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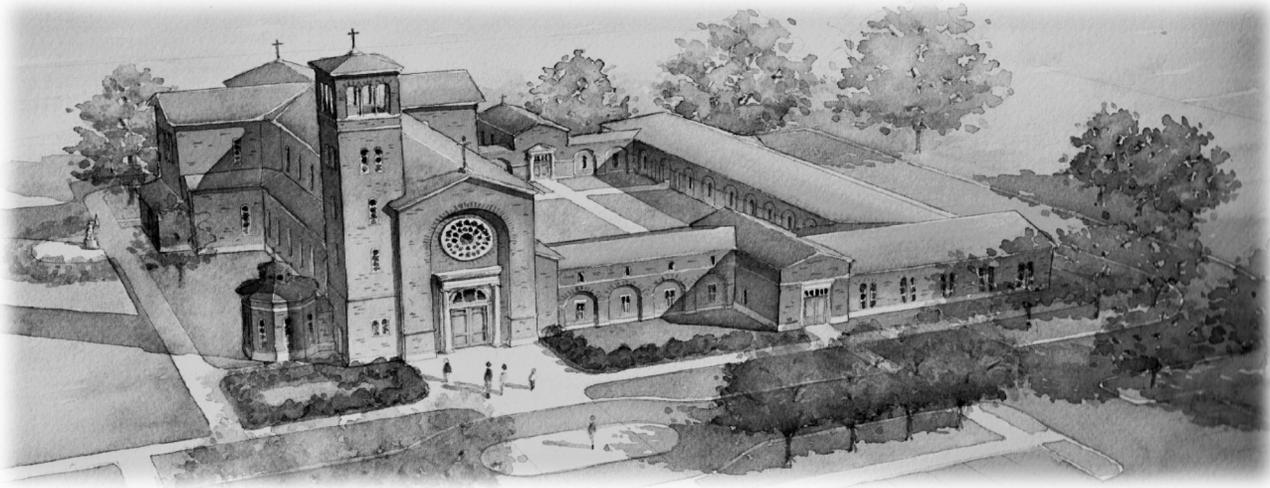


Passion Sunday

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Mass Times

Sunday 7:30 AM Low Mass
9:30 AM Sung Mass
12:00 PM Low Mass
5:00 PM Low Mass
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Weekdays 6:30 AM, 12:15 PM
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Saturday 6:30 AM, 9:30 AM

Confession Times

45 min. before each Sunday Mass
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30 min. before each daily Mass
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4:00-5:00 PM Saturday

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MASS AND EVENT SCHEDULE

	Events	Mass Times & Intentions
Sun., March 29th Passion Sunday	<i>Young Adults, cancelled</i>	9:30 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live
Mon., March 30th Feria of Passiontide	Catechism Classes, live streamed at 6:30 PM	8:00 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live
Tues., March 31st Feria of Passiontide		8:00 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live
Wed., April 1st Feria of Passiontide	Bible Study, live streamed at 6:30 PM	8:00 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live
Thurs., April 2nd St. Francis of Paola Feria of Passiontide		8:00 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live
Fri., April 3rd Seven Sorrow of the Bl. Virgin Mary Feria of Passiontide	Stations of the Cross, live streamed at 6:30 PM	8:00 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live
Sat., April 4th St. Isidore Feria of Passiontide		8:00 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live
Sun., April 5th Palm Sunday	<i>Young Adults, cancelled</i>	9:30 AM: <i>Live streamed at</i> stjoanarc.com/live

TODAY'S HYMNS

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Processional

Recessional

Mass

Marian Antiphon

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REMINDER: Please *silence* your cell phones!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass intentions are currently **closed** for all of the priests. Thank you for your understanding.

Fr. Flick's and Fr. Rapoport's Mass Intentions are private this week.

Fr. Gordon's Mass Intentions: 3/29, Pro Populo; 3/30, Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Gallant (Ben & Linda Ofstead); 3/31 Private Intention; 4/1 Private Intention (Rebekah Dewyea); 4/2 Jennifer Reindel (Wm. & Margaret Reindel); 4/3 M. K. Reindel (Wm. & Margaret Reindel); †Joseph Reindel (Wm. & Margaret Reindel); 4/5 Pro Populo.

