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Sunday, August 15, 2010
THE ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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... also in her Assumption

966 "Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death."⁵⁰⁸ The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians:

In giving birth you kept your virginity; in your Dormition you did not leave the world, O Mother of God, but were joined to the source of Life. You conceived the living God and, by your prayers, will deliver our souls from death.⁵⁰⁹

Catechism of the Catholic Church

I hope that this summer is going well for all of you. I would like to welcome any and all visitors to St. Francis de Sales this weekend. We all hope and pray that your stay is a happy one and that your journey is a safe one.

While all our thoughts are still in the "summer mode", I need to talk to you this weekend about the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program that is scheduled to begin Wednesday August 25th at 7:30 PM in the De Sales Hall. If you know of someone in your family or a friend who has expressed an interest in the Catholic Church, this meeting would be an excellent opportunity to find out more about joining the Catholic faith. This will be one of two informational meetings. The next informational meeting will be on September 1st.

If you are interested, place your name in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory or call the rectory. No one is forced into completing the program. A person is ready to join the Church when they know that they are ready.

The R.C.I.A. program begins officially **September 8, 2010** and concludes on Pentecost Sunday 2011. What is the R.C.I.A.? I would like to begin by saying what it is not. It is not simply a convert instruction class. It is not simply "another parish program". The R.C.I.A. is a process through which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic faith family.

It includes 4 periods of formation: Precatechumenate (Inquiry Period), Catechumenate, Enlightenment and Mystagogia. Major liturgical rites or ceremonies take place during Mass, separating these 4 periods.

The R.C.I.A. is deeply rooted in the history of the Church. We can find elements of the Catechumenate in the earliest periods of Church history. One of the documents coming out of Vatican II called for restoration of the Catechumenate in the life of the Church. The R.C.I.A. is not "new". It is the way that God has established to bring adults into the Church.

April 24, 2011 is Easter Sunday! It is important that we begin the R.C.I.A. classes as soon as possible. If you are thinking about joining the Church, why not come down Wednesday, August 25th and find out for yourself.

Any parishioner and especially any former Catechumen interested in helping in the R.C.I.A. should call me at home. My home number is 304-252-7835. or you may reach me on my cell at 304-673-4595. Members of last year's R.C.I.A. class will be there Wednesday night to share their experiences in the R.C.I.A. process. Take care and have a good week.

Yours in Christ,
Deacon Jay Ziolkowski

Steve Hoyle

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 14 - Vigil: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00 PM Barbara Bozo Pettry by Daniel Family

Sunday, August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 AM People of the Parish
11:00 AM Lionel Hapuarachy by Moscarito Family

Monday, August 16 - St. Stephen of Hungary
8:30 AM Richard Serge (ann) by Lucille Serge

Tuesday, August 17
8:30 AM Josephine P. Simmons by Ida Pitotti

Wednesday, August 18
7:00 AM Libby Kosco by Rosie Mollish
8:30 AM Intention Harry & Ruth Ann Ballard (58th Wedding Anniversary)

7:00 PM Lolita Yee (ann) by Robert & Jacquelyn Yee

Thursday, August 19 - St. John Eudes
8:30 AM Charles McCormick by Naomi McCormick

Friday, August 20 - St. Bernard
8:30 AM Intention Rev. Josh Stevens by Tony Tipane

Saturday, August 21 - St. Pius X, pope
8:30 AM Gertrude Lemke by Karol Radochio

Saturday, August 21 - Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, August 22 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM Magdalene Cassinelli (ann) by Mike Kosco
11:00 AM Victor Peelish by Blanche Statzer

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Sunday
Monday Angelus & Rosary-8AM; Seniors Exercise-9:15AM; Harvest Dinner Committee Mtng.-5PM-St. Clare's Room

Tuesday Angelus & Rosary-8AM; Theology of the Body-7PM-De Sales Hall

Wednesday - Angelus & Rosary-8AM; Seniors Exercise-9:15AM

Thursday Angelus & Rosary-8AM; Faith & Friends at Foster's Hardware-7PM; Quilting-7PM-St. Francis Room

Friday Angelus & Rosary-8AM

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Sunday

ALTAR SERVERS

Wednesday, August 18
7:00 pm N. Hinkle, E. Hoyle

Saturday, August 21
8:30 am L. Perry, M. Hitt
5:00 pm R. Gunther, A. Richards, N. Bowen, M. Peck

Sunday, August 22
8:30 am A. Jacinto, J. Zupanick, A. MacAulay, C. MacAulay
11:00 am T. Pfeiffer, A. Morton, H. Adams, N. Adams

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LECTORS

Saturday, August 21
5:00 pm Daniel Moye

Sunday, August 22
8:30 am Sheila Zeto
11:00 am Shaun Williams

Please don't bring any more clothes for Rhodell at this time. Thank you very much for your generosity!

Question of the Week

(Proclaiming the Greatness of God)

August 15, 2010
Reading I: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab (A Woman Clothed with the Sun)
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:20-27 (Brought to Life in Christ)
Gospel: Luke 1:39-56 (The Magnificat)
Adults
How do Mary and other men and women of faith who have gone before me nourish my hope today?
Children

How can I tell that Mary trusted God and hoped in God?

Christian Formation Update

Sept. 12 CF classes begin for K-12
Sept. 19 CF for K-12 **Harvest Dinner to finance Bethlehem Farm Retreat**
Sept. 26 CF for K-12

A Major WYD '11 Setback

Wednesday afternoon of this past week we were informed that we needed to pay \$5,100.00 for the registration fees for WYD '11 IMMEDIATELY. That is above and beyond the \$8,500.00 that we have to pay in September. Our rummage sale and quilt raffle earned us \$4,236.51. We were very excited to almost reach the halfway mark toward our September deadline. Now we are starting all over on our goal of earning the \$8,500.00. We, the pilgrims and chaperones, are asking for your prayers and your support in our remaining fundraisers. We are grateful for the help you have given us in the past. The help you will give us through your prayers and financial support in the weeks and months ahead will be appreciated. Our future fundraisers are listed below.

