

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 18 2019</b>
<b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Rosie Killeen – Healing + Milton Denver</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 19, 2019</b>
<b>8:00A.M.</b>	<b>+ John Carey</b>
<b>9:30 A.M.</b>	<b>Intentions of the Parishioners</b>
<b>11:00 A.M.</b>	<b>La Familia Trejo</b>
<b>11:30A.M.</b>	<b>Intentions of the Parishioners</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 20, 2019</b>
<b>8:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Intentions of the Parishioners</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 21, 2019</b>
<b>8:00A.M.</b>	<b>Rose B. Garcia – Birthday Blessings</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 22, 2020</b>
<b>8:00 A.M.</b>	<b>+ John Carey</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 23, 2020</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>End to Abortion</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 24, 2020</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>For our Clergy</b>

### *Sin is like a Virus*

At the conclusion of my latest viewing of *World War Z*, it dawned on me that sin is like a virus. Sin leads us to be less than who we are, and in grave matter, leads to monster-like behavior. The sin of addiction changes the chemistry of the brain and transforms human behavior. In fact, the characteristics of a virus are eerily like sin.

\* Viruses are clever, they don't die. If they are without a host, they go dormant until the right conditions come along so they can grow and multiply.

\* Satan, the advocate of our sinful nature, is aware of our errant addictions. If we fail to address such dependencies and obsessions, no matter how dormant they appear, they will come back to haunt us.

\* A virus is a tiny microbe that you can only see with a microscope.

\* Venial sin is subtle: an attachment to a worldly pleasure, the welcoming of a bit of anger, a dash of ego—these are all microbes that can easily grow and fester into mortal sin—the grave matter that leads to spiritual death.

\*Viruses need a host to survive. They spread rapidly and do a lot of damage to the host, destroying cells and causing diseases, which leads to physical death.

\*Once we commit a sin, if it goes unchecked, it spreads rapidly. It damages our behavior, destroys relationships and leads to spiritual death.

In the end, a virus is a virus. You can call it something other than what it is, but it does not change what it is or what it can do to you. Equally, a sin is a sin. You can call it something other than what it is, but it does not change what it is or what it can do to you.

Since my latest viewing of *World War Z*, I cannot get the question out of my head: what if we had the same aversion to sin as the characters in *World War Z* had to the virus? Sin "is failure in genuine love for God and neighbor caused by a perverse attachment to certain goods" (CCC 1849). To paraphrase Saint Augustine, sin is the desire for things contrary

to God. Sin, in its worst form, intoxicates right reason and turns us into monsters.

There is an antidote and cure—the greatest hero, Christ! Christ conquered sin and death and He gives us an antidote to sin in the sacrament of Confession. Let us be "cleansed" from the virus of sin and live pure and untainted lives. And as we do, let us pray the words of the psalmist with confidence: "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me" (Psalm 23:4).

### *El pecado es como un virus*

En la conclusión de la última mirada a la Guerra Mundial Z, se me ocurrió que el pecado es como un virus. El pecado nos lleva a ser menos de lo que somos, y de una manera grave, nos lleva a un comportamiento monstruoso. El pecado de la adicción cambia la química del cerebro y transforma la conducta humana. De hecho, las características de un virus con como el pecado.

- Los virus son listos, no mueren. Si se encuentran sin una persona, ellos permanecen dormidos hasta que la condición apropiada se presente para poder crecer y multiplicarse.
- Satanás el abogado de nuestra naturaleza pecadora, está al tanto de las adicciones errantes. Si no confrontamos tales dependencias y obsesiones, no importa que tan dormidas parezcan estar, ellas regresaran para perseguirnos.
- El virus es un microbio diminuto que solo se puede ver a través de un microscopio.
- El pecado venial es muy sutil: un apego a placeres mundanos, la acogida de un poco de ira, un poquito de ego-todos estos son microbios que pueden fácilmente crecer y resultar en pecado mortal- lo grave del asunto es que pueden llevar a una muerte espiritual.
- Los virus necesitan a alguien para sobrevivir. Ellos se derraman rápidamente y causan mucho daño a la persona, destruyendo células y causando enfermedades, las cuales llevan a una muerte física.
- Una vez que hemos cometido un pecado, si no se chequea, se extiende rápidamente. Dana nuestra conducta, destruye relaciones y lleva a muerte espiritual.

Al final de cuentas, un virus es un virus. Ustedes lo pueden llamar de otra manera, pero no cambia lo que es o lo que puede hacer en ustedes. De igual manera, el pecado es pecado. Ustedes lo pueden llamar de otra manera, pero no cambia lo que es o lo que les puede hacer a ustedes.

Desde mi última mirada a la Guerra Mundial Z, yo no puedo quitarme la pregunta fuera de mi cabeza: ¿Que si tuviéramos la misma aversión al pecado como las características de la Guerra Mundial Z tiene en contra del virus? El pecado "es una falla en amar a Dios genuinamente y al prójimo causada por un perverso apego a ciertas cosas buenas" (CCC1849).

Para citar a San Agustín, el pecado es el deseo de las cosas contrarias a Dios. El pecado, en su forma, intoxica la buena razón y nos convierte en monstruos.

¡Pero hay un antídoto y curación-el más grande héroe, Cristo! Cristo conquistó el pecado y la muerte y Él nos dio un antídoto para el pecado en el sacramento de la Confesión.

