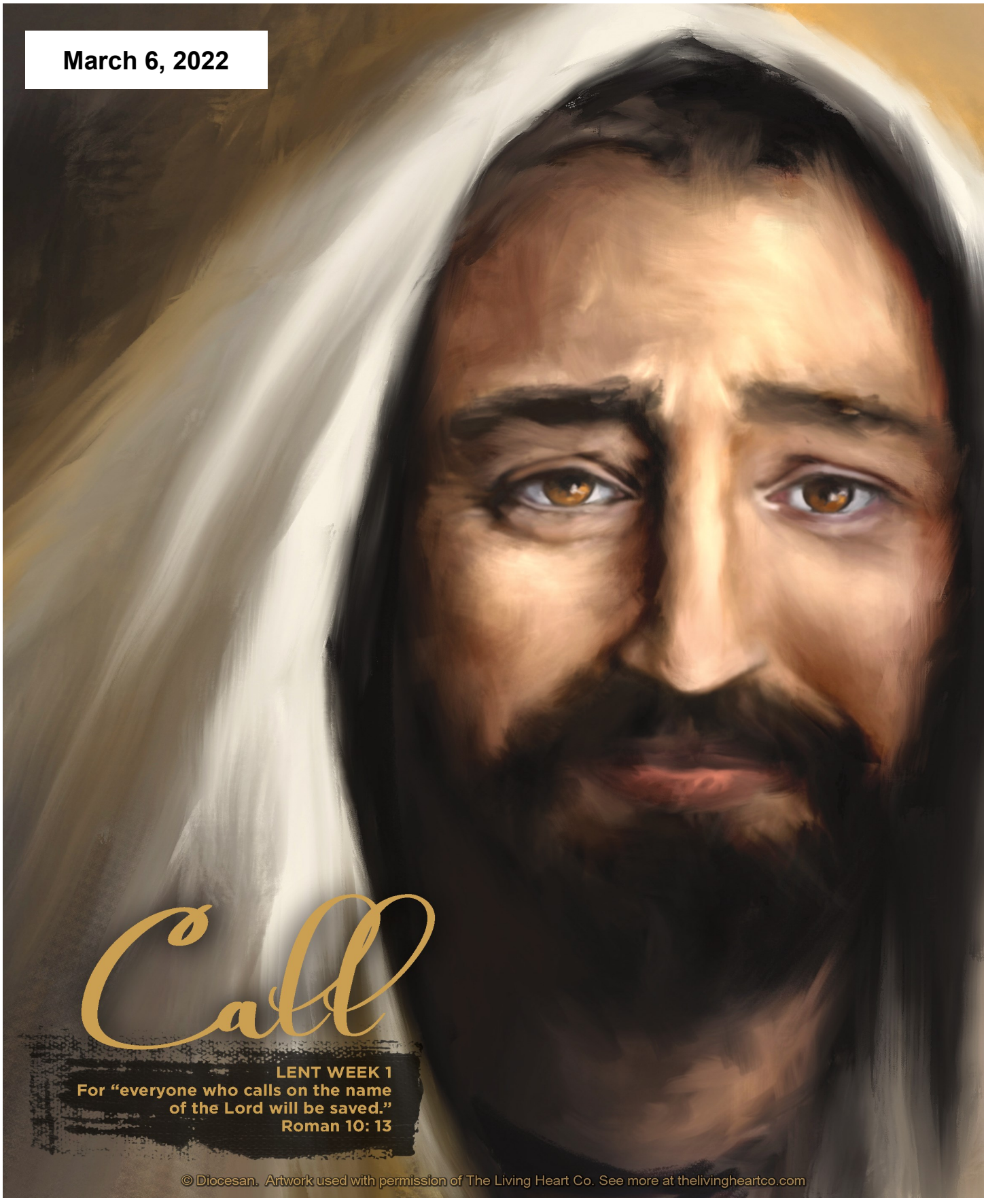
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Have you found what you are looking for?

In 1987 the Irish group U2 released The Joshua Tree album and among the songs was one of their greatest hits entitled, "**I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For**." One can make the case it is about the search for God or for love, but aren't those the same thing? We are all seeking love who is God or we are all seeking God who is love. From the lyrics:

I have climbed the highest mountains, I have run through the fields,
Only to be with you, Only to be with you
I have run, I have crawled, I have scaled these city walls, These city walls
Only to be with you, But I still haven't found what I'm looking for

The author has reached great heights of life (mountains) and been to great depths (crawled) but in the end has not found love.

