

**Arimatheans Need You**

Have you been wanting to be part of a ministry here at St. Paul's?

Arimatheans are caring parishioners who attend Funerals and Memorial Masses as representatives of the faith community. With each funeral mass, Arimatheans can do their small part in comforting a grieving family in the example of their name-sake, Joseph of Arimathea, who must have comforted Mary with his care of the body of Jesus.

Arimatheans are part of the Bereavement ministry. By attending funeral Masses and assisting with receptions we are supporting the family. After all, their deceased loved one is one of God's children; therefore our brother or sister in Christ.

If you want to be part of and are able to attend the funeral Mass of a parishioner and would like to be notified of funeral Masses please send your email address to Jan Thomas at jimandjanthomas@gmail.com or call 706-318-9569

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**Have you Moved? Do you Need to submit a change of Address?**

Please help us reduce cost of return mail by submitting a change of address by contacting the office with your new address or send us a email to cdelgado@stpaulcleveland.com

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**Congratulations to Deacon Kirk Broom!**



**Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>** after the 8:00 Mass and 10:00 Mass:

*Please join us for donuts and coffee in celebrating our newly ordained deacon for the Archdiocese of Atlanta! Please continue to pray for Kirk and his wife Julie as they begin their next chapter in service of our parish and spreading the Gospel to our community*

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Knights of Columbus

Chili Dinner

Saturday, February 4th

After the 5pm mass

Adults :\$5.00 Children under 5 free

Bring your favorite chili to share and your admission is free!

Come on out and enjoy dinner, music and some great fellowship!!

## **Words from Fabio**

### **Kirk Broom Diaconate's Ordination**

As you all know Kirk has been working toward becoming a Deacon in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. After seven years of intense study, the time is finally upon us. Kirk will be ordained on February 4, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. Kirk has been married for 42 years and have been active members of our parish for 14 years. They have three adult children; Owen (Janet), Caroline, and Hannah as well as three grandchildren; Lily, Cael, and Lucy. Kirk converted to Catholicism in 1986. Since that time, he has been an active parish member teaching RCIA, religious education, participating with Julie in preparing couples for marriage, holding positions on parish councils, and many others. His passion though is working in the community with those who are in need of support. His most current service work is serving as a Guardian ad Litem for children in the foster system in Hall County and serving on the board of I See You Ministries. Kirk and Julie are very thankful for your prayers throughout this journey. The center of his life will now be participating in the Liturgy and serving you as a community, especially through the sacraments of Baptism, Weddings and Funerals. Kirk would like you to know that if he was able, he would have extended an invitation to all of you to his Ordination. He was only given a very small number of tickets, so that was not possible. You will be there with him in his heart. As you pray for him, he will be praying for all our parish members. The ceremony will be live streamed and he will send the link out on the My Parish App when he receives it.

### **Thankful**

As many of you know, last week I took signed and put a small note on each of the tax letters that were sent out. I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your generosity. Your contribution is very important for the parish and for me. Without your support, we would not be where we are. I ask God for blessings for you and yours. If you have any questions about your letter, please contact the office.

### **Reflection**

(Mt 5,1-12) The mountain sermon (Sermon of the mountain) is considered the very heart of the gospel and therefore of Christianity. That's why on this day I invite you to read it calmly, little by little, once or as many times as possible and meditate on it in your heart. You will realize that the words of Jesus are authentically living water or words of life that give encouragement and hope to everyone who meditates and carries them at all times in their hearts.

Let's recognize that we are blessed in many things.

## Palabras de Fabio

### Ordenación diaconal de Kirk Broom

Como todos saben, Kirk ha estado trabajando para convertirse en en Diacono permanente de la Arquidiócesis. Después de siete años de formación, finalmente el tiempo ha llegado. Kirk será ordenado el 4 de febrero del presente año, a las 10:00 Kirk y Julie han sido miembros activos de nuestra parroquia durante 14 año. Kirk ha estado casado por 42 años, tiene 3 hijos Owen, (Janet) Caroline y Hannah, así como tres nietos; Lily, Cael y Lucy. Kirk se convirtió al catolicismo en 1986, desde entonces, ha sido un miembro activo de la parroquia enseñando en RICA, educación religiosa, junto a su esposa Julie preparando parejas para matrimonio,, ha participado de los consejos parroquiales, etc. sin embargo, su pasión es trabajar en la comunidad con aquellos que necesitan apoyo. Su trabajo de servicio más actual es servir como Guardián at Litem para niños en el sistema de acogida en el condado de Hall y servir en la junta de I See You Ministres. Kirk y Julie están muy agradecidos por sus oraciones a lo largo de este caminar. Kirk, quiere servir a la comunidad, a través de las diferentes celebraciones litúrgicas que tenemos en la parroquia. Kirk, quiere hacerle saber; que le hubiera gustado invitarte a su ordenación diaconal, pero es imposible, ya que sólo le permiten un número reducido de invitados. Espera que lo acompañes en la distancia desde el corazón y la oración. La ceremonia se transmitirá en vivo, una vez tenga el enlace o link, lo compartirá.

### Agradecimientos

Como muchos de ustedes saben, la semana pasada me tome el tiempo de firmar y poner una pequeña nota en cada una las cartas para los impuestos. Gracias de todo corazón por su generosidad, su aporte es muy importante para la parroquia. Sin su apoyo no estaríamos donde estamos. Pido a Dios bendiciones para usted y los suyos. Si tiene alguna pregunta al respecto, por favor ponerse en contacto con la oficina.

### Reflexión

(Mt 5,1-12) El sermón de la montaña (sermón del monte) es considerado como el corazón mismo del evangelio y por ende del cristianismo. Por eso en este día te invito a que lo leas con calma, poco a poco, una o las veces que te sea posible y lo medites en tu corazón. Te darás cuenta de que las palabras de Jesús son auténticamente agua viva o palabras de vida que dan ánimo y esperanza a todo aquel que las medita y lleva en todo momento en su corazón.

Reconozcamos que somos bendecidos en muchas cosas