

Humilitas

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Coronaspection World Religious Leaders Reflect on Covid-19

A Book Review

Each person's experience during the pandemic has been unique – for some, unemployment and financial problems; for others, illness, loss and death; for still others, isolation and anxiety; for so many, extreme distress. Rabbi Alon Goshen-Gottstein, an expert on interfaith dialogue and founder of the Elijah Interfaith Institute was preparing *A Declaration of Friendship Across Religions* report in February 2020 when it was suddenly difficult to reach interviewees. A frantic religious leader in India told him to get busy sewing masks instead.

While sewing masks was not possible in his organization, the rabbi did conduct forty videotaped interviews with world religious leaders. They spoke of coping with fear, prayer in Corona times, dealing with loss and solitude, recognizing the positive in hardship, God and the pandemic, religious life during Covid, and more. This relates to the entire world living through the coronavirus pandemic. The book, reviewed here, is a print compilation of those interviews.

Leaders in the Jewish, Muslim, Christian, Buddhist and Hindu religions contribute their thoughts and assurances. Pope Francis was not interviewed but sent a letter approving the project. His wisdom is included based on sermons given at Easter 2020: "The Corona finds us afraid and lost like the disciples. We have constructed our lives around false certainties . . . We are called to faith, a movement of trust in God. This is a time for our choosing between what matters and what passes away. Life in the spirit shows us how all our lives are interwoven."

The author asked for answers to some of the following questions: People have been forced into solitude. How should time be spent in solitude? How does one deal with fear? How does one deal with all forms of deprivation? What does Corona teach us about our interconnectivity? What are spiritual applications people can practice? Many people say the world will be different after this crisis. What blessings do you see Corona bringing to the world? How can the world be different, for the better, following this crisis?

Catholic voices in this book are Maria Voce from Italy, President of the Focolare Movement; Cardinal Christoph Schoenborn, Archbishop of Vienna, and Bishop Domenico Sorrentino, Bishop of Assisi. Prayers at the end of the book offer praise to God and consolation.

Some positive outcomes noted are the home as a sanctuary and center of worship as church buildings closed, a commitment to service to others, a step by step way of breathing and dealing with fear (pages 76-78). In their essays, spiritual leaders help us "walk by faith and not by sight" (Hebrews 11:1).

Monica Knudsen



Welcome to St. Charles, our new Associate Pastor, Father Will Banowsky!

Father Will Banowsky is new to our parish, but only sort of new. He spent time at St. Charles last summer but shortly after arriving was asked to fill in and celebrate Masses at the Cathedral and other parishes. He felt like he wasn't able to get to know us as well as he would have liked because he was gone on weekends. So now he is officially our Associate Pastor and we have him all to ourselves.

Father Will was born in Rota, Spain in 1986, the oldest of four children, three sons and one daughter. He has a unique family background. His father, David, met his mother, Ana during his time in the Navy. Later, his father went on to pursue a law degree at Southern Methodist University. The Banowsky family currently lives in Dallas but they have also lived in Mexico City and in Honduras, where his father worked as the General Manager of a lumber company. Father Will speaks Spanish fluently as he said, "my mom pushed it a lot growing up so I could communicate with my cousins . . . also in rural Honduras it was a full immersion experience in order to survive."

He was raised Catholic, "a non-negotiable on my mother's part." She gave her future husband two rules: Number one—the children will be raised Catholic. Number two—convert for you if you wish to convert to the Catholic faith, but do it only because you want to be Catholic. His father is now a permanent deacon at their parish in Dallas.

Father Will's path to the priesthood was the scenic route that took a few years to discern. After a mission trip to Mexico in his 20s, Father Will said, "I was in the chapel and I asked God, 'What are you asking of me?' I came out with a feeling that I will teach the next generation the faith." Thinking that meant marriage and children, he eventually realized "the skills that make you a good father also make you a good Father."

In ensuing years, many life experiences went into the mix of sorting out this serious decision of a vocation and eventual answering "yes" to God's call—a University of Oklahoma law degree, some girlfriends, a question about the priesthood posed to him by Archbishop Beltran, some acquaintances with seminarians, the 2010 World Day of Prayer for Vocations, a job as Director of Development at Catholic Charities from 2011-2013 and getting to know some inspiring priests. He said, "I stopped listening to my head and started listening to my heart. God gave me the freedom to explore and discern."

