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## PARISH NEWS: St. Thomas Church, Redmond



St. Thomas Church is presenting its **11th Annual "Star Lite" Gala** on December 2, 2011. The event will be held at Eagle Crest Resort Conference Center and will include an evening of fine dining followed by an auction (silent and live) with cash surprises and live music to dance the night away. Cocktails and Silent Auction Viewing begin at 5:30 p.m.

The proceeds will be used for further development of the second phase of St. Thomas' building project: Building of the Parish Center.

Tickets are \$60/Person and \$750/Corporate Tables (8) and are on sale now in the parish office. Reserve your Corporate Table NOW. For reservations call Marlene Lunsford at (541) 923-3390.

## Congratulations to St. Thomas Scholarship recipients!

Jacob Lochner will be attending John Paul the Great Catholic University in San Diego, California. He will be studying computer programming and animation. Jacob has been very active as an altar server for many years and a member of the Youth Group at St. Thomas. His scholarship is funded by the St. Thomas Education Fund set up to help members of the St. Thomas parish continue to receive Catholic Education from primary school up through college.



Hailey Totorica (not pictured) has been selected to receive the 2011 St. Thomas Catholic Scholarship. Hailey is planning on attending Oregon State University and will be seeking a Degree as a Dental Hygienist. This scholarship is sponsored by the St. Thomas Altar Society and Knights of Columbus. Hailey has been an excellent CCD student, active in youth activities and the St. Thomas faith community.

## APPEAL—2011 UPDATE:

Thank you for your participation and contributions to this year's Appeal. We are currently at 5% of Goal with total contributions of \$27,268. In addition to the Appeal envelopes included in the last two editions of the Diocesan Chronicle, we will be sending a direct mail piece to each household that has not yet responded.

## PARISH NEWS: St. Francis of Assisi, Bend

St. Francis of Assisi parish held its annual picnic on Sunday, September 18, with a menu of barbecued hamburgers and hot dogs. The parish also wished Fr. Joseph Levine a "farewell" as he was transferred to Blessed Sacrament Parish in Ontario.

The parish held its first annual Country Fair the same day. Everyone enjoyed special food prepared by the Latino community, as well as African food prepared by our sisters. Everyone – young and old – was treated to cotton candy, snow cones and numerous games, including darts, bean bag toss, ring toss, face painting and more. The entire parish - St. Francis School, the Latino Community and parishioners of all ages - joined together to make this a day to remember. The air was filled with beautiful live music by the Band Noga.



Fr. Levine (on the horse!) and Sr. Dorothy, Sr. Sabina, Julie Roberts (school head teacher) and Sr. Fortunata.



Parishioners at the first annual County Fair on the church grounds at St. Francis of Assisi, Bend.

## REFLECTIONS FROM BISHOP SKYLSTAD...A Church in Community

One of the modern happenings is the reality that our world has suddenly through technology and mobility become the global village. We watch live television pictures of a tragedy on the other side of the world. From our homes on the Internet, we chat with and see a family member on the other side of the world. News now is instantaneous and so is our communication. We have come a long way from the telegraph of a century or more ago.

All of that has given us the ability to communicate well, but it has also been problematic sharing information that is not accurate or is sometimes uncharitable. All of this calls us in the Catholic community to be mindful of our relationships in family, parish, church, civic community and our world.

The norm for such communication and relationship, of course, is the call of Jesus to be his disciple and give example of being a light and salt to the world. Sacred Scripture is full of the challenge to love one another. In the Old Testament, we hear that we are to be sensitive to the widow, the orphan, the stranger. In the Gospel, Jesus calls us to love neighbor as self, to forgive enemies. In Matthew, Chapter 25, in the parable scene of the last judgment, Jesus tells us that whatever we do to the least of our brothers and sisters, we do to Him. St. Paul is most eloquent when he speaks of the virtue of love and how we are to be ambassadors of Christ in forgiveness and reconciliation.

The Catholic Church in the documents of the Second Vatican Council makes clear our relationship with the world community as Church and our responsibility for that community. We are in the world, as Pope John Paul II states in his encyclical, *The Gospel of Life*, our brothers' and sisters' keeper.

