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Mass Intention



Our Parishioners

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I:

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Responsorial Psalm:

69:14,17,30-31,36-37

Reading II: Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

July Birthdays

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

- 5 Fitzgerald Marcelin**
- 10 Aylin Verduzco**
- 15 Maria de Carmen**
- 15 Ramos**
- 16 Mary Anne Newsome**
- 17 Kaity Leon**
- 20 Kiara Gonzalez Aleman**
- 22 Julia Maldonado**
- 24 Santiaga Gasalao-Epps**
- 27 Carmen Cornely-Clark**
- 28 James Alston**
- Santes Leocardio**
- Elsie Moleno**
- 31 Louise Nery**



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family, Esther Zepeta

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

Officers for 2024-2025

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa

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Chancellor: Dave Thomas

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Tom O'Neill, PGK*

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Warden: Paul Kurilla

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Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK*

Outside: Richard Rumprik

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

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Chuck Youse

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Bobby Berndt, PGK*

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*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Mark Fracassa (804) 305-6175 or Tom O'Neill (252) 519-3050.

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

Pastor: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

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Business Manager:

Elizabeth Martin

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday: 12:00 pm at SVMC

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Wednesday—11:45 am at SVMC

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Music Coordinator—Rocky Rodriguez; **Assistants—**Ramis Celedonia; Jeromil Enoc

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 6, 2025

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel
Reading Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

In today's, after strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel. Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from

their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply "peace." The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. When

they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions. A key theme of today's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

PARISH NEWS

New Director of Faith Formation and Communications

In response to the growing needs of our cluster parishes, we are excited to announce that Jennifer Foran has accepted the part-time role of Director of Faith Formation and Communications, beginning Monday, July 7th. Jennifer will support both Adult and Children's Faith Formation at St. Peter's and St. Richard's, while also assisting with key communications and administrative tasks. Jennifer's leadership will help guide our spiritual growth, support the Sacraments, and strengthen how we connect and share our mission. Stay tuned for inspiring programs and renewed energy in our faith journey!



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Estudio de las lecturas

Antecedentes de la lectura del Evangelio Lucas 10:1-12, 17-20

En la de hoy, después de un fuerte lenguaje sobre las dificultades del discipulado, Jesús nombra a 72 personas para que vayan delante de él a cada ciudad y lugar que planea visitar, proclamando que el Reino de Dios está cerca. Los envía de dos en dos. En la Ley de Moisés se necesitaban dos testigos para que un testimonio fuera creíble. Probablemente también era una forma más segura de viajar. Jesús admite que será difícil, que los está enviando como corderos en medio de lobos. Sin embargo, no deben llevar nada consigo, ni siquiera una bolsa de dinero o sandalias. No deben saludar

a nadie en el camino para no distraerse de su misión. Cuando entran en una casa, su mensaje es simplemente "paz". La respuesta que recibirán puede ser positiva o negativa. De cualquier manera, deben saber que el Reino de Dios está cerca. No deben exigir un trato especial, sino comer y beber lo que se les dé. Deben quedarse en una casa y no deben buscar una que ofrezca un mejor alojamiento. Ellos deben sanar a los enfermos como señal de que el Reino de Dios está cerca para ellos. Al igual que los milagros de Jesús, la sanación es una señal de la venida del reino. Si el pueblo no los recibe, deben sacudir el polvo de sus pies y seguir adelante. Incluso en caso de tal rechazo, deben saber que el Reino de Dios está a la

mano. Cuando regresen de sus viajes, estarán alegrándose porque su misión ha tenido éxito. Los demonios estaban bajo su poder por el nombre de Jesús. Jesús puede haberlos enviado como corderos entre lobos, pero al final de este pasaje les asegura que les ha dado poder sobre el enemigo y nada les dañará, ni siquiera serpientes y escorpiones. Un tema clave del Evangelio de hoy es el discipulado: sus desafíos, sus dificultades y sus recompensas. Compartir la misión de Jesús es difícil, pero todos están llamados a hacerlo, no solo algunos profesionales capacitados para el ministerio. Incluso para nosotros hoy, la cosecha es abundante. Deberíamos orar al dueño de la cosecha para que envíe obreros a su cosecha.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Nuevo Director de Formación de Fe y Comunicaciones

En respuesta a las crecientes necesidades de nuestras parroquias del clúster, nos complace anunciar que Jennifer Foran ha aceptado el puesto a tiempo parcial de Directora de Formación de Fe y Comunicaciones, a partir del lunes 7 de julio. Jennifer apoyará tanto la Formación de Fe de Adultos como la de Niños en San Pedro y San Ricardo, y también ayudará con tareas clave de comunicaciones y administración. El liderazgo de Jennifer ayudará a guiar nuestro crecimiento espiritual, apoyará los Sacramentos y fortalecerá cómo nos conectamos y compartimos nuestra misión. ¡Estén atentos a programas inspiradores y una energía renovada en nuestro viaje de fe!



Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	E. MINISTER	USHERS	SERVERS
Jeromil Enoc	Stevie Thomas	Elizer Carillo	Julio Gonzalez
Toni Ferris	Dave Thomas	Dave Thomas	Jesus Ramirez
			Luis Ramos

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Christine Smith	Vanessa Carillo
Stevie Thomas	Mary Ann Newsome
Lois Gownley	Dolly Alston