In April 2013, at age twenty-seven, he began his semi-

nary studies, spending two years at St. Meinrad's studying philosophy, then six years in Italy at the North American College; three years for theology and three for canon law. He was ordained in 2019. He says his Italian is good but would have been better without the confusion of Spanish and Italian, two similar languages.

Father Will is grateful for those years of study; for opportunities to travel on breaks to Spain to visit family and to Eastern Europe and other places but he is glad "after all these years of study I am finally able to do what I was called to do . . . I always heard good things about St. Charles. Everyone has been so welcoming. I'm happy to be here and looking forward to being here." Father Will is also serving the Archdiocese as an Associate Judge at the Diocesan Tribunal and a Chaplain at Bishop McGuinness High School.

Now that you have been introduced, please give a warm St. Charles welcome to Father Will Banowsky next time you see him!

Monica Knudsen

DID NOT GOD
CHOOSE
THOSE WHO ARE
POOR
IN THE WORLD
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RICH
IN FAITH?

¡Bienvenido a San Carlos, como nuestro nuevo Pastor Asociado, Padre Will Banowsky!

El padre Will Banowsky es nuevo en nuestra parroquia, pero solo algo nuevo. Pasó un tiempo en San Carlos el verano pasado, pero poco después de llegar se le pidió que completara y celebrara misas en la Catedral y en otras parroquias. Sentía que no podía llegar a conocernos tan bien como le gustaría porque no estaba durante los fines de semana. Así que ahora él es oficialmente nuestro Pastor Asociado y lo tenemos solo para nosotros.

El padre Will nació en Rota, España en 1986, el mayor de cuatro hijos, tres chicos y una chica. Tiene antecedentes familiares únicos. Su padre, David, conoció a su madre, Ana, durante su tiempo en la Marina. Más tarde, su padre se graduó de derecho en la Universidad Southern Methodist. La familia Banowsky vive actualmente en Dallas pero también ha vivido en la Ciudad de México y en Honduras, donde su padre trabajaba como Gerente General de una empresa maderera. El padre Will habla español con fluidez cuando dijo, "mi mamá lo empujó mucho cuando era niño para que pudiera comunicarme con mis primos. . . también en las zonas rurales de Honduras fue una experiencia de inmersión total para poder sobrevivir".

Fue criado como católico, "algo no negociable por parte de mi madre". Ella le dio a su futuro esposo dos

reglas, la número uno, los niños serán criados como católicos. Número dos: conviértase por usted mismo si desea convertirse a la fe católica, pero hágalo sólo porque quiere ser católico. Su padre ahora es diácono permanente en su parroquia en Dallas.

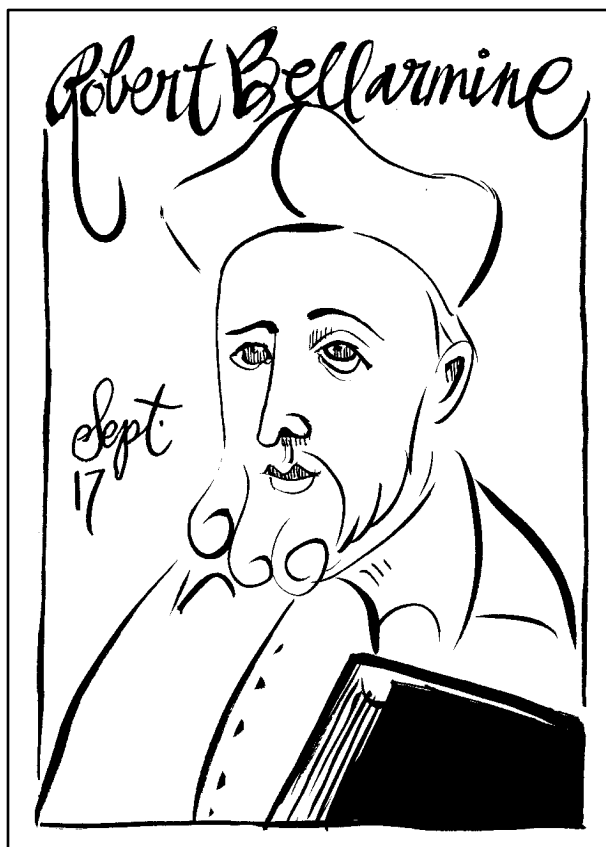
El camino del padre Will al sacerdocio fue la ruta escénica que tomó algunos años para discernir. Después de un viaje misionero a México cuando tenía 20 años, el padre Will dijo: "Estaba en la capilla y le pregunté a Dios: '¿Qué me estás pidiendo?' Salí con el sentimiento de que enseñaré la fe a la próxima generación." Pensando que eso significaba matrimonio e hijos, finalmente se dio cuenta de que "las habilidades que te hacen un buen padre también te hacen un buen padre".

