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Welcome:

If you are a new parishioner, or visiting for the first time, welcome to Holy Cross Catholic Church! We are happy you are here and hope you find our parish home to be a warm and welcoming place. If you would like to become a member of our parish, please check with the parish office or give us a call.

Homebound: For Communion to the sick or the homebound, please call the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul: *Closed until the completion of our New Community Center & SVdP Food Pantry in 2024.

Funerals: To ensure the availability of a priest and the church, please call the office before you make arrangements with the funeral director.

Baptism Preparation: Classes offered as needed. Please contact the parish staff for more information. Se ofrece una clase cada tercer sábado del mes a las 10 de la mañana.

Senior Luncheon: We are working on re-establishing the Luncheons and will notify everyone when we are ready to offer lunch once a month for Seniors and Friends.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday: 8am Rosary, 8:30am Mass

Saturday: 5pm Vigil, English

Sunday: 9am, English & 12pm, Español

Adoration: Thursdays, 8:30am-8:30pm

Adoración al Santísimo: jueves, 8:30am-8:30pm

Reconciliation: Wednesdays, 7pm & Fridays, following the 8:30am Mass.

Reconciliación: miércoles, 7pm y viernes, 9am

Anointing of the Sick: Second Wednesday of each month following the 8:30am Mass.
(Anointing is available at all hours in emergency.)

School Mass: Fridays, 8:30am (Sept.—June)

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March 16th & 17th, 2024: Fifth Sunday of Lent

The Church Teaches...



Martin Luther King Jr. once wrote about a time when he knelt in prayer in the kitchen of his home in Alabama. Stones had been thrown through the window because of his call for civil rights. His wife and children were in danger. He was looking forward to a promising career in ministry and was a well-respected academic. In prayer, he found himself asking if it was right to put himself and his family in danger?

It was in that moment that Dr. King decided to put the will of God and the welfare of his family (and all the other people entrusted to his care) before his own security. He chose to serve God by working even more actively for those who were most oppressed. In a sense, he chose to die so that others could more fully live. It was a striking echo of what Jesus says in the Gospel reading for this Fifth Sunday of Lent, that the grain of wheat must fall to the ground in order to yield a rich harvest. Jesus Himself was the supreme expression of this.

Jesus is the grain of wheat that falls to the ground and dies, and in dying yields a harvest of life. He describes that harvest in prophetic words: “When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself.” As twisted as it sounds, if God worked powerfully through the life of Jesus, He worked even more powerfully through the death of Jesus, a death that reveals the power of God’s love, even more fully than His life of healing and ministry. The fact is that the amazing love revealed in His death on the Cross drew people to God, and continues to do so. In humbly accepting the loss of so much that was dear to Him, Jesus drew people to share more fully in God’s life.

Each of us, in different ways, has to accept some loss if we are to remain true to our deepest and best self, true to what God is asking of us.

And, in the end, for each of us, there is the final, unavoidable struggle to let go of our very life, with all the loss that is entailed in that. As we face all the losses that are integral to life, we are strengthened by the words of Jesus in today’s Gospel, “When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself.” All people? Yes, including us!



Catholic Relief Services Collection—

Thank you for your support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ’s love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world.

If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give!

Learn more about the collection:
www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

Bulletin Announcements



School News—Thank you to our Development Director, Julie Johnson, for organizing the Holy Cross School Donor Dinner!

Some of our 3rd graders showcased their inventions projects, the choir, led by Ms. Zuro, performed (with piano accompaniment from Holy Cross alum Maureen Briare), our Student Ambassadors served as greeters, and a big, enthusiastic group from the Holy Cross graduating class of 2020 showed up to support their classmate Dan Zavage, who was our featured speaker.

Please watch upcoming bulletins for more information on the Development Drive, with photos from the dinner and the total amount raised.

