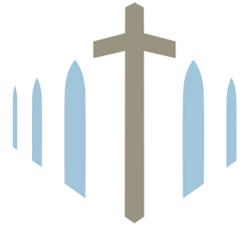




JULY 10, 2016



ST. MONICA

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WELCOME TO ST. MONICA CHURCH!

We are pleased to have visitors join us in worship and we invite you to become active registered parishioners. Registration forms can be found in the vestibule, at the Parish Office, and online.

Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am,
11:00 am, 12:30 pm,
2:00 pm (español), 5:00 pm

Weekday Mass Times

6:45 am, 8:00 am M-F
8:00 am Saturdays
First Fridays 5:30 pm
Primer viernes del mes 7:00 pm

Childcare for 11:00 am Mass

Ages: 12-months to 4-years
No Cost
Room 114 Family Center
St. Monica Women's Ministry

Reconciliation • Reconciliación

Saturday/Sábado
3:30-4:30 pm • 6:30-7:00 pm

Baptism • Bautismo

Third Saturday of each month at 10:00 am
Parents and godparents are required to attend a preparation class offered on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. Call the Faith Formation Office to register.

Tercer sábado de cada mes a las 3:00 pm
Padres y Padrinos deben asistir a una clase de preparación que se ofrecen los primeros sábados de mes a la 1:00 pm. Llame a la Oficina de Ministerio Hispano.

Marriage • Matrimonio

Contact a priest or deacon at least six months before the planned marriage date.
Llame a un Sacerdote o Diacono por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la boda.

Helplines • Linea de Ayuda

St. Vincent de Paul serves the poor or distressed on an emergency basis.
972-994-1121 (confidential) Volunteers contact: info@stmonicasvdp.org

Stephen Ministry helps those experiencing grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or another life crisis. 214-914-2802 (confidential)

Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 12:00 noon • Submit notices in writing to ecooper@stmonicachurch.org.

Parish Staff

Fr. Stephen W. Bierschenk
Pastor - x 7107

Fr. Iñigo Lopez
Parochial Vicar - x 7112

Fr. Edwin Leonard
Vocation Director (in residence)

Monsignor John F. Meyers
Pastor Emeritus

Deacons

Abel Cortes Bob Marrinan
Larry Lucido Brian Mitchell

St. Monica Church Office

Main: (214) 358-1453 • Fax: (214) 351-1887
Hours: M-F 9:00-5:00 • Sunday 10:00-2:00

Parish Secretary x 7453

Faby Gomez

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Director of Communications x 7142

Erin Cooper

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Director of Music x 7101

Jeremy Wirths

Director Youth Music x 7103

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Director of Faith Formation x 7132

Mariangela Byrne

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Coordinadora de Matrimonios

Martha Gonzalez

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Phil Riley, Principal

www.stmonicaschool.org

From the Pastor

In the winter of 1990, Michael Peterson was asked to appear on a television talk show in Toronto. At the end of the first day of taping he was on his way back to his plush hotel, when he saw something he'd never seen before. Lying on the sidewalk against a building in four inches of snow was a man sleeping with only a cardboard blanket. What really broke Peterson's heart was when he realized that the man wore no shoes or socks. He thought he should stop and help the man but he wasn't quite sure what to do. As the traffic light turned green, it seemed life was demanding that he move along. So, that's what he did. Back in the luxurious environment of his hotel, he promptly forgot about the man on the street.

Several days later, prior to the morning taping, he was having coffee and Danish in the green room at the station. All of the "important" people had left the room and only he and the janitor were left. Peterson had seen the janitor go quietly about his business every day while he was there. He always had a smile to give to everyone.

When Peterson asked the janitor how he was feeling, the humble man told him that he'd been having to ride his bike to work in the snow and that he'd been feeling rather sorry for himself . . . that is, until he saw a man sleeping down on the corner with just a piece of cardboard for covering from the cold and no shoes. Peterson almost choked on his Danish as he heard this simple janitor go on to relate how he was so moved with compassion for this homeless man that he went around the corner to a store and bought the man a pair of socks and shoes.

