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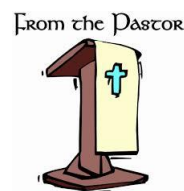
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From the Pastor 4th Installment of St. Cyprian’s Treatise on the Lord’s Prayer: After this we add: *Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven*; we pray not that God should do his will, but that we may carry out his will. How could anyone prevent the Lord from doing what he wills? But in our prayer, we ask that God’s will be done in us, because the devil throws up obstacles to prevent our mind and our conduct from obeying God in all things. So if his will is to be done in us we have need of his will, that is, his help and protection. No one can be strong by his own strength or secure save by God’s mercy and forgiveness. Even the Lord, to show the weakness of the human nature which he bore, said: *Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me*, and then, by way of giving example to his disciples that they should do God’s will and not their own, he added: *Nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will*. All Christ did, all he taught, was the will of God. Humility in our daily lives, an unwavering faith, a moral sense of modesty in conversion, justice in acts, mercy in deed, discipline, refusal to harm others, a readiness to suffer harm, peaceableness with our brothers, a wholehearted love of the Lord, loving in him what is of the Father, fearing him because he is God, preferring nothing to him who preferred nothing to us, clinging tenaciously to his love, standing by his cross with loyalty and courage whenever there is any conflict involving his honor and his name, manifesting in our speech the constancy of our profession and under torture confidence for the fight, and in dying the endurance for which we will be crowned—this is what it means to wish to be a coheir with Christ, to keep God’s command; this is what it means to do the will of the Father.

In some of the reflections I have read on the last couple feast days of the saints, the quote, “the seed of martyrs is the seed of saints,” has come up a couple times. This is a simple, but truth filled mantra that has been applied to the earliest times of the church. The martyrs show forth their faith in an extraordinary way, through their martyrdom. Their stories are told in such heroic ways that they can capture the attention of people of all ages. Yes, some of them died in very gruesome ways, and only God knows the answer of the number of souls that were/are converted to Christ because of their witness to the faith. It is interesting looking back through history, the times in which there was an influx of saints. It’s not out of the question that we are in that time now. More and more holy men and women in the United States are having their cause for sainthood opened. In the last decade or so, Servant of God Fr. Emil Kapaun (Kansas), Blessed Stanley Rother (Oklahoma), Venerable Augustus Tolton (Illinois), St. Kateri Tekakwitha (canonized in 2012 from New York / Montreal, Canada), and just recently, a case might be opened for Sr. Mary Wilhelmina Lancaster, Foundress of the Benedictine Sisters of Mary, Queen of Apostles in Gower, Missouri (also where my personal vestments were made). Yes, some of them lived 150 years ago, but their stories are coming to light now when the faithful need witnesses of holiness. In times of distress, God does not cease to raise up holy men and women to bolster the faith, hope and courage of the faithful.

Parish Pool Party: Mark your calendars for our Parish Pool Party on Saturday, August 5th at 7pm! It is free for all to attend. Ice cream sundaes and Root Beer floats will be provided, per usual. Of course, this is weather permitting. Hope to see you all there!

The Holy Land group will be visiting our parish on July 22nd & 23rd on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Their mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. When the Holy Land group visits our parish, they will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art. We kindly invite you to visit their display and consider purchasing a piece of art from the Holy Land. In doing so you will help support the many families who depend on this form of art for their living. Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christian families


As mentioned several times in the past, we are moving on to working on the school building. To do this effectively, a building committee needs to be assembled. It will be a balanced committee of people who are knowledgeable of the work to be done, men, and women, people who get along with each other and respect dissenting opinions, and who are willing to speak their opinions and insights in a respectful manner. I am not guaranteeing you will sit on the committee if you volunteer. If this is a committee you think you would like to sit on, please let me know in the next week or so.

ST. JOSEPH NEWS

St. Joseph School is looking for a 3rd Grade Classroom Teacher. Please contact Mrs. Selzer at the school if you are interested.

ST. PAUL NEWS

Capital Campaign Update: \$610K pledged and \$286K in the bank. Thank you for your continued support!!!!



Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$2508.00 Angelus: \$489.00

DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat	15 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	16 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Jim Stephens 10:30am + Bernadelle “Bunny” Schroeder
Mon	17 – No Mass
Tues	18 – 7am Mass + Evelyn Engel Bible Study at 9:30am
Wed	19 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Beatta Robben
Thur	20 – 7am Mass + Marvin Sander
Fri	21 – 7am Mass + Linda Rumbach
Sat	22 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	23 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + St. Ann’s Altar Society 10:30am + Weber/Moorhous Families

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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Saturday July 22 nd 5 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday July 23 rd 10:30 am	Servers	Shayden, Ivan J & Cody P.
	Lector	Marylou VanEaton		Lector	Cheri Weber
	Gifts	Pat Ryan & Donita Sparks		Gifts	Mike & Katie Chrisler
	Hospitality	Pat Ryan & Donita Sparks		Hospitality	Danny & Delores Lockhart

Sunday, July 23 rd 8 am	Servers	Natalie Bixenman
	Lectors	Millie Baalman & Nancy Schwarz
	EMHC	Elsie Rietcheck
	Gifts	Ron & Linda Lager
Hospitality	Jeff O, Joe R, Ron R & Jay R.	