I have kissed honey lips, Felt the healing in her fingertips
It burned like fire, This burning desire
I have spoke with the tongue of angels, I have held the hand of a devil
It was warm in the night, I was cold as a stone
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for

Here the author has experience human love but still experienced emptiness. Perhaps they were seeking happiness in the indulgence of passions or perhaps they were placing all of their hopes on human love? But we were created for the Infinite and only the Infinite will satisfy.

In the Gospel today, the Devil tempts Jesus with **sensuality** (bread). We are tempted if we just eat or drink enough or indulge our lust, we think we will be satisfied, but it leaves us empty. We still haven't found what we're looking for. Jesus replies, "**One does not live on bread alone**."

Next, the devil tempts with power and glory. We think if I can just have the approval of others I will be satiated. If I would compromise my morals, values, or ethics I could get ahead. We think, "If I could win American Idol, be chosen by the Bachelor or have 10,000 followers on social media I will be happy." We taste some of this but we still haven't found what we're looking for. Jesus says, "**You shall worship the Lord your God. Him alone shall you serve**."

Finally, the Devil tempts Jesus with the sensational. Jump from the top of the Temple where all can see you! Sometimes we are tempted to think that we always need the spotlight. The truth is that most of life is rather ordinary. There is the wedding and then there is the marriage. But all couples will tell you that, as beautiful as the wedding is, the beauty is in the day-to-day marriage. More important than the sensational is to listen for the Father's voice each day. "**You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test**."

CS Lewis wrote in Mere Christianity in 1952, "If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world. If none of my earthly pleasures satisfy it, that does not prove that the universe is a fraud. Probably earthly pleasures were never meant to satisfy it, but only to arouse it, to suggest the real thing." St. Augustine wrote in the Fourth Century, "**Our hearts were made for thee O Lord and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee**."

May this season of Lent be a time for the Lord to lead us to what will truly satisfy. One day may we proclaim, "At last, I have found what I was looking for!"

-Fr. Tim McKeown

Once again the Knights of Columbus will be offering **Fish Fry Dinners during Lent**. Dinner will be served on Fridays from 5:00PM until 6:30PM. Meal includes fish, grits, hush puppies, slaw and tea. Cost is $10.00 per person. Grilled Cheese sandwiches will also be available for $2.50. This is open to all of your friends and family. Tickets will be available at the door. **The Dates:** Mar.4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and April 1st and 8th. **Stations of the Cross** begin at 7 p.m. in the Church.

Attention all women of St. Francis Xavier: Please make plans to attend **Lenten Retreat** on Saturday, March 19th, 8:30-1:30 **at St. William on St Simons Island**. Fr. Dawid Kwiatkowski, Associate Pastor of St. Francis Xavier, will be our spiritual guide. More details to follow.

Fridays of Lent

Fish Fry 5:00 -6:30 pm in Xavier Hall

Stations of the Cross-7:00 pm Church

Stations of the Cross (**Spanish**)-8:00 pm Church

Please join the K of C **March 13** for the **Red Cross blood drive**. Note: Masks are required and we will practice social distancing. Also, no one will be permitted indoors unless they are 18 years of age for their protection as well as for other donors. We will be taking your temperature before entering the facility as added protection for all. Thank You for giving your precious gift to save a life.

American Red Cross

VIRTUS CLASSES ON ZOOM

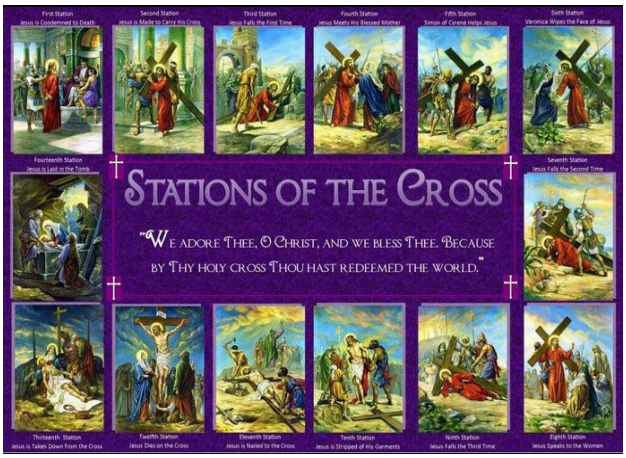
This training is required for all who provide either paid or volunteer ministry in our diocese who in the course of their ministry come into contact with minors. To register for VIRTUS training, go to www.virtusonline.org. For more information you can contact Ann in the church office, 912-265-3249 ext. 0.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays

