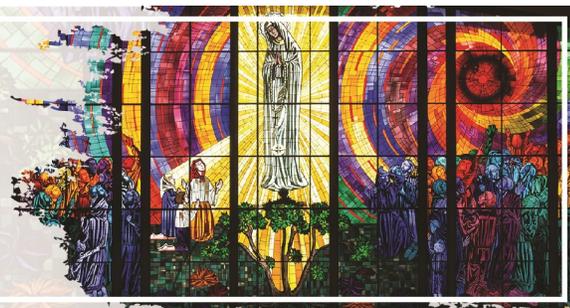


OUR LADY OF FATIMA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



SUNDAY, JULY 11TH - THE 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - Anticipated 4 p.m. (organ & cantor)
Sunday - 9:00 a.m. (organ, cantor & choir September - April);
 11:00 a.m. (organ & cantor); 5:00 p.m. (organ & cantor)
Monday - 6:15 a.m.; **Tuesday through Friday** - 5:30 p.m.
 with confession starting at 4:30 p.m.
Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

First Saturday: 8:00 a.m. followed by recitation of the Rosary

Fatima Votive Mass: 13th of the Month, May - October at 5:30 p.m.

Monthly Peace Mass: First Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.
 This Mass heeds Our Lady's call to pray for world peace
 and conversion of hearts.

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

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THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday
 3:00 to 3:55 p.m.;
Sunday
 30 minutes prior to Mass;

First Saturday
 7:30 to 7:55 a.m.

Monday
 5:45 to 6:10 a.m.

Tuesday through Thursday
 4:30 to 5:25 p.m.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament is celebrated on the third Sunday of each month, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Please contact the parish office before the baby is born for required classes.

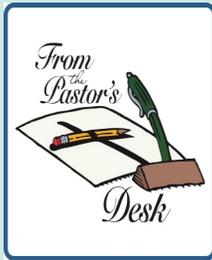
Sponsors are to be confirmed and practicing Catholics who attend Sunday Mass.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements are to be made with the Church office, if at all possible, at least ONE YEAR in advance. To avoid scheduling conflicts, all wedding dates must be confirmed with the Parish Administrator, who should be the first point of contact for the couple. Please visit our Parish Website to review guidelines, and details of paperwork and preparation requirements.

THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL AND SAINT CATHERINE LABOURÉ

V. Return of the Relics of Saint Vincent de Paul



The body of Saint Vincent de Paul had been hidden during the tumultuous years following the 1789 Revolution in France. * In the 1790s, the French Revolutionary Government unleashed a violent assault on the Catholic Church, which led to persecution, the suppression of religious orders, and the desecration of Churches, religious articles, and relics, including the relics of Saint Genevieve which were publicly destroyed in 1793 in the Place de Grève in Paris. In that same year, governmental authorities executed King Louis XVI and Queen Marie-Antoinette.

Loyal to the Catholic faith and the monarchy, people in the Vendée region of western France revolted against the Revolution. The fiercely anti-religious French government brutally put down the Vendée uprising (1793-1795). The introduction of the Republican calendar was an attempt to drive out religious and specifically Christian elements from the calendar, including the replacement of the seven-day week with a ten-day "week" that found no place for Sunday as a day of rest and Divine worship. The overthrow of Robespierre on the ninth of Thermidor (July 27, 1794) and the subsiding of the "Reign of Terror" brought a relative peace to French society and a slowdown of religious persecution.

A constitutional republic under the Directory emerged in 1795 and lasted until Napoléon became First Consul in 1799. He made himself Emperor in 1804. After Napoléon's defeat in 1814, the Bourbons were restored to power in a constitutional monarchy from 1814 to 1830. King Louis XVIII ruled from 1814 to 1824, except for the "Hundred Days" in 1815 when Napoléon returned after his escape from the island of Elba. King Charles X was on the throne from 1824 to 1830. **

After these events that caused so much misery, the Archbishop of Paris judged that the year 1830 was an opportune time for Saint Vincent's body to be returned to its resting place in the Vincentian house. In the spring of 1830, the saint's body was brought to Notre Dame Cathedral. On Saturday, April 24, Archbishop Hyacinthe-Louis De Quélen of Paris led prayers in the cathedral. On Sunday, April 25, Archbishop Luigi Lambruschini, Apostolic Nuncio to France, celebrated Mass in Notre Dame. The procession with the relics of Saint Vincent began at 2:00 p.m. in the cathedral on that Sunday and ended at 6:00 p.m. at the Vincentian house on the Rue de Sèvres. Among the participants were over one thousand Sisters of Charity and one hundred twelve seminary sisters, including Catherine. For the next eight days, crowds of people came to venerate the relics. King Charles X was one of the pilgrims.

