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

August 2, 2020

Envelopes Used 48
Envelope Collections \$ 6,145.00

Plate Collections \$ 384.00

TOTAL \$ 6,532.00



GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS AUGUST 8-16, 2020

DATE

INTENTION

Sunday: Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Next Sunday:	Mt 14:22-33 Jn 12:24-26 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 Mt 18:15-20 Mt 18:2119:1 Mt 19:3-12 Lk 1:39-56 Mt 15:21-28	Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday,	Aug 8 Aug 9 Aug 10 Aug 11 Aug 12 Aug 13 Aug 14 Aug 15 Aug 16	†Pat Callahan For the People †Mary Plotnik Rosary †Harold Bispham †Rita Plotnik †Harold & Marie Bispham For the People †Marie Bispham
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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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Word Search Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Weekday Church Visitation Hours With the ever Online Giving If you are not already changing guidelines set forth by our Governor during this signed up for the automatic deduction of Online Giving Covid-19 pandemic, as of now the Church will be open your weekly parish contributions, now is for personal prayer and visitation as follows:

> Weekdays - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm **Saturday** - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Please remember to follow the San Diego County guidelines when visiting church such as wearing masks and social distancing. Thank you.

Mass Streaming Online Mass can be viewed online at the diocesan website at sdcatholic.org.



the perfect time to do so. To register for online giving, simply go to www.queenofangels.org. From the homepage scroll to the "Donate Securely Online" section located near the bottom of the page. It's as easy as that! If you have any questions, or need more information please leave a message at the parish office at 619.445.2145 and Dorie or Sandy will promptly return your call.



The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal "Gratitude in Action" continues. Queen of Angels assessment for 2020 is \$30,000.

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: \$30,000.00 PLEDGED: \$19,760.00 BALANCE: \$10,240.00







PASTOR'S PAGE

...When Peter Saw How Strong the Wind was He Became Frightened; and Began to Sink...

We can just imagine what the other eleven Apostles of Our Lord were thinking when Peter stepped out of that boat that fateful night [Mt 14:22-33]. "What? You're crazy going out there!" Yet off Peter went. What was Peter's motivation? Why *did* he step out of that boat on the Sea of Galilee? The answer is ultimately that Peter was seeking Jesus on a deeper level. And, just as "nothing ventured nothing gained", so Peter would risk all – his very life – in pursuit of The Lord. So the question for us is: Am I risking anything to seek out Jesus? Certainly I give *things*, but am I *really* giving my *very self*, *my very person*? Am I really seeking Jesus out on an intimate level?



A Personal Relationship with Jesus Christ

These days we hear a lot about a 'personal relationship with Jesus Christ'. The question is usually put to us by evangelicals. However, if we are going to be Christians then it would seem that that is 'The Question'. After all, in Christ's day people would fight to get closer to him in the crowds, some even tore a hole through a roof! Even the Apostles themselves argued about being the one closest to Jesus. 'But who is', we may ask, 'closest to Jesus these days?' And how precisely is it that they are close to Jesus? To describe this 'closeness' The Church usually uses the word 'holy'. People universally recognize that Christian holiness is tied in some way to closeness to Christ, faithful prayer, and right living; that faithful prayer is the means of union with God, and right living is the fruits of this union. We see this in the lives of the saints: they prayed faithfully, perseveringly, and thus lived upright lives in union with Christ. So a 'personal relationship with Jesus Christ' is one that is based in faithful prayer and having consequent fruits [Gal 5:22].

What is Prayer?

Prayer is the raising of one's heart (will) and mind (intellect) to God. Specifically for Christians we would add, 'in and through Christ Jesus'. It is more than a communication (a text message or a 'selfie'), for it is a communion of one's very being with God Himself. Think: 'candlelight intimacy'. For faithful prayer to take place there must be a certain amount of quiet and solitude. The reason for this is that when one shares their very heart and soul, it must be within an atmosphere of silent intimacy. This is the notion of the monk, the 'monastic' [from Greek, monos single, alone]: to be alone with God. Thus, to have a personal interior prayer one must have their heart and the mind wrapped in silent intimacy with God, which requires a certain degree of focus upon The Person Who is God. We usually do this through a meditation upon the mysteries of the life of Christ, Who is the Person of God (e.g. rosary). We use our mind and imagination placing ourselves in the gospel scene, being with The Lord, and opening our hearts to allow The Lord to be with us, and in us, so as to elicit our will to love of Him. Thus faithful prayer, with its consequent fruits of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, will happen only if we take time for silence, solitude, and focus (meditation); prayer cannot take place in the midst of willful distractions. Distractions may come, but we have to wrestle with them as Jacob did with the angel [Gen 32:24]. We have to actively fight against distractions in the very thoughts of our minds.

