

March 29, 2009

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Saint John Vianney

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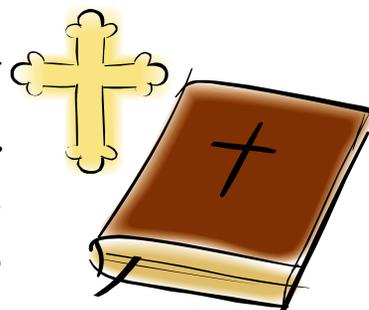
Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Our Parish Hall is off to a great start. We have double our mass attendance since moving from St. Thomas Aquinas School.

With the greater attendance we have been blessed with parishioners who have stepped up to volunteer in whatever capacity needed. I like to take this opportunity to thank all the old and the new volunteers.

A special thank you for Coz Madrid stepping up to take care of the outside maintenance and inside cleaning. We are soliciting a fancy title for Coz so send me suggestions.

Loretta Tafuro is leading the way for developing a Welcoming Ministry so anyone that have not had a chance to volunteer this may be your calling. Read more about this ministry on page two.



Yours in Christ,
Carl E Beyer

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Holy Rosary

20 Minutes before every mass

Holy Masses

Saturday 4:00PM

Sunday 8:00AM

Sunday 10:00AM

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 3:00-3:45PM

Stations of the Cross

Friday 7PM

St. John Vianney Welcoming Ministry

St. John Vianney Mission is starting a new ministry to welcome newly registered families. With a rapidly growing parish we would like to make each and every newcomer feel welcomed. Fr. Scott cannot personally make visits himself, therefore, we are currently looking for individuals to be representatives for Fr. Scott and the church. We will make home visits, preferably we would like to meet at St. John Vianney. If you are interested in helping in this ministry or want more information please Call Loretta Tafuro @ 891-9234 or see Loretta after the 10am mass.

Attention all St. John Vianney Volunteers! Please mark your calendars and make time for an important class that is mandated by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe. Attendance and certification of all employees and volunteers in the Archdiocese is required. Mrs. Donna Crank will be presenting the Sexual Misconduct Awareness Workshop, which will be held on Saturday, April 25, 2009, at St. John Vianney Mission Church, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Refreshments and snacks will be provided. This is all being provided at no cost to you. You are most appreciated and we will see you all there.

Please contact Coz at 892-1630 between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. and let him know what position you are volunteering for so that we can make sure that we have enough materials, snacks and space for you to attend. If you have already completed this workshop, please drop off a copy of the certificate you received in the box marked SJV in the lobby before or after all masses. Thank you and may God Bless.

Father Scott, Loretta Tafuro, and Coz Madrid

8 Reason to Become Catholic (or Stay That Way) by Michael Matthews

(1-6 In previous bulletins found at sjvnm.org)

7. Abundant Works of Charity.

Of all the various denominations and fellowships on the scene, the Catholic Church comes closest to Jesus' call to live the Gospel in meeting the needs of those most in need (Matt. 25). Countless hospitals, nursing homes, orphanages and schools stand as testimony to the Church's faithfulness in being the hands of Christ to a world in search of hope.

(Reason 8 coming in the following weeks)



HELPERS OF GOD'S
 PRECIOUS INFANTS
 COME PRAY AND SACRIFICE
 FOR THE UNBORN
 SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH 2009
 @ 8:00 A.M
 PROCESSION TO NEARBY
 ABORTION MILL

COME JOIN US FOR A MORNING OF PRAYER
 STATIONS OF THE CROSS, LITANIES, & HYMNS.
 WE WILL MEET IN FRONT OF SAN IGNACIO CHURCH.

BIBLE-CRYPTOVERSE (Scripture verse in code) No.7

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Answer in next week bulletin. Some Hints on back page. Send solution to bulletin@sjvnm.org and we will post your name next week.

Solution submissions by: Rose Chimento, James Cutler

"NOW I KNOW THAT THE LORD SAVES HIS ANOINTED: HE ANSWERS HIM FROM HIS HOLY HEAVEN WITH THE SAVING POWER OF HIS RIGHT HAND"

“Father, I spent an hour this morning just looking in the mirror and thinking how beautiful I was,” a woman confessed to her priest. “Will I have to do penance?”

“No. You only do penance for a sin, not a mistake.”

