

# ST. MARTIN DE PORRES BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!

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Third Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2023

## AND JESUS SAID



Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world;  
give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

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Sunday Mass at 10:00 am is available on LIVESTREAM



## Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez Grants Dispensation from the Obligation to Abstain from Meat on the Memorial of Saint Patrick

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia announces that Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, in accord with the *Code of Canon Law* (canon 87), has granted a dispensation to all Roman Catholics in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia from the obligation to abstain from meat on the Memorial of Saint Patrick – **Friday, March 17th, 2023.**

The Catholic Bishops of the United States prescribe as part of a *minimal penitential obligation* that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on the Fridays of Lent.

In certain circumstances, such as the coincidence of Saint Patrick's Day and a Friday of Lent, the Diocesan Bishop may grant a dispensation from this obligation. However, if a Catholic makes the choice not to abstain from meat, then some other penance of choice is to be observed in honor of the passion and death of our Lord on the cross.

Saint Patrick's Day, recalls the memory of this missionary Apostle to Ireland; his preaching of the Faith; and his encouragement to live authentic Christian lives. Faithful throughout the Archdiocese may observe March 17, 2023 by choosing a penitential act other than abstaining from meat.



### The Congress XIII Registration

Registration Adults (19 Years +)

Regular Rate until 7/15/2023 \$450; Youth \$395

Onsite Rate \$495; Youth \$440

Register Now - Registration for Congress XIII (2023)  
([eventpower.com](http://eventpower.com))

