catholic Church**, para evitar que el banco los devuelva.

¡Que Dios les bendiga, y gracias por su apoyo!

SEGURIDAD EN ST. ANN



Por su seguridad, y conforme a las directrices de seguridad diocesanas, todas las entradas laterales se cerrarán **cinco minutos antes de que comience la misa**. Las puertas principales estarán abiertas.

Todas las salidas permanecerán abiertas para cualquiera que desee salir durante la misa.

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HORA DE VERANO PRONTO EMPIEZA



¡Aviso de Cambio de Hora!

Adelante su reloj una hora el sábado por la noche, 7 de marzo

Adelante su reloj una hora el sábado por la noche, 7 de marzo

La hora de verano comienza el **domingo, 8 de marzo**

Esperamos verlo a tiempo para la Misa

ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

Viacrucis de Cuaresma



Nuestro camino de Cuaresma empieza el **viernes, 20 de febrero**, al rezar el Viacrucis después de la Reposición del Santísimo Sacramento.

+ **En inglés:** Viernes a las **5:15 PM**

+ **En español:** Viernes a las **6:30 PM**

Todos son bienvenidos a caminar con Cristo en el camino de la Cruz.

LA ROSA DE PLATA

Únase a los **Caballeros de Colón** mientras honramos a **Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe** en el Servicio de Oración de la Rosa de Plata



Miércoles, 4 de marzo de 2026, a las 2:00 pm. en la Iglesia

Hecha de plata pura, la **Rosa de Plata** está viajando por Florida y otros estados hasta el Santuario de Nuestra Señora en Ciudad de México. Cada parada de la Rosa de Plata durante la peregrinación es una ocasión centrada en el rosario para rezar por el respeto a la vida, la renovación espiritual de cada nación y para difundir el mensaje de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe.

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