As Peterson listened to the janitor tell his story, he saw in his mind a poster that used to be in a friend's bedroom when he was a teenager. It was a picture of a child handing someone a flower. The caption read: "The smallest deed always exceeds the grandest of intentions." When Peterson went home that day, he looked for the man on the street. He was gone, but he knew it wouldn't be long before someone took his place. (from Michael Peterson, *Chicken Soup for the Country Soul*.)

Who is my neighbor? The question in today's gospel continues to be a challenge. After all, we are good people. We want to help. The priest on his way

to do his job in the Temple knew if he touched this injured man, he would have perhaps been rendered ritually impure and so could not perform his duties. Other people were depending on him, so he needed to pass on by.

The Levite, was an expert in the Law, and as he pondered the intricacies of the Law, he was always thinking about the unintended consequences of sin that would arise if one of the rules was not followed strictly. Better to avoid trouble and not get involved in this difficult situation.

All we know about the true neighbor to the man attacked by robbers is his ethnic origin – he was from Samaria. With the strict prejudices of the people of his day, Jesus shocked his listeners as the hero of his story was made to be one they would have automatically hated and rejected. But what is most important is his simple, humble desire to do something practical to help the one in need. He didn't set up a neighborhood watch to make it safer on that stretch of the road or create a fund to care for the victims of crime. He cleaned him up, dressed his wounds, and made sure he would be well cared for until he returned to check on him.

Today we probably won't be dealing with a beaten man left at the side of the road. But, we may see someone who obviously is a stranger in our community, and we cannot let our shyness excuse us from saying "Hello" and giving the gift of feeling that they are valued and welcomed. It may will happen soon that someone we don't care for is there, and we would like to pretend that we did not see them, but we can forget our self and give them the gift of our attention. We who have so much often want to decide that there is no need to help someone who is begging because they are going to use the money in a way of which we do not approve. We are not everyone's master, but simply giving those in need an opportunity to share a small blessing, giving them the opportunity to do what they will with what they have.

It is true. The smallest deed always exceeds the grandest of intentions. As we think of the example of the Good Samaritan, we cannot allow our self to ignore the words of Jesus, "Go and do likewise."

– Fr. Stephen W Bierschenk

News & Events

All summer long, **L1FT Youth Ministry** will be meeting on Sundays and Wednesdays including a trip to Hurricane Harbor on 7/31! Visit www.L1FTministry.org for all the news on what's coming up!

PAIN (Prayerful Assistance In times of Need) will be meeting July 13th from 11:30 to 12:30 in the Family Center Room 211. If you are in pain and would like us to pray with you, please join us. If you would like to pray for others who are in pain, please join us.

St. Monica Works Ministry is the Business and Professional Networking organization where people network and connect to develop business together. The July meeting is on July, 21st in the lower lounge of the Family Center. Come tell others about your product, service or profession and learn about theirs the on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Meet with other faith minded individuals between 7:30 am and 8:00 am for coffee, donuts and networking. A lively meeting follows between 8:00 to 9:00 am. Connections also happen after the meeting. For more information, call [214-707-3726](tel:214-707-3726) or visit www.stmonicaworks.org. Come and improve your business.

First Holy Communion Preparation Preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion is for two consecutive school years and begins in the first grade for students who do not attend Catholic school. If your child does not attend Catholic school and you would like for him or her to receive First Holy Communion in the second grade, please come by the Church office to register in person. Documents needed at the time of registration are copies of the child's birth and Baptism certificate.

Faith Formation Registration for the 2016-2017 school year is now open through July 29th. Families must come to the parish office to register. Registration will be held on Sunday's from 10 am - 3:30 pm, Monday's from 9 am - 7:00 pm and Tuesday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. Documents needed at the time of registration are a copy of the child's birth and Baptism certificate.

Our Faith Formation program is for students who do not attend Catholic school and would like to receive sacramental preparation or ongoing faith formation. First - 6th grade classes will be held on Sunday afternoons from 3:15 - 4:45 pm. Seventh - 12th grade students will be attending L1FT Youth Ministry and Confirmation on Sunday evenings from 6:15 - 8:15 pm. Students may also register for a home schooling option that meets once a month at the parish on Saturday mornings. All programs will begin after Labor day weekend in September. For more information, please call the Church office at [214-357-8549](tel:214-357-8549).

