

May 16, 2010

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Saint John Vianney

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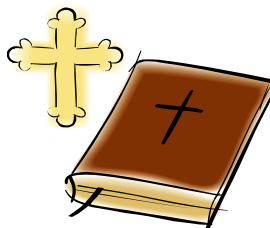
Friends in Christ,

Happy Feast of the Ascension!

We are celebrating the ascent of our Lord into the glory of heaven. Keep always in mind that when Jesus ascended into heaven He took us with Him, for where He is we will later be. This, of course, is true if we remain in His grace. So, always remain in His grace. And while we celebrate this feast, we also celebrate the end of the school year. Being that our young people will be on break, we will host our first ever Vacation Bible School. Space is limited, so register ASAP.

Have a blessed week.

Fr Scott Mansfield



Holy Rosary

20 Minutes before each mass

Holy Masses

Saturday 4:00PM

Sunday 8:00AM

Sunday 10:00AM

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 3:00-3:45PM

Upcoming Events

Food Collection for St. Felix Pantry	1st Sunday of every month
Food Collection for Kid's Pantry Backpack	3rd Sunday of every month
Great Adventure Bible Timeline Study Group	Starting Wednesday, 5/12/10, 10AM-12PM
Mandatory Evening of Reflection for Eucharistic Ministers	June 2nd - 7PM
Corpus Christi EM Commissioning Ceremony	June 6th - 3PM

Young Adult Catholic Group

Theme: Rejuvenation and
Revival

Spring Fling Retreat
June 11-12-13, 2010
Glorieta Conference Center



We have reserved lodge number 358:
It will hold up to twenty persons
We will prepare our own meals
Participants will need to bring bed linens and towels

We will start Friday evening around 7:00 and continue through
to Sunday Morning. There will be plenty of time for
confession, reflection and renewal.

If interested please contact Deacon Dave or Ann Little at 890-
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Hope to see you all there.

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(This was actually reported by a teacher)

After Christmas, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday away from school. One child wrote the following:

We always used to spend the holidays with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big brick house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Arizona. Now they live in a tin box and have rocks painted green to look like grass. They ride around on their bicycles and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore. They go to a building called a wreck center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, they do exercises there, but they don't do them very well. There is a swimming pool too, but they all jump up and down in it with hats on.

At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it.. He watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out, and go cruising in their golf carts. Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night --- early birds. Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones who do get out, bring food back to the wrecked center for pot luck.

My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too. When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the doll house. Then I will let people out, so they can visit their grandchildren.

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"They'll know we are Christians by our love" is the title of a popular Christian song. Our motive for giving must be love: both love of God and love of man. Love is sacrificial. It requires that we stretch ourselves. When we do, we are powerful witnesses of God's love.

Grand Kids

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, "Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?" I mentally polished my halo and I said, "No, how are we alike?"..... "You're both old," he replied.



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We also like to hear about births, baptisms, marriages or other news about our church members.

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Breakfast on Sunday, May 23rd after the 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM masses. The delicious breakfast will be served in St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Father D'Arco Hall. Pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon or sausage, juice, coffee and other goodies, COST ONLY \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Please join us.



Warning

Bring plenty of food to the Pot Luck, Tony is Hungry!!

Rambling IV by Carl E Beyer

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the St. John Vianney Ushers that helped out our mother church, St. Thomas Aquinas, with the First Holy Communion held at the Santa Ana Star Center. We thought we were going to assist the St. Thomas Aquinas Ushers but then found out that we were to be the only Ushers. It has always been my opinion that we have the best Ushers of any church I have ever visited. Our goal as Ushers is to greet you and make you feel welcome at St. John Vianney. I often see name tags on Ushers at other churches that say "Usher". Our name tags have our names on them because we want you to know that we are your brothers and sisters in Christ. We want you to be able to see us outside of church and feel comfortable saying "hi" and starting up a conversation. We know many of you by name and, if we do not, we welcome you to introduce yourselves to us.

I have been slow in finishing the garden but I am getting closer. The peas are up and climbing and the radishes are getting closer to the first harvest. The beets and onions are poking through the ground. I am moving the potatoes to a different bed to try and lose the hornworms. But as we were planting the potatoes we noticed at least four bunches growing in the old bed so we transplanted them. In hindsight, I probably transplanted the hornworms. We planted horseradish last year but did not harvest any, so this year it is up and growing and, hopefully, multiplying. The carrots from last year were dug up and we canned seventy-five pints of them. This week we will harvest the onions from last year. We are going to chop them and freeze them for later use. Our strawberry patch is white from all the blossoms which will turn into fruit. Soon we can make some strawberry jam along with some homemade strawberry shortcake. The grapes are producing their first year of fruit. We are looking forward to it. As far as I can tell, the blueberries are a bust with no sign of life. The blackberry and raspberry plants are starting fresh from what I hope is a good root system. I see fruit on the Nectarine, Peach, Apple and Cherry trees. The plum tree once again seems to be fruitless. I bought some Cherry hedge plants which I hope will get a good footing this year. Inside, our tomato and pepper plants are ready to be transplanted outside. The cucumbers planted inside have been a failure. Only two cucumber plants are left alive.