Each of us and all of us together have a role in that building up of the community of faith in Church, in our civic communities, our country and our world. But we must first and foremost look to ourselves in that challenge. Polarization and cynicism is too prevalent today to rest on our laurels or remain uninvolved and unconcerned. We do this in one relationship at a time. We are peacemakers and relationship builders. We are hopeful, loving and forgiving. We should not be distracted by the symbolic warts and moles in our faith community or in the world community. We must with a visionary and steadfast spirit carry out the mission as best we can. Maybe at this moment in time, we are just preparing the soil and planting the seeds. But be about this work we must, if we call ourselves Catholic.

The celebration of Eucharist keeps us centered in this important mission. As Jesus suffered and died for us in the superb witness of sacrificial love, so we remind ourselves that the building up a community always involves sacrifice and the giving of ourselves. Loving all costs us. Living out a community of faith costs us. Being faithful to the mission of Jesus costs us. There is no other way.

## REFLEXIONES DE EXCELENTÍSIMO SEÑOR OBISPO DON GUILLERMO SKYLSTAD...Iglesia en Comunidad

Uno de los sucesos modernos, es la realidad de que nuestro mundo de pronto se ha convertido en una aldea por la tecnología y la movilidad. Vemos imágenes de televisión en vivo de una tragedia en el otro lado del mundo. Desde nuestros hogares por el Internet, podemos platicar y ver a alguien al otro lado del mundo. Hoy las noticias son instantáneas igual que nuestra comunicación. Hemos recorrido un largo camino desde el telégrafo de hace un siglo o más.

Esto nos ha dado la capacidad de comunicarnos bien, pero también ha sido problemático el intercambiar información que no es exacta o a veces poco caritativa. Esto nos invita en la comunidad católica a ser conscientes y sinceros en nuestras relaciones en la familia, parroquia, iglesia, comunidad cívica y en el mundo.

La norma para esta comunicación y relación, por supuesto, es el llamado de Jesús a ser sus discípulos y dar ejemplo de ser luz y sal para el mundo. La Sagrada Escritura está llena de desafío a amarnos unos a otros. En el Antiguo Testamento, se nos dice que debemos ser sensibles a la viuda, al huérfano, al extranjero. En el Evangelio, Jesús nos llama a amar al prójimo como a sí mismo, a perdonar a los enemigos. En Mateo, capítulo 25, en la escena de la parábola del juicio final, Jesús nos dice que hagamos al más pequeño de nuestros hermanos, se lo hacemos a Él. San Pablo es muy elocuente al hablar de la virtud del amor y cómo ser embajadores de Cristo en el perdón y la reconciliación. La Iglesia Católica en los documentos del Concilio Vaticano II pone de manifiesto nuestra relación con la comunidad mundial en la Iglesia y nuestra responsabilidad para esa comunidad. Estamos en el mundo, como el Papa Juan Pablo II afirma en su encíclica, *El Evangelio de la Vida*, guardianes de nuestros hermanos y hermanas.

Cada uno y todos juntos tenemos un papel en la construcción de la comunidad de fe en la Iglesia, en nuestras comunidades cívicas, nuestro país y nuestro mundo. Sin embargo, debemos en primer lugar, mirarnos a nosotros mismos en este desafío. El aislamiento y el cinismo es muy común hoy en día para descansar en los laureles o permanecer al margen y despreocupado. Somos pacificadores y constructores de relaciones. Tenemos esperanza, amor y misericordia. No hay que dejarse distraer por las verrugas y lunares simbólicos en nuestra comunidad de fe o en la comunidad mundial. Con un espíritu visionario y firme debemos cumplir la misión lo mejor que podamos. Tal vez en este momento, sólo estamos preparando el terreno y plantando la semilla. Pero debemos seguir este trabajo, si nos llamamos católicos.

La celebración de la Eucaristía nos mantiene centrados en esta importante misión. Jesús sufrió y murió por nosotros, magnífico testimonio de amor y sacrificio, así nos recuerda que la construcción de una comunidad siempre implica sacrificio y entrega. Amar a todos nos cuesta. Vivir una comunidad de fe nos cuesta. Ser fieles a la misión de Jesús nos cuesta. Pero no hay otra manera.

**ALL SOULS DAY:** November 2nd we celebrated Mass for the poor souls in purgatory.  
This is a good opportunity to remember the deceased Bishops and Priests of the Diocese.

