

GOD IS MY LIGHT



CHURCH OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI
25 JANUARY 2026

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 25 JANUARY 2026

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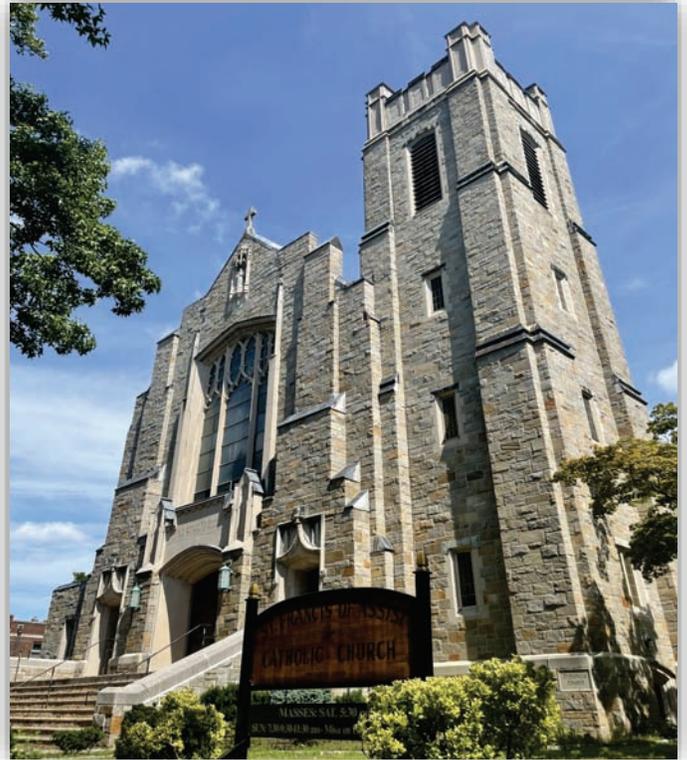
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HOLY MASS

Mass of Anticipation on Saturday Evening at 5:00pm
Sunday Morning at 8:00am & 10:00am
Misa en Español a las 12 del mediodía
Monday to Friday at 7:30am
Saturday Morning at 8:00am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second Sunday of month at 2:00pm in English
Third Sunday of month at 2:00pm in Spanish
Please contact the parish office for more information,
registration must be done **one month** in advance.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturdays at 8:30am and 4:00pm, or by appointment.
Confessions end once the last person in line is heard.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

Arrangements are to be made **six months** in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the parish office when someone is very ill,
especially near death, to receive the necessary sacraments.

PARISH CENTER

125 Park Street, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey 07660
Telephone 201.641.6464 | Fax 201.641.2282
Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
Thursday Evenings to 8:00pm
Fridays in July & August, 9am to 2pm
Closed on Saturdays and Sundays
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 24

5:00 People of the Parish

Sunday, January 25

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 + Regina Morley
10:00 + Eugene Heitzman
12:00 + Nerey da Felipe

Monday, January 26

Saints Timothy and Titus

7:30 + Carole Cardiello

Tuesday, January 27

St. Angela Merici

7:30 + Bill Beeman

Wednesday, January 28

St. Thomas Aquinas

7:30 + Helen Clarke

Thursday, January 29

7:30 + Harry Menta Sr.

Friday, January 30

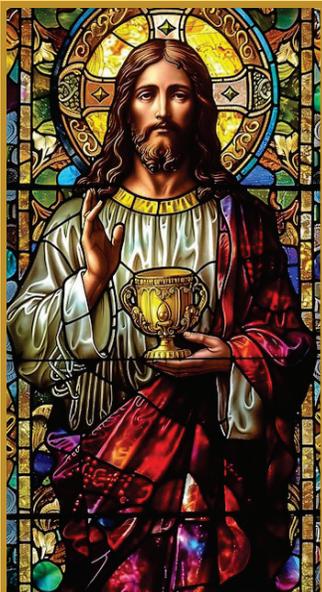
7:30 + Wolfgang Muller

Saturday, January 31

St. John Bosco

8:00 + Mary and Lillian Harriman

SACRAMENTAL MEMORIALIZATIONS



The Host will be consecrated in Memory of:
+ Carol Cardiello

The Wine will be consecrated in Memory of:
+ Carole Cardiello

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn in Memory of:
+ Carol Cardiello

The Altar Candles will burn in Memory of:
+ Nyurka Valle

Mass Celebrant & Homilist Schedule*

Saturday, January 31

8:30 Confession: Fr. Bart

4:00pm Confession: Fr. Bart

5:00pm Fr. Bart

Sunday, February 1

8:00am Fr. Bart

10:00am Fr. Tony

12 Noon (SPA) Msgr. Richard

**Schedule subject to change without notice.*



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Communicating God's Word | January 25