Parish Office Sub, Can You Help?—We are looking to increase our volunteer pool for help in the parish office. Answering the front door and office phone are the primary duties for this important ministry. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at 503.289.2834 or holycrossoffice@archdpdx.org. Thank you! ☺



Holy Week Schedule

‡ **March 23: Palm Sunday Vigil Mass, 5pm**

‡ **March 24: Palm Sunday Masses,**
9am (English) & Noon (Spanish)

‡ **March 28: *Holy Thursday Mass, 7pm (Bilingual)**
*No Morning Mass or Adoration during the day.

Washing of feet during Mass & Eucharistic Procession
& Adoration in the School Hall afterward, until 9pm

‡ **March 29: *Good Friday**
*No Morning Mass or Confessions.

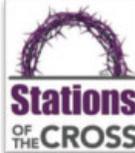
• **Stations of the Cross, Noon**

• **Good Friday Service, 3pm (English)**

• **Living Stations of the Cross followed by Spanish Good Friday Service, 5:30pm**

‡ **March 30: Easter Vigil Mass, 8pm (Bilingual)**

‡ **March 31: Easter Sunday Masses,**
9am (English) & Noon (Spanish)



Stations of the Cross—Join us each Friday during Lent for a chance to pray the Stations of the Cross.

The Stations are a way of “traveling” toward the happiness of living forever with God! They help us appreciate how important it is to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. They also invite us to see how we are “pilgrims” on the way from death to the Resurrection.

We will gather in the church to pray at 5:30pm and then make our way to a simple soup supper in the parish office Front Room.

Bulletin Announcements: Activities & Opportunities



Photo: Bob Kerns

Easter Flower Offering—Help us decorate the church with Easter flowers! **As is our longstanding custom**, you can donate flowers in *memory* or in *honor* of loved ones, family members, and friends.

We will use all donated funds to provide beautiful floral decorations for Holy Week, Easter Sunday, and the whole Easter season.

Please use the flower envelopes in the pews to let us know whose *memory* or *honor* you would like us to pray. We will publish all the names recommended to us.

****Please return all flower envelopes by Monday, March 25th.***



We thank our St. Vincent de Paul workers for their years of dedication to feeding the hungry here in North Portland.

While it is true that our Food Pantry is now closed (until our new Community Center opens), we are directing our labors and support to the SVdP Conference at Holy Redeemer parish.

Please continue to use your “blue envelopes” to support this vitally important ministry in North and Northeast Portland. Anyone interested in volunteering at the Holy Redeemer Food Pantry, please call 503.880.2780, or email: svdp@holyredeemerpx.org.



Lenten Confessions—Do you remember the old advertising slogan: “the door is open and we’ll leave the light on for you?”

Lent is not the only time of year that we are encouraged to go to Confession, but this season is one ready-made for turning back to God, reconciling ourselves to Him and others, and entering through the door of God’s healing love.

Here are some extra times for Confessions:

- Saturday, March 16th: 9:30am (*Family Penance Service*)
- Wednesday, March 20th: 6-8pm (*an earlier start*)
- Friday, March 22nd: 9am
- Saturday, March 23rd: 8-10am (*one week before Easter*)
- Wednesday, March 27th: 6-8pm (*an earlier start*)
- Friday, March 29th: (*No Confessions on Good Friday*)

***“I do not know you, God, because I am in the way.
Please help me to push myself aside.”
—Flannery O’Connor***



As we arrive at the mid-point of the Lenten season, we remember that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the bookends to the journey through this holy season. Those two days rightly ask each of us to make meaningful sacrifices ... but all of the time in between is the fruitful field of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

While we focus on the particulars of the various Lenten disciplines, our desire for an interior life of peace and a renewed appreciation for following God’s Way should be the hope that sustains us through these sometimes uncomfortable days. Penance, after all, is always uncomfortable in some way or other!

“Never forget that there are only two philosophies to rule your life. The one of the Cross, which starts with fasting and ends with feasting. The other of Satan, which starts with feasting and ends with a tremendous headache.” —*Archbishop Fulton Sheen*



Our Capital Campaign Committee is excited to announce that we recently reached a total of \$1,434,547 toward our goal of \$1,500,000 (in pledges and gifts)! Let’s not lose our momentum! But let’s also remember that **pledges** need to be fulfilled. If you have pledged a gift toward the new Center and you need a reminder, please let us know in the parish office. We will be glad to send you any information you need to help your “promised gift” become a reality.

