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25th
Sunday
in
Ordinary
Time

CATECHETICAL
Sunday

September 20,
2015

MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday Mass in English
Saturday 4:30 PM,
Sunday 7:30, 9, 10:30 AM & 12:15 PM

Daily Masses
7 & 8:30 AM (Saturday 8:30 AM)

Reconciliation
Saturday 3-4:00 PM

Misas Dominicales en Español
Sábado 6 PM, Domingo 2 & 6 PM

Misas en Español
Miércoles 7 PM

Reconciliación
Miércoles 6-7 PM, Sábado 3-4:00 PM

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From the Pastor's Desk:

Dick Gregory, a black comedian and activist, once told about taking his oldest son to Mexico to a place where there was no electricity. He said they lived in a hut. He was in the hut one night when his son

ran in and said, "Dad, Dad come here. I'm scared. I want to show you something." Dick Gregory says he went out and his son showed him the stars. It suddenly dawned on Dick Gregory that having been born and raised in Chicago the boy had never seen a sky full of stars. All of the lights and all of the buildings simply blotted out the wonder of the nighttime sky. Dick Gregory said he lay on his back with a straw in his mouth and together they looked at the Big Dipper and the Milky Way. They saw some shooting stars even. He said, "I cried that night; not for him, he had never seen that many stars, but for me." He said "I grew up looking at the stars. But I got so hooked into this chase of living that I missed the stars." [Quoted in Dennis Wholey, *Discovering Happiness* (New York: Avon Books)] That happens to us doesn't it? We lose that childlike quality of wonder at God's creation. Maybe that's why Jesus used a child as an object lesson. Maybe that's why God uses children as object lessons for us today: unrestrained joy, unrestrained love, unrestrained faith.

George Washington Carver, the scientist who developed hundreds of useful products from the peanut: "When I was young, I said to God, 'God, tell me the mystery of the universe.' But God answered, 'That knowledge is reserved for Me alone.' So I said, 'God, tell me the mystery of the peanut.' Then God said, 'Well, George, that's more nearly your size.' And He told me."

Did you hear about the pastor who prepared a great message on humility. But he was waiting for a bigger congregation to preach the sermon to! Another pastor was given an award for humility. A week later, the congregation took the award back because the pastor displayed it in his office!

"Father, I have a besetting sin, and I want your help. I come to Church on Sunday and can't help thinking I'm the prettiest girl in the congregation. I know I ought not think that, but I can't help it. I want you to help me with it." The pastor replied, "Mary, don't worry about it. In your case it's not a sin. It's just a horrible mistake."

Nota de nuestro pastor:

Dick Gregory, un activista y comediante negro, una vez dijo que llevó a su hijo mayor a México a un lugar donde no había electricidad. Dijo que vivían en una choza. Estaba en la cabaña una noche cuando su hijo se corrió y dijo, "papá, papá ven aquí. Estoy asustado. Quiero mostrarte algo." Dick Gregory dice que salió y su hijo le mostró las estrellas. De repente se dio cuenta Dick Gregory que habiendo nacido y criado en Chicago el muchacho nunca había visto un cielo lleno de estrellas. Todas las luces y todos los edificios simplemente borran la maravilla del cielo nocturno. Dick Gregory dijo que se acostó sobre su espalda con una pajita en la boca y juntos miraron la Osa Mayor y la Galaxia. Vieron incluso algunas estrellas fugaces. Él dijo: "yo lloré esa noche; no por él, nunca había visto tantas estrellas, sino por mí." Él dijo "yo me crié mirando las estrellas. Pero quedé tan enfocado en esta persecución de la vida que echaba de menos las estrellas." [Citado en Dennis Wholey, *Descubriendo la Felicidad* (New York: Avon Books)] Eso nos pasa ¿no? Perdemos esa cualidad infantil de asombro ante la creación de Dios. Tal vez por eso Jesús utiliza un niño como una lección objetiva. Tal vez por eso Dios usa a los niños como objeto de lecciones para nosotros hoy: gozo desenfrenado, desenfrenado amor, fe desmedida.

