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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 28th, 2012; 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jeremiah 31:7-9, Hebrews 5:1-6, Mark 10:46-52

Masses, 8:30 a.m. (English)
10:30 a.m. (English)
12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Monday, October 29th, 2012; Ephesians 4:32-5:8, Luke 13:10-17

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)
Confessions, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 30th, 2012; Ephesians 5:21-33, Luke 13:18-21

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Wednesday, October 31st, 2012; Ephesians 6:1-9, Luke 13:22-30

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Thursday, November 1st, 2012; All Saints Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14, 1John 3:1-3, Matthew 5:1-12

Masses, 7:00 a.m. (English)
12:00 p.m. (Bilingual)
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Friday, November 2nd, 2012; All Souls Isaiah 25:6-9, Romans 6:3-9, John 6:37-40

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Saturday, November 3rd, 2012; Philippians 1:18-26, Luke 14:1, 7-14

Vigil Mass, 5:30 p.m. (English)
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Confessions, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 4th, 2012; 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 6:2-6, Hebrews 7:23-28, Mark 12:28-34

Masses, 8:30 a.m. (English)
10:30 a.m. (English)
12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The blind man replied to him, 'Master, I want to see.' Jesus told him, 'Go your way; your faith has saved you.

-Mark 10:51-52

A date change for the Knights of Columbus: The Knights have changed their regular meeting night, November 6, to October 30. November 6 is Election Day. The meeting on October 30 will begin at 7:00 p.m.

In other news, the Knights initiated six new members at their last meeting, October 16. Congratulations to these new recruits and to all the members of Council #1136.

Reflecting on Faith in the Scriptures - As part of the Year of Faith, reflections on the nature of Faith should be offered occasionally:

Faith is, "of course, a gift of God but it also implies a free decision on our part.... Faith certainly involves an intellectual assent to the truths of revelation... But it also includes a profound, intuitional recognition of the gift-nature of all reality and, beyond that, the goodness and trustworthiness of God. There is enough evil and darkness in life to tempt one to question whether life is basically good. Faith is an awakening to the radical goodness in life, in spite of the very real evil that is also found there. Faith makes us ready for goodness, causes us to look for it in hidden and ambiguous places and enables us to call mystery what is often seen only as evil or defeat or disaster. Saint Thérèse of Lisieux expressed this faith-sensitivity most aptly when, though she was young and dying of consumption, she exclaimed, 'Everything is gift!.' Finding God's presence even in suffering and death is a characteristic of faith.

The decision to cooperate with this kind of a gift, with this kind of faith, has to be revisited and deepened. If not, our faith runs the risk of being stunted or worse. "Children commonly believe with the faith of their parents or some other trusted adult. There is frequently a crisis when the child is thrust out of that faith-womb. This often occurs when a young person goes away to college and it is sometimes mistaken for a loss of faith. Actually, it is usually only the loss of that parenting faith which must in any case be eventually replaced by one's own faith decision. It is fortunate if this crisis occurs in one's formative years and is accompanied by good advice. Otherwise, decision can be postponed almost indefinitely and that means a safe but puerile and unfruitful kind of faith.

"More common and more dangerous than the undeveloped faith is a faith that is superficial. Many happily affirm the articles of a creed and accept the teachings of a church but still live very much like good pagans. They are not wicked people but neither are they really converted. The chief characteristic of this state is a sense of control. One believes in God and is careful to attend church and to pray but he is still in charge of his own life and what he does makes good sense.... I too must be converted from a relatively smug and secure faith, such as Paul enjoyed when he set off confidently to persecute the Christians in Damascus, to a faith that goes beyond mere theology and formulas and casts me into the mysterious but loving arms of God."

-The above quotations are from Flowers in the Desert by the Benedictine priest Demetrius Dumm, pp. 32-36.

"Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship" is the name of a U.S. Bishop's publication dating from 2007. It presents general points on Catholic participation in the political process, something heating up as the November elections draw near. One of the points dealt with is forming consciences and part of this task is a familiarity with general Church teachings. These teachings include the dignity of all peoples.

Of all creation humans alone were created in God's image. Humans alone are able to reflect, love, think, and know God on a level other creation cannot. Because of this connection to God all humans have dignity. It isn't something they have to earn; it's a gift from God. Sometimes we act in accord with this dignity; sometimes we don't which ultimately is a denial of who we are.

Our connection with God is one of the reasons why human life is extremely important. It's so important that we better know definitively when it begins before we even consider abortion. Science cannot give us the point at which life begins, especially the point in which the soul enters the body. So abortion must to be avoided in the name of the importance of life.

Because life is from God and of God, we aren't complete masters of our lives. The Psalmist says, "Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong (Psalm 100:3)." We don't get to decide when we've had enough and we want to die. Consequently, assisted suicide and euthanasia must be avoided. Other practices against the dignity of human life include human cloning, destruction of human embryos for research, genocide, torture, unjust war, and the use of the death penalty in times and societies like ours, as well as to pursue peace and help overcome poverty, racism, and other conditions that demean human life.

The gift and the importance of life implies more than negating certain practices. We are to promote justice, mercy, and love in society. A particular way of fostering these values is through marriage and the family. Marriage should not be confused with other relationships which may well have values of their own. Marriage is between a man and a woman and is open to the possibility of children who will ideally learn about love from their earliest days through the examples and efforts of their parents.