Pilgrims Fundraisers

Aug. 21 from 10a.m. to 4p.m., car wash at Chick-fil-A in The Galleria shopping center off Eisenhower Drive

Aug. 21 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., spaghetti dinner at St. Francis de Sales Church Hall.
Cost is \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for kids 10 and under. Dinner includes salad, bread, pasta and dessert. Carryout is available.

Aug. 28 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., pancake and sausage breakfast at Applebee's Restaurant. Cost is \$5.00 per person.

Sept. 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., car wash at Kroger on Harper Road.

Nov. 13 7:00 p.m., Taylor Made concert with New River Jazz Band at Woodrow Wilson High School auditorium. Cost is \$25 for adults and \$15 for students.

Dec. Date and Time to be announced- Christmas tree sale

Harvest Dinner Committee Meeting

The next meeting for the Harvest Dinner is Monday, August 16th, at 5:00 p.m., in St. Clare's Room.

Update on "Feed the Hungry Garden"

Jakob and his father, Chuck Cooper, took beans and tomatoes to the Homeless Shelter on Monday evening. The youth's garden, under the leadership of Ed Gilson, is helping to feed the hungry. A very special thank you to a member of our parish who shared some of her garden produce with the people at the Homeless Shelter. Ed's dream for "Feed the Hungry Garden" is coming true: members of our parish adding to the produce of the youth's garden.

2010 Assembly "Our Sister's Keeper"

A Gathering for Catholic Women of the
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston
August 28, 2010
Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center - Huttonsville, WV
Contact Toni DiStefano (304) 335-2165

Life Line Screening

On **Friday, September 3, 2010 at St. Francis de Sales Church** there will be a Life Line Screening preventive health event to scan for the risk of stroke and other vascular conditions. **In both vestibules you will find a signup sheet that is exclusively for St. Francis parishioners.** This sheet will allow for a chance to get a priority appointment and an opportunity to receive a discount of \$10 off the package price! The sheet will be faxed to Life Line for the next three weeks.



Pope Benedict on Conscience

"The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us, 'Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right' (n. 1778). From this definition it emerges that the moral conscience, to be able to judge human conduct rightly, above all must be based on the solid foundation of truth, that is, it must be enlightened to know the true value of actions and the solid criteria for evaluation. Therefore, it must be able to distinguish good from evil, even where the social environment, pluralistic culture and superimposed interests do not help it do so" (Address to the Pontifical Academy for Life, February 24, 2007).

Bishop Invites You on a Pilgrimage

The Pilgrimage to the Basilica in Washington, D. C. will be held on September 11, 2010. The trip includes a tour of the Basilica, a talk by Bishop Bransfield, and a 3 PM Mass that will count toward your Sunday obligation. A bus has been chartered and will be leaving St. Francis at 5AM, and will return at 10PM. The bus holds 22 pilgrims. Please call the parish office at 304-253-3695 if you want to join them. A donation of \$25 per seat is requested but not mandatory. The important thing is to come! See the bulletin board downstairs.

Most Reverend Michael J. Bransfield invites your parish choir to participate in the 2010 Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC Saturday, September 11, 2010
Choir Practice will be Tue. Aug 24 at 7PM, Tue. Aug 31 at 7PM
Call Robert Tipane 304-237-3314

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
Holydays: 8:30 a.m.
12:00 Noon
7:00 p.m.

Weekdays: As listed in the bulletin.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Requested announcements must be in the Parish Office no later than 11:00 am Wednesdays

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND MEETING TIMES:

Ladies of St. Francis R.C.I.A.	First Sunday after 8:30 Mass
School Board	Every Wednesday 7:30 pm
P.T.O.	Third Monday 7:00 pm
Knights of Columbus	Second Monday 7:00 pm
4th Degree K. of C.	2nd Wed. and 4th Wed. at 7:45 p.m.
Bingo K. of C.	3rd Wednesday 7:00 pm
Ageless Wonders - Senior Citizen Group	Every Friday 6:30 pm
	Second Sunday 12:30 pm,
	September - April
Cemetery Committee	April-October, 2nd Sun.
Anawim Prayer Community	Every Friday 6:30 pm

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BAPTISMS:

By arrangement with Deacon Don Wise, 304-252-5127
Baptism Class 2nd Thursday of the Month in Church hall at 7PM
Please call Deacon Don if you plan to attend.

MARRIAGE:

Preparation requires at least six months notice, to allow proper scheduling, filling out of necessary papers, and giving of instructions. Pre-Cana program is required. Special requirements if one party is a teenager. Please call the Rectory.

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CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

Every Sunday, September-April, 9:30-10:50 AM

INSTRUCTIONS IN THE FAITH:

R.C.I.A. begins in September and continues to Pentecost. Pre-Evangelization period June to September. Call Deacon Jay Ziolkowski, 304-252-7835.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 PM
Wednesday 6:30 - 6:45 PM

NEW PARISHIONERS AND THOSE MOVING AWAY:

Kindly notify the Parish Office.

Parish Library

Almost 80, Leona Choy was stunned when her friend Arlene told her that she had become Catholic. You can learn what Leona did about that. Her book "My Journey to the Land of More" tells of her Iowa childhood, her life work in the mission field and where her attempts to save Arlene ended. In the C's in our Parish Library.