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OUR HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS, WILL CONSECRATE THE WORLD TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2013

October 13 is significant as it is the anniversary date of the Miracle of the Sun 96 years ago (1917), which was a promise fulfilled by Our Lady of Fatima to the three little visionaries to establish that her messages are from God and that she is, among many of her titles, The Mother of God, Mary Immaculate.

Her messages began after the three appearances of the Angel of Peace and the Eucharist—The Guardian Angel of Portugal: pray, fast, make sacrifices every day; offer up each day whatever God wills for us...for the conversion of sinners, for our sins, and the sins of the world. Pray five decades of the Rosary daily and meditate on the mysteries. On the first Saturday of five consecutive months receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (which can be done 8 days before or after that Saturday), receive Holy Communion, pray five decades of the Rosary...meditate on them any time of that day in reparation for all the insults of our Lady, and wear the brown scapular. These messages were declared worthy of acceptance on October 13, 1930. October 5th was a First Saturday.

The original statue of
Our Lady of the
Rosary of Fatima



will travel from
Fatima to Rome on
October 12 carried
in pilgrimage to the
tomb of Apostle
St. Peter and for
Holy Mass and
Consecration in
St. Peter's Square
on October 13.



The three shepherds
of Fatima, to whom
God's Mother gave a
message for the world
May 13 to October 13,
1917. From left: Jacinta,
Francisco, and Lucia.



The Guardian Angel of Portugal, the Angel of Peace and the Holy Eucharist in 1916. Sister Lucia has said that this was the most important part of Fatima where the Angel led them to God and the true presence of Jesus in the holy Eucharist. The Angel prepared them for the merciful designs of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which began a year later. The children accepted this mission.



The secular newspaper *O Seculo*, covered the Miracle of the Sun, October 15, 1917. Close to 65,000 people were witnesses to the miracle.

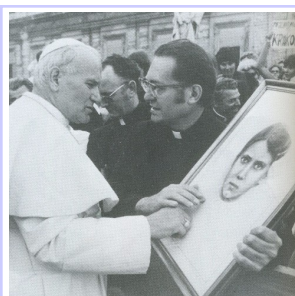


The Message of Fatima Spreads to the World

On June 13, 1929, Our Lady appeared to Sister Lucia in Ty, Spain, requesting the Consecration of Russia to her Immaculate Heart to be made by the Pope "in union with all the Bishops of the world" - with this accomplished the spreading of its errors will be prevented and its conversion will take place.

Finally, on July 3, 1990, Sister Lucia stated to Rev. Father Robert J. Fox, founder of the Fatima Family Apostolate, in a letter that the Consecration made by Pope John Paul II on March 25, 1984, in union with all the Bishops of the world, accomplished the conditions for the conversion of Russia according to the request of Our Lady in Tuy on June 13 of 1929.

From the very beginning, tens of thousands of pilgrims flocked to the site of the Fatima apparitions. But it would take years, and the approval of modern Popes, for Fatima to spread around the world. The collapse of Communism after the Collegial Consecration of March 25, 1984, by the Pope John Paul II and the world's bishops, becoming especially recognized in 1989 continues to draw the world's attention back to Fatima.



Pope John Paul II (the Fatima Pope) receives a portrait of Jacinta in St. Peter's Square from Fr. Fox (the Fatima Priest).

We thank Fatima Family Apostolate for publishing the Documents on Fatima, our resource for this article.

The Diocese of Baker invites you to participate in this most important day by joining in a Marian Day Celebration to be held at St. Thomas Parish in Redmond from 2:30-4:00 p.m. on October 13. This sacred time will include Eucharistic Adoration, The Holy Rosary, Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Marian Hymns, reading of the Consecration, and a Homily on Our Lady of Fatima and her message to the world. All are welcome to attend.

THOUGHTS ALONG THE WAY from Bishop Cary

Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles provokes a re-thinking of one of our most sensitive political issues in his new book, *Immigration and the Next America*. In this column and the next I want to share with you some of the thoughts he has provoked in me.