YOUR OFFERINGS ON January 18, 2026

Offerings:	\$ 4,202.00
Mail-In/Drop Off:	\$ 460.00
Total:	\$ 4,662.00

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EVENTS

WHAT'S ON THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, January 26

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church

Tuesday, January 27

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church

Wednesday, January 28

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church

Thursday, January 29

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church

Hispanic Prayer Group 6:30pm

Healing and Loss Ministry 6:00-7:00pm

Choir Rehearsal—All

Friday, January 30

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church

Saturday, January 31

Rosary Prayer Group 8-9:00am in Church

Men's Group 6:30am (P.C.)

Confessions 8:30am and 4:00pm

Sunday, February 1

Second Collection for Heating and Energy

FRONT PEW OF OUR CHURCH

While not officially reserved, let's try to leave the front pew on either side of the aisle open

for those who have a difficulty in walking. Holy Communion will be brought directly to them.

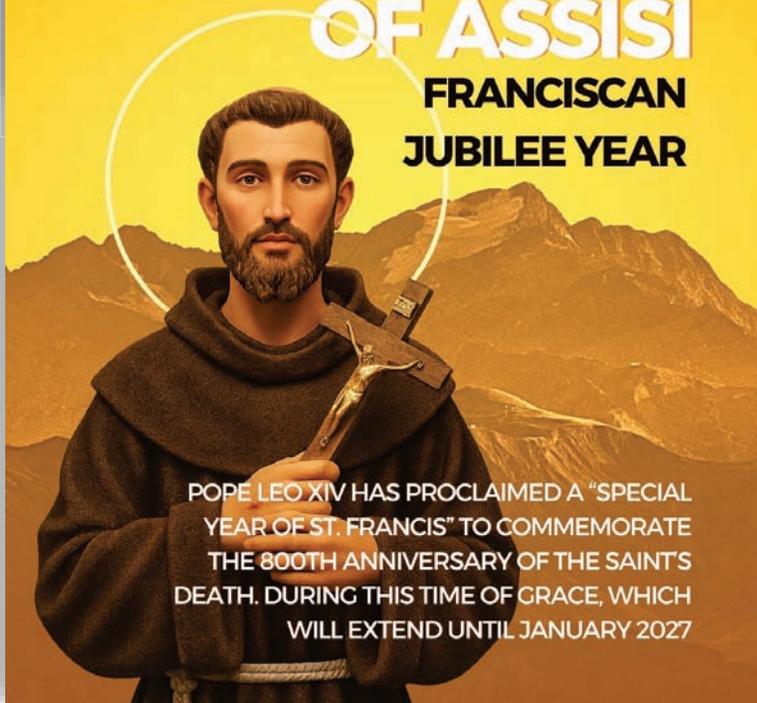


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ST.FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

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FRANCISCAN JUBILEE YEAR



POPE LEO XIV HAS PROCLAIMED A "SPECIAL YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS" TO COMMEMORATE THE 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SAINT'S DEATH. DURING THIS TIME OF GRACE, WHICH WILL EXTEND UNTIL JANUARY 2027



2025 Year End Tax Statements

Year-end contribution statements will be mailed upon request.

If you would like yours mailed to you, please call the Parish Center Monday - Friday | 10AM-4PM

You may also leave a voice message with your name and address.



Join Fr. Lynx as we
delve into the
Gospel of
Matthew

**Next meeting on February 9th at 7:00pm
in the Lower Church.**

**Bring a Bible and a Notebook
Fr. Lynx will be using the
Revised Standard Version of the Scriptures**

HOMEWORK: READ CHAPTER 3 & 4

NATIVITY SCENE TO REMAIN IN THE CHURCH UNTIL FEBRUARY 2ND!

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd is the 40th day after Christmas and is considered a "Christmas Feast Day." In some countries, it is not unusual to retain some Christmas decorations until the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Pope Saint John Paul II would make his last visit to the crib in St. Peter's Square after celebrating the evening Mass on February 2nd. After this visit, the Nativity scene was dismantled. This corresponds to a longstanding custom in which Candlemas was the day for removal of Christmas decorations, especially those made of greenery.

Our parish will observe the tradition of keeping the Christmas Crèche until the Lord's Presentation. This will be a concrete reminder of how the Word was made Flesh for you!