1908	John Heinrich John Joseph Landry, S.J.	1955	Edward O'D Hynes	1988	Patrick J. Lunham Leo Stupfel
1909	John Bradley	1958	Patrick J. Stack Robert Kennedy	1989	A. Robert Miller
1918	John Moriarity Msgr. Alphonse Brongsgeest	1959	Felix L. Geis	1991	Thomas Endel
1919	John Kerr	1960	Thomas McTeigue	1992	Charles Graves Jocelyn St. Arnaud
1920	Patrick Driscoll	1964	Vincent Egan Michael Ahearne	1993	Msgr. Timothy Casey Msgr. Charles Timothy Grant
1927	Thomas Cantwell	1965	John T. Curran	1995	John Murphy, M.Afr Joseph B. Hayes
1928	Joseph M. Cataldo, S.J.	1967	Otto Nooy Daniel Duffy, OFM, Cap.	1996	Henry A. Beegan
1929	Hugh Marshall	1970	Celestin Quinlan, OFM, Cap.	1997	John Baumgartner
1933	Patrick O'Rourke	1971	William Roden Benjamin Kiernan	1999	Msgr. John F. Phelan
1934	Joseph Schmidt Thomas M. Neate, S.J.	1973	Msgr. Michael J. McMahon	2000	Juan Turula, S.J.
1935	Dominic O'Connor, OFM, Cap	1975	Peter J. Duignan Donal Sullivan, OFM	2001	Msgr. William S. Stone
1936	Joseph Schell	1976	Simon Coughlan, OFM, Cap. George French, S.J.	2002	Robert E. Simard
1937	Luke Sheehan OFM, Cap. M.J. Kelly James Walsh	1977	Thomas J. Moore	2004	Msgr. Bernard Keating Carl H. Gillen
1939	Harold A. Reiley, S.J.	1978	John M. Kenney Francis McCormick	2005	Cletus Kirkpatrick John F. Cunningham
1941	James L. McKenna, S.J.	1980	Edmund M. Fern James M. O'Connor	2006	Richard J. Conway Joseph Kelbel
1942	John Wand Michael Dalton	1981	Msgr. Patrick J. Gaire	2007	Timothy Collins Martin Quigley
1943	Denis Sheedy	1982	John B. O'Connor		Francis Hebert
1945	August F. Loeser	1984	Most Rev. Francis P. Leipzig		Msgr. Raymond Beard
1946	James H. Maloney	1985	John A. O'Brien	2009	Msgr. Matthew Crotty
1948	John O'Donovan		David J. Hazen	2011	Robert Van Sickler
1950	John Delahunty Most Reverend Leo F. Fahey Most Reverend Joseph F. McGrath		Msgr. George A. Murphy	2011	W. Ramond Jarboe
1952	Thomas Brady		William Coughlin, OFM, Cap.		



### DIOCESAN NEWS: The Teaching Mass

The 2003 General Instruction of the Roman Missal quoted from the Ecumenical Council of Trent to highlight the importance of teaching at Mass: "Lest Christ's flock go hungry . . . the Holy Synod commands pastors and all others having the care of souls to give frequent instructions during the celebration of Mass, either personally or through others [commentator], concerning what is read at Mass; among other things, they should include some explanation of the mystery of this most holy Sacrifice, especially on Sundays and Holy Days, #11." In response to this command a five part series of Teaching Masses were developed from the General Instruction to assist with introducing the New Translation of the Roman Missal.

A special copy of the Teaching Mass is provided for the commentator to read during each Mass, specifying when each commentary should be read. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal clearly defines the liturgical function of a commentator: "The commentator, who provides the faithful, when appropriate, with brief >>>

explanations and commentaries with the purpose of introducing them to the celebration and preparing them to understand it better. The commentator's remarks must be meticulously prepared and clear, though brief. In performing this function the commentator stands in an appropriate place facing the faithful, but not at the ambo, #105." The commentator could also be present to help the people with all the new responses.

By spreading the Teaching Masses over five weekends, the teaching is kept brief so as not to distract from the sacred character of the Mass. We hope many will benefit from a greater appreciation and understanding of the Mass which these teachings can provide. To use them at your parish they are available at the Diocesan website [www.dioceseofbaker.org](http://www.dioceseofbaker.org). If you do not have access to the internet you may call the Chancery at (541) 388-4004 and request a complete set to be mailed to you. We pray that as we introduce The New Translation of the Roman Missal these Teaching Masses will be beneficial to your parish.



## PARISH NEWS: St. Edward the Martyr Church, Sisters



St. Edward parish hosted a workshop entitled "And With Your Spirit," led by well known composer, liturgist, writer and musician Ken Canedo on September 24, 2011. "The purpose of the workshop was to inform and excite our people about the coming changes to the Mass in Advent 2011, as well as deepen their experience and appreciation of the liturgy," said Carol Neary, organizer of the event.

