

February 8
8 febrero

Office Hours

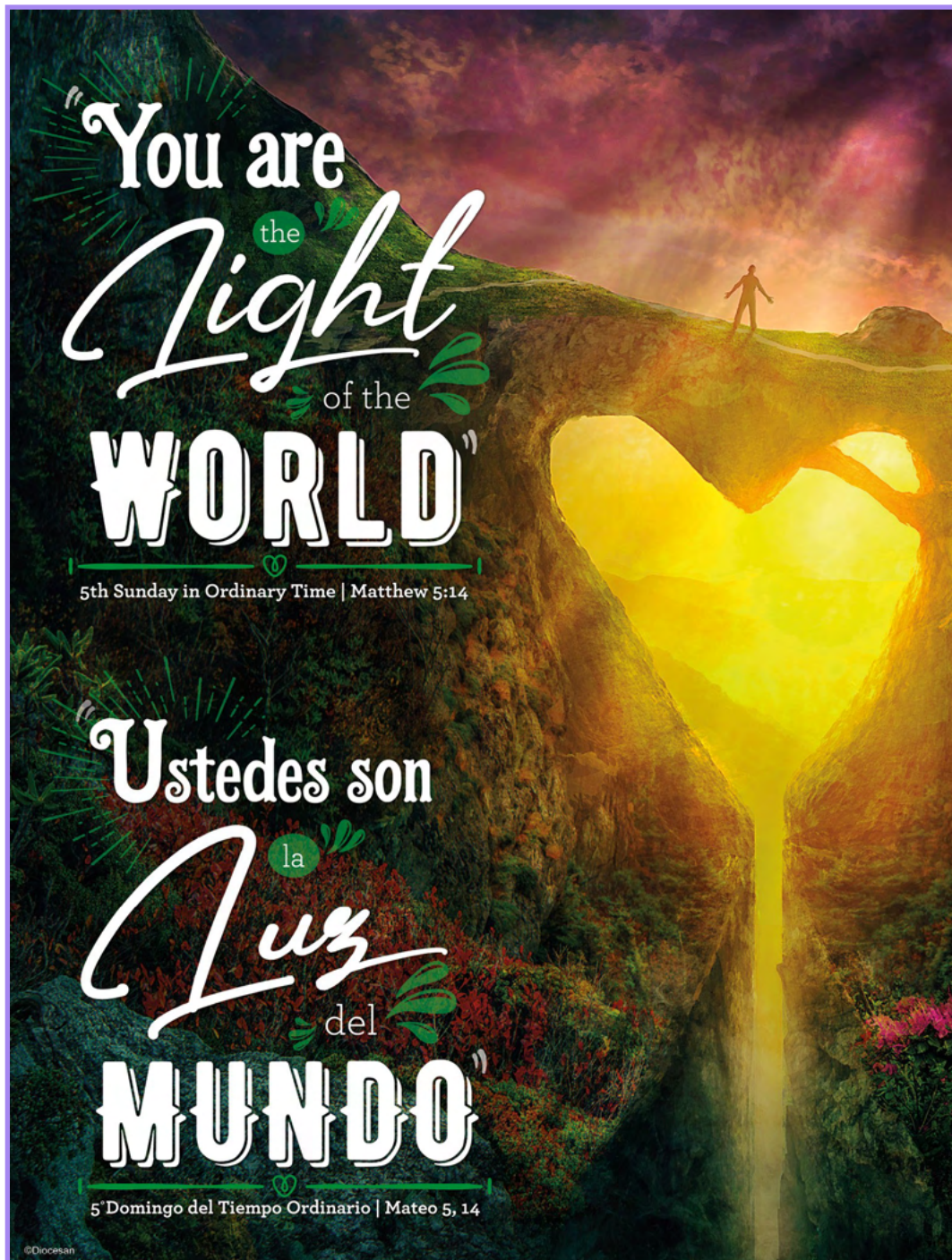
Mon. - Thurs. -
8:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Fri.
8:00 a.m. - 12:30
p.m.

