# QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

## THE MESSENGER

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### Website

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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**

4<sup>th</sup> 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.

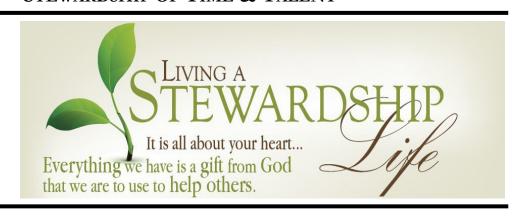
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### STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

### August 25, 2019

Envelopes Used 98
Envelope Collections \$ 4,893.00
Plate Collections \$ 578.50
TOTAL \$ 5,471.50



### GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

		DAT	<u>E</u>	<b>TIME</b>	<u>INTENTION</u>
		Saturday,	Aug 31	5:30 pm	†Bill Lakin
		Sunday,	Sep 1	8:00 am	For the People
Sunday:	Lk 14:1, 7-14	Sunday,	Sep 1	10:30 am	†Grace Frasco
Monday:	Lk 4:16-30	Monday,	Sep 2	9:00 am	
Tuesday:	Lk 4:31-37	Tuesday,	Sep 3	7:30 am	Rosary
Wednesday:	Lk 4:38-44	Wednesday,	Sep 4	8:00 am	Hal Andreoli
Thursday:	Lk 5:1-11	Thursday,	Sep 5	8:00 am	Jon Kramer
Friday:	Lk 5:33-39	Friday,	Sep 6	11:30 am	Robin Addonizio
Saturday:	Lk 6:1-5	Saturday,	Sep 7	9:00 am	
Next Sunday:	Lk 14:25-33	Saturday,	Sep 7	5:30 pm	Rev. Gilbert Gentile, SJ
		Sunday,	Sep 8	8:00 am	For the People
		Sunday,	Sep 8	10:30 am	Sheila Wing



### 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



### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIMES

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS



Friendly Reminder: In observance of Labor Day, the parish office will be closed on Monday, September 2. It will re-open at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, September 3.

Labor Day Mass Please join us for this special Mass Monday, September 2, at 9:00 AM to express our gratitude to Almighty God and to honor the American labor movement and the contributions that workers have made to the strength, prosperity, laws and well-being of our country.

**Bunco** Come join us in the parish hall this Tuesday evening, **September 3**, at 6:30 PM for some fun and laughs. Even if you've never played the game before why not give it a try and join in. We are a fun and entertaining group!

Monthly Tecate & ECPCC Collection Please leave your donations after all the Masses next weekend, September 7-8, 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. Please remember to close the lid when you are finished, and **PLEASE** only leave maternity and baby clothing for the ECPCC. Thank you for your support!

Religious Education REMINDER: Religious Education classes will start Sunday, September 8 at 9:15 AM for Preschool through Journey. If your haven't already registered your child/children there still is time to do so. You will find a link to register on the homepage at queenofangels.org. For more information contact Katrina at 619.445.2145, or email her at katrina@queenofangels.org.

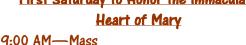
Confirmation Religious Education-2nd Year Confirmation Will begin Sunday, September 8 at 6:00 PM. If you haven't already registered your teen, there is an easy online registration form on the homepage at queenofangels.org. For more information please contact Katrina at 619.445.2145, or email her at katrina@queenofangels.org.

Knights of Columbus 2nd Annual Cornhole Tournament SAVE THE DATE!! Queen of Angels K of C Council #10118 proudly presents their 2nd Annual Cornhole Tournament on Saturday, October 19. Join in the fun with fellow parishioners and support K of C Charites as well. Mark your calendars now! More information to follow shortly.

#### 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











### OCTOBER 6, 2019

### IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN, OUR ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC IS COMING TO A PARK NEAR YOU!

Even if you can't assist in the planning of this event there are still MANY ways you can be involved to make it successful.

### **HOW YOU MAY ASK??**

#### **DONATE**

- Raffle Items: Filled Baskets, new items to make Baskets or Gift Cards or Services
- **\$\$\$\$** (Cash is always King!)
- 12 packs of Soda & or Bite Size Dessert Items (desserts delivered day of the picnic).
- **Volunteer Time/Manpower:** The day of the picnic to assist with games, set-up, sell raffle tickets, cook & serve food, or clean-up.

Remember, this picnic is for YOU, the parishioners, and like any successful event volunteers are essential.

**Strength in Numbers is a GREAT THING!** 

For more information contact Terry Ames, Picnic Coordinator at 619.445.4729 or amesinc@cox.net if you have any questions.

