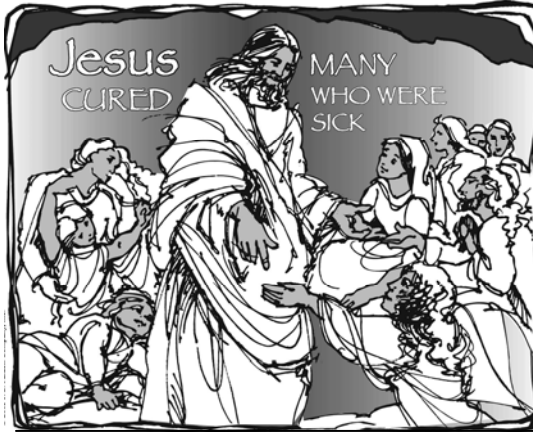


**“Woe is Me”**

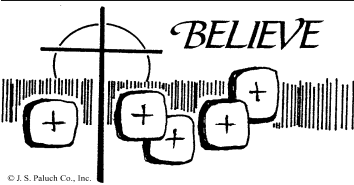
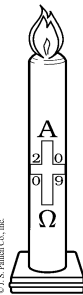
Often we think about the troubles in our lives and cry out, “Woe is me!” Like Job we might look around in despair at the misery in the world. Like



Job’s friends we might look backward for something or someone on which to blame our suffering. We may decide that God—or we ourselves—must be to blame. The Gospel today offers a different perspective from which to view earthly suffering. Jesus realized that there was nothing to be gained from looking around in despair or backward in blame. Instead he looked forward in hope. He did not blame the sick and the possessed for their suffering, as many others did. And he did not give up hope, even though he knew he couldn’t cure all the sickness in the world. Jesus tried neither to eliminate human suffering nor to explain it. He simply did what good he could do in the time that he had. © Copyright JS Paluch Co

**The Readings For The Week**

- Monday:** Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday:** Gn 1:20— 2:4a; Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday:** Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday:** Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30
- Friday:** Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday:** Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10
- Sunday:** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalm 32  
1 Cor 10:31— 11:1; Mk 1:40-45



Above all, Jesus kept preaching the good news of the reign of God, a spiritual reality that triumphs over every form of suffering. This was his purpose. When we believe in this good news we may not be healed of physical illness or understand the reason for human suffering, but we do receive something much more valuable. We are healed of the sickness of despair and freed from the demons of guilt and blame. The Spirit energizes us to do what good we can do in the time that we have. With Paul we will want everyone to know about the healing, liberating reign of God. We might even begin to say, “Woe to me if I do not preach” the gospel!. Today’s Scriptures encourage us to look forward in hope, to do what we can, and to preach the good news of the reign of God.

**Our Calendar of Events**

**Saturday, February 7**

Bible Study Class w/Deacon Mike (3-4:30)  
5:00 pm Mass (5th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

**Sunday, February 8**

Mass at 9:00 am (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)  
Mass at 11:00 am (Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario)  
RE High School Sessions Grades 9-12 (1:15-2:00 pm)

**Monday, February 9**

Religious Education Confirmation class 8th Grade (6:30-8)  
Ríos de Agua Viva a las 7:00 pm

**Tuesday, February 10**

RE Grades K-1-2 (6:00-7:30)  
Parish Council meeting at 7:00

**Wednesday, February 11**

RE Classes Grades 3-4-5 (6-7:30)

**Thursday, February 12**

Smeds Scripture Reflection (1:30)  
RE Classes Grades 6-7-8 (6:30-8)  
Adult Sacraments Class (6:30-8)

**Saturday, February 14**

Bible Study Class w/Deacon Mike 3:00-4:30 in the afternoon  
Mass at 5:00 pm (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

**Sunday, February 15**

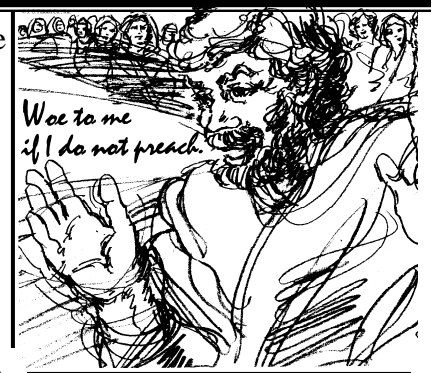
Mass at 9:00 am (The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)  
Ladies Club meeting after Mass  
Mass at 11:00 am (El Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario)  
RE High School Grades 9-10-11-12 (1:15-2:00 pm)



**Christ Will Give You Life**



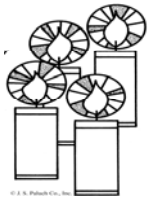
In Mark’s account of the Gospel, one could say, Jesus hits the ground running. The stories we’ve been hearing these weeks come from the very first chapter of Mark, and they show us the public ministry of Jesus in its infancy. Today’s account shows something of the strain or adjustment of his new life of preaching the reign of God, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Notice that after sunset, when darkness ended the workday, people brought the sick and possessed to Jesus. The following day he rose before dawn to get away by himself to pray, but to no avail. Simon Peter and the others don’t just look for him, they pursue him, filled with the fervor that his ministry has incited. With the self-sacrificing example he gave until the end of his earthly life, he tells his followers that this is his whole purpose. Through Mark, he is also telling the early church, and he is telling us, that this is our purpose, our vocation: to be tireless in our pursuit of proclaiming the Good News, and in bringing the healing, reconciling touch of Christ to the world.



