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In Memoriam

Sister Jacqueline Christian, OSF 1933 - 2016

Franciscan Sister Jacqueline Christian, 80, (formerly Sister Andrew Marie) died in Aston, Pennsylvania on August 4. She had been a professed member of the Sisters of Saint Francis of Philadelphia for 57 years. She entered the congregation in 1957 and professed her first vows in 1959. She studied nursing at St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing in Tacoma, WA, where she became an RN. She later earned a bachelor of science in nursing from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Sister Jacqueline ministered in the Diocese of Baker for 43 years. She worked in St. Joseph Hospital in La Grande and at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Baker. During her 23 years at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, Sister Jacqueline initially worked as a nurse and, for many years served in medical records.

Remembrances may be made in her name to the Sisters of St. Francis Foundation, 609 S. Convent Road, Aston, PA 19014

Parish News: St. Thomas, Redmond



Join Us for the Next "Saturday Night Live-Catholic Style" on November 5th.

For those who have not attended these events at St. Thomas before, in a nutshell they can be described as: "Mass—a meal—and a live speaker," thus the name, "Saturday Night Live – Catholic Style." The

dinner follows the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass and the speaker begins around 7:15 PM.

The OKTOBERFEST themed dinner will include a number of authentically German and homemade items such as Sausage, Sauer Kraut, Potato Salad, and a variety of German desserts to tempt you! After dinner, guest speaker, Trent Horn, a staff apologist at San Diego's "Catholic Answers" and a regular on Catholic radio "Catholic Answers Live" will give you a lot to think about with his talk titled, "Absolute Truth, Is There Such a Thing?"

More to come in later issues of the Diocesan Chronicle.

Parish News: St. Francis de Sales Cathedral



A big thank you to Colleen Collier, Cynthia Norton, Jill Myatt, Annie Fale, Bekki Hurley, Ann Kniesel and Marilyn Bloom and all the teenagers from the youth group for providing a fun-filled four-day Vacation Bible School. Each day began with fun songs led by Bob Colton and Jerry Colton. The children learned different ways Christ is there for us by hearing the parables of *The Lost Coin, The Lost Son* and *The Lost Sheep* and then presented a skit based on these parables. On the last day Mass was celebrated followed by a barbecue hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

- Dawn Coles, Parish Secretary



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Thoughts Along the Way
Bishop Liam Cary

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus trace their origin to an Irish-American priest now being proposed for sainthood, Father Michael J. McGivney, in New Haven, Connecticut, well over a century ago. In a mere fifteen years their ranks expanded across the border to Canada and not long thereafter to Mexico. In the last quarter-century or so the Knights have put down roots in the Philippines, Chile, Poland, and Ukraine. This increasing international growth was a prominent theme at the 134th Supreme Convention this August in Toronto.

Local, not international, reasons prompted my attendance, however. First, I wanted to express appreciation for the innumerable good works Knights faithfully do *here*, in our parishes, month after month, year in and year out. Secondly, I wanted to express my gratitude as bishop to the Knights of Columbus as an organization for their memorable generosity to the Diocese of Baker this past year. Their goodness to us is something you need to know about, so let me give a word of explanation.

Not quite a decade ago, as the Great Recession took hold and the nation's financial underpinnings seemed about to collapse, the Diocese of Baker found itself in need of major funding for several costly construction projects: the Retreat Center in Powell Butte and newly built churches in Hermiston, Redmond, and Bend. Given the nervousness of bankers then, the search for a loan took place under exceedingly unfavorable conditions. The terms of the loan that was ultimately obtained severely limited diocesan flexibility for pastoral initiatives and financial support to parishes, but no better options were available.

Last year, mindful that the loan was scheduled for renegotiation by October 2016, we (that is, the Diocesan Finance Council) approached several lenders in search of better terms. A number of options presented themselves. Just as we were about to select one of them, we learned that the Knights of Columbus, with considerable reserves from a century's sales of insurance policies, had devised a loan program for dioceses like ours. We worked through the application process and came to agreement. Around the first of this year the Knights of Columbus assumed our loan under terms that considerably lighten the formerly restrictive burdens of indebtedness. We still have to pay it off, of course; but our new creditors have made it much easier for us to do so. In effect, the Knights have restored to us the freedom to set our own course financially.

In Toronto Supreme Knight Carl Anderson reported on the Knights' Coats for Kids program (80,000 new winter coats distributed last year); on their involvement with the Global Wheelchair Mission (over 57,000 people made mobile thus far); and on their support for the Special Olympics (\$14,000,000 in 2015). These are but a few of the notable national and international initiatives by which the Knights of Columbus extend a hand of friendship to those in need. This year that hand reached out to each and every one of us in the Diocese of Baker and lifted us up financially. Remember that the next time the Knights ask for help in your parish. May the Lord bless them who have blessed us so well.

