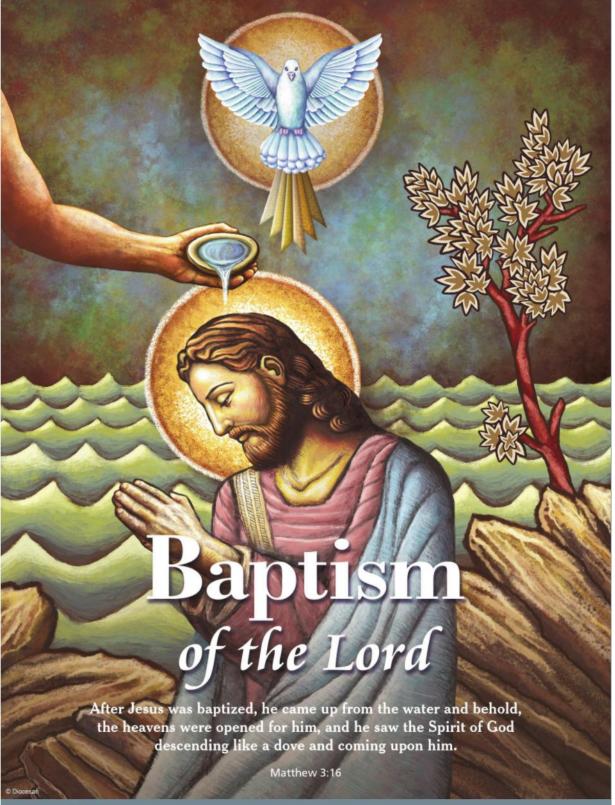
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Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we are unable to have Chocolatefest this year. To replace this fundraiser, we are having a raffle to help fund the amazing mission that Jesus has entrusted to our parish. Our goal is to have 360 participants by Jan 24th. The first drawing will occur on Jan. 31st. Currently, we have around 143 participants. Family and friends outside of our parish are

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Sunday, 1/10	HF	8:00 am	Ron Holthouse		
Sunday, 1/10	SA	10:00 am	For the people of S.E.A.S.		
Sunday, 1/10	SM	1:30 pm	Alvaro Garcia Vargas		
Monday, 1/11	SM	Noon	Cancelled		
Tuesday, 1/12	SA	8:15 am	Cancelled		
Wednesday,1/13	SM	8:15 am	Cancelled		
Thursday, 1/14	HF	8:15 am	Cancelled		
Friday, 1/15	SA	8:15 am	Cancelled		
Saturday, 1/16	SM	5:00 pm	Patty Young		
Sunday, 1/17	HF	8:00 am	Don Rohe		
Sunday, 1/17	SA	10:00 am	Special Intentions		
Sunday, 1/17	SM	1:30 pm	For the people of S.E.A.S.		

This Week's Liturgy: Jan 11 to Jan 16			
MON	11	Ordinary Time [1]	
TUE	12	Ordinary Time [1]	
WED	13	Ordinary Time [1]	
THU	14	Ordinary Time [1]	
FRI	15	Ordinary Time [1]	
SAT	16	Ordinary Time [1]	

Stewardship report for Dec. 25, & 27th 2020				
Sunday/Holy Day	12/25-27/2020	24,084.00		
Online Giving	Dec. 21-31	7,501.19		
Spanish	12/27/2020	76.00		
Total		36,661.19		
Budget Weekly		20,193.00		
Cemeteries		292.00		
Needs of the Parish	12/25-27/2020	1,926.81		

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Stewardship Report for 12/27/2020

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton P	arish Fall 2020
Parish Goal	\$83,884
Amount Pledged	\$32,987
% of Goal	39%
Total \$'s Received	\$23,499
Parish Households	779
# of Pledges	127
Parish Participation	16%

Seminarian Jack Wright "Tele-Ministry" Experience.