En los años siguientes, muchas experiencias de vida se mezclaron entre resolver esta seria decisión de una vocación y eventualmente responder "sí" al llamado de Dios: una licenciatura en derecho de la Universidad de Oklahoma, algunas novias, una pregunta sobre el sacerdocio que le planteó Monseñor Beltrán, algunos conocidos con seminaristas, el Día Mundial de Oración por las Vocaciones de 2010, un trabajo como Director de Desarrollo en Caridades Católicas de 2011 a 2013 y conocer a algunos sacerdotes inspiradores. Dijo: "Dejé de escuchar a mi cabeza y comencé a escuchar a mi corazón. Dios me dio la libertad de explorar y discernir".

En abril de 2013, a la edad de veintisiete años, comenzó sus estudios de seminario, pasó dos años en San Meinrad's estudiando filosofía, luego seis años en Italia en el Colegio North American; tres años de teología y tres de derecho canónico. Fue ordenado sacerdote en 2019. Dice que su italiano es bueno, pero que habría sido mejor sin la confusión del español y el italiano, dos idiomas similares.

El padre Will está agradecido por esos años de estudio; por la oportunidad de viajar en los descansos y finales a España para visitar a la familia, a Europa del Este y otros lugares, pero está contento "después de todos estos años de estudio, finalmente puedo hacer lo que fui llamado a hacer. . . Siempre escuché cosas buenas sobre San Charles. Todos han sido tan acogedores. Estoy feliz de estar aquí y tengo muchas ganas de estar aquí ". El padre Will también está sirviendo en la Arquidiócesis como Juez Asociado en el Tribunal Diocesano y Capellán en la Escuela Secundaria Bishop McGuinness.

Ahora que te han presentado, ¡dale una cálida bienvenida a San Carlos al padre Will Banowsky la próxima vez que lo veas!



Where is the Holiness in this Virtue We Call Patience?

I don't like sitting fifteen more minutes in a small white room at a doctor's office after twenty minutes in the general waiting room. I am fuming that I-35 is always down to one lane, somewhere. I am flabbergasted that house projects I planned to get done in the summer have to wait for items on backorder and installers to be available.

Is there something holy about patience? This summer has given me plenty of time to think about this. I haven't found in the Gospels Jesus teaching specifically about patience being divine.* I do know my whole life people have told me that I need to have patience. I also need to have insurance but does that make either a part of my discipleship?

Time in a doctor's waiting room or driving south on I-35, and then there are the delays on any home renovations! These all remind me of the folly of my own timeline and provide an opportunity to choose patience.

Because crying and cussing are futile—but patience still is a choice. So how is it a holy one?

We live in communion. A tenet of Catholic Social Teaching is a call to Family, Community, and Participation. This is not a hands-off, big-picture directive guiding one's political vote, suggesting that you volunteer, or directing a person to support organizations that foster health and justice. Or, it is not just that.

I am suggesting that patience might be social justice. Patience is part of participating in familial and communal life because it calls for us to consider someone else.

While I continue to be mystified as to why a doctor

makes the appointment time and then never sees you until 30 or 40 minutes after that time, this does not negate the fact that she is serving another human behind one of those other exam rooms. And everyone wants to get to Norman in under an hour and a half; so sitting in construction is not a plot by a hostile Department of Transportation against me. (When I think rationally, I can even recognize it is a road work to benefit me in the future). The close-to-home reaction to a delayed order of doors from Lowe's calls for attention to the web of communal life. That "supply chain from the manufacturer"—those are people. It is humility, especially coming off of COVID quarantining, to admit that it is not for me to see the rest of the world as Netflix and on demand for me.

