



ST. ANN'S PARISH

Sunday, July 1, 2018

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week's Mass Times:

*Tuesday 12 Noon Traditional Latin Mass
No Adoration*

Wednesday, 4th of July - 9 am

Thursday & Friday: 8 am

Saturday: 4:00 pm Sunday: 10 am

Confessions: Saturday 3pm

Adoration: 1st Friday of the month: 8:30 am-12 pm

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Father, where have you been? This is a question I anticipated when I planned my schedule for the month of June knowing that I would be absent for weekdays during two consecutive weeks in the middle of the month. I would like to reflect upon my experiences in light of my pastoral ministry to you, the people of my parishes.

During the week of June 18-22, I joined Bishop Johnston and the priests of the diocese for our annual retreat at Conception Abbey. Bishop Gainer, of Harrisburg, PA, gave us some wonderful insights to encourage our walk with the Lord and our spiritual leadership in our parishes.

During the week of June 11-15 I attended a workshop on the impact of the pornography epidemic and approaches to healing and ministry for those who have been affected by it. Just about any priest will tell you that pornography is one of the most common sins of our day, and its ready availability has brought it into our homes, workplaces and even to the smartphones we carry in our pockets! The internet has revolutionized this shady industry once relegated to seedy red-light districts of our cities and the roadside stores claiming to sell “adult” books. Those ensnared by pornography are often so full of shame that they cannot bear to confess this sin, and they won’t reach out for help from spouses or parents because they are convinced that they would be ridiculed and ostracized. Of course, nobody is comfortable reading this in the parish bulletin (and I am not comfortable writing it), but until and unless we speak the Truth and shed the Light on this epidemic, our culture will be diverted from the Way of Christ. Pornography has a *devastating* impact on many people including those who produce it, those who distribute it, those who view it as well as their spouses and children. It’s impact cannot be overstated. I would like to share with you some staggering statistics to indicate how pervasive this problem is in our culture (and among Christians):

- 64% of self-identified Christian men and 15% of self-identified Christian women view pornography at least once a month. (compared with 65% of men and 30% of women, generally)
- The average age at which a child is first exposed to pornography is 11.
- 90% of 8-16 year olds have viewed pornography online.
- 80% of 15-17 year olds have had multiple exposures to hard core pornography.
- 12-17 year olds represent the largest single population of users of internet pornography.
- Revenue generated from pornography exceeds that of top technology companies *combined*, including Microsoft, Google, Amazon, eBay, Yahoo, Netflix and Apple

I could go on (and on!) with statistics, but it would be an exercise in gut-wrenching frustration. Suffice it to say, this *is a serious problem* and until we begin to address it in our churches and in our families, it will only get worse. I would like to offer some resources to help you address this issue whether it is something you face personally, or concerns you have for your loved ones (a spouse, a child) or merely to be vigilant to protect your children from harmful exposure to this menacing phenomenon.

Protecting Your family: You need to know how your children are using technology, whether it is the family computer, personal laptops or tablets, iPods and smartphones, school computers, etc. *It is crucial that you have open communication and conversation with your children about the dangers of the internet.* You can find excellent resources at www.cmgpagent.org. I also highly recommend that you consider accountability/monitoring software for all devices. *Covenant Eyes* is one such service. Additionally, their website also provides many free resources to educate parents about the harmful dangers of pornography. Please check it out at www.covenanteyes.com.

Seeking help for yourself: If you view pornographic material on a regular basis (daily, weekly, monthly, even quarterly) then **you have a problem.** Get help now! While you will benefit from the grace of the Forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you also need to enlist others in your struggle. Speak frankly in confession, ask the advice of your priest, ask him to refer you to a support group or a counselor which specializes in sexual addiction. Go to www.integrityrestored.com or to our diocesan outreach www.myhousekcsj.org. This is a battle you cannot win by yourself. Yes, it is embarrassing, and it can be very daunting to disclose this struggle to another, but sin thrives in secrecy and evil triumphs in isolation. Reach out for help. You can also call our confidential diocesan helpline at 816-808-6544. You can also call me at 816-294-9841 for confession and/or referral for more resources.

Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, Pray for Us. St. Michael the Archangel, Defend us in battle...

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To Protect our Children:
Report Abuse
Ombudsman: Jenifer Valenti – 816.812.2500
Diocesan Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain,
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Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 30: 4 pm
Ushers: Open
Lectors: Judy McKowen & Clare Pelzel
EMHC: Charlie Harper & Elaine Stoll

Sunday, July 1: 10 am
Ushers: Eric Niemann, Vince Seiler, JC Roberts, Herman Gillotte
Lectors: Bill Lueckenotte & Mary Ann Downey
EMHC: Karen Trotter & Joan Seiler

NURSING HOME MINISTRY
 Anne Martin


MONEY COUNTERS
 Open

Saturday, July 7: 4 pm
Ushers: Open
Lectors: Clare Pelzel & Judy McKowen
EMHC: Charlie Harper & Della Mallen

Sunday, July 8: 10 am
Ushers: Eric Niemann, Herman Gillotte, Mindy Beall, Eric Whitlow
Lectors: Terry Miller & Karen Trotter
EMHC: Vince & Joan Seiler