FAQ -<https://www.nbccgathering2023.org/About/Frequently-Asked-Questions>



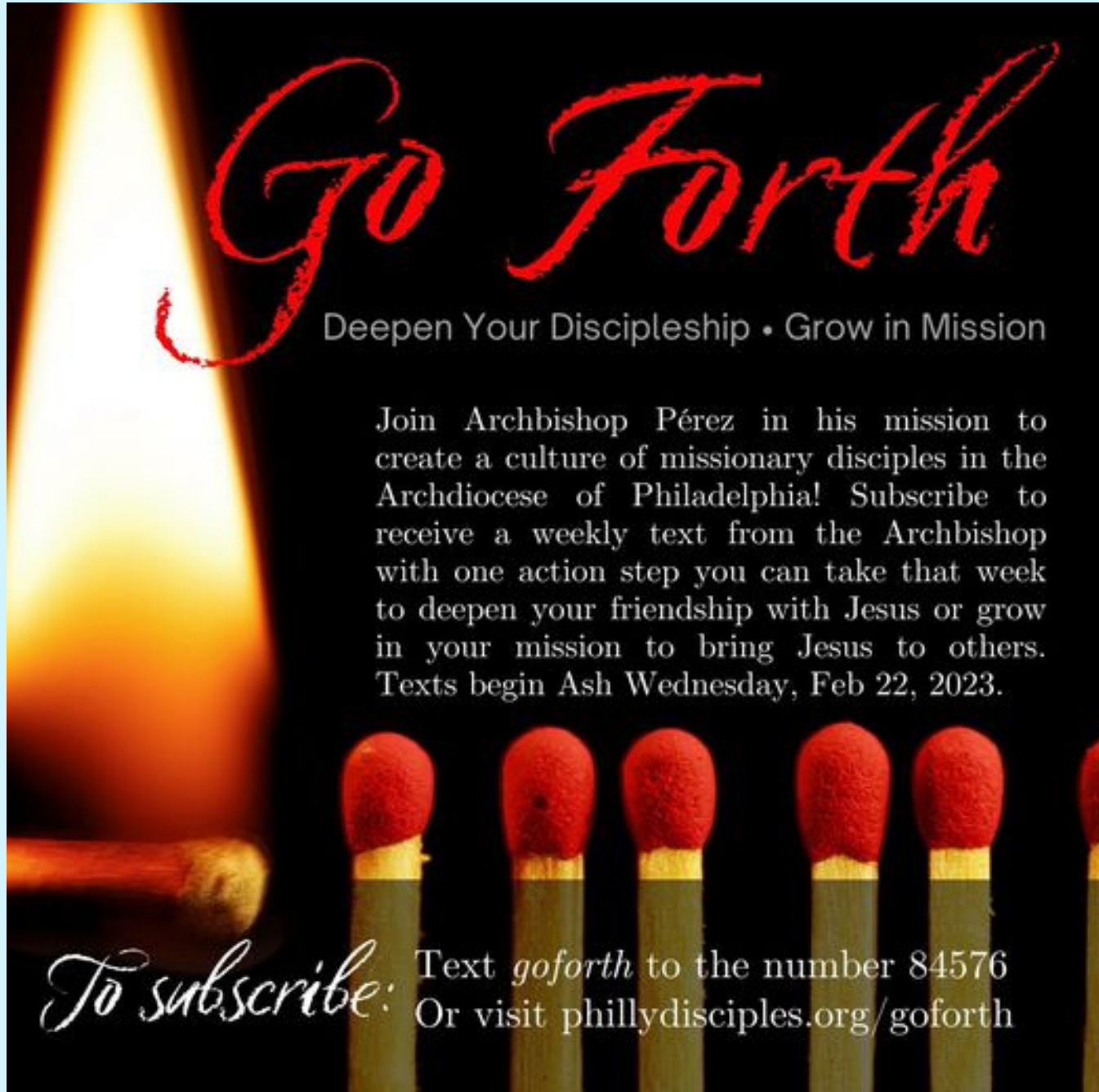
### Visit to St. Katherine of Siena

**Please sign up** to attend so we can get an accurate count. Meals will be prepared at the Parish and a bus will be ordered for our transportation.

### 2022 TAX LETTERS

If anyone is in need of a letter of their donations for their 2022 taxes, please call the Parish Office: 215-228-8330  
Tuesday Wednesday or Thursday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Through the **Go Forth initiative**, you can subscribe to receive a weekly text from the **Archbishop** with one action step you can take that week to deepen your friendship with Jesus or grow in your mission to bring Jesus to others. There are two ways to subscribe to receive the texts: (1) use your phone to **text goforth** to the number **84576** or (2) visit the website **[phillydisciples.org/goforth](http://phillydisciples.org/goforth)**. Texts began on Ash Wednesday and will continue weekly for one year.



**Go Forth**  
Deepen Your Discipleship • Grow in Mission

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# 7:00 AM Mass in Rectory Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, March 12, 2023  
in the Church  
Church Family

Monday, March 13, 2023  
Vera Green, S.S.J.

Tuesday, March 14, 2023  
Marie Kathryn St. Leger, S.S.J.

Wednesday, March 15, 2023  
Loretta Dolores Scribbick, S.S.J.

Thursday, March 16, 2023  
Marianna R. Fieo, S.S.J.

Saturday, March 18, 2023  
Special Intentions



**BIBLE STUDY**  
WITH  
DEACON MELVIN BURTON, JR.

Meeting ID: 570 117 8316  
Phone# +6468769923, 5701178316

Luke 11: 14-23

**THURSDAY 6:30 PM**  
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## Have a Mass Offered

Masses are normally offered for the repose of the soul of the dead, but can also be offered for the intentions of the living; such as on a birthday, or in a time of ill health. It is customary to make a donation to the Church at which the Mass is being said -our recommended amount is \$10.

