The Sunday Encore



More News and Announcements from St. Francis de Sales Parish

Sunday, September 11, 2022 The Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

In Remembrance: A September 11 Prayer

On this twenty-first anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks, let us all join in the following prayer.

Lord, help us to use this tragedy to see beyond our divisions of religion, race, and nationality and to embrace our common humanity. May we learn to see that of you in our neighbors, and even in our enemies. May love overcome hate, peace overcome violence, and faith overcome despair. Amen



Pastoral Care and Outreach Team

Our prayers were answered with a team of seven parishioners ready to minister.

Now we need the names and contact information for those individuals who would benefit from a visit by 1-2 members of our team. Do you know of or is it you who may suffer from Isolation, illness, physical limitations, grief or recovery? Please be assured we will respect your personal situation.

Please contact:

Fr. Mike Nartker at smnartker@yahoo.com / 937-539-3384 or

Rita Balcom at <u>ritabalcom@gmail.com</u> / 513-232-3019.

From The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

The following excerpt comes from *Open Wide Our Hearts The Enduring Call To Love: A Pastoral Letter Against Racism* approved by the Conference in November 2018.

Do Justice For a nation to be just, it must be a society that recognizes and respects the legitimate rights of individuals and peoples. These rights precede any society because they flow from the dignity granted to each person as created by God. We are reminded of this fundamental truth in the earliest passages of the book of Genesis:

Then God said: Let us make human beings in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the tame animals, all the wild animals, and all the creatures that crawl on the earth. God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them;

As Christians, we are called to listen and know the stories of our brothers and sisters. We must create opportunities to hear, with open hearts, the tragic stories that are deeply imprinted on the lives of our brothers and sisters, if we are to be moved with empathy to promote justice. Many groups, such as the Irish, Italians, Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Poles, Jews, Chinese, and Japanese, can attest to having been the target of racial and ethnic prejudice in this country. It is also true that many groups are still experiencing prejudice, including rising anti-Semitism, the discrimination many Hispanics face today, and anti-Muslim sentiment. Especially instructive at this moment, however, are the historical and contemporary experiences of Native and African Americans.

Marriage Moments And Parenting Pointers: Food For Thought And Actions

Marriage Moments-Twenty-one years ago on September 11, terrorists attacked the USA. It was a frightening time. How do you and your beloved deal with fear? Fear of loss of income, health, death...? How do you comfort each other? What is frightening you today? Talk about it.

Parenting Pointers-Today is Grandparents Day. Join with your children in telling your (or their) grandparents how much they mean to you. Grandparents are the carriers of history. Ask them what they've learned and how the world has changed. Listen. If they are no longer living, talk with them in prayer.

Living Laudato Si' Eco-Tip Of The Week From The SFdS Parish "Green Team"

Our use of cooling and heating-Part 2:

- *The Easy One*: Buy a ceiling fan. In warm weather run it counter-clockwise to cool. In cold weather run it clockwise to force warm air down into the living space.
- *The Challenging One*: Reduce or eliminate the use of home air-conditioning. Substitute fans or a whole house fan if possible.

Marriage Encounter Weekend Experience

Fall is right around the corner. It's a beautiful season full of color and crisp fresh air.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter is like autumn because it's full of fresh air, new beginnings and a time to rejoice in the beauty of your marriage and family.

It's a great time to rekindle communication and enjoy time away.

The next Marriage Encounter Weekend experiences are October 14-16 at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Cincinnati, OH and November 4-6 at Maria Stein Renewal Center in Maria Stein, OH.

The weekend experience is for those who wish to enrich their marriage and get that newlywed feeling. Apply today at https://esharing.org/applyWeekend.php

For more questions or more details contact: Andy and Melanie Reinersman at 859-653-8464, <u>application@esharing.org</u> or visit <u>esharing.org</u>

This Week From U.S. Catholic Magazine

Please visit *U.S. Catholic Magazine* at <u>www.uscatholic.org</u> for this week's reads and other informative and inspiring articles-

Under Catholic Voices:

Mass Shootings Are Our Modern Texts Of Terror: Inundated With New Of Tragedy, We Have A Responsibility To Stand Witness by Emily Sanna.

U.S. Catholic Magazine is also offering the following podcast entitled *Glad You Asked* for you to listen to. It is found on the above-mentioned website:

Glad You Asked: Should Catholics Support Unions?



Vocation Question For The Week

So many of us have made lifelong vocation commitments, be that religious, married, or single. Yet at times it is a struggle to remain faithful to those life commitments. How can we reach out and offer a "listening ear" to assist those who may be struggling with their lifelong vocational choices?

East Walnut Hills Farmers Market

The East Walnut Hills Farmers Market will be open on all Fridays through October 28 from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. The market is located at the Madison Parking Lot on 1523 Madison Road. Please consider supporting this wonderful, and heathy, neighborhood effort.

Elizabeth's New Life Center Annual South Partnership Banquet

You are invited to join friends and supporters of Elizabeth's New Life Center (ENLC) at their annual South Partnership Banquet, which will be held on Thursday, October 13th at the Oasis Conference Center in Loveland. The keynote speaker will be pro-life trailblazer, Pastor Arnold Culbreath, and funds raised will support ENLC's free programs and services offered through Women's Centers of Ohio, Holy Family Prenatal Care, and Marriage Works! Ohio.

Please consider attending this event, ENLC would love the opportunity to introduce their work to more people who are likely to share their commitment to fostering a culture of life. For more information about attending, contact Lori Ernest at (937) 226-7414 Ext. 430 or by email at lernest@ElizabethNewLife.org. You can also register to attend by visiting our website at ElizabethNewLife.org, click on Events then under 2022 South Partnership Banquet click Donation Link for Guest.

"Mary always points us to God, reminding us of God's infinite goodness. She helps us to open our hearts to God's ways, wherever those may lead us. Honored under the title 'Queen of Peace,' Mary encourages us to cooperate with Jesus in building a peace based on justice, a peace that respects the fundamental human rights (including religious rights) of all peoples."

> Leonard Foley, O.F.M. and Pat McCloskey, O.F.M. The (Marianist) Solemnity Of The Holy Name of Mary September 12



Pray For Peace!!!