The Gospel, Prayer, and our Relationship with Jesus Christ

This leads us back to the Gospel and St. Peter being distracted by the elements of the earth. The wind, the waves, and the storm – the violence of the world around us – fights against the progress of Peter (who represents The Church at prayer). Peter doubted, for he took the eyes of his mind off The Lord and looked to his surroundings which were frightening; he thus despaired of reaching Christ, so he began to sink into the depths. This "sinking" is what is experienced by every Christian who is ultimately tempted by sin. This "sinking" is a type of 'seduction' (a leading under) that all people experience to some degree or another. In order for St. Peter to reach his objective (union with Christ) he needed to place his focus upon Christ. He needed to "mind the Lord", blocking out the things of this world in a kind of solitude of the mind, quieting his curious intellect, silencing his fearful imagination, and waiting upon The Lord, trusting that He would meet Him halfway on this journey (remember, Jesus was moving toward Peter). The first step out of the boat was made by focusing upon Christ. It would only be by maintaining that focus – that meditation – that Peter would meet Christ. Peter had to overcome the things that willfully distracted him from his union with The Lord.

Successful Union with God in Christ Jesus

In conclusion, we see how a personal relationship with Jesus Christ comes about. A person must take time for silence, solitude, and focus, that is, *prayerful meditation*, all the while fighting perseveringly against *willful* distractions. The first step must be to focus on Christ Who calls us out of the false security of our boat (comfort zone) onto a wonderful journey of faithful personal prayerful intimacy. Perhaps the most difficult thing for us, as American utilitarians with our strong work ethic, is to embrace the time for silence and solitude necessary (we tend to think this is wasted time). We find ourselves constantly wrapped up in the elements of this world and the *willful* distractions that keep us from The Lord. However, we will not find The Lord in these things anymore than Elijah finds God in the terrible signs of wind, earthquakes, and fire. But should we persevere, in silence and in solitude, *we will* find The Lord as Elijah did in the "tiny whispering sound" [I Kings 19:12] by which the God of the Universe is made personally and intimately known to us. Above all, if we silence ourselves we will hear God speak.

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Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta spoke of a "saint-making" pattern that begins with silence...

The fruit of Silence is Prayer The fruit of prayer is Faith The fruit of Faith is Love The fruit of Love is Service The fruit of service is Peace

Perhaps one could add . . . The fruit of Peace is Joy (Happiness)

"BE STILL, AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD" Psalm 46:10

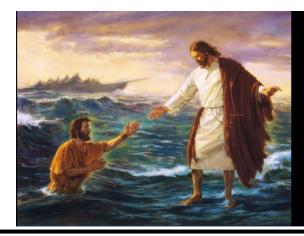
"WHEN YOU SEEK THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, THEN YOU WILL FIND HIM" Dt 4:29

"To visit the Blessed Sacrament is ... a proof of gratitude, an expression of love, and a duty of adoration toward Christ Our Lord" (Pope St. Paul VI). Catechism of the Catholic Church #1418

Dr. Thomas Saaty, was a University of Pittsburgh mathematician and systems analyst who wais also an authority on waiting lines or queues, as scientists call them." [NY Times February 11, 1982] estimates that Americans spend <u>up to five years</u> of their lives in that tedious, stressful but unavoidable process known as waiting. Not to mention the time wasted on television and web surfing. Maybe we could use a fraction of that time, those years, in raising our heart and mind to God.

Sunday Blessings,





"But when [Peter] saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter."



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

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



Over the past four years, over \$20,000 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 2020 academic year.

Applications will be available in the parish office **OR** online. Please note, the <u>Application deadline</u> is October 1, 2020.

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

ANALYSIS: TWO YEARS AFTER MCCARRICK, QUESTIONS ARE UNANSWERED [abridged]

by JD Flynn Denver Newsroom, Jun 19, 2020 (CNA)

On June 20, 2018, American Catholics woke up to discover that retired Cardinal Theodore McCarrick stood accused of sexually abusing a teenager.

It emerged that McCarrick had a pattern of sexual abuse and coercion, with minors and with young priests and seminarians. American Catholics learned about the cardinal's beach house, his wandering hands, his preference for thin non-smoking seminarians. His coercive and manipulative letters became available to read, the testimony of his victims was crushing.