Estemos "limpios" de los virus y vivamos vidas puras y sin manchas. Al hacerlo así, oremos con las palabras del salmista con confianza: "Aunque camine por el valle de la sombra de la muerte, no temo: porque Tú estás conmigo, tu bastón y tu vara me sostienen, me confortan" (Salmo 23:4)

**Place your heart gently in Our Lord's wounds. Have great confidence in his mercy for he will never abandon you.**

—Saint Padre Pio

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**



Robin and Phillip Kolb, Micaela Missy Romero, Patrick

Turner, Brandie DeLaGarza, Charlotte Neefe, Anna Rodriguez, Rene Magallanes, Patty Duro, Chris Murillo, Audrey Chaipos Bow, Elena Enriquez, Jack Jester, Florencio Magallanes, Laura Martinez, Violet Inglett, Rafael Angel, Victor Manuel, Campoy Ochoa, Elena Enriquez, Patty Harding, Dan Martinez, Jonathan Spallone, Dot Roback, Dorothy Blacktooth, Andrew Colquaoun, Aurora Gonzalez, Theresa Allen, Sandy Garcia, Marcos Villalobos, Marilyn Yarger, Mitzi Magante, Elana Reed, Jeanne May, Paul Dinto, Barbara Neral, Deacon Gene Neral, Jason Colquaoun, Sul'a Rico, Jesus Ayala,

John David Admire, Emily Mazzetti, Kathleen and John Admire, Anna Rodriguez and Rene Magallanes. **Also, please remember those who have died: Antonio Perez, Alice Bonvenuto, Maria Perez Rosas, Deanna Kolb, Peggy Harding, Robert Harding, Doris**

**Magante, Copi Magee, Debbie Maza, Jose Arias, Ascension Gomez, George Williams**

**Envelope Intentions: Josie Nordstrom, Tillie King Children of the World, Necesidades de la Parroquia (Parish needs),**

**AROUND THE MISSION - JANUARY**

**Baptism –**

**Funeral Mass – Isicha Lavato, Friday, January 10, Rosary, Berry, Bell and Hall, Fallbrook; Mass, Saturday, January 11, 2020, Pala**

**First Anniversary – Frank King – Saturday, January 18, 2020, 12:00pm, Pala**

**Quinceañera – Chelsi Uriostegui**

**Weekly Collection**

**January 12, 2020 (Baptism of the Lord)**

Parish Collection	\$5,955.00
Social Outreach	\$110.00
January 1, 2020	\$110.00

*Thank you and God Bless! Father John*

**Thank You!**

As we are almost at the end of our Christmastide, I am taking this opportunity to thank all of our Christmas Angels, who gave of their time and talent to make our mission a Christmas picture. I realize that this is the busiest time of the year, which makes your generosity even more precious. May the Baby Jesus bless you and your families always.

**Welcome**

If you are visiting or are joining us for the first time, we are pleased you have come! If you are ready to join our parish, we encourage you to fill out a Registration Form found in the Gift Store after Mass. If you are interested in participating in any ministry, please contact the office.

**Live, Serve and Embrace Life**



**Don't forget the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for Life in Balboa Park on Saturday, January 18 from 8:30am to Noon. You can walk, you can stroll, or you can sit...Just come and support the Right to Life! It is a great way to start a weekend! Support those who have no voice, God's most innocent!**

**Communion Service**

A Communion Service is scheduled for January 20at 8:00A.M.

**Our Baptized in 2019**

Luna Ross-Morales, Isaios Osos Martinez, Daniela Vidal Adan Feria, Naylynn Skye Conde, Noah Alberto Conde, Valerie Giselle Lopez, Andrew M. Robles, William A. Holtz, Norah Sabella Avila, Daniel G. Dominquez, Julio Orlando Valadez Monzon, Jack Carter, Jorge Lagrimas, Emma Estela Priets, Samantha Rose Suarez, Nicholas Antonio Suarez, Issac Isreal Oregon, Patricia Resvaloso, Joseph Anthony Hernandez, Easton Jay Magee, Jaxon Joe Lucky Nejo Stephen Dayle Eagleton III, Kaya Scott, Autumn Scott, Ricardo A. Solano, Zaiden Untalan, Genesis Amezquita, Noemi Gutierrez, Davian Avalos, Leyah R. Rodriguez, Monica Duran-Flores, Miguel Martinez Hernandez, Regina Munoz, Dario Celestino Estrella, Reneeme A. Duran, Manny J. Alegre, Miane M. Bojaquez, Alex Chavez, Adrian Chavez, Jayden C. Rodriguez, Andres J. Rodriguez, Joenaye Mary Sigado, Paulina Scott, Norbert Reginald Salgado, Miles Phillips Scott, Carmen Elizabeth Franco, Luna Elizabeth Ross-Morales, Daniela Videll, Isaias Oros Martinez, Bella Monroe Betancourt, Mariana Rose Dominquez, Flor Deleyssa Martinez

**Big Green Box**

There is a new deposit station for your generous donations! It is big, green and located by the orange gate into the school. Please take advantage of this area to leave your bagged or boxed goods. If there is no room or your donation is too big, simply place it next to the Green Box.

**Youth Gathering**

Just a reminder there will be a gathering in the Youth House tonight, Saturday January 18 at 6:00PM. See you there!

**Reminder: The Rosary is recited every morning before the 8:00 am Mass.**

If you learn everything except Christ, you learn nothing. If you learn nothing except Christ, you learn everything.