

“Plans for your welfare”

An important message from Bishop W. Shawn McKnight about this year’s Catholic Stewardship Appeal, and information about ministries it helps support.

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CSA 2021: A future of hope, despite challenges



Young people from Immaculate Conception parish in Brookfield help distribute food at a local food pantry as part of the CHRISTpower Challenge, held this summer in lieu of the traditional CHRISTpower diocesan service retreat. Youth ministry is having a renaissance in parts of northern Missouri with help from diocesan ministries funded by the Catholic Stewardship Appeal. — Photo by Barbara Garvey

Catholic Stewardship Appeal a way for parishes to cooperate with the diocese and one another

By Jay Nies

The Catholic Stewardship Appeal is a partnership between parishes and Bishop W. Shawn McKnight and Chancery personnel to multiply the power of the Gospel in these 38 counties.

It empowers the members of each Catholic household to make a tangible return to God for all He has given while working in partnership with the entire diocese to carry out essential ministries.

The diocesan goal for the 2020-21 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) is \$2,450,000 — the same as last year’s goal.

Each parish has been given a set goal, based on its ability to give. This year’s parish goals also remain the same as last year.

Once again, this year’s CSA funding formula highlights the crucial relationship among individual parishes and the

diocese as a whole.

After the diocesan goal has been met, any parish meeting its individual goal is eligible to receive a rebate of 10 percent of the parish’s goal, plus 90 percent of any funds raised above that goal.

Parish goals must be met with cash and/or pledges received by March 25, 2021, and fulfilled by the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

This is an important step in Bishop McKnight’s vision of moving toward a parish-based stewardship model for the diocese, in which parishioners commit to tithing at the parish level out of their need to give, and the parishes then tithe to support diocesan and other ministries.

More information about this year’s CSA can be found online at: diojeffcity.org.

By Jay Nies

God’s plans don’t change.

They just become clearer over time.

“The work and mission of our Catholic community continues despite the challenges we are living through,” Bishop W. Shawn McKnight stated in a recent letter inviting parishioners to contribute to this year’s Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA).

“We continue to be Catholics and answer God’s call to serve one another in an ever-changing world,” he stated.

The CSA is an annual campaign encouraging Catholics to commit to supporting their parishes while making a gift or pledge to help pay for essential diocesan services in the upcoming fiscal year.

All 107 parishes and missions and their local communities benefit from these services, which include youth ministry, marriage and family life support and promotion, vocation work, ongoing formation for permanent deacons, guidance and oversight for Catholic schools, communications, advocacy in the public square, ministry to growing local communities of Hispanic Catholics, and coordination of charitable services through Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri.

A sacrificial gift to the CSA is a tangible expression and manifestation of faith, gratitude and discipleship.

The theme for this year’s appeal is a verse from the Book of Jeremiah: “For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope.” (29:11)

“This reminds us that regardless of the current situation, we must move forward with the path God has set forth,” Bishop McKnight stated.

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 Oct. 22 — **Fr. Adolph H. Puetter**, St. Francis Carraciola, Bourbon (1957); **Fr. Michael E. McHugh**, Holy Guardian Angels, Brinktown (1978)
 Oct. 26 — **Fr. John J. Hans**, Immaculate Conception, Shackelford (1965); **Msgr. Joseph A. Vogelweid**, St. Peter, Jefferson City (1981); **Fr. Edwin N. Sturm**, St. Joseph, Martinsburg (1983)
 Oct. 27 — **Fr. Patrick H. Hoffmann**, St. Joseph, Canton (1990)
 Oct. 30 — **Msgr. Patrick J. Gilfillan**, Immaculate Conception, Macon (1964)

Rosary for Our Nation to be prayed in Cathedral

DATE: November 2
TIME: 7 pm

The Marian Prayer Group of Cathedral of St. Joseph Parish in Jefferson City will hold a "Rosary for Our Nation" at

7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 2, in the Cathedral, 2305 W. Main St., across from Memorial Park.

All are invited to join in the prayers in person or pray from home at that time.

Director of Faith Formation/Youth Ministry



The Diocese of Jefferson City is seeking a Director of Faith Formation/Youth Ministry to provide direct support for and development of parish-based youth ministers in the outreach and evangelization to faith formation and pastoral care of their youth. This support includes training, consultation and providing resources for a comprehensive program for all parish-based youth. The Director oversees the coordination of diocesan-supported youth ministry events at the diocesan, regional and national levels. The Director will be expected to exercise due diligence and oversight for the budget assigned to this ministry.

We are specifically seeking a bilingual candidate (English/Spanish) who has the capability of ministering across cultures with well-developed social media skills. A minimum of a bachelor's degree is required with a preference for a master's degree in Theology, and Youth Ministry Certificate.

The Diocese of Jefferson City is a largely rural diocese encompassing 38 counties with the two largest cities being the capital of Missouri, Jefferson City, and Columbia, home of the University of Missouri.

Benefits include: paid holidays and vacation; medical, dental and vision insurance; life and long-term disability insurance; and matching 403(b) retirement plan.

Qualified candidates should email their resume to:

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Columbia Adult Education and Devotion to be shared over Zoom

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Columbia will hold its Adult Education and Devotion (AED) series virtually on five consecutive Wednesdays, beginning Oct. 21.

Scheduled dates, topics and presenters include:

•Oct. 21: Spirituality during COVID, with Father Paul Clark, associate pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish;

•Oct. 28: Doctrine vs. Dogma, with Father Dylan Schrader, pastor of St. Brendan Parish in Mexico;

•Nov. 4: Stewardship Is Discipleship, with Father Stephen Jones, diocesan director of stewardship;

•Nov. 11: History of Holy Days, with Father Daniel Merz, pastor of St. Thomas More Newman Center Parish in Columbia;

•Nov. 18: History and Spirituality of Advent, with Father Christopher Cordes, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.

An invitation to participate over Zoom will be added soon to the parish website, ourladyoflourdes.org.

All Souls Requiem Mass in Latin in Mexico

DATE: November 2
TIME: 7 pm

Father Dylan Schrader, pastor of St. Brendan Parish in Mexico and diocesan moderator for Mass in the Extraordinary Form, will offer a Solemn Requiem High Mass at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 2, the Commemoration of All Souls.

It will be in St. Brendan Church, 615 S. Washington St. in Mexico.

"A Solemn High Mass is one assisted by deacon and subdeacon with full music and incense," stated Fr. Schrader. "If you have never experienced a Requiem Mass in the Extraordinary Form, this is a great opportunity."

Monday Rosaries in Laurie, Versailles

A Patriotic Rosary for the nation will be prayed each Monday at 7 p.m. through Nov. 2 in St. Patrick Church, 176 Marian Drive, off Highway 5 in Laurie; and St. Philip Benizi Church, 17034 Highway D in Versailles.

Everyone is invited to join in praying for this nation and its people.

Argyle Rosary

DATE: October 30
TIME: 8 am

A Patriotic Rosary and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be held at 8 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 30, in St. Aloysius Church, 1 Church Lane in Argyle. All are invited to join in praying for this nation and the election.

Correction

The People Page in the September 18 print edition of *The Catholic Missourian* contained incorrect information about elected parish pastoral council members for Sacred Heart Parish in Rich Fountain.

The elected members were from Our Lady Help of Christians Parish in Frankenstein.

The officers are: **Russell Troesser**, president; **Paula Gabelberger**, vice president; **Donna Backes**, secretary; and **Roy Beel** and **Michelle Starke**, new members.

We regret and apologize for the error.

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Monday, October 26
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All floral arrangements and decorations must be removed before this date, and should be done by a person designated by the family. Unauthorized persons found removing flowers and decorations from graves will be prosecuted.

NOTE: Items in permanent vases that are part of the monument will not be removed. Cemetery reserves the right to remove any damaged items or faded flower arrangements.

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SSM Health Foundation makes \$120k gift to Catholic Charities

By Jay Nies

A substantial gift has brought Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri (CCCNMO) a step closer to opening a hub of charity and mercy in the heart of the Capital City.

The SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital Foundation on Oct. 6 presented a \$120,533 gift to help Catholic Charities create a centralized access point for health and nutrition services in the former Shikles Community Center.

Catholic Charities bought the center, originally built to be a chapel and gymnasium for the former La Salette Seminary, from the Jefferson City Housing Authority this January.

The agency plans to renovate the building and expand it into a food pantry and health clinic for people in need, as well as administrative offices.

Of the foundation's gift, \$50,000 came from the hospital to support its community health improvement partnership with Catholic Charities. The other \$70,533 came from SSM Health Community Health Improvement Project grants.

CCCNMO is the charitable services arm of the Jefferson City diocese.

"Thank you to everybody at SSM!" said CCCNMO Executive Director Dan Lester dur-



LEFT: John Landwehr, president of the Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri (CCCNMO) Board of Director; Mike Maag, CCCNMO board vice president; Jeremy Morris, CCCNMO board treasurer; Dan Lester, CCCNMO executive director; Beverly Stafford, director of SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital Foundation; Josh Allee, regional mission leader at SSM Health Mid-Missouri; and Michael Baumgartner, regional president of SSM Health Mid-Missouri, display a large check representing a \$120,533 gift from the SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital Foundation to Catholic Charities. **RIGHT:** CCCNMO Executive Director Dan Lester highlights the work of Judith Mutamba, the agency's director of food and nutrition services, and Rebecca Jennings, the agency's nutrition education AmeriCorps member. — Photos by Jay Nies



ing a brief check presentation ceremony at the agency's future home. "We're thrilled to be able to continue to do our community outreach and then incorporate those services into this new home in 2021."

He noted that Catholic Charities is committed to eliminating barriers to quality health and nutrition services for people who are most in need.

He pointed out that in the past six months, in partnership with several other agencies, Catholic Charities has launched a Senior Food Box Program and

facilitated two sessions of the "Walk With Ease" exercise program.

It will soon begin a Nutrition Counseling series at the LINC Recreation and Wellness Center on the Lincoln University campus.

"Our ongoing partnership with SSM Health will allow us to expand these community-based efforts, as well as enhance our services once we have moved into our new headquarters in 2021," he said.

SSM Health Regional President Michael Baumgartner said the hospital is happy to assist.

"We're pleased to be able to provide this community health improvement grant to help create and staff the health and nutrition services program that will address the priority health and social issues in our community," he said.

"It certainly aligns with our mission of community health improvement, as well as caring for folks outside the walls of the hospital," stated SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital Foundation Executive Director Beverly Stafford.

She noted that SSM St. Mary's has a long history of forming local partnerships to promote community health.

"But we've actually been able to fund even bigger and greater things this year than we've been able to do in the past," she said.

The hospital identified this opportunity through a community health needs assessment.

"Through that assessment, we

look at a priority intervention areas within the community," she said. "And lo and behold, we found that right in the middle part of Jefferson City, we have a community that needs assistance — whether it is around food insecurity or transportation or ba-

sic health services."

She noted that "health" means vastly more than what takes place in a hospital or doctor's office.

"It includes food security,

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Bishop McKnight's Calendar

The following appointments are tentative, depending on the pandemic.

OCTOBER

- Oct. 18** Confirmation Mass, 2 pm, Mary Immaculate Parish, Kirksville
- Oct. 20** School Mass, 7:10 am, Helias Catholic High School, Jefferson City
- Oct. 21** Confirmation Mass, 7 pm, St. Andrew Parish, Tipton
- Oct. 22** National Shrine Board of Directors Meeting, 10 am, St. Patrick Parish, Laurie
- Oct. 22** Diocesan Excellence in Education Fund Meeting, 1 pm, Chancery, Jefferson City
- Oct. 29** Diocesan Finance Council Meeting, 11 am, Chancery, Jefferson City
- Oct. 31** Confirmation Ceremonies, 10 am and Noon, Immaculate Conception Parish, Jefferson City

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 6** Priests' Memorial Mass, 11 am, St. Andrew Parish, Holts Summit

Bishop McKnight's October prayer intention for our Local Church

For all citizens in our country, that our participation in the upcoming elections may lead to a world which places a preeminence on the dignity of all human life.

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Catholics share faith, appreciation for the transcendent through monthly Rosary processions in Bowling Green

By Jay Nies

“Lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.”

People in cars and drive-ways and doorways stopped to watch and listen to the passing procession.

About 125 adults and children were praying the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary while walking together to the Pike County Courthouse in Bowling Green.

It was the evening of Oct. 7, the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary.

At the urging of the U.S. Catholic bishops, people throughout the nation were praying the Rosary together that day.

“There is a spiritual battle going on,” Deacon Mark Dobelmann of St. Clement Parish in St. Clement, Sacred Heart Parish in Vandalia and the Mission of St. John in Laddonia, remarked. “Especially during the pandemic, people are looking for something greater than themselves, and we need to be showing them what it is.”

A young man carrying a



About 140 people take part in the third monthly Rosary procession to the Pike County Courthouse in Bowling Green the evening of Oct. 7, the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary.



— Photos by Jay Nies

cross led the mile-long procession, followed by a color guard bearing flags of the United States and Missouri and a blue and white banner for the Blessed Mother.

Four young men carried an image of Our Lady of Fatima on a platform, adorned with a wreath of roses.

Scores of children took part in the procession.

The antiphonal prayers mixed with a golden sunset, the turning of trees and the sharp aroma of burning leaves.

“Who better to ask to pray for us than Jesus’s mother?”

Deacon Dobelmann asked. “She’s the queen! She’s our mother! She’s the mother of the Church. As the mother of Jesus, she is the mother of everything. So we invoke her to lead us through this spiritual battle.”

