

The Sunday Encore



More News and Announcements from St. Francis de Sales Parish

Sunday, September 25, 2022
The Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mary And The Marianist Community

The following is small section of a presentation made by Reverend Martin Solma, S.M. to Marianist religious who made retreats in the summer of 2011. Though it is directed to the religious community, it is relevant content for our parish community to reflect on and ponder as we strive to live out our Marianist identity as a parish.

For Father Chaminade, the image of the Holy Family held special pride of place as a model for the Marianist Community. The unity and intimacy, the centrality of Jesus, the complementarity of roles all reflected something of his hope for our life together. Today, however, perhaps a more compelling image is that of the Apostles with Mary, awaiting the gift of the Spirit in the Cenacle. It captures something of the apostolic dynamism that should characterize our communities. At the end of Luke's Gospel, when Jesus withdraws from the disciples and is taken up to heaven, he promises to return and tells them to stay in Jerusalem until the gift of the Spirit is given. What kind of community is this: savoring the presence of the risen Jesus for 40 days, assured of Jesus' return, hopeful that what is coming is more than they can hope for, and Mary there in their midst? Talk about a vibrant community! Perhaps they spent those days also reflecting upon their giftedness and looking with respect and appreciation on the giftedness of each of the other members of that tiny apostolic group. And then, of course, the explosion of Pentecost in wind and fire sends them out with zeal and with apostolic boldness. Our vow of stability emphasizes the essentially communitarian dimension of the Marianist charism.



A Thought About Today's Gospel Parable by Mary M. McGlone

Once, Jesus told a parable about a rich man and Lazarus, the only person ever named in Jesus' parables. He told it to shake up his audience. Today, we're his audience.

Today, as we hear Jesus speak this parable to us, his current audience, who is the person(s) at our doorstep who needs some type of physical or emotional assistance? How do we respond to these needs in front of our eyes?

Marriage Moments And Parenting Pointers: Food For Thought And Actions

Marriage Moments-“Woe to the complacent...” (Amos 6:1). Sometimes in marriage we settle into a comfortable routine-fine. But sometime that routine morphs into boredom. Does your marriage need a change of pace to refresh it? Or, maybe you've had enough excitement lately and you just need to chill. Decide together.

Parenting Pointers- “There was a rich man...and lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus.” (Luke 16: 19-20) Is your family rich or poor? It probably depends on who you compare yourself to. Talk with your child about how you might help someone poorer than you.

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

Reflecting on our spirituality and interaction with the world around us:

- The Easy One:* Reflection #1: Take some time to reflect on the past month. What worked? What didn't? What did you learn about living environmentally sustainably?
- The Challenging One:* Reflection #2: Every action has consequences. Become aware of the outcome of your actions, reduce your impact on others, and walk lightly on Earth. Consider these practices to be a spiritual discipline.

Free Concert Event

The Angelico Project presents *Sacred Music Concert Ancient Chant Of St. Hildegard Von Bingen* on Wednesday October 5, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. This concert will take place at Mother Of God Church-119 W. 6th Street, Covington, Kentucky 41011. The concert is free and open to the public with no ticket needed.

Mercy McAuley High School Parent Information Nights

Mercy McAuley High School will hold a series of Parent Information Nights. Parents of all grade levels are invited to tour the building and learn more about Mercy McAuley at a Parent Information Night on October 4*, October 11 or November 8, from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Topics covered will include academics, athletics, clubs, faith and service, arts, and tuition/financial aid/scholarships/admissions process. Register at www.mercymcauley.org/InfoNights. *Note

that the October 4 session will focus exclusively on tuition, financial aid, scholarships and the admissions process.

This Week From U.S. Catholic Magazine

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On the homepage and Our Faith:

Discovering The Anti-Racism Of Thomas Merton: The Monk Celebrated As A Contemplative Also Has Much To Teach About Our Profound Interconnectedness by Leslye Colvin



Vocation Question For The Week

Questions of justice

How can we share our gifts with others on their faith journey? How can this call others to do so and also encourage them to consider service to others in church ministry and religious life?

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“Strive to live content in the midst of those things that cause you discontent. Free your mind from all that troubles you, God will take care of things. You will be unable to make haste in this [choice] without, so to speak, grieving the heart of God, because he sees that you do not honor him sufficiently with holy trust. Trust in him, I beg you, and you will have the fulfillment of what your heart desires.”

St. Vincent de Paul, Letters
The Memorial Of St. Vincent de Paul
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