Second Sunday of Lent February 25, 2018

USCCB Urges Legislative Solution for Dreamers

Dear Senator,

I write on behalf of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Migration (USCCB/COM) to reiterate our support for the swift enactment of a common sense and just legislative solution for Dreamers, young people without immigration status who were brought to the United States by their parents. As you know, the Senate is scheduled to take up legislation in the coming days to address Dreamers. We urge you to consider the following principles as you review that legislation and any proposed amendments to it:

- (1) Provide Protection to the Dreamer Population We agree with the proposal made by President Trump that protection should be given to the larger 1.8 million Dreamer population (instead of solely the 800,000 Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) population), as there are many young people who were brought here as children but were prevented from obtaining DACA due to the program's age cut-offs. We believe that this larger Dreamer population should be included in any legislative solution that the Senate takes up.
- (2) Provide a Path to Citizenship We agree with the proposal made by President Trump to afford relief to Dreamers that permits them to apply for U.S. citizenship. Most of these young people know the United States as their only home and should not be denied the opportunity to obtain U.S. citizenship and fully participate and integrate into American civic life.
- (3) Promote Family Unity and Maintain the Family-Immigration System Family immigration is the foundation of our country and of our Church. Pope Francis states, "the family is the foundation of co-existence and a remedy against social fragmentation." Upholding and protecting the family unit, regardless of its national origins or its size, is vital to our faith and to our country. We are deeply disturbed by proposals that provide relief for Dreamers at the expense of dismantling our country's rich tradition of family reunification and sponsorship of close family members and ending the diversity visa program.
- (4) Protect the Vulnerable Who Seek Refuge A solution for Dreamers should not come at the expense of other vulnerable immigrants and refugees. It is vital to maintain existing protections for refugees, unaccompanied children, trafficking victims, and asylum seekers that help prevent abuse, ensure access to adequate care, and promote due process.
- (5) Ensure that All Border Security Measures Are Humane and Proportionate The Catholic Church has long recognized the right of nations to secure their borders and control entry into their countries. At the same time, we believe that border security and interior immigration enforcement practices should be humane and proportionate; they should make the country safer, and they should not sacrifice the due process rights and human dignity of persons seeking protection.

We believe that the urgent, longstanding need to provide relief for Dreamers is a discrete matter that should not be delayed or hindered by unrelated, controversial provisions.... At a minimum, we urge you to consider the dignity of the human person and protection of the vulnerable when you examine any border security, interior immigration enforcement or large-scale reform amendments that are proposed to this legislation.

An overwhelming majority of Americans agree that Dreamers need a permanent legislative solution. We support these young people who are contributors to our economy and leaders in our parishes and communities. A legislative solution for Dreamers would further unite us as a country and advance the common good. We remain committed to work with Congress to achieve this goal.

Sincerely, Most Rev. Joe S. Vásquez, Bishop of Austin Chairman, USCCB Committee on Migration February 12, 2018

[Addendum: The Bishops are asking for your support by having you call Senators/Reps on Mon., Feb. 26 at 855-589-5698 and urge them to support a bipartisan and humane solution to protect Dreamers and provide them a path to citizenship and to keep families intact.]

DAILY MASS READINGS

Monday: Lenten Weekday

Daniel 9:4b-10; Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday: Lenten Weekday

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31

Friday: Lenten Weekday

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;

Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Lenten Weekday

8:00AM

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20:1-17; John 2:13-25

This Week's Program Schedule

Mass

Monday, February 26

Church

8:30AM	Bible Study	Lounge
6:00PM	Adoration/Reconciliation	Church
	Tuesday, February 27	
8:00AM	Mass	Church

6:30PM Charismatic Prayer Group Lounge 6:30PM Baptism Class (Pre-Registration req'd) Conf. Rm

Wednesday, February 28

1:00PM	Mass @ CSUS	Bizini Hall, Rm 245
4:00-5:00PM	1 st Session CRE	Church
5:15-6:30PM	2 nd Session CRE	Church
6:45-8:00PM	3 rd Session CRE	Church

Thursday, March 1

	<u>r riday, March 2</u>	
4:00-7:00PM	Knights Fish Fry	Parking Lot
4:30PM	Mass	Church
5:15PM	Stations of the Cross	Church

Saturday, March 3

6:15AM That Man Is You! Church 3:30PM Reconciliation Church 5:00PM Mass Church

Sunday, March 4

9:00AM	Mass	Church
9:00AM	Children's Liturgy	Conf. Rm
10:00AM	Hospitality Sunday	Lobby
6:00PM	Mass	Church
7:00PM	CSA	Lounge

Something for our Children!

Can you unscramble the following words from today's Gospel?

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BBIAR ULDOC CIEOV

Answers on the next page→

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Give back to the Lord a sacrifice, a share of what the Lord has so generously given to you.

Last Sunday's Offertory: \$ 6,713.65 Ash Wednesday: \$ 2,653.56 Thank you and God bless you!