Father Mansfield to become Punk Rocker by Carl E Beyer

Father Mansfield has decided to step down from the clergy to pursue a career in a Punk Rock Band. I know that after just completing the new Parish Hall, this must come as a shock to most of you but ask Father Mansfield at the next mass about his new punker career. OK, OK don't run to the phones!! APRIL FOOLS. Yeah a little early but I thought I would catch your attention.

I got to wondering where did April Fools' Day come from. Here's a little history for you from Wikipedia. *"The origin of April Fools' Day is obscure. One likely theory is that the modern holiday was first celebrated soon after the adoption of the Gregorian Calendar; the term referred to someone still adhering to the Julian Calendar which it replaced. In many pre-Christian cultures May Day (May 1) was celebrated as the first day of summer, and signaled the start of the spring planting season. An April Fool was someone who did this prematurely. In the eighteenth century the festival was often posited as going back to the times of Noah. An English newspaper article published on April 13th, 1789 said that the day had its origins when he sent the raven off too early, before the waters had receded. He did this on the first day of the Hebrew month that corresponds with April. A possible reference to April Fools' Day can be seen in the Canterbury Tales (ca 1400) in the Nun's Priest's tale, a tale of two fools: Chanticleer and the fox, which took place on March 32nd."*

With April Fool's Day falling on a Wednesday this year I think I will just hide out at home and avoid being the fool. My kids are pretty much April Fool proof after all these years so we may just be a fool proof home.

How can this possibly relate to the Church? Simply speaking, the calendar was fixed by the Church. After researching it, I found the calendar was only off by ten days, not by months, so what was the big deal?

But was ten days enough to start years of April Fools? It seems a little over the top. Can you imagine hanging out on your farm following the calendar that you have followed for decades and one day someone stops by and informs you that you are an April Fool for having the wrong calendar?

The last day of the Julian calendar was Thursday, 4 October, 1582 and this was followed by the first day of the Gregorian calendar, Friday, 15 October, 1582. So we skipped ten days but kept our week days in order. Should not it have been Monday, 15 October, 1582? I guess it makes sense, because if they had moved ahead the weekdays along with the number of days, Sunday would have been skipped. People would have lost their weekends so they would have had to work two weeks in a row without a day of rest. Seems like a big waste of calendars also since one could not just skip ten days; one would have to get a whole new calendar.

Makes you wonder what God thought of all this. I mean did he look down in the fourteenth century and say look at those fools celebrating the Lord's day of rest on a Thursday. It is only logical that God knew what day it was and that mankind had royally messed it up. This shows you the patience of God to wait fifteen centuries before whispering in someone's ear that spring was coming earlier and earlier over the centuries. Only one day every 150 years was lost, well past anyone's lifetime to notice.

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But the problem does not end there. By the fifteen century the Catholic Church had lost most of its power over civil authorities so each civil authority had to decide when and if to adapt the new calendar. What a mess that must have been. World travelers must have had a suitcase full of calendars for traveling from country to country.

Fools? I believe one of our greatest gifts from God is our sense of humor. When have you seen your dogs out back laughing? No, this one quality is given to mankind to enjoy. And since we were made in the image of God I believe that God enjoys humor. Why else would he make a year 365.2425 days long. On the other hand maybe it was to teach us that perfection is reserved for God and God alone. We can seek perfection but we can never achieve it.

I imagine God's humor is quiet humor, not the rolling-on-the-floor-laughing kind but a more reserved humor. It is the twinkle in God's eye or the quiet smile when he thinks of the humor he sees in us and about us. I always imagine God's humor when I watch the Animal Channel. Some of the things He programmed into animals can not be anything but humorous. The prime example of this is the Platypus. This egg-laying, venomous, duck-billed, beaver-tailed, otter-footed mammal is most certainly humorous.

One only has to brush the surface of animal mating rituals. It would seem that God programmed into the male animal something of the fool in finding a mate. He either has to do this weird dance or build this weird nest to be attractive to the opposite sex. Personally I think it is a little biased that the male always has to chase the female, but then who am I to question God? I am sure if we ask our fellow parishioners, we could get plenty of examples of the foolish and humorous things we have done in the name of love.

Here is a list of the various kinds of humor: Adviser, Anecdotes, Aside, Banter, Blendword, Blue Humor, Blunder, Bull, Burlesque, Caricature, The Catch Tale, Conundrum, Epigram, Exaggerism, Freudian Slip, Hyperbole, Joke, Nonsensism, Parody, Practical Joke, Recovery, Repartee, Satire, Situational Humor, Switching, Understatement, Wisecrack, and Wit.