Patience asks for humility.

In a 2013 meditation on magnanimity and humility, Pope Francis explained how patience is part of discipleship: "Patience is humility. The Christian preaches the Gospel with his witness rather than his words." He ended the meditation by asking those present to pray to the Lord that they "become missionaries in the Church with this spirit: great magnanimity and also great humility."

Patience is a manifestation of humility.

Kathy Judge

*There is an inclusion of patience in the Gospels: "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come" (Matt 24:42). And if you've ever had to wait on the cable guy, . . .

**Morning Meditation in the Chapel of the Domus Sanctae Marthae: Magnanimity and Humility, Thursday, 25 April 2013

Green Team Invitation

What do you plant in your fall garden? Our school's Green Team wants to know! They are busy making plans for their raised beds!

Last year, our school was awarded grant money from the Oklahoma Pork Council and Oklahoma Ag in the Classroom to build three new raised beds. Through this grant and project, the Green Team students learned a lot about agriculture and gardening this past spring. With a new school year, they are eager to get started on new projects.

Our Outdoor Classroom is a treasure for our students and our community, and we are always looking for new volunteers to help magnify its beauty and enjoy its wonders. If you are interested in touring the space and/or

giving some time on a one-time or continued basis, I would love to show you around and share our visions for the space. You can email me directly at mrs.sprague@scbokc or call the school office at (405) 722-0224.

It's from generous donations, like those of the Oklahoma Pork Council and Oklahoma Ag in the Classroom, and support through time and talents of our volunteers that we're able to have, maintain, and enhance this wonderful space! We'd love for you to prayerfully consider this opportunity to volunteer in our school's Outdoor Classroom.

Beth Sprague

Beloved parishioner and volunteer in many ministries, Doris Stone, passed away from cancer in July 2021. One of the areas in which her talents were beautifully displayed was coordinating the funeral dinners. She always made this dish for the families and the recipe for it is enclosed here. Rest in peace and rise in glory, Doris. We will all miss you.

Dr. McLemore's Cole Slaw Recipe

1 16 ounce package of angel hair cole slaw (or regular)

1 package of Chicken-Flavor Ramen noodles

(Crush the noodles fine in a plastic bag)

½ cup of sunflower seeds

1 small pack of slivered almonds, toasted

3-4 chopped green onions

The dressing:

1/3 cup oil

1/2 cup sugar

1/3 cup apple cider vinegar

Chicken seasoning packet from the Ramen noodles

Mix oil, sugar, vinegar, seasoning packet from ramen noodles. Mix in a glass jar or bottle.

Add the oil mix, sunflower seeds, toasted almonds, crushed Ramen noodles and onions to the slaw shortly before serving. Enjoy.

* A woman is chasing down an ice cream truck...

The ice cream man stops and says, "What can I get for you, Ma'am?"

She says, "Nothing, I just wanted to tell you I'm vegan."

* Pirate Leader: Men, I need to know how to say the number 2 in Roman numerals.

crew: I I captain.

* Want to hear a bad cat joke?

Just kitten!

* What do you call a t-rex that's been beaten up?

Dino-sore.

Dr. McLemore's Cole Slaw: 2001
 1 16 oz pack Angel Hair Cole Slaw (or regular)
 1 package of Ramen Noodles (Noodles crushed fine in plastic bag)
 ½ cup Sunflower Seeds
 1 small package slivered Almonds (toasted)
 ⅓ cup oil, ½ cup sugar, ⅓ cup apple cider vinegar, 3-4 chopped green onions
 Mix oil, sugar, vinegar, seasoning pack of Ramen noodles in glass jar or bottle.
 Add oil mix, S. Seeds, toasted almonds, crushed Ramen noodles, onions, to slaw shortly before serving..... Enjoy!!!!
 (I can use any nuts (toasted better)
 Ramen Noodles (chicken flavor))

* Why couldn't the sesame seed leave the casino?
 He was on a roll!

* What travels around the world but stays in one corner?
 A stamp.

* Which word is always spelled wrong in the dictionary?
 Wrong.