St. Monica Grief Support Ministry Have you suffered the loss of a loved one? St. Monica is now starting registrations for the Grief Support Ministry. Sessions will begin on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, 7pm-9pm. Meetings will be held once a week for 10 weeks and you will meet in small groups with others going through similar experiences. Sessions are led by trained lay facilitators. The support group is free, with only the cost of \$10 for the book. Sessions will also be offered in Spanish starting on Tuesday, September 27, 2016. Please contact either Maria Juarez-Plank at [214-366-7173](tel:214-366-7173) or mplank@stmonicachurch.org or Jim Einspanier at [214-914-2802](tel:214-914-2802) or jeinspanier@navigationfinancial.com to register or for any questions.

St. Monica will be starting an **early childhood Sunday school program** called Allelu for children ages 3 -5 starting in September. The class will be held from 11 to noon starting September 11th. If you would like to register your child for the class, come by the Church office to register.

Stewardship

07-03-2016

Regular - \$36,991

Total Mass Attendance

07-03-2016

3,067

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 10

8:00 am..... Priest's Intention
9:30 am..... Priest's Intention
11:00 am..... Priest's Intention
12:30 pm Priest's Intention
2:00 pm Priest's Intention
5:00 pm..... Priest's Intention

Monday, July 11

6:45 am..... For Religious Vocations
8:00 am..... Joe Alan Cook † by John & Joan Haba

Tuesday, July 12

6:45 am..... Leo Londenberg † by Florence Crable
8:00 am..... PTO Mass

Wednesday, July 13

6:45 am..... Francine Myers † by John Mullen
8:00 am..... Connie Smiser † by Simons Family

Thursday, July 14

6:45 am..... Jorge Espinoza
8:00 am..... Stephanie Vance † by The Zally Family

Friday, July 15

6:45 am..... Carey & Judy Schulten 55th Wedding
Anniversary
8:00 am..... PTO Mass

Saturday, July 16

8:00 am..... Gene Kervin † by The Kervin Family
5:00 pm..... Rudy Diaz † by Kathy Moreno & Debbie Diaz

Sanctuary Light

This week the Sanctuary Light is burning for Gene Kervin.

For Our Sick

To request a name to appear, please contact the parish office or complete a green prayer request card (found on tables at the back of church) and place the card in an offering basket.

Rudy Chavira¹

Lorenzo³

Eva Chavez³

Zach³

Names will appear for 3 weeks. The numbers after the names begin at 3 and count down and are intended to help those who make requests.





CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Remember that ALL St. Monica volunteers are required to attend an annual Safe Environment Training. (Badges expire every July.)

For the 2016 training schedule, visit stmonicachurch.org/about-us/safe-environment/training-schedule/

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS

Choose a **Local Trafficking** class to attend

NEW VOLUNTEERS

Choose a **Family of Faith** class to attend

New volunteers should contact Shavana Lopez at slopez@stmonicachurch.org to complete an interview and background check in addition to attending the Family of Faith class.

News & Events

Adorers are needed for Thursday night from 11 pm to midnight. Please contact Margie at adore10397@sbcglobal.net to sign up.

St. Monica is seeking **first holy communion catechists** for the 3rd, 5th and 6th grade. Training is being held over the summer. Classes are from September through May on Sundays from 3:15 - 4:45. If interested in serving as a catechist, please contact Mariangela Byrne at: [214-357-8549](tel:214-357-8549).

The Pastoral Solidarity **Fund for the Church in Africa**, which will be collected on July 16-17, provides grants to finance pastoral projects that support the maintenance and growth of the Church in Africa, including outreach programs, schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers.

Guadalupe Radio Network presents the **8th Annual Summer Speaker Series** *Food for Thought* with Fr. Leo Patalinghug on Thursday, July 21st at the Frontiers of Flight Museum. To make reservations, visit www.grnonline.com.

Walking Together in Faith Dallas Ministry Conference

Join us at the 10th annual UD Ministry Conference from Sept. 29 - Oct. 1, 2016 and be a part of the South's largest annual Catholic ministry conference opened to the public. Attend some of over 170 breakout sessions in English, Spanish and Vietnamese, presented by national, local and international known speakers. Participate in Mass and prayer services, peruse the exhibits, admire the liturgical art display, and listen to Catholic musical performances. This three-day event only costs \$66! Find out more at our website: www.udallas.edu/dm.