### **OUR LADY OF LIGHT** 82ND ANNUAL DEEP PIT



Sunday, September 1, from 11:00 AM-5:00 PM

Free Admission\* Parking Shuttle\* Grand Prize Drawing-\$1,000

Raffles, Booths, Soda, Beer, Live Western Band, Dancing & their Famous Deep Pit BBQ Feast!

### **PASTOR'S PAGE**

### The Christian Virtue of Humility is the Key that Unlocks The Door to Christian Charity

In last Sunday's Gospel [Lk 13:22-30] Our Lord spoke to us of entering into the Kingdom of God as through a 'narrow gate', and that some who are last now will then be first. Of course, the greatest Theological Virtue [I Cor 13:13] of Charity (Love) is that by which we are made 'loveable' in the eyes of God, and go from being last in this world, to being first in the Kingdom of God. This Sunday Our Lord tells us about the key to Charity, which is humility. Thus, our Lord's words "...the one who humbles himself will be exalted." i.e. spiritually exalted. The Catechism of The Catholic Church defines this Divine Love [1822]: "Charity is the theological virtue by which we love God above all things for His own sake, and our neighbor as ourselves for the love of God". Charity is the Greatest Commandment [Mt 22:36]. However, we can see that no one is able to possess charity unless they are humble, for it is only then, as a consequence, that we "...will be exalted". This is why humility is so important as the foundation of charity in our hearts; without humility, there is no true charity, and we are not pleasing unto the Lord. But there is a natural problem that arises here



It is simply that to be exalted is a natural human inclination. We want to increase our powers, not reduce them. If exaltation is natural: it is good *per se*. Think about it. Do we ever tell our children to "go out there and play really poor in your sports teams that will show that you are humble?" Do we hire coaches to <u>dis</u>courage our kids so that they will be humble? Do we ever watch competitive sports with the hope that our team will lose so that we can be more humble as a division, a region, or a State? In which case we would have to watch more football to become more humble! How can we be truly humble in such a competitive world of sports, economics, and the work place? It would be downright unnatural! This would be really absurd, and yet Jesus tells us to be humble and take the lower place so as to be exalted. What gives? How are we to understand this?

The answer lies in understanding what *true humility* means. Being a humble person does not mean being in the dirt, abasing oneself so that we never reach beyond a lowly level. No. The truth is God wants us to excel [Gen 1:28], to become everything that we are capable of being as a human being. This is the very notion of Christian perfection, "*Be ye perfected as your heavenly Father is Perfect*" [Mt 5:48]. Think of the lesson of the Parable of The Talents [Mt 25:14]; that we need to expand our talents – even at the risk of losing them; that the servant who buried his talent was not called humble, but lazy and worthless! Real, true, humility is tied to truthfulness, just as all the moral virtues are tied to reason (rationality) as the guide or mean to measure the action of any given moral virtue. So we now necessarily ask, what *is* true humility?

True humility is not by any means denying our talents. It also should not mean that we are afraid of expanding our talents. What real humility means is that we operate by the truth of who we really are; that we see ourselves for who we really are, nothing more, but also nothing less. Low self-esteem is not humility, as neither is depression, nor laziness in seeking the full-ness of our powers as a human being. If I know that I can achieve something good by my abilities, then, God willing, I should seek to do so. In fact, it may very well be demanded of me. If, on the other hand, I really know my true limitations then I should refrain from seeking that which is beyond my abilities. Herein lies the important adage to "Know Thyself", so that we can present our true self to others, neither going beyond our abilities, nor denying them either. This is true humility.

The 1959 movie "The Nun's Story", starring Audrey Hepburn, shows us an example of false humility. In the story a young nun is asked by her superior to purposely fail a test in order to show humility. Now, I would not say that this type of thing never has happened in religious life, because I have personally met many kooky religious who not were trained well in either theology or spirituality; however, such a thing as this should *never* happen because it holds a person back from excelling in their talents and virtues. In point of fact, this would actually be a sin of a greater magnitude than cheating! The real aspect of humility comes in for the nun when, having excelled in every way possible, she nevertheless accepts the assignment that is given her by the proper authority. Hence a false humility can lead in two extreme directions, that of exalting ourselves when we shouldn't (excess); or too, as in The Nun's Story demeaning ourselves when we shouldn't (deficiency of the truth).