* What do you call an everyday potato?
 A commentator.

Homeless Prayer

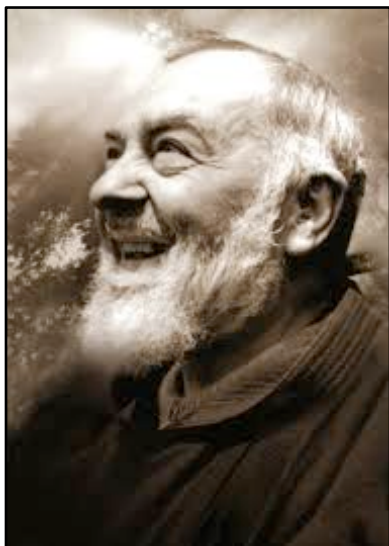
Come Lord, deliver us from this not knowing what to do. Convert stop-light frustration into political will as well as prayer. Come Holy Spirit, help us search out the holes in the system that leave people sleeping in the street; help people sleeping in the street patch the holes in their lives that perpetuate poverty. Forgive us the desire for a simple solution, a desire that is the pit-fall of selfishness and fear. Amen

Dog Math

* I asked my dog "what's two minus two."
He said nothing.

September Saints and Days

- 03 St. Gregory the Great; *Memorial*
- 04 [BVM]
- 05 **Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 08 **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Feast**
- 09 St. Peter Claver; *Memorial*
- 11 [BVM]
- 12 **Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 13 St. John Chrysostom; *Memorial*
- 14 **The Exaltation of the Holy Cross; Feast**
- 15 Our Lady of Sorrows; *Memorial*
- 16 Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian; *Memorial*
- 17 [St. Robert Bellarmine]
- 18 [BVM]
- 19 **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 20 Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions; *Memorial*
- 21 **St. Matthew; Feast**
- 23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina; *Memorial*
- 25 [BVM]
- 26 **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 27 St. Vincent de Paul; *Memorial*
- 28 [St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions]
- 29 **Ss. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael; Feast**
- 30 St. Jerome; *Memorial*



Padre Pio

Sign seen on a church:
Give the devil an inch.
He'll be your ruler.



“Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, more popularly known as Padre Pio was an Italian Franciscan friar, priest, and stigmatist. Padre Pio was born in Benevento, Italy a little over an hour east of Naples in the year 1887 to peasant farmers. By the age of five he decided to dedicate his entire life to God, and continued to work the land by tending his small flock of sheep.

In 1903 at the age of 15 he entered the novitiate (preparation prior to taking the vow of priesthood) in Umbria, Italy at the friary of Saint Francis of Assisi. At the age of 17 Padre Pio fell ill suffering from a slew of conditions that saw his health reduced, and it was during this bout that fellow friars claimed to see him in religious ecstasy and allegedly levitate above the ground. Despite his precarious health, Padre Pio continued on with his solemn profession and was ordained a priest at the Cathedral of Benevento in 1910.

Padre Pio offered Mass at the parish church of Our Lady of Angels and retained his Capuchin habit until 1916, while his health conditions forced him to remain with his family. In early September of 1916 Padre Pio was ordered to an agricultural community in the Gargano Mountains of San Giovanni Rotondo at Our Lady of Grace Capuchin Friary. He remained in this community till his death in 1968 converting many to Catholicism and drawing people from far away who had heard of him that wished to meet and confess to him, and ask for help. In his devotion to rosary meditations Padre Pio is quoted as saying "The person who meditates and turns his mind to God, who is the mirror of his soul, seeks to know his faults, tries to correct them, moderates his impulses, and puts his conscience in order." Saint Pius of Pietrelcina was beatified and canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1999 and 2002.”