Holy Mass: All public Masses will be suspended, at least through April 5th, by order of the bishop due to the corona virus outbreak. Bishop Christensen has granted a dispensation from Sunday Mass obligations, however, Holy Mass will be **streamed live, Monday through Saturday at 8:00 AM, and on Sunday at 9:30 AM at stjoanarc.com/live**. Parishioners are encouraged to keep the day Holy by prayer and spiritual reading.

Stations of the Cross: Live streamed on Friday at 6:30 PM, at stjoanarc.com/live until further notice.

Catechism classes: Live streamed on Monday at 6:30 PM, at stjoanarc.com/live.

Bible Study: For consistency, Father has decided to do Bible Study every Wednesday evening of April. For those who wish to prepare, he will talk on the Gospel of Matthew, ch. 12 & 13. It will be Live streamed on Wednesday at 6:30 PM at stjoanarc.com/live.

Contributions and Donations: In your charity and in these uncertain times while Mass has been suspended, **please remember St. Joan of Arc in your Sunday contribution**. Currently the two methods to donate are to mail you tithe to the church or you may donate on line at stjoanarc.com by selecting the **Giving** tab or by clicking on this link: <https://tithe.ly/pledge/#/campaign/1317719>
May God reward your charity!

Assistance for the Elderly: For those elderly who would like some assistance with shopping and errands so as to help protect from exposure to the corona virus please contact the church office. **Young parishioners** who would like to volunteer to help the elderly please contact the church office.

Food Bank: Staple food items are available in the parish hall for any who need assistance during the pandemic. Donations are also being accepted during regular business hours. You may drop your donations off in the breezeway by the office. *Thank you* for your charity!

House for rent: Parishioner has small house available for shorter term rent in downtown CdA. May be suitable for medical or emergency personnel that need self-isolation from family members. Please contact Jean at 208-625-8995 for more information

Sponsor Stations of the Cross: For parishioners who would like to donate towards sponsoring one of the new Station of the Cross, **checks for any amount** can be placed in the black box or collection basket with 'Station' in the memo line. May God reward you.

First Communion sign up sheet in the credenza: Please sign up for First Communion and fill out an information sheet for each child. Make note of the date of **Saturday May 23, 2020 at 9:30 am**.

In your charity and generosity, please remember the cloistered **Carmelite nuns** who pray and fast continuously for all of us. May God reward you.



APOLOGETICS CORNER

Defending our Faith with the Truth

By Father Dennis M. Gordon, FSSP

Evidence of Purgatory

Question: “Where is there Scriptural evidence for the Catholic idea of **purgatory**?”

Answer: “There are a number of places in Sacred Scripture that refer to purgatory. Let’s first recall that purgatory is the *place of temporal punishment for the souls who die in the state of grace, yet with some stain of sin*. Souls that die with mortal sin go to hell for eternity: and unlike souls that go *straight* to heaven, the souls in purgatory must still do penance and make expiation before going to heaven, either in atonement that is still lacking for *forgiven* mortal sins, or in expiation for unforgiven *venial* (lesser) sins, or both. We know that a soul which dies with these imperfections still on the soul must have them cleansed away in order to enter heaven since *‘there shall not enter into it anything defiled’* (**Revelation 21:27**). Let’s look!

“Check out **Ecclesiasticus [Sirach] 7:37**, written about 180 B.C., where among a list of spiritual and corporal works of mercy, we find these words, *‘Restrain not grace from the dead’*. By telling us that we should not hold back grace from the dead, this passage is saying that we *can* help the dead (the souls in purgatory, that is) to obtain grace by praying for them. It also indicates that there are some of the dead who are in need of and can benefit from our prayers, which is in line with the Catholic idea of purgatory. This is the meaning of this passage.