NURSING HOME MINISTRY
 Eric Niemann

MONEY COUNTERS
 Mary Hale & Cathy Hanson

 *Mass Intentions*

Saturday, June 30: 4 pm People of the Parish

Sunday, July 1: 10 am + Mark Schwery
 By: Terry & Colleen Miller

Tuesday, July 3: Noon Private Intention
 Latin Mass - No Adoration

Wednesday, July 4: 9 am + James Maples
 By: David & Rebecca Kaiser

Thursday, July 5: 8 am + Mark Schwery
 By: Rose Maples

Friday, July 6: 8 am + James Maples
 By: Vince & Joan Seiler

Saturday, July 7: 4 pm People of the Parish

Sunday, July 8: 10 am + Jean Gassman
 By: Patricia Luckenbill

Weekend Collection June 24, 2018

Envelopes: \$2,369 Plate: \$81 Candles: \$6 Mass Stipend: \$10
 Nat'l Catholic Register: \$4 Donation: \$150


Total Parish: \$2,620
2nd Collection: August 18 & 19 - Diocesan Life & Justice

Collections:
June to Date: \$11,145.00
June Budget: \$11,165.55
Year-To-Date: \$126,371.58
Yearly Budget: \$133,986.55
Thank you for supporting St. Ann's Parish

MEETINGS

Parish Council: Wed. August , Parish Hall - 6:00pm
Adoration: 1st Friday of month - July 6, 8:30am - 12
Altar Society Meeting - Next mtg in Sept.
Knights of Columbus: 3rd Tues. of the month 6:45 pm
Church Cleaning: June - Group I
Donut Sunday: July 22 - Open

LEGION OF MARY will be meeting on Monday evenings at the home of Sherry Kutz. Please see Terry or Carleen Miller for directions.

 **YEARLY BOX ENVELOPES**
 Don't forget to pick up your box of 2018-19 envelopes.
 If you know someone that is no longer coming to St. Ann's please mark the box and leave it on table. Thank you..

Diocesan Visioning Process
 You are invited to Share and Be Heard
 Bishop Johnston recently instituted a "visioning" process to develop a Mutually Shared Vision for our diocese.
 The purpose of the process is to create a compelling Vision Statement (unifying theme) for the diocese. It will include three priorities—major areas of focus—for the diocese for the next 3 years and six goals that will lead to specific outcomes in the next 2-3 years.
 Bishop Johnston invites every member of our local church to participate in their regional listening sessions in July. The locations have been chosen to reach as much of the diocese as possible in the time frame available. You may attend any one of the sessions.
 Throughout the process Bishop Johnston asks everyone to join him in prayer (prayer following) for the fruitfulness of this effort.

Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph Mutually Shared Vision Development Process
Listening Sessions Locations

*Wednesday, July 18, 7-8:30 pm: St. Joseph, Mo., Our Lady of Guadalupe ***

*Tuesday, July 31, 7-8:30 pm: Liberty, Mo., St. James ***

*** These locations will hold the listening sessions in English and Spanish.*

Visioning Process Prayer
Eternal Father, we praise you for sending your Son to be one of us and to save us. Look upon your people with mercy, and hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, we join your prayer for unity among the members of your Body, the Church, that we may all be one so that the world may believe.

Holy Spirit, be our advocate and guide this Visioning Process, that the Mutually Shared Vision for our Diocese will draw us closer to one another and closer to Jesus.


Help us to honor and reverence one another as we engage in this process of listening and discernment.

Assist our bishop and his visioning team as they model for our local church a culture of listening and respect.

Unite us in a common vision and inspire us to be leaven, salt and light in our daily lives.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Americas, Star of the New Evangelization, Pray for us!

Prayer Corner
 *"To everything there is a season and time... for every purpose under heaven." Ecc. 3-11*
"..a time to heal.."

**JB Lile, Tricia Wolf, Breanna Beall
 Donald O'Connor, Sandy Mathewson
 and Nancy Totton**
For our shut-ins

Lee Schwery, Levina Reuter, Tony Rizzo, Mary Ellen Mallen, Msgr Bill Caldwell, Pauline Van Horn, Catherine Henley

SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, July 29th
After 10 am Mass
 Celebrating our Parish Feast Day
 Sts. Ann & Joachim
 Pot Luck and Cookout
 Knights will provide hot dogs, buns and drinks.
 All other food will be pot luck.
 Mark your calendars, dust off your lawn chairs
 and come and have some fun with your parish family!



Congratulations
 The Trustees of the Knights of Columbus Frank L. Goularte Endowed Scholarships have selected **Cecilia M. Durando** as a winner of one of these awards. Congratulations Cecilia and best wishes for success at Benedictine College.
 We your parish family are very proud of your accomplishment!

Remembrance Quilt
 I have placed in a basket on the table in the narthex fabric blocks that you can write either well wishes, words of wisdom, along with your name and year and I will sew them all into a quilt. Directions included.
 You can either embroider your words or you can use a fabric pen. **Must** be a fabric pen so it won't disappear after washing.
 Blessings to all, Marge
Due back by July 22nd!
 Can't believe it's been 10 years today that I first came to St. Ann's and St. Joseph's!