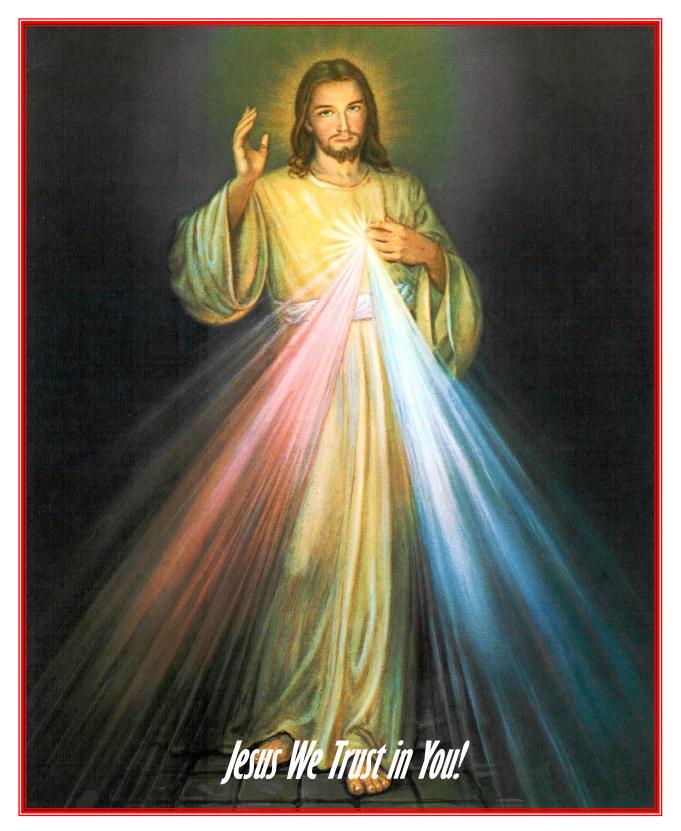


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April 21, 2019

Envelopes Used	137
Envelope Collections	\$ 7,770.00
Plate Collections	\$ 921.55
TOTAL	\$ 8,691.55

The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal "Responding to GOD'S Grace" Queen of Angels assessment for 2019 is \$32,000.

ACA includes support for the following ministries: Catholic Schools and Tuition Assistance, Formation in the Faith, Prison Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, Seminarian Support, Retired Priests and Catholic Charities.

Through your gift, we impact thousands of lives in our local Church community. Thank you for your support as we participate in living the Church's mission to be a witness of compassion and mercy to those in need.

GOAL: \$ 32,000.00 PLEDGED: \$ 27,166.00 BALANCE: \$ 4,834.00

GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 27-MAY 5, 2019

		DAT	E	TIME	INTENTION
		Saturday,	Apr 27	5:30 pm	[†] Joseph Ruskin Crosby
Sunday: Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Next Sunday:		Sunday,	Apr 28	8:00 am	For the People
	Jn 20:19-31	Sunday,	Apr 28	10:30 am	†Irma Valdez
	Jn 3:1-8	Monday,	Apr 29	8:00 am	Katie Larson
	Jn 3:7-15	Tuesday,	Apr 30	7:30 am	Rosary
	Jn 3:16-21	Wednesday,	May 1	8:00 am	Simon & Angie Hesse
	Jn 3:31-36	Thursday,	May 2	8:00 am	Carol & Bill Lovejoy
	Jn 14:6-14	Friday, Saturday,	May 3	11:30 am	Lisa Clark
	Jn 6:16-21		May 4	9:00 am	Pat Morris
	Jn 21:1-19	Saturday,	May 4	5:30 pm	†Joseph Ruskin Crosby
		Sunday,	May 5	8:00 am	†Christine Lauffer
		Sunday,	May 5	10:30 am	For the People

Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.

Amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, It shall be granted to them by my heavenly father. Matthew 18:19



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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.



