

ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA A CATHOLIC PARISH FAMILY - PALATINE, IL THE MOST HOLY TRINITY–SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018

Parish Information

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	7:30am, 9:30am, 11:15am
	1:30pm (Polish)

Weekday 6:30am (Communion Service) 8:00am (Including Saturday)

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 8:30am-9:30am

NEW PARISHIONERS: All are welcome! Stop by the Parish Office to register and learn more about our Parish.

BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation class preferable before the baby is born to avoid babysitting concerns. Baptisms are celebrated on most Sundays following the 11:15am Mass. Call the Parish Office for more information. Upcoming Baptism Prep Classes: Jun 6 & Jun 26

MARRIAGE: Arrangements for the celebration of marriage should be made at least six (6) months prior to your planned wedding date. Call Deacon Tom Dunne for more information.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Process is for adults who were never baptized in any faith, who were baptized in another Christian faith but wish to become Catholic or who were baptized Catholics but never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Contact the Parish Office for more info. Brochures available in the Gathering Area kiosk.

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND:

Ministers of Care are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Tom Dunne for information.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Call the Parish Office to add your name to the sick list. Due to patient privacy (HIPAA Law,) only the ailing person, or in case of their incapacitation, the person delegated for the medical care, can add their name to the sick list.

PRAYERS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL:

Call the Parish Office to add a name of someone serving in the military, so our faith community can pray for their safety and service.

PARISH OFFICE

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Bulletin deadlines Articles for the bulletin are due on Fridays—9 days before publication date.

Second Homily



Dear Parish Family of St. Thomas,

As you can see from the cover of today's bulletin, this is Graduation Weekend at St. Thomas. We offer congratulations to our eighth graders as they move on to bigger and better things in High School And congratulations to all—whether graduating from Pre-School, Kindergarten, Eighth Grade, High School, College or Graduate Schools! Celebrate your special

achievements; celebrate your own gifts; celebrate your success; but don't forget to thank God for His presence in all your accomplishments and life! Congrats to all Graduates! We are all proud of you!

<u>A GRADUATE'S PRAYER</u>

Lord God, Thank you for this special day of Graduation. Be with me as I celebrate the achievements of my studies and hard work. Lord in your mercy, **Hear my prayer**.

Lord God, Thank you for this opportunity to learn and grow. Be with me as I go on to weave more of your truth into my life. Lord in your mercy, **Hear my prayer.**

Lord God, Thank you for the beautiful world you have created. Come be with me as I go out and discover my place within it. Lord in your mercy, **Hear my prayer**.

Lord God, Thank you for your hope and grace and, most of all, your love. May you be with me, helping me each day to walk more closely with you. Lord in your mercy, **Hear my prayer**.

Are you looking for a great school to send your children to? If so, you have found one right here at St. Thomas. Our own Catholic St. Thomas of Villanova School is a Blue Ribbon School honored by the United States Department of Education. It is led by dedicated Principal, Mary Brinkman, teachers and staff who love and serve our children. Their own education and many years of teaching experience speaks volumes in our educational world. Our children receive a quality education as well as many, many different and varied curriculum, technological and life experiences. Most of all, our children receive a great Catholic education which helps them live and prepare to share the message of Christ in our world. Religion class everyday? Absolutely! The teaching of sound moral values? Absolutely! The teaching of love and respect for others? Of course! Do they experience the Mass and the Sacraments? Very much so! You are always invited to our all School Mass which is every Wednesday at 8:00am! We love creating and developing the future leaders of our church with God's help. We are proud of our Catholic grade school—come see for yourself!

Your Pastor.

Rev. Thomas R. Rzepiela

Parish Events

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 27

9:40am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	MRD
7:00pm	Polish Adult Volleyball	RAC

Monday, May 28– MEMORIAL DAY

9:30am Memorial Day Mass

Tuesday, May 29

7:00pm	STV School Board Mtg	MR2
7:00pm	Men's Basketball	RAC

Wednesday, May 30

4:00pm	VOICES Drop-In	TR/RAC
6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
7:00pm	Women's Club Steering	MRC
	Committee Meeting	
8:00pm	A.A. (Closed Meeting)	MR4

Thursday, May 31

9:00am	STV School Preschool &	Church
	Kindergarten Graduatio	n
7.00nm	Adult Choir Rehearsal	Church

Friday, June 1

6:00pm STV School—End of the Year Picnic in the School Parking Lot

Saturday, June 2

8:40am	Morning Bible Study	MRC
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Sunday, June 3

9:40am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	MRD
7:00pm	Polish Adult Volleyball	RAC

TODAY

• **K OF C—BAKE SALE** Enjoy a tasty treat and support the Knights of Columbus Council #4977 in raising money for local charities. Stop in the Gathering Area after Mass and select from a variety of home-baked goodies! The money collected all goes to help others in need. Thank you!