Pensamientos Del Camino

Obispo Liam Cary

Caballeros de Colón

Los Cabelleros de Colón rastrean su origen a un sacerdote Irlandés-Americano, quien ahora está siendo propuesto para la santidad, el Padre Miguel J. McGivney, en New Haven, Connecticut, hace más de un siglo. En apenas quince años sus filas se han expandido a través de la frontera hacia Canadá y no mucho después hacia México. En el último cuarto de siglo más o menos, los Caballeros han sembrado raíces en las Filipinas, Chile, Polonia, y Ucrania. Este aumento en el crecimiento internacional fue un tema promenente en la 134 Convensión Suprema este Agosto en Toronto.

Sin embargo, razones locales, no internacionales, impulsaron mi asistencia. Primero, yo quería expresar aprecio por los innumerables buenos trabajos que los Caballeros fielmente hacen *aquí*, en nuestras parroquias, mes tras mes, año tras año. Segundo, quería expresar mi gratitud como Obispo a los Caballeros de Colón como una organización por su memorable generosidad a la Diócesis de Baker este año pasado. Su bondad hacia nosotros es algo que ustedes necesitan saber, así que voy a dar una palabra de explicación.

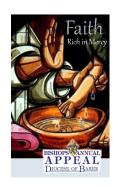
No hace ni una década, cuando la Gran Recesión se afianzó y las bases financieras de la nación parecían a punto de colapsar, la Diócesis de Baker se vio en la necesidad de mayor financiación para varios costosos proyectos de construcción: el Centro de Retiros en Powell Butte y las iglesias recién construidas en Hermiston, Redmond, y Bend. Dado entonces el nerviosismo de los banqueros, la búsqueda por un condiciones se llevó a cabo bajo préstamo extremadamente desfavorables. Los términos que finalmente se obtuvo préstamo severamente la flexibilidad diocesana para iniciativas pastorales y para apoyo financiero a las parroquias, pero no habían mejores opciones disponibles.

El último año, conscientes de que el préstamo estaba previsto a renegociación para el año 2016 antes de Octubre, nosotros (es decir, el Concejo Financiero Diocesano) nos acercamos a varios prestamistas en busca de mejores términos. Se presentó un número de opciones. Estuvimos a punto de seleccionar uno de ellos cuando aprendimos que los Caballeros de Colón, con reservas considerables de un siglo de ventas de pólizas de seguro, habían ideado un programa de préstamos precisamente para necesidades como nuestras. Cumplimos las aplicaciones y llegamos a un acuerdo. Al comienzo de este año, los Caballeros de Colón asumieron nuestro préstamo bajo los términos que aligeraron considerablemente las anteriores cargas restringentes de endeudamiento. Todavía tenemos que pagarla, por supuesto; pero nuestros acreedores han hecho más fácil para nosotros poder hacerlo. En efecto, los Caballeros nos han restaurado la libertad para establecer nuestra propia conducta financiera.

En Toronto, el Caballero Supremo Carl Anderson reportó sobre el programa de los Caballeros de Abrigos para Niños (80,000 nuevos abrigos para el invierno se distribuyeron el año pasado); sobre su participación con la Misión Global de Sillas de Ruedas (más de 57,000 personas móviles hasta el momento); y en su apoyo para las Olimpiadas Especiales (\$14,000,000 en el 2015).

Estas son solo algunas de las iniciativas nacionales e internacionales notables por el cual los Caballeros de Colón extienden una mano de amistad a aquellos que lo necesitan. Este año esa mano se extendió a cada uno de nosotros en la Diócesis de Baker y nos levantó financieramente. Recuerden eso la próxima vez que los Caballeros pidan ayuda en su parroquia. Que Dios bendiga a ellos que nos han bendecido tan bien.

Bishop Cary's Schedule		
Sept 18	Confessions at 7:30 AM and Mass at 8:00 AM at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Chiloquin	
Sept 18	Mass at 10:30 AM at St. James in Bly	
Sept 26-29	Catholic Extension Mission Bishops Conference, Chicago, Illinois	
Oct 1-2	Confession and Masses at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Boardman	



As of August 30th the Bishop's Annual Appeal has achieved 99.07% of its overall goal! We thank all who donated or pledged. Your support has opened a window for the Lord to touch many hearts through the programs the Appeal supports.