George Washington Carver, el científico que desarrolló cientos de productos útiles del maní: "Cuando era joven, le dije a Dios, 'Dios, dime el misterio del universo.' Pero Dios respondió, 'Ese conocimiento es reservado solamente para mí.' Así que le dije, 'Dios, dime el misterio del maní.' Entonces Dios dijo, 'Bueno, George, ese es más casi de tu tamaño.' Y me lo dijo."

Se enteró del Pastor quien preparó un gran mensaje sobre la humildad. Pero él estaba esperando una congregación más grande de predicar el sermón! Otro Pastor recibió un premio por humildad. Una semana más tarde, la congregación se llevó el premio porque el Pastor lo puso en su oficina!

"Padre, yo tengo un pecado asediante, y quiero su ayuda. Vengo a la Iglesia el Domingo y no puedo dejar de pensar que soy la chica más linda en la congregación. Sé que no debo creer eso, pero no puedo evitarlo. Quiero que me ayudes con ella." El Pastor respondió, "María, no te preocupes acerca de eso. En tu caso no es un pecado. Es solamente un error horrible".

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of
September 20, 2015

Sun/Dom:

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk
9:30-37

Mon/Lunes:

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13

Tues/Martes:

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21

Wed/Mier:

Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

Thurs/Vier:

Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9

Fri/Vier:

Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

Sat/Sab:

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sun/Dom:

Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45,
47-48

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday September 21st

Pastoral Council

7 PM Fireside Room

All members are encouraged to attend.

Tuesday September 22nd

Events Committee

7 PM Fireside Room

All members are encouraged to attend.

OFFICE INFO

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Bilingual available T,W,F 4-7:30 PM

Saturday 10 AM-4 PM

Bilingual available 10 AM-4 PM

Sunday 9 AM-4 PM

Bilingual available 12 PM-4 PM

Rev. Joseph Antony Sebastian, SVD

Pastor

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Friday

10 AM to 12 PM

5 PM to 8 PM (*with appointment*)

lunes, martes, miércoles, y viernes

10 AM a 12 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (*con cita*)

Rev. Stephen Ayisu SVD

Parochial Vicar

Monday, Wednesday Thursday,
and Friday

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

5 PM to 8 PM (*with appointment*)

lunes, miércoles, jueves y viernes

10:30 AM a 12:00 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (*con cita*)

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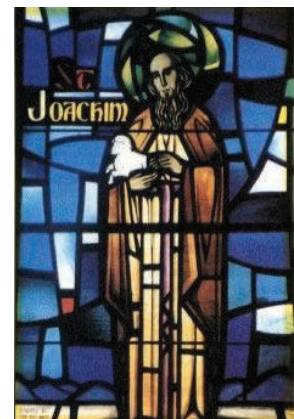
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Everyday Stewardship

I no longer participate in the Black Friday rituals of waiting for stores to open at five or six in the morning, just so I could get the deal of a lifetime. When I was younger, that held a certain fascination for me, but today, sleep is my best friend and maddening crowds are just that: maddening. Besides, the times my wife or I ever got a deal that amazing were few. Most of the time you struggled to be the first in line so you could find great treasure, only to walk away with more stuff to put in the garage next to last year's stuff. You paid less for the stuff than normal, but in the end, it wasn't worth a whole lot anyway.

It seems to be human nature to want to be first, the best, or the greatest. We think there is a great value to be on top. We are sure if we can be better than everyone else, the prize waiting for us will ultimately satisfy. Jesus' disciples argued about which one of them was the greatest. Jesus explained to them that the greatest was the one who chose to be last by serving all. The prize apparently awaits us after we have allowed all others to step ahead of us. We must be completely humbled in order to rise up victorious.

