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Parish News: St. Augustine, Merrill

The Sacrament of Confirmation was received by fifteen youth of St. Augustine parish and two youth of St. Francis Cabrini parish in Bonanza. Bishop Cary celebrated the Mass at St. Augustine parish and afterward everyone enjoyed a Tri-tip steak dinner and cake reception in the parish hall. It was an awesome celebration and very well attended. Thank you Bishop for your untiring and loving devotion!

- Cindy Taylor, St Augustine DRE



Parish News: St. Thomas, Redmond

Register now for a one-day Married Couples Retreat!



Attention married couples! It doesn't matter if you've been married one year or 50 years, you won't want to miss out on this one-day married couples retreat

at St. Thomas parish in Redmond on August 6th. The retreat will be led by Dr. Tom Curran and his wife, Kari, who will share humorous and touching stories about their marriage and family life. Tom and Kari's dynamic and entertaining presentations will keep you engaged as they give principles and practices for growing as a couple. The \$75 registration fee includes the presentations, free childcare with a full day of planned kids activities, coffee and pastries in the morning, a barbecue lunch at noon, and snacks throughout the day! Treat yourself to this wonderful day that will equip you to build a faith-centered marriage that not only survives, but thrives.

For more information and to register go to http://www.stthomasredmond.com/images/uploads/flyer_b_w.pdf. for a printable registration form and send it with your check to the St. Thomas parish office. Please call Donna at the parish office with any questions. (541) 923-3390

Parish News: Blessed Sacrament, Ontario

On May 27th, Blessed Sacrament celebrated a blessing and dedication of the newly renovated addition to the church building with Bishop Cary presiding. The new addition caps more than five years and about \$2.5 million in renovations and includes an extension of the front of the building to add space for a larger foyer and room for an elevator to accommodate better wheelchair and casket access to the church. With the extension came new doors, heated steps, and ramps — all welcome improvements. Parish offices have been moved to the updated basement as part of the project.



The *New Vision to Grow Project* was funded primarily by donations of gifts, sale of property from an estate willed to the parish, and a small grant from Catholic Extension. The project was led by two local building contractors (both parishioners of Blessed Sacrament) who donated hundreds of hours of their time to help keep the costs within the planned budget.

"The whole project is a lesson about easier access," Bishop Cary said. "Maybe we're unable to ascend because we're elderly, handicapped or ill. Sometimes the Lord in His mercy provides an elevator and sometimes He will lift us up in more ways than seem possible. It's a wonderful renovation, and the entire diocese takes pride in it.



I hope other parishes will take a lesson from what you have done."



Thoughts Along the Way
Bishop Liam Cary

Tearing Down and Building Up

This May I had the joy of blessing the new entrance to Blessed Sacrament Church in Ontario. It is a wonder to behold. The entire front wall was dismantled and moved forward toward the street to make room for a spacious new vestibule and an elevator accessible to wheelchairs just a few steps from the driveway. A wide new central stairway reaches down to the sidewalk, inviting passers-by to ascend to God's House.

The new addition is the culmination of a campaign led by Father Jose Thomas Mudakodiyil which began (and was continuously renewed by) parish prayer for direction and inspiration. That prayer was soon answered. Scores of volunteers stepped forward, especially some with valuable construction experience. Committees were formed. Designs were drawn up. Parishioners were continually updated on project developments. Fundraising brought in a generous sum from a multitude of donors.

Other parishes would do well to note the role of Catholic Extension in Blessed Sacrament's undertaking. Instead of granting seed money at the beginning of the project, Extension capped it off with a grant when the parish raised an agreed-upon amount, thereby stimulating local fundraising along the way. As a result Blessed Sacrament did not have to go into debt to accomplish its much needed renovation.

Nor did St. Mary's in Pendleton for the construction of a new wheelchair ramp—a project carried forward by Father Kumar Ugandala with the impressive cooperation of the Knights of Columbus.

Until now, since the elevator to the church only went up from ground level, people with walkers or wheelchairs could not get down the stairs to the parish hall for coffee and doughnuts or funeral receptions. Now it will be easy for them to do so. The easy-to-reach ramp is right off the elevator and runs back and forth through the stage at the end of the parish hall.