**Oficina de Ministerio
Hispano**

Lunes- cerrado
Martes a Viernes:
12:30pm.-3pm.
Sabado: cerrado
Domingo: 9:30-11am

**Sacrament of
Reconciliation
Horario de
Confesiones**

**Wednesday/
Miércoles**
6:15 - 6:45 p.m.
Thursday/Jueves
7 - 8 p.m.
Saturday/ Sábado
4 - 4:45 p.m.
Sunday/Domingo
7:45 - 8:15 a.m.



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Salt and Light

In the Gospel today, Jesus speaks to his listeners, and to us by extension, using the analogy of salt and light. It is interesting that he would use these two items. While there may not seem to be a lot of similarity between salt and light in terms of their uses, we can certainly draw a link between how each affects its environment where it is used.

As a lover of culinary adventures, I am certainly familiar with the usefulness of salt, especially how it enriches the taste of dishes. However, one of the quick lessons one learns with salt is to use it in moderation. Too much salt can destroy taste, and too little may not succeed in bringing out the right taste. Salt must be used in moderation to be truly effective. Similarly, I would assume we are all familiar with night driving. Very bright headlights from vehicles either approaching or following right behind us can be a nuisance. Light is a good thing because it aids sight. However, too much light can be blinding.

What does this tell us about ourselves then? Like salt and light, we are all equipped with an ability to make a positive difference in the world around us. However, some of us do too little and so we do not live up to the full potential we have been gifted with. Others do too much such that they become toxic rather than helpful to people around them. Where do I find myself among these two categories?

The Christian is called to a life of balance in terms of boldness, being unafraid to share one's gifts but also in humility, not doing too much to take glory and praise for oneself but to direct everything to God. When we live such a balanced life, we do just enough to make an impact and let people know that we are there, but we do not take the glory from God, like Paul reminds us in the second reading, for to God belongs all praise and glory forever. This week, may we find ways to let our lights shine but not to outshine God himself.

Stephen Owusu Dwamena, Seminarian

Sal y luz

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús habla a sus oyentes, y a nosotros por extensión, usando la analogía de la sal y la luz. Es interesante que usara estos dos objetos. Aunque puede que no parezca que hay mucha similitud entre la sal y la luz en cuanto a sus usos, sin duda podemos establecer una relación entre cómo cada una afecta a su entorno donde se utiliza.

Como amante de las aventuras culinarias, sin duda conozco la utilidad de la sal, especialmente en cómo enriquece el sabor de los platos. Sin embargo, una de las lecciones rápidas que se aprenden con la sal es usarla con moderación. Demasiada sal puede destruir el sabor, y muy poca puede no conseguir que el sabor sea adecuado. La sal debe usarse con moderación para ser realmente eficaz. De manera similar, supongo que todos estamos familiarizados con la conducción nocturna. Los faros muy brillantes de los vehículos que se acercan o nos siguen pueden ser una molestia. La luz es algo bueno porque ayuda a la vista. Sin embargo, demasiada luz puede ser cegadora.

¿Qué nos dice esto sobre nosotros mismos entonces? Como la sal y la luz, todos estamos dotados de la capacidad de marcar una diferencia positiva en el mundo que nos rodea. Sin embargo, algunos hacemos muy poco y por eso no alcanzamos todo el potencial que se nos ha otorgado. Otros hacen demasiado, hasta volverse tóxicos en vez de ayudar a quienes les rodean. ¿En qué parte de estas dos categorías me encuentro?

El cristiano está llamado a una vida equilibrada en cuanto a audacia, sin miedo a compartir sus dones pero también en humildad, sin hacer demasiado para recibir gloria y alabanza para sí mismo, sino dirigir todo hacia Dios. Cuando llevamos una vida tan equilibrada, hacemos lo justo para causar impacto y hacer saber a la gente que estamos ahí, pero no tomamos la gloria de Dios, como Pablo nos recuerda en la segunda lectura, porque a Dios pertenece toda alabanza y gloria para siempre. Esta semana, que encontremos maneras de dejar brillar nuestra luz pero sin eclipsar a Dios mismo.