This was the third monthly Rosary procession in Bowling Green this year.

Father Henry Ussher, pastor of the St. Clement and Vandalia parishes and the Laddonia mission, helped organize the events.

“His appeal was for us to take prayer out into the public,” said St. Clement parishioner Chris Hummel. “And so the suggestion was made to have a Rosary procession, and he was all in favor of it.”

In fact, Fr. Ussher picked the dates.

“This day, the Feast of the Holy Rosary, is very important to him,” Mr. Hummel noted.

Fr. Ussher took part in the past two Rosary processions but was at the diocesan Priests Institute during this one.

Deacon Dobelmann and Mr. Hummel said the most surprising thing about the

processions has been the turnout.

“The last two months, we’ve had 150 to 200 people,” said Mr. Hummel.

They came from Bowling Green, Louisiana, Clarksville,

ple contemplating Catholic Christianity.

“With so many of the stories of people converting,” said Mr. Hummel, “it started with somebody inviting them to pray the Rosary, and it changed them.”

What changed them?

“Christ, His Church, His mother,” said Deacon Dobelmann. “And that’s what we’re trying to share with people here in our little corner of the world.”

He said a national uptick in Bible sales throughout the country has been reported since the pandemic began.

“People are looking for something, and they might not even know what they’re looking for,” he said. “We need to be out here showing them the truth is about Christ, about His love, about His mercy.”

“We need to be showing them that we’re not afraid, and that there’s always someplace they can go to experience the love that God has for them,” he said.

Ms. Dobelmann added: “It’s nice to live in a place that we’re able to do this. Hopefully, it will spark something.”

More photos from this event will be posted in *The Catholic Missourian’s* online edition, www.cathmo.com. Select “Photo Galleries” from the “Multimedia” tab on the menu bar.

Elsberry, Laddonia, Vandalia and other nearby communities.

“Always room for more!” said parishioner Stephanie Dobelmann, Deacon Dobelmann’s daughter. “We’re not going to turn anyone away.”

Deacon Dobelmann talked about the Rosary as a potent weapon against the forces of evil.

“St. Padre Pio, when he was in his last days, would say, ‘Give me my weapon!’” the deacon stated. “He was referring to the Rosary.”

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“Fratelli Tutti”: Make the world a better place by recognizing each other as kin, Pope says

By Cindy Wooden
Catholic News Service

Vatican City

Calling all people of goodwill to care for one another as brothers and sisters, Pope Francis urged people not to despair of making the world a better place, but to start creating the world they want through personal action and political lobbying.

Pope Francis signed his new social encyclical, “*Fratelli Tutti*, on Fraternity and Social Friendship,” at the end of Mass Oct. 3 in Assisi. The Vatican released the text the following day.

“A worldwide tragedy like the COVID-19 pandemic momentarily revived the sense that we are a global community, all in the same boat, where one person’s problems are the problems of all,” the pope said. “Once more we realized that no one is saved alone; we can only be saved together.”

At the same time, he said, responses to the pandemic, and especially to its economic devastation, shined a light on the inequalities existing within nations and among nations.

“For all our hyperconnectivity, we witnessed a fragmentation that made it more difficult to resolve problems that affect us all,” he said. “Anyone who thinks that the only lesson to be learned was the need to improve what we were already doing, or to refine existing systems and regulations, is denying reality.”

“*Fratelli Tutti*,” which literally means “all brothers and sisters” or “all brothers,” are the words with which St. Francis “addressed his broth-



Pope Francis signs his new encyclical, “*Fratelli Tutti*, on Fraternity and Social Friendship” after celebrating Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, Italy, Oct. 3.

— CNS photo/Vatican Media

ers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavor of the Gospel,” the pope wrote.

That flavor, explained throughout the document, involves welcoming the stranger, feeding the hungry, listening

to and giving a hand up to the poor, defending the rights of all and ensuring that each person, at every stage of life, is valued and invited to contribute to the community, he said. It also means supporting public policies that do so on a larger scale.

At the heart of the new encyclical’s appeal to Catholics is a meditation on Jesus’ parable of the good Samaritan and particularly on how Jesus takes a legal scholar’s ques-

tion, “Who is my neighbor,” and turns it into a lesson on being called not to identify one’s neighbors but to become a neighbor to all, especially those most in need of aid.

“The parable eloquently presents the basic decision we need to make in order to rebuild our wounded world. In the face of so much pain and suffering, our only course is to imitate the good Samaritan,”

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Additional articles with links to the text of the Pope’s encyclical have been posted in *The Catholic Missourian’s* online edition, www.cathmo.com. Select “Vatican” from the “World/National” tab on the menu bar.

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40 Days for Life co-director testifies, prays at Capitol Prayerfest

By Jay Nies

"I'm here because of Isabelle."

Kathy Forck's voice resonated off century-old granite etched with passages from Sacred Scripture.

"I think of the hole that would have been left in her legacy if things had gone differently," said Mrs. Forck, a member of St. Andrew Parish in Holts Summit, who coordinates the Columbia 40 Days for Life Campaign with her husband, Michael.

She joined representatives of congregations and faith-based organizations and ministries from all over the state in giving witness and leading prayer Oct. 3 during the inaugural Missouri Prayerfest in the State Capitol.

The interdenominational event included an outdoor prayer walk and a two-hour outpouring of Christian testimony, song and worship inside the Capitol Rotunda.

People involved in Christian ministries throughout the state gave witness and led the assembly in prayer.

Their intercessions included: marriage and family, religious liberty, right to life, education, fostering and adoption of children, law enforcement, preven-

tion of sexual exploitation, government leaders, racial tensions, and business and farming.

"Prepare to be amazed at what the Lord is going to do today!" Jerry Angelo of Vaguard Marriage and Family Advocates told the audience.

Shouts of "amen" and "hosanna" filled the Rotunda throughout the event.

There were also tears.

"Some of joy, some of sadness," said Mrs. Forck.

She told the story of Isabelle, who was raped at age 16 and was forced by her parents to get an abortion.

"The doctor examined her and said that he was just going to remove some tissue," said Mrs. Forck.

Years later, when Isabelle suspected she was pregnant for the third time she was told by another doctor that she "wasn't really pregnant" and he was going to just "remove some tissue" from her womb.

"Isabelle remembered the guilt she suffered from not being able to protect her child," Mrs. Forck stated. "She said 'no' and that she would be finding another doctor."

Isabelle risked her own life carrying the baby to term. She was born seven months later,

and the mother named her Kathleen, which means, "dear to my heart."

Mrs. Forck didn't learn of any of this until after her mother died in 1989.

Only after her father told her the story did Mrs. Forck realize what a hero her mother was.

"She chose life seven more times — the last at age 42," she said. "This is why I do what I do — my mother's example that all babies are precious blessings and that life is worth giving even at the risk of your own."

God's great work

Mrs. Forck then told of the signs and wonders God had performed through 40 Days for Life since she and Mr. Forck began organizing a local campaign in 2009.

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil on the public right-of-way outside abortion businesses.

Eleven years ago, 800 abortions per year were being performed at Planned Parenthood in Columbia.

"They stopped abortions after losing seven abortion doctors in less than three and a half years," Mrs. Forck told the audience.

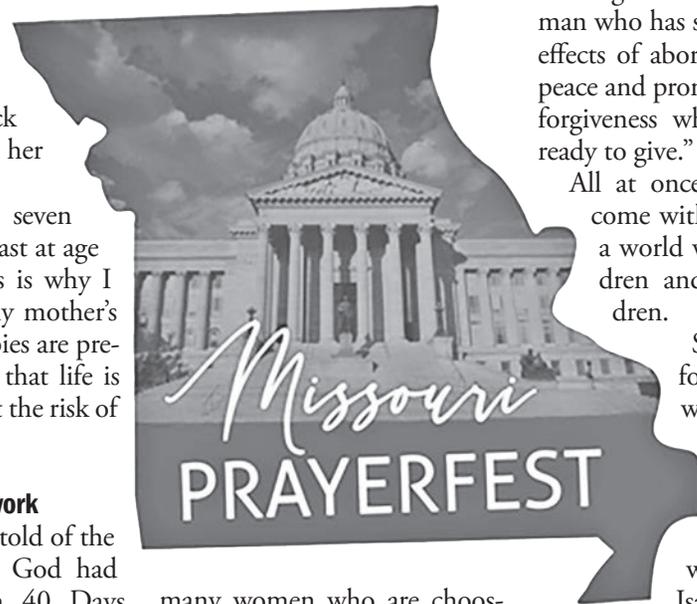
"What happened? The 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigils!" she stated. "Columbia Planned Parenthood stopped performing abortions when it lost its license, and its abortion doctor 10 times during these past 11 years. The Jefferson City Diocese has been abortion free again for the past two years!"

The 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign (40daysforlife.com/columbiamo) continues through Nov. 1 in Columbia, St. Louis and 586 other international locations.

She told about how a concerted effort of prayerful work and advocacy had reduced the number of abortions in Missouri from 10,000 per year to between four and 18 per month.

"Never forget, as long as a Planned Parenthood is open, they will refer women for abor-

tions out of state," she continued. "It is so important to support your local pregnancy centers who are serving these



many women who are choosing life."

She then led the assembly in prayer, asking God for strength to continue the effort to finish making Missouri completely abortion-free.

She pleaded for mercy for a nation and society that has allowed 61 million abortions to take place since 1973.

"We deserve Your wrath, but we implore Your mercy on us and to save the children who are in danger of being aborted this very day and every day," she prayed.

She asked God to convert the hearts of all abortionists and the people who work with them.

"Give moms who are tempted with the thought of abortion to instead embrace life for that child," she prayed. "Send loving kind people into their paths who will give them all the consolation, support and financial help needed to keep their children safe in their wombs."

She prayed for inspiration for lawmakers to pass life-affirming legislation to protect babies and their mothers from the abortion industry.

"Please give pastors and priests the courage to speak from the pulpit about abortion and to offer consolation to the many women and men sitting in the pews suffering silently," she prayed.

She thanked God for everyone who works to uphold the sanctity of human life, in particular those who take part in 40 Days for Life sidewalk vigils

in all weather.

"Give them protection from those who would do them harm," she prayed. "We ask a blessing on every woman and man who has suffered from the effects of abortion. Give them peace and prompt them to seek forgiveness which You are so ready to give."

All at once, she was overcome with the thought of a world without her children and her grandchildren.

She praised God for all the people who have been born and will be born in the future "because of the wonderful gift of Isabelle, my mother."

"Seeds were planted"

Joining Mrs. Forck in prayer for life were Rachel Blackmore, outreach and development director, and Dr. Carol Fouse, executive director of Churches for Life.

Dr. Faust prayed for churches to be lights in the darkness, and for abortion not only to become unavailable but unbelievable.

"Put Your hedge of protection around us as we seek to do Your will," she prayed.

Afterward, participants eagerly snatched up the information materials Mrs. Forck had brought to give away about 40 Days for Life.

"This group was hungry for life-affirming information," Mrs. Forck noted. "Many had never heard of the 40 Days, but let me tell you, they were very interested. Seeds were planted in a very new field."

In ages past

Howard Boyd, Missouri representative to the Family Research Council, reminded the audience that while this may have been the first event known as a Prayerfest to take place in the Capitol, "we're not the first ones to pray here!"

"And today, all we're here to do is join with our forefathers in celebrating the goodness of God," he said.

Organizers hope to make the Missouri Prayerfest an annual event.

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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

185 process with Blessed Sacrament, pray 15 decades of the Rosary outside State Capitol

By Jay Nies

Girls with veils and mantillas made a path of rose petals.

Altar servers rang bells and sent up plumes of incense spoke.

Heaven and earth resounded the hymns.

The Lord was with them.

Father Dylan Schrader carried the Most Blessed Sacrament in solemn procession around the State Capitol.

About 185 people followed.

Afterward, they gathered on the Capitol lawn to pray 15 decades of the Rosary — the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries — in supplication for God's protection and blessing upon this country.

It was one of thousands of public observances of the Month of the Rosary and of the 103rd anniversary of Our Lady's miraculous apparitions to children in Fatima, Portugal, to take place on Oct. 10.

Fr. Schrader is pastor of St. Brendan Parish in Mexico and diocesan delegate for Mass in the Extraordinary Form.

The people gathered outside St. Peter Church, near the Capitol, as the procession began.

Two men carried a banner with the words, "Pro Deo et Patricia," meaning "For God and Country" — and "My Immaculate Heart will Triumph," words the Blessed Mother spoke to the Fatima visionaries.

Another banner, from the national America Needs Fatima organization, proclaimed: "Pray the Rosary for America. Please join us!"

Four men carried a platform bearing an image of Mary as the Fatima visionaries



LEFT: Father Dylan Schrader carries the Most Blessed Sacrament in solemn procession. **RIGHT:** Singing hymns, the people follow the Most Blessed Sacrament down Madison Street in Jefferson City.



— Photos by Jay Nies

described her, adorned with roses.

A sign nearby paraphrased Matthew 8:2. "Lord, if You wish, heal us."

"Sweet Sacrament"

There came a ringing of bells as Fr. Schrader, fully vested and bearing the Most Blessed Sacrament in a monstrance, exited the downstairs chapel.

Four Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus in regalia held a baldacchino over Fr. Schrader and Christ's Body.

Several girls scattered red petals on the ground ahead of

them.