It is still true that if you have already responded to the Campaign you can **add** to your gift and if you have not yet given to the Campaign, today is a perfect time to step up!

→ **News:** We have finally received our “**demolition permit**” from the City of Portland! Our general contractor (the Grant Company) is now on-site with construction (and demolition) equipment, fencing, and brightly colored vests! The demolition being done by the Lawson Company will likely take four weeks and then the site will be fully prepared for construction (tentatively scheduled for the end of summer 2024).

→ **More news:** The Archdiocese has approved our “construction documents” and we have forwarded them to the City for our building permit. We thank our hard-working friends at Soderstrom Architects, our parish building committee, our business manager Deb Volker, and our project manager David Mastroieni for guiding us through the process thus far. Given that St. Joseph is the patron and protector of our new Community Center project and and over all the workers who will be here, please ask for his continued generous help!

Family Resources— March 17th, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Upcoming Key Dates/Events:

March 17th:

- **Steubenville Fundraiser Bake Sale!** ♣
 - Sacramental Prep Classes
 - Confirmation Classes

March 24th:

- No Usual Classes for SacPrep or Confirmation
- Small Group of First Communion Teens Meet, 10:15am

March 31st:

- Easter Celebration!
- Easter Egg Hunt & Party for Families!

April 7th:

- Sacramental Prep Classes
 - Confirmation Classes
- LIFT JV/GIFT Tween Youth Groups
 - High School Youth Group

April 14th:

- Youth Masses
- Sacramental Prep Classes
 - Confirmation Classes

April 21st:

- Sacramental Prep Classes
- Confirmation Rehearsal

April 27th:

- Confirmation Mass, 9:30am

Save the Dates! Vacation Bible School—July 22nd-26th, 2024

Registration will be available in March!

For more info, please go to:

Vacation Bible School - Holy Cross Catholic Church
(holycrosspdx.org) or contact Andrea Swanson,
Director of Religious Education/Youth Ministry,
503.206.8069.

Thank You to Our Teens and Families for Participating in Family Faith Fun Last Sunday!

We just celebrated our monthly Family Faith Fun day last Sunday. The theme was Holy Week, getting our community ready for when Holy Week begins on March 24th.

Our teens and families engaged in the stations and learned about Holy Week.

We offer a huge THANK YOU to Fr. Mark, to our teachers, and to our families for your constant support and love as we grow!



Middle School Youth Groups!

Come and join us twice a month:
Each **first Sunday of the month**
for 5th-8th grade Youth Group:
1:15-2:30pm (next: **4/7**)

Each **first Wednesday of the month**
for 6th-8th grades from 2:15-4pm
in the parish offices. (next: **4/3**)

Come, bring your friends... ALL are welcome!

LIFT High School Youth Groups!

Come and join LIFT Varsity twice a month:

Each **first Sunday of the month** from
6-7:30pm in the school hall. (next: **4/7**)

Each **third Saturday of the month**
for **Mass & Chill**: 5pm Mass and then dinner
and playtime. (next: **4/20**)

Come, bring your friends... ALL are welcome!
No registration is required and it is free!

Bake Sale for Youth Today!

We are having a bake sale on March
17th, St. Patrick's Day!

We would love your support, if you are able!

This time, we are raising money for our teens
to go to the Steubenville NW Conference in July.

Thank you for your support!



Important Dates

March 17: 5th Sunday of Lent, St. Patrick's Day!

