

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

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Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily Mass

8:00 am: M, W, Th, F

Holy Days

Please see The Messenger



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

**First Saturday to Honor
the Immaculate
Heart of Mary**
Mass 9:00 am

First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Adoration

10:30 am-11:15 am

(Benediction follows)

Confessions

10:35 am-11:15 am

Mass 11:30 am

Confession

Sat. 4:00 to 5:00 pm

or by appointment

Baptism

4th Sunday of the Month
Contact Fr. Timothy

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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.

Church is Handicapped Accessible

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

March 31, 2019

Envelopes Used	108
Envelope Collections	\$ 5,157.00
Plate Collections	\$ 719.84
TOTAL	\$ 5,876.84

*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: \$ 24,486.00 BALANCE: \$ 7,514.00

GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 6-14, 2019

		<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
Sunday:	<i>Jn 8:1-11</i>	Saturday, Apr 6	9:00 am	
Monday:	<i>Jn 8:12-20</i>	Saturday, Apr 6	5:30 pm	For the People
Tuesday:	<i>Jn 8:21-30</i>	Sunday, Apr 7	8:00 am	†Christine Lauffer
Wednesday:	<i>Jn 8:31-42</i>	Sunday, Apr 7	10:30 am	†Joseph Ruskin Crosby
Thursday:	<i>Jn 8:51-59</i>	Monday, Apr 8	8:00 am	Pete Verbos
Friday:	<i>Jn 10:31-42</i>	Tuesday, Apr 9	7:30 am	<i>Rosary</i>
Saturday:	<i>Jn 11:45-57</i>	Wednesday, Apr 10	8:00 am	
Next Sunday:	<i>Lk 23:1-49</i>	Thursday, Apr 11	8:00 am	Matthew Underhill
		Friday, Apr 12	8:00 am	Matthew Underhill
		Saturday, Apr 13	5:30 pm	Matthew Underhill
		Sunday, Apr 14	8:00 am	†Steven Whetstone
		Sunday, Apr 14	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



B W E N T M G Y E P R H
T E M S P E O P L E E O
A N N Y C M M U G R M U
U A E T O R W N N D A S
G M P B N M I D S T C E
H O H B R F N B T P G N
T W A E C O N D E M N O
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U I S E V I L O H C A E
A A E C E L P M E T L A
C G E L D N U O R G P R
V A S U S E J S A I D V

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ADULTERY	AGAIN	BEEN
BENT	BROUGHT	CAME
CAUGHT	CONDEMN	EACH
EARLY	FINGER	GROUND
HOUSE	JESUS	MIDST
MORNING	MOUNT	OLIVES
PEOPLE	PHARISEES	PLACING
SAID	SCRIBES	STONE
TAUGHT	TEACHER	TEMPLE
WENT	WOMAN	WROTE

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Monthly Collection Tecate & ECPCC Please leave your donations after all the Masses this weekend, **April 6-7**, 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 chest 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!



Special Evening Mass Please join us for Mass, hosted by the Knights of Columbus on **April 9**, at 6:15 pm. Father Gil will be presiding over this special Mass. All are welcomed!



Knights of Columbus There will be a Council meeting on Tuesday, **April 9**, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. All Knights are encouraged to attend.

SAVE THE
DATE!

Mark Your Calendar On **June 1, 2019**, the 4th Annual International Dinner returns to Queen of Angels. This event helps to build the Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund. More information to follow.



Stations of the Cross Every Friday in Lent

at 6:30 pm in the church
(April 12)

followed by a

Lenten Meal

at 7:00 pm in the hall
hosted by various parish families and communities.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Every Friday in Lent

following the
8:00 am morning Mass until 9:30 am.

Additional Opportunities for Reconciliation

Monday, April 15, 9:00 am-10:00 am
Wednesday, April 17, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm
Thursday, April 18, After Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday, April 19, 1:00 pm-2:00 pm and

Communal Penance Services in neighboring parishes (all at 7:00 pm):

Guardian Angels (Santee),
Tuesday, April 9

Santa Sophia (Spring Valley),
Wednesday, April 10

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, (Lakeside),
Monday, April 15

The *Little Black Books* and other Lenten Prayer materials are available at the entrance of church.