The **Annual Diocesan Silver and Gold Anniversary Mass** celebrating 25, 50 and 50+ Years of Marriage will be held on Saturday, August 27, 2016 at 2:00 p.m., at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe. Couples celebrating their 25th anniversary (married in 1991), 50th anniversary (married in 1966), or more than 50 years of marriage (married before 1966) during 2016, are invited to participate. Please register if you plan to attend so that seating can be reserved. Bishop Farrell presides at this beautiful Mass and offers a special blessing for all anniversary couples. Families are welcome to attend and will be seated in open seating. A festive reception will be held following the Mass at the Morton H. Myerson Symphony Center. Register by calling [214-379-2874](tel:214-379-2874) to register by phone. Deadline for registrations is Monday, August 15th.

Family Vocation Chalice

To participate call (214) 368-3640

July 16 at 5:00 pm
Marilyn Hicks

July 17 at 11:00 am
Lilly & Kevin Gonzalez

July 17 at 8:00 am
Margaret Ramos

July 17 at 12:30 pm
Nicolas & Laura Gutierrez

July 17 at 9:30 am
Pat Chebino

July 17 at 5:00 pm
Larry & Diana Eppard

Noticias y Eventos

RICA

Si es una persona adulta y le gustaría recibir los sacramentos de Bautismo, Primera Comuni3n y/o Confirmaci3n les invitamos considerar las clases de RICA (Rito de Iniciaci3n para Cristianos Adultos). Este programa inicia el mes de septiembre y termina en Pascua del 2017. Las clases tambi3n son para aquellos adultos que quieran seguir creciendo y conociendo m3s de la fe cat3lica. Para m3s informaci3n por favor comuniquese a las Oficinas Parroquiales [214-357-8549](tel:214-357-8549).

C3liz Familiar

3nase a orar por las vocaciones sacerdotales y religiosas a trav3s del programa del C3liz Familiar. Se llevara un c3liz a su hogar por una semana para rezar por las vocaciones. Tambi3n se les dar3 un libreto con oraciones para que rece con su familia. Por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial [214-357-8549](tel:214-357-8549).

Inscripciones de Catecismo

Las inscripciones para las clases de Catecismo est3n abiertas hasta el 29 de Julio. Deben pasar a las Oficinas parroquiales para inscribir a sus hijos. Los horarios de Oficina son los domingos de 10 am a 3:30 pm; Lunes de 9 am a 7 pm y martes a viernes de 9 am a 5 pm. Los documentos que deben traer son: el acta de nacimiento y fe de Bautismo. Las clases son los domingos e inician el 11 de Septiembre. Las clases para los estudiantes de pre-kinder a 6to grado ser3n los domingos de 3:15 pm a 4:45 pm; las clases para estudiantes de 7o y 12o grado ser3n los domingo de 6:15 a 8 pm. Son dos a3os para recibir sacramentos. Para m3s informaci3n por favor llame a las Oficinas Parroquiales [214-357-8549](tel:214-357-8549).

Noche de Adoraci3n

Adoremos a Jes3s Eucarist3a, en una hermosa Noche de Adoraci3n seguida de la Santa Misa del primer viernes de Mes. Contemplemos su amor, su Majestad y su Presencia Santa. Los esperamos.

La Misa Anual Diocesana de Bodas de Oro y Plata celebrando 25, 50 o m3s de 50 a3os de Matrimonio se llevar3 a cabo el s3bado, 27 de agosto de 2016 a las 2:00 PM en la Catedral Santuario de Nuestra Se3ora de Guadalupe. Si este a3o se encuentran celebrando su 25avo aniversario (casados en 1991), su 50avo aniversario (casados en 1966) o si est3n celebrando m3s de 50 a3os de casados (casados antes de 1966), esta Misa celebra su aniversario de bodas.