John Cunningham

St. Charles Borromeo—September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Confessions every Saturday at 3 pm Adoration every Wednesday at 11:00 am - 3:00 pm</p>			<p>1 3:00 PM Clinic <u>Adoration</u> <u>11AM - 3PM</u> <u>every</u> <u>Wednesday</u></p>	<p>2 4:00 PM Newsletter Meeting - Kastner Room 7:00 PM Reunion de Jovenes Adultos - YR WSC Big Bunco</p>	<p>3 7:00 PM RICA Clases de Diabetes</p>	<p>4 9:00 AM Clase PreBautismal en Beckman Hall</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6 Labor Day No school and parish office closed</p>	<p>7 7:00 PM Baptismal Seminar EN in Mtg Room C 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Journey of Faith 7:00 PM Talleres de Oracion Mtg Room A/B Clinic</p>	<p>8 3:00 PM Clinic 5:30 PM Stewardship Meeting Kastner Room</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 7:00 PM RICA Clases de Diabetes</p>	<p>11 9:00 AM Clase PreBautismal en Beckman Hall</p>
<p>12 9:31 AM Confirmation and RE 3:00 PM WSC Meeting</p>	<p>13 10:30 AM Food Bank Delivery <u>Eye Clinic</u></p>	<p>14  Exaltation of the Holy Cross 7:00 PM Baptismal Seminar EN in Mtg Room C 7:00 PM Journey of Faith 7:00 PM Talleres de Oracion Mtg Room A/B</p>	<p>15 3:00 PM Clinic 5:50 PM - 8:30 PM RE Classes 6:30 PM <u>Peace & Justice</u> <u>Beckman Hall</u></p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 7:00 PM RICA Clases de Diabetes</p>	<p>18 8:00 AM Catholic Worker Delivery 6:00 PM Baptisms English</p>
<p>19 9:31 AM Confirmation and RE</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 5:30 PM Finance Board 7:00 PM Parish Council 7:00 PM Journey of Faith 7:00 PM Talleres de Oracion Mtg Room A/B</p>	<p>22 3:00 PM Clinic 5:50 PM - 8:30 PM RE Classes</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 7:00 PM RICA Clases de Diabetes</p>	<p>25 8:00 AM Catholic Worker Delivery 11:00 AM Baptismos Español</p>
<p>26 9:31 AM Confirmation and RE</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 7:00 PM Journey of Faith 7:00 PM Talleres de Oracion Mtg Room A/B</p>	<p>29 5:50 PM - 8:30 PM RE Classes</p>	<p>30</p>		



August 2021

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Parish Life

New Parishioners-July

Francisco & Jessica DeLoera
 Silverio Garcia & Maria Velasco
 Fernando Martinez & Azucena Morales
 Tommy & Carmen Corona
 Tam Dinh & Linda Tran
 Jesus Ruiz & Zulma Villatoro
 Osvaldo Lopez & Alexia Rivas
 Jose Rangel & Clarissa Longoria
 Gladis Marcos
 Hector Garcia & Martha Lopez
 Sergio Jinez & Maria Santana
 Rodolfo Martinez & Gabriela Lopez
 Maria Aguinaga
 Rosario & Maria De Loera
 Misael & Maria Vargas
 Esgar Lopez & Maria Mendoza
 Geovana Loucel
 Rosa Serrano
 Pedro & Bertha Villatoro
 Juan Reyes & Lorena Garcia

Baptisms-July

Sabrina Michelle Lopez Ruiz
 Emma Velasco Macias
 Mia Aylani Sanchez
 Melisa Lopez Ruiz
 Isabella Valentina Padron
 Adrian De Anda



Weddings-July

Clarence Fujiyoshi & Jacqueline Klein

* Did you know Bruce Lee has a faster older brother?
 Sudden Lee.

* What's the first thing you should do if a bull charges you?
 Pay him!

* How do you put the baby alien to sleep?
 You rocket.

* Why did the mushroom go to the party?
 Because he was a fungi.

* Why did the farmer win an award?
 He was outstanding in his field.

Anniversaries-September

Sept.		Anniv.
05 th	Patrick and Elizabeth Determan	52 nd
07 th	Steve and Joey Muth	25 th
15 th	Manuel and Maria Garcia	46 th
17 th	Mark and Catherine Myers	33 rd
20 th	John and Josephine Addai	23 rd
26 th	Larry and Martha Wiseman	37 th
28 th	Mathew and Rosita Graves	26 th
29 th	Larry and Andrea Schwab	23 rd
29 th	Christopher and Kimberly Miller	31 st



Deaths-July

Angel Buz Villalobos
 Doris Stone
 Ruben Romero

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We, your newsletter team, submit this issue with humility and thanks to God: Fr. Will Banowsky,
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