During the festivities, Sister Catherine Labouré had visions of the heart of Saint Vincent in three different apparitions over a period of three days in the motherhouse chapel on Rue du Bac. The heart appeared in a different color during each apparition: white (flesh color) for peace, red for the flame of charity, and black for future ordeals and tribulations. Sister Labouré confided to her confessor Father Jean-Marie Aladel what she had seen. He urged her not to pay attention to these visions, but to concentrate on her formation as a novice.

Sister Catherine also had a vision of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The Sacred Host became transparent and revealed Our Lord Jesus Christ. Catherine saw this vision regularly throughout her months in the seminary. On Trinity Sunday, June 6, 1830, the vision became black in color, like the heart of Saint Vincent in the third apparition. Jesus was robed like a king, with a cross on His breast. Then, the cross fell to His feet and He was stripped of His vestments. Catherine interpreted this vision as the dethroning of King Charles X, whom she may have glimpsed during the recent celebrations. When another revolution shook France later in the summer of 1830, Charles X abdicated, giving way to the Orléans "bourgeois monarchy" under King Louis-Philippe.

Next Week: Sister Catherine Labouré Meets the Blessed Virgin Mary

* René Laurentin, *Catherine Labouré: Visionary of the Miraculous Medal*, Paul Inwood, trans. (Boston: Pauline Books and Media, 2006). I have drawn extensively from Father Laurentin's book in preparing this article. Unless otherwise indicated, quotes are from Laurentin's book.

** James Hitchcock, *History of the Catholic Church: From the Apostolic Age to the Third Millennium* (San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2012). See also, Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn's "A Reflection on the Vendée Uprising," in *The Solzhenitsyn Reader: New and Essential Writings, 1947-2005*, eds. Edward E. Ericson, Jr. and Daniel Mahoney (Wilmington, DE: Intercollegiate Studies Institute, 2006), pp. 602-605. Cf. also William L. Shirer, *The Collapse of the Third Republic: An Inquiry into the Fall of France in 1940* (New York: Simon and Schuster, 1969), pp. 35-36.



MASS INTENTIONS

10 Sat. 4:00 p.m. Anticipated: † Vivian Boudreaux, † Mary Catherine Bouvier, † Ashley Cormier, † Ison & Eva Fontenot, † Faye Marie Gesser, † Gerald & Alberta Gossen, † Edwina Smith Hernandez, † Amanda Claire Judice, Lynn Kallam Ditch, James Judice, † Anna Maria, † Mr. & Mrs. Stephen R. Moore, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Robert Guilbeau, † Douglas Mistich, † John Paul Martin, † The Nugier Family, † Rosamaria Reyes-Silva, † Lillian Manuel, † Willie & Eunice Boudreaux, † Amos LaCaze, † Jimmy Rodgers, † Larry Thomas Louviere, † Charles Blanchard, † Kathleen Easley, † Charles Corrigan, † Souls in Purgatory, † Rita King, † Royce Gaudin

Living & Deceased Members of: The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, Michael & Fred Landry & Family, The Caillouet, Henry, Randazzo, Costanza, & Campos Families, The Judice, Kallam, Langlinais, & Hamilton Families

11 Sun. 9:00 a.m.: Fatima Parishioners / Pro-Populo

11:00 a.m.: † Ison & Eva Fontenot

5:00 p.m.: † Melvin R. Boesch, † Anna Maria, † Parrish Ladd Cline, † Elroy F. Perrien, † Peter Tu Pham **Living:** Alicia Kreamer, John Nguyen Family, Elizabeth Pham **Living & Deceased Members of:** The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families