Si planea asistir a esta celebraci3n, le pedimos que se registre para que sus asientos le sean reservados. El Obispo Farrell preside la Misa y ofrece una bendici3n especial para todas las parejas que celebran aniversarios. Sus familias est3n invitadas a asistir y podr3n sentarse en asientos no reservados. Habr3 una alegre recepci3n despu3s de la Misa en el Morton H. Myerson Symphony Center. Tambi3n puede llamar al [214-379-2874](tel:214-379-2874) si desea inscribirse por tel3fono. La fecha l3mite de inscripci3n es el lunes, 15 de agosto.

Le pedimos que acompa3e al Obispo Kevin Farrell y a los seminaristas del **Seminario Holy Trinity en la Cena Anual del Seminarista Spes Gregis** el viernes 23 de septiembre. Este evento dar3 inicio a la celebraci3n del 50vo Aniversario del seminario. Ser3 una noche incre3ble con presentaciones musicales y reflexiones de seminaristas, as3 como con una elegante recepci3n y cena con el discurso de apertura de Su Eminencia, Timothy Cardenal Dolan, Arzobispo de Nueva York. Los fondos recaudados en la Cena del Seminarista de este a3o apoyaran la salud y bienestar de los seminaristas ayud3ndolos a financiar el nuevo Centro del Seminarista.

Si desea comprar boletos, servir como voluntario, patrocinar un seminarista, o simplemente realizar un donativo, le pedimos visite www.holytrinityseminary.org. Asimismo, le pedimos que visite Facebook y presione "like" en la p3gina de Holy Trinity Seminary www.facebook.com/htseminary.

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2016 PROGRAMA
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**¡ATENCIÓN TODO
VOLUNTARIO!**

Clase de Primer A3o: Familia de Fe

Julio 18 - 6 pm

Julio 20 - 6 pm

Julio 25 - 6 pm

Clase de Renovaci3n: Angel

Julio 26 - 6 pm

Julio 27 - 6 pm

Julio 28 - 6 pm

Julio 31 - 1 pm

Los voluntarios nuevos deben de comunicarse con Shavana Lopez a slopez@stmonicachurch.org para completar su entrevista y revision de antecedentes y asistir a la clase de Familia de Fe.

Conferencia para los Ministerios de

Dallas El decimo Conferencia para los Ministerios de Dallas se llevará a cabo del 29 de septiembre a octubre 1 del 2016 en el Kay Bailey Hutchison Centro de Convención de Dallas. La conferencia es una oportunidad maravillosa para la formación continua que puede rejuvenecer aquellos que ahora trabajan en la Iglesia, ya que asistimos a los que servimos a comprender más profundamente la fe católica y crecer en la espiritualidad. Los animamos a unirse a otros que trabajan en la Diócesis de Dallas y en el Norte de Texas, en niveles de trabajo de administración parroquial y escolar, durante los tres días de la conferencia. El evento contará con dos conferencias magistrales, una en inglés y una en español el sábado, y varios plenarios presentados en ambos idiomas el sábado. También contará con sesiones diseñadas específicamente para maestros de escuela, catequistas, y audiencias católicas generales, incluyendo charlas sobre la fe, la familia y la justicia social. Las sesiones se ofrecen en inglés, español y vietnamita, y la conferencia será anfitrión a más de 100 expositores, exhibición de arte litúrgico, presentaciones musicales por artistas católicos, servicios de oración y misa el viernes por la mañana.

Para más información, visite www.udallas.edu/dmc/espanol.

El Fondo de **Solidaridad Pastoral para la Iglesia de África** proporciona contribuciones para financiar proyectos pastorales que apoyan el mantenimiento y crecimiento de la Iglesia en África, incluyendo programas de extensión, escuelas, evangelización y educación del clero y ministros laicos. La colecta sera el 16 y 17 de Julio.