- CHILI'S DINE-N-SHARE All month long! Visit www.stov.org to download the voucher for this Dine-N-Share.
- MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION Next weekend (See below)
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION Register NOW for our summer VBS Program which will be Monday, June 25 through Friday, June 29. (Page 10)

SAVE THE DATE—GOLF OUTING—Friday, July 27

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

1st Weekend of Every Month

(Next weekend—June 2 / 3)

It's time for our monthly food pantry collection! We still have plenty of canned vegetables! We especially need:

- FOOD—Canned fruit, cereal, syrup, chili, mac & cheese, Hamburger Helper, Pasta-Roni or Rice-A-Roni
- NON-FOOD—Laundry detergent Thank you for your generosity to help those in need.



Saturday, 9am—Spm Saturday, 9am—Noon Join us on Memorial Day for Mass at 9:30am as we celebrate, honor and remember those who have died serving our country.



For a list of Catholic cemeteries holding a Memorial Day Mass, contact: 708-449-6100 or www.catholiccemeterieschicago.org



Parish News

GREETER MINISTRY

The Lord needs people to greet everyone who walks into His house for weekend Mass. He wants His friends and family to feel welcomed. He gave each of you a smile and a warm heart, so you can fulfill this role. We are in *desperate* need for



greeters especially at the Saturday 5pm and Sunday 7:30am Masses. No experience necessary. Flexible scheduling. Great heavenly pay. No meetings to attend. Training is fast and can be done over the phone. Please, please volunteer! Just contact Jeanie or Jack Landeweer 847-842-0679.

PADS—SUMMER PROGRAMS

PADS SITE St. Colette began its first year as a summer site for PADS. There are volunteer opportunities all summer long. More info can be found on https:// www.journeystheroadhome.org/summer-padsprogram.html or contacting stcolettepads@gmail.org.



SUPERHERO 5K RUN/WALK OR ONE-MILE FUN RUN/WALK Saturday, June 16 at 8:30 am in Palatine Towne Square. Be a superhero for the homeless! Medals—Post race party—Kids Activities. Register online at *www.journeystheroadhome.org/superhero-5k* or call 847-963-9163 x116

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Little Sisters of the Poor, St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly is looking for more volunteers to help in certain areas of the

Home. We are looking for women who are willing to **wash**, **set**, **and style hair** weekly on Thursday afternoons or Friday mornings. Training will be provided. We are also looking for couples to help with **Sunday evening cocktails** from 5:30-6:30. You would be taking a Sunday evening every six to seven weeks. During the summer months, **keeping up with our grounds** is a massive job. We are looking for responsible teens (needing service hours for school) or adults who enjoy the outside to help with our grounds. Tasks will be given for two hours at a time, and you would choose your day/time. Finally, we are in need of **helpers in our Dining Rooms** for either lunch or dinner and in our kitchen. If you are interested in giving your time, contact Cindy DeLuca, Volunteer Coordinator - volpalatine@littlesistersofthepoor.org or 847-358-5700, or stop in during the week.

The Little Sisters of the Poor have been supporting Water with Blessings by crocheting water filter socks. Water with Blessings provides water filters to developing countries/areas where the water supply is filled with impurities and causing diseases. The filter socks protect the water filters. If you enjoy **crocheting**, please stop in at Little Sisters of the Poor and Cindy DeLuca will give you a pattern, a sample water filter, and a sample water filter sock. *www.waterwithblessings.org*



JOB POSTING AT STV IN OUR RELIGIOUS ED MINISTRY

Job Title:

Director/Coordinator of Religious Education

Hours: Part time

Description:

We are currently seeking a DRE/CRE for our parish Religious Education Program. Our program serves 400+ students each year. Responsibilities include leading, preparing and participating in weekend/weekday classes for our K-8 program, overseeing sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation, as well as coordinating Children's Liturgy of the Word and Vacation Bible School. This is a part-time position with benefits that has the possibility of becoming a full-time position in the future.

Requirements:

Our ideal candidate is faith-filled, passionate, energetic, personable, and flexible. Applicant should possess a DRE/CRE certificate approved by the Archdiocese of Chicago or be working toward certification. Previous experience in a Religious Education Program is required. If you are interested in applying, please send your cover letter and resume to Lisa Lechowicz at stvrec@yahoo.com.

LITTLE SISTERS of the POOR

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME

Mother's Day Reflections



Pat Leali (9:30am Mass)

Fr. Tom has asked me to talk about motherhood on this Mother's Day. I asked him about how long the talk should be and he said about 5 minutes. My husband Frank started laughing and said "5 minutes!" You're just starting to warm up! I guess after 60 years he knows me pretty well but I promise to try and keep it short - if possible.