A series of sessions on Vatican II in English is currently being

rescheduled. The bulletin will have more information as it becomes available.

The Diocesan Stewardship program will last for approximately five years and each year it is particularly emphasized in the months of October and November. Stewardship is *not* a way to get more out of people. Stewardship *is* about balance. All we have ultimately comes from God's generosity and stewardship is an expression of thanks for this generosity. Stewardship isn't words only; it includes a deeper thanksgiving of words and deeds.

This weekend the Diocese asks us to focus not only on what stewardship means but also a spirit of stewardship. Stewards are happy people because of what they've been given and because they have a certain level of freedom others may not have. Stewards aren't as worried about time nor are they worried about proving their talents. They see these things as opportunities to express who they are and they do so often and easily. God is present at more for stewards than for others and in expressing themselves, stewards express some of the reality of the Divine.

New saints joined the ranks of older ones this past Sunday. Pope Benedict XVI canonized several new saints including two Americans.

One American is St. Kateri Tekakawita was born to an Algonquin Christian mother and a Mohawk father, who died when she was young. She resisted strong pressure from the Mohawks to abandon her faith and she died at age 24 in the year 1680. Many Native American Catholics attended Kateri Tekakawita's canonization. Among was a priest with local ties. Fr. Dana Pelotte, whose father was of Abenaki descent, is a Blessed Sacrament priest who served at St. Martin DePorres in Taylorsville from 2001-2003. Fr. Pelotte's twin brother was Donald E. Pelotte, the Bishop of Gallup, New Mexico before he passed away. Bishop Pelotte was the first Native American Catholic bishop in the United States.

The other new American saint is St. Marianne Cope. She was born in Germany in 1838 and immigrated to New York State where she joined the Sisters of Saint Francis of Syracuse. From there she journeyed to the leper colony on the island of Molokai in Hawaii. Although she spent many years caring for the lepers, St. Cope was not afflicted by the disease. Perhaps her generosity, charity and virtuous deeds helped keep her safe.

With the canonization of these women the number of American saints rises to 11. In addition to Sts. Kateri Tekakawita and Marianne Cope there are Sts. Isaac Jogues, S.J., René Goupil, S.J., Jean de Lalande, S.J., St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, M.S.C., St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, S.C., St. John Neumann, C.Ss.R., St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, R.S.C.J., St. Katharine Drexel, St. Mother Théodore Guérin, S.P., and St. Damien de Veuster of Molokai, SS.CC.

Saints from other countries canonized by Benedict XVI last Sunday are Jacques Berthieu, S.J., Giovanni Battista Piamarta, Carmen Salles Barangueras, and Anna Schaffer.

COLLECTION, October 20-21

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Food Sales	\$1410.00
Women of St. Francis Bingo	\$ 146.00

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, October 28th

8:30 AM +Carl Marchesi by Irmina Eden

10:30 AM Parishioners

12:30 PM Ints. Alondra Yesenia Tachiquin Valera

3:00 PM Ints, Carmen Marielena Solis

MONDAY, October 29th

9:00 AM Those in Need

6:30 PM +Victoria Gayoso

TUESDAY, October 30th

9:00 AM Those Needing Spiritual Guidance

6:30 PM +Ricardo & Deborah Estrada

WEDNESDAY, October 31st

9:00 AM +Jimmy George

6:30 PM +Francisco Gutierrez Navarro

THURSDAY, November 1st

7:00 AM +Flint Majers by Dottie Majers

12:00 PM All Faithful Departed

6:30 PM +Juan Luis Delgado Rios

FRIDAY, November 2nd

9:00 AM +Joe Soares by Barbara Bolstad

6:30 PM +Luis Valera Batista

SATURDAY, November 3rd

5:30 PM +Leo Pinarelli & Frances Sporcich Families

7:00 PM Ints. Knights of Columbus Council 1136 Members

Our next Holy Day of Obligation is November 1, the Solemnity of All Saints. Masses for the Day will begin at 7:00 a.m. (English), continue at 12:00 noon (Bilingual), and conclude at 6:30 p.m. (Spanish). This celebration originated in the thirteenth century when Pope Urban IV established a day to recall all known and unknown saints and to ensure that saints without particular days on the calendar would be honored.

The following day, November 2, is All Souls Day. A book to record the names of those faithful who have gone before us will be placed in the church on November 2. We will remember in prayer those listed in the book throughout the rest of November.

PRAYER LIST:

All our Military Troops, C.P.O. John Richardson, Msgt. B. Blecha, Carl Marchesi, Msgt. Jason Hindmarsh, Barbara & Burt Slavens, Randy Jahner, LaRae Bunting, Pilar Carrillo, Freddy Corrales, Ercilia Velasco, Melany G. Bowen, Sam Barber Jr., Fred Chavez, Ana Schooler, Mary Ann Liddiard, Max Kele, Jade Lucero, Ronda Weaver, Kiki Brown-White, Sidlow Family, Citlali Gomez, Hardy Family, Carlson Family, Dallas Kummer, Dawn Summers, Celine Patient and Family, Willard Grace, Pablo Davila, Niki Lopez, Todd Bowen, Ronnie Rivera, Phor Hiatt, Brother Anthony Lavorin, O.F.M., Helen Gurule, Robert Lawson, Madeline Alispach.

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-Matthew 5:4
"Bienaventurados los que lloran, porque ellos recibirán consolación."
-San Mateo 5:4



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