

November 9, 2008

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

Saint John Vianney

A Mission Church of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish serving you since August 10, 1997
1100 Hood Road, Rio Rancho, NM 87124

Greetings, Friends in Christ.

I am very much edified by the generosity you have exhibited. All of the items needed for our future sacristy and sanctuary have been provided for by you. Thank you! I now ask that you consider purchasing a chair. As you know, we are buying five hundred chairs and fifty tables. The price tag for the chairs and tables is \$19,000.00. But think about this: If each person bought just one chair--twenty dollars--we could spend more on...say...a really good sound system. Yay! Look for the donation jar on the table at the chapel exit if you wish to contribute.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Scott Mansfield

New Times @ New Location / Starting December 28th

- ◆ CCD classes to change to 11:15AM
- ◆ Saturday Mass at 4PM
- ◆ Sunday Masses at 8AM and 10AM

First Mass at new location will be December 21st at 10AM. This will be the only mass on this special day.

Upcoming Events

December 21st, 10AM MassArchbishop Michael Sheehan Celebrates Mass

I Have A Dream by Carl E Beyer

No it is not a dream about finding old articles about dumping gas. It is about a community: a community within a community. I do not know about you but I have been finding it hard to get to know the 75,000+ people in Rio Rancho. I have so enjoyed the small church of St. John Vianney these past eight years. Not being a cradle Catholic I like to think I have some outside perspective of what I like to see a church be. There are those among St. John Vianney who just want to spend their hour in church and be done with it. Most likely they are not reading this so let me speak to the rest of you.

If no one else beside John Lombardo feeds me articles you are going to get to know me very well. A short version is my father died when I was nine months and I was told that he was a foster child and that was that. My stepfather and Mom were not very communicative so it went no further than that. After my mother's death in 1999 my siblings starting looking into this and found that it was not the full story. How did they find out so much information? Very easily. They looked in the old newspapers. Dad wasn't a foster child till he was thirteen and had a family history. I had relatives within ten miles of me. We tracked down our grandmother's gravesite and gave her a head stone. All this was found in old newspaper articles.

Papers today are mostly about politics, sports, and the rich and famous. I do not want to, nor desire to be rich and famous and my sports days are over so you will not find my name in the paper unless I commit a crime and land up in the police blotter. The top story of the local paper is the Community Club Pond. Give me a break. What happened to being a community paper. Does being a community means just non-personal stories about things that we have no control over or very little interest in?

But we have the power and I have the dream. I have the dream that our descendents will be about to read some good stories about us. For instance I know my great grand father bought a farm and that later his farm was burned down by lighting and he rebuilt it from the ashes. We can be a community within a community. St John Vianney is going to grow and grow fast. Will our main purpose be to serve one hour masses to people or to draw everyone together into a Roman Catholic Community? Will we get together yearly at a picnic or do we have a chance to learn about and to know each other?

I do not want to and will not post any negative news but I have a dream about posting positive news: the blessing of births; the blessing of marriages. I like to even hear about someone starting a business, buying a house, getting promoted, doing a good deed. Bring it on. Let a blurb in our bulletin spark a conversation between two parishioners that grows into a friendship that can last a lifetime. And these friends that can keep each other going to church to see each other and by doing so hear the words of God.

On the other side let us hear about those that are having illness and need our prayers and if possible our companionship. Upon passing, do we just deserve our family listed in a paper? Is that the sum of our life or can someone write up some words to pass along in our

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community about what a blessing this person was to others. By passing on these stories, we not only learn about a fellow parishioner but we come to know that we can make a difference in other lives. That we may have had hard times in our lives but we can overcome and reach out and touch others.

All together now, say after me, "**WE ARE A COMMUNITY**". We can grow but still be a small community by sharing with others. Did anyone know that Ed Urich had a birthday this past week? Sorry Ed, thought I would start with you. I like to hear from you all.

Let's see what is happening in my life. Well I may well have to get a job this spring after working for myself for the past fourteen years. I took a full time year contract with a company last April whose CEO embezzle a large sum of money so now that company is poor. And to top it off even in this bulletin I asked for prayers for her during her breast cancer, which she was *faking*. How can people live a lie like that? Maybe they feel so alone it drives them into it.

The time is now to start pumping up this bulletin. I do not want to see this bulletin turned into a large collection of information that is hardly worth reading week to week. We can put together an informational pamphlet with all the courtesy phone numbers, contacts, etc but not here. Together we can make this bulletin a community newsletter where we come together to share.

My dream is a bulletin that people actually want to read. One that people can't wait from week after week to read. If you haven't figure it out by now, I like humor and I hope you all enjoy the weekly jokes. Pass any clean ones along to me, please. I do envision our younger members reading the bulletin for the jokes and from there reading a little further along. Any one know a good clean joke? They can be hard to find.