I'm supposed to give you the ages of our children, but out of deference to them I'll just let it suffice to say we had our first child a week before our 1st anniversary and our last 19 years later, which might lead you to wonder why Fr. Tom would ask me who, at age 81, to give this talk when I sometimes have a hard time remembering what we had for dinner last night! But having our children and being a mom is something I hope I will never forget.

Being a mom is many things. It's bringing that new little person home and getting to know him or her, studying every little movement, every coo, and trying and trying to figure out what each cry meant. Was he hungry, did he need a diaper change, was he uncomfortable, did I need to just hold him and carry him around or WHAT!

Over the next 19 years 5 more little people came into our lives. The first 4 were born in the first seven and a half years after we married. Two boys, a girl and another boy, Young Frank, Mike, Ruth and Paul and in between, to our great sorrow, there were 2 tiny souls that God wanted back with Him before they got a chance to be born. We hope to meet them when we get to heaven.

But, here we were. Our family was complete - we thought. So we moved to Palatine in 1971 to a new 4 bedroom home and I took a part time job a few blocks away at the office of NSSEO Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization. It was a great job and I loved it. Then one morning as I was getting the coffee pot started I thought I must be coming down with the stomach flu that was going around. Not so. Nine months later our David was born. I thought the novelty of a new baby would wear off, but it never did. As soon as the older ones came home from school the first thing they did was look for their little brother.

Then 4 years later another new baby to get everyone's attention, Lisa, was born - on my 41st birthday! We brought her home from the hospital, put her in the bassinet, and I sat down with young Frank to hear about his first day at Harper College. We had entered what I called the "diaper and dating" years. It was bedlam at times, but it brought some of our best memories.

Our children were raised in the turbulent decades of the 60's, 70's and early 80's. This was also a time when we were told that being a stay-at-home mom was a waste of our talents. ""

Any trained chimpanzee could do what we did. And no matter how I tried to ignore these remarks or how often my husband told me these women didn't know what they were talking about - it hurt - a lot. Then again, even though I didn't go to college, I knew where to get the best cuts of meat for the least amount of money. I could make a meal for 8 people that lasted for 2 more dinners and made a fun time out of "leftover" night with all the little Tupperware dishes on the table and all without Pinterest.

There were and probably still are a lot of things nobody told us when we first became moms. Things like - in spite of how much joy and difficult times there were in having these children and watching them grow into teens and young men and women, they were nothing compared to having to let them go. Watching them leave for college and then leave again to make their own homes - nobody told us about that and the hole it left at our table and in our hearts.

At the same time, nobody told us about the feelings of pride in seeing them accomplish their goals, of watching them start their own families and being much better parents than I ever thought I was.

Also nobody told us about the pain of seeing some of their marriages fall apart and the pain it caused them and their children as they had to start over again.

And nobody would ever have thought about telling us about the ultimate letting go - of getting a call at 3:30 in the morning from our daughter-in-law that our oldest son, Frank, had died in his sleep. That was 4 and a half years ago when he was just 54 and that is a pain that never goes away. But life goes on and we have been watching the next generation of our family grow, and grow!

We have 21 grandchildren - 16 of who live within an hour of our home in Barrington where we downsized a little over 5 years ago but had to be close enough to STV to be here every week.

There's another thing nobody told us - that we, like many of you, would see our children who we took to church every week, who went to CCD every year, who never sat down to a meal without saying Grace, leave the church as some of ours did. Now, they have always gone to a church and have a deep faith in God, and a close relationship with Jesus, but all we wanted was for them to know the grace and fullness of our faith. So as mom's we keep on praying - at least I did and I TOLD them I did! Well I'm here to tell you it works. This past Holy Saturday Frank and I sponsored two of our grandchildren who were raised in the evangelical church come into the Catholic Church. Their older sister was sponsored by a friend from college and our son, and his wife, who was raised in the Baptist church will be doing the same soon. It is amazing to see the joy in their faces as they talk about their new found faith, the books they're studying, their sheer amazement while reading the early church Fathers - and frankly teaching us! So, we just nod our heads like we

Mother's Day Reflections

know what they're talking about and then later look it up!

Today's readings talk about how Jesus told His apostles to go out into the world and preach the good news. That's what we moms do. That's what you are doing. You are giving your children the tools they need to be an example to others, to bring the light of Christ into a world that needs His light badly.



Marian DeGroot (5:00pm Mass) My name is Marian DeGroot my husband Dan, and I have been blessed with an amazing Daughter Danielle and our two grand pups Homie and Dude! I was fortunate to be raised in a relatively large Catholic family, being the youngest of five I was surrounded by much love in our house.

My mother and my father were, like yours, like all human beings, unique, each of them with an individual personality. Therefore, I want, on this Mother's Day, to remember the loving person who sheltered and protected me, who raised five children, taught us our prayers, and how to tell right from wrong. Our mothers washed our clothes, put food on the table, helped us with our homework, and stood by us when we were in trouble. Our mothers forgave us when we disappointed her and thanked us when we did well.

