

THE GOOD NEWS FROM EMMANUEL

March 8, 2009 - Second Sunday in Advent

SUNDAY'S GOSPEL MARK 8:31-38

Then Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."



MISIÓN DE DIVINO SALVADOR, BOGOTA, COLOMBIA

Padre Jose Romero and his parishioners will use some of the money we sent to provide an outdoor, enclosed patio for the children, elderly residents and congregation. Currently, the children in the afterschool program spend all of their time indoors. At noon, they set up tables and eat lunch with the older folks in the entryway of the mission. Afterwards, they go downstairs to a room where high school students help them with homework and play games until they walk home at 5:30. Padre Jose sent his thanks to all again this week via email.



Some after school kids(above), the mission and church, kids doing homework (upper r and below)



After school child at lunch (l), kids setting up for lunch and kids hanging out with Padre Jose in the entryway aka dining room.



UPCOMING EVENTS AND OTHER STUFF

The Finance Committee will meet Sunday after church.

The Diocese will meet with representatives from the Cluster churches on March 10 regarding year round stewardship. Ted will represent Emmanuel.

The vestry will meet again on March 15.

The next Children's Service will be on March 22.

There will be Christian formation meetings following services during Lent. Grab coffee and join in.

We will participate in another feeding at St. Vincent de Paul's in Middletown on April 19. This time Emmanuel will be supplying desserts. Let Leslie know if you want to help out with baking and/or serving food.

This year's Ascension Day service will be celebrated at St. James' in Higganum on Thursday, May 21.

The Chicken BBQ & Pig Roast will be held on July 11 from 6-8.

Dale is our thermostat guru and, thanks to him, our heating system is automated. Please don't adjust the thermostats! Simply talk to Dale if you have any questions.

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