The procession advanced

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toward the circular drive surrounding the Capitol, then onto the sidewalk along busy High Street.

The trees were awash in autumn gold and radiant sunlight.

Foot and motor traffic continued up and down the thoroughfare as the procession moved toward Madison Street.

Several people stopped to watch.

The procession included many children — some in strollers, some being carried, the rest walking with their parents.

Participants sang "Faith of Our Fathers," a hymn written in England at a time when Catholics were being persecuted and the practice of their faith was be-

ing suppressed.

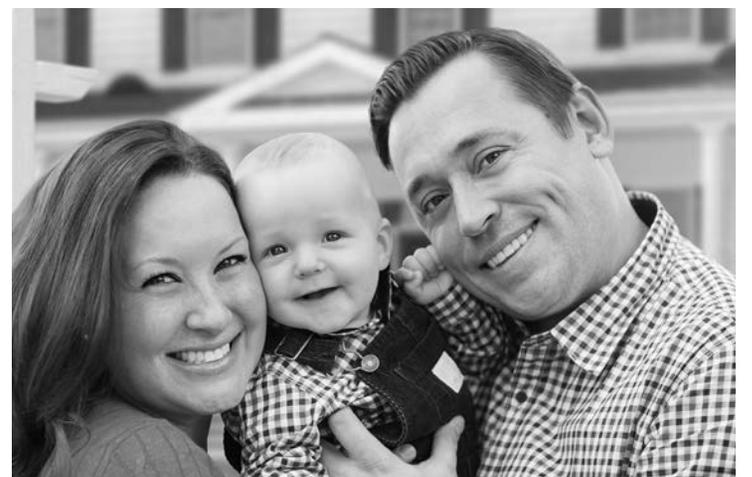
The people processed toward the Governor's Mansion while singing "Sweet Sacrament," a hymn written by a 19th-century convert to Catholic Christianity.

They were singing "Come Holy Ghost" as they crossed East Capital Avenue and processed by the Governor's Mansion, where once stood Jefferson City's first Capitol building.

Lawmakers in the 1840s narrowly voted against selling the structure, which Irish Catholics had helped build, to the St. Louis archdiocese for use as a church after the second Capitol was completed.

Nearby stands the Upschulte House, in which Jesuit Father Ferdinand Helias reportedly offered Jefferson City's first Mass in 1831.

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QUESTION CORNER

Text of creed / Jews and baptismal sponsors

By Father Kenneth Doyle
Catholic News Service



Q. My recollection is that the text of the Mass in English was rewritten about 20 years ago — to be a more accurate translation and to eliminate sexist references. I wonder, however, if they missed something: in the Nicene Creed, our parish still prints, “For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven.” Many in the congregation, including me, simply skip the word “men,” and I believe that our priest does as well. Why was this reference to all humans as “men” not eliminated? (Guilderland, New York)

A. The changes in the English version of the Mass to which you refer went into effect on the first Sunday of Advent in 2011. The rationale, as I recall, was not so much to eliminate sexist references but to guarantee a more literal translation of the Latin text. This approach was based on a 2001 instruction from the Holy See called “*Liturgiam Authenticam*.”

That document said in part, “The translation of the liturgical texts of the Roman liturgy is not so much a work of creative innovation as it is of rendering the original texts faithfully and accurately into the vernacular language.” It clarified that “the original text, insofar as possible, must be translated integrally and in the most exact manner, without omissions or additions in terms of their content, and without paraphrases or glosses.”

Still, though — as I have mentioned before in this column — in my mind the current English wording of the Nicene Creed is a mistranslation. The Latin wording is “*propter nos homines*,” and in Latin the word “homo” is generic; it means “person” or “human being.”

I, too, look for the day when it will be translated as such and not risk offending some listeners. Meanwhile, as a permissible alternative, often I choose instead to use the Apostles’ Creed.

Q. Some time ago, in one of your columns, you wrote that, “the attitude of Catholics toward Jews ought to be one of respect and gratitude. Christianity was built upon the foundation of Judaism. (Pius XI said that ‘spiritually we are all Semites.’)” Why, then, is it Catholic law that those of the Jewish faith cannot act as godfather (or as Christian witness) in the rite of baptism? (Detroit)

A. The Church’s *Code of Canon Law* (Canon 874) provides that at least one baptismal sponsor be a baptized, confirmed and practicing Catholic, 16 years of age or older, who is living a life in conformity with the teachings of the Catholic Church. The reason is that the role of a baptismal sponsor is not only to support a child’s Catholic faith but to serve as a Christian role model.

If one of the sponsors is Catholic, the other one can in fact be a baptized non-Catholic — but that person is then technically not called a godparent but a “Christian witness.” One of the duties of a baptismal sponsor is to assist the child’s parents in passing on the Christian faith.

At the celebration of the sacrament, the parents and godparents are asked to profess publicly their faith in God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. A Jewish or Muslim friend, for example, might well be an outstanding moral individual, but that person would not be able to profess the personal belief in the Trinity, which is required of a sacramental sponsor.

Questions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle at askfatherdoyle@gmail.com and 30 Columbia Circle Dr., Albany, New York 12203.

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The Psalms teach us that God is not deaf to our prayers, especially those that arise from a broken heart and a troubled spirit. The Psalmist’s repeated cry, “How long, Lord?”, is itself an acknowledgment that, amid our every trial and tribulation, God hears our voice and never abandons us. As a loving Father, He weeps for our sufferings in this world, yet in His wisdom He has a saving plan for each of us.

The Psalms are thus a guide to growth in the practice of prayer. They open our hearts to ever deeper hope in God’s providential care; they confirm our trust in His promises, and they inspire us to persevere on our life-long journey of faith in His Word.

I welcome all the English-speaking pilgrims and visitors who join us for today’s audience. Upon you and your families I invoke the joy and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ. God bless you!

POPE FRANCIS

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he said. “Any other decision would make us either one of the robbers or one of those who walked by without showing compassion for the sufferings of the man on the roadside.”

“The parable,” he continued, “shows us how a community can be rebuilt by men and women who identify with the vulnerability of others, who reject the creation of a society of exclusion, and act instead as neighbors, lifting up and rehabilitating the fallen for the sake of the common good.”

Doing that, he said, would mean recognizing and taking concrete action against “certain trends in our world that hinder the development of universal fraternity” and acting as a neighbor to one another, including racism, extremism, “aggressive nationalism,” closing borders to migrants and refugees, polarization, politics as a power grab rather than a service to the common good, mistreatment of women, modern slavery and economic policies that allow the rich to get richer but do not create jobs and do not help the poor.

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Personal connection during a pandemic

By Brett Robinson
Catholic News Service



In 2016, according to a Pew Research study, only 13% of Massgoing Catholics thought that artificial birth control was wrong. And yet in 1963, an overwhelming majority of Catholics thought contraception was wrong. What happened over the past half century for “the sense of faithful” to undergo such a dramatic about-face?

Historians have pointed to coordinated campaigns after World War II by groups like Planned Parenthood and the Ford Foundation to address poverty at home and abroad by using birth control to limit population growth. The widespread availability of the birth control pill and the sexual revolution in the 1960s also had a dramatic impact on attitudes and behaviors related to contraception.

But what if that’s not the whole story? What if I told you that the rise of television in the 1960s had as much to do with expanding the contraceptive mentality in this country as Planned Parenthood and the Ford Foundation?

To think ecologically, as Pope Francis does in his encyclical “*Laudato Si*,” is to recognize that all things are connected. The Holy Father calls this an “integral

ecology.” Our actions have had serious effects on the environment, and the environmental conditions we have created have had serious effects on us. Included in the list of negative effects that the pope outlines in the encyclical are those wrought by digital media technologies:

“(They) shield us from direct contact with the pain, the fears and the joys of others and the complexity of their personal experiences. For this reason, we should be concerned that, alongside the exciting possibilities offered by these media, a deep and melancholic dissatisfaction with interpersonal relations, or a harmful sense of isolation, can also arise” (No. 47).

Notice what the pope says here about the way digital media “shield us from direct contact with ... others.” To understand the contraceptive mentality that pervades much of culture, look at the ways that the complexity and intimacy of human experience has been diminished by digital means. A medium is literally something that comes between two things.

What is being “screened” out of our everyday interactions with others? A lot, it turns out. The warmth of a handshake or hug. Being able to look into someone else’s eyes, the windows to the soul, according to Shakespeare.

The experience of convivial conversation where a conversation about the weather or last night’s baseball game can mean the difference between feel-

ing alone or connected for someone who might be sad or isolated.

God knew that his message of saving love for the world had to come by means of a person with a body who could connect to other people. “*Intimus*,” the root of intimacy, means “inmost.” Jesus Christ satisfies our inmost desires because He dared to be intimate with humanity.

A technological world that automates everything from work to communication has lost its sense of daring. It is not open to the life-giving experience of human contact and conversation. Yes, it requires more risk and effort to be with someone in person (especially during a pandemic), but it is always worth it.

The birth of radio and television was a sign that we had reached a cultural tipping point. The rhythm of family life no longer revolved around the hearth that brought families together in a place of light and warmth. The environment of

the home was forever altered and the bonds within it were weakened.

Contracepting human communication via radio, TV and digital media has depersonalized human communication by reducing the messy work of human contact and intimacy. In a similar sense, birth control has depersonalized the intimacy of marriage and diminished the unitive experience of being one with another person.

In this time of pandemic and streaming Masses on the internet, it’s vitally important that we don’t let the contraceptive mentality continue its erosion of our human ecology, lest we begin to lose touch with the most powerful life-giving intimacy that God promises us in the prayer, liturgy and sacraments of the Church.

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Woe to those who gossip

By Elise Italiano Ureneck
Catholic News Service



Twelve years ago this month, I taught my first theology class at an all-girls high school. Fresh out of graduate school, I could boast of only a few hours of undergraduate lecturing and grading as preparatory experience.

While I was confident in the material I was to present, one of the most surprising challenges I faced was classroom management. Single-sex education can bring out the best in young women, including fostering self-confidence. But it can also be a breeding ground for certain vices, gossip chief among them.

In an era before texting and smartphones, students would pass notes to one another that often included snide remarks about fellow classmates or details of some melodrama from the previous weekend.

The only deterrent I could think of was to tell the class that if I caught them passing notes, I would read them out loud. I hoped to tap into the universally terrible

experience of having the subject of one’s gossip learn what was said about her and who said it.

Shortly thereafter, one student passed a note with aggrandized commotion. I promptly confiscated it and read it to the class. “Miss Italiano is going to read this note out loud,” it said. My cheeks flushed and my lips smirked, the result of irritation, embarrassment and some muffled laughter. Just the same, no more notes were passed that semester.

I have been thinking about that episode in light of Pope Francis’ recent remarks about gossip. In his Angelus address on Sept. 6, the pontiff warned the crowd against gossip, which he said is “a plague more awful than COVID.”

Pope Francis has been known to use hyperbolic turns of phrase. But he’s used equally strong language to speak of gossip before, including referring to it as “cold-blooded murder” in an address to members of the Curia.

In a homily during the first year of his pontificate, Pope Francis said that a Christian who gossips is a murderer: “A Christian murderer ... it’s not me saying

REFLECTION

Extended family

By Mark Saucier

My father died 10 years ago on Oct. 4.

We make what we can of a death, and so it seemed fitting that a man who loved the land and animals would take his earthly leave on the feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

Today, the simple, poverty-loving Francis would probably be medicated for his eccentric, God-loving ways. He was an odd one, even before insulating materialism separated us from the physical world.

We are more likely to watch a documentary on the stars than to gaze in awe. Francis ate, slept and prayed under them, his constant reminder of the vastness and presence of God.

Francis famously preached to birds. He found them attentive and seemingly excited as they winged away, carrying a message of mercy.

In “The Canticle of Creatures,” Francis gives thanks for “Sister Earth, our Mother who sustains and governs us.” He addresses Brother Sun and Sister Moon, Fathers Wind and Air, Clouds and Stars, and even Brother Fire.

He saw a reflection of God in every animal, orb and element; creation in its natural state, all praising its Creator, and each playing a role in the symphony of life.

We’ve all had our mystical moments in nature. We remember a breathtaking sunset or a brilliant rainbow. Every real hunter has been taken by the exquisite beauty of her prey; every fisherman by the strength and shimmering grace of his catch.

Those are Franciscan experiences, moments when God breaks through and we are immersed in something profoundly more.

But Francis did something we find difficult. He found the reflection of a living Creator, not just in burbling brooks and warbling birds, but in everyone who entered his life.

When is the last time you looked at a family member (babies don’t count), a co-worker, a public figure, or a random stranger and were reminded of the mysterious yet wonderful ways of God?

Maybe it is the microscope of social media or just a jealous bias, but we are more likely to see the faults of another rather than a God-loved creature stumbling on the path to glory just like us.

If I can’t see some divine grandeur and care in the most complex creatures made in the Creator’s likeness, maybe the problem is me. For this, Francis left me a clue.

He said, “You can show your love to others by not wishing them to be better Christians.”

It’s hard to remember that birds don’t judge.

Hentges, Deraps address sacrifice of Gold Star Mothers, families during event at Missouri Veterans Memorial



FROM TOP LEFT: Jefferson City Veterans Council President Donald Hentges speaks of meeting the family of an Army friend who died in battle. Sandra Deraps, whose son was killed in action in Iraq, accepts a hug after speaking of service and commitment as a remedy for loss. A bugler from Amarillo, Texas plays "Taps" in honor of the fallen and their families.