The problem of migration comes to light very early in the pages of the Bible. Expelled from the Garden, Adam and Eve leave Paradise behind in the first emigration. Not many chapters later Abraham sets out from his father's country to take up life as a nomadic immigrant in Canaan. His great-grandsons—the children of Jacob—migrate to Egypt to escape famine. Centuries later their descendants leave that country to escape slavery. They follow a wandering migratory trail through the desert to the Promised Land of freedom. A millennium later Joseph and Mary migrate in haste to Egypt to escape Herod's menacing reach for the newborn. Upon the tyrant's death the Child and his parents make yet another migrant's journey to Nazareth and the chance to make a life for themselves. Later, when the adult Jesus describes the Last Judgment to his disciples, he speaks out of his lived experience of emigration and immigration: "I was a stranger, and you welcomed me." No doubt Mary and Joseph had told him about the difference that welcome made in their lives.

Christians need to keep this biblical background in mind as our national debate over immigration unfolds. In Archbishop Gomez's words, "we care for the immigrant because Jesus commanded us to. Catholics must defend immigrants if we are going to be worthy of the name Christian." That is what our tradition has challenged us to do from the beginning. In the first centuries after Jesus, Archbishop Gomez notes, "To be a Christian was to practice hospitality toward the stranger."

What does that hospitality demand of us today? How are we to come to the defense of the immigrant? First of all, we must recognize "the stranger's" claim on our care, but our "welcome" should be extended in light of the common good of the whole society. "The natural right to immigration flows from the basic human right to life," Archbishop Gomez writes; yet "Catholic social doctrine on immigration also recognizes that governments have the duty to control migration into their countries and defend their borders." They should take account of "immigration's impact on their domestic economies and national security" and "set reasonable limits on who they allow to cross their borders" and "require reasonable documentation" from those who do.

Our obligation to welcome the stranger, then, does not automatically lead to obvious conclusions on public policy. In contrast to the clear and unquestionable response of Catholic conscience to the issue of abortion, Archbishop Gomez points out, "there is no single authentic 'Catholic' position on immigration." The issues are complex and much disputed. There is room for conscientious disagreement.

But perhaps honest wrestling with our disagreements can bring us to greater—and politically effective—agreement. In my next column I will reflect with you on Archbishop Gomez's effort to help us move in that direction.

PENSAMIENTOS DEL CAMINO por el Obispo Cary

El arzobispo José Gómez de Los Ángeles con su nuevo libro, *Inmigración y la siguiente América* nos hace re-pensar en uno de los temas políticos más sensibles de nuestro tiempo. En esta columna y la próxima quiero compartir con ustedes algunos de los pensamientos que ha provocado en mí.

El problema de la migración sale a la luz desde las primeras páginas de la Biblia. Expulsados del Edén, Adán y Eva dejan el paraíso en la primera emigración. No muchos capítulos después Abraham deja el país de su padre para asumir la vida nómada de inmigrante en Canaán. Sus bisnietos, los hijos de Jacob—emigran a Egipto para escapar de la carestía. Siglos más tarde sus descendientes dejan el país para escapar de la esclavitud. Siguen una ruta migratoria vagando por el desierto hacia la tierra prometida de la libertad. Un milenio más tarde, José y María emigran a toda prisa a Egipto para escapar de la amenaza de Herodes al recién nacido. A la muerte del tirano, el niño y sus padres hacen otro viaje de migración a Nazaret buscando la oportunidad de rehacer sus vidas. Más tarde, cuando el Jesús adulto describe el juicio final a sus discípulos, habla de su experiencia vivida en la emigración y la inmigración: "fui forastero, y me dieron la bienvenida." No hay duda de que María y José le habían contado de la diferencia que el ser bienvenidos había hecho en sus vidas.

Los cristianos deben tener en mente este trasfondo bíblico en el debate nacional sobre la inmigración. En palabras del arzobispo Gómez, "nos preocupamos por el inmigrante porque Jesús nos lo mandó. Los católicos deben defender a los inmigrantes, si quieren ser dignos del nombre cristiano." Esto es lo que nuestra tradición nos ha desafiado a hacer desde el principio. En los primeros siglos después de Jesús, nos señala el arzobispo Gómez: "El ser cristiano era, practicar la hospitalidad con el extranjero."