12 Mon. 6:15 a.m.: † Ison & Eva Fontenot

13 Tue. 5:30 p.m.: † Carmen Costa

14 Wed. 5:30 p.m.: † Mrs. Beatrice Boustany

15 Thu. 5:30 p.m.: **Living & Deceased Members of:** The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families

16 Fri. 5:30 p.m.: † Mr. & Mrs. Ison Fontenot

17 Sat. 8:00 a.m.: † Elroy Perrien

4:00 p.m. Anticipated: † Ison & Eva Fontenot, † Faye Marie Gesser, † Gerald & Alberta Gossen, † Edwina Smith Hernandez, † Amanda Claire Judice, Lynn Kallam Ditch, James Judice, † Anna Maria, † Mr. & Mrs. Stephen R. Moore, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Robert Guilbeau, † Douglas Mistich, † The Nugier Family, † Julien Maruis Stokes, † Parrish Ladd Cline, † Rosamaria Reyes-Silva, † Lillian Manuel, † Willie & Eunice Boudreaux, † Amos LaCaze, † Jimmy Rodgers, † Charles Blanchard, † Royce Gaudin **Living:** Mary Rieu Tran, Madelyn Maragos **Living & Deceased Members of:** The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, The Lebodier Lavergne Family, Michael & Fred Landry & Family, The Quebedeau Family, The Judice, Kallam, Langlinais, & Hamilton Families

18 Sun. 9:00 a.m.: † Dallas Fleming, † Ison & Eva Fontenot, † Anna Maria, † Mike Cooper **Living:** Angie Boudreaux, Maria Dao, Hoan Nguyen **Living & Deceased Members of:** The Ison & Eva Fontenot Families, A.D. Kerne & Family, The Caillouet, Henry, Randazzo, Costanza, & Campos Families

11:00 a.m.: Fatima Parishioners / Pro-Populo

5:00 p.m.: † Mr. & Mrs. Ison Fontenot

In his Letter to the Ephesians, Saint Paul teaches that God, the Father, has established a divine plan to bring all of creation to Christ and that He has blessed us with an abundance of divine gifts to help implement that plan. Christian stewards know what their gifts are and remain committed to using them in the service of the Lord. Do we know what our gifts are? Do we believe that God has given us these gifts? Are we committed to using our gifts to serve the Lord?

Weekend of June 26/27

Weekly Offertory Budget.....\$15,384.62

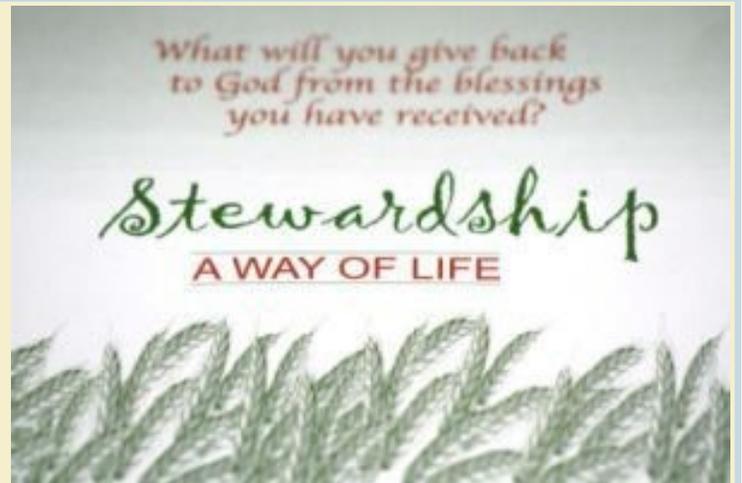
Total Offertory Received.....\$10,429.92

Weekly Budget (Over +, Under -)-4,954.70

Total Mercy Works.....\$895.00

Peter's Pence.....\$750.00

Financial Information for the weekend of July 3/4 was not available at time of printing due to the July 4th holiday. Stewardship for July 3/4 and July 10/11 will be published in the July 18th Parish Family Bulletin. Thank you!



Please remember to continue to support your parish during the hot summer months. Utility bills are especially high during this time and attendance at weekend Mass declines due to families being out of town for vacation. Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

IN LUCIA'S OWN WORDS - AN ACCOUNT OF THE 3RD APPARITION: A few moments after arriving at the Cova da Iria, near the holmoak, where a large number of people were praying the Rosary, we saw the flash of light once more, and a moment later Our Lady appeared on the holmoak. "What do you want of me?" I asked. "I want you to come here on the 13th of next month, to continue to pray the Rosary every day in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary, in order to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war, because only she can help you." "I would like to ask you to tell us who you are, and to work a miracle so that everybody will believe that you are appearing to us." "Continue to come here every month. In October, I will tell you who I am and what I want, and I will perform a miracle for all to see and believe."



I then made some requests, but I cannot recall now just what they were. What I do remember is that Our Lady said it was necessary for such people to pray the Rosary in order to obtain these graces during the year. And she continued: "Sacrifice yourselves for sinners, and say many times, especially whenever you make some sacrifice: 'O Jesus, it is for love of You, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.'"

