

August 10, 2008

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint John Vianney

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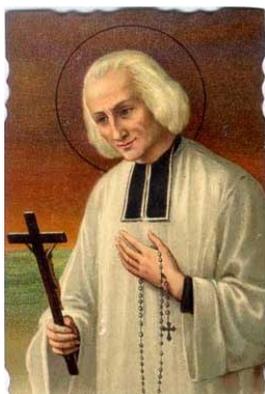
Friends in Christ Jesus,

We are celebrating the anniversary of the establishment of St. John Vianney Mission Church. Our patron, St. John Mary Vianney, was a humble servant of God. Unable to pass Latin, John Vianney was kicked out of the seminary. The bishop, however, felt sorry for John and ordained him a priest. John was sent to the one town no other priest wanted to be sent--Ars, in the south of France. Once there, John Vianney exhibited a number of powerful spiritual gifts. One such gift was the ability to read souls.

Do you have gifts? The answer is yes. I have gifts, and you have gifts. Your gifts are different than my gifts. My gifts are different than your gifts. And although the gifts given to you and me are not the same gifts given to St. John Vianney, when we put all our gifts together we can accomplish amazing tasks. Let's, then, continue to work together and accomplish great things.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Scott Mansfield.



Holy Rosary

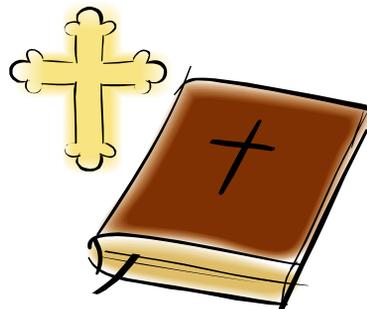
Sunday 7:40AM

Sunday 10:40AM

Holy Mass

Sunday 8:00AM

Sunday 11:00AM



Upcoming Events

August 15, 7PM..... Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass
August 24, 3PM..... Annual St. Thomas Picnic
October 3 Bob and Gerri Hover awards at St. Francis

St. Alexander The Charcoal-Burner, Bishop of Comana, Matyr (AD 275?) August 11th

The Christian community of Comana in Pontus having grown to be sufficiently large to require a bishop, St Gregory the Wonder-worker, Bishop of Neocasarea, went thither to preside at the election. He rejected all the candidates put forward by the clergy and people, especially one who was favored because of his high birth and wealth, reminding them that the Apostles were poor and common men. Whereat a wag exclaimed, "Very well the. Why not appoint Alexander the charcoal-burner?" St Gregory, knowing the Holy Ghost was as likely to make Himself heard by means of this sarcastic suggestion as any other way, was moved to send for the said Alexander, who presented himself all dirty and blackened from his trade. Gregory looked at him and saw through the grime and rags; he took him aside and questioned him, and soon discovered that Alexander was a man of good birth and education, who had given away his goods and taken up this trade the more literally to follow Christ; the Roman Martrology says that he was "a most learned philosopher", though there is no reason to think that anything more is meant by this than that he was a man of wisdom. St Gregory accordingly put Alexander forward, he having signified his willingness, as his own choice for the vacant see, it was ratified by the people, and the new bishop was consecrated. St Gregory of Nyssa, who relates this happening, speaks highly of St Alexander as a bishop and teacher. He eventually gave his life for the faith, being martyred by fire. St. Alexander was naturally revered as the patron of charcoal-burners.

Note: From Butler's Lives of the Saints

A Guy Named Sue by Carl E. Beyer

There once was a guy named Sue who owned a dog named Blu. So Blu and Sue went walking one day and met a girl named Tru. So Tru, Blu, Sue went to the Zoo....

Well I warned you that I would have to start writing if no one else did. With the heavy subject last week I thought I would lighten it up a little this week.

Father Mansfield wrote about Gifts this week. I like to expand that, because in recognition of Gifts is also the recognition that we each has different gifts and that also means we are all missing Gifts.

For example I was not given the gift of writing. I went to an Ivy League University who wouldn't allow me to take an English Course. They stuck me in "Writing Workshop" to learn how to communicate. I didn't learn to speak any where near correctly till in late elementary school when our small school final got a speech therapist. So why am I writing? Well I was given the gift of Volunteering and computer skills which has lead me to doing this bulletin for the past several years.