### Let us pray for the Sick.

We pray for all in our Church Family who are

#### SICK AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM:

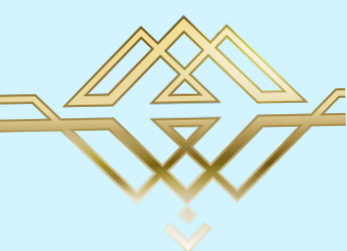
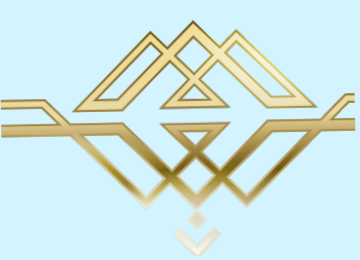
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ANDRE CARTER, BARBARA CARTER, MELODY COOPER,  
MARY COOPER, RITA FELDER, JANICE FLOYD, THERESA  
HART, LYNETTE FORD-HAVENS, HARRY W. HUBBARD,  
AUGUSTUS JOHNSON, MARIE LAWRENCIN, HAZEL  
MARSH, YAKAISHA MARSH, LISA MCLOED, WILLIAM  
PATTERSON, CLARENCE PRESTON, ALMA ROSS, LOIS  
STREETER, VICENTE VELAZQUEZ, AUDREY VICTOR,  
DEVON WALKER, LISA WILLIAMS, MARY JEAN WILLIAMS,  
SYLVIA WILLIAMS, CHERYL WRIGHT

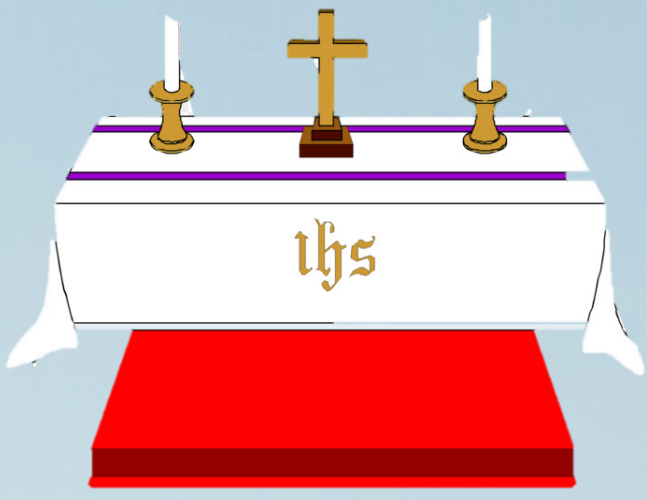
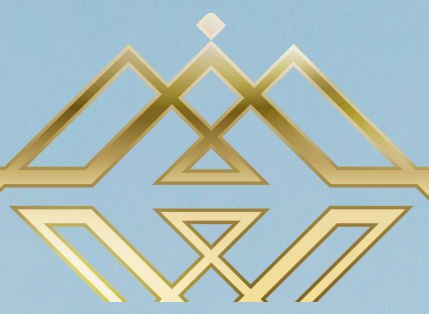
Please contact the church office to add or remove loved ones from our Prayer list.

Fr. Anthony M. Bozeman S.S.J.  
Revivalist



April 23-25, 2023  
More details to follow





**Saturdays -10:30 a.m. Mass  
& Stations of the Cross**  
12:00 p.m. Legion of Mary



**Sundays - 9:15 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
All are Welcome!



**Sign-Up for Spring 2023 Tolton Spirituality Center Webinars**  
**Registration is open. Check out the offerings under the Programs tab at**  
**[www.toltonspirituality.org](http://www.toltonspirituality.org).**

The essential aim of the Legion of Mary is the sanctification of its members through prayer, the sacraments and devotion to Mary and the Trinity, and of the whole world through the apostolate of the Legion.



**ROSARY ONLINE - WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM**  
**ZOOM Meeting # 282 564 5789**  
**Mobile # (16465588656) (2825645789)**  
**Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**

When we pray the Rosary, we put ourselves and our intentions into God's hands. As we pray, we can let go of any worries we may have and we can choose to completely trust in God, knowing that He is listening to our prayers and that He wants the best for us and those we pray for.



**Eucharistic Revival The Solemnity of Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) begins a three year Eucharistic Revival in the United States. More information on how our parish will participate in the Eucharistic Revival will come in the near future. May we unite together in giving thanks to Jesus Christ for the gifts of His Body and Blood.**

**If you are in the hospital or sick, please contact the church office, 215.228.8330 for a visit from Fr. Mekonnen.**