The St. Francis Respect Life Ministry promotes the Catholic Church's teaching on the respect, care, and protection of human life from conception to natural death. The Ministry also aids in affirming the dignity of life and providing support to people in need.

ALL LIFE IS PRECIOUS

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

We celebrate the **Sunday of the Word of God** today. This year's theme is: *"The word of Christ dwells among you"* (Col 3:16). Observed each year on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, this day invites us to reflect on, celebrate, and share the **Word of God** in our daily lives.

The celebration was established by Pope Francis in his 2019 Apostolic Letter *Aperuit illis*, emphasizing the essential connection between the Risen Lord, Christian communities, and Sacred Scripture.

We commemorated the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children this past Thursday, January 22, to unite Catholics in prayer and action for life, including supporting pregnant women and post-abortion healing. We can connect today's theme with our continued prayers for the unborn uniting the Church's focus on God's Word with its **commitment to upholding the sanctity of life.**



Please continue praying for our **91 Spiritually Adopted Babies.**

May God continue to hold them in His hands and protect them from all harm. May He also bless and protect the Mothers of our babies who carry the miracle of life within them.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the Respect Life Ministry, contact:
Deacon Victor Conversano, Jr.
201.641.6464 ext. 206

St. Lazarus Healing & Loss Ministry

Those who are dealing with the loss of a loved one are invited to our Winter Support Group Meetings.

January 29

Am I managing my sadness?

February 5

Am I healing and rebuilding my Life?

Meetings are held at the St. Francis Parish Center

125 Park Street in Ridgefield Park

6:00pm to 7:00pm

Registration is recommended for the 5-Week Support Group, contact Deacon Victor Conversano, Jr. | 201.641.6464



**You aren't alone,
let's walk together.**

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION



The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the church altar on

Friday, February 6th

8am-9am & 12:00pm-7:00pm

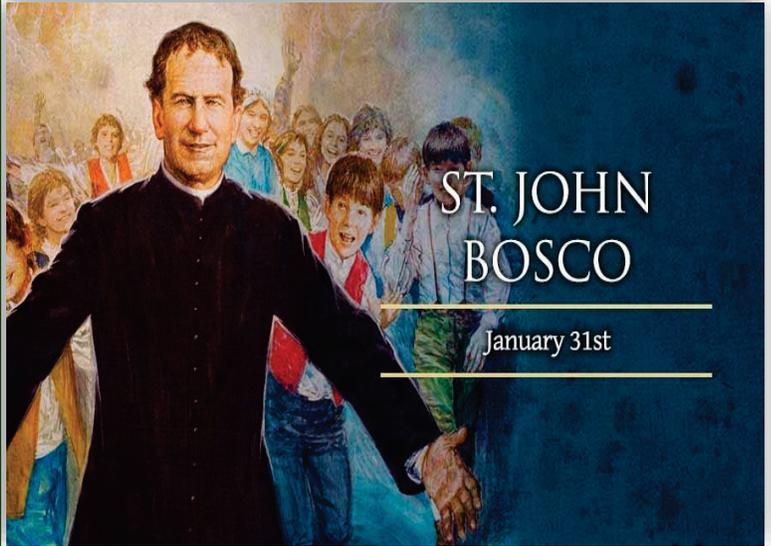
ALTAR FLOWERS



Flowers in a sanctuary aren't to "decorate" the altar, but are an offering to God from the beauty of His creation.

Just as Jesus was offered in the prime of His life to the Father on the cross, so do we offer the Lord flowers at the prime of their beauty. The parish would like to offer a service to purchase a fresh flower arrangement weekly in memory of a loved one, to express thanksgiving to God for a favor received or to remember a special occasion such as a birthday or an anniversary. Each arrangement is **\$50 each**. If you'd like to make an offering of flowers, please contact Patty at the parish office.

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ST. JOHN
BOSCO

January 31st

Archdiocesan Policy on Reporting

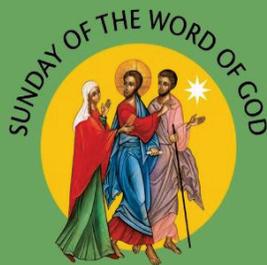
Report on Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use EthicsPoint, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues and promote positive parish, school, and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.

Report on Sexual Misconduct Confidentially

The Archdiocese of Newark takes all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy, religious, and lay staff seriously. We encourage anyone with knowledge of such acts to contact us so we can take appropriate steps to protect others and support victims of sexual abuse. Please call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at **201.407.3256** or visit www.rcan.org/protection-of-the-faithful for more information.