March 20: Confessions, 6-8pm

March 21: Adoration, 8:30am-8:30pm

March 22: Confessions, following the 8:30am Mass

- 5:30pm, Stations of the Cross (English)
- Simple Soup Supper following 5:30pm Stations
- 7pm, Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

March 23: Confessions, 8-10am

March 24: † **Palm Sunday**

March 27: Confessions, 6-8pm



Next Week's Readings: March 23rd & 24th

† Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 50, 4-7 **Psalm:** 22

2nd Reading: Philippians 2, 6-11

Gospel: The Passion of the Lord: Mark 14, 1-15, 47



With a little less than a month to go before Easter Sunday, don't cut back on praying, fasting, and charity (the cornerstones of a good Lent):

- Give up a favorite toy or game.
- Give up a favorite snack.
- Drink only water at school or work.
- Give up a favorite chair at home.
- Go without headphones/air pods for a day.
- Wake up without hitting the snooze button.
- Park in the back of the parking lot and say a prayer as you walk to the church or the grocery store.
- Pick a relative each day and pray for that person.
- Attend Adoration of the Eucharist.
- Help your children identify an article of clothing or a toy they can donate and explain that their donation can be a blessing to someone in need.

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"How often do we get caught up in our own wants and needs, lose sight of the heart of the matter, and fail to embrace the true meaning of our lives in this world! Lent is a time of truth, a time to drop the masks we put on each day to appear perfect in the eyes of the world."
+Pope Francis

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Mass Intentions for March 19th—24th, 2024:

Tues. +All Souls by Diep Nguyen

Wed. +Bernie Verbout by Holy Cross Parishioners

Thurs. +Jim Wilson by Theresa Lang

Friday +Kellie Wisher by Nina & Dick Wisher

Sat. (5pm) +Maria by the Nguyen Family

Sun. (9am) Palm Sunday, People of the Parish

(12pm) Palm Sunday, People of the Parish

*To arrange for a Mass intention, please contact the parish office.
Please plan ahead if you are requesting a specific date.*



In our prayers, let us remember all those who have died, including: Fory Honl, María Pineda Lopez, María Mercado Montero, y Felipe Miranda Aguirre

Let us pray also for those who are ill or homebound:

Darlene Thayer, Shayna Ramirez,
Sue Anne Boettcher, Mary Ragland, Irene Heaverin,
Bob Hungerford, John Bachmeier, Greg Busch,
Amanda Holmberg, Anita Verbout, Erma Faoro,
Christina Gardener, Carl Cawley, Tiem Nguyen,
Jim & Marvella Graiff, Kathy Ackley, Sandra Blossom,
Ann O'Reilly, Richard Lund, Sr. Mary Ryan,
Annie Braunstein, Donna Hatley, Chris Kelly,
Rose Petersen, Jane Bachman, Ann Renon,
Jack Link, Bernie Maloney, Tina Paradiso,
Rupert Liddie, Tim Brezo, and Georgie Ferguson

Stewardship



March 9th & 10th, 2024

Weekend Offertory: \$4,174.76

Online Giving: \$1,805.00

Total: \$5,979.76

**Weekly Offertory needed \$11,805.00*

"I shall be their God and they shall be my people."

Jeremiah 31, 33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It also means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors, our parish, and our world ... and even for people we don't even know, just as God cares for each of us.

"But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour."

John 12, 20-33

Jesus spoke these words in today's Gospel reminding those present (and us reading) that His purpose is to do God's will, not His own, and to glorify God while doing so. Can we resolve for even an hour a day to do the same? And then two hours a day? And eventually 24 hours a day? Believe it or not, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified"—**in us!**

LA IGLESIA NOS ENSEÑA



El católico, cuando defiende la Vida desde su inicio hasta el final, está defendiendo la persona, creada a imagen de Dios. No absolutiza los valores vitales, sino más bien los valores de la persona, valores esencialmente religiosos. Es la persona la que da valor a la vida y le confiere sentido. Lo que cuenta no es el número de años sino cómo uno ha vivido, qué sentido ha dado uno a su vida.

Con una sencilla parábola (Juan 12, 20-33), Jesús explicó el sentido de su vida y de su muerte. Sólo muriendo y dando la vida por los demás, se produce fruto, es una vida fecunda. Querer vivir a cualquier precio, agarrarse desesperadamente a la vida, es condenarse a la esterilidad. La vida nos ha sido dada para darla y sólo así se llega a la vida (con mayúscula), la Vida que supera la muerte.