To build the ramp it was necessary to tear out the existing stage and cut a doorway through a very thick wall. This preliminary work left a lot of heavy debris, but it wasn't there long once the Knights of Columbus put their hands to the task of carting it away. No doubt they have lent their time and strength in other ways since I visited in mid-May. You couldn't miss the look of satisfaction in their eyes. It is a satisfaction their fellow parishioners will rightly share.

To proclaim the Gospel effectively the Church needs to make the House of God accessible to those who seek His face in worship. In this Year of Mercy Blessed Sacrament and St. Mary's have shown us how to do precisely that.

Pensamientos Del Camino

Obispo Liam Cary

Derribando y Construyendo

En este mes de Mayo tuve la alegría de bendecir la nueva entrada a la Iglesia del Santísimo Sacramento en Ontario. Es una maravilla contemplar. Toda la pared frontal fue desmantelada y movida hacia delante, hacia la calle para hacer espacio para un nuevo y amplio vestíbulo y un elevador accesible a sillas de ruedas a pocos pasos de la entrada al estacionamiento. Una nueva escalera central amplia llega hasta la banqueta, invitando a los transeúntes a ascender a la Casa de Dios.

La nueva adición es la culminación de una campaña dirigida por el Padre José Thomas Mudakodiyil que inició (y fue contínuamente renovada por) oración a parroquial por dirección e inspiración. Esa oración pronto tuvo respuesta. Decenas de voluntarios se ofrecieron, especialmente algunos con valiosa experiencia en construcción. Se formaron comités. Diseños fueron elaborados. Los feligreses fueron actualizados continuamente sobre el desarrollo de los proyectos. La recaudación de fondos trajo una multitud de generosos donantes.

Otras parroquias harían bien en notar el papel de Extensión Católica en la obra de la Iglesia del Santísimo Sacramento. En vez de otorgar capital para iniciar el comienzo del proyecto, Extensión remató el proyecto con una donacion cuando la parroquia recaudó una cantidad de fondos acordada, estimulando de esta forma las recaudaciones locales por toda la campaña. Como resultado, la Iglesia del Santísimo Sacramento no tuvo que endeudarse para lograr su muy necesaria renovación.

Tampoco la Iglesia de Santa María en Pendleton para la construcción de una nueva rampa para sillas de ruedas—un proyecto llevado a cabo por el Padre Kumar Ugandala con la impresionante cooperación de los Caballeros de Colón.

Hasta ahora, ya que el elevador de la iglesia solo subía desde el nivel del suelo, las personas con andaderas o sillas de ruedas no podían bajar las escaleras al sótano donde está el salón parroquial para café y donas o recepciones después de funerales. Ahora será más fácil para que lo hagan. La rampa de fácil acceso está justo al lado del elevador y va de ida y vuelta hasta el salón atravesando por el foro que está al final del salón parroquial.

Para construir la rampa fue necesario quitar el foro y abrir una puerta a través de una gruesa pared. Este trabajo preliminar dejó mucho escombro, pero no estuvo allí por mucho tiempo ya que una vez que los Caballeros de Colón se pusieron a la tarea de acarrearlo fuera de ahí. No hay duda de que han prestado su tiempo y fuerza de otras maneras desde que los visité a mediados de Mayo. No se podían ocultar la mirada de satisfacción en sus ojos. Satisfacción que sus compañeros feligreses compartirán con mucha razón.

Para proclamar el Evangelio eficazmente, la Iglesia necesita hacer la Casa de Dios accesible para aquellos que buscan Su cara en la adoración. En este Año de Misericordia, el Santísimo Sacramento y Santa María nos han mostrado precisamente como hacerlo.

Evangelization & Catechesis Symposium EQUIPPED AND DETERMINED IN THE JOURNEY August 12 - 14, 2016, Powell Butte Retreat Center Something for everyone - all are welcome!

The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis is happy to bring you a powerful lineup of speakers, spiritual enrichment and inspiring entertainment. Topics include:

- ♦ Family-centered Evangelization & Catechesis
 - ⇒ inviting parents, grandparents and sponsors into an evangelistic and catechetical model
- ♦ RCIA new Guidelines & Resources
 - ⇒ engaging the entire family in the journey of conversion and transformation
- Spotlighting success stories using FORMED.ORG
 - ⇒ practical applications across all parish ministries
- A closer look at Youth Ministry...
 - ⇒ authentic relational ministry and working through common challenges

SPECIAL LIVE PRESENTATION & SCREENING



This years Symposium includes a live presentation by Catholic film director and producer Daniel deSilva of the new documentary film

THE ORIGINAL IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY: THE UNTOLD STORY OF AN UNKNOWN MASTERPIECE.