— Photos by Jay Nies

By Jay Nies

There were shimmering stars and yellow carnations over the green cliffs of the Capital City.

It was National Gold Star Mother's Day, a time to remember the parents and families of U.S. service members who never came home.

In wartime, a gold star designates a loved one lost in the line of duty.

"God bless the memory of the fallen," said Sandra Deraps, a member of Annunciation Parish in California. "Their devotion was without limit, their courage was beyond measure."

About 100 people attended the nondenominational observance, some gathering around the fountain and reflecting

pool, some on the nearby lawn and around the Capitol Circle.

Valley of tears

Mrs. Deraps became a Gold Star Mother in May of 2006, when her youngest son, U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Leon Deraps, was killed in action in the Al Anbar Province of Iraq.

He was 19. His earthly remains are at rest in Assumption Cemetery in Cedron.

Mrs. Deraps is now part of "a family of mothers whose children have paid the ultimate sacrifice," she said. "Their duty was to protect the freedom and liberties we enjoy today. We don't want our nation to ever forget their precious lives, the cost of service to this nation."

She said Gold Star Mothers

find strength in working together to assist veterans and people who are currently serving in the military, as well as their families and communities.

"Grief can only be healed by doing good for someone else," she stated. "Not only Gold Star Mothers, but the entire nation can heal by serving veterans and their families, aiding wounded warriors, honoring the memory of the fallen, promoting service to our country, teaching lessons of patriotism, inspiring respect for our country, and supporting all Gold Star Mothers and families."

After her son's death, Mrs. Deraps got involved with several local organizations, including Marine Parents, which sends care packages to deployed troops, and Operation Bugle Boy and Wreaths for Heroes, which honor veterans.

"Our mission is to continue their mission of service and sacrifice," she said.

As part of the ceremony, Mrs. Deraps helped place a wreath of yellow flowers next to the U.S. flag, to honor the war dead and their families.

"Live your life worthy of their sacrifice," she told the assembly. "God bless our service men and women. God bless the memory of the fallen. God bless our Gold Star Families, and God bless America."

Unpayable debt

Jefferson City Veterans Council President Donald Hentges, a member of St. Martin Parish in St. Martins, told of his nearly half-century quest for the family of a fellow U.S. soldier who died in combat in Vietnam in 1968.

Mr. Hentges and Willie McVea had become close friends while serving in an infantry unit.

Mr. McVea was mortally wounded in an explosion. Mr. Hentges was with him when he died.

"I made Willie and myself a promise that day," he said. "I promised I would make sure he was never forgotten."

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Mr. Hentges narrowly escaped death shortly thereafter and spent months in military hospitals.

His belongings, including his contact information of Willie's family, never caught up with him.

He wrote letters through the years to people in Texas named McVea but never heard back.

An internet search eventually revealed the location of his friend's burial place in Austin.

A fellow Vietnam veteran then helped him contact Willie's widow, Bettye, in 2016.

The following year, Mr. Hentges and his wife, Lillian,

went to meet Bettye and hers and Willie's youngest daughter, Kimberly.

They were 22 and 5, respectively, when Willie died.

"A lot of tears were shed that weekend and a lot of questions answered," said Mr. Hentges. "I was shocked at how little they knew about what happened that day and about how Willie was killed."

Since then, Mr. Hentges has tried to fathom the loss his friend's family experienced.

"We not only owe those who gave their life a debt we can never repay, but we also owe their families," he said.

"We need to honor and remember all those killed in action, and their families, every day," he stated. "We owe it to them to be good citizens and get involved in our community."

Never forget

Committee member Sharon Naught spoke of the recently launched fundraising campaign to build a Gold Star Families Memorial Monument on the Capitol grounds.

There are currently 66 such monuments in 45 states, plus Guam.

Local author Jeremy Amick gave a reflection on Gold Star Families, followed by the playing of "Taps" by a local bugler.

Afterward, Mrs. Deraps distributed flowers from the wreath to relatives and fellow Gold Star Mothers.

Mr. Deraps spoke with conviction of his son's desire for his family to forgive the person who took his life.

He likened his son's intercession in heaven to the Marine Corps' and Navy's provision that even the lowest ranking Marine on a ship can "request mast" — meaning he or she can take his or her grievances straight to the highest ranking commander on a ship or base.

"I tell the other Marines that he died on duty, so he was never relieved of his duty," Mr. Deraps explained. "So if you have a special problem, you can take it to Leon and he will take it to the Highest Authority."

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Livestreamed Rosaries creating excitement among Filipino American Catholics and their friends

By Jay Nies

Anecita Alvizo had been praying for guidance when she picked up her mail.

She caught sight of a picture of Our Lady of Fatima holding a rosary.

"Amen!" Mrs. Alvizo declared out loud. "You want us to pray the Rosary daily, using social media so anyone in the entire world can join us in prayers."

So began a new tradition among a group of Filipino Americans and their friends, neighbors and fellow parishioners in central Missouri and beyond.

The COVID-19 pandemic had curtailed this May's elaborate annual Filipino celebration of the Blessed Mother.

The steadfast piety and flower-fueled pageantry of the month-long Flores de Mayo and Santacruzán celebrations are staples of growing up in the Philippines.

The temperate climate of that preeminently Catholic island country in southeast Asia yields baskets of spring-time blossoms to present to the Blessed Mother in song-filled daily processions throughout the month.

The last nine days encapsulate a Novena of the Holy Cross. The final day's communal festivities include Mass, a public procession and a feast. Young put on their finest and children wear angel costumes.

Most Gracious Advocate

The Missouri Chapter of the National Federations of Filipino American Associations has been organizing annual Santacruzán festivities in the heart of the state for over a decade.

Celebrations have taken place in Boonville, Laurie and Jefferson City.

Since that could not happen this year, Mrs. Alvizo, a member of Ss. Peter & Paul Parish in Boonville, shared her moment of inspiration with fellow parishioners and members of the Filipino American community.

Accordingly, each evening throughout May, a different family set up a camera at home and livestreamed the praying

of the Rosary over Facebook.

"People signed up to do it right away," said Mrs. Alvizo. "It was a bit of a struggle for some folks who had never worked with a livestream, so we helped each other."

She occasionally went to someone's house to help set up the equipment.

The camera stayed focused on the elaborately decorated prayer corner in each host family's home while two or more people antiphonally led the prayers assigned to each bead, each decade, each mystery.

"Most Filipinos have an altar in their home," Mrs. Alvizo noted. "It's a quiet place for our crucifix and holy pictures. It's where we go to pray."

Father William Peckman, pastor of Ss. Peter & Paul Parish and of St. Joseph Parish in Fayette, encouraged everyone to set up a prayer corner in their home.

"Part of the excitement for the families that signed up to lead the Rosary was decorating their altar," said Mrs. Alvizo.

The group decided to have the last livestreamed Rosary of May at the National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church, in Laurie.

About 20 people attended in person, with the rest taking part at home.

"We felt blessed to have a way to celebrate Our Lady despite the pandemic," Mrs. Alvizo stated.

Inspired by this confidence

On the heels of the spring-time success, Mrs. Alvizo wondered if anyone would be interested in leading a livestreamed Rosary from home in October, the Month of the Rosary.

All 31 days were booked up within a week.

"So we're pretty much doing what we did all through May," she said.

The prayer leader opens by welcoming everyone and announcing the pope's and bishop's prayer intentions, along with any special prayer requests.

Then, the prayer leaders announce each Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious or Luminous Mystery of the Rosary and leads



The prayer corner in Anecita Alvizo's home in Boonville is adorned with fresh flowers and sacramental images of Christ and His Blessed Mother.

the requisite "Our Fathers," "Hail Marys," "Glory Be's" and Fatima prayers.

They also pray the Consecration to the Holy Family, Pope Francis's Entrustment Prayer, and the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel.

The other participants follow along from home.

"It involves a commitment and personal witness," said

Mrs. Alvizo. "Each family that leads the Rosary makes a point of being prepared. And by sharing with their friends on Facebook, they're showing how much their faith really means to them."

People have told her that the livestreamed Rosaries are creating new excitement while helping people feel more connected.

MCC from the Capitol: 2020 MCC Virtual Annual Assembly

During a "normal" year, the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) would have welcomed hundreds of Catholics to the State Capitol for the MCC Annual Assembly in October.

This year's in-person event was cancelled due to ongoing concerns with COVID-19.

As an alternative, the public-policy agency of the state's four Roman Catholic dioceses released several new episodes of its podcast, "MCC from the Capitol."

Host and MCC Executive Director Deacon Tyler McClay sat down with speakers from across the state and nation to produce a collection of six great episodes focused on issues of interest and concern to Catholics.

"Though we're sad to miss our in-person event, we're excited to offer this alternative and hope to reach an even broader audience of Missouri Catholics," Deacon McClay stated.

Topics include:

- "The Racialization of America: A Conversation about Race," with Joyce Jones, program

director for racial harmony for the Archdiocese of St. Louis; and Jeff Schulenberg, facilitator of the social justice commission for Sacred Heart Parish in Valley Park.

• "The Demographic Question: What to Expect When No One is Expecting," with Jonathan V. Last, executive editor at *The Bulwark* and author of *What to Expect When No One's Expecting, America's Coming Demographic Disaster*.

• "Religious Liberty in the Age of COVID-19," with Bishop Mark Rivituso, auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Louis; and Tom Buckley, general counsel for the archdiocese.

• "Preserving Catholic Education," with Dr. Erin Vader, superintendent of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Jefferson City; and Nicolette Gibson, executive director for the Missouri Council of American Private Education.

Now and forever

Mrs. Alvizo, who grew up praying the Rosary each evening with her family, believes it's time well spent.

She hopes all of this will help people see the value of making time for prayer, especially as families, and not just during challenging times.

"Regardless of how busy we are, we need to pray and thank God for the blessings we have received and continue spending time with Jesus and our Blessed Mother," she said.

“For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope.”

JEREMIAH 29:11



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As I enter my third year as Bishop of the Diocese of Jefferson City, I am extremely grateful for your generosity and commitment to our Catholic faith. This year’s theme is “For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope.”

I have watched our community grow stronger in faith even during these uncertain times we are experiencing. I ask that you continue to help me carry out the mission and work of the Church by prayerfully considering supporting the annual Catholic Stewardship Appeal through a sacrificial gift. Our mission continues during this pandemic.

May God bless you and Christ’s peace be with you. I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. W. Shawn McKnight, S.T.D.
Bishop of Jefferson City



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This year's Catholic Stewardship Appeal goal for the entire diocese is \$2,450,000. After the diocesan goal has been met, any parish meeting their individual goal is eligible to receive a rebate of 10% of the goal, plus 90% of any funds raised above the goal. Parish goals must be met with cash and/or pledges received by March 15, 2021 and fulfilled by the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

OUTREACH

The Catholic Center in Jefferson City serves as the bishop's base of operations for ministries to parishes. The finance and human resources offices ensure teachers, lay staff and priests are provided benefits such as retirement and health insurance. Our chancellor's office provides notarization of documents and keeps record of all diocesan archives. Buildings and properties helps parishes make decisions on property maintenance, renovations and future development projects.



FORMATION

Diaconate formation, continuing education of clergy, youth and young adult ministry, and marriage and family life are some of the programs supported through the CSA. Your gift helps those ministries provide services to parishes and individuals while helping to grow faith and knowledge of Christ.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Educating our children to be servant leaders, inspired to use their God-given gifts to change the world — that is the calling of our Catholic schools in the Diocese of Jefferson City. Over 6,000 students are guided by more than 600 teachers in 37 elementary and three high schools across the diocese.

Catholic schools thrive through the stewardship of parishioners, the dedication of donors and alumni, and the commitment of faculties and families. Our elementary schools survive through the tithing of parish families — not tuition. Through this model, the stewardship of our parishioners allows Catholic education to be accessible to more children, enabling us to evangelize, while providing an excellent academic education.

Your gift helps the Catholic School Office provide resources, administrative support, guidance and professional development for pastors, principals, faculty and staff. Your support ensures our schools can continue to provide the foundation in Gospel values needed for our children to be Christ's hands and feet in the world.



PRAYER FOR A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

My parish is composed of people like me.

I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, **if I am.**

It will be holy, **if I am.**

Its pews will be filled, **if I help fill them.**

It will do great work, **if I work.**

It will be prayerful, **if I pray.**

It will make generous gifts to many causes, **if I am a generous giver.**

It will bring others into worship, **if I invite and bring them in.**

It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity and mercy, **if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.**

Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all things that I want my parish to be.

Amen.

APPEAL

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Timely innovation

Despite the hardships imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the offices at the Chancery have continued providing invaluable services to the parishes.

The Catholic schools Superintendent and staff helped all 37 Catholic grade schools and three Catholic high schools in the diocese carry out their mission remotely this spring and in person this fall.

Parish and Charitable Services staff helped parishes organize disaster response teams to respond to local needs during the pandemic.

They also helped parishes develop concrete plans for promoting the spirituality of stewardship; fostering effective co-responsibility among ordained ministers and laypeople; and helping every parish become universally recognized as a center of charity and sanctuary of mercy within the larger community.

Parish and Charitable Services also helped amalgamate those parish pastoral plans into a diocesan pastoral plan that will take effect on the First Sunday of Advent.

Youth Ministry staff offered resources and creative, concrete help for parishes to offer faith-building activities for young people this summer.

The Communications staff gave parishes helpful guidance

for livestreaming their Sunday Masses during the pandemic and providing secure avenues for online giving.