Religious Education Schedule Following is the schedule for classes during the Easter holiday:

Pre K-5th Grade: **April 28: Classes resumes**

Jr/Sr High: **May 1: Classes resumes**

Bible Study

Bible Study It's not too late to join the Tuesday morning Bible Study; LECTIO; Peter on April 30, at 9:00 AM in the parish hall. Regis-

tration is free and a Study Guide is \$24.95 plus shipping. For more information or to register contact Katrina at katrina@queenofangels.org or call her at 619.445.2145.



Monthly Collection Tecate & ECPCC Please leave your donations after all the Masses next weekend, May 4-5, in the "TECATE TREASURE CHEST" directly behind the church, near the back door of the

multi-purpose room. Drive your car around to the back and it will be just a few steps away. You will be able to access the This event helps to build the Knights of Columbus Scholchest any day of the week. Just remember to close the lid when you are finished. PLEASE do not leave any clothing other than maternity and baby clothing for the ECPCC. Thanks for your support!

Columbus will award scholarships to practicing great opportunity to take advantage of this offer. Queen of Angels students again this year. Eligible high school seniors or current full-time college/trade-school students can apply for these awards to help fund tuition at an ac- teers for our upcoming Vacation Bible School schedcredited school for the Fall 2019 academic year. Applications uled in July. If the required volunteer spots aren't filled will be available online, and in the parish office. For more information contact any parish Knight.

First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus

10:30 am-11:15 am—Exposition/Adoration (Benediction to follow) 10:35 am-11:15 am—Confessions 11:30 am-Mass

First Saturday to Honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary

9:00am—Mass

Put This On Your Calendar On June 1, 2019, the 4th Annual International Dinner returns to Queen of Angels. arship Fund. More information to follow.

FYI The book, Anti-Mary Exposed: Rescuing the Culture from Toxic Femininity that Father Tim talked about in his homily a few week's ago is free to readers Scholarships Knights of Columbus Scholarship The Knights of with Amazon Prime and Kindle Unlimited. This is a

> Vacation Bible School We are still in need of volunby April 30, we cannot open VBS for registration.

Please call Katrina at 619.445.2145 to volunteer. THANK YOU!

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PASTOR'S PAGE

St. Thomas Aquinas on the Virtue of Mercy

By Dr. Robert Stackpole, STD (Nov 4, 2005)

St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) defined the virtue of "mercy" in his great *Summa Theologiae* (ST II-II.30.1) as "*the compassion in our hearts for another person's misery, a compassion which drives us to do what we can to help him.*" For St. Thomas this virtue has two aspects: "affective" mercy and "effective" mercy.

Affective Mercy is an emotion: the pity we feel for the plight of another. In this respect, St. Thomas says, human mercy is grounded in a "defect" in our nature: the defect of human vulnerability to suffering. We feel pity for those who suffer because we too are subject to such miseries. Thus, our affective sympathy for others arises from our capacity for empathy. St. Thomas notes: "Those who reckon themselves happy and so powerful that no ill may befall them are not so compassionate" (II-II.30.2). To some extent, however, the intensi-

ty of our affective mercy for the plight of another also depends upon how closely we are united to others in friendship (II-II.30.2): "The person who loves regards his friend as another self, and so he counts his friend's troubles as his own, and grieves over them as if they were his own." An affective bond, we might say, easily forms between friends, and this renders good friends all the more capable of sympathy for each other's plight.

Effective Mercy, on the other hand, is something that we do, a positive action for the good of another, taking steps to relieve the miseries or meet the needs of others. According to St. Thomas, the Latin word "*misericordia*" literally means "having a miserable heart"—both affectively and effectively—for another person's misery.

St. Thomas observes that there are three kinds of "misery" in this life. <u>First</u>, there is the suffering that goes against our natural appetite for existence and life, such as the misery of a sick man. <u>Secondly</u>, there is suffering that strikes us suddenly and unexpectedly, such as sufferings arising from accidents. The <u>third</u> kind of suffering, however, is the worst of all: suffering that strikes a person when he consistently pursues the good, yet he meets only overpowering evil. St. Thomas here has in mind those sufferings and misfortunes that strike those who in no way deserve them, the undeserved miseries of the innocent and the virtuous.