- ⇒ Spanish: Saturday, August 13 at 6:30 p.m.
- ⇒ English: Saturday, August 13 at 7:30 p.m.

Register for the entire symposium, Saturday sessions only, or just for the evening presentation (English or Spanish). Registration and tickets for the evening presentation are available at: http://training.dioceseofbaker.org/.

This annual event is made possible by ongoing generous donations to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

The Traditional Latin Mass in Bend



The Extraordinary Form (Latin) Mass is offered every other weekend at St. Francis of Assisi Historic Church at 1:00 p.m.

In July and August, the dates for the Latin Mass are:

10 JUL: 1:00 p.m. (sung Mass) 24 JUL: 3:00 p.m. (low Mass)* 07 AUG: 1:00 p.m. (high Mass)* 21 AUG: 1:00 p.m. (low Mass)

For information, contact either John Driscoll at <u>johncdriscoll1068@gmail.com</u> or Stephanie Swee at <u>swee0574@gmail.com</u>. *Indicates a change from the previous schedule.

Priestly Ordination Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following as they celebrate their ordination anniversaries during July:

Rev. Dennis Homes, Retired July 01, 1972 Rev. Camillus Fernando, Vale July 12, 1980 Rev. Christie Tissera, Ontario July 22, 1989

We are most grateful for the years of service of all our Priests and Bishops. Please keep them in your prayers.

Deschutes County Fair's 97th Year! August 3–7, 2016

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Come join the fun and be a part of the Diocese of Baker's Marian Fair Booth!

We need volunteers: 1 or 2 per shift—2 or 4 hour shifts No money handling. Spanish most welcome. Be Ambassadors of Peace for the Faith!

Fair Booth located in the Middle Sister Hall next to the Pro Life Booth.

Free admission day tickets for each volunteer.

Enjoy the fair after your shift!

Contact Judy Newport at (541) 923-6946.

Bishop Cary's Schedule

July	10	Upper Elementary Camp Mass, Retreat Center
July	12	Review Board Meeting, Bend
July	16	Middle School Camp Morning Mass, Retreat Center
July	16-17	Masses at St. Peter, The Dalles
July	19	Deer Ridge State Prison Mass
July	23	Masses at Our Lady of Angels, Hermiston

Catholic Daughters: Sacred Heart, Klamath Falls

The Catholic Daughters Court #1295 of Sacred Heart Parish in Klamath Falls sponsored a Patriotic Rosary on May 22nd at 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish. The event was co-sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #2255 from Klamath Falls.

Two months ago, Marcia Pistone-Metzler began to present the Patriotic Rosary For The Consecration of Our Nation. 100 Patriotic Rosary booklets were provided so everyone could follow the readings and prayers. 50 Catholics signed up to represent the 50 states and there were about 20 additional attendees. The Rosary, in addition to traditional prayers, incorporates patriotic songs. The Patriotic Rosary booklet provides each participant with readings and prayers for each state and its citizens. The attendees

were all given a patriotic/prayer bookmark donated by Don and Marcia Metzler, and the Knights of Columbus donated finger

rosaries for all who attended. The event closed with a reception with the help of Catholic Daughters, Knights of Columbus wives and parishioners.

Those who attended were from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Chiloquin;

St. Pius the X and Sacred Heart parishes of Klamath Falls. Also included was the Youth Group of Sacred Heart and Newman Club members from Oregon Institute of Technology.

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"The evening was a wonderful, prayerful time. It has long been a wish of mine to have a well attended Patriotic Rosary to pray for our country. We hope to hold additional Patriotic Rosary services in the near future," said Marcia.



Parish News: Our Lady of Angels, Hermiston



On Saturday, May 7, a total of 80 students received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at two Masses: 9:00 a.m. Mass in English and 11:00 a.m. in Spanish.

El Sábado 7 de Mayo, un total de 80 estudiantes recibieron el Sacramento de la Primera Comunión. Se celebraron dos Misas ese día: 9:00 a.m. en Inglés y 11:00 a.m. en Español.









On May 14 and 15 a total of 134 students received the Sacrament of Confirmation at three Masses. Some students also received the Sacrament of First Communion.

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