“There is also **2 Maccabees 12:43-46**, written around 120 B.C.; *‘And making a gathering, he sent twelve thousand drachms of silver to Jerusalem for sacrifice to be offered **for the sins of the dead**, thinking well and religiously concerning the resurrection, (For if he had not hoped that they that were slain should rise again, it would have seemed superfluous and vain to pray for the dead.) And because he considered that **they who had fallen asleep with godliness, had great grace laid up for them. It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins.**’*

“Notice some key points about these verses:

The devout Jews understand that they can have sacrifice offered for the dead

The ones who are benefitting are those who had

died (‘fallen asleep’) *with godliness*; in other words, they were *in the state of grace*, not mortal sin

They understand that their prayers are effectual to releasing these souls from their sins

“Now, one may object that these are from books that *are* in a Catholic Bible, but are *not* in a Protestant bible. Although these books were written before Our Lord lived in the Holy Land, and they were accepted by the Jews as inspired Scripture, nonetheless let’s take a look at evidence from books of the Bible that *are* also in Protestant bibles.

“In **1 Corinthians 3:12-15** we read the following: *‘Now if any man build upon this foundation [Christ Jesus], gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble: Every man’s work shall be manifest; for the day of the Lord shall declare it, because it shall be revealed in fire; and the **fire shall try every man’s work**, of what sort it is. If any man’s work abide, which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man’s work burn, **he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved, yet so as by fire.**’*

“The early Christians, St. Augustine among them, took these words to be a reference to *purgatory*. Notice some key points about this passage:

Fire will be used to purify a man’s works

Some men’s works, compared to hay, wood and stubble, which are combustible, will burn, unlike other men’s works, compared to gold, silver and precious stones, which don’t burn

The man whose works burn will suffer loss, but he shall be saved, through fire

Works that burn were seen by the early Christians to be a reference to works that are stained in some way by sin

“So, there are a number of places in Sacred Scripture which refer to purgatory. There are other places, including **Matthew 5:25**, but we don’t have time to go into these. It is enough to say that purgatory is not just a ‘Catholic’ idea, it is certainly a Biblical one!”

Introduction to the Devout Life

St. Francis de Sales, Part I, chapters 6 & 7

The first purification to be made is from sin; the means whereby to make it, the sacrament of penance. Seek the best confessor within your reach, use one of the many little books written in order to help the examination of conscience. Read some such book carefully, examining point by point wherein you have sinned, from the first use of your reason to the present time. And if you mistrust your memory, write down the result of your examination. Having thus sought out the evil spots in your conscience, strive to detest them, and to reject them with the greatest abhorrence and contrition of which your heart is capable; bearing in mind these four things: that by sin you have lost God's Grace, rejected your share in Paradise, accepted the pains of Hell, and renounced God's Eternal Love. You see, my child, that I am now speaking of a general confession of your whole life, which, while I grant it is not always necessary, I yet believe will be found most helpful in the beginning of your pursuit after holiness, and therefore I earnestly advise you to make it. Not unfrequently the ordinary confessions of persons leading an everyday life are full of great faults, and that because they make little or no preparation, and have not the needful contrition. Owing to this deficiency such people go to confession with a tacit intention of returning to their old sins, inasmuch as they will not avoid the occasions of sin, or take the necessary measures for amendment of life, and in all such cases a general confession is required to steady and fix the soul. But, furthermore, a general confession forces us to a clearer self knowledge, kindles a wholesome shame for our past life, and rouses gratitude for God's Mercy, Which has so long waited patiently for us; it comforts the heart, refreshes the spirit, excites good resolutions, affords opportunity to our spiritual Father for giving the most suitable advice, and opens our hearts so as to make future confessions more effectual. Therefore, I cannot enter into the subject of a general change of life and entire turning to God, by means of a devout life, without urging upon you to begin with a general confession.