Friday are Days of Abstinence.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

Your Knights of Columbus will award scholarships to practicing Queen of Angels students again this year.

Over the past three years, \$16,000 has been awarded.

Eligible high school seniors or current full-time college/trade-school students can apply for these awards to help fund tuition at an accredited school for the Fall 2019 academic year.

Applications are available in the parish office **OR**
can be downloaded at queenofangels.org/ministries/community-ministries/knights-columbus.

For more information or if you wish to help us keep this program growing, please contact any parish Knight.



PASTOR'S PAGE

Women and Christianity: ever since the Samaritan Woman at the well

We all know of women's rights and the suffrage movement in the United States, names such as Abigail Adams, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Susan B. Anthony may come to mind. In more modern times, beginning in 1966, the National Organization of Women, founded by Betty Friedan, has rallied for more radical "freedoms" including abortion. This more modern wave of radical feminism has even included Christianity as being a threat to the rights of women. The N.O.W. hating The Church is not surprising, as Betty Friedman was an avowed communist subversive. But, does The Church hate women?¹ Looking at Christianity in relation to women may help us to dispel the myth of radical feminism against the faith itself. When we look at the history of Christianity, we see that **the Christian 'Catholic' Church has afforded more true rights to women than any other institution upon earth.**



Pre-historic times show little in the understanding of equality, for people did not think in those terms. As raw nature dictated, man was hunter-gatherer, and woman was domestic homebuilder. So our understanding begins with the *civitas*, or city, civilization proper. When man developed the ability to farm and domesticate animals, he acquired at the same time the ability to exercise religion more freely. Culture, as such, was born out of the 'cult', that is, the understanding of the worship of the divinity, through festivals, and holy days. Early paganism treated women as a whole as property of men. Hence the Roman custom of "*paterfamilias*" whereby the husband had control over the household even to the point of determining whether a new-born baby of his housewife was to be allowed to live. Thus from prehistoric, through pagan times, the welfare of women did not alter much. Change was to come about in Divine Revelation to the Jews.

In Sacred Scripture itself we see the first glimpse of equality between man and woman... "Then God said: '*Let Us make man in Our Image, after Our Likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea....*' God created man in His image; in the divine image He created him; male and female He created them [Gen 1:26]". Man and woman are created in the Image and Likeness of God. There is at one time equality of persons, however, with a distinction of position or place. Thus, although the man Adam is the head of the human race, his place of authority is *very* limited. The 'limited authority' follows upon the unique position of woman as being of man's very nature... The LORD God said: "*It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him.*" "The LORD God then built up into a woman the rib that he had taken from the man. When he brought her to the man, the man said: "*This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh...*" [Gen 2:18, 22.] St. Thomas Aquinas "believed that the fact that Eve was made from Adam's rib indicates that she was not above him (as she might be had she been created from Adam's head) nor below him, like a slave (as she might be had she arisen from his feet)".²

The woman is therefore not a thing that is created for the sake of man, like the animals and the earth itself, rather woman is "a suitable partner for him" with a status equal to man "*bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh...*". In this then we can see the origin of women in the Jewish faith as equal in dignity, and at one and the same time we see the origins of monogamy (a man and a woman were made for each other *naturally*), and following from this the anti-divorce law of the Ten Commandments [Ex 20:14], which was to the benefit of women. The Jews did have divorce however, "*because of the hardness of their hearts*" [Mt 19:8]. Thus the Jewish understanding of wife almost as property per the commandment to '*not covet your neighbor's oxen, donkey, or wife*' [Deut 5:21]. Christ's coming was to restore the original equality of man and woman as from the beginning in creation.