As our Lady spoke these last words, she opened her hands once more, as she had done during the two previous months. The rays of light seemed to penetrate the earth, and we saw as it were a sea of fire. Plunged in this fire were demons and souls in human form, like transparent burning embers, all blackened or burnished bronze, floating about in smoke, now falling back on every side like sparks in huge fires, without weight or equilibrium, amid shrieks and groans of pain and despair, which horrified us and made us tremble with fear. "It must have been this sight which caused me to cry out, as people say they heard me." The demons could be distinguished by their terrifying and repellent likeness to frightful and unknown animals, black and transparent like burning coals. Terrified and as if to plead for succor, we looked up at Our Lady, who said to us, so kindly and so sadly:

"You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace. The war is going to end; but if people do not cease offending God, a worse one will break out during the pontificate of Pius XI. When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign given you by God that he is about to punish the world for its crimes, by means of war, famine, and persecutions of the Church and of the Holy Father.

"To prevent this, I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace; if not, she will spread her errors throughout the world, causing wars and persecutions of the Church. The good will be martyred, the Holy Father will have much to suffer, various nations will be annihilated. In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she will be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world. In Portugal, the dogma of the Faith will always be preserved; etc...Do not tell this to anybody. Francisco, yes, you may tell him.

"When you pray the rosary, say after each mystery: 'O my Jesus, forgive us, save us from the fire of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those who are most in need.'"

After this, there was a moment of silence, and then I asked:

"Is there anything more that you want of me?"

"No, I do not want anything more of you today."

Then, as before Our Lady began to ascend towards the east, until she finally disappeared in the immense distance of the firmament.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL OF THE LITTLE SHEPHERDS



The Adoration Chapel of the Little Shepherds in Knight Hall is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The following days & hours are those with only one adorer:

Monday at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.,

Tuesday at 11 a.m., 12 Noon, 2 p.m. & 3 p.m.

Wednesday at 2:00 p.m., Thursday at 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.

*Please consider committing to an hour listed above.
Contact the office during regular business hours at
232-8945 or email DD at office@fatimalafayette.org*

DIOCESAN RALLY & MARCH FOR LIFE



The 2022 Diocesan Rally and March for Life will be held on January 15, 2022. The rally will take place at Parc International in downtown Lafayette. Join us after the Rally as we march to the Cathedral of St.

John the Evangelist for Adoration. Interested in volunteering you or your group to pray a rosary during the march, contact Kelley Chapman, kchapman@diolaf.org.



Eucharistic Procession

ALONG BAYOU TECHE

Sunday, August 15th

Feast of the Assumption

In Honor of the 256th Anniversary of the Arrival of the Acadians and the Catholic Faith

Begins with French Mass by Bishop Deshotel at St. Leo's in Leonville at 8:00 am.
Stops at Each Church on the Bayou: Arnaudville, Cecilia, Breaux Bridge, Parks for Rosary and Benediction.
Ends up at Evangeline Oak in St. Martinville, followed by Processions to
Notre Dame, St. Martin de Tours and Our Lady of Sorrows.



For More Information, Contact Fr. Michael Champagne, cjc

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INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE TO VISIT OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH



The world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue which has been traveling globally since 1947 is coming to Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church on Friday, August 6th.

It was sculpted in 1947 by the famous Portuguese artist Jose Ferreira Thedim (1892-1971) to reflect the precise instructions of Sister Lucia. The sculpture's image is based off of Our Lady's position when she revealed herself as the Immaculate Heart of the Shepherds in 1917.

Prior to its first pilgrimage of May 13, 1947, Pope Pius XII blessed the statue. The pilgrimage was made to celebrate and commemorate the 30th anniversary of the apparition of the Blessed Mother.

In the spring of 1947, the statue toured for the first time in Europe. After this tour, it was retired and put on display at the Basilica of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal, where it still resides today.

On October 13, 1947, a "twin" statue was blessed by the Bishop of Liera, Fatima, and commissioned to serve as the Pilgrim Virgin, touring and bringing the blessings of Fatima to the world.

After the blessing in October, John Haffert, co-founder of The Blue Army, was entrusted to bring the statue to the United States with the Bishop's prayer that Mary herself accompany the statue wherever it goes. With the counsel and aid of Sister Lucia, Haffert composed the Blue Army Pledge, and went on to spread the Message of Fatima worldwide, largely through the Pilgrim Virgin Statue tours.