They also began helping parishes make the transition to a powerful new system for keeping track of data throughout the diocese. This is a crucial step in helping parishioners stay connected while putting their gifts of time, talent and treasure to best use.

Staying focused

Principal Kathryn Coulson of St. Brendan School in Mexico said her priorities have always been to keep students safe, help them build a loving relationship with Christ, and provide a rigorous academic program balanced with the support they need to become what God created them to be.

"These priorities have not changed, but the approaches we take as educators during this time have adjusted," she stated. "It has taken a lot of time to consider all of the safety measures, procedures, materials, instructional resources and strategies, and communication needed for us to return to school, meet students where they are emotionally and academically, remain in school safely, and have students, faculty and parents ready for the possibility of re-



Fourth-graders at St. Brendan School in Mexico practice their observation skills by examining the insides of pumpkins during science class on Oct. 9. Principal Kathryn Coulson said continuing to provide students a safe, faith-filled learning environment is "an opportunity for us to demonstrate to our students and families that it is through Christ, we can do all things."

— Photo from the Saint Brendan Catholic School of Mexico, MO Facebook page

mote learning."

Help from the Superintendent's office has been invaluable.

"Prompt information was given about steps to take to apply for and utilize funding, resources for purchasing, and people we could contact if additional help was needed," said Mrs. Coulson. "Providing this information saved us precious time so we could focus on what we needed to do in a manageable way."

Diocesan Superintendent Dr. Erin Vader repeatedly reminded the administrators, teachers and staff that they are never alone, and to stay focused on God.

"This is an opportunity for us to demonstrate to our students and families that through Christ, we can do all things," said Mrs. Coulson. "This is a chance for us in our schools to build community and serve others, strengthen prayer life, and guide students into deeper relationships with our Lord."

While the Superintendent's office helped navigate the frontier of educating during a pandemic, the Finance staff worked overtime to help each school apply for emergency assistance under the federal Paycheck Protection Program.

"Dr. Vader has been a blessing to all Catholic schools this year," said Gayle Trachsel, principal of St. Peter Interparish School in Jefferson City.

Having someone to discuss

problems with and help generate solutions is very helpful, "especially this year," said Mrs. Trachsel.

She noted that Dr. Vader and her administrative assistant, Paula Glynn, are always just a phone call away.

"I feel like I'm part of the school office team," said Mrs. Trachsel. "When we are a team, and can work as a team, everyone wins."

Principal Julie Clingman of St. Martin School in St. Martins said the School Office has been a pillar of support through these precarious times.

"Dr. Vader is willing to do what it takes to help keep our schools in session," she said.

And her assistant, Paula Glynn, is "the most organized multi-tasker I know. She is able to keep everything moving forward, in the most chaotic moments, and she does it all with a smile in her voice," Mrs. Clingman stated.

Planning to succeed

LeAnn Korsmeyer, director of Parish and Charitable Services, was helping parishes through the process of developing a pastoral plan when the COVID-19 pandemic reached critical mass.

She and her staff immediately shifted toward processing online applications from volunteers to serve on parish disaster response teams. This helped parishes respond quickly to needs in their com-

munities and stay in contact with people who were affected by the pandemic and the social isolation it has brought.

Then, as parishes submitted the action items for their parish pastoral plans, she helped Bishop McKnight and his advisors identify trends and common themes that would eventually be incorporated into the diocesan pastoral plan, which the bishop intends to promulgate later this year.

Mrs. Korsmeyer will work with pastors and lay leaders to set up the organizational structures that will be needed to implement the bishop's priorities contained in the diocesan plan.

"This pastoral plan could not come at a better time ... to invigorate local responses to the people we serve," stated Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC) members Deacon Robert and Lisa Reinkemeyer of St. Andrew Parish in Tipton and Annunciation Parish in California. "COVID has really disrupted the fabric of our families' lives and their parish lives. Now more than ever, it is important to go that extra mile to connect with people.

"Young families want to feel that their charitable efforts can make a change in their local world and set a real example of Christian Discipleship for the next generation," Deacon and Mrs. Reinkemeyer added.

"LeAnn is organized, efficient and dedicated to the service of God's people," stated DPC member Sheri Stormer of Visitation Parish in Vienna. "She was incredibly supportive and patient when I ran into challenges in communicating with parish representatives, especially after we had to rework how we managed the small parish discernment groups while dealing with COVID restrictions."

"The efforts LeAnn and her department have accomplished over the past year with the pastoral plans have been monumental," stated DPC member Rick Nichols of St. Pius X Parish in Moberly. "They developed a booklet

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with very clear and concise guidance for parishioners to define, select, prioritize, measure and execute activities that will produce important, long-range and meaningful improvements for their parish, parishioners, schools and communities, for years to come.”

He said the guidance was clear and easy to follow, and the process is working.

“There was an awaking and purpose that parishioners felt as their plans progressed,” said Mr. Nichols, adding that parishioners genuinely appreciated the bishop’s invitation to share their input.

“The pastoral plans that parishes have developed will have long and lasting benefits,” he said. “I believe the planning process even helped people divert some of their fears and anxiety away from the pandemic, whether they realized it or not.”

DPC member Earl Pabst of St. Martin Parish in St. Martins contacted Mrs. Korsmeyer several times while helping parishes work on their plans.

“LeAnn’s office did a great job helping take so many parish plans and consolidate them into common themes so that the diocese could use that input to develop a diocesan plan,” said Mr. Pabst. “Her office will now be integral in serving as a resource to help the parishes implement their plans.”

Help in the name of the Lord

The pandemic shut down many activities for young people this summer, but Bishop McKnight was adamant that parishes should move forward in providing appropriate faith-enrichment opportunities for young people.

Three teams of young Catholic missionaries worked with John DeLaporte, director of Youth Ministry for the diocese, to offer “Totus Tuus” at parishes throughout the diocese.

The program gives children and young adults an opportunity to grow in knowledge of their faith in a fun and engaging environment.

“We were thrilled to still bring in a Totus Tuus team this past summer, despite the



LeAnn Korsmeyer, diocesan director of parish and charitable services, and Dr. Erin Vader, diocesan superintendent of Catholic Schools, take part in discussion during the development of a new pastoral plan for the diocese.

— Photo by Jay Nies

pandemic,” Renee Molner, director of youth ministry at St. Thomas More Newman Center and Sacred Heart parishes in Columbia.

“It honestly went better than we could’ve hoped for,” she said.

Mr. DeLaporte and the Totus Tuus team worked with Ms. Molner to make sure the experience would be safe and meaningful.

“He and his staff gave us the encouragement and resources needed to continue to minister to the teens during a time when we couldn’t actually meet up but ministry was needed more than ever,” said Ms. Molner.

This was the first year for Totus Tuus at St. Martin parish in St. Martins.

“We were so looking forward to the huge turnout and all the fun that comes with it,” stated Mark McGuire, the parish’s pastoral minister. “But when the pandemic hit and then everything started to slide out of everyone’s control, we thought we would have to forgo this great opportunity.”

Mr. DeLaporte and the Totus Tuus missionaries pressed forward, offering several options, including a virtual experience recorded in Brinktown and Starckenburg.

“We were so fortunate to host an in-person event for our day and night program,” said Mr. McGuire. “And although it was smaller due to restrictions and had all the pandemic protocols, it was still the same

faith- and fun-filled event our parish needed for our youth and families.”

Youthful energy

Immaculate Conception Parish in Brookfield did not have an active youth group and rarely participated in diocesan-wide activities until Mr. DeLaporte ramped up the diocese’s efforts at youth ministry in the northern part of the diocese.

“We became a part of a larger community of youth ministers,” said Mrs. Garvey. “Our parish has taken groups to the last two National Catholic Youth Conferences in Indianapolis.”

Immaculate Conception hosted a NET team to reinvigorate youth ministry two years ago and collaborated with neighboring St. Mary Parish in Shelbina to do the same last year. Several young parishioners have taken part in diocesan youth events, including Camp Siena and the diocesan Youth Summit conducted virtually on Bishop McKnight’s behalf.

This summer, Immaculate Conception had the largest number of young people taking part in the diocesan CHRIST-

power Challenge, delivering meals and unloading trucks at the local food pantry.

“The Young Church is energetic and has a desire to make a difference,” said Mrs. Garvey.

The parish has formed a youth council and plans to reestablish its Catholic Youth Organization and organize more projects to address local social concerns and continue forming young people in the faith.

“I have so appreciated the friendship and support of John DeLaporte and his staff,” said Mrs. Garvey. “Without the support and guidance they have provided, I don’t think any of this would have happened.”

Information revolution

Having all parishes make the transition to the newly developed Blackbaud Church Management system for records and data management will have a dramatic effect on matching people’s gifts of time, talent and treasure to the needs of the people around them.

It is challenging but holy and necessary work.

“I am absolutely convinced that this is the way to better connect with and serve our parishioners,” stated Christi Garcia, bookkeeper and communications coordinator for St. Anthony Parish in Camdenton, the first parish to make the transition to the new system.

She and parish secretary Rene Magelky have been working with the diocesan Communications team and Blackbaud developers to fine-tune aspects of the system that are needed for parishes to manage the uniquely Catholic aspects of parishioner information.

“Because of our transition to Blackbaud Church Management, Rene and I have been able to update and add layers to our parishioner records,” said Ms. Garcia. “In the process of doing that, we have become much more able to meet many of them on a more personal level.”

Parishioners’ contact information, sacramental records, electronic giving, volunteer status and requirements for different positions, such as safe-environment compliance, small group membership, and religious education records — “it’s all there in one place,” she said.

“We feel that we are better able to help parishioners connect not only with the Church and the parish office, but also with each other through our website, social media, and online giving options, which will be expanding soon, and a virtual prayer wall.

“We were able to keep our parish family connected and are even better equipped to do so as we move forward,” she said.

More information about this year’s CSA can be found online at: diojeffcity.org.

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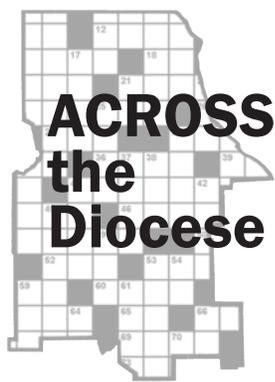
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By Father Don Antweiler

ACROSS

1. The St. Louis metro area is the largest in our State with much to offer for both the Mo. ____ and resident. This puzzle has some samples.
7. The 3-story St. Louis Art Museum in Forest Park is one of the principal U.S. art museums, visited by over 500,000 people every year. Its 30,000 ____ of art range from antiquity to the present. Admission is free.
12. Her sad story really ____ to me.
15. Sandwich cookie.
16. Abraham's ancestral home.
17. Part of AV.
18. "It shall not be eaten ____ or boiled," (Exodus 12:90).
19. Before A.D.
20. "When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved he said to his mother, '____, behold, your son,'" (John 19:26).
23. It's not nice to fool mother ____.
25. My Confirmation retreat was a real ____ moment in deepening my relationship with Christ.
27. Abbr. for William.
28. Letters on the side of an American ship.
30. "You have to ____ moments when they happen," —Denzel Washington.
31. "So (Joshua) had the ark of the Lord ____ the city, going once around it..." (Joshua 6:11).
32. "The prophetess Deborah used to ____ under Deborah's palm tree and there the Israelites came up to her for judgement," (Judges 4:5).
33. This State has over 100 wooden covered bridges and is a major producer of maple syrup (abbr.).
34. Short for the Federal gov't's Centers for Disease Control.
35. The beautiful imposing St. Louis Cathedral Basilica (new Cathedral) in St. Louis's Central West End was completed in 1914 with

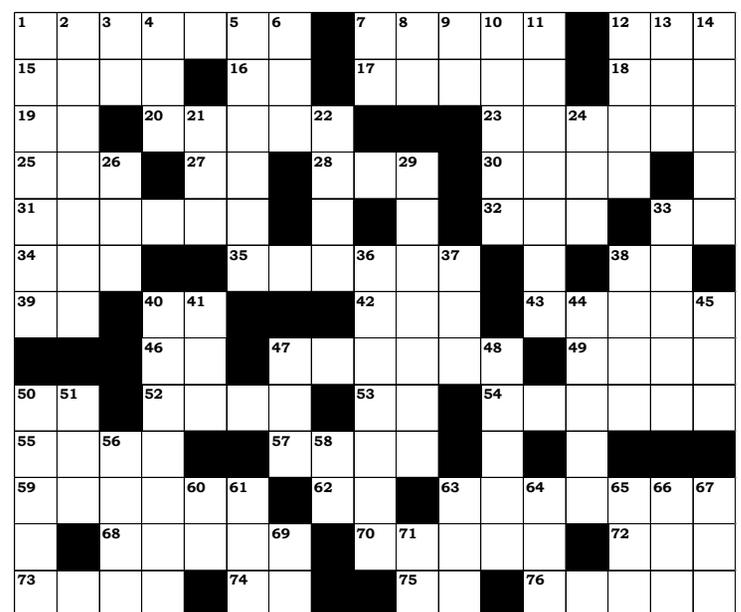
floor seating for 2,500. The church's mosaics on its walls and ceilings were begun in 1912 and completed in 1988, the largest mosaic collection in the world outside of ____.

