

THE MESSENGER

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

> <u>Daily Mass</u> 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

<u>Confession</u>

Sat. 4:00 to 5:00 pm or by appointment

<u>Baptism</u> 4th Sunday of the Month Contact Fr. Timothy

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<u>The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:</u> 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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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



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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

March 17, 2019

Envelopes Used	105
Envelope Collections	\$ 4,831.00
Plate Collections	\$ 457.53
TOTAL	\$ 5,288.53

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: \$ 20,806.00 BALANCE: \$ 11,194.00

GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS MARCH 23-31, 2019

		DAT	E	TIME	INTENTION
		Saturday,	Mar 23	5:30 pm	†Mary Galt
		Sunday,	Mar 24	8:00 am	†Steven Whetstine
Sunday:	Lk 13:1-9	Sunday,	Mar 24	10:30 am	For the People
Monday:	Lk 1:26-38	Monday,	Mar 25	8:00 am	Jack Welch
Tuesday:	Mt 18:21-35	Tuesday,	Mar 26	7:30 am	Rosary
Wednesday:	Mt 5:17-19	Wednesday,	Mar 27	8:00 am	†Pat Bush
Thursday:	Lk 11:14-23	Thursday,	Mar 28	8:00 am	John Hackett
Friday:	Mk 12:28-34	Friday,	Mar 29	8:00 am	Alison Cope
Saturday:	Lk 18:9-14	Saturday,	Mar 30	5:30 pm	For the People
Next Sunday:	Lk 15:1-3, 11-32	Sunday,	Mar 31	8:00 am	Bernadette Mills
		Sunday,	Mar 31	10:30 am	†Steven Whetstine

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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Annual Lenten Collection Next weekend, March 30 -31, has been designated for the 2019 Annual Lenten Collection. Special envelopes are available for the

collection which supports the works of Catholic Relief Services, the Church in Africa and the Church in Latin America (which includes the Dioceses of Tijuana and Mexicali). You may designate your contribution to the causes listed on the collection envelope.



St. Vincent de Paul Village Come show God's love by sharing your love while assisting serving meals at St. Vincent de Paul Village on Saturday, **March 30** from 10AM-2PM. All parishioners from highschoolv adults and the not so young adults are welcome to

ers, young adults and the not so young adults are welcome to share in this incredible opportunity. If interested please look for the signup sheet at the main entrance to the church. Come help make this a positive experience for these special people. Meet in the parking lot at 9:00 am and we will return by 2:00 pm.

40 Days For Life "Everyday in the United States 3,000 innocent unborn human babies are viciously and intentionally killed by abortion." If we wish this to stop we must pray & fast, keep constant vigil, and do community outreach. We address those three components, through the 40 Days for Life "Pray to End Abortion" Prayer Campaign. Please join - babies lives and their mothers depend on us. You're invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day period in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 1685 E. Main Street in El Cajon. Queen of Angels' assigned day is Tuesdays from 7am- 7pm. I encourage all to attend! For more information contact fellow parishioner, Daphne Brown at 619.887.7742 or Ruben Serrano at 619.395.5866. Additional information can be found by visiting 40daysforlife.com/elcajon.



<u>Solidarity on Tap</u> A Jesuit, interfaith, intergenerational gathering for socializing and social justice, will present "No One Stands Alone: Responding To and Standing With Immigrants in San Diego" by

Kevin Malone, Exec. Dir. of the San Diego Organizing Project. Please join in on Wednesday, **March 27**, 7-9 PM, at Green Flash Brewing Co., 6550 Mira Mesa Blvd., San Diego, CA. Please RSVP at bit.ly/solidaritytap or call 619.368.9412 for more information. All are welcome! Stations of the Cross Every Friday in Lent at 6:30 pm in the church (March 29, April 5 & 12)

followed by a <u>Lenten Meal</u> 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. First Friday Devotions-April 5 at 10:30 am.

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Saturday, April 6, Rosary at 8:30 am, Mass at 9:00 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

Monday, April 15, 7:00 pm, At Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Lakeside

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

These things happened to them as an example, and they have been written down as a warning to us, upon whom the end of the ages has come.

Therefore, whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall. I Corinthians 10:11

WE probably all remember from high school physics the relationship between force and motion expressed by Sir Isaac Newton (1642–1727) in his <u>three laws of natural motion</u>:

(1) a body at rest tends to remain at rest, or a body in motion tends to remain in motion at a constant speed in a straight line, *unless acted on by an outside force*;

(2) the acceleration (*A*) of a mass (*M*) by a force (*F*) is directly proportional to the force and inversely proportional to the mass, or A = F/M; Force = mass times acceleration. Acceleration times mass equals force (A x's M = F).