We can see that Our Lord Jesus Christ relates on a level of equality with women, for instance He has many woman disciples [Lk 8:1-3], and best, the Samaritan woman in the Gospel today [Jn 4:4ff]. Many of the earliest converts were women who provided for the Apostles, just as women had provided for Jesus. When the fullness of Divine Revelation comes in Christ, therefore, we see how Our Lord restores women to their original position. This was because the Jewish understanding on women and marriage had become corrupted by man's selfishness. Our Lord reveals the true nature of man, woman, and marriage, saying: "...*but from the beginning it was not so. I say to you, whoever divorces his wife (unless the marriage is unlawful) and marries another commits adultery*" [Mt 19:1-9]. Our Lord then adds the real reason for this, "*Therefore what God has joined together, no man must separate.*" By establishing one moral code obligatory on men and women alike, Christianity fostered a lasting commitment of unconditional covenantal love, protecting the family structure and putting the sexes on an equal footing. Because this is something that "*God has joined*" it is a source of grace, and hence a Sacrament; thus the reality is that *Christian marriage is no mere human contract*, but a covenant of love reflecting God's love for His People, The Church [Eph 5:32].

Regarding primitive Christianity: "*A remarkable accomplishment of the early Church was to gain wide acceptance of the ideal of permanent monogamy in cultures where polygamy was common and men were permitted by custom to put aside their wives. Later, despite pressures from princes and merchants, the Council of Trent stood firm*

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Against marriages arranged without the consent of the spouses. Later still, continental European policies protecting mothers and children were influenced heavily by Catholic social thought.”³

The early church teaching on equality and monogamy had great impact on the Romans and was one of the foundational manners in which Christians stood apart from their pagan counterparts. Indeed, “...one of the key areas in which Christians rejected the culture around them was marriage and the family. From the start, to be a Christian meant believing that sex and marriage were sacred. From the start, to be a Christian meant rejecting abortion, infanticide, birth control, divorce, homosexual activity and marital infidelity – all those things widely practiced by their Roman neighbors.”⁴ Hence, from the very start The Church was the defender of innocent human life and the dignity of each unit of society, esp. women, children, the poor, and the family. In point of fact...

The Church, throughout its long history, has been peopled with empowered women - military leaders, judges, managers of estates, and controllers of property - many of whom are now revered as saints...

Other striking examples of empowered women are the Anglo-Saxon, Celtic and Frankish abbesses of the early Middle Ages, who not infrequently ruled over double monasteries composed of both men and women. Examples of such women are . . . In the 11th century the brilliant Dr. Trotula de Ruggiero who held a chair as a professor of medicine at the University of Salerno. A few centuries later, St Catherine of Siena and St Rose of Viterbo played powerful and dramatic roles in the political life of their time.

In addition, the Church has had a long history of involvement with the education of women and girls. The monasteries of St Benedict and his sister, St Scholastica, preserved and promoted learning during the Dark Ages of Europe. There, at a time when the general population was illiterate, women in religion often learned to read. The monasteries sometimes produced great women scholars, such as the polymath Hildegard of Bingen, who was poet, scientist and musician, and the poet and mystic, Catherine of Bologna. At the time of the Renaissance, Angela Merici founded the Ursuline Order with the specific purpose of educating poor girls; since then, countless other women's orders have dedicated themselves to women's education.

Today there are more than 21.3 million women and girls being educated in Church-run institutions: 84,194 Catholic primary schools teach 11.5 million girls; 237,640 secondary schools teach 6.2 million girls; 3,163 Catholic colleges or universities currently have 1.2 million women students. The [Church] is firmly convinced that . . . the basis for a profound respect for every human person is linked to education.

The Church has also had a deep commitment to offering health care in many places of the world where no other institutions were or are available. Often these services have been directed toward women coming from poor families. Again, such assistance can be understood to be a fundamental contribution, since good health is an important element for the enjoyment of the human rights of all people.

The Church today supplies a worldwide network of 985 national Catholic organizations dedicated to the promotion and distribution of financial resources for social and spiritual development. It maintains 54,742 day-care centers caring for 2.3 million girls. The Church today also supports 100,231 health-care institutions worldwide, including hospitals, crisis pregnancy centers, shelters for battered women, leprosaria, nursing homes for the elderly, and centers for the assistance of the seriously disabled. St. Mother Teresa's 4,000 Missionaries of Charity alone maintain shelters for battered women, orphanages for girls and boys, and homes for destitute and dying women and men in 564 sites around the world.”⁵

We need to add something about the priesthood and women, the main point being that the most important calling in The Church is the call to God's grace. It is therefore an issue, not of place (office, position) but of grace (holiness of life, response to Love). The priesthood is not a job, but a calling from God; it is not about power, but service. If there are too many popes, bishops, priests, and deacons who do not understand this it is *their problem*, not The Church's. The Church is abundantly clear about the predominant place of grace and holiness in our vocation to God.