In 1950, the first U.S tour of the statue took place, covering more than 50 dioceses in the United States. On October 24, 1952, Pope Pius XII blessed the statue and imparted a special blessing on the work of the Fatima Pilgrim Tours.

The statue has since visited more than 100 countries, including Russia and China, with numerous miracles and graces reported wherever the statue has visited.

The purpose of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue tours is to bring the graces of Fatima and Our Lady's message of hope, peace and salvation to the millions of people who may never have an opportunity to make a pilgrimage to Fatima itself.

ITINERARY FOR THE INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6	8:00 am	Procession of Pilgrim Virgin Statue Holy Mass Brief talk by the Custodian of Pilgrim Virgin Statue Prayer of Consecration Scapular Enrollment & Confession Veneration of the Statue throughout the day
	10:00 am	Recitation of the Holy Rosary by the Catholic Daughters
	12:00 pm	Recitation of the Holy Rosary by CAST Men
	2:00 pm	Recitation of the Holy Rosary by CAST Men
	4:00 pm	Recitation of the Holy Rosary by Madelyn Maragos
	6:00 pm	First Friday/Saturday All Night Eucharistic Adoration in Church
	SATURDAY, AUGUST 7	8:00 am

THE SAINTS - OUR EXTENDED FAMILY IN HEAVEN

MONDAY, JULY 12 - *Saint John Jones*



Born to a strong Catholic Welsh family. Joined the Franciscans in Greenwich, England. When his monastery was dissolved in 1559, he travelled to France to study. Ordained at Rheims, France.

John returned to England to work with Catholic prisoners at Marshalsea Prison in London. He was arrested for being a priest and imprisoned at Wisbech Castle, but escaped to the Continent. He lived for a while at Pontoise, France, and then the Ara Coeli Franciscan Observant house at Rome, Italy, finally returning to England as a missionary in 1592. He

worked in several places in the country, and was elected Franciscan provincial of England.

Arrested and tortured by the priest-catcher Topcliffe in 1596. Imprisoned for two years, doing time with Blessed John Rigby. Convicted on July 3, 1598 for the treason of being a Catholic priest.

His execution took place early in the morning to reduce the chance of a mob; the executioner, roused out of bed for the job, forgot his ropes. During the delay while he went for them, John preached to the crowd that had gathered, and explained he was being murdered for his faith, not any disloyalty to his country. One of the *Forty Martyrs of England and Wales*.

Born: 1559 in Clynog-Fawr, Carnarvonshire, Wales

Died: hanged, drawn, and quartered in the early morning of July 12, 1598 at Southwark, London, England

Canonized: October 25, 1970 by Pope Paul VI

TUESDAY, JULY 13 - *Saint Henry II*

Son of Gisella of Burgundy and Henry II the Quarrelsome, Duke of Bavaria. Educated at the cathedral school in Hildesheim by bishop Wolfgang or Regensburg. Became Duke of Bavaria himself in 995 upon his father's death, which ended Henry's thoughts of becoming a priest. Ascended to the throne of Germany in 1002. Crowned King of Pavia, Italy on May 15, 1004. Married Saint Cunegunda, but was never a father. Some sources claim the two lived celibately, but there is no evidence either way.

Henry's brother rebelled against his power, and Henry was forced to defeat him on the battlefield, but later forgave him, and the two reconciled. Henry was crowned Holy Roman Emperor in 1014 by Pope Benedict VIII; he was the last

of the Saxon dynasty of emperors. Founded schools, quelled rebellions, protected the frontiers, worked to establish a stable peace in Europe, and to reform the Church while respecting its independence. Fostered missions, and established Bamberg, Germany as a center for missions to Slavic countries. Started the construction of the cathedral at Basel, Switzerland; it took nearly 400 years to complete. Both Henry and Saint Cunegunda were prayerful people, and generous to the poor.

At one point he was cured of an unnamed illness by the touch of Saint Benedict of Nursia at Monte Cassino. He became somewhat lame in his later years. Widower. Following Cunegunda's death, he considered becoming a monk, but the abbot of Saint-Vanne at Verdun, France refused his application, and told him to keep his place in the world where he could do much good for people and the advancement of God's kingdom.