When I became a mother, I realized what my mom meant when she said oh just wait someday you will understand! Becoming a mom really changes your life. Children teach us how to love unconditionally. The love between parent and child is a very special bond because they are an extension of us. We learn to care for someone else and put their needs ahead of our own. They teach us patience. They keep us aware, awake and responsible. They challenge us, push us to our limits, and show us that we need to learn to set boundaries. Finally, they show us how to love fiercely and let go, the hard lesson of non-attachment, though most of us parents remain completely attached, as my daughter would attest too, for a lifetime. No matter how old they are, they are our babies.

So today is Mother's Day, and I want to give thanks for our mothers — for the gift of life and for all their love and compassion they give us every day, every hour. Moreover, the beautiful thing is that it does not stop as we grow up, as we all know! A mother's love is for always, forever.

Motherhood is a very high calling. What relationship can ever replace the love of a mother, grandmother, or godmother? The love, guidance, and influence that our mothers provide are invaluable.

However, we live in a different world today. Today, mothers are CEO's, teachers, doctors, nurses, politicians, police officers, homemakers, heads of households or volunteers. Moreover, many serve on the front line struggling to protect their children against violence and poverty.

Women are —problem solvers, caregivers and teachers using their talents in every sector of our society. However, above all their prime vocation is motherhood.

There is no doubt that motherhood is a very high calling. However, to whom can mothers look to as a role model of motherhood? Today's modern culture offers many role models through television, movies and women's magazines. However, often these role models are altogether wrong, or they provide an insufficient and unrealistic view of real motherhood.

All mothers who wish to be faithful to their high calling need only look to the woman who became the most significant mother of all. Born into humble surroundings, she was called by God to be the mother of the Son of God. She affirmed her obedience to the call of God and lived out her vocation throughout her entire life. Mary, the mother of Jesus, our Blessed Mother, is the true motherhood role model.

In today's gospel, Jesus told us to go into the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation. The one who believes and is baptized will be saved, but the one who does not believe will be condemned.

Isn't that what our mothers taught us? Mothers show us to be that person who spreads the love of God and to care for all of Jesus people. I think that is what he meant and I think that we do that in our daily lives. Each of us is called in some way. We may never know how much we have done, but in Jesus' mind, I believe it is sufficient that we do whatever we can. God has a lot of work to do, but that can only be done through us.

So today if you have mothers and grandmothers that are with you cherish them today. Hug and kiss them. Honor them. Thank them. For those whose mothers have gone home to the Lord, remember and pray for them.

In honor of my mother's love, I would like to close with a poem I found online!

Today, I looked in the mirror; Curious as to what I would see. I expected to see my reflection Staring back at me.

But as I looked, I saw something more In the face that was there. I saw the reflection of my mother; A woman filled with care.

Each year is another year closer To looking like my Mother. I see her in my reflection, In one way or another.

May I not only look like her But, reflect her heart as well. For, it's full of love and kindness; God's goodness in a nutshell.

Another year closer to looking like mom, That only makes me glad. For, I loved my beautiful Mother. She's the best reflection I've ever had.

School News

St. Thomas of Villanova School



Garrett Colbrook	Ethan Leigh*	Maura McGarvey*	Eliza Oberda**	Ryan Regan*
Brian Corsiga*	Connor Loftus*	Melody Michna-Harlow*	Kathy Palmowski**	Anthony Westfall*
Allison Hubbard*	Nora Loftus**	Tyler Murphy*	Christopher Parlier**	Jackson Wheat*

*Gold tassels were given to those who achieved First Honor Roll for all three trimesters of Eighth Grade. ** Pins were given to those who achieved Second Honor Roll for all three trimesters of Eighth Grade.

Patrick Page Memorial	Presidential Awa	ard for Excellence	Science	e Award
Christian Leadership Award	Ryan	Regan	Anthony Westfall	
Jackson Wheat	Anthony	v Westfall		
Maura McGarvey			Science F	air Award
American Lesien America	Presidential Awar	d for Achievement	Brian Corsiga	Jackson Wheat
American Legion Award Connor Loftus	Brian Corsiga	Tyler Murphy	Maura McGarvey	Tyler Murphy
Maura McGarvey	Allison Hubbard,	Kathy Palmowski	Ethan Leigh	Anthony Westfall
Madia Medarvey	Melody Michna-	Jackson Wheat	Kathy Palmowski	
Knights of Columbus Scholarship	Harlow		Northron Gru	Immon Aword
Ryan Regan		h Wegner	Northrop Grumman Award	
		thletic Award	Brian Corsiga Maura McGarvey	Ethan Leigh Jackson Wheat
Megan Betti Fine Arts Award	Melody Michna-Harlow Anthony Westfall		waara webarvey	Juckson wheat
Ryan Regan	Anthony	Westjun	Spanisł	n Award
Dr. Aylward Award	National Fi	tness Award	Anthony	v Westfall
for Aspiring Musicians	Brian Corsiga	Chris Parlier	Social Stur	dias Award
Allison Hubbard	Ethan Leigh	Anthony Westfall	Social Studies Award Jackson Wheat	
	Melody Michna-	Jackson Wheat	Juckson	, micat
Northern IL Principal Assoc. Award	Harlow		Mathema	tics Award
Ryan Regan	Physical Edu	cation Award		n Leigh
Valedictorian		v Westfall		Parlier
Anthony Westfall	Chris	Parlier	Ryan	Regan
	Policio	n Award	Art A	ward
Ambassador Award	-	Corsiga	Kathy Palmowski	
Maura McGarvey	Bhan	consigu		
Jackson Wheat	English	Award		Award
Eliza Oberda	Allison Hubbard		Ryan	Regan