Sin duda, Jesús experimentó la angustia que todo hombre siente ante la muerte, pero se puso confiadamente en las manos del Padre. A través de la angustia y del sufrimiento elaborados en la oración, aprendió la obediencia filial (Hebreos 5, 7-9).

Jesús aprendió a obedecer a través de la oración. En ella uno intenta entrar en el corazón del Padre y descubrir qué es lo que quiere de nosotros. A veces el proyecto del Padre es duro y nos cuesta sangre y lágrimas. Es lo que le pasó a Jesús en su agonía, que el Evangelio anticipa.

La tentación siempre es querer que Dios nos libre de la hora del sufrimiento. Pero Jesús se da cuenta de que sólo mediante la obediencia al Padre llega a ser verdaderamente su hijo. Con la obediencia hasta la muerte de Cruz, Jesús corona su vida que había sido una constante búsqueda de la voluntad del Padre.

*“Te adoramos, oh Cristo, y te bendecimos
porque por tu Santa Cruz has redimido al mundo.”*

Gracias por apoyar a la Catholic Relief Services Collection.

Nuestro apoyo a esta colecta ayuda a las víctimas de persecución y de desastres naturales, proporciona servicios legales a los inmigrantes de bajos recursos, y aboga por las personas indefensas. Por favor, en oración, consideren la manera de apoyar a la colecta. Infórmense más acerca de la colecta en www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

PARA REFLEJAR....



Mucha gente no tiene claro quién fue Jesús y por qué ha tenido tanta influencia en la historia. Se preguntan por qué es tan diferente de otros

personajes y qué puede aportarnos en nuestros días. El mejor camino para sintonizar con Él es acercarse personalmente a los Evangelios, asistir a Misa cada ocho días, rezar frecuentemente, y conocer a los demás discípulos suyos (nuestros hermanos y hermanas en la fe).

Jesús no deja a nadie indiferente.

Sus palabras penetrantes, sus gestos imprevisibles, su vitalidad y amor a la vida, su confianza total en el Padre, su manera de defender a los desgraciados, su libertad frente a todo poder, su lucha contra la mentira y los abusos, su comprensión hacia los pecadores, su cercanía al sufrimiento humano, su acogida a los despreciados, y su interés por hacer más digna y dichosa la vida de todos ... nos ponen ante la persona más excepcional que jamás haya existido y suscitan un interrogante: ¿qué misterio se encierra en este Hombre?

Quien se acerca directamente a Jesucristo y sintoniza con Él descubre todo lo que Él puede aportarnos para encontrar un sentido acertado a nuestra vida, para vivir con dignidad y sensatez, y para caminar día a día movidos por una esperanza indestructible.

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Las Confesiones—20 de marzo: 6-8pm;
22 de marzo: 9am; 23 de marzo: 8-10am;
27 de marzo: 6-8pm



Para explicar la fuerza que se encierra en su muerte en la Cruz, Jesús emplea una imagen sencilla que todos podemos entender: “Si el grano de trigo no cae en tierra y muere, queda infecundo; pero si muere, da mucho fruto.” Si el grano muere, germina y hace brotar la vida, pero si se encierra en su pequeña envoltura y guarda para sí su energía vital, permanece estéril.

Esta bella imagen nos descubre una ley que atraviesa misteriosamente la vida entera. No es una norma moral. No es una ley impuesta por la religión. Es la dinámica que hace fecunda la vida de quien sufre movido por el amor. Es una idea repetida por Jesús en diversas ocasiones: quien se agarra egoístamente a su vida, la echa a perder; quien sabe entregarla con generosidad genera más vida.

No es difícil comprobarlo. Quien vive exclusivamente para su bienestar, su dinero, su éxito o seguridad, termina viviendo una vida mediocre y estéril: su paso por este mundo no hace la vida más humana. Quien se arriesga a vivir en actitud abierta y generosa, difunde vida, irradia alegría, y ayuda a vivir. No hay una manera más apasionante de vivir que hacer la vida de los demás más humana y llevadera. ¿Cómo podremos seguir a Jesús si no nos sentimos atraídos por su estilo de vida?

