QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

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Office Hours Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Friday: 9:00 am to Noon

Website www.queenofangels.org

Holy Sacrifice of The Mass Saturday: 5:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily Mass Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

Rosary Monday-Friday: 7:30 am



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Exposition/Confession: 10:00 am. Mass 11:30 am

First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary: 8:30 am, Mass: 9:00 am

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion Wednesday: after 8:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration Friday: after 8:00 am Mass until 9:30 am

Confession Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 am, Saturday: 4:00 pm, or by appointment

Sacraments

Baptism, Holy Matrimony, & Funerals Contact Fr. David

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The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:

Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel. Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

If you're worried about an unplanned pregnancy, you may be experiencing a personal crisis full of concerns about your future. Pregnancy Care Clinic can assist you. www.unplannedparenthood.org, 619.442.4357

<u>Reporting Sexual Abuse</u> Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer can be made by calling Mary Acosta at the Child and Youth Protection Office, Victims Assistance Coordinator, at 858.490.8353.

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Kelly Barker Mike Gust Jim Hill Carmen Holt Jason Laccone Steve McMeeken Becky Rangel Steve Rodkey Joan Smith Kailyn & Charis Whaley Celeste Woestman

In Our Thoughts

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Darlene Ames at bulletin@queenofangels.org. **Deployed Military**

Meagan Abad, LT Matthew D. Fuller, PV2 William W. Fuller II, PFC Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt David J. McIntyre, PV2 Rebekah Meyer, BM2(sw) Jacob Tweed, HM3 Mattison Underhill, USN



If you have a friend or relative who is serving in our military and is deployed or will be deployed, please contact Darlene at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

Faith Formation Registration for the 2023-2024 Year is officially OPEN! You can find the link to the registration form on the parish website queenofangels.org. And remember, registration is FREE from now until the end of July, so sign up early and sign up now!

RCIA RCIA will begin in September for those adults RCIA interested in entering the Catholic Church or receiving their sacraments. Please check the parish website and click on the link for the RCIA inquiry form if you are interested in finding out more.



Women's Auxiliary Our July meeting will be on Wednesday, **July 26** at 5:30 PM in the parish hall. All woman of the parish are welcome to join. Mark your calendar and we look forward to seeing you there.

BIBLE Save the Date, Coming Bible Studies Starting September 12 Queen of Angels will be offering two Bible Studies; Jesus: The Way, the Truth and the Life in the morning, and Holy Is His Name in the evening. Look for more information in the coming weeks regarding purchasing your study guides and costs.

Holy Hearts Homeschool Co-Op Registration is now open for the 2023-24 school year. Visit homeschoollife.com/CA/holyhearts or you can email them at holyheartscoop@gmail.com to sign up, have any questions or for more information. Also, if you'd like to teach a class, or assist in any other way to support our ministry, please reach out by email. We are always in need of volunteers. We look forward to you joining us!

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH <u>MEMBERSHIP IN THE PARISH</u> All Catholic adults living in the parish and regularly participating in the Liturgy here are asked to register in the parish. Church attendance alone does not make you and your household registered members of our parish family. Registration is required for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and enrollment in our Religious

Education programs. To register, please contact Father David at 619-445-2145 during regular business.





MISSIONARY APPEAL Office for the Missions San Diego Diocese

The Catholic Eparchy (Diocese) of Keren is located in Eritrea, located on the Horn of Africa, has a population of about 3 million. The population of the area covered by the Diocese of Keren is about 450,000, of which about 12% are Catholic and 80% are Muslim.

The Diocese of Keren is located in an arid, rocky, rugged mountainous region ravaged with frequent droughts. As our people continue to struggle with difficulties that hamper development at every turn, the Catholic Church is a beacon of hope. For the Diocese of Keren to continue to carry its mission of spreading the Gospel, we ask for prayers and your generous financial support.

> Thank you for your prayers and generosity. God Bless You.



City of Keran

<u>Do You Hear</u> the Call to Serve?



Queen of Angels is always in need of Altar Servers, Communion Ministers, Lectors and Ushers. These volunteer positions are a vital and integral part of celebrating Mass and are not only necessary but rewarding as well.

If you hear the call to serve,

and want to consider helping with any of these positions please contact the parish office at 619.445.2145. We will work with your availability to serve at the Mass which you now attend.

Note: We specifically need volunteers for the 8AM Mass. If you can assist just only once a month it would be greatly appreciated.