All the children of Israel went forth from the land of Egypt, but not all went forth heartily, and so, when wandering in the desert, some of them sighed after the leeks and onions, the fleshpots of Egypt. Even so there are penitents who forsake sin, yet without forsaking their sinful affections; that is to say, they intend to sin no more, but it goes sorely against them to abstain from the pleasures of sin; they formally renounce and forsake sinful acts, but they turn back many a fond lingering look to what they have left, like

Lot's wife as she fled from Sodom. They are like a sick man who abstains from eating melon when the doctor says it would kill him, but who all the while longs for it, talks about it, bargains when he may have it, would at least like just to sniff the perfume, and thinks those who are free to eat of it very fortunate. And so, these weak cowardly penitents abstain awhile from sin, but reluctantly; they would fain be able to sin without incurring damnation; they talk with a lingering taste of their sinful deeds, and envy those who are yet indulging in the like. Thus a man who has meditated some revenge gives it up in confession, but soon after he is to be found talking about the quarrel, averring that but for the fear of God he would do this or that; complaining that it is hard to keep the Divine rule of forgiveness; would to God it were lawful to avenge one's self! Who can fail to see that even if this poor man is not actually committing sin, he is altogether bound with the affections thereof, and although he may have come out of Egypt, he yet hungers after it, and longs for the leeks and onions he was wont to feed upon there! It is the same with the woman who, though she has given up her life of sin, yet takes delight in being sought after and admired. Alas! of a truth, all such are in great peril.

Be sure, my child, that if you seek to lead a devout life, you must not merely forsake sin; but you must further cleanse your heart from all affections pertaining to sin; for, to say nothing of the danger of a relapse, these wretched affections will perpetually enfeeble your mind, and clog it, so that you will be unable to be diligent, ready and frequent in good works, wherein nevertheless lies the very essence of all true devotion. Souls which, in spite of having forsaken sin, yet retain such likings and longings, remind us of those persons who, without being actually ill, are pale and sickly, languid in all they do, eating without appetite, sleeping without refreshment, laughing without mirth, dragging themselves about rather than walking briskly. Such souls as I have described lose all the grace of their good deeds, which are probably few and feeble, through their spiritual languor.



March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30 am Young Adults, Fine Brew Cafe	2 6:30 pm Catechism class	3	4 6:30 pm Bible Study	5 5 pm Adoration, Benediction 6:30 pm Choir practice	6 First Friday 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross	7 First Saturday 10:30 am Parish Brunch 11:30 am Maidens of St. Joan 4pm Confessions
8 10:30 am Young Adults, Fine Brew Cafe	9 6:30 pm Catechism class	10	11 6:30 pm Bible Study	12 5 pm Adoration, Benediction 6:30 pm Choir	13 6 pm Basketball 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross	14 10:30 am Little Flowers 4pm Confessions 5 pm Youth Group
15 10:30 am Young Adults, Fine Brew Cafe	16 6:30 pm Catechism class	17 St. Patrick's Day 6:30 pm Choir practice	18 7 pm Men's Focus Group mtg.	19 Feast of St. Joseph 5 pm Adoration, Benediction 6:30 pm Sung Mass	20 7 am Youth group ski trip 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross	21 9:30 am Mass Purgatorial Society 4pm Confessions
22 Confession 11:45 am (every day of the week)	23 6:30pm Catechism class live streamed	24 Confessions Monday—Friday 5 pm	25 Feast of the Annunciation Bible Study, 6:30 pm <i>(Live Streamed)</i>	26	27 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm <i>(Live Streamed)</i>	28
29	30 6:30 pm Catechism class <i>(Live streamed)</i>	31	1 6:30pm Bible Study <i>(Live Streamed)</i>	2	3 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm <i>(Live Streamed)</i>	4

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

In your charity, please pray for the sick and homebound of the parish.

