

September 7, 2008

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint John Vianney

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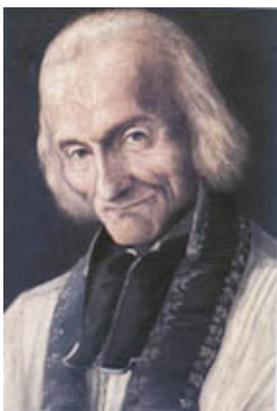
Friends in Christ,

Since we are on course to begin celebrating Mass in our new building at the beginning of November, we are now in the process of purchasing needed items: lectionary, sacramentary, chalice, vestments, etc. Next week I will let you know how you can contribute to the purchasing of the needed items. Already, several very generous parish members have offered time and treasure. I am very edified by the goodness of these folks. Wow! God is good.

Finally, Sister Ann pointed out to me that several of the hymnals have been torn apart. Please do your part to keep the hymnals and all other liturgical books in good shape.

Have a blessed day,

Fr. Scott Mansfield



Holy Rosary

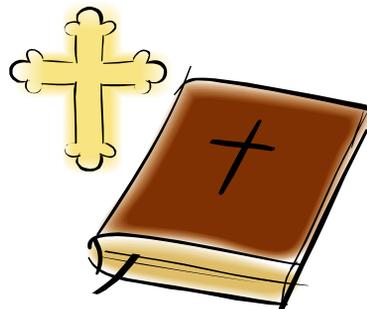
Sunday 7:40AM

Sunday 10:40AM

Holy Mass

Sunday 8:00AM

Sunday 11:00AM



Defending Our Faith by John Lombardo

Dear friends, it has taken a great deal of time and energy to get this far. I thank you for your prayers and forbearance. I wish to share an e-mail I received from the Right to Life Committee of New Mexico as the entrance piece to a series I hope to write over the next several weeks.

As you know, abortion is legal through all nine months, and 8 out of 10 babies with such a disability as this “little one” are destroyed. Since many of these babies can be saved, cured or at least can have productive lives, I ask you, the parishioners of St. Thomas Aquinas and St. John Vianney Mission to defend these babies in these conditions. Little Samuel reminds us of his humanness and the humanness of all unborn children no matter what their physical or mental condition is.

A picture began circulating last November which should be “The Picture of the Year” or even “The Picture of the Decade”. It won’t be. In fact, unless you obtained a copy of the only US newspaper which published it, you probably never saw it.

The picture is that of a 21-week-old unborn infant named Samuel Alexander Armas, who is being operated on by a surgeon named Joseph Bruner. Baby Samuel was diagnosed with spina bifida and would not survive if removed from his mother’s womb. His mother, Julie Armas, is an obstetrics nurse in Atlanta who knew of Dr. Bruner’s procedure. Practicing at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, he performs these special operations while the baby is still in the womb.

During the procedure, the doctor removes the uterus via C-section and makes a small incision to operate on the baby. As Dr. Bruner completed the surgery on Samuel, the little guy reached his tiny but fully developed hand through the incision and firmly grasped the surgeon’s finger. Dr. Bruner was reported as saying that as his finger was grasped, it was the most emotional moment of his life, and that for an instant during the procedure he was just frozen, totally immobile.

The Photograph captures this amazing event with perfect clarity. The editors titled the picture “Hand of Hope.” The text explaining the picture begins, “The tiny hand of 21-week-old fetus Samuel Alexander Armas emerges from the mother’s uterus to grasp the finger of Dr. Joseph Bruner as if thanking the doctor for the gift of life.