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00PM	Saturday, February 24	Tony Alamo†
9:00AM	Sunday, February 25	Jane Strong†
6:00PM	Sunday, February 25	All Saints Community
8:00AM	Monday, February 26	Bob Slauson†
8:00AM	Tuesday, February 27	Benny Neri†
4:30PM	Friday, March 2	Grace Galioto†

<u>UPDATE ON BISHOP BLAIR</u>: As you may or may not know, Bishop Blaire needed surgery to amputate his leg. We received a message from the Diocese, Office of the Vicar General, that his surgery was successful and he is resting well and feeling good. He is very grateful to everyone who has prayed for him. Please continue to keep him in your thoughts and prayers as he begins the physical therapy and rehabilitation process.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held after the 4:30pm Friday afternoon Mass (at approximately 5:15pm) throughout the season of Lent. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend.



<u>YLI SOUP SUPPER:</u>, Please join our YLI for a meatless soup supper sponsored by our YLI members on the Fridays of March 9, and March 23. All parishioners are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FISH FRY will take place on the Lenten Fridays of March 2 and March 16. Tickets will be sold after all masses. Meals are \$11.00 and include fish, cabbage crunch salad, baked potato, dinner roll and dessert. Thank you and God bless you for supporting our Knights.

<u>NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION</u> will be for the *Building Fund*. God bless you for your continued support.

<u>PILGRIMAGE</u>: The annual All Saints pilgrimage will be on July 25 at St. Clare's retreat center in Soquel. There will be bus transportation available. Tickets will be going on sale soon. Please watch the bulletin for dates.

TEAMS OF OUR LADY INFORMATION MEETING: An information meeting is being held on Monday, March 5 at 7pm in Turlock. During this meeting you will learn about the origin and mission of Teams of Our Lady, a movement that is helping Catholic couples all over the world deepen their relationship with God and each other. There will be a video presentation followed by a Q&A session. If you would like to attend please request information from debbie.martin51@gmail.com or call 581-6131.

2018-2019 SCHOLARSHIPS: All Saints is offering scholarships to church members who are attending or planning to attend any university, community college, or trade school. In addition, any student, regardless of religious affiliation, who is attending or planning to attend CSU Stanislaus is eligible to apply for a scholarship. Application forms are available in the office and will be due on *Monday*, *April* 16, 2018.

Please note: If you would like to offer a scholarship in your family's name or in memory of a loved one, please contact the church office.

This week's helpers include ...

Altar Linens ~ Michaeleen Klarich

Thank you and God bless you for your unselfish service!

<u>PUZZLE SOLUTIONS</u>: MOUNTAIN, TRANSFIGURED, WHITE, RABBI, CLOUD, VOICE. *How did you do?*

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please pray for our sick community members and friends:

Gustavo Delgaallo	Socorro Aguuar	Ea H
Peggy Howard	Rita Yonan	Tom Abram
Sarah Anderson	Linda Seymour	Stephen
Jim Perdomo	Flynn Hillman	Janet Fiorini
Taurino & Concepcion Lopez	Jeanne Neu	Shelly
Sherry Mailloux	Mike Baer	Karen
Cynthia Basco	Jackie Ferreira	Jacki
David Rodriguez	David & Linda Back	Sharon
Patti & Tom Scott	Charlie W.	Ed Rocha
David & Paula Baca	Catherine Harris	William Jackson
Joanne Mattos	Isabel Rodriguez	Edward Lytle
Bishop Stephen Blaire	Pat B.	Kevin Downs
Bernard & Ann Pannella	June Zuniga	Raul Campusano
Brian Diehl	Infant Rosie	Taylor Holt
Ray Morris	Teresa Diamond	Geralyn Weston
Russell Van Hook	Harry Sullivan	Lillian Lopez
Ruby Summerlin	Carol Patterson	-

Your special prayers for these and others suffering from illness are gratefully appreciated. Thank you and God bless you!

Notify the office if you have anyone you would like to place on our list of persons in need of prayer due to illness. So that space will always be available for your loved ones, names will be kept on our list for three months. (However, your prayer requests can be renewed.)

CATHOLIC STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

<u>Sunday</u>, <u>February 25</u>: CSA will have a movie night.after the 6pm Mass. They will be watching *The Shack*.

<u>Monday</u>, <u>February 26</u>: CSA will meet at the CSA table in the quad at 3:30pm for a Rosary on Campus.

As always, all college students are welcome and encouraged to attend!.

RCIA

Any adult wishing to embrace the Catholic faith or any Catholic wishing to be confirmed should contact Michael Fuller by calling the church office at 669-0473.

RETROUVAILLE: You Can Help your Marriage. 25% of surveyed couples say they are 'Happily Married'. For everyone else, there is Retrouvaille. Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples rebuild their marriages at any level of difficulty. For information, or to register for the Modesto Retrouvaille program beginning with a weekend on March 2-4, visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com, email Modesto@RetroCA.com, or call 209-232-5315.

YOUNG ADULT TEAMS OF OUR LADY SPRING

RETREAT: A weekend retreat for young adults on meditation and discernment (unmarried, post high school to 30 years old) will be held on March 2-4 at Camp St. Francis in Aptos. The speaker will be Father Kevin Joyce. The cost is \$85 and you can register at www.yatolus.us/retreat by February 28. If you have questions, please email at yatolus@gmail.com.

TIPS FOR TITHING

...give abundantly, sacrificially, and cheerfully...Give in the spirit of prayer and of moral obligation — joyful — as we thank God for his provision and the privilege of helping others in need.