Let us follow the abuse of Gifts first. So let say I am given a gift of reading a thick book in an hours and remembering all of it. Well if I let this go to my head I will soon have the sin of Pride. Then I start belittling others because they can't do what I can do. The Sin of lack of Humility.

Humility is all about recognizing our own gifts and those of others. By recognizing what we lack and what others have can only logically give us Humility. So complement others on their Gifts while minimizing complaints about lack of a gift.

Ok let me step down from my pedestal. Humility is not an easy thing to accomplish. I see it as a life long pursuit which I have only started to achieve with age.

But on the same note let us not start making excuses about what we are unable to do and not work on improving these weak points. I learned to speak better at a late age and hey I am writing this though some may wish I wouldn't. I sure my grammar errors hurts some.

So I am looking forward to all those with the gift of cooking at our Pot Luck. I enjoy those with the gift of elegant speech who read our readings. I thank those Ushers who have the gift of Love for people who greet us at church. Our advertiser who have the gift of business who support our bulletin/church are thanked. Let hear it for the Rosary leaders who spiritual gift leads us in the sacred Rosary. Our Sacristans who set the Lord's table each week for us should be praise by all of us. Our altar servers who are on their journey to find their gifts is much appreciated. All those serving on our various boards for their organization skills which is assisting in building our church will be remember when we are sitting in our new church. Our snackers for promoting us in our community bonding are thanked. What would our church be without the beautiful music we are bless with, thank you to all the musicians and choirs members. And each one of you who may not be volunteering but is reading this, I thank you for your gift of faith that brings you to church each week, without you there is no Church. Those raising children who may not be able to volunteer I want to thank for raising your children as Christians. Thank you for those who have written for the bulletin, I thank you with a special thanks to John Lombardo. And last but not least, thank you Father Mansfield for your gift of a great homily.

May God Bless you all and may you take this opportunity for self-examination on what gifts you are given and how you may serve God.

One Sunday, a certain Vicar played hooky from church so he could shoot a round of golf. St. Peter, looking down from Heaven, seethed. "You're going to let him get away with this, God?"

The lord shook his head.

This Vicar took his first shot. The ball soared through the air 420 yards and dropped into the cup for a hole in one. St. Peter was outraged. "I thought you were going to punish him!"

The Lord shrugged. "Who's he going to tell?"





St. John Vianney's Silent Auction Dinner for August 2nd has been postponed at this time. St. John Vianney Building Committee would like to extend our gratitude for your on going support in our efforts in fundraising for our future home in Northern Rio Rancho.

At this time we will look into having our Silent Auction Dinner in our new Parish Hall in conjunction with our Grand Opening in late January or February.

St. John Vianney Building & Finance Committee

Prayer Corner

Let us join as a community in prayer for our fellow parishioners and/or their family members.

- ◆ John Lombardo - For his recovery from surgery.
- ◆ Robert Hoover - For his full recovery from heart attacks.
- ◆ Ally Sanxay - her surgery is Monday. She has stage IV breast cancer.
- ◆ David Arbuckle whose doctors have no idea what is wrong with him but seems to be dying from it.
- ◆ Manuel Romero waiting for an answer for a liver transplant.
- ◆ All our brave men and women keeping our country free.

To add someone you wish us to pray for please eMail bulletin@sjvnm.org.

Thank you for your prayers.

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Holy Day of Obligation Schedule



Volunteer Schedule	August 15, 2008
	7:00PM
Ushers	Tony Quinones Ed Uhrich
EM of Holy Communion	Pinky Bjornstad
Rosary Leader	Rochelle Quinones
Altar Servers	Charles Lucero Peter Lucero
Readers	Peggy Riley Julie Burnside

Volunteer Schedule	August 10, 2008		August 17, 2008	
	8:00AM	11:00AM	8:00AM	11:00AM
Ushers	Tom Anderson James Dory	Tony Quinones Frank Charles	John Christensen James Dory	Ed Uhrich Carl Beyer
EM of Holy Communion	Harlan Harrington	Anna Marie	Jose Guillen	Rosie Root
Rosary Leader	Jose Guillen	Mary Bell Lucero	Rochelle Quinones	Pink Bjornstad
Altar Servers	Albert Ibarra Sergio Guillen	Jamie V.L.S Jessica V.L.S.	Peter Lucero Rocky Peyton	Angela Jenkins Ariana Jenkins
Readers	Jose Guillen Geneva Torres	Rosie Root Kellie Reynosa	David Crawford James Dory	Vicky Howell Michael Tufero
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