Stephen Owusu Dwamena, seminarista

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday/sábado

February/febrero 7

5:00 p.m. Josefina Tresseras &
Terry Sarigumba

7:00 p.m. Mary & Wilfrid Coddington
(at the Jekyll Isl. United Methodist Church)

Sunday/domingo

February/febrero 8

8:30 a.m. Eugene Arbino

11:00 a.m. PJ Blanchard &
David Bittings

6 p.m. Paula Juana Paz Vega

Monday/lunes

February/febrero 9

Noon Yolanda Tuya

Tuesday/martes

February/febrero 10

Noon Miguel Abraham Estrada

Wednesday/miércoles

February/febrero 11

8 a.m. Bruce Bowen (int.)

7 p.m. Rowena Rumer

Thursday/jueves

February/febrero 12

8 a.m. Henry Wozniak

Friday/viernes

February/febrero 13

8 a.m. Lou Tommasini

Saturday/sábado

February/febrero 14

5:00 p.m. Howard, Allene & Helen
Sculthorpe & Pedro del Mundo Sr.

7:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

(at the Jekyll Isl. United Methodist Church)

Sunday/domingo

February/febrero 15

8:30 a.m. Ethan Cooper

11:00 a.m. Richard Fiese

6 p.m. Santos Cervantes

Week of February 8, 2026

Para la Semana del 8 de Febrero de 2026

Sunday/Domingo Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Monday/Lunes 1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday/Martes 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday/Miércoles 1 Kings 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday/Jueves 1 Kings 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40; Mk 7:24-30

Friday/Viernes 1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday/Sabado 1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday/Domingo Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or Mt 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

If you have not received your **2025 tax letter**, please call or email Ann in the office. Letters were sent out 1/22.

Single serve potato chips, 8 oz cans of veggies, 7.5 oz cans of beanie weenies, Single serve Mac n cheese, ravioli Toilet paper, feminine napkins, travel size and regular size toiletries



STEWARDSHIP Donaciones a la iglesia

January 24/25 enero

\$ 10,123



ASH Wednesday is February 18th. Mass will be 8 a.m. (School), noon, 2 p.m. (J.I.U.M.C.), 7 p.m. (bilingual). The second collection for that day will be Aid to Eastern Europe.

El 18 de Febrero sera Miercoles de Ceniza, en este dia tendremos misas a las 8am., 12pm., 2pm, y 7pm Misa bilingue. La segunda collecta en estas misa sera para ayudar al Oriente de Europa Gracias por su generosidad!



**For the Fridays of Lent:
Fish Fry and Stations of the
Cross**



The CCW will have their International Food Taster Festival (IFTF) on **Saturday February 21st from 11:00-1:00** here at St Francis. If you would like to be a cook, registration forms are in the back of the Church. Please fill one out and return as soon as possible. CCW members will have IFTF tickets for sale. Pre sale tickets are \$10.00 for ten bites or you can purchase them the day of for \$12.00.

El consejo catolico de mujeres tendra el festival de degustacion internacional de comida el SABado 21 de Febrero de 11am. A 1pm. Aqui en el Salon Parroquial. Si a usted le gustaria presentar algun platillo para este dia, las formas de registracion se encuentran en la mesas traseras de la entrada de la iglesia. Por favor rellenas y regreselas lo mas pronto posible. Los miembros del consejo catolico estaran vendiendo los boletos antes del festivas con el costo de \$10 por diez degustaciones o tambien podra comprar los ticket el dia del festival a un costo de \$12.





6 a.m. Adoration
6:30 a.m. Video & Breakfast
End at 7:30 a.m.