St. Thomas argues that the human virtue of mercy necessarily will be both affective and effective. However, to be the authentic virtue of "mercy," it must manifest two additional characteristics. <u>First</u>, it must be rooted in "right reason"—that is, in the truth about the sufferings of others, and what is in fact the objective "good" for the other whom we seek to help. <u>Secondly</u>, the virtue of mercy is proven in effective action for the good of others, as circumstances permit. *If we merely "sympathize" with the plight of another and "share their pain" without making the best of the opportunities we have to help them, then virtue of mercy does not abide in us in any significant degree.*

St. Thomas asks two related questions. <u>First</u>, is mercy the greatest of the human virtues? It certainly implies a measure of grandeur and nobility, insofar as effective mercy is the generous relief of the needs and miseries of others out of one's own abundance. We help others out of our store of wealth, or knowledge or skill or strength, when we see others in need of such help. In that sense, mercy is an act of condescension from one person who has a greater abundance of some good to another person lacking in some good. If the merciful person has a superior (that is, someone with an even greater abundance of goods to share) then his chief virtue will be what unites him with his superior. In the case of human beings, the virtue of "charity" is what unites him to God (since God is not in need of our mercy!): "Since man, therefore, has God above him, charity which unites him to God is greater than mercy, which relieves the wants of others" (II-II.30.4). On the other hand, when we consider which of the virtues should govern our relationships with other human beings, then it is clear that mercy directed to our neighbors in need is the supreme virtue in man (II-II.30.4).

<u>Secondly</u>, St. Thomas asks: Is mercy the greatest attribute of God? Since God is the absolute superior, the perfect and self-existent creator, St. Thomas says, He is never self-seeking, but acts only and always with selfless generosity, pouring out good gifts out of His abundance on his creatures. Showing mercy is therefore proper to God in a special way, for it manifests His infinite perfection, and His infinite abundance and generosity. St. Thomas writes (II-II.30.4): "If we consider a virtue in terms of its possessor, however, we can say that mercy is the greatest of the virtues only if its possessor is himself the greatest of all beings, with no one above him and everyone beneath him." This, of course, is properly true only of God Himself.

Thus, MERCY IS, in that sense, THE GREATEST ATTRIBUTE OF GOD!

This article from: <u>https://www.thedivinemercy.org/library/dm101.php</u> <u>https://www.thedivinemercy.org/news/department.php?PLID=75</u>

> Easter Blessings, Father Tim

Planned Parenthood Behind CA Rule Forcing Churches to Pay for Abortion

April 8, 2019 Commentary by Susan Brinkmann, OCDS

Attorneys have released a series of emails proving that Planned Parenthood played a pivotal role behind the drive to pressure the state of California to force religious employers to pay for elective abortions in their health insurance plans.

According to <u>Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF)</u> whose attorneys are representing the churches being pressured to provide this coverage, they discovered internal <u>emails</u> that reveal the pressure Planned Parenthood put upon officials at the California Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) to force churches to include abortion coverage in their health care plans regardless of their moral or conscientious objections.

The DMHC caved to these demands in 2014 and attorneys have been fighting it ever since.

"The government shouldn't be forcing churches to pay for abortion, and it is shameful and inappropriate that the government did so in this case at the bidding of Planned Parenthood," said ADF Legal Counsel Jeremiah Galus.

"The state has no business implementing Planned Parenthood's scheme to force religious groups to act contrary to their own pro-life beliefs under the threat of massive penalties if they don't comply."

Read Full Story at: womenofgrace.com

catholicnewsagency.com/news/planned-parenthood-directed-california-rule-to-make-churches-pay-forabortions-48379





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Saturday, 5/18/19 to Sunday, 5/19/19

St. Mary's Retreat House 130 E. 13th Avenue Escondido, CA

Start time each day: 9:00 a.m.

Cost: \$75.00 Includes meals, snacks and materials (Partial Scholarships Available)

Contact Leslie Brunolli or Patti Smith at rachelshope@outlook.com

Or you can call Leslie at 760-224-2361 or Patti at 760-305-8044

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