Good stewardship is about giving all we have so that others might not want for anything. This is truly being gracious and offering hospitality to all we encounter. Throughout our lives there are so many people to whom we have the chance to offer our time, talent, and treasure. This is where the real reward lies: in the love of others and God. Besides, we always have heard it is better to give than receive. How great was it to get that DVD player I didn't need that sits in my garage anyway?

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PRAY FOR

Michael Avalos
David Sanchez
Maria Rossman
Juanita Estrellas
Rachel Pangilinan Caruz
Kathryn Noel Major
Elisa Butschy
Michael Joseph Major Jr.
Eugenia Hunter
Amelia Mamaril
Teresita Ochoa
Juanita Chavez
Joey Katigbak
Helen Karas
Maria del Rosario Rojas

FOOD DONATIONS St. Vincent de Paul

Food offering for next
week:

**Canned vegetables or
Pork & Beans**

*Vegetales, carne de
puerco o frijol enlatado*

CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUCIONES

**COLLECTION FOR WEEK
September 20, 2015**

The Plate Collection
\$ 8,937.00
EFT Collection
\$ 956.00
On Line Giving
\$ 55.00

**TOTAL for the WEEK
\$ 9,948.00**

VATICAN CORNER

Pope Francis' visit to Cuba and the United States will be very soon, September 19th through 28th, 2015. According to Mike McCaul, who is the chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security, the United States has uncovered threats against Pope Francis ahead of his visit and has thwarted at least one. House Representative McCaul said "we are monitoring very closely threats against the Pope as he comes into the United States, and we have disrupted one particular case." The Pope will be in the US for six days, where he will participate in parades, and many other public appearances. McCaul said Pope Francis is "a very passionate man. He likes to get out with the people. and with that comes a large security risk. ... but as that date approaches, I think we're all very vigilant to protect him as he comes into the United States."



On the 26th and 27th Pope Francis will be at the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia. The event organizers and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are offering the usual event keepsakes such as plates, hand painted candles, commemorative coins, rosaries, and tote bags. In addition organizers felt that more lighthearted items were appropriate to the fun-loving Pope and the joyfulness of the occasion, so a life-size standee, a bobblehead, and a plush doll also made the official souvenir list. The Pope Francis standee is 69 inches high, costs \$160, and its maker claims it is "professionally mounted on art-quality gatorfoam and is perfect for schools, parishes, church groups, weddings or any event where you want to offer a special photo opportunity." The Pope Francis Plush Doll is 10 inches high and priced at \$20 (plus tax and shipping). The \$25 "Pope Francis Bobblehead", is the same one available at the Vatican, and it is made of high quality polyresin with styrofoam protection and a colorful collector's box.

The Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States that work to spread the Catholic faith overseas, especially in poor and remote areas, has a digital campaign running from Sept. 8 to Oct. 2, 2015 called "Joke with the Pope". It asks people to "donate" a joke to support one of three causes ahead of Pope Francis' historic U.S. visit. The campaign has attracted actor and comedian Bill Murray, who's been named honorary adviser and one of the judges. Anyone can submit a written joke or short video telling a joke on the website: jokewiththepope.org. They then can choose a cause their joke will support: helping children in need in Argentina, housing the homeless in Ethiopia or feeding the hungry in Kenya. The organization will announce the funniest joke Oct. 5, bestowing the title of "honorary comedic adviser to the pope" on the winner and donating \$10,000 to the winners cause.

Sources: foxnews.com, usatoday.com, news.va

Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday?

In 1935, the Vatican published *On the Better Care and Promotion of Catechetical Education*, a document that asks every country to acknowledge the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and to honor those who serve the Christian community as catechists

The ministry of the Word is a fundamental element of evangelization through all its stages, because it involves the proclamation of Jesus Christ, the eternal Word of God

"The word of God nourishes both evangelizers and those who are being evangelized so that each one may continue to grow in his or her Christian life"

The word Catechetical might be more familiar than you think. Many Catholics have used the word "catechism" for years, and they know it has something to do with the compendium of the Church's teachings. The root word, "catechesis," is from a Greek word meaning "to echo, or resound." Catechesis is the act of resounding or bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church.