Nuestra “campana para capital” es un programa basado en nuestra necesidad: un nuevo Centro Parroquial. Es un programa bien planificado y organizado, para recaudar una suma sustancial de dinero. El éxito de una intensa campaña como la nuestra, depende de la *participación activa* de *todos* nuestros miembros.

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Equipo Pastoral 503.289.7188

Pláticas Pre-Bautismales:

Tercer sábado del mes a las 10am.

Recuerde que necesita registrar a su hijo/a antes de asistir a la plática.

Bautismos:

El primer sábado del mes a las 9:30am y el último domingo del mes después de Misa.

Estas fechas son solo para niños menores de 6 años.

Los niños mayores de 6 años deberán de comunicarse a la oficina antes de apartar alguna fecha.

Preparación Sacramental para:

Iniciación Católica para Adultos (RICA) y Bodas – por favor llame a la oficina

Misas de Quinceañeras:

Misa de Acción de Gracias para Quinceañeras en grupo, el segundo sábado del mes a la 11am.

Confesiones:

Los miércoles a las 7pm,
los viernes a las 9am,
y por cita entre semana.

Adoración al Santísimo:

Cada jueves de las 8:30am a las 8:30pm.

Misa con Unción de los Enfermos:

Segundo miércoles del mes inmediatamente después de la Misa de 8:30am.

HORARIO PARROQUIAL

17 de marzo: V Domingo de Cuaresma

20 de marzo: Confesiones, 6-8pm

21 de marzo: Adoración, 8:30am-8:30pm

22 de marzo: Confesiones, 9am

23 de marzo: Confesiones, 8-10am



Corresponsabilidad Parroquial—

10 de marzo: \$5,979.76

¡Gracias!

(El Ofertorio semanal necesita llegar al presupuesto Parroquial: \$11,805.00)

Perder la Vida para Encontrarla—Todos los que cultivan plantas, incluso gente de la ciudad que aman las flores (y no trabajan en el campo) saben que las semillas tienen que morir en la tierra para que los retoños puedan brotar de ellas y darnos flores llenas de color. La semilla tiene que morir para dar vida.

De la misma manera, Jesús murió para darnos vida.

Y nosotros, sus discípulos hoy, tenemos que seguir sus huellas. Tenemos que entregarnos a nosotros mismos, haciendo sacrificios, para que los otros sean felices y vivan en paz.

San Pablo dice con Jesús: “Nadie vive para sí mismo.”

En espíritu de corresponsabilidad, ¿podemos decir eso de nosotros mismos?

LA LITURGIA — LECTURAS

✠ **Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor, 24 de marzo**

Primera Lectura: Isaías 50, 4-7

Salmo: 21

Segunda Lectura: Filipenses 2, 6-11

Evangelio: Marcos 14, 1-15, 47

EL DÍA DEL SEÑOR



El dato que nunca hemos de olvidar es éste:

Jesús no vivió para la Cruz. Su vida no se centra en buscar sufrimientos. Jesús vivió para amar. La Cruz es consecuencia de su vida desbordante de entrega y de servicio ... fruto de su libertad total, de su coherencia, de su fidelidad a Dios, y de su pasión por hacer el bien a la gente.

Lo que Jesús busca a lo largo de toda su vida es la felicidad del ser humano. Por ello, lucha contra toda clase de sufrimientos: los que provienen de la injusticia de los mismos hombres y los que sobrevienen de manera inevitable. Pero lo hace con tal radicalidad y verdad que, en su búsqueda de felicidad para todos, no se detiene ni siquiera ante su propio sufrimiento, sino que lo asume por fidelidad al Padre y por amor al ser humano.

Lo que celebramos cada ocho días en la Misa es que el Padre nos mandó a su propio Hijo y de su muerte brotó y creció la abundante cosecha de una nueva humanidad. Por eso: “Padre, danos por favor valor para seguirle a Jesús, para que nuestro amor también traiga vida y alegría a muchos. Te lo pedimos por medio de Jesucristo, nuestro Señor. Amén.”

En nuestras oraciones recordemos:

...a todos los que están enfermos, incluyendo:

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