Stewardship

2018 FISCAL YEAR SUNDAY SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Date	Weekend Collection	On-Line Giving	Weekly Total	Over / Under Budget: \$23,700
May 6	\$ 22,901.41	\$ 3,133.00	\$ 26,034.41	\$ 2,334.41
May 13	\$ 17,827.72	\$ 1,608.00	\$ 19,435.72	(\$ 4,264.28)
May 20	\$ 15,320.96	\$ 1,948.00	\$ 17,268.96	(\$ 6,431.04)
May 27				

YTD Totals		THANK YOU!
YTD Budget	\$ 1,113,900.00	THANK TOO!
YTD Actual	\$ 1,017,714.57	
Over / (Under)	(\$ 96,185.43)	

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



It's time to clean out those kitchen drawers

and turn in all of those Box Tops before school ends! Every box top is worth a dime! And those 10 cents add up! Our last Box Top collection raised \$867.00 for the School! Just drop off your Box Tops in the Parish or School Office. THANK YOU!



St. Thomas of Villanova's 15th Annual Golf Outing & Dinner Fundraiser Friday, July 27, 2018 Registration 9:30am; Shotgun Start 12:00pm

LOCATION

This year's event is to be held at the beautiful White Deer Run in Vernon Hills, IL. A premier public golf course and banquet facility built on the famed Cuneo Estates in Vernon Hills. Offering 18 holes over 240 acres of rolling terrain and picturesque lakes, a fair challenge for any skill level.

REGISTRATION

Come one, come all! For the single player registration, we will pair you with other golfers to form a foursome. Make new friends and be the team to beat! Already have a group? Register with your team of four and spend the day on a beautiful course with friends or co-workers.

ADVERTISE: Do you own or work for a business that you want to share with other business owners and parishioners? In addition to being in the event booklet, you will be recognized in our bulletin reaching 5,000 parishioners. Contact: John Harahan at 847-269-8455 or jharahan@comcast.net for more information.

DONATE: So you don't golf? Both business owners and parishioners can participate in this year's fundraiser by donating door prizes, raffle, silent and live auction items. Contact: Christine Colbrook at christinecolbrook@yahoo.com or 630-441-7912 for more information.

SPONSOR: We are excited about our new sponsorship opportunities this year! If you are a business owner or your company offers sponsorship, please consider the golf outing. This fundraiser supports ministries that outreach into the community for education, faith formation as well as for individuals with spiritual and material needs. Help to be a part of something bigger! Contact: Tom Nicholas at tgnicholas@msn.com or 847-380-0220.

Growing Our Faith



2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 25th—29th from 9am—Noon **Rowley Activity Center**

Children age 4 years old to those entering 5th Grade

We'll venture onto an uncharted island and anchor ourselves in the truth that Jesus carries us through life's storms. Come for the songs, Ship Rec Games, Castaway Crafts, Bible Discovery, KidVid Cinema and even Tropical Treats!

Download a registration form at www.stvrec.org or pick up a form in the Religious Ed or Parish Offices.

We need parent volunteers, too! Just email stvrec@yahoo.com or call 847-358-2386



ON ROYAL WEDDINGS, AND ROYAL BLOODLINES

So I got up around 6:30 last Saturday morning to go out for a run. My wife got up at the same time because it was a work day for her. We had the TV on early to catch the weather, but we ended up catching something else: the royal wedding coverage. It's funny. I'd had a conversation about it with a friend the day prior. I asked her if she'd be watching. Daisy said that she wouldn't be getting up at 4:00 AM, but that she'd have the TV on later in the day. I told her that all things royal were lost on me. She said she understood, but acknowledged she enjoyed such events from a seehow-the-other-half-lives perspective. I admitted to her later on that I actually enjoyed watching it, too.