Has everyone been enjoying the rollercoaster weather? After seeing hail piling up in the backyard the other weekend we disregarded the signs and headed up to the Jemez for a hike. We found ourselves in about four inches of snow in May. Still not discouraged, we headed down a trail to a site we wanted to visit. We soon found the trail ending in a rock face we could not get around and the river was too cold to cross. So we backtracked and crossed the Jemez River via a tree that had fallen across the river. But once again, after hiking down river, we found we needed to go up and around a rock face. We started up the side of the hill but the snow simply made it too dangerous with the rock face drop off. So we decided to head up the mountain a different way and take a different route back to the car. We made it back to the road but on the other side from where we parked so we had made a very large circle on our hike. I love being able to get out in the woods with the kids. There is always something really special about snow that no one else has walked in. It makes you feel like you are discovering new land

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that no one else has ever walked on.

Earlier last month I had my first Elk herd sighting. In the past twenty years in New Mexico during numerous camping trips and hikes I had never seen a herd of Elk. I once ran across a single young Elk and that was quite amazing. But heading down Hwy 4 from Los Alamos we came up quickly on a herd crossing the road. I parked and jumped out for someone to take a picture of me with the Elk Herd in the background just to find everyone's cameras dead from all the pictures we took at Bandelier. I thought the sighting was very exciting. We were so close to them and there were so many of them. God sure is an amazing Creator.

With school ending and summer break starting it should officially be time to dust off the camping gear and spend time in the glorious outdoors. Time to get out and explore all the wondrous sites New Mexico has to offer. Time to gather up the scrap wood and plan those campfires with the kids and good friends. By now, hopefully, we all have cleaned off the BBQ grills and thrown some hamburgers and hotdogs on them for a family gathering. And, if you are fortunate, you have thrown some steaks and shrimp on the BBQ for those really special occasions.

Congratulations to all the kids, and the families of those kids, who in the coming weeks will be celebrating High School graduations. These graduations are the first grown up accomplishment to start a young person's life. My greatest wish is that these graduations will be only the first step of their education and that all who are able will continue on to college.

God Bless you all. Go forth and plant. Go forth and camp. Go forth and BBQ. Go forth and enjoy all the great activities God has created for you.

Modest Dress

There are three simple rules that if followed will cover most of the modesty clothing requirement that the Lord is asking of you when you enter his house.

1. **No knees.** No you do not have to chop off your knees but there is no reason for parishioners to see any knees at church. Men wear pants. Women wear pants or dresses that covers your knees.

2. **No shoulders.** Men no muscles shirts. Women wear shirts that cover your shoulders. No bare shoulders should be seen at church.

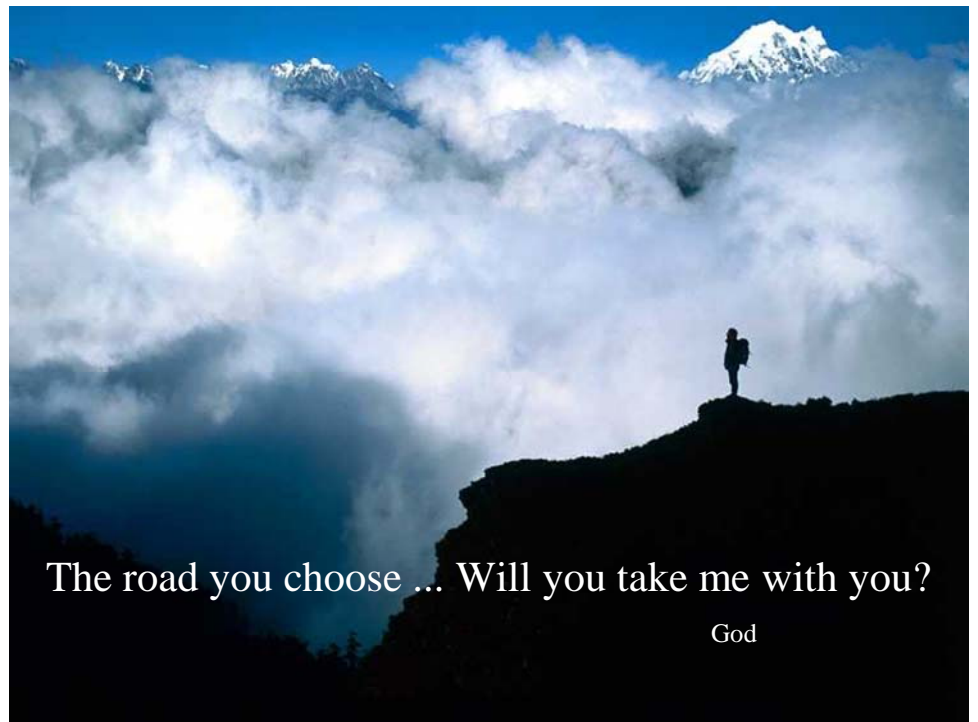
3. **No Privates.** If there are any parts of your body that you would not be comfortable with your father or mother touching then it is a private part and should be covered during church.