We'd love for you to join us this year as we learn about **The Fight of Faith!**

***She Shall Be Called Woman* is back! Ten Virtues of Mary.** We meet **Wednesday mornings.**

6am Adoration, 6:30 video & Breakfast in St. Anne's room, End at 7:30 a.m.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Please scan this code to follow us on our parish **Facebook page** and turn on notifications for photos, updates, events, announcements, livestreams, etc. You can also contact us through this platform, and we will gladly respond to your messages as soon as possible.



Sundays in the St. Anne Room **Adult Bible Study** meets between 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. Please come join us!

Our **Youth Group** meets each Wednesday that school is in session and is open to all **rising 9th through 12th graders**. The youth rooms in the St. Joseph Family Center will be open at **3:30 pm** for homework or games, with an activity or sport beginning at **4:30 pm**, dinner is provided at **5:30 pm**, a spiritual lesson at **6:00 pm**, followed by Holy Mass at **7:00 pm**.

Ministerio Juvenil, Grados 9 a 12. Nos Reunimos Todos Los Miercoles en los salones de la escuela de catecismo 3:30pm. A 7:30pm, los esperamos!

Our **St. Francis Xavier Young Adults** Group is on Facebook now. Our Young Adult Ministry) meets most Friday evenings and consists of college students, FLETC students and young adults (single and married between the ages of 18-35. They meet for faith and fellowship on most Friday evenings. Please reach out to stephen@xavierbrunswick.org or deaconchrissadowski@xavierbrunswick.org to get connected today.



February 18th second collection is for Aid to Eastern Europe.



RETIRO PARA FAMILIAS SANANDO FAMILIAS

Enfocado en las familias con hijos adolescentes de 12 años en adelante



¡POSPUESTO!

sábado 28 de marzo, 2026, 9 am a 5 pm

Iglesia St. Paul, Douglas

Registrarse en diosav.org/familia o escaneando en código QR



The **Knights of Columbus** is currently accepting new members: Must be 18 and older, and in Good Standing with the Catholic Church. Council Meetings on the **1st Tuesday of the month**. Please contact SK Grand Knight Greg Marr for more information. Vivat Jesus!





School News

Our Mission

Inspired by the Sisters of St. Joseph, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School provides an excellent academic foundation, promotes spiritual formation, and instills within each student a desire to serve others.

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL "LITTLE SAINTS" SUMMER CAMP

Eight Week Program
Starting June 1 through July 24
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Rising PS3 - K
Must be 3 years old by May 1 and potty trained

\$200 per week
Full 8 weeks \$1400
Current SFXCS Families

\$230 per week
Non-SFXCS Families
Walking field trips and weekly activities!

SIGN UP NOW!
SFXCS Families Use FACTS Web Form
Non-SFXCS Families call 912-265-9470

Catholic Schools Week 2026



NOW ENROLLING

ENROLLING

for the 2026-2027 School Year

GRADES PS3 -8



We'd love to meet your family!
Call us today 912-265-9470

SUNDAY - Domingo

8:30 am (inglés), 11:00am. (inglés)
6:00 pm. (español)

MONDAY - Lunes 12:00 pm (inglés)

TUESDAY - Martes 12:00 pm (inglés)

WEDNESDAY - Miércoles

8 a.m. School Mass & 7:00 pm (inglés)

THURSDAY - Jueves

8:00 am (inglés), 7:00 pm Hora Santa

* adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

FRIDAY - Viernes 8:00 am (inglés)

Primer viernes de cada mes misa

bilingüe a las 7:00 pm

SATURDAY - Sábado 5:00 pm (inglés)

VIRTUS Training

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

diosav.org/en/resources/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training



LIST OF UPCOMING SESSIONS

virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list.cfm?theme=0
Select "Savannah, GA (Diocese)"



VIRTUS
Excellence
Builds
Trust

Safe Environment is a
Ministry, through and
through, because it
ensures GRACE is
prevalent where Child
Protection abides.