But the story didn't stop at McCarrick. It emerged that allegations had been made about the cardinal already. That a seminary professor's warnings went unheeded. That the Holy See had historical knowledge of McCarrick's misdeeds, and, whatever it had done, it had not informed Catholics, or removed the cardinal from public life, for years. Eventually, of course, he was removed. And the fact that allegations against McCarrick had come to light showed that some Church leaders, at least, were working for transparency, and for justice.

But after the McCarrick allegations, more allegations of abuse of power, of negligence in office, or of a propensity for cover-up were thrust into the spotlight: Bishop Bransfield, Bishop Salazar, Bishop Malone, Archbishop Zanchetta, Archbishop Nienstedt, Bishop Hoeppner, Bishop Hart, Bishop Binzer, Cardinal Wuerl, Cardinal Mahony. Bishops offered investigations, new policies, new hotlines, and new pledges. The U.S. bishops faced off with Pope Francis when it seemed the Holy See would thwart their attempts. Eventually some of their proposals became policy not just for the U.S., but for the Church around the world.

Priests wondered what to tell their people, while wondering whether they could trust their bishops, and wondering what all this might mean for the future of the Church.

But what many Catholics said they wanted, they have not yet gotten: Accountability. Who knew what when? Who participated in coercive, abusive, or immoral behavior? Who enabled or facilitated it? Who ignored it? What will be the consequences? Diocesan investigations in New York and New Jersey have not been published. Records sit in file cabinets in the Washington archdiocese, but have not been released. A long-promised report from the Holy See has not been published. Most bishops have simply stopped asking for the McCarrick report, at least out loud; whatever zeal they showed in the first few months has apparently been tamped down. For many Catholics, the silence has become its own scandal. The delays seem, to many observers, incomprehensible, regardless of whether the reason is to avoid litigation, to avoid embarrassment, to avoid accountability.

And a long wait has turned, for many lay Catholics and clerics, into a kind of cynical resignation that very little might actually be coming, and even that won't be coming soon.

Practicing a religion no longer offers some unique business, civic, or social benefit for Americans. There is no longer much point to lukewarm Catholicism. The Church asks Catholics for a kind of trust that is, in contemporary America, countercultural. And in the wake of the last two years, that kind of trust seems also counterintuitive. To be a faithful Catholic is to say "I place my trust in the teachings, and formation, and leaders, and way of living offered by the Church so much that I will give my life over to it." To be a faithful Catholic is to say "I surrender my will to the will of Christ and His Church." The Church will continue to ask for that trust.

Read Full Story at: catholicnewsagency.com/news/analysis-two-years-after-mccarrick-questions-are-unanswered

PORTLAND PROTESTERS BURN BIBLES, AMERICAN FLAGS IN THE STREETS

breitbart.com/politics/2020/08/01/portland-protesters-burn-bibles-american-flags-in-the-streets August 1, 2020

Protesters flocked to the Justice Center and the federal courthouse in Portland again on Friday night, lighting fires and burning American flags and Bibles in the streets. According to the Portland Police, which did not engage with demonstrators, the crowd lit several fires, including a large bonfire in the middle of the street in front of the federal courthouse. One video shows protesters feeding a small fire with Bibles, which were engulfed in flames:

I don't know what burning the Bible has to do with protesting against police brutality.

Do not be under the illusion that these protests and riots are anything but an attempt to dismantle all of Western Civilization and upend centuries of tradition and freedom of religion.

— Ian Miles Cheong (@stillgray) August 1, 2020

Antifa protesters in downtown Portland have started burning American flags in the street. **They are also burning Bibles.**

— Andy Ngô (@MrAndyNgo) August 1, 2020

Other videos show American flags consumed by fire:

'F*** Trump!' | Bible and US flag set alight on 65th night of protests in #Portland pic.twitter.com/3c60egqEa3 — RT (@RT_com) August 1, 2020

Portland Police did not engage with the demonstrators but did respond to a nearby shooting, where over 150 rounds were shot.





Remember . . . the NAZI's *started* with burning books. Human beings were next . . .

My Dear Children in Christ,

The 2019-2020 Parish Year End Fiscal Report was mailed out on Monday, August 3rd. If you did not receive your copy and would like one, please contact the parish office.

Due to the generosity of our congregation, our finances continue to be solid. We are blessed. To summarize, we have a surplus of \$ 33,288.17.

Regarding our current financial situation, we know that the government reaction to the Covid-19 dilemma is certainly hurting us. Hopefully, parishioners will meet the needs of this current crisis and not forget Queen of Angels when planning their own personal finances.

I am grateful to the members of our Queen of Angels Finance Council who assist me in budgeting and planning throughout the year. Their help is indispensable.

Most Gratefully, in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Timothy