I heard someone brought along sausage lasagna to the pot luck. It was gone by the time I got through the line. I will have to ask to have it kept back for a little bit next time so I can have a chance at it. Oh well, I will bribe one of my daughter to make me up a batch. It looks like we had a good crowd so thank you all for coming. Many thanks for the good food especially those that were home made. I know it took me many hours to form those cans and mix up that batch of Pepsi.

So unless you want to hear about how I had my tonsils taken out when I was four, now would be a good time to eMail me at bulletin@sjvnm.org. I do remember the ice cream and it was pretty good. Oops lets not get side tracked.

How was everyone Halloween? I played the crazy fat old man by staying upstairs and shooting candy down a PVC tube to the kids. They of course loved it because kids have just great imaginations.

God Bless you all, now go forth and eMail me something to post. Happy eMailing.

New President a coming

There are some cheering and some groaning but regardless the one central theme should be our prayers. Regardless of who the President is our prayers should remain the same.

Lord we ask that you guild our President and other leaders of the world to do your will. Be there in their decision making to ensure first and foremost that their decision are based on Christian values. Amen.

A number of you sent me the following:

- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, Jesus will still be King.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, our responsibilities as Christians will not have changed one iota.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, the greatest agent for social change in America will still be winning the hearts and minds of men and women through the gospel, not legislation.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, my primary citizenship will still be in this order - (1) the Kingdom of God, (2) America, not vice-versa.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, the tomb will still be empty.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, the cross, not the government, will still be our salvation.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, our children will still be more concerned with whether or not we spend time with them than with who is President.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, my neighbor will still be my neighbor, and loving him/her will still be the second greatest commandment. (Do you know the first?)
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, the only way to see abortion ultimately overturned will still be winning men and women to a high view of life through the gospel of Christ.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, the only way to see gay marriage ultimately defeated will still be winning men and women to a biblical view of marriage through the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, my retirement will still not match my treasure in Heaven.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, "Jesus Is Lord" will still be the greatest truth in the Universe.
- ◆ The day after the election, regardless of who wins, we will still know that God is in control.

A nearsighted minister glanced at the note that Mrs. Edwards had sent to him by an usher.

The note read: "Phil Edwards having gone to sea, his wife desires the prayers of the congregation for his safety."

The minister failed to observe the punctuation, however, and surprised the congregation when he read aloud, "Phil Edwards, having gone to see his wife, desires the prayers of the congregation for his safety."

Bible Wordsearch

First Passover 2

Fit the words in the list into the diagram below reading forward, backward, up, down, diagonally, always in a straight line.

Puzzle #158

Exodus 12:17-50

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| BAKED | LAW |
| BASIN | LORD |
| BLESS | MEN |
| BLOOD | MIDNIGHT |
| BONES | MORNING |
| BREAD | MOSES |
| CAKES | OBSERVE |
| CEREMONY | OFFICIALS |
| CLOTHING | ORDINANCE |
| DIP | PASSOVER |
| DOUGH | PHARAOH |
| DROVES | PLUNDERED |
| EAT | PROMISED |
| EVENING | RAMESES |
| FEAST | SILVER |
| FIRSTBORN | SPARED |
| FLOCKS | SUCCOTH |
| GOLD | THRONE |
| HYSSOP | WORSHIP |
| WRAPPED | |

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

Psalm 25

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Last Week Solution

Prayer Corner

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

- ◆ Manuel Romero - For a liver transplant / recovery.
- ◆ Mary Q. Haygood – For her health.
- ◆ Healing and God's care for Ken and Sydney Mayer.
- ◆ Mary Gallagher, who's practically a saint and already has so many challenges, for her successful healing after breast cancer surgery.
- ◆ For the recovery of Levi Steelman, who is in critical condition after surviving a plane crash in Texas.
- ◆ For our country leaders to make the right decision for the well being of our country.
- ◆ All our brave men and women of the world keeping their 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 Rosary

Sunday.....7:40AM
 Sunday..... 10:40AM

Holy Mass

Sunday.....8:00AM
 Sunday..... 11:00AM

“Tony, how do you know your family was poor?”

“Every time I passed someone in town, they would say, “There goes Tony. His poor family!”



Thank you for reading our bulletin. Any suggestions, comments or articles can be sent to bulletin@sjvnm.org. We also like to hear about births, baptisms, marriages or other news about our church members.

Volunteer Schedule	November 9, 2008		November 16, 2008	
	8:00AM	11:00AM	8:00AM	11:00AM
Ushers	Tom Anderson John Christensen	Frank Charles Phil Griego	James Dory John Christensen	Tony Quinones Frank Charles
EM of Holy Communion	Gerri Hoover	Carrie Jenkins	David Crawford	John Jenkins
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Altar Servers	Shane Herrera Albert Ibarra	Angela Jenkins Jen	Peter Lucero Fernando Lucero	Gary Vigil John Reynolds
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