Gail and I both headed out, though, and I figured that was that. And it was. Until Saturday evening. Because while we had planned to go see the new Avengers movie that night, we ended up staying on the couch instead to catch the nuptials on a PBS repeat broadcast. Royal sightings. Celebrity sightings. And what's with those sideways hats that many of the women were wearing? Gail said they're called "fascinators." Probably because it's fascinating how they don't fall off. This aside, the whole thing was good television. Daisy was right regarding her see-how-the-other let it really sink in--it takes my breath -half-lives perspective. And as I consider today's Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity celebration, I ponder it from a perspective inspired by New Zealand pop singer Lorde's 2013 hit, Royals.

Lorde begins that song by putting herself in a common person's position ("I've never seen a diamond in the flesh/I cut my teeth on wedding rings

in the movies/ And I'm not proud of my address, in the torn up town/ No post code envy"), then speaks of how-the-other-half lives ("But everybody's like Cristal, Maybach, diamonds on your timepiece/ Jet planes, islands, tigers on a gold leash..." before concluding that this isn't the life for her or for her friends ("And we'll never be royals/ It don't run in our blood/ That kind of lux just ain't for us..."). But we are. Royals, I mean. Maybe not the kind that serves Cristal champagne or drives Maybachs or goes to weddings in Windsor Castle, but royals just the same.

I mean, look who our Father is: the Creator of the universe. And look who moves in us: the Spirit of the Lord. The Apostle Paul tells us in today's second reading that those led by this Spirit are children of God. Well...that's us, no? And if we are sons and daughters of God, then we are brothers and sisters to the Christ. And the Christ is King of the universe, for heaven's sake. And nobody out-royals Jesus, so don't you see? We have royal blood flowing through us all day long. Amazing royal blood. Oh, we forget this sometimes. I do, anyway. But when I take the time to remember it--when I take the time to away. I like Lorde's song, but she got it wrong. We are royals to the max. It does run in our blood. I got it wrong, too, though. I told Daisy that all things royal were lost on me. More correctly, all things royal flow in me. All things royal is who I am. Is who we all are.

Family Matters

Parish Family-

Thank you all so much for your prayers in these last few weeks and over the course of the year as I ended my first year at Mundelein Seminary!!! This year flew by, but I am very grateful for the people I have met, and the experiences I have grown from. Only three more years until priesthood ordination!!

This weekend, I am in Dubuque, Iowa, celebrating the ordination to the priesthood for Jacob Rouse, who served here as a deacon at St. Thomas this past year. Fr. Jacob and I lived on the same floor at Mundelein, and he has been a great big brother as I transitioned from St. Joseph College Seminary to Mundelein. I have assured him of our parish family's continued prayers for him as he begins his life-long priestly ministry to the people of God.



For the summer, I will be studying at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, beginning this weekend and ending the last Saturday in July. The program is designed for diocesan seminarians, teaching them, as St. Paul writes to the Church in Rome in today's second reading, to be aware of the spirit of adoption that we have received through baptism and to be bold and steadfast in calling God our Father. I am attending the program with 5 other classmates from Chicago, and we will be joining over 200 other seminarians from across the country. Please pray for all of us attending the program this summer, that our hearts and minds may be open to the working of the Spirit and we may become more aware of the adoption we have received through our baptism, so that we may effectively teach and preach the love of God to the people we will minister to as priests. Know of my daily prayers for all of you and those you love!

	LITURGY SCHEDULE for JUNE 2 / 3					
	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SATURDAY 5:00 PM SUNDAY 7:30 AM SUNDAY 9:30 AM SUNDAY 11:15 AM 9				
PRESIDER	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА	
DEACON	Deacon Mark Duffey	Deacon Rich Willer	Deacon Len Marturano	Deacon Tom Dunne		
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In Christ the Risen Lord, Seminarian Andy Matijevic

Our Weekly Prayers

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 28—MEMORIAL DAY

6:30am Communion Service 9:30am Intention in Thanks to Fr. Ray Tuesday, May 29 6:30am Communion Service 8:00am 🕆 Umberto D'Alessio Wednesday, May 30 6:30am Communion Service 8:00am P Maria D'Alessio Thursday, May 31 6:30am Communion Service 8:00am All Who Are Sick Friday, June 1 6:30am Communion Service 8:00am All Military Personnel 7:30pm Mass—POLISH Saturday, June 2 8:00am 🕆 Christopher Blancharo 5:00pm ⊕ Marino Guardalabene; ✤ Anthony A. Krizmanich; ✤ Dorothy Dias; 🕆 Jim Tallian 7:30pm Polish Mass

Sunday, June 3

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7:30am	🕆 David Sladky;		
	Teiko Matsumoto;		
	P Christopher Blancharo		
9:30am	Richard Teutsch;		
	🕆 Mary Ann Moretti;		
	🕆 Vivian Drews;		

- ✤ Alice Jean Maloney;
- Marguerite Brinkman
- 11:15am 🕆 Eufresina Miranda
- 1:30pm Mass—POLISH
- 4:30pm Mass—VIETNAMESE