## Jesús sanó a los enfermos



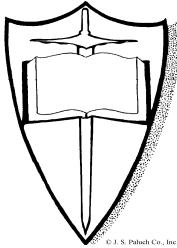
**Discípulos Incansables...** El Evangelio según San Marcos, a diferencia del de Mateo y Lucas, no tiene un relato sobre el nacimiento de Jesús, ni tiene un extenso prólogo a modo de introducción, a diferencia del Evangelio según San Juan. En el relato según San Marcos, se podría decir que Jesús nació adulto. Los relatos que hemos oído estas semanas provienen del primer capítulo de San Marcos y nos muestran el ministerio público de Jesús en sus comienzos. El relato de hoy muestra parte de la tensión y los cambios de su nueva vida que consistía en predicar el Reino de Dios, curar a los enfermos y expulsar a los demonios. Observa que después del atardecer, cuando caía el sol y terminaba la jornada laboral, las personas llevaban a los enfermos y poseídos a Jesús. Al día siguiente se levanta antes del amanecer para retirarse sólo a rezar, pero no tuvo suerte. Simón Pedro y los demás no solo lo buscan sino que lo persiguen con el fervor que su ministerio ha incitado. Con la misma entrega ejemplar que demostró hasta el final de su vida en la tierra, les dice a sus seguidores que éste es su propósito. Por medio de Marcos, también le dice a la nueva iglesia y nos dice a nosotros que éste es nuestro propósito, nuestra vocación: ser incansables en nuestra lucha por proclamar la Buena Nueva y llevar el toque curador y reconciliador de Cristo al mundo.



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### Las Lecturas de La Semana

- Lunes:** Gn 1:1-19; Mc 6:53-56  
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**Miércoles:** Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mc 7:14-23  
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**Sábado:** Gn 3:9-24; Mc 8:1-10  
**Domingo:** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Salmo 32 (31)  
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**Tradiciones ...** Todos los textos sagrados que componen lo que llamamos Biblia fueron coleccionados, organizados y ordenados durante los primeros cuatrocientos años del cristianismo. Los textos sagrados de la Biblia se han proclamado a lo largo de los siglos en la celebración eucarística para nutrir la fe de los creyentes. En 1969, la Iglesia católica estableció un nuevo Leccionario conteniendo los textos bíblicos que se proclaman en la liturgia. El Leccionario contiene un gran número de textos de la Escritura, organizados de una manera muy especial a fin de que estos textos sean proclamados en las misas dominicales y en las feriales (entre semana). El Leccionario está organizado de tal manera que si una persona asiste a Misa diariamente durante un período de tres años, escuchará casi todos los textos de la Biblia. La proclamación de los Evangelios se realiza mediante ciclos dominicales. Durante el ciclo A, proclamamos el Evangelio de Mateo; el de Marcos durante el ciclo B y el de Lucas durante el ciclo C. El Evangelio de San Juan se proclama durante la Cuaresma y la Pascua. Así mismo, el capítulo 6 de este Evangelio se incorpora al ciclo B, que es el de Marcos. El resto del Nuevo Testamento se proclama como segunda lectura, excepto durante la Pascua, mientras que la primera lectura se proclama siempre del Antiguo Testamento, excepto durante la Pascua. No olvidemos el Salmo, que es una respuesta a la Escritura.

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### Mass Intention/Intención Especial

#### February 8, 2009

(9:00 Mass)

**Guillermo y Matilde Sanchez (+)**

For the repose of their souls

(11:00 Mass)

**Wayne Montgomery**

(special intention)

#### February 22, 2009

(9:00 Mass)

**Severino Valladolid (+)**

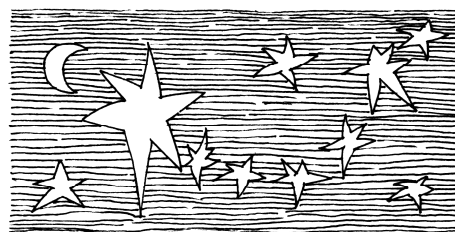
en su cumpleaños

(11:00 Mass)

**Severino Valladolid (+)**



**Marisa Acosta, junior at Sahuarita High School (2008 Fiesta Queen) has been selected to attend the Hispanic Institute Leadership Conference in July 2009 in Rochester, New York. As a result, she is offering her services to help her earn money to attend by: babysitting (CPR certified), clean yards, house cleaning, wash cars, dog/cat sit, one-on-one cheerleader coaching, etc. If you could use Marisa's services, please contact her at 520 609-8533. Thank you for your support.**



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"The Lord tells the number of the stars and calls them by name"  
 Psalm 147:4

### Weekly Offering—Ofertorio

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