(3) for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction.

These natural laws are valid in physics; our business here however, is not so much physical as it should be spiritual. To this, we can add <u>the first law of theological or 'supernatural motion</u>': "The human person is not an 'actor' as much as he is a 'reactor". Or simply, "God *always* takes the initiative in motion, in both creation and redemption: man merely responds". This first law of supernatural motion means that *our* motions/responses have eternal consequences, because they relate to God, Who is The One and Only Eternal Being. We would all like to think of ourselves as prime movers, that is, as people who motivate themselves, move themselves. We know that to be a winner – the most highly valued attribute by our secular society – is considered a mark of excellence, something that *we think* puts us above others. So, humanly speaking, we all want to be winners and leaders, not followers. This is on the raw natural level of Darwin's survival of the fittest. This is <u>not</u> however, our proper relationship with God; in relation to God, Who takes the initiative, we are all followers.

In the Gospel [Lk 13:1-9] The Church places before us this Third Sunday of Lent we see that God calls us to conversion, not so much out of a servile fear of punishment, but more so out of a filial fear of love of Our Father. The simile of the fig tree is meant to make us see that God is very patient with us; He provides the proper means (in abundance), to bear fruit. We should respond in thankfulness for His mercy and do better through penance.

God makes His name known to Moses as "*I AM*" [YaHWeH], as the Eternal Present, as that which is Pure Act with no potential, no motion, no coming-to-be. The truth is we are more "re-actors" than "actors", that is, *in relation to God we do* <u>not</u> take the initiative, rather we respond to God's action upon us. So our primary position in life is relational, not 'moving' by our own, as much as 'being moved' by Another (God). Perhaps this is the reason why God refers to Himself in Divine Revelation as "Shepherd" and His People as "sheep". Now, what is most necessary to a 'responder' is that one is disposed well toward the action of the Prime Actor. And so God, as the Prime Mover, is trying to dispose us toward His further action upon us, to move us *inwardly* to will what He Wills. God actually *draws us* (seduces) into the right place (disposition) to receive His grace. We see this in the first reading from Exodus [3:1-8, 13-15].

Moses *responds* to the burning bush, God set the fire. In this Moses is 'trapped' by God who lured Moses in, just as a moth to the flame. God's 'trap' is something that Jeremiah the Prophet also later falls into, whereby Jeremiah exclaims: "*You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped…*" [Jer 20:7]. God moves us first by some good that we wish to obtain. Only later does He fully reveal the true Good as Himself, to Whom we are drawn and disposed naturally *and super-naturally* to receive. For in Him we live, and move, and have our very *being* [Acts 17:28].

In the Gospel of St. Luke, we see that Our Lord reveals to us the exact nature of what our response to God should be. In The Parable of The Fig Tree we see first of all, that the fig tree is planted in the garden (orchard). This is a simile of Adam and Eve's creation in the Garden of Paradise (*paradeisos*, Gk 'garden'). God's first "action" is creation in goodness. Next we see that the tree fails to be fruitful. This is a simile of the Fall of Adam and Eve who, like the fig tree, failed to respond (be fruitful) to the Creator's initial action of good Will (creation from nothing). We see too that when the owner of the orchard decides to cut down the fig tree because it fails to bear fruit, this is a likeness to God's banishment of Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden. And finally, like the owner of the orchard who decides that the fig tree should be allowed to live and be given extra water, fertilizer, and cultivation; so God decides to allow mankind to live and receive the help *above and beyond* His initial blessing of creation from nothing. This 'help' is the surpassing grace of Christ [II Corinthians 3:10; 9:14; Philip 3:8] which nourishes, sustains, and gently cares for us, so that we can bear fruit abundantly. Hence, God takes the initiative, not only through creating mankind from nothing (ex nihilo), but by even going beyond that initial creation to "re-create" [Eph 4:22] man by restoring the likeness of sanctifying grace within him.

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Man's response to this abundant generosity from God is supposed to be reception of this grace *in gratitude*, *through* <u>repentance</u> from sins (becoming fruitful). So in the end we see that God is not so much punishing mankind – as Jesus Himself says in the Gospel. Remember "...the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices . . . or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them"? They did not die because of their sins; there 'time' was simply up. Jesus is saying, "Use your time wisely". Therefore, Our Merciful Father is calling us all back to Himself, luring us, baiting us, following after us, calling out to us with His gentle goodness so that we will "produce fruit… and yield some thirty, some sixty, and some a hundredfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear" [Mt 13:8 Mk 4:8].