38. Tea in Spain.
39. Bone.
40. In real estate, abbr. for room.
42. "The ____ is mightier than the sword"; phrase by Edward Bulwer-Lytton in 1839 in his historical play "Cardinal Richelieu."
43. The Cole Co. Historical Soc. Museum is the only county museum in the nation to display inaugural ____ of State First Ladies.
46. Medium shoe width size.
47. Pres. Andrew Jackson is on the ____ dollar bill.
49. Pope ____ XII proclaimed the dogma of Mary's Assumption in 1950.
50. Stomach muscle.
52. The riverfront St. Louis Arch complex includes the Old Courthouse where the infamous Dred Scott decision inflamed the ____ to Civil war. Free admission.
53. A unit of blood is usually 300 ____.
54. The last minute soccer goal ____ up the score.
55. St. ____ wrote the earliest part of the New Testament when he wrote his first letter to the Thessalonians in 51 A.D.
57. The 4th largest Great Lake.
59. On the Arch grounds itself is the Basilica of St. Louis, King of France (the old Cathedral), the first cathedral west of the Mississippi River and the only ____ church in the city until 1845.
62. Letters sometimes used instead of A.D.
63. "We ____ with our lives like a bird from the fowler's snare," (Psalms 124:7).
68. "Green ____"; late 60's TV sit-com starring Eddie Albert & Eva Gabor.
70. The St. Louis Municipal Opera (the MUNY) in Forest Park is the nation's oldest outdoor theater in Am., founded in 1917. It also has the largest number of ____ (11,000). 1,500 of them are free on a first-come first-serve basis. It is dedicated to Broadway musicals.
72. "It's ____ for the money, Two for the show..."; lyrics from Elvis Presley's song "Blue Suede Shoes."

73. ____ Fitzgerald, Queen of jazz, esp. noted for her ad-libbing skat singing.
74. Abbr. before Sinai or Carmel.
75. In addition to Exodus, this 5th book of the Bible also contains the 10 commandments (abbr.).
76. Older brother of Moses (Exodus 4:14).

DOWN

1. ____ items are the most littered items on Mo. Roadways.
2. The Mo. Botanical Garden adjacent to St. Louis City's Tower Grove Park is the oldest botanical garden in the country (founded in 1859) and has the largest (14 acres) Japanese Garden in North Am. It has one of the world's largest collections of rare ____, has a greenhouse geodesic dome, a Victorian home & gardens, and a butterfly house all spread over 79 acres.
3. Ameren ____; largest electricity producer in the State.
4. "Then a giant of a man, seated in the front ____, rose and walked confidently to the rostrum. It appeared that...a miracle had been wrought upon Peter," —Lloyd Douglas, *The Big Fisherman*.
5. The 1,326-acre Forest Park in west St. Louis City, opened in 1876, was the site of the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair and also the site of the 1904 ____ Olympics, the first ever held in the U.S. The Park includes a zoo, 4 major museums, an outdoor theater, golf courses and athletic fields.
6. ____-la-la.
7. Th only State to be named after a U.S. President; also the biggest producer of apples in the U.S. (abbr.).
8. Letters for Oklahoma Univ. which has over 30,000 students.
9. Cousin to #69 DOWN.
10. 11th & 12th books of the Bible.
11. The ____ 630-ft. Gateway Arch on the St. Louis riverfront is the world's tallest arch, the tallest man-made monument in the Western Hemisphere, is Mo.'s tallest accessible building. It sits above a newly-renovated underground museum of Western Expansion.



12. Hearty simple food.
13. Rowboat paddle.
14. Bird sound.
21. Hooter.
22. Almonds and cashews.
24. Make lace.
26. A curved shape.
29. The St. Louis ____ Center and Planetarium began in 1963 on the southeast corner of Forest Park. With 750 exhibits and an Omnimax theater in a 300,000-ft. complex, it is the largest of its type in the U.S. Admission is free.
33. The St. Louis Symphony, founded in 1880, is the second oldest professional symphony orchestra in the U.S., preceded only by the New York Philharmonic. Its principal ____ is Powel Hall in mid-town St. Louis, close to Jesuit-run St. Louis Univ. and to the Fabulous Fox Theater.
36. The St. Louis Zoo, opened in 1910, has 90 acres with 18,700 animals representing 603+ _____. With 3 million visitors a year, it was voted in 2017 & 2018 by *USA Today* as the best in the U.S. It is a recognized leader in animal research, conservation and education. Free admission.
37. "Even kings and emperors...cannot compare with an ____ filled with the love of God," —Guru Nanak.
38. The name of Thomas the Apostle, in Aramaic (*te'oma*) means _____. His Greek name (*Didymos*, see John 11:16), also means the same thing. Did he have an identical sibling?
40. The Mo. History Museum in Forest Park was founded in 1866. It features Lewis & Clark artifacts, a ____ of

Charles Lindbergh's Spirit of St. Louis, and local colonial and native artifacts. Free admission.

41. ____ *culpa*; part of the penitential rite in the Latin Mass.
44. There is a huge difference between ____ and opry, esp. in the Ozarks!
45. Letters for solid state drive, a faster new storage device in computers.
47. "You have ____ words of eternal life," (John 6:68).
48. The missing ingredient in unleavened bread.
50. The name of Pomme de Terre Lake in Hickory Co. comes from the French, meaning literally ____ of the earth. In English, this vegetable is called the potato. It is the only lake in Mo. offering true muskellunge (muskie) fishing and it offers yurts as an option for overnight.
51. Sheep talk.
56. The ____ mountains separate Asia from Europe.
58. Brand of soda.
60. 4th year high school student (abbr.).
61. Clothes line?
63. "Take this all of you and ____ of it"; consecration words at Mass.
64. Letters for Combined Statistical Area, the official term for a metro area.
65. ____ *favor*; please in Acapulco.
66. Letters for Eagles Nest Outfitters, a company specializing in hammocks.
67. The prophet Daniel spent the night unharmed in the lions' ____ (Daniel 6:23).
69. Cousin to #9 DOWN.
71. Bradley or Asner.

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MCC PODCASTS

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•“Civilize It: A Call for Civility in an Era of Outrage,” with MCC staff members and recently-installed Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski of St. Louis.

•“Welcoming the Stranger: An Introduction to Missouri’s Immigrant Community,” with Deacon Enrique Castro, director of Hispanic Ministry for the Diocese of Jefferson City; and Javier Orozco, executive director of Human Dignity and Intercultural Af-

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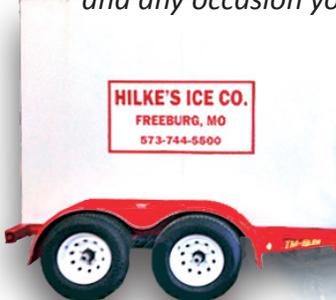
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Oct. 17

Cuba, Holy Cross Altar Society parking lot sale, 8 am-1 pm, Holy Cross School parking lot

Oct. 18

Russellville, St. Michael Parish History Day "Better Together After 130 Years!" 10 am-1 pm, for info visit stmichaelschurchriv.weebly.com; **Wardsville**, Walk for Life event, 11:30 am-1 pm, beginning at St. Stanislaus Church and ending at Wardsville Lions Club, for info email donnabernskoetter@gmail.com; **Westphalia**, St. Joseph Parish Fall Festival, drive-thru German pot roast & pork sausage dinners 11 am-6 pm

Oct. 24

Jefferson City, Immaculate Conception Parish Italian night, drive-thru dinner and prize drawing, 3:30-6:30 pm

Oct. 25

St. Elizabeth, K of C fall dinner, fried chicken & whole hog sausage carry-out dinners, 11 am-2:30 pm

Oct. 29

Jefferson City, Pregnancy Help Center annual banquet, drive-thru dinner & virtual banquet, 4:30-6:30 pm, Capitol Plaza Hotel, for info or to register visit friendsofphc.org

Nov. 1

Holts Summit, St. Andrew K of C drive-thru chicken dinner, 11 am-5 pm, St. Andrew Church

Nov. 6

Warsaw, K of C fish fry, with curbside takeout and limited dine-in seating, 4-7 pm

Nov. 8

Glasgow, St. Mary Parish fall dinner, with drive-thru turkey & ham, 11 am-3 pm; **Jefferson City**, Cathedral of St. Joseph annual Christmas bazaar & turkey dinner (drive-thru only), noon-6 pm

Nov. 10

Kirkville, Mary Immaculate School "Give Back" night, 5-9 pm, Bellacino's Pizza & Grinders

Meetings & Conferences

Oct. 19 & 26

LIVESTREAMED, Viewing of "The Chosen" series, 6-8 pm, for info and the link, email jimkemna@gmail.com or call 573-694-3125

Oct. 21

VIRTUAL, "Congregational Singing" session from the National Association of Pastoral Musicians annual convention, featuring Steve Angrisano, 7-9 pm, for link send email to npmjeffcitydio@gmail.com

Oct. 28

VIRTUAL, "Out of the Mouths of Babes: Reach Us Speaking Our Language" session from the National Association of Pastoral Musicians annual convention, featuring Hannah Crews, 7-9 pm, for link send email to npmjeffcitydio@gmail.com

Nov. 2, 16 & 23

LIVESTREAMED, Viewing of "The Chosen" series, 6-8 pm, for info and the link, email jimkemna@gmail.com or call 573-694-3125

Nov. 4

VIRTUAL, "Chant For the Contemporary Musician" session from the National Association of Pastoral Musicians annual convention, featuring Steve Angrisano, 7-9 pm, for link send email to npmjeffcitydio@gmail.com

Nov. 11

VIRTUAL, "God's Gonna Trouble the Water: The Healing Power of Music" session from the National Association of Pastoral Musicians annual convention, featuring ValLimar Jackson, 7-9 pm, for link send email to npmjeffcitydio@gmail.com

Liturgical

Oct. 20

Loose Creek, Seeking Christ for Our Nation Mass, 5:30 pm, Immaculate Conception Church

Oct. 28

Westphalia, Respect Life Mass, 6:30 pm Rosary, 7 pm Mass, St. Joseph Church

Oct. 30

Argyle, Patriotic Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary

at 8 am, Adoration until 5 pm, St. Aloysius Church

Nov. 2

Jefferson City, Rosary for Our Nation, 7 pm, Cathedral of St. Joseph; **Mexico**, Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form, in honor of All Souls Day, 7 pm, St. Brendan Parish

Nov. 8

Westphalia, Patriotic prayer service, 4:30 pm, K of C Hall

Retreats & Spiritual Renewal

Nov. 7-8

Jefferson City, Marriage Encounter Weekend, Best Western Plus Capital Inn, for info or to register visit jeffcityme.com

Health & Wellness

Oct. 25

Jefferson City, Blood drive, 8 am-noon, Immaculate Conception Parish's Kertz Hall

Nov. 16

St. Robert, Blood drive, 2-6 pm, St. Robert Bellarmine Parish hall

HEALTH

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access to basic screening and basic health services, and referral to those services," she said. "It could be tied to access to transportation for people to get the services they need."

That's why having a centrally located site for basic health services is important, she said.

Mrs. Stafford is convinced that God is present and at work in all of this.

"Truly, this is revealing the healing presence of God, which is the mission of SSM Health," she said. "So the idea that that's what we strive to do every day inside the walls of the hospital, we can also do beyond those walls — it's just divine!"

Hearing and do

Mr. Lester noted that charitable services are an essential part of the Church's mission.

"We know this is right because it's what Jesus teaches us by word and example," he said.

"I keep coming back to Matthew 25: 'I was hungry and you fed Me. I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink. Sick and you cared for Me, homeless and you gave Me a home, naked and you gave Me something to wear,'" Mr. Lester stated.

"I see all those things coming into focus, right here and right now," he said.

He said having an integrat-

ed hub for services "makes it so much easier for people who are struggling, for our neighbors who are in need, to be able to come and have so many of their needs met in one place."

He pointed out that the building was originally constructed for a holy purpose.

"It was built for sending men out into the world to share the Good News," he said. "We might not be preaching from a pulpit, but when we give a box of healthy food to a senior citizen who needs it, we're proclaiming the Good News to them."

He cited a section of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI's encyclical letter "God Is Love" ("Deus Caritas Est"), in which he speaks of the Church's charitable ministries growing up alongside her preaching and sacramental work from the earliest days.

"Love for widows and orphans, prisoners and the sick and needy of every kind is as essential to her as the ministry of the sacraments and preaching of the Gospel," Pope Benedict

stated in Section 22.

Mr. Lester asked: "If everything that's contained in the Word of God is telling us to go out and serve and we're not doing that, are we really hearing what the Word has to say?"

It shall be opened

SSM Health is a Catholic, not-for-profit health system serving the comprehensive health needs of communities across the Midwest.

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Help is given regardless of faith, culture or situation.

The "Open Hearts, Open Doors: A New Home for Catholic Charities" campaign was recently launched to transform the former Shikles Center into

a premier health and social services center.

Plans call for the inclusion of a client choice food pantry, universal exam rooms for healthcare providers to utilize for screenings and other basic health services, classroom space for various programs, and the inclusion of Catholic Charities current services, including disaster recovery, housing and financial counseling, and immigration services.

Renovation is set to begin this fall and to be completed next year.