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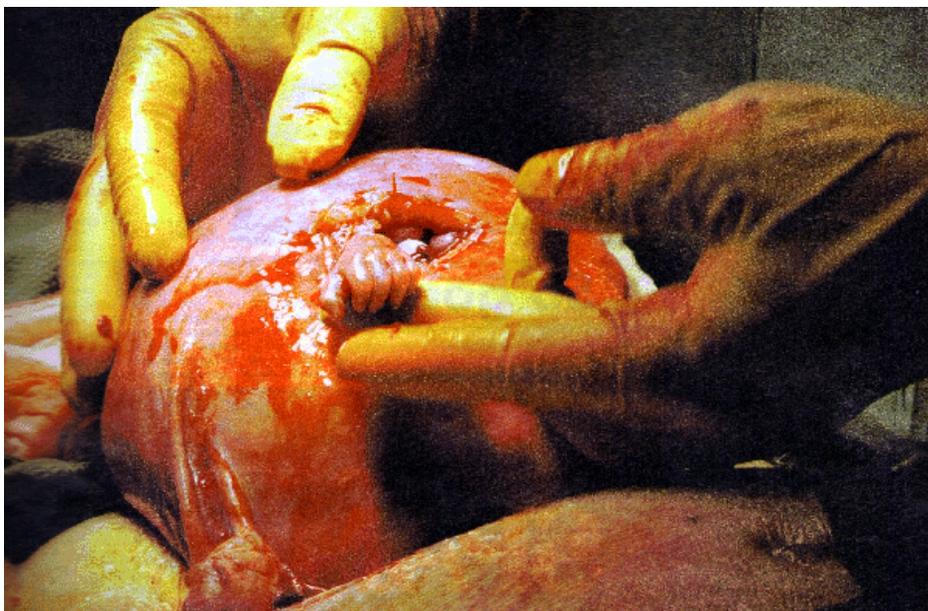
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Little Samuel's mother said they "wept for days" when they saw the picture. She said, "The photo reminds us pregnancy isn't about disability or an illness; it's about a little person." Samuel was borne in perfect health; the operation 100 percent successful.

Now see the actual, awesome, incredible picture. Share it with all you meet. The world needs to see this one.

Future offerings will cover whether abortion is "equal" in value to other Presidential topics e.g. economics, ending the US presence in Iraq, etc, etc.; whether a Catholic can vote for pro-choice candidate; and any thing else that will help a pro-life candidate. Please note that I cannot name names. It is your job to know who's pro-life and who is not.

God Bless you all.



Upcoming Events

September 28th, After 11AM Mass Ministries Leader Meeting
October 3..... Bob and Gerri Hover awards at St. Francis

Proposed New Mass Times

When we moved to the new location we are planning on new mass times.

Saturday - 5PM

Sunday - 8AM, 10AM

“Nice to see you coming along to church again,” said the parish priest to one of his parishioners. “Is it because of my sermons?”

“Not yours. My wife’s.”

Forms by Carl E. Beyer

So many things we do these days are fleeting. For those who do not know, I do computers consulting for a living. What PCs I fix, what programs I write, what systems I design; they will all be gone and/or outdated in the very near future.

But the forms, no not those paper forms, but the forms we used in our latest family project will be remembered for decades by the concrete pad it left behind.

And an added bonus we laid the pad as a family. So we have something solid we all shared in. One did the water, one did the cement, one did the gravel/sand mix, one did the mixer, one did the pouring and then one to level. Each putting a bit of themselves into this creation that is a reminder of what we can accomplish if we work together.

As these forms are to be remember so will this community of St. John Vianney be remember. Not by what we have each created but by what is left behind after we are gone, The Church. The creation of brick and mortar; and the spiritual community. So jump in, pick a task and let us build a community not just a place to go on Sunday.

God Bless.



Come, Pray and Sacrifice
for The Unborn
The Helpers of God's Precious Infants
Monthly Mass and Procession
with Father Stephen Imbarrato
Saturday, September 13, 2008
San Ignacio Church
1300 Walter St. NE, Albuquerque

Mass Begins: 8:00 A.M. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a procession to a nearby abortion mill. Then, return to church for Benediction. Invite your family and friends to join you at this peaceful and prayerful event. Join us for the second anniversary of Helpers. For more information contact Yolanda at Helpers@Defendinglife.Org or 220-8891.

Prayer Corner

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

- ◆ Gerry Hoover - For her recovery from her recent illness.
- ◆ Manuel Romero - For a liver transplant.
- ◆ Mary Q. Haygood – Suffering with COPD (her brain is not receiving enough oxygen).
- ◆ 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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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.

A woman and her five-year-old son were headed to McDonalds. On the way, they passed a car accident.

As was their habit when seeing an accident, they prayed for whoever was involved.

After the mother prayed, she asked her son if he would, too. "Please God," he prayed, "don't let those cars be blocking the entrance to McDonalds."

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	8:00AM	11:00AM	8:00AM	11:00AM
Ushers	Tom Anderson John Christensen	Tony Quinones Frank Charles	Tom Anderson James Dory	Ed Uhrich Phil Griego
EM of Holy Communion	Jeremy McClellan	Carrie Jenkins	Jose Guillen	Loretta Tafuro
Rosary Leader	Sheila Howard	Rochelle Quinones	Jose Guillen	Mary Bell Lucero
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