Born: May 6, 972 at Albach, Hildesheim, Bavaria, Germany

Died: July 13, 1024 at Pfalz Grona, near Göttingen, Saxony (in modern Germany) of natural causes

Canonized: 1146 by Pope Blessed Eugene III



THURSDAY, JULY 15 - *Saint Bonaventure of Bagnoregio*



Healed from a childhood disease through the prayers of Saint Francis of Assisi. Bonaventure joined the Order of Friars Minor at age 22. Studied theology and philosophy in Paris, France, and later taught there. Friend of Saint Thomas Aquinas. Doctor of Theology. Friend of King Saint Louis IX. General of the Franciscan Order at 35. Bishop of Albano, Italy, chosen by Pope Gregory X. Cardinal. Wrote commentaries on the Scriptures, text-books in theology and philosophy, and a biography of Saint

Francis. Doctor of the Church. Pope Clement IV chose him to be Archbishop of York, England, but Bonaventure begged off, claiming to be inadequate to the office. Spoke at the *Council of Lyons*, but died before its close.

Born: 1221 at Bagnoregio, Tuscany, Italy

Died: July 15, 1274 at Lyon, France of natural causes

Canonized: April 14, 1482 by Pope Sixtus IV

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - COUNCIL 3470



Knights of Columbus founder Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney was beatified and officially declared Blessed on Oct. 31, 2020. Father McGivney was faced with a pandemic in the 1880s, as we are today. And in the face of that pandemic, he persevered in his efforts to evangelize those in his community, to form his parish-

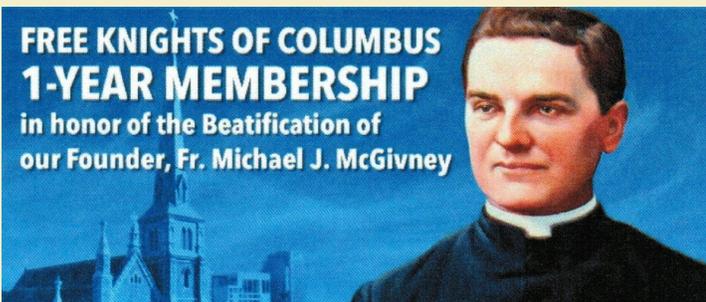
ioners in their Catholic faith, and to grow the Knights of Columbus. As his spiritual heirs, we can do nothing less.

If you are interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in your faith, and bonding with men who share your faith, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you!

In recognition of the beatification of Fr. McGivney, the Knights of Columbus is offering Catholic men 18 and older **FREE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP** in honor of our founder! The Supreme Council will pay the first-year dues for every man who joins online between now and December 31, 2021. Prospects simply need to visit <https://kofc.org/joinus> and enter the code **MCGIVNEY2020** to take advantage of this special offer. *Please enter council number 3470 as the referring council.*

One of the four founding principles of the Knights is Patriotism. Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it is in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.

You do not have to be a member of the Knights of Columbus to attend a meeting. Fatima KC meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. the 2nd Monday of every month at the KC Hall at the end of Rena Drive. Just stop by the hall on meeting night and meet our council. Or, contact Tim Whipple, Roy Walker, Steve Moore, John Davidson, or any other Fatima Knight you know, or email us at FraternalOrder3470@gmail.com. For information on renting the KC Hall, please contact Dionne Pastor at 257-3135.



THE CHURCH ON CANONIZATION

Our Sunday Visitor's Encyclopedia of Catholic Doctrine



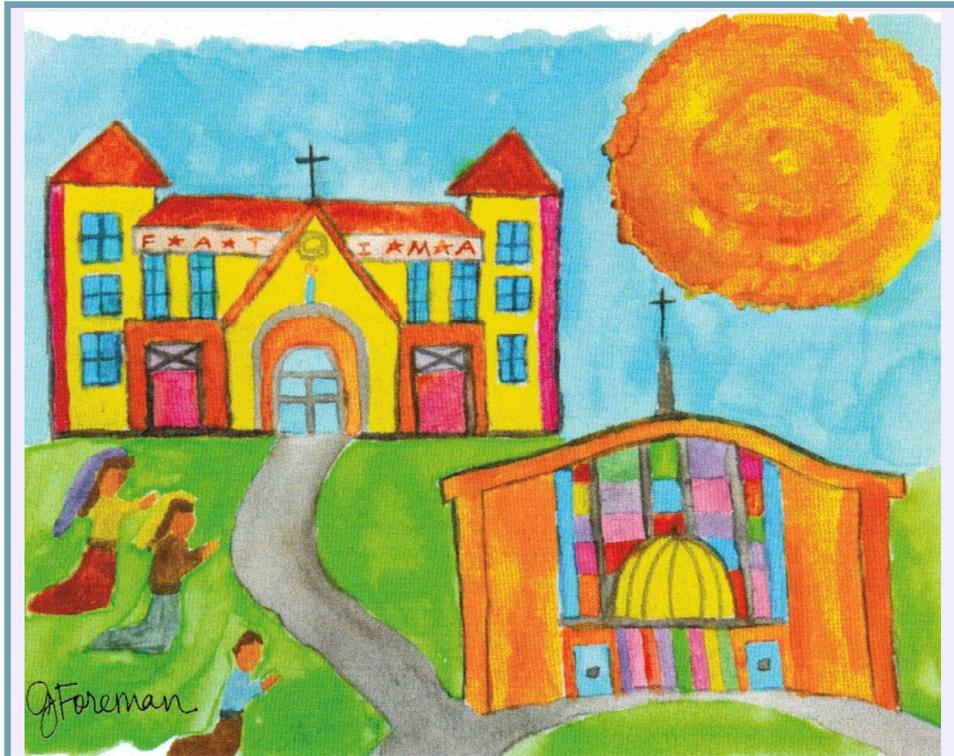
CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION

Of all the congregations at the Vatican, the Congregation for the Causes of Saints is perhaps the least well known and the least influential in the government of the Church. Nevertheless, its work in evaluating and proposing candidates for beatification and canonization is one that, many theologians hold, constantly calls for the exercise of papal infallibility. Canonization takes place by means of a solemn papal declaration that a person is certainly with God in glory. As a result, the newly canonized saint may receive official public veneration, or cult, and the faithful may petition the saint to intercede for them with God. The Roman Catholic Church is the only church in the world that has the complicated mechanism of canonization.

Every person who reaches heaven - even a baptized infant - is a saint, but only a relatively small number have been officially declared saints by the process of canonization. For this to happen, the "cause" must be introduced in the congregation at Rome, after a thorough investigation at the local level. The first question asked is whether there is a cult of veneration for the individual under consideration. That is a basic requirement for introducing a cause at Rome; the individual must have a reputation for holiness that arouses the devotion of the faithful. From the very first century of the Church's existence, when the practice developed of venerating the martyrs, the touchstone of sanctity was always the imitation of Christ and the practice of heroic virtue. The saints were acclaimed as such by the faithful who venerated them.

Throughout the first twelve centuries of the history of the Church there was a gradual increase in the control exercised by ecclesiastical prelates over the public cult of the saints. From time immemorial there had always been "popular canonizations" and this resulted in local patron saints whose feasts were not celebrated throughout the universal Church. This practice still prevails in some dioceses and nations and in religious institutes that have their own *ordo*. As the bishops intervened more and more in the process, adding new names to the calendar of saints in the local churches, they began to demand a verification of the sanctity of the individual. But as soon as the written account of the candidate's heroic virtue was approved by the bishop, the body was transferred to an altar in a ceremony called the "translation," and this sufficed for official canonization. *To be continued next week.*

Exciting Times at Our Lady of Fatima



UNITED IN FAITH - VISIONARIES FOR FATIMA'S FUTURE

Heavenly Father, we ask the intervention of your Son's Blessed Mother, who appeared in a vision to the children of Fatima to teach them and us of the need for sacrifice and prayer for the good of the Church and the world. We ask, too, for the prayers of the Fatima visionaries, Saints Jacinta and Francisco Mar- to, and the Servant of God, Lúcia dos Santos, that through their intercession, we may come to a clearer vision of the plan you have for us, members of Our Lady of Fatima parish and school family. May our vision be united to your Holy Will and may we all remain faithful to your will in this and in all aspects of our lives. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

COME, LORD JESUS

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Email: Stef.Buchholz1@gmail.com

Thursdays 6:00 am (MEN) - Joe Wolf, 349.2645

6:00 am (MEN) - Deacon Tim Maragos, 235.1521

Fridays 1:00 pm - Jennifer Connolly, 288.4386

Saturdays 8:00am - Anne Pesacreta, 739.5903

First Saturday - 9:00 a.m. after Mass & Rosary

Parish Representatives

Jill Jordan or DD McElligott - 337-319-8866

SACRED HEART ENTHRONEMENTS



Call the Parish Office to schedule your Sacred Heart Home Enthronement. Promoters go into the home to conduct the Enthronement, which follows a 9 day period of prayer by the family.