Priestly Ordination Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following who celebrated their ordination anniversaries in September:

Most Rev. Liam Cary ordained to Priesthood Sept. 5, 1992 Rev. Joseph Levine, The Dalles Sept. 14, 2010

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

Diocesan Fall Events Schedule

October	1	Eastern Deanery Catechetical Workshop at Blessed Sacrament in Ontario 12PM–5PM
October	3-7	Clergy Assembly, Retreat Center
October	15	Pro-Life Conference, Retreat Center 10AM-3PM
October	15	Boy Scout Outdoor Training Camp, Retreat Center
October	15	Western Deanery Catechetical Workshop at St. Peter's in The Dalles 12PM–5PM
October	16	Northern Deanery Catechetical Workshop at St. Mary's in Pendleton 12PM–5PM
October	29	St. Augustine Door of Mercy Pilgrimage, St. Mary, Powell Butte 12PM—3PM
November	4-6	Day of the Spirit, Retreat Center For Middle School Youth Grades 6–8
November	11-13	Day of the Son, Retreat Center For High School Youth Grades 9–12
December	3	Central Deanery Catechetical Workshop Powell Butte Retreat Center 12PM–3PM
December	10	RCIA Advent Retreat Powell Butte Retreat Center 8AM–4PM
December	17	Advent & Christmas Celebration Powell Butte Retreat Center 3PM—7PM Sponsored by Mother Mary's Daughters All are invited to attend.

The Traditional Latin Mass in Bend



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

Please email John Driscoll at <u>johncdriscoll1068@gmail.com</u> to be added to the email list for Mass schedule notifications.

September & October Schedule:

September 18 1:00 p.m. Low Mass

October 2 1:00 p.m. High (Sung) Mass*

October 16 1:00 p.m. Low Mass

*Confession will be available before Mass from 12:00-12:45 p.m.

World Youth Day in Krakow – Part 2

On Wednesday, the opening day of World Youth Day activities, we took a pilgrimage to the "Be Not Afraid" Saint John Paul II Sanctuary, the Shrine of Divine Mercy, and to the Chapel of the miraculous image of the Merciful Jesus and the tomb of St. Faustina. The Saint John Paul II Sanctuary contains his Relics and the centerpiece of the shrine is a vial of his blood, placed on a pedestal in front of a rather simple marble altar (right). Visitors can also view the famous bloodstained robe that Pope John Paul II was wearing in 1981 when he was shot in Vatican City (right).







We continued on to The Sanctuary of Divine Mercy (left), a beautiful place to visit and to pray. At the top of the tower we took in the spectacular view of Kraków. The grounds are beautiful and we were given time to go to confession before journeying on to visit the burial site of St. Faustina Kowalski (right), who first brought the Divine Mercy devotions to the world's attention. As pilgrims, we had carried prayer intentions from our hometown parishes and we left them at the altar in





the Chapel of the miraculous image of the Merciful Jesus and the tomb of St. Faustina. In a garden area outside the Chapel was a large image of the Merciful Jesus. This beautiful work of art (left) was made up of "selfie" pictures that our pilgrims and pilgrims from all over the world had sent in before WYD.

We returned to Kraków and caught a tour bus to the Wieliczka Salt Mine (right). Every single element was carved including chapels with altarpieces and chandeliers. To our surprise, there were even underground lakes. The

showpiece was the ornamented Chapel of St. Kinga, the

patron saint of salt miners, which is actually a fair-sized church measuring 177 ft. by 59 ft. and 39 ft. high. We also posed in front of a salt carving of the late Pope John Paul II (right).







On Thursday and Friday of WYD the pilgrims went to Catechesis and Mass at the Knights of Columbus Mercy Center in the Tauron Arena (left) followed by the Papal Welcome and Stations of the Cross with Pope Francis at Błonia Park (right).







Saturday morning, bright and early, we set out on a 10-mile pilgrimage to Campus Misericordiae (Field of Mercy) for the evening vigil with Pope Francis, camping out under the Polish night sky with over two-million other pilgrims from all over the world (right), and final Mass the next morning with Pope Francis. Under the beating sun, we listened to Pope Francis' words of encouragement during Mass. His homily focused on the Gospel, recounting the story of the tax collector, Zacchaeus. After Mass the Pope announced that the next WYD would be in



Panama in 2019. We hiked back to our accommodations for our last night in Kraków, packed up, and departed the next morning for Rzeszow Airport.



Father Kumar Udagandla (left) from St. Mary's in Pendleton, who journeyed with our Diocese of Baker group, had celebrated Mass with us in Portland before leaving for WYD. Father had also made arrangements to use a chapel in the Rzeszow Airport (right) to celebrate Mass and bless our religious souvenirs before we flew home.

We wish to thank all those who supported our WYD pilgrimage to Kraków Poland though prayer, generous donations of time, resources, and financial support. We are truly blessed to be part of the Baker Diocese.