¿Qué nosotros pide la hospitalidad a nosotros hoy en día? ¿Cómo vamos a defender a los inmigrantes? En primer lugar, debemos reconocer "al extranjero" que pide nuestro cuidado, pero nuestra "bienvenida" debe ser dada a la luz del bien común de toda la sociedad. "El derecho natural de la inmigración viene del derecho humano fundamental a la vida", escribe el arzobispo Gómez, sin embargo, "la doctrina social de la Iglesia en materia de inmigración también reconoce que los gobiernos tienen el deber de controlar la migración a sus países y defender sus fronteras." Ellos Deben tener en cuenta "El impacto que la inmigración causa a la economía y la seguridad nacional" y poner "límites razonables a quiénes se les permite cruzar sus fronteras" y "requerir documentación razonable" a los que lo hacen.

Nuestra obligación de acoger al extranjero, no conduce automáticamente a conclusiones obvias sobre la política pública. Contrariamente la respuesta de la conciencia católica a la cuestión del aborto es clara e indiscutible, señala el arzobispo Gómez, "no hay una auténtica posición 'católica' en materia de inmigración." Los problemas son complejos y muy discutidos. Hay lugar para el desacuerdo de conciencia.

Pero tal vez la lucha honesta con nuestros desacuerdos pueda llevarnos a un mayor—y políticamente eficaz—acuerdo. En mi próxima columna voy a reflexionar con ustedes sobre los esfuerzos del arzobispo Gómez para ayudar a avanzar en esa dirección.

Titles of Absolute Competence of Baker Tribunal

The Matrimonial Tribunal of Baker is a First Instance Tribunal of the Church. As a First Instance Tribunal, Baker enjoys two categories of competence in dealing with marriage cases. The first kind of competence is that of Absolute Competence. The second is Relative Competence. As a canonical terminology, the notion of *competence* in marriage nullity cases denotes the legitimate claim that a Tribunal, the Judicial Vicar, or Trial Judge has or can make in hearing such cases. Competence comes from the law itself. In special cases and situations, it could be granted by the legitimate ecclesiastical authority when demanded by necessity.

Visit the Diocese of Baker website and the Tribunal page for more on the *Titles of Absolute Competence enjoyed by the Tribunal of Baker*. www.dioceseofbaker.org

Father Jude Onogbosele, J.C.L.
Judge Pro Tem
Diocese of Baker

Segundo Milagro de Juan Pablo II

La Congregación para la Causa de los Santos—grupo de cardenales y obispos encargados de examinar los candidatos a santos—reconoció un segundo milagro de Juan Pablo II. Éste habría tenido lugar el mismo día en que Juan Pablo II fue beatificado en la Plaza de San Pedro el 1 de mayo de 2011, y fue la curación de una mujer de Costa Rica. Aquel regalo, fue recibido por Floribeth Mora, quien fue sanada por la intercesión, por su fe en el papá viajero. De su historia, hay que contar que en abril del 2011, Floribeth fue diagnosticada con un aneurisma en su cerebro. Desde ese día, no dejó de orar, de pedirle al Papa la intercesión por su salud. Confiada en que en ella ocurrirá un milagro y lograría ver por más años a sus cinco hijos. Los diagnósticos parecían no tener marcha atrás. Su condición era delicada. Después de aquella angustia, de aquel dolor, de aquella Misericordia, el 1 de mayo del 2011, mientras en la Plaza de San Pedro, se beatificaba al papa Juan Pablo II. Ella, junto a su esposo, fueron a una procesión, y sintió un escalofrío, y con él, la garantía de su sanidad. Inquieta con lo que había vivido, buscó al presbítero Donald Solano, cura Párroco de Paraíso de Cartago, donde reposa una reliquia del entonces beato Juan Pablo Segundo. Una gota de sangre. Ese día, un monseñor de Roma estaba en nuestro país, justamente dejando la reliquia. Y aprovecharon el espacio para relatar su milagro. A finales de octubre, monseñor Slawomir Oder, viaja desde Roma y le solicita al monseñor Hugo Barrantes que instruya el proceso sobre el presunto milagro. El 20 de noviembre del 2012, se inició el proceso sobre el presunto milagro atribuido a Juan Pablo II. El 4 de diciembre de ese año, se cerró el proceso de investigación, que contaba con los estudios médicos y el historial clínico de Floribeth. El expediente fue enviado en enero de este año a la Congregación para los Santos, en Roma. Y hoy, con la firma del Papa Francisco, aquel misterio clínico, toma una forma distinta y se convierte en el testimonio de fe más maravilloso para los creyentes: un milagro.