With that list, how could God not have humor? How could he give each of us a different type of humor without knowing what humor is. Most of us have our own unique funny bone that triggered uncontrollable laughter, sometimes during the most inappropriate of times.

So why not April Fools' Day? Wake your spouse up and tell her she doesn't have to work because it snowed five feet last night. Tell your coworker that the boss has set a new policy that everyone has to call him "Master". Be cruel to your kids and tell them school was canceled and then a few minutes later say "April Fools".

God Bless you all. Go forth and laugh for God will laugh with you. Go forth and do something foolish and God may laugh at you but also with you. Go forth and spread humor in the name of God.

Upcoming Events

April 11th, 4PM.....	No Mass
April 21st, 7PM	Lector Meeting
April 25th, 9-11AM @ SJV	Sexual Misconduct Class

	Sacristans	Ushers	EM of Holy Communion	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors
Sat Mar 28th 4:00PM	Donna Madrid	Ed Uhrich Phillip Griego	Coz Madrid	Ed Uhrich	Rocky Peyton James Uhrich	David Crawford Lillian Ortiz
Sun Mar 29th 8:00AM	Julie Burnside	Bill Deneen James E Dory Tom Anderson	Julie Burnside	Catherine Uhrich	Sergio Guillen Fernando Lucero	Jose Guillen Racquel Torres
Sun Mar 29th 10:00AM	Margaret Chavez	Tony Quinones Juan Serna Jim Cutler David Schutten	Loretta Tafuro John Lombardo Margaret Chavez	Peggy Riley	Drew Garcia Jamie VLS Jessica VLS Krista Savela	Vicky Howell Pinky Bjornstad
Sat Apr 4th 4:00PM	David Crawford	Phillip Griego Carl Beyer Theresa Lopez	Jeremy McClellan	Mary McMillian	Chase McMillan Victoria Perez	April McClellan David Crawford
Sun Apr 5th 8:00AM	Julie Burnside	Tom Anderson James E Dory John Christensen	Harlan Harrington	Sheila Howard	Peter Lucero Charles Lucero Josh Kast Josh Storws	Julie Burnside Geneva Torres
Sun Apr 5th 10:00AM	Geri Hoover	Tony Quinones James Sandoval Ariana Eck Aaron Quinones Frank Charles	Geri Hoover Carrie Jenkins John Jenkins	Rochelle Quinones	Karla Del Cid Angela Jenkins John Reynolds Jen Reynolds	Lillian Ortiz Michael Tafuro

Prayer Corner

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

- ◆ Antonio Valdez-Father of Toni Saiz who passed away a year ago on March 31st (3/22)
- ◆ For Healing and Peace for Bill Rounds, and for his wife, Vickie (3/29)
- ◆ For our country leaders to make the right decision for the well being of our country.
- ◆ For guidance to our leaders 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.

Thank you for reading our bulletin.

Any suggestions, comments, prayers 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.

Job Corner

Who	Skill Description	Phone	eMail
Marty Aragon	Supervisor, high pressure gas expert, will do yard work.	239-9553	fjpmga@cableone.net
Stephanie Gilbert	Resume and Cover Letter writing. Sewing lessons for all ages.	944-5528	m_s_gilbert@msn.com

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- ◆ Listing needs to resubmitted each week.
- ◆ Keep Skill Description to two short sentences.
- ◆ No business listing, that what the back page ads are for.
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 Head Grounds & Interior Cleaning Coz Madrid
 Head Welcoming Ministry..... Loretta Tafuro
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 Baptisms, Marriages, FuneralsSt Thomas Parish - 892-1511

<p>Debi Wendt - Realtor Discovery I 263-7095 Cellular 898-4660 Direct mariska564@aol.com</p>	<p>Q: Who is the greatest baby sitter mentioned in the Bible? A: David. He rocked Goliath to a very deep sleep.</p>	
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<p><i>Prayers to the Saints</i></p> 	<p><i>Prayers to the Saints</i></p> <p>PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH OVER 1900 YEARS OLD</p> <p>O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires.</p> <p>O St. Joseph, assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage to the most Loving of Fathers.</p> <p>O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart.</p> <p>Press him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.</p>
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IN GOD WE TRUST