Finally, why does God ask true humility of us? Because, while humanity seeks exaltation by nature, we must never forget that our nature is in a fallen state (Original Sin). We would therefore – by nature – only seek for our own self, like animals at a feeding frenzy or chickens in a pecking order. We have undoubtably heard the adage "It's a Dog Eat Dog World". This is what the world would look like without Christian Faith and Virtue. True humility acts as a virtue of restraint for the arrogant; but also as a virtue of encouragement for the timid, that they truthfully use the talents given them. True humility holds us back from becoming inhumane to one another. It reminds us that there is a greater good, The Common Good of society, that needs to be served; that the needs of the many out-weigh the needs of the few, or the one.

In exercising the virtue of humility in Christian Faith the human person reminds himself of who he really is. That the truth is, that having a fallen human nature, we will always be tempted to a false humility; at one extreme to place ourselves first, always thinking more of ourselves than what we really are; or, at the other extreme, to demean ourselves to be less than what we truly are, not utilizing the talents that we have been gifted with by God. There are the few exceptions to the rule – children who were never affirmed in life, those who are medically depressed and have low self-esteem; these need to be affirmed and encouraged to excel *in a uniquely special way*. But, for the most part and as a general rule, we need humility to restrain our

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pride as the foundation for Christian Charity, so that living humbly as 'who we truly are', we can come to accept the truth of 'He Who really IS', The Lord, I AM, YaHWeH, Jesus Christ, Who leads us to all truth, happiness, and the greatest exaltation which surpasses the human imagination [I Cor 2:9]: being united to God Himself in The Kingdom of Heaven [II Peter 1:4].

Now Moses was very humble, more than all men on the face of the earth.

(Therefore God said,) with My servant Moses; he is entrusted with all My house.

With him I speak face to face, clearly, and not in dark speech; and he beholds the form of The LORD.

Numbers 12:3, 7-8

Summer Blessings,

Father Tim

#### Gilroy, El Paso, Dayton — and Columbine

by Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, Philadelphia, Aug. 5, 2019 catholicphilly.com/2019/08/archbishop-chaput-column/gilroy-el-paso-dayton-and-columbine

Exactly 20 years ago, in a U.S. Senate testimony just weeks after the Columbine High School massacre, I offered these thoughts:

The real problem [of Columbine-like violence in our culture] is in here, in us ... In the last four decades we've created a culture that markets violence in dozens of different ways, seven days a week. It's part of our social fabric. When we build our advertising campaigns on consumer selfishness and greed, and when money becomes the universal measure of value, how can we be surprise when our sense of community erodes? When we glorify and multiply guns, why are we shocked when kids use them?

When we answer murder with more violence in the death penalty, we put the state's seal of approval on revenge. When the most dangerous place in the country is a mother's womb and the unborn child can have his or her head crushed in an abortion, even in the process of being born, the body language of that message is that life isn't sacred and may not be worth much at all. In fact, certain kinds of killing no longer even count officially as "killing." Certain kinds of killing we enshrine as rights and protect by law. When we live this kind of contradiction, why are we surprised at the results?

The Columbine murders will mark my [Denver] community for years to come. They're a wound felt by the entire country — but I don't think they'll be the last. We live in the most violent century in history. Nothing makes us immune from that violence except a relentless commitment to respect the sanctity of each human life, from womb to natural death. The civility and community we've built in this country are fragile. We're losing them. In examining how and why our culture markets violence, I ask you not to stop with the symptoms. Look deeper. The families in Littleton and throughout the country deserve at least that much.

In separate incidents over the past two weeks, gunmen have killed three persons and wounded 13 others in Gilroy, CA; killed at least 20 and wounded 26 others in El Paso TX; and killed at least nine and wounded 27 others in Dayton, OH. These are just the latest in a long pattern of mass shootings; shootings that have blood-stained the past two decades with no end in sight.

Now begins the usual aftermath: expressions of shock; hand-wringing about senseless (or racist, or religious, or political) violence; bitter arguments about gun control; heated editorials, earnest (but brief) self-searching of the national soul, and eventually — we're on to the next crisis. I buried some of the young Columbine victims 20 years ago. I sat with their families, watched them weep, listened to their anger, and saw the human wreckage that gun violence leaves behind. The experience taught me that assault rifles are not a birthright, and the Second Amendment is not a Golden Calf. I support thorough background checks and more restrictive access to guns for anyone seeking to purchase them.

But it also taught me that only a fool can believe that "gun control" will solve the problem of mass violence. The people *using* the guns in these loathsome incidents are moral agents with twisted hearts. And the twisting is done by the culture of sexual anarchy, personal excess, political hatreds, intellectual dishonesty, and perverted freedoms that we've systematically created over the past half-century.

So I'll say it again, 20 years later. Treating the symptoms in a culture of violence doesn't work. We need to look deeper. Until we're willing to do that, nothing fundamental will change.