This year Catechetical Sunday falls on a perfect day for our Parish, as this is the FIRST day of our Faith Formations Sunday Classes for this year. Please keep our Catechists in your prayers as they begin another year of teaching our young people, the Word of God.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 4:30 PM

Kathrin Custodio (*thanksgiving*)
Leonida "Onnie" Hilario †
Romeo Laureta †
Robert Boles †
Aristotle Serrano †

Saturday 6:00 PM

Refugio Magallon †
Silbia Jaklin †
Juan Amador † (*1st aniversario*)
Isabel Enriquez de Solorio †
(*aniversario*)
Silvia Segura † (*4 mes aniversario*)

Sunday 7:30 AM

Robert Boles †

Sunday 9:00 AM

Lea Liza Orlina (*birthday*)
Victor Pagua (*birthday*)
Flor Megia (*thanksgiving*)
Teofilo Macasaet (*healing*)
McArthur Balmediano †

Sunday 10:30 AM

Alyssa Alexander (*birthday*)

Sunday 12:15 PM

Youth Core Team & English Catechist
(*special intention*)

Arnold Santos (*healing*)
Deloris Arcadio Jacinto († *birthday*)
Genoveva C. Haway †
Adela Tan Banico †

Sunday 2:00 PM

Benditas Animas del Purgatorio
J. Crus Caldera †

Sunday 6:00 PM

Juan Amador † (*1st aniversario*)

Monday 7:00 AM

Ernesto Ador †

Monday 8:30 AM

Matea Reyes Lopez († *birthday*)

Tuesday 7:00 AM

Maria Nguyet †

Tuesday 8:30 AM

Lolita & Francisco Gatchalian †

Wednesday 7:00 AM

Maria Nguyet †

Wednesday 8 :30 AM

Robert Boles († *birthday*)
John Sprague † (*18th anniversary*)

Wednesday 7:00 PM

The Community of St. Joachim

Thursday 7:00 AM

Melinda Fevella († *birthday*)
Maria Nguyet †

Thursday 8: 30 AM

Ramon Garcia Jr. & Edna Garcia
(*birthday*)
Jizelle G. Curameng (*birthday*)
Julio Franco Diaz †
Aurora Garcia †

Friday 7:00 AM

Jose Racelis †

Friday 8:30 AM

The Community of St. Joachim

Saturday 8:30 AM

Naomi Salta (*thanksgiving*)

Thank You

A special Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the BAZAAR a SUCCESS. The Parents, the Altar Servers and their Coordinators who kept us fed all day, those who had a table selling items, the Youth Core Team who set up and cleaned up the gym and all of you who came and purchased.

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October 4, 2015 8 AM - 4 PM

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The Portuguese Donuts will be back October 11th !!



BUT before Maria Silva and crew can make them they need some help on getting all the ingredients. Since ALL the profits go to the Church the fewer ingredients we need to buy the better. They are looking for flour, sugar, eggs or money to buy these items. You can bring these items to the Rectory or call Maria Silva at 510-732-2720

**DON'T FORGET THESE YUMMY DONUTS
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October 11th**

Rummage Sale

The Altar Servers Ministry will be running the rummage sale again this year at the Fall Festival.

Please bring your gently used household items, toys, jewelry, sporting goods and other home items to the Rectory office. All sales will go towards supporting our Church.

Please help the Altar Servers and our Church by donating today to the Rummage Sale.

Silent Auction

Please donate gift certificate, merchandise, gift baskets or items to make baskets for our Silent Auction. If you would like to donate, but have no idea what to bring stop by the Rectory office and we will share our ideas with you. We will also take items that will stand alone for the Silent Auction. Bring all items to the Rectory Office.

Silent Auction will be during the October 4th Fall Festival.

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