Fr. Sengole suggested that I write about my experience this past semester doing "tele-ministry" for our parish. Normally, seminarians at St. Meinrad engage in some type of ministry every Wednesday which, besides giving us pastoral experience, allows us to get off campus for the day. Because of Covid-19, we weren't able to do our typical offcampus ministry this semester; we were "stuck," more or less, at St. Meinrad. Instead, we did what was called "teleministry," meaning that we called parishioners of a particular parish and talked to them over the phone. I chose my home parish, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and was sent a list of names and phone numbers to call. Most, if not all, of the parishioners I talked to were over the age of 65; they were the ones most likely to be homebound or otherwise confined, especially due to the virus outbreak. I tried to have four good conversations per week from mid-September to mid-November, and I ended up speaking with 26 different parishioners over this time. Here are some of the highlights and takeaways from my tele-ministry:

First, I had the privilege of talking to Betty Anceria on her 100th birthday. That was a major highlight for me. Her mind was still sharp, and she sounded very happy over the phone. Another highlight was how thankful people were, simply because someone had called to talk to them. Many people were also grateful for being able to watch the Mass on TV or the internet, although a few told me they didn't care to watch it online. I talked to several men who had spent some time in the seminary in their younger days as well as some ladies who had brothers or uncles who had been priests. Betty Pope even offered to give me some books and other things which belonged to her brother, Msgr. John Ryan. (I took her up on this offer over Christmas break!) It became clear to me over the course of the semester that the idea of becoming a priest or entering the seminary was much more common among young men in the past compared to today. It was not so out-of-theordinary; it was a typical thought that many boys had growing up. I also began to realize through my phone conversations how rare it has become for people, particularly younger generations, to persist in their Catholic faith as adults. Almost every person I talked to had children who had been raised Catholic but had given up practicing the Faith. The conversion of fallen-away children was the most common prayer intention given to me throughout my teleministry.

Many of the people I talked to were dealing with

significant suffering in their lives. Some told me about their children who refuse to speak to them. Others told me that they have no family in the area, meaning that they are essentially isolated. Many were dealing with health problems in their families, such as a child or spouse suffer-



ing from cancer. Some had severe health difficulties of their own. Kathy Sheehy told me that she had had a stroke, then a heart attack, and then she fell and broke her hip; bedridden at the time of our conversation, she still seemed full of hope and joy. Jenny Weller was on a feeding tube while we talked; it was hard to understand her words, but I heard her say that she wasn't allowed to have any visitors and that she misses Holy Family Church. There were also those who had lost a spouse or child, in some cases both. Hearing about deceased loved ones was probably the saddest part of doing tele-ministry.

Many people said they miss going to Mass. Charles Waltermann told me about his prayer life during the eight months he had been quarantining; he said he'd been using a missal to keep up with the daily Mass readings, and he'd been praying the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. He could also watch Mass on TV each Wednesday—which he appreciated. Yet, he really missed going to Mass in person, so much so that he asked me to pray that he would be able to attend Mass again before he dies. There were also cases in which the quarantine apparently had led to a deepening of faith. Vicky Roosa talked about the spiritual growth she had been seeing in her husband, Ron, during the pandemic, especially in how committed he was to watching Mass online each Sunday and how he encouraged other people to watch it, too. As Vicky pointed out, God is still blessing us in many ways and drawing us closer to Him, even through Covid-19.

I'm looking forward to continuing my teleministry this coming semester at St. Meinrad. I'm also looking forward to returning to Richmond the next chance I get!

Jack Wright

Rev. Frank Ruff - Unbound

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Mensaje de Nuestro Seminarista Jack

La semana pasada celebramos la Solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor, una de las fiestas litúrgicas más antiguas de la Iglesia. Esta fiesta no es simplemente un recuerdo de los tres "hombres sabios" que visitaron a Cristo después de Su nacimiento; es una celebración de la Epifanía de Dios, es decir, la manifestación de Su presencia divina en Cristo, que ocurrió cuando los Magos vinieron a adorar al Niño recién nacido en Belén. La Iglesia también incluye el bautismo de Cristo, cuando la voz del Padre proclamó a Jesús como Su "Hijo amado" y el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre Él en forma de paloma, y el milagro de Caná como parte de la fiesta de hoy, como su natura-leza divina se manifiesta en estas escenas del Evangelio.