SEMINARIAN NEWS: We are happy to announce that we now have five seminarians for the Diocese.



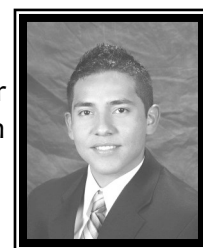
DAVID JONES, from La Grande, will be a senior in college at St. Gregory the Great Seminary in Lincoln, Nebraska.



NICHOLAS PAIGE-SCHNEIDER, from Bend, will be a sophomore in college at Mt. Angel Seminary in Saint Benedict, Oregon.



VICTOR MENA, from Mexico City, just completed a semester of ESL (English as a Second Language) at Mt. Angel Seminary and will begin this fall as a first year Theologian.



MARCO SERNA, from San Pedro Curo, near Acapulco, Mexico, will be a freshman in college at Mt. Angel Seminary.



JOSE LUIS MELENDEZ, from Redmond, will begin college at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary in Mexico City.

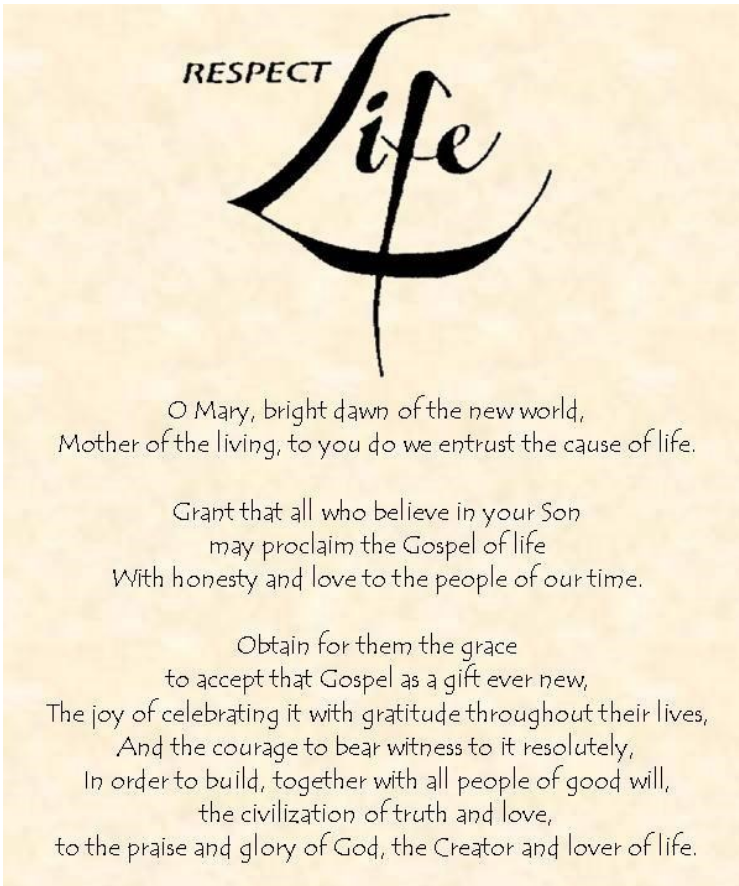
WHAT IS A VOCATION? A vocation is a call from God to share intimately in His inner life of love. Out of His love, the Lord has created you and you alone for a specific mission. Your vocation is His invitation for you to share in saving the world as a single or married lay person or as a priest or religious.