PRAYER FOR CANCER PATIENTS



A statue of St. Peregrine, patron of cancer patients, is made available to go into the homes of those diagnosed with cancer. This statue of St. Peregrine was acquired from a convent in the city of Lille, northern France. The statue was hand-painted by nuns in the mid 1900s. Call the parish office to get on the roster.

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR PRIESTS

Monday, July 12

Rev. Kenneth Domingue

Tuesday, July 13

Rev. Dustin Dought

Wednesday, July 14

Rev. Gregory Downs

Thursday, July 15

Rev. Blake Dubroc

Friday, July 16

Rev. Wayne Duet

Saturday, July 17

Rev. Willard Dugas

Sunday, July 18

Rev. Edward Duhon

Send the names of those who have left the church to St. Monica Sodality, c/o St. John Cantins Parish, 825 N. Carpenter Street, Chicago, IL 60622-5499. The Sodality will include your loved ones in their prayers and sacrifices. When all other efforts fail, the only thing left to do is pray and sacrifice. Consider joining the St. Monica Sodality. Writing to the above address will give you information on how to do so and the requirements for membership.

The Blessing of the Unborn Child follows the Sunday 9 & 11:00 a.m. Masses the 1st weekend of the month.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND INFORMATION

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS ARE SUSPENDED OR MEETING VIRTUALLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

Women's Group "WOMEN OF GRACE"

(Contact Stephanie at the Parish Office for upcoming events!)

Mommy Meals

- Outreach to new moms

Mercy Meal Team

- Outreach to the sick

St. Gemma Food Bank

- Outreach to the needy

Mary's Mothers

Formation for mothers of school age children

Catholic Daughters

- 3rd Thursday, 6 pm

Knights of Columbus

- 1st Thursday, 7 pm

Sts. Joachim & Anne Society

- 2nd Tuesday - Rosary/Social

Fatima Mercy Works

- Monthly outreach to needy

Men's Group - CAST

CAST stands for Catholic, Apostolic, Sacramental, Theology, and is the focus of a Fall and Spring Fishing Retreat in Grand Isle. The CAST men then meet regularly on a monthly basis for fellowship and study. CAST Masses are every Monday morning at 6:15 a.m. and Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m.

6th through 8th grade YOUTH FORMATION

(Contact Stephanie Supple for more information)

Young Women of Grace and Young Warriors

THE CHURCH - SEXUALITY

Engaged Couples

Attend a **Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend**. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together. For more information contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at 337.254.8947 or 337.898.9257 or cee.trahan@gmail.com.

Natural Family Planning

Natural Family Planning Courses are held in conjunction with marital prep. For more information, Contact the Parish Office.

Reclaim

Sexual Health Catholic Recovery Program:
reclaimsexualhealth.com (online help 24/7)

Porn Addiction Support Group for Men:

Weekly meetings are held for one hour and fifteen minutes. Strict confidentiality is observed. A confidentiality statement is signed by each prospective member of the group. Call and leave a confidential message at 337.945.3995 for more information.

Healing Hearts

Weekly meetings for women whose lives have been affected by porn or sexual addiction of a loved one.

Must sign confidentiality statement.

Call 337.404.6113.

Unplanned Pregnancy

Call 1.800.256.7222 for free confidential counseling regarding keeping or placing your baby.

PRO-LIFE APOSTOLATE

Project Rachel

A post abortion healing and reconciliation program for those suffering the negative effects of an abortion experience. Individual sessions are offered where one can receive the healing grace of God through a 9-10 step healing program. Take the first step and call 337.261.5598.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

A Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat is an opportunity for any man, woman, couple, grandparent, sibling, or anyone who struggles with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. Retreats begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and concludes at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. For more information please call 337.261.5598.

Project Joseph

(for men suffering after an abortion)

In honor of the year of St. Joseph, the Office of Pro-Life Apostolate has begun planning the Diocese of Lafayette's first Project Joseph Retreat exclusively for men. This ministry offers men the opportunity to heal after an abortion. Studies have shown that women are not the only ones who suffer from the detrimental effects of abortion. Men are deeply affected as well, although many remain in denial and want to bury the feelings. Some may have initially felt relief after their partner's abortion but now experience regret and remorse. If you or someone you know would like to attend a Project Joseph Retreat, please call 337.261.5598. We are happy to speak with you and prepare you for upcoming retreats.

SESSIONS OF
"COME, LORD JESUS!" ARE
EITHER MEETING IN
PERSON, VIA ZOOM, OR A
COMBINATION OF BOTH.
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FOR A SCHEDULE.