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Ronnie & Alma Borgmeyer, 50 years
Dave & Donna Schwartz, 46 years
Henry & Cyndi Hoeller, 42 years
Ralph & Susan Wieberg, 26 years
Travis & Chrissy Reichel, 18 years

Brinktown, Holy Guardian Angels

Donnie & Peggy Rowden, 46 years
Matthew & Janice Libbert, 15 years

Camdenton, St. Anthony

Bob & Estelle Faust, 63 years
Pat & Anita Kowal, 49 years
Tim & Kathy Huber, 47 years
Dannie & Shari Rhoades, 38 years
Daryl & Katy Cunningham, 28 years
Oscar & Amelia Cortez, 23 years
Bryan & Amy Lazar, 15 years
Alex & Rachel Christensen, 13 years
Brendan & Megan West, 11 years

Chamois, Most Pure Heart of Mary

Marian & Bernie Forck, 42 years

Holts Summit, St. Andrew

Danny & Carla Massman, 26 years

Jefferson City, Cathedral of St. Joseph

Jeff & Tammy Ogden, 21 years

Jefferson City, Immaculate Conception

Tony & Carolyn Bruemmer, 63 years

Kahoka, St. Michael

Stanley & Virginia Webster, 60 years
Dean & Kay Hess, 59 years
David & Donna Schmitz, 44 years
Dale & Nancy Schuwerk, 32 years

Marshall, St. Peter

Ted & Carol Wolfe, 50 years

Montgomery City, Immaculate Conception

David & Mary Falloon, 48 years
Dennis & Judy Cobb, 40 years
Tony Jr. & Betty Wessel, 39 years
Michael & Laura Yelton, 24 years
Mike & Jane Dorlac, 12 years

Palmyra, St. Joseph

Robert & Donna Rupp, 67 years
Robert & Doris Wolfmeyer, 63 years
Thomas & Brenda Dodd, 58 years
Michael & Mary Creger, 51 years
Michael & Liza Summers, 48 years
Jeff & Kathy Buckman, 46 years
Bernard & Debra Conley, 41 years
Jerry & Judy Trower, 41 years
Alan & Tammy Browning, 35 years
James & Kristina Lowe, 24 years
Andrew & Jennifer Bryan, 23 years
Terry & Lisa Lake, 21 years
Jared & Amber Summers, 21 years
David & Alisha Hudson, 15 years
Justin & Janet Krekemeyer, 13 years
Derek & Karen O'Brien, 11 years

Rolla, St. Patrick

Kevin & Rosita Hebl, 20 years

St. Anthony, St. Anthony of Padua

Marie & Dennis Schulte, 29 years

St. Patrick, Shrine of St. Patrick

Robert & Rita Kirchner, 68 years
Lloyd & Linda Boudreau, 51 years

Vienna, Visitation

Wayne & Alice Helton, 63 years
Arnold & Ann Bax, 59 years
Hank & Mary Wansing, 56 years
Larry & Mary Kampeter, 49 years
Pat & Lisa Jones, 40 years
Leonard & Cindy Ewers, 39 years
Stan & Laura Schiemeier, 39 years
Alan & Tammy Pollreisz, 31 years
Craig & Stacie Hollis, 27 years
Chris & Brenda John, 25 years
Louis & LeAnn Kloeppel, 21 years
Todd & Courtney Jeremy, 13 years

Westphalia, St. Joseph

Vernon & Gloria Schmitz, 43 years

Wien, St. Mary of the Angels

J.D. & Debbie Bertsch, 47 years
George & Tonya Weimer, 30 years
Brad & Brenda Niemeier, 27 years
Steven & Rebecca Rodgers, 18 years
Chad & Krisha Dorrell, 17 years
Nick & Charity Banko, 12 years

Marriages

Argyle, St. Aloysius — **Jena Wieberg & Sam Hager**

Hermann, St. George — **Mallorie Henke & Eric Landolt**

Jefferson City, Immaculate Conception — **Anna Komaroni & Matthew Bono**

Jefferson City, St. Peter — **Paige Gruber & David Gregory**

Martinsburg, St. Joseph — **Haley Nobis & Nicholas Larson**

Mary's Home, Our Lady of the Snows — **Alesha Bax & Ryan Hahn**

Moberly, St. Pius X — **Erin Stapleton & Jeff Johanningmeier**

St. Anthony, St. Anthony of Padua — **Kim Holtmeyer & Ryan Brauner**

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St. Thomas, St. Thomas the Apostle — **Morgan Brown & Derek Otto**

Taos, St. Francis Xavier — **Courtney Turpin & Casey Kempker**

Wien, St. Mary of the Angels — **Kimberley Gouge & Brady Stallo**

Birthdays

Marshall, St. Peter — **Edmond "Buddy" Boillot**, his 98th

St. Clement, St. Clement — **Marcella "Sally" Bunten**, her 101st on Oct. 11

Westphalia, St. Joseph — **Rosemary Buersmeyer**, her 95th on Sept. 28



Deaths

Sister Mary Bede Hurst, 98 — of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, who previously taught at Holy Family School in Freeburg & at St. George School in Linn — on May 19. Burial was in Sancta Maria in Ripa cemetery on May 27.

Sister Francis Rose Rivers, 84 — of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, who previously taught at Sacred Heart School in Rich Fountain — on July 25. Burial was in the Sancta Maria in Ripa Cemetery.

Sister Marie Ambrose Peters, 89 — of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, who previously taught for 10 years at Holy Family School in Freeburg — on May 23. A burial service was held on May 29 at Sancta Maria in Ripa in St. Louis.

Argyle, St. Aloysius — **Lawrence H. Falter, Herbert B. Struempf**

Boonville, Ss. Peter & Paul — **David Lauer**

Canton, St. Joseph — **Ramona D. Logsdon**

Cuba, Holy Cross — **Robert Reckerd Jr.**

Freeburg, Holy Family — **Viola L. Wieberg**

Hannibal, Holy Family — **Leon Smith, Bill Willett**

Hermann, St. George — **Marilyn E. Jacquin**

Jefferson City, Cathedral of St. Joseph — **Loretta A. Steinkuehler**

Jefferson City, Immaculate Conception — **Elizabeth L. Bernskoetter, Donald L. Hirsch**

Jefferson City, St. Peter — **Joan E. Kempker**

Laurie, St. Patrick — **William E. Shortino**

Linn, St. George — **Tessie M. Gentges**

Loose Creek, Immaculate Conception — **Ricky P. Crowe, Lucille Kraus**

Marceline, St. Bonaventure — **Anthony Stallo**

Marshall, St. Peter — **Rose Davis**

Monroe City, Holy Rosary — **Ruth M. Purol, Joseph R. Buckman**

Osage Bend, St. Margaret of Antioch — **Judith A. Lambayan**

Rich Fountain, Sacred Heart — **Lawrence Luebbert Jr.**

Sedalia, St. Vincent de Paul — **Michael DeGraff**

Taos, St. Francis Xavier — **Elmer C. Wankum**

Wellsville, Church of the Resurrection — **Sandra S. Nation**

Westphalia, St. Joseph — **Frances Boessen**

Baptisms

Argyle, St. Aloysius — **Landon Nilges**, son of Kris & Courtney Nilges

Boonville, Ss. Peter & Paul — **Dayline Marie Larm**, daughter of Roger & Robin Larm

California, Annunciation — **Yasmil I Ocio Aguado**, child of Noe Ocio Garcia & Cristina Agauda Foncelol

Columbia, Our Lady of Lourdes — **Brantley Byrd, Maverick Maka, Henry Sill**

Hermann, St. George — **Austin George Gloe**, son of Alan & Jessica Gloe

Holts Summit, St. Andrew — **Ella Ames**, daughter of Andy & Tina Ames

Jefferson City, Immaculate Conception — **Caspin Wayne Gillooly**, son of Taylor & Shanna Gillooly

Jefferson City, St. Peter — **Maximilian Blaise Oakes, Miriam Joan Tapia**

Lake Ozark, Our Lady of the Lake — **Tram York**

Marshall, St. Peter — **Naomi Colindres**, daughter of Amilcar & Norma Colindres; **Carter L. Durham**, son of Jonathan & Danielle Durham; **Leo and Mia Lemus**, children of Ricardo & Mayra Lemus; **Lee E. Saavedra**, son of Jesus & Astrid Saavedra

Mary's Home, Our Lady of the Snows — **Eleanor Jak Schulte**, daughter of Ben & Katie Schulte

Moberly, St. Pius X — **Emma, Kaylee and Zane Richards**, children of Nicholas & Leanne Richards

Montgomery City, Immaculate Conception — **Jackson Dale Owen**, son of Lowell & Katie Owen

St. Thomas, St. Thomas the Apostle — **Emery Lynne Schellman**, daughter of Kelsi Schlotz & Patrick Schellman

Wien, St. Mary of the Angels — **Gracelynn Mae and RaeLynn Kathryn**, daughters of Matthew Morrison & Jessica Schachtele

Crossword puzzle answers

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Savoring the Mysteries

Students of Holy Rosary School in Monroe City celebrate their parish feastday Oct. 7 by praying a Living Rosary in the school gym, with each student leading one of the prayers. Father Gregory Oligschlaeger, pastor of the Monroe City and Indian Creek parishes, encouraged everyone to pray the Rosary frequently during October, the Month of the Rosary. "Pick a time of day and pray the Rosary at that time each day," he advised. "The repetition of the Our Father, the Hail Mary, and the Glory Be to the Father prayers creates 15-20 minutes where one can offer prayer to God and seek God's help and guidance."



— Photo by Dominican Sister Suzanne Walker, principal

To all, a good knight



Austin Dudenhoeffer, an eighth-grader at St. George School in Linn, joins Principal Lisa Grellner and Father Colin Franklin, pastor of the Linn and Frankenstein parishes, in the sanctuary of St. George Church in Linn, after Fr. Franklin "knighted" him. The school "knights" an eighth-grader each year who promises to uphold the school's anti-bullying policy. Austin will be the 2020-21 St. George Knight, a visible symbol of having the courage to stand up for others and do the right thing. He is a son of Jason and Stacey Dudenhoeffer.



Cardinal: Beatified teen showed that heaven is 'attainable goal'



Blessed Carlo Acutis, an Italian teenager who used his computer programming skills to spread devotion to the Eucharist, was beatified in Assisi, Italy, Oct. 10.

— CNS photo/courtesy Sainthood Cause of Carlo Acutis

With liberty and justice for all



Students at Holy Cross School in Cuba gather at the outdoor flagpole to pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States "and to the republic for which it stands" on Sept. 11, the anniversary of the deadly terrorist acts in New York, Washington and rural Pennsylvania.

— Photo from the Holy Cross Catholic Church Cuba Missouri Facebook page



Catholic News Service

Assisi, Italy

Thousands sang and applauded as Italian teen Carlo Acutis was beatified in a town dear to him and to many Christians around the world: Assisi. During the Oct. 10 beatification Mass, Italian Cardinal Agostino Vallini, the papal legate for the Basilicas of St. Francis and St. Mary of the Angels in Assisi, read Pope Francis' apostolic letter proclaiming Acutis' "blessed," the step before canonization.

"With our apostolic author-

ity, we grant that the venerable servant of God, Carlo Acutis, layman, who, with the enthusiasm of youth, cultivated a friendship with our Lord Jesus, placing the Eucharist and the witness of charity at the center of his life, henceforth shall be called blessed," the pope decreed.

After the reading of the apostolic letter, the newly beatified teen's parents, Andrea Acutis and Antonia Salzano, processed toward the altar carrying a reliquary containing their son's heart.

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Jesus cures a crippled woman on the Sabbath

By Jennifer Ficaglia
Catholic News Service

Once, when eating at the home of a Pharisee, Jesus did not observe the prescribed washing before the meal.

When the Pharisee expressed his amazement, Jesus admonished all Pharisees for their hypocrisy, because they always told the people how to follow the laws of God but did not do so themselves.

Jesus even warned His followers: “Beware of the leaven — that is, the hypocrisy — of the Pharisees.”

One day, Jesus was teaching in the synagogue. It was the Sabbath, which the Jewish people observed as a day of rest and a day to worship God.

There was a woman in the synagogue who had been crippled



by an evil spirit, and for the past 18 years, she had not been able to stand up straight.

As Jesus was teaching, He looked up and noticed the woman.

“Woman,” Jesus called out to her, “you are set free of your infirmity.”

Jesus walked over to her and laid His hands on her. She immediately stood up straight

and began to glorify God.

Just then, the leader of the synagogue came over to Jesus. He was not happy about what Jesus had done.

He thought it was a terrible thing for Jesus to heal the crippled woman, because, after all, it was the Sabbath.

No work was to be done that day, not even by a person’s animals.

The leader of the synagogue looked at the crowd.

“There are six days when work should be done. Come on those days to be cured, not on the Sabbath day,” he announced.

Some people in the crowd agreed.

Jesus looked at the people who were angry at what He had done.

“Hypocrites!” Jesus said to them. “Does not each one of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger and lead it out for watering? This daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound for 18 years now, ought she not to have been set free on the Sabbath day from this bondage?”

The angry people hung their heads and were embarrassed by their actions.

The rest of the people who witnessed the miracle Jesus performed rejoiced in what the Lord had done.

Read more about it...

Luke 11, 12 & 13

1. How was the woman crippled?
2. Why was the synagogue leader angry with Jesus?

Bible Accent

In Luke 6, we read about another time that Jesus cured a person on the Sabbath.

At the beginning of the chapter, Jesus’ apostles had picked and eaten heads of grain on the Sabbath while walking through a field. Some Pharisees noticed and wanted to know why Jesus’ friends were doing something unlawful on the Sabbath.

Jesus reminded the Pharisees of what David had done in 1 Samuel 21:1-6.

David was fleeing from King Saul. David and his companions were hungry, so they

went to the house of God and ate the bread offering that only the priest could lawfully eat.

“The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath,” Jesus added.