DAILY READINGS

- Mon: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9-10c; Mk 10:17-27
- Tue: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31
- Wed: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45
- Thu: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
- Fri: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10-13; Mk 11:11-26
- Sat: Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2-6; Mk 11:27-33
- Sun: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Melanie Grace Nelson

UPCOMING MARRIAGES

Jennifer Solberg & Brandon Full—Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 2:30pm

FOR OUR SICK

Barbara Amato Lou Anderson Jim Baur Vito Boffa Cherie Bott Andy Bouchonville Charles Campagna **Eleanor** Campagna Anna Marie Candorla Tom Cook Baby Seamus Cullen Jason Dean Vince DeGiulio **Emily Dempsey** Beth Dix Joe Donzelli Julia Rose Donzelli Eamon Downey Jeanne Formanski

Jaime Forseth Kirk Forseth Faith Forseth Parker Forseth Daniel Gajewski Mel Gass Bill Gerl **Ron Hennis** Dave Hicks Adeline Kaczmarek Katherine Kearney Barbara Kerlin Wesley Knutson James Kobler Mary Alice Kobler Susan Kordell Lauren Lambert Gene Lazich Diane Leo

Harold Lewis Allan Loden Peggy Lowe Baby Alexa Mang Helen Mariano Bob Maruska Elavne Maruska Baby Benjamin Mauro Mike McGee Candida Morales Mike Moran JoAnn Moser Paul Moser Rita Olles Larry Peterson Catherine Prendergast Patty Reynolds Barb Ridge Bob Ridge

Elaine Romanchek Ken Romanchek **Bridget Rubin** Dick Samojla Dan Schaffer **Carlos Serna** Corky Smith Shawn Smith **Russell Spano Kristina Sromek** Alice Stedronsky Anne Swaw **Robert Szott** Sharon Tadsen Jack Treanor John Welge Jim White Sharon Woelfel Martha Zara

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

Lord, bless the men and women of our military as they answer the call to serve our nation and defend our freedom. Protect and heal them-- body, soul, mind and spirit--especially those in harm's way. Most of all let them know your love; that you are with them, and that you will never forsake or abandon them. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

U.S. Air Force

- MSGT Dan Fialek
- SSGT Justin Godsev
- MSGT Matthew Grelck
- **CPT Erin Killion**
- CPT Sean McGee
- SrA Trenton J. Metyk
- SSGT Darrel J. Moe
- Lt Col Ross A. Mol
- SSGT Brian R. O'Donnell
- SrA Joshua Olszak MAJ Matthew Walz

U.S. Army

- MAJ Robert Bland
- MAJ Bernadette O'Shea Bland
- PFC Ryan Camis-Sutherland
- CPT Ben Couchey
- SSGT Brian J. Dankowski
- SGT Jack Davis
- SGT Raymond Dickenson

- **PVT Ryder Dickenson**
- CPT Joel Hilborn SF Joseph Kilcullen III, Green Beret
- LT Michael Labek
- 2LT Daniel Lloyd
- SSGT Dustin Lyles
- SPC Michael Medina
- SGT Kevin Miller
- CWO2 Timothy O'Cain CPT James Ruetsche, Ranger
- PFC Will Willis

U.S. Coast Guard

LT Kevin O'Brien

U.S. Marine Corps

- MAJ Joey Cross •
 - **CPL David Crouse**
 - PFC Nicholas G. Dean
 - WO1 Thomas Grygowski

And all those serving in the Middle East.

PFC Jeffrey Daniel Krantz

CPT Thomas McCarthy

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SGT Nicholas Regini

LT Jake Schlenbecker

SGT Corey A. White

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LCDR Kevin Brandwein CMDR John-Paul Falardeau

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U.S. Navy



ROSE OF LIFE

In Loving Memory of My Parents **VERONICA & REDMON MAHER**

Informacje po polsku (Polish Information)



UROCZYSTOŚĆ NAJŚWIĘTSZEJ TRÓJCY – Uśmiechnięta Trójca

W niezwykły sposób o Trójcy Świętej opowiadał w swoich kazaniach średniowieczny mistyk dominikański Mistrz Eckhart: 'Ojciec śmieje się do Syna, a Syn do Ojca, śmiech przynosi przyjemność, przyjemność przynosi radość, a radość przynosi miłość'. Radość i szczęście Boga są tak wielkie, że pragnie się nimi dzielić z ludźmi. Ojciec, Syn i Duch Święty to wspólnota radości. Spójrzmy tak dzisiaj na Boga. Uśmiechnijmy się razem z Nim i do Niego. Uśmiech też może się stać modlitwą. Niech nasze serca się rozweselą... Radujmy się ze swoim Panem...

Jak zrozumieć Litanię Loretańską...



Wielu z nas modli się w maju słowami Litanii Loretańskiej, jednak nie wszyscy znają jej istotę, wymagającą zrozumienia i odkrycia. Jest to warunek uczynienia ze słów litanii głębokiej modlitwy, która nie będzie mechanicznie powtarzanym pustosłowiem, a wołaniem serca...

