

Ambo Announcement #1

On **(Ash Wednesday Feb 17th & the 1st Sunday of Lent Feb 21st)** (**Name of the Parish**) will provide all parish families attending Mass a free MP3 formatted Catholic NAB audio Bible. We will also provide all children 6-11 a Free MP3 KIDZ Bible that includes old and New Testament stories and 82 songs. This distribution is part of an exciting audio Bible listening program that Father **(Name)** and the entire parish will begin this **Lent**.

Since 2008, when "The Year of the Word of God" was declared by the Holy Father, Catholics throughout the world have been urged to read and/or listen to the Holy Scriptures. Listening to a Catholic NAB Audio Bible is one way to renew our love of the scriptures and become closer to Christ through his Word.

We all can listen at home, work, in the car, as a family or even at the gym for only 28 minutes a day for 40 days. In those 40-days we will have listened to the entire dramatized NAB New Testament.

This free Catholic MP3 audio bible is being provided by ***Faith Comes by Hearing***, a ministry that specializes in recording the Holy Scriptures in languages of people groups around the world who are poor and illiterate and can not read the written Word.

To support this world-wide ministry to provide the audio Word of God to people groups served by Catholic missionaries, our parish will be conducting a free-will special offering during all the Masses on **(Sunday March 7th)**.

Remember: Distribution of the MP3 formatted Catholic Audio Bibles will take place on **(Ash Wednesday Feb 17th & the 1st Sunday of Lent Feb 21st)** to every family attending Mass. There will also be special listening devices called the "Bible Stick" for sale at cost for only \$20.00 at the back of the parish along with volunteers to answer any questions.

For more information, consult the bulletin or contact the parish office. Thank you for offering your best gift to help change lives through God's Word around the world.

Ambo Announcement #2

Don't forget! Your free Catholic Audio Bible will be distributed next week at/in _____ (place). These are being provided by Faith Comes by Hearing, a ministry that records New Testaments and works with partners to reach

poor and illiterate people around the world with the Word of God in their own native language. To support their efforts, our parish will be conducting a free-will offering during all the Masses on _____ (date).

(To be read when demonstrating the Proclaimer.)

Once a New Testament is recorded in a new language, it is loaded onto a Proclaimer. The Proclaimer is a virtually indestructible, self-powered audio player that can be used in the most rugged and remote locations in the world. It is powered by battery, the sun, or a hand crank, and is pre-loaded with the New Testament on an embedded microchip in one of several hundred languages. The speaker system allows groups of up to 300 or more to hear God's Word anytime, anywhere!

Ambo Announcement #3 (day of distribution to complement the Bishop's DVD)

Don't forget to pick up your free Catholic Audio New Testament MP3 disk that will be distributed today by the ushers to each family as you leave Mass in English or Spanish. They will also give the KIDZ audio Bible to every child 6-11 years old.

For children not attending Mass today, the KIDZ Bible will be available at catechism. There will also be special listening devices called the "Bible Stick" for sale at cost for only \$20.00 at the back of the parish along with volunteers to answer any questions.