Soon after, Jesus was teaching in the synagogue on a day when a man with a withered right hand was there.

The Pharisees and scribes were watching Jesus closely to see if he would cure the man so they could accuse Jesus of wrongdoing.

Jesus was well aware of what was going on.

“Come up and stand before us,” He said to the man with

the withered hand.

Jesus addressed the people He had been teaching.

“I ask you, is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath rather than to do evil, to save life rather than to destroy it?” He asked.

Jesus turned back to the man. “Stretch out your hand,” Jesus told him.

The man stretched out his hand, and the withered hand was restored.

Trivia

Name a time when Jesus became angry at the Temple. (Hint: John 2:13-16)

Answer: When he chased out the money-changers.

Puzzle

Using the hints provided, put a T next to the sentences that are true and an F next to the ones that are false. If a sentence is false, use the line at the end to write down the correct answer.



1. ___ Jesus healed Peter’s mother-in-law. (Luke 4:38-39) _____
2. ___ Jesus healed the centurion’s son. (Luke 7:2-10) _____
3. ___ Jesus healed two women born blind. (John 9:1-7) _____
4. ___ Jesus healed 10 lepers. (Luke 17:11-14) _____



Answers: 1. T; 2. F. (servant); 3. F (one man); 4. T.

Saint Spotlight

St. Engelbert was born in Berg, Germany, in 1186. He became the archbishop of Cologne, Germany, in 1217. Engelbert was known for being generous to the poor and being fair when settling disputes. He was martyred in 1225 by his own cousin and other nobles after demanding that his cousin make restitution to nuns in Essen for stealing their property. We remember him on Nov. 7.



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'Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton'

By John Mulderig
Catholic News Service

New York

"The family that prays together stays together."

Although he popularized rather than originated that pithy saying, the sentence aptly sums up the message of Holy Cross Father Patrick Peyton (1909-1992), who advocated it both tirelessly and with great success.

The moving documentary "Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton" (ArtAffects), lucidly chronicles its subject's life and feels imbued with his warm and fervent spirit.

Filmmaker Jonathan Cipiti uses archival recordings and footage as well as interviews with collaborators, friends and those influenced by Fr. Peyton's legacy — former major league baseball player Mike Sweeney and his wife, Shara, among them — to trace his remark-



Jonathan Cipiti interviews Holy Cross Father David Guffey at the Family Theater Productions offices in Los Angeles in 2018 during the making of the 2020 documentary "Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton." — CNS photo/Family Theater Productions

able biography.

As Matthew Donlan and Megan Harrington's script explains, Fr. Peyton's attachment to the Rosary began early. Living in impoverished circumstances in Attymass, a small village in Ireland's County Mayo, his family would gather to recite the devotion daily throughout his childhood.

Strongly influenced by his father's piety, the future clergyman wavered between a sense of priestly vocation and the desire to be a husband and dad.

Following his emigration to the United States, however, he entered the seminary and, despite the inadequacy of his earlier education, proved an outstanding student.

As he progressed toward ordination, though, he was struck down by a near-fatal case of tuberculosis.

Attributing his seemingly miraculous recovery to Mary,

Fr. Peyton was motivated to spread love of the Rosary and to promote the idea that marital and familial ties can be strengthened through prayer of all kinds.

A naturally shy man, Fr. Peyton nonetheless managed to corral the elite of Hollywood to support his cause. Informed that Bing Crosby was the biggest name in Tinseltown, broadcasting neophyte Fr. Peyton simply cold-called him and invited him to appear on his new radio show. And, remarkably, Der Bingle said yes.

In the decades that followed, the Family Rosary movement that Fr. Peyton had founded used film, television and even billboards as well as radio to reach the public. Massive rallies also were organized. A contemporary newsreel account of one held in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park describes its audience as the largest crowd ever assembled in the City by the Bay.

Changes in society during the 1960s and '70s led to a decline in Fr. Peyton's influence. Yet many credit a successful rally he held in Manila in 1985 with contributing to the peaceful overthrow of Philippine dictator Ferdinand Marcos in February of the following year.

This fine account of Fr. Peyton's many achievements — he was declared venerable in December 2017 — can be recommended for all but the smallest viewers.

It can also serve as a valuable catechetical tool in parish

Movie Ratings



Adults and Adolescents

The Personal History of David Copperfield (PG)
Pray: The Story of Patrick Peyton (PG)



Adults

Bill & Ted Face the Music (PG-13)
Mulan (PG-13)
Tenet (PG-13)



Limited Adult Audience

Antebellum (R)
The Devil All the Time (R)
Get Duked! (R)
Infidel (R)



Morally Offensive

The Boys in the Band (R)
The Broken Hearts Gallery (PG-13)
Kajillionaire (R)
The New Mutants (PG-13)

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To the altar of the Lord



Monsignor Gregory L. Higley, pastor of St. George Parish in Hermann and Church of the Risen Savior Parish in Rhineland, offers Mass for residents of Stonebridge Care Facility in Hermann, under the open-air canopy outside the entrance to the building. Msgr. Higley and the residents, all wearing facemasks, maintained a proper social distance from one another.

or school settings.

The film contains mature themes. The Catholic News Service classification is A-II — adults and adolescents.

The Motion Picture Associ-

ation rating is PG — parental guidance suggested. Some material may not be suitable for children.

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inger, Paul Quinn, Mark Quinn, David Hastings, Frank Janes, Father Michael Quinn, Jerry Jacobs, Steve Ehrhardt, John Immegart Jr., Michael Flynn, Phil Guibor, Richard Cody, John Buckman, Steven Stark, Gary Flynn and Spike Ehrhardt. Also present were David Alexander, Joseph Hays, Jerry Rash and Gordon Farabee.

T h e s e men representing Holy Family Parish in Hannibal and St. Joseph Parish in Palmyra attended a silent Ignatian Retreat Sept. 28-Oct. 1 at the White House Retreat in St. Louis: **G e o r g e** **K e r k e -** **m e y e r**, **T e d** **H i r s c h -**

GOSSIP

From page 9

this, it's the Lord. And there is no place for nuances. If you speak ill of your brother, you kill your brother. And every time we do this, we are imitating that gesture of Cain, the first murderer in history."

In still another address he likened it to a type of terrorism, in which the person gossiping "throws a bomb and leaves."

While the nature of gossip — what it is and how it hurts the one doing it as well as the subject — hasn't essentially changed over time, I would argue our technological revolution has anesthetized people to its sting.

What I had used as a deterrent in my classroom — the fear of being discovered — is now encouraged and rewarded by social media platforms. The more salacious the post, the more likely it is to garner attention.

Gossip may be shared between two people, let's say by a tweet and reply or a Facebook post on another person's wall, but it is shared with the knowledge that both parties' followers will see it. What is most pernicious is that it's often shared not in spite of that knowledge but because of it.

Some people have followers that range in the thousands to tens of thousands, which only

compounds its blow.

Jesus warns His followers, "For there is nothing hidden that will not become visible, and nothing secret that will not be known and come to light" (Luke 8:17).

Yet some of the most nefarious online gossip is spread on Catholic keyboards. Though online commentators are often motivated by a desire to correct a false witness, a fundamental Catholic moral principle is that the ends can never justify the means.

It is this behavior by Christians that Pope Francis condemned in his recent Angelus. Gossip undermines the com-

munion of the Church, which should be the goal of all fraternal correction. He reminded the faithful that it is the devil who sows discord and division.

Perhaps we Catholics might pause a few minutes before we post something online and ask ourselves, "What profit will it be for me to gain a few retweets and likes but to lose my soul?"

The 17- and 18-year-olds whom I taught were able to learn that lesson. I hope that adult men and women can, too.

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PROCESSION

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Joined by angels

The procession concluded at a temporary altar on a grassy portion of the Capital South Lawn.

People stood and knelt in the shade, before the Blessed Sacrament.

They sang "To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King," written by the late Monsignor Martin B. Hellriegel, a world-renowned priest who offered his First Solemn Mass in the Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows in Starkenburg in 1914.

Fr. Schrader prayed Benediction in Latin, making the Sign of the Cross over the

people with the monstrance containing the Most Blessed Sacrament.

He then led the praying of the Joyful and Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary.

Father Anthony Viviano, pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Westphalia and St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Folk, led the Sorrowful Mysteries.

He pointed out that however many people were present, there are just as many guardian angels joining in the prayers.

In the apostolic letter "Rosary of the Virgin Mary," Pope St. John Paul II proclaimed that "To recite the Rosary is nothing other

than to contemplate with Mary the face of Christ." (#3)

All the more so when praying together in the presence of His Most Blessed Sacrament.

The celebration concluded shortly before noon.

The people sang, "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name," favorite hymn of Missouri native and sainthood candidate Venerable Father Augustus Tolton, as Fr. Schrader processed the Blessed Sacrament back to church.

The people and petals and incense lingered for a while.

Daily Readings

Sunday, Oct 18

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is. 45:1, 4-6
Ps. 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10
1 Thes. 1:1-5b
Mt. 22:15-21

Monday, Oct 19

Ss. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, priests, and companions, martyrs (USA)

Eph. 2:1-10
Ps. 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5
Lk. 12:13-21

Tuesday, Oct 20

St. Paul of the Cross, priest (USA)

Eph. 2:12-22
Ps. 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14
Lk. 12:35-38

Wednesday, Oct 21

Eph. 3:2-12
Is. 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
Lk. 12:39-48

Thursday, Oct 22

St. John Paul II, Pope

Eph. 3:14-21
Ps. 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19
Lk. 12:49-53

Friday, Oct 23

St. John of Capistrano, priest

Eph. 4:1-6
Ps. 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
Lk. 12:54-59

Saturday, Oct 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop

Eph. 4:7-16
Ps. 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5
Lk. 13:1-9

Sunday, Oct 25

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ex. 22:20-26
Ps. 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
1 Thes. 1:5c-10
Mt. 22:34-40

Monday, Oct 26

Eph. 4:32-5:8
Ps. 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6
Lk. 13:10-17

Tuesday, Oct 27

Eph. 5:21-33
Ps. 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Lk. 13:18-21

Wednesday, Oct 28

Ss. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph. 2:19-22
Ps. 19:2-3, 4-5
Lk. 6:12-16

Thursday, Oct 29

Eph. 6:10-20
Ps. 144:1b, 2, 9-10
Lk. 13:31-35

Friday, Oct 30

Phil. 1:1-11
Ps. 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Lk. 14:1-6

Saturday, Oct 31

Phil. 1:18b-26
Ps. 42:2, 3, 5cdef
Lk. 14:1, 7-11

The Holy Father's prayer intentions for October:

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

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FISH FRY

Friday
November 6
4 - 7 PM
All You Can Eat

11.00/person
1/2 Price Kids Under 12

- Dine-In with Limited Seating
- Social Distancing (except families)
- Face Masks Recommended (except while eating)

Fish, Hush Puppies, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Coffee/Tea

Come join us for a great meal & benefit your local charities!

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Annual Walk for Life in Wardsville

DATE: October 18
TIME: 11:30 am

The Wardsville Walk for Life will be held on Sunday, Oct. 18, after the 10:30 a.m.

Mass in St. Stanislaus Church. The 1.7 mile walk to Lion's Club will conclude with an outdoor hotdog lunch.

Donations and pledges will benefit pro-life organizations including Columbia 40 Days For Life, Missouri Right to Life, the Vitae Foundation, Life Runners, Birthright, Pregnancy Help Center in Jefferson City, and PROLIFE Across AMERICA.

For information or to make donation, contact Donna Bernskoetter at 573-680-1470.



10TH ANNUAL
PREGNANCY HELP CENTER
BANQUET

WHEN & WHERE
OCTOBER 29, 2020 • 4:30-6:30 PM
CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL • JEFFERSON CITY

Drive through to pick up a boxed dinner and receive instructions for connecting to the virtual banquet program.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER Kirk Walden
Register online by **October 22** at www.friendsofphc.org or call 573.644.6635

Pregnancy Help Center

Italian Night!

DRIVE-THRU Dinner!

Saturday, October 24, 2020
3:30 pm - 6:30 pm
\$8.00 per person

Kertz Hall parking lot Immaculate Conception
1206 E. McCarty, Jefferson City

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For tickets, contact IC at 573-635-6143.

Special thanks to Ryan Schrimpf Construction and IC Church Circle for helping fund a portion of the prizes!

Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for much needed repairs to our church's bell tower.


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St. Mary Parish Annual FALL DINNER

Drive-Thru • St. Mary School parking lot
Glasgow

Sunday, November 8

Turkey, Ham, Dressing, Dessert and More!
Carryouts \$12
Served from 11 am to 3 pm

Stop by the Knights of Columbus Hall for more festival fun!
Booths open from 10 am to 2 pm
Craft Corner / Country Kitchen / Religious Goods
Quilt Auction 5 pm / Prize Drawings

Drive-thru

CHICKEN DINNER

St. Andrew Knights of Columbus
Sunday, November 1
11 am - 5 pm

Holts Summit

3 pc. all white or all dark meat
mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans,
slaw, biscuit and peach cobbler - \$12



Proceeds go toward Council community efforts, parish needs & Council operating needs.



Fall FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 18
St. Joseph Parish, Westphalia

DRIVE THRU ONLY | \$12 per meal
Serving from 11am-6pm
German Pot Roast & Fresh Pork Sausage

Live Quilt & Pie Auction 2pm
view quilts/bid forms at www.stjosephwestphalia.org
Country Store | Prizes | Kettle Corn