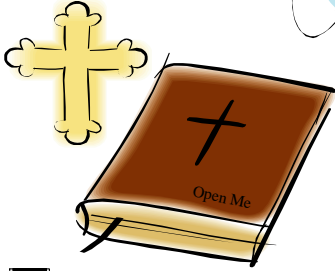




Saint John Vianney

A Mission Church of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish since August 10, 1997
1100 Hood Road, Rio Rancho, NM 87124
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March 4, 2007
Second Sunday of Lent



**7AM & 10AM Mass next
Sunday.**

Not really, but it will be if you
do not set your clock ahead.

So next Sunday at 2AM get up
and set that clock one hour
ahead.

Parish Directory

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Holy Rosary

Sunday	7:40AM
Sunday	10:40AM

Holy Mass

Sunday	8:00AM
Sunday	11:00AM

LENT (Discovering Joy in a solemn season)

by Rev. John Catoir

(Continued from last week)

Where does the word Lent come from?

The word Lent is from the Old English for spring. It refers to the springtime of the soul, when the life of grace streams abundantly into the hearts of believers.

Think of the soul as a garden: to enjoy beautiful flowers in the summer, you have to plant seeds in spring - and pull some weeds along the way.

The flowers appear on the earth; the time of sowing has come.
Song of Solomon 2:12

How is Jesus Christ's example helpful during Lent?

Jesus is our role model and example. He prayed and fasted for forty days in the desert before beginning his public ministry, so during Lent we imitate Him. A disciple witnesses in the fullest sense, and that includes sacrifice. Jesus asks us to give up selfishness to become more loving, which is the ultimate purpose of Lenten discipline.

In His time on earth, Jesus knew hardship, rejection and even betrayal. Yet, He carried on because of His love for us, leaving a legacy of perseverance, hope and joy.

In this world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world. *John: 16:33*

How can we imitate Jesus during Lent?

Prayer and fasting are the means to developing the self-discipline we need to be less egotistical and more compassionate, as Jesus was.

During Lent, we try to imitate Jesus' love by using self-denial - not as an end in itself, but to free ourselves from selfishness in order to be more available to the needs of others. Fasting is not pain for pain's sake, but a choice to overcome self-centeredness. The joy of self-discipline rests in our desire to open ourselves to God so that His love will enter the world through us.

In Him we live and move and have our being. *Acts 17:28*

Calendar

1st Communion Parent Meeting	March 4th, 9:30AM
1st Communion Testing	March 11th
Fridays of Lent, 7PM	Stations of the Cross

Critic / Praise / Prayer Corner

Critic.

- ◆ Those who are critical but do not contribute anything productive.

Praise.

- ◆ To all those making the Station of the Cross at St. John Vianney possible.
- ◆ To all St. Thomas Aquinas School teachers and staff for the great job they do.

Prayers.

- ◆ For all those family members that lost love ones in that terrible bus crash.
- ◆ For all the youth as they come up on their confirmation date.

Send your praise / criticism / prayers to bulletin@sjvnm.org and let your voice be heard. Snail mail to Carl Beyer / 1848 Mesa Grande Loop NE / Rio Rancho / NM / 87144. Discretion will be use in posting.

BELIEVE

March 4, 2007 8:00AM

Usher.....Tom Anderson
 Usher..... John Christensen
 EM of Holy Communion.....Jose Guillen
 Rosary Leader..... Fred Bates
 Altar Server..... Sergio Guillen
 Altar Server..... Fernando Lucero
 First Reader.....Julie Burnside
 Second Reader.....David Crawford

March 4, 2007 11:00AM

Usher..... Ed Uhrich
 Usher..... Tony Quinones
 EM of Holy Communion..... Margaret Chavez
 Rosary Leader..... Rochelle Quinones
 Altar Server.....Steven Chavez
 Altar Server..... Domenica Chavez
 First Reader..... April McClellan
 Second Reader.....Pinky Bjornstad



March 11, 2007 8:00AM

Usher.....Karl Lucero
 Usher..... James Dory
 EM of Holy Communion.....Harlan Harrington
 Rosary Leader.....Catherine Uhrich
 Altar Server..... Ian Burnside
 Altar Server..... Peter Lucero
 First Reader..... Lillian Ortiz
 Second Reader.....Peggy Riley

March 11, 2007 11:00AM

Usher.....James Sandoval
 Usher.....Phil Griego
 EM of Holy Communion.....Jeremy McClellan
 Rosary Leader.....Mary Bell Lucero
 Altar Server..... Krista Savela
 Altar Server.....Jessica Van Loben Sels
 First Reader..... Vicky Howell
 Second Reader..... Cheryl Montoya

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