'Litania' to modlitwa błagalna składająca się z szeregu zawołań przeplatanych powtarzającą się formułą błagalną. Nie zawsze zawierała ona dokładnie te słowa, co dzisiaj, chociazby ze wzgledu na ewolucje linglistyczna czy semantyczna jezyka... W Litanii Loretańskiej prosimy o wstawiennictwo Matkę Bożą jedynymi adekwatnymi, jak się wydaje, słowami 'Módl się za nami'. Akcentują one fakt, że przez wstawiennictwo Maryi zwracamy się do Boga. W swoistego rodzaju dialogu błagalnym wierni powtarzają chórem słowa wypowiedziane przez prowadzącego modlitwę i w ten sposób wołają o pomoc.

W wezwaniach umieszczonych w litanii Maryja jest przywoływana jako Matka Zbawiciela, Panna wierna czy Królowa Apostołów. Wypowiadając je, można w prosty sposób krótko rozważać w sercu zawarte w nich tajemnice. Istnieje też możliwość zatrzymania się na poszczególnych wezwaniach dla odnalezienia siebie w prawdach zbawienia, wierności czy apostolstwa.

Wezwania zawarte w Litanii Loretańskiej pojawiały się w ciągu wieków. Ludzie, świadomi przemożnego wstawiennictwa Matki Boga, odkrywali Jej pomoc w konkretnych sprawach, wypraszając łaski dla grzeszników, dziewic i wyznawców. Była Ona 'Matką dobrej rady' dla potrzebujących pomocy, 'Stolicą Mądrości' dla poszukujących prawdy i 'Przyczyną radości' dla doswiadczajacych smutku. W ten sposób powstała litania ludzi zwracających się do Matki w konkretnych potrzebach.

Kilkadziesiąt wezwań jest dziełem ludzi wiary, dla których Maryja stała się Drogą do Syna.

Z pewnością każdy z nas ma wokół siebie wiele osób, za które chce się modlić. Każde wezwanie daje impuls do przywołania którejś z nich. W ten sposób można także oddawać Maryi sytuacje, miejsca, całe wspólnoty. Litanijnie powtarzane 'Módl się za nami' może być kierowane do Boga za grzeszników, strapionych, wiernych i chorych. Wtedy litania zaczyna żyć. Staje się litanią mojego życia, moich spraw, litanią tych, których nosze w sercu. Modlitwa staje się prawdziwym błaganiem i wołaniem do Boga, a nie bezsensownym wierszykowaniem...

Nie zawsze jednak wszystkie wezwania są zrozumiałe i nie wszyscy odmawiający wiedzą, jaką treść kryją. Takie zawołania jak: 'Domie złoty', 'Arko przymierza' czy 'Wieżo z kości słoniowej' nie pozwalają na konkretne przywołanie jakiejkolwiek sytuacji czy osoby z naszego życia, ponieważ wymagają pewnej wiedzy, dotyczącej trudnych nieraz prawd teologicznych, przywołujących konkretne obrazy biblijne. Na przykład wezwanie 'Arko przymierza' ukazuje Maryję jako kobietę noszącą w łonie Jezusa, przez którego mogło dokonać się przymierze Boga z ludźmi. Odwołanie do biblijnej Arki przymierza, gdzie znajdowały się kamienne tablice – znak przymierza Boga z ludźmi za czasów Mojżesza - to obraz pokazujący, jak ważne miejsce w historii zbawienia Bóg wyznaczył Maryi.

Ponieważ wiedza religijna stanowi w tym wypadku warunek 'sine qua non' modlitwy, konieczne wydaje się systematyczne pogłębianie jej zasobów poprzez odpowiednią lekturę duchową.

Co robić, kiedy nie mamy dostępu do takiej literatury, a chcemy modlić się przez wstawiennictwo Maryi na sposób litanijny? Być może określenia Matki składające się na Litanię Loretańską nie są zrozumiałe dla wszystkich, lecz każdy może odkryć Maryję na swój sposób, modląc się słowami noszonymi w sercu. Po wezwaniach do Trójcy Świętej mogą się pojawić całkiem nowe, będące odzwierciedleniem rzeczywistości, w której żyje dany człowiek. 'Matko zakochanych', 'Nadziejo więźniów', 'Królowo poszukujących', 'Nadziejo upadających'... Wezwań niekoniecznie musi być ponad pięćdziesiąt, wystarczy trzydzieści. Twoich! Takich, które nosisz w sercu i które coś dla Ciebie znaczą. Ta litania nie ma końca, bo przecież każdy z nas może wołać do Maryi, jak umie, a słowa 'Módl się za nami' będą świadczyły, jak bardzo potrzebujemy tej modlitwy na poplątanych ścieżkach życia...

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