The **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service** receives reports of sexual abuse or misconduct by bishops and forwards them for investigation. To report abuse, visit www.reportbishopabuse.org or call **800.276.1562**



26 January 2025

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

It's always a good idea to register in your parish.

Registration is required to enroll your child in the Faith Formation program, to become a godparent for Baptism or Confirmation, and to obtain any official parish letters.

Place this completed form in the collection basket or return it to the parish center & we'll be in touch!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Welcome to Saint Francis of Assisi!

LA VOZ HISPANA

3º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO 25 de Enero del 2026

SACRAMENTO DEL BAUTISMO

Segundo domingo de mes a las 3:00pm en inglés
Tercer domingo de mes a las 3:00pm en español
Contacte la oficina parroquial para inscribirse
con **un mes** de anticipación.

SACRAMENTO DE LA CONFESIÓN

Sábados a las **8:30am & 4:00pm**, o por cita.

SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Arreglos se hacen con **seis meses** de anticipación.

SACRAMENTO DE LA UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial cuando alguien
esté muy enfermo, especialmente cerca de morir,
para recibir los sacramentos necesarios.

MISIÓN PARROQUIAL

La comunidad parroquial de San Francisco de Asís, se compromete al trabajo unificador del Espíritu Santo, en la medida en que se manifiesta en la Tradición viva de la Iglesia. Nos comprometemos a dar testimonio de ese trabajo en nuestras vidas diarias, sirviendo a Dios y al prójimo, siendo misioneros de nuestra Fe, llegando a quienes estén necesitados, y siendo las manos acogedoras de Cristo para todos.



SUS OFRENDAS | 18 De Enero 2026

Ofrendas:	\$4,202.00
Enviados por correo:	\$ 460.00
Total:	\$4,662.00

PRÓXIMAS SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

25 de enero

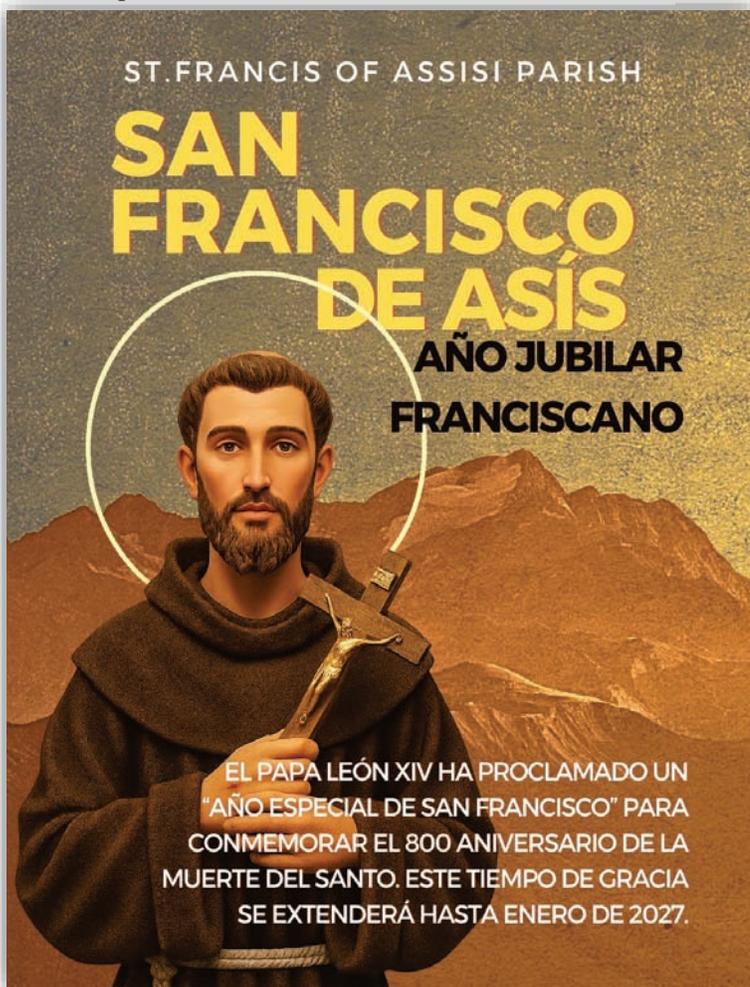
Comunicar la palabra de Dios

BANCO DELANTERO DE NUESTRA IGLESIA

Aunque no está oficialmente reservado, dejemos abierto el banco delantero a ambos lados del pasillo para aquellos que tienen dificultad para caminar. La Santa Comunión llegará directamente a ellos sin tener que moverse.



¡Gracias por su cooperación!