7 p.m. English

8 p.m. Spanish



"No Greater Love Than This"

The ChristLife Ministry invites you to come watch Mel Gibson's **'Passion of The Christ'** over three Thursday evenings with small group discussions after each segment.

Join us to take a deeper look at Christ's love for you, grow in your relationship with Him as we learn there is no greater love, and fellowship with other parishioners as we grown in our faith together. Holy Week will never be the same! Contact John or Patti with any questions at 954-478-7948.

March 24, March 31 and April 7 - starting at 6:30 pm in the Narthex.

Adult Bible Study meeting in the St. Anne's Room of Xavier Hall 9:30- 10:45 on Sundays. For more information call Linda Kirby at 703-201-1771 cell or home 912-267-9359.

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MASS INTENTIONS

March 5 - 13

***Saturday,* March 5**
5:00 p.m. ✝ Manuel Rocha
7:00 p.m. Our Parish Family
(at Jekyll United Methodist Church)

***Sunday,* March 6**
8:30 a.m. ✝ George & Rita Doubek, Roseanne Hale & Margaret LeMieux
11:00 a.m. ✝ Anna Phan
6:00 p.m. (Spanish) ✝ Terry Sarigumba

***Monday,* March 7**
Noon ✝ Glen Cornwell

***Tuesday,* March 8**
Noon ✝ Manuel Rocha

Wednesday, March 9
7 p.m. ✝ Lorenso Le Kim Lam

Thursday, March 10
8 a.m. ✝ Georgette Bourque

***Friday,* March 11**
8 a.m. ✝ Ronald Dean Bohlender Sr
7 p.m. Stations of the Cross

***Saturday,* March 12**
5:00 p.m. ✝ Mac & Merlene Burgess
7:00 p.m. ✝ Bill & Joe Coddington
(at Jekyll United Methodist Church)

***Sunday,* March 13**
8:30 a.m. ✝ Richard Bunkley
11:00 a.m. ✝ George & Rita Doubek, Roseanne Hale
6:00 p.m. (Spanish) Our Parish Family

Save the date:
Easter Sunday is April 17.
First Communion is May 14 at 10 a.m.
Confirmation is May 16.
SFX School Graduation is May 20.

Just a reminder! If you haven't yet made your pledge to the **Annual Catholic Appeal**, please consider doing it this week. As good stewards, each of us has a responsibility to share our great gifts that come from God. Please be generous in your sharing. Our goal this year is $59,833.

-Have you been to our **website?** Check out our **www.xavierbrunswick.org**.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT
Thank you! You can still sign up for on-line giving through this link: https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1871. Thanks for your support and be assured of our prayers for you and your families!

Here are ways you can still help SFX School! Thanks for all you do!

- **AmazonSmile**
- ***Publix***
- ***Harris Teeter***
- ***Box Tops For Education***

OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, March 9, 2022
Thursday, March 10, 2022
9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

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- **Meet teachers and administrators**







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Middle school students at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School recently participated in the annual Fleet Reserve Essay Contest. Students wrote patriotic essays entitled “Why I Am Proud To Be An American”. Sponsored by Fleet Reserve Branch 248, officers visited the school to present certificates and gift cards to the winners. Winners in eighth grade were Maura Thomas, first place; Annie Holcomb, second place; and Rudra Patel, third place. Winners in seventh grade were Clara Easterlin, first place; Elizabeth Norris, second place; Charlie D’Amico, third place.

Pictured are Rudra Patel, Annie Holcomb, and Elizabeth Norris (front row) and Charles I. Starratt, Branch 248 President; Bill Huebner, Branch 248 Secretary; Maura Thomas, Clara Easterlin, Charlie D’Amico, Kenneth Peltzmeyor, Fleet Reserve 248 treasurer; Dr. Terry Mermann, Principal of St. Francis Xavier Catholic School (back row). Not pictured Leonard (Ski) Vsetecka.)



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