Sometimes the pull of a vocation is strong, sometimes not. But if it keeps coming back—if this call is that nagging tug on the heart—then it must be followed. You are being called by God to do something remarkable, and that call must be pursued, or you will spend the rest of your life wondering about it. On the World Day of Prayer for vocations, Pope Francis highlighted a critical point: “Behind and before each vocation to the priesthood or the consecrated life there is always someone’s strong and intense prayer: a grandmother, a grandfather, a mother, a father, a community.” It would seem our prayers are being heard.

Contact us today...if you are a man not afraid to begin this powerful journey. Call Very Reverend Richard Fischer, V.G., Director of Vocations, (541) 884-4242 or Email: Rfischer@dioceseofbaker.org.

For additional information, please visit the Diocese of Baker Vocation page at www.dioceseofbaker.org/seminarians.htm.

TODAY IS RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY



PARISH NEWS: St. Francis of Assisi, Bend



September 8th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass, six youth received Serra Club Altar Server Award Certificates and an Altar Server Cross from the parish to keep and wear when they serve in the future. The criteria for the special award was: Serving ability: Sureness in working on the altar during Mass; Reverence in performance of duties; and excellent attendance.

Recipients of the special awards were Stella Hyde, Emily McLean, Brooke Moore, Brayden Jones, Nicole Morgen, and Cannon Lockrem. Parents of the award recipients were asked to stand. They were commended for their faithfulness in bringing the servers to Mass early for their pre-Mass duties month after month, a priceless teaching of responsibility. Fr. Radloff thanked all the servers and bestowed on them a special blessing.

The Serra Club would be happy to assist other parishes to present these Altar Server Award Certificates to encourage their servers. Please contact Bill Sansom at (541) 389-1313 or by email at bksansom1@gmail.com.

BISHOP CARY'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE

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| Oct. 7-10 | La Grande—Theological Conference |
| Oct. 11-16 | Bend—Diocesan Finance Council
Phone meeting with St. Alphonsus
Hospital Group |
| Oct. 19-21 | Northwest Association of Bishops and
Religious Superiors (NABRS) Retreat |

PARISH NEWS: St. Thomas, Redmond

St. Thomas - Redmond presents the next **"Saturday Night Live—Catholic Style"** event on **All Souls Day, November 2, 2013!**

Open to all parishioners in the diocese and guests (ages 11 and up); it's a wonderful evening with Mass, a meal and a live talk.

Our speaker is **Sister Miriam James Heidland**, from the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT), a missionary community that serves global areas of deepest apostolic need.

Before receiving her call to the religious life, Sister Miriam thought she had it all, college volleyball scholarship, boyfriend and everything that the world said would make her happy...yet she still felt empty inside. Then she was healed, restored and freed through Jesus Christ who comes to save and heal us all. Her story has been featured in the Seattle Times, The National Catholic Register and heard on Relevant Radio, Catholic Answers Live and EWTN's Life on the Rock, as well as Steubenville youth conferences and the Shalom Media network.

Sister Miriam will offer her insights on **"The Transforming Power of Authentic Love"** and challenge us to consider the question: "are we willing to have our lives changed forever by Jesus?"

Schedule: Special All Souls Day Mass 5:30-7:00 p.m., Dinner at 7:00 p.m., and Sister Miriam's talk from 7:30-9:00 p.m. Come for any or all of the evening activities.

Sign-up by October 28 by calling the parish office at **(541) 923-3390**. There is no charge but a *Free Will Offering* is always appreciated.

For more information about Sister Miriam visit her website at www.soltsisters.blogspot.com or [Twitter.com/onegroovynun](https://twitter.com/onegroovynun).



PARISH NEWS: St. Patrick, Vale

Bishop Cary travelled to St. Patrick's Parish in Vale on September 4th for his Year of Faith Teaching Series. Around 80 parishioners gathered at 5:30

p.m. for the presentation. Afterwards, they enjoyed Bishop's company at a Pot Luck dinner.