Patricia & Francesco Barsanti, David Burns, Dennis Cockrum, Sr. Maria Consuela, David Cools, Roberta Costa, Carmen di Pietro, Cynthia deTar, Tom deTar, Regina Dumas, Ruben Finn, Sharon Flores, Alvin Froehlich, Barbara Gagne, Robert Geist, David Gunseor, Gale Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Sherri Higgins, Donald Holbrook, Kathryn Holbrook, Margaret Hurn, Joseph Kemna, Mary Lynn Kenary, Carrie Kralicek, Paul Krieg, Joseph Larsen, Marianne Leake, Donald Lohman, Spencer Lowell, Bryce Lund, Bill Mayer Carol Mayer, Sharon McManus, Patrick McMonigle, Paul Orozco, Philomena Ost, Michael O'Sullivan, Florence Pearson, Phyllis Peick, Michael Permen, Rachel Porter, Julia Rose, Coleman Rozsnyai, Louis Sachwitz, Joshua Schlader, Georgia Schrempp, Heaven & Mary Schumacher, Michael Simpson, David & Erika Taxin, Jonathan Taxin, Esther Vasquez, Carol Weiss, Mary & Charles West, Lezlie White, Barbara Woods.

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray also for the deceased of our parish.

Richard Ambrosi, Angelo Ambrosetti, Diane Braun, David Brunson, Julie Cook, Veronica Cools, Terrence Cooney, Richard Copeland, Robert Courteau, Raymond Covarrubias, Ann deTar, Grover Dilsaver, Joseph Anthony Drongoski, Charles Douglass, Susan Douglass, James Duggan, Joan Duggan, Norman Dumas, Jean Duval, Brenda Finn, Frank Finney, William Fisher, Jess Flores, Mary Forrester, Joan Glaze, Beatrice Gordon, James P. Gordon, Fr. Bill Gould, Joseph Guarotta, Jeanine Grenier, Helen Groves, Ed Hatstrup, Leo Heinan, Patricia Howland, Fr. Michael Irwin, FSSP, Rosemary Jacobs, John Keller, Daisy Koler, Paul Koudelka, Elemer Kovacs, Boleslaw Kozlowski, Wanda Kozlowski, Josephine LoCurto, Sandra Madrid, Patrick Mahoney, Bonnie McDonald, Erma McKay, Kevin McKay, Mike McManus, Agnes McMillan, David Metzger, Norm Miller, Florence McNamara, Lynnette Miller, Ann Morgan, Arcadia Nicklay, Fr. Colman Nolan, Mary Norman, Molly Rose Pearson, William Pearson, Jerry Peick, Kathleen Rardon, Fr. George Rassley CSSR, Bonnie Royer, Tamiko Shaw, Steve Slater, Jeremy Smith, Ed Stephens, Maryanna Thompson, Paul Upthegrove, Paul Uribe, Linda Vogel, Paul Van Voorst, Bob Wagner, Dorothy Wagner, Helen Walitzer, Elizabeth Welch, Ernest Willette, Wes Woods

VOCATIONS

Please pray for the members of our parish who are discerning or pursuing a religious vocation.

Rev. Brother Peter Mary, FSSR; Rev. Mr. Joseph Loftus, FSSP; Fr. Martin Adams, FSSP; Mr. Daniel Llera; Sr. Teresa Benedicta, Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Post Falls, ID; Brother Mary Peter, Monastero di San Benedetto di Norcia; Brother Lawrence Burns, OSB, Clear Creek Monestary, OK

Customary Stipends

Many people ask "what is a customary stipend in gratitude for the Sacraments?" Stipends are **not** required to receive any Sacrament. If one would like to give a gift, here are some customary offerings:

- ◇ **Mass:** \$10
- ◇ **Marriage:** \$80 - 100
- ◇ **Baptism:** \$25 - 50
- ◇ **Other Sacraments:** no stipend applies

We ask that parishioners request no more than three Mass intentions per priest at one time.

FINANCES

March 8th & 15th Collections

General, envelopes, loose cash	
St. Helen's Fund	15.00
Capital Campaign	2,020.00
On line donations	1,272.02
Wish list	8,285.00
Individual gifts	28,887.00
Votive Candles	254.45
Total	40,733.47

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February Collections

	Goal	Actual
General Offertory	18,000.00	39,622.30
Capital Campaign	55,000.00	68,891.00



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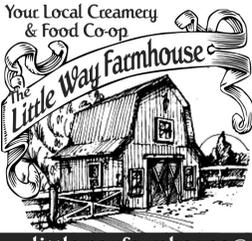
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