Canedo led the participants through the history of the Mass, the reason for the changes and also addressed each change itself. His style of mixing humor, sincerity, and a deep love of God captivated the crowd, which included folks from St. Thomas in Redmond and Holy Family in Burns, as well as parishioners from St. Edward the Martyr, Sisters. Ken introduced new Mass settings and led the workshop in song, taking questions from the people as they arose. "This is only part of what the parish is doing," said Neary. "We have put out a mass mailing to parishioners, include inserts from USCCB in our weekly bulletin, have a weekly updated bulletin board addressing one change and we have parishioners 'in the know' who help keep people informed. Our music ministries have begun introducing the new music to the congregation as well. The input and support from our pastor, Fr. Jude, has been wonderful."

Many ministries came together to help make this event possible and successful. Spending the day of prayer, singing and learning led by Ken Canedo left participants energized and eagerly anticipating Advent 2011 and the Roman Missal, Third Edition.



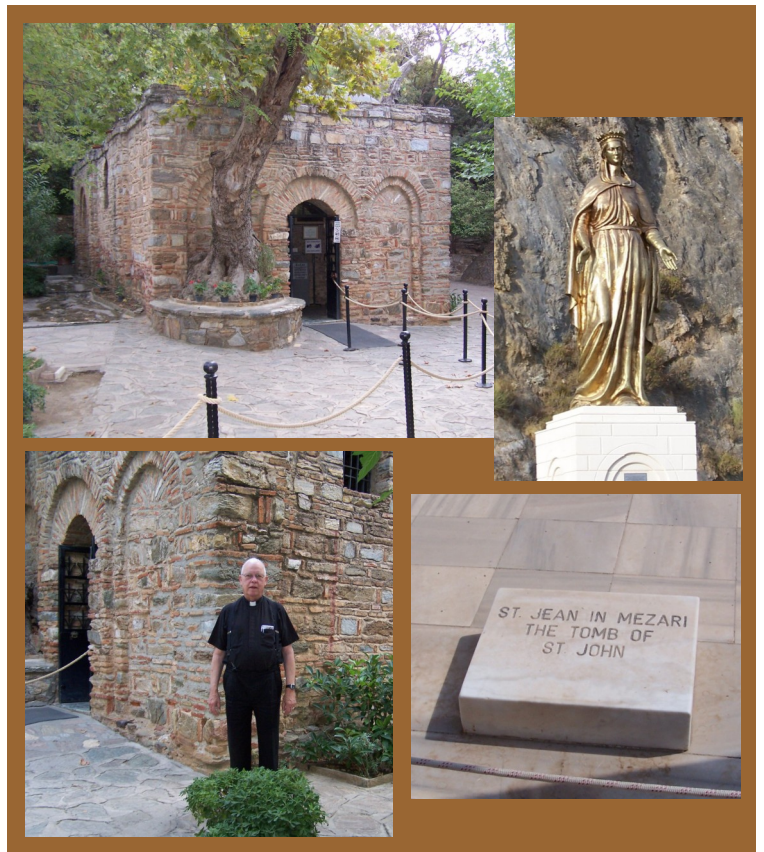
Attendees had the pleasure of singing Ken Canedo's beautiful and well known songs during the seminar.



Warm hospitality and a delicious lunch were provided for the almost 100 attendees.

## CLERGY NEWS: Very Reverend Joseph Reinig

Fr. Joseph Reinig, Vicar General of the diocese, recently returned from a trip to Italy, Croatia, Turkey and Greece. Two highlights stand out in his mind. The first was the opportunity to obtain reserved seats to the Papal Audience held by Pope Benedict XVI on September 14, 2011. The second was a chance to walk in the footsteps of St. Paul in Ephesus. As part of the latter pilgrimage he was able to visit Mary's house and the Basilica of St. John, which houses his tomb. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience and Fr. Reinig is extremely grateful that he was able to take advantage of it.



**DIOCESAN NEWS:** Wade and Betty Dahlen of Baker City and Marilyn (Chaves) Fullmer now of Beaverton stopped in for a visit with Bishop Connolly recently. Also pictured is Sister Elizabeth wheeling Bishop down the hall. Father Leo Weckerle and Mary Ann Davis travel to Beaverton monthly for a visit with Bishop and evaluation with the staff at Maryville. Visitors are asked to limit their stay to 30 minutes or less as they tend to tire Bishop Connolly.