Cáliz Vocacional Familiar

Para llevarse el Cáliz llame al (214) 358-1453

17 de Julio
Familia Mejia
24 de Julio
Familia Nila
31 de Julio
Familia Huerta



De El Pastor

En el invierno de 1990, le pidieron a Michael Peterson que se presentara en una entrevista de televisión en Toronto. En su primer día de grabación iba de regreso a su hotel lujoso, cuando miro algo que nunca antes había visto. Acostado en la banqueta sobre un edificio cubierto de cuatro pulgadas de nieve estaba un hombre durmiendo con tan solo un cartón de cobija. Lo que verdaderamente le rompió el corazón a Peterson fue que el hombre no tenía zapatos ni calcetas. Pensó que debía parar y ayudar al hombre pero no estaba seguro qué hacer. Cuando la luz se puso en verde, pareciera que la vida le exigía que siguiera adelante. Eso fue lo que hizo. Luego en su hotel lujoso, pronto se olvidó del hombre de la calle.

Días después, antes de su grabación estaba tomando un café y pan en el cuarto verde de la estación. Todas las "personas" importantes habían dejado el salón, solo quedó él y el conserje. Todos los días, Peterson había visto al conserje hacer su trabajo calladamente. Siempre tenía una sonrisa para todos.

Cuando Peterson le pregunto al conserje como se sentía, el hombre humilde le dijo que tenía que usar su bicicleta en la nieve para ir a su trabajo y que se había estado sintiendo mal por sí mismo. Hasta que miro a un hombre dormido en una esquina con tan solo un cartón que le cubría del frio y sin zapatos. A Peterson casi se le atoro el pan al escuchar como este sencillo conserje contaba que al ver el pobre indigente se llenó de compasión y fue a la tienda de la esquina y le compro un par de zapatos y calcetines.

Cuando Peterson escucho al conserje contar su historia, se le vino a la mente un poster que estaba en el cuarto de su amigo cuando era adolescente. Era la foto de un niño dándole una flor a alguien. Decía: "los pequeños actos siempre sobresalen las intenciones grandes." Cuando Peterson regreso a su casa, buscaba al hombre en las calles. Se había ido, pero sabía que no tardaría tanto tiempo para que alguien más tomara su lugar. (de Michael Peterson, Chicken Soup for the Country Soul.)

¿Quién es mi vecino? Esa pregunta en el Evangelio de hoy continúa siendo un reto. Después de todo, somos buenas personas. Queremos ayudar. El sacerdote de camino a su trabajo

al Templo sabía que si tocaba a este hombre enfermo, probablemente se le culparía de estar impuro y no podría hacer sus labores. Otras personas dependían de él, por eso solo lo pasaba.

El Levita era un experto en la Ley, cuando reflexionaba sobre las leyes complejas, siempre pensaba sobre las consecuencias involuntarias que atraería el pecado si no se seguían las reglas estrictamente. Era mejor evitar el problema que involucrarse en una situación difícil.

Todo lo que sabemos sobre el verdadero vecino del hombre que fue atacado por los ladrones es su origen étnico, era de samaria. Con los prejuicios estrictos de las personas de esos días, Jesús sorprendió a sus oyentes cuando el héroe de su historia sería alguien quien ellos automáticamente odiaría y rechazarían. Pero lo que es más importante es su simple y humilde deseo de hacer algo práctico para ayudar al necesitado. No puso vigilancia en el vecindario para que estuviera segura la carretera o creo un fondo para cuidar a las víctimas de los crímenes. Lo limpio, cubrió sus heridas y le aseguro que le cuidaran hasta su regreso.

Probablemente hoy no encontramos a hombres golpeados en el camino. Pero podemos ver alguien extraño en nuestra comunidad y no podemos dejar que nuestra pena sea una excusa para saludarlos y darles el regalo de sentirse valorados y bienvenidos. Podría pasar que alguien que no nos importe este ahí y nos gustaría pretender que no le vemos, pero podemos olvidarnos de nosotros mismos y darles el regalo de nuestro tiempo. Nosotros que tenemos tanto, a menudo podemos decidir que no hay necesidad de ayudar alguien que está mendigando pues usarían el dinero en algo que no aprobamos. No somos los maestros de nadie, simplemente damos aquellos que necesitan una oportunidad para compartir algunas de nuestras bendiciones, dándoles la oportunidad de hacer algo que quieran con lo que tienen.

Es verdad. Los actos pequeños siempre sobresalen las intenciones grandes. Cuando pensamos en el ejemplo del Buen Samaritano, no podemos ignorar las palabras de Jesús, "Ve y haz lo mismo."

— Fr. Stephen W Bierschenk