Declaraciones de impuestos 2025



Las declaraciones de contribuciones de fin de año se enviarán por correo a pedido a Si desea una declaración, llame al Centro parroquial de lunes a viernes de 10 a.m. a 4 p.m. Deje su nombre y dirección y se le enviará una declaración por correo.



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**Yo soy la luz del mundo,
el que me sigue no andará en tinieblas,
sino que tendrá la luz de la vida.
Juan 8-12**



Te invitamos a:

- * Vivir esta experiencia transformadora.
- * Sanación de heridas y recuerdos dolorosos.
- * Vivificar tu fe y profundizar en la oración.
- * Recuperar el encanto de Dios y la alegría de Vivir.

**Lugar: Saint Francis of Assisi Church
114 Mount Vernon street Ridgfield Park**

Inicio: Miércoles Febrero 11, 2026

Hora 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Contactar: Patricia Duran.

Tel: 201 240 4362

PRIMER VIERNES

EL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO
ESTARÁ EXPUESTO EN EL ALTAR
DE LA IGLESIA EL:

**VIERNES, 6 DE FEBRERO
DEL 2026
8:00AM A 9:00AM
12 DEL MEDIODÍA A 7:00PM**



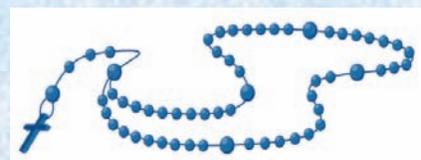
DOMINGO
de la palabra
23 de enero 2022



**ROSARIO
DE LA AURORA**



**Primer Sábado
7 de Febrero del 2026
6:45am en la iglesia**



¡EL PESEBRE PERMANECERÁ EN LA IGLESIA HASTA EL 2 DE FEBRERO!



La Festividad de la Presentación del Señor, el 2 de febrero, es el cuadragésimo día después de Navidad y se considera un "día festivo de Navidad".
En algunos países no es inusual conservar algunas decoraciones navideñas hasta la Presentación del Señor. El Papa San Juan Pablo II hacia su última visita al pesebre de la Plaza de San Pedro después de celebrar la Misa vespertina del 2 de febrero.
Después de esta visita, el pesebre fue desmantelado. Esto corresponde a una antigua costumbre en la que la Candelaria era el día en que se retiraban las decoraciones navideñas, especialmente las hechas de vegetación.

Nuestra parroquia observará la tradición de mantener el pesebre navideño hasta la Presentación del Señor. ¡Este será un hermoso recordatorio de cómo el Verbo se hizo carne por ti!



¿Quieres crecer en la fe?

¡Haz de la misa diaria un hábito!

**lunes a viernes
a las 7:30 a. m.**

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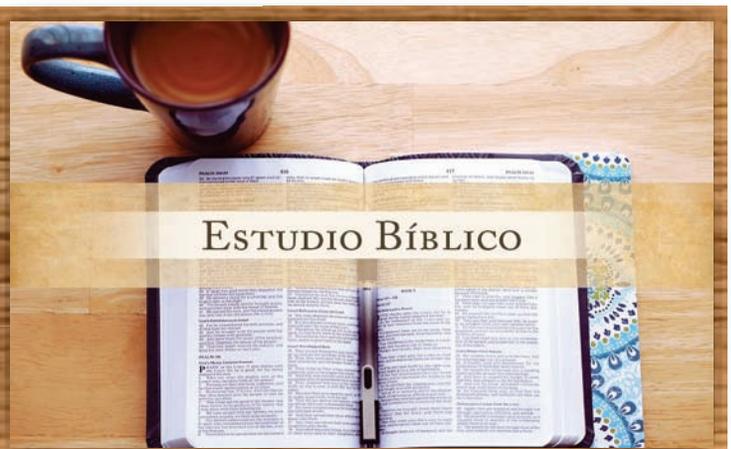
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CUPO LIMITADO

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Próxima reunión: 3 de Febrero a las 7pm en el sótano de la Iglesia.



Traiga su Biblia y su cuaderno
Se utilizara la Biblia de Jerusalén Latinoamericana

TAREA: LEA CAPITULO 3 Y 4



¡BIENVENIDOS NUEVOS FELIGRESES!

Siempre es una buena idea matricularse en su parroquia.

Matricularse es necesario para inscribir a su hijo/a en el programa de la catequesis, para ser p/madrino de bautismo o confirmación, y para obtener cartas oficiales de la parroquia.

Coloque este formulario, con su información, en la canasta de la colecta o devuélvalo a la oficina parroquial, y le enviaremos por correo un formulario de inscripción más detallado.

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