Decades ago, when her proto-feminist friend railed against the Church's shortcomings, Flannery O'Connor replied, "what you actually seem to demand is that the Church put the kingdom of heaven on earth, right here, right now." She continued “. . . Christ never said that The Church would be operated in a sinless or intelligent way, but that It would not teach error. This does not mean that each and every priest won't teach error, but that the whole Church speaking through the Pope will not teach errors in matters of faith. The Church is founded on Peter who denied Christ three times and couldn't walk on the water by himself. You are expecting his successors to walk on the water.”⁶

Regarding the greatness of women in the Church it should say something that the greatest human person held up by The Church is a woman, the Mother of Jesus. Given that The Church would just as soon canonize or declare a Doctor of The Church either a woman or a man, we can safely say there is equality. Unity does not demand uniformity; neither does equality.

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The modern wave of radical feminism sees Christianity as a threat to the rights of women because it doesn't see things rightly. Radical feminism was born out of the sexual revolution of the 1960's and '70's. It's fundamental position is to take all the worst traits of men: infidelity, neglect or outright abandonment of spouse and children, lust for power, greed, envy, jealousy, and sexual free-license, and say that women can do these just as well as men. Radical feminism has done more to hurt women than any other ideology known to society. It has driven divorce, contraception, pornography, infanticide, and other deplorable things to the forefront of their "freedoms", all the while demanding the souls of those who embrace radical feminist ideology. The sexual/contraceptive mentality, which is seen as key to women's freedoms, is in fact its ball and chain. Archbishop Chaput of Philadelphia was correct when he wrote that, rather than freeing women, "*Contraception has released males - to a historically unprecedented degree - from responsibility for their sexual aggression.*"⁷ We should all pray that The Church may have more influence over girls and women so as to foster faith, family, and true equality; and that radical feminism becomes extinct.

- 1) *Does the Catholic Church Hate Women?* by Christopher Kaczor <http://www.catholic.com/magazine/articles/does-the-catholic-church-hate-women>
- 2) *Betty Friedan's Secret Communist Past* <http://www.writing.upenn.edu/~afilreis/50s/friedan-per-horowitz.html> See also, *Feminism's Dirty Secret* <http://jewishworldreview.com/cols/horowitz061200.asp>
- 3) *The Pope's New Feminism* by Mary Ann Glendon <https://www.catholiceducation.org/en/controversy/common-misconceptions/the-pope-s-new-feminism.html>
- 4) *"Church and State Today: What Belongs to Caesar, and What Doesn't."* Address by Archbishop Charles Chaput Oct. 26, 2007 at St. John's University School of Law in Queens, New York. Zenit.org <https://www.ewtn.com/library/BISHOPS/zchapcitizevan.htm>
- 5) *On the Status of Women*, Dr Suzanne Scorsone, L'Osservatore Romano, Weekly English Ed, [v31, n17 (1539), 29] April 1998.
- 6) *The Pope's New Feminism* by Mary Ann Glendon, op cit.
- 7) *Pope Paul VI's Warning of a 'Contraceptive Culture' was Correct*, 07/26/2008 by John Jalsevac

<https://www.catholic.org/news/national/story.php?id=28718>

Lenten Blessings,
Father Tim



If you would like to donate a lily for Easter in memory of a family member or a friend, please complete the following form and return it to the parish office or put it in the collection basket. All donations will be used for lilies and other flowers and decorations for the church during Easter and the Easter Season. (Please use one form per donation.) The suggested donation for each intention is \$15.00.

In memory of:

Donated by:



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YOU ARE INVITED TO:

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Honoring Queen of Angels Parish Widows

**SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019;
AFTER BOTH MASSES**

Purchase your Tickets after all Masses starting this weekend,
April 6-7, 2019.

Adults: \$7.00

Children, Under 10 years old: \$5.00

Menu

Waffles w/Fruit Toppings & Whipped Cream

Scrambled Eggs

Sausage Links

Coffee & Juice