Lo que la Iglesia celebra hoy, en otras palabras, es la revelación de quién es Cristo, que Él es "verdadero Dios y verdadero hombre", como profesamos todos los domingos en el Credo. Lo que quiero señalar ahora es que la fiesta de hoy está estrechamente relacionada con otra solemnidad que celebramos esta semana, a saber, la solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios, el 1 de enero. Desde una perspectiva lógica, la conexión entre estas dos fiestas es simple: Si María es la Madre de Dios, esto significa, por supuesto, que Jesús es Dios. El anuncio de la Iglesia de la maternidad divina de María revela así la identidad de Cristo; nos dice con certeza que Él es una Persona Divina. Pero cuando miramos la Fiesta de María, Madre de Dios desde una perspectiva histórica, se vuelve aún más claro cómo esta verdad sobre la Madre de Jesús ayudó a asentar y anunciar al mundo quién es Cristo. A principios del siglo IV, los cristianos ya se referían a María como Theotokos, una palabra griega que significa "portadora de Dios" o "Madre de Dios".

Pero el uso de este título para María fue molesto para algunos cristianos, particularmente a Nestorio, un monje y patriarca de una de las primeras iglesias. En el Concilio de Éfeso en 431, la Iglesia condenó la posición de Nestorio de que María no es la portadora de Dios y la afirmó como verdadera Theotokos. El primer dogma mariano de la Iglesia ya era oficial: María es verdaderamente la madre de Dios, y este es el hecho que celebramos cada año el primer día de enero. Pero el aspecto más importante de este dogma no es tanto lo que dice de María como lo que dice de Cristo. En la época de la Iglesia primitiva,

abundaban las herejías que enseñaban un entendimiento falso de la identidad de Cristo. Por ejemplo, el docetismo enseñó que Cristo nunca estuvo realmente en la carne, que Su cuerpo era solo una ilusión, lo que significaba que Él no es realmente un hombre, mientras que el arrianismo y el nestorianismo ambos negaron, a su manera única, que Cristo es Dios. Cuando la Iglesia aprobó oficialmente la doctrina de la maternidad divina de María en 431, efectivamente destruyó aquellas herejías que refutaban la humanidad o la divinidad de Cristo. Si María es verdaderamente la madre de Dios, entonces Cristo recibió de ella verdadera carne humana y, por tanto, es realmente un hombre; y si ella es verdaderamente la madre de Dios, entonces Cristo es realmente una Persona Divina; Él es verdaderamente divino. La proclamación de María como Theotokos, Madre de Dios, fue ante todo una defensa de la verdad sobre la que la Iglesia siempre había enseñado, pero que había estado bajo el constante ataque de varios grupos heréticos desde sus inicios.

Casi todas las principales herejías de los primeros siglos se basaron en distorsiones de esta verdad, tergiversaciones de quién es Cristo. Las cuestiones relacionadas con la identidad de Cristo finalmente vinieron a depender de la cuestión de la maternidad divina de María y, por la Providencia de Dios, fue la afirmación de la Iglesia de María como Theoto-kos lo que sirvió como factor crítico que aplastó estas herejías cristológicas. La Iglesia, al nombrar a María Madre de Dios, llegó a una comprensión más perfecta, aunque no diferente, de la identidad de Cristo: que Él es una Persona en dos naturalezas, divina y humana. El pronunciamiento del primer dogma mariano fue, por tanto, un momento de epifanía para la Iglesia, un momento en el que la identidad de Cristo se hizo más clara. Al llegar a conocer mejor a Su Madre, la Iglesia había llegado a conocer mejor a Cristo. La solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios, nos enseña que el papel de María es siempre revelar a Cristo; esto ha sido cierto para la Iglesia a lo largo de su historia, y es cierto para los cristianos individuales que buscan conocer, amar y seguir a Jesús. Cuanto más nos acercamos a María, más nos acercamos a su Hijo; cuanto más sabemos quién es María, más sabemos quién es Cristo.

Jack Wright

Thank you - Fr. Joe Moriarty

On behalf of Bishop Smion Bruté Seminary, I wish to thank the parishioners of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton for you hospitality in welcoming me at your Masses last weekend. It was a pleasure to celebrate Mass with your community and speak of our work helping young men discern a vocation to the priesthood. Your support and prayers are vital to the future of vocations in our Archdiocese. To learn more about Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary, ease visit: www.bishopsimonbrute.orgor follow us on facebook: www.facebook.com/BruteSeminary. See the seminary for yourself at: https:??bit.ly/2ujy931. May God bless you, Fr. Joe Moriarty.

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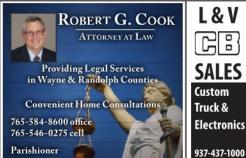


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