A Summer Prayer

Father, Creator of all, thank you for summer! Thank you for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight. Thank you for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy your creation. Thank you for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

> Draw me closer to you this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of your presence and light my path with your Word and Counsel. As I enjoy your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for you.

> > Amen.

Author Unknown

What are the pastors residing in Germany called?

German Shepherds



Where is the first tennis match mentioned in the Bible?

When Joseph served in Pharaoh's court





Revival's in the Air '

EucharisticRevival.com (website) Eucharist.Formed.org (platform)

It was that point on the trip.

Everyone was exhausted, everyone was tired. How could there be anything else left to witness or receive? As part of the preparations for the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, the team was invited to meet with the Holy Father in Rome. We prayed at the tombs of martyrs, invoked the patronage of the saints, and received the Holy Father's Apostolic blessing for every single one of you. How could we ask for more?

Well, with God, there is always more!

At the end of our trip, we were introduced to the Swiss Guard. One man in particular stood out to my wife Rosemary and me. (I will call him Andrew.) He was 23 years old, spoke five languages, was an attorney, and had already served in the military in Switzerland.

The conversation went off with an easy start. We were enamored by his sweetness, intelligence, and humor. He went with us to Eucharistic adoration and knew all the prayers in English. It didn't take long for Rosemary and me to agree that he was a very attractive young man! As we spoke more with him, we learned about the entire process that one has to go through to become a Swiss Guard.

So we asked him, "Why did you do this?! Why did you become a Swiss Guard?"

He told us a story of being a kid and seeing Pope John Paul II speak. That experience impressed him so much, he shared, that he was moved to tears. And then when Pope John Paul II was shot, it all clicked. He understood that being a Swiss Guard was a very important job. What an honor it is to protect the Holy Father—to protect someone like Pope John Paul II!

But that wasn't all...

"Now, as I stand there day after day, protecting the Holy Father, so many thoughts and prayers go through my mind. While on duty, it particularly strikes me *how moving it is for so many people to see the Holy Father*. Some of these people have saved their entire lives for this one moment—the one moment they get to be in front of His Holiness. Some have used their life savings and traveled across the world to see him. And I don't take that lightly. I am protecting the Holy Father, but I am protecting the people, the Bride of Christ."

This rocked our world. Why, you may ask?

In this young man, I saw the richness of the Church. Andrew had his whole life in front of him, and yet he allowed his deep love and passion for Jesus and his Bride to dictate how he would live his life. He was willing to go all in for it. Willing to go "all in" for Jesus!

Friends, our Church is so rich and has so many different opportunities to serve, and this young man found a way to serve through protecting the Holy Father. He was willing to go all in, risking his personal safety along with other men to protect you and me and the Church... and our experience of Encounter with the Holy Father and Jesus.

What is worth protecting... the Church! Our Souls! The Eucharist! Do we really know the sacredness of the gift? Have you thought about going all in? What moments in our lives are we invited to go all in?

As we prepare for the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, where do you feel called? As a Swiss Guard, Andrew saw the value in people coming together as a Church. People from all over the world to be with the Holy Father! To pilgrimage. To journey. To encounter.

Though we are not going to be in Rome but in Indianapolis, maybe this Congress is a moment worth protecting—a moment for our American Church to "go all in." Some people may use their entire savings to get there or travel long distances, but this is the gift! We should be encouraging each other to be part of this pilgrimage right here in our country. What a moment to be together, to gather in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament as one beautiful Bride of Christ.

If you haven't gotten your passes today, I encourage you to do so as Rosemary and I can't wait to see you there!

In Christ, Cande de Leon Chief Advancement Officer

GOSPEL MEDITATION

July 16, 2023

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith. Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables. The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel: "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted" (Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a relationship, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religious-speak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed.

- Father John Muir

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week

July 23–29 has been designated as *National Natural Family Planning Awareness* week. This week highlights the anniversary of the papal encyclical Humanae Vitae (July 25) which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, conjugal love and responsible parenthood. The dates also mark the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the parents of the Blessed Mother.

NFP has often been called the "Church's best kept secret." There is a lot of misunderstanding about what NFP actually is, so this is a great time of year to learn more! There are some incredible resources out there that have been developed to 1) teach NFP to couples all stages of their relationship, 2) provide on-going to support to couples practicing NFP, and 3) assist parishes in building NFP ministries. For further information, contact nfp@usccb.org.