Blessings,

Father Tim



SHRIVE was often used for laying down directions or rules in writing, 8th-century Old English speakers used their form of the term, *scrīfan*, to mean "to prescribe or impose." The Church adopted *scrīfan* to refer to the act of assigning penance to sinners and, later, to hearing confession and administering absolution.



Voices for Children

Is a local nonprofit organization that strives to positively impact the lives of San Diego and Riverside Counties' foster youth through appointing a caring and supportive Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) to their cases. The children we serve have been removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment. Many feel very much alone—until they meet their CASA. A CASA is often the only consistent adult presence in a foster child's life—the one person a child can truly count on who is not paid to oversee their welfare.

For more information, or to become a CASA member visit <u>https://www.speakupnow.org/volunteer-2/what-is-a-casa/</u>





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Va. Public School Indoctrinates 5-Year-Olds in Transgenderism Without Telling Parents

March 17, 2019

(Story Excerpt: thefederalist.com/2019/03/18/va-public-school-indoctrinates-5-year-olds-transgenderism-without-telling-parents)

In Arlington County, Virginia, not even kindergarteners are exempt from pro-transgender messaging. So reports The Washington Post, which, earlier this month, featured an article about Ashlawn Elementary School, which honored National "Read Across America Day" by hosting a transgender spokesperson for the Human Rights Campaign (HRC). The spokesperson read a story about a transgender child for a room full of kindergarten children.

"Dozens of kindergarten students" sat cross-legged in homosexual activist teacher Jaim Foster's classroom at Ashlawn Elementary School on February 28 while HRC representative and "transgender rights advocate" Sarah McBride read them a picture book about a transgender girl. The book was "I Am Jazz" by Jazz Jennings, who talked about being a transgender teen on a TLC show. Also in attendance was Lily Eskelsen García, president of the National Education Association (NEA), an organization that welcomed LGBT groups to serve as official sponsors of this year's national reading event.

The Arlington school district claimed that "parents were notified by a letter ahead of time and were allowed to opt out of they chose." However, this record of events is not accurate. A copy of the February 22 letter provided to the Family Foundation of Virginia under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act shows absolutely no offer for parents to pull their kids out of the activity.

Moreover, although the letter notes that a book written by a transgender person would be read to the class, it does not explicitly say that kindergarteners will be told they may have a "girl brain but a boy body" or a boy brain and a girl body, as the book claims. Nor does it say that the kids would be read to by a cross-dressing man who calls himself "Sarah." Rather, it says only that "there will be discussion around the big ideas of the books which are we want to accept and welcome all people."

Children and parents are not being told the whole truth regarding transgenderism, either. Former transgender person Walt Heyer has noted: "Parents need to know that up to 94 percent of school-age kids who identify as transgender will grow out of their desire to change genders as adults." Moreover, data show that kids' lives are put at risk when schools encourage them to identify themselves as gay or transgender at an early age. Heyer observes: "For each year children delay labeling themselves as LGBT, their suicide risk is reduced by 20 percent."

Moreover, as the noted Dr. Leonard Sax has discussed, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) is officially recommending that the wishes of young children, including kindergarteners, be prioritized if they claim to reject their biological sex, including with "cross-sex hormones, castration, and infertility." So public schools that teach transgender ideology to kindergarteners may be setting up their families for a medical hijacking if their confused child discusses the topic with the family pediatrician.

This Is Coming to a Community Like Yours

Trends suggest that no part of America will be left untouched by this ideological campaign. As sociologist Mark Regnerus recently noted, self-identified transgender Americans once comprised around 0.3 percent of the population as recently as 2011. That doubled by 2016. A new study, relying on a statewide survey in Minnesota, revealed that 3 percent of adolescents now identify as transgender.

"The rapid onset of gender dysphoria among adolescents is odd," observes Regnerus (to say the least). Meanwhile sociologists like Regnerus who make note of these bizarre, rapid social transformations are persecuted by the academy for exposing the connection between aggressive LGBTQ propaganda and rising rates of adolescent transgenderism.

Read Full Story at:

thefederalist.com/2019/03/18/va-public-school-indoctrinates-5-year-olds-transgenderism-without-telling-parents



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