It is that **simple.** The Lord deserves your Sunday Best clothing not your Friday Night Party Best or your Beach Party Best.

Snackers are wanted. Or should we say snack servers are wanted. This is a unique ministries in that it allows the whole family to get involved. If you are interested please see a snacker (those serving snacks and drinks) after mass and they we answer any questions you may have.



**Some minds
are like
concrete,
thoroughly
mixed up
and
permanently
set.**



The road you choose ... Will you take me with you?

God

Prayer Corner

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

- ◆ For 7 month old boy, Caiden Monaghan, recovery after April 9th surgery. And our prayers for his parents during this difficult time. (4/11)
- ◆ For the strength and courage of the disabled, sick, elderly, and dying
- ◆ For our country leaders to make the right decision for the well being of our country.
- ◆ For the removal of the stain of abortion from our country.
- ◆ All our brave men and women of the world keeping their country free.

Prayers are kept on the list for a month then need to be resubmitted.

Thank you for your prayers.

Mullikin Sport Camps

When/Where: Camp will be held at the St. Thomas Aquinas School gym located at 1100 Hood Rd. Rio Rancho, NM 87124

Camp #1 June 14-18 9:00-12:00 * Camp #2 June 21-25 9:00-12:00 * Camp #3 July 19-23 9:00-12:00

Times: Camp will be held from 9:00-12:00 Monday through Friday. Drop off and pick up for camp will be at the east gym door. Please provide your camper with a snack and water bottle for the camp. Cost: The cost for each camp will be \$50.00 per person.

My staff and I will provide a safe, positive environment that emphasizes critical lessons in many team and individual sports. We learn many different skills while playing fun and exciting games. All camps are open to boys and girls, ages 5 and up. Camp is operated by Heidi Mullikin, PE teacher at St. Thomas Aquinas School.

Pre-registration is important to ensure your space at camp. There must be a minimum of 10 students enrolled for camp to run successfully. You may contact me at hdh34@msn.com or 505-419-1404 with any questions.

	Sacristans	Ushers	EM of Holy Communion	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors
Sat May 15th 4:00PM	David Crawford	J.D. Strickland Juan Serna Mike Philbin	Esther Wilcox	Anne Sellman	Scott Harris Robert Harris	Annette Montoya David Crawford
Sun May 16th 8:00AM	Julie Burnside	James E Dory Jim Cutler John Christensen Tom Anderson	Ana Marie Hartenhoff	Evelyn Romero	Dominic Ortiz Sergio Guillen Chris Schick	Andrew Rendon Gloria Rendon
Sun May 16th 10:00AM	Geri Hoover	Tony Quinones Gary Vigil John Valdez James Sandoval	Brian Padilla Margaret Chavez Loretta Tafuro	Rochelle Quinones	Christopher Padilla Alura McClellan Delaney Kast Josh Kast	Ana Padilla Peggy Riley
Sat May 22nd 4:00PM	David Crawford	Therese Lopez J.D. Strickland	April Karen McClellan	Pinky Bjornstad	Robert Harris Scott Harris Victoria Perez	Vicky Howell Pinky Bjornstad
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Sun May 23rd 10:00AM	Christine Garcia	Tony Quinones Brian Padilla Ariana Eck Nick Coca III	Ana Marie Hartenhoff Eddie Crespin Esther Wilcox	Liz Martinez	Delicia Garcia Jacob Valdez Jordan Juarez Rocky Peyton	Connie Dudon Peggy Riley



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