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Parish News: St. John, Condon

St. John parishioners in Condon were treated with entertainment after Mass on Sunday, December 18th. The youth did an amazing job presenting a Christmas play. The play consisted of the readings and well-known Christmas songs. Thanks to the children, Ed and Diane Cooney, Jeanine Conboy and Dorothy Schott. A special *Thank You* to Judy Thomsen for her leadership as Education Director.



Mercy Pilgrimage

On October 29th, thirty-one Catholic pilgrims boarded a charter bus at St. Augustine Parish in Merrill, as they began their pilgrimage to enter the Holy Door of Mercy at the Diocesan Retreat Center.

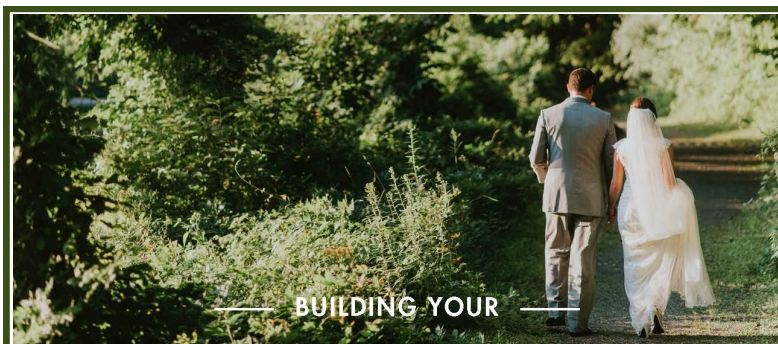
The group consisted of a wide range of ages and came from several different parishes in fact, four other pilgrims joined us at the Retreat Center.

One of our matriarchs said, "It was a wonderful opportunity for quiet prayer and meditation and came at a perfect time to offer up personal family intentions. It was an experience beyond words."

One of our younger pilgrims said that she enjoyed the pilgrimage and the message that came with it - Mercy. The time spent praying and actually walking through the Door of Mercy made her feel even stronger in her faith! The best part for her was seeing the variation of age groups that went on the pilgrimage together. She was impressed with their ability to all come together and pray as one group in spite of age differences.

At the end of the day everyone was tired but very thankful that Father Tomy Chowaran had the foresight to take them through the Holy Door of Mercy before its closing on November 20th.

Thank you Father Tomy for guarding and protecting our souls and thank you for guiding us on our way home to Heaven! — Cynthia Taylor, Director Religious Education



BUILDING YOUR

Marriage

BEFORE IT STARTS

A weekend retreat for couples who want to build a marriage that will have the foundation to last a lifetime. Completion of this retreat meets the requirements for marriage preparation in the Diocese of Baker.

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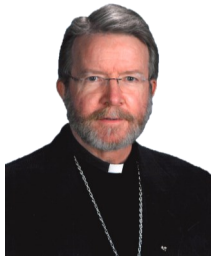
2017 Retreat Dates:

February: 24,25,26 • May: 19,20,21 • August: 19,20,21 • November: 3,4,5

Location:

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
2450 NE 27th Street, Bend OR 97701

For more information contact Natasha Rider email weddings@stfrancisbend.org



Thoughts Along the Way

Bishop Liam Cary

A New Office for a New Year

When I left the Diocesan Office in Bend on December 21st to celebrate Christmas in Baker City, my desk and file cases and bookshelves were emptied, pictures had disappeared, and, except for a wall with boxes piled high, my office was bare. All was ready for the moving truck to come the next day, December 22nd, and cart everything off to our new office in Redmond.

Bishop Connolly moved the diocesan headquarters from Baker City to Bend in 1987. Thirty years of use took its toll on the property, and relocation had been seriously considered before I arrived in 2012. By then, however, the commercial real estate market in Bend had ceased to thrive. We had no choice but to bide our time until the stars lined up more favorably. Finally, in 2016, they did.

Our exodus from Bend was set in motion about a year ago with the assumption of the diocesan loan by the Knights of Columbus. That set the stage for the purchase shortly thereafter of an office building a stone's throw from the Redmond Airport. Prior to our arrival it had been a dispatch center with a lot of open space filled with cubicles; so we didn't have to tear down old walls, and we could put new walls where we wanted them, with room for yet more to go up to meet the needs of expansion in years ahead.

As last summer unfolded, the planning and permitting and letting of contracts for our new building went steadily forward without any serious glitches, and the pace of construction hewed reassuringly close to schedule. And now, as the New Year dawns, we move into our new office.

You may rightly be wondering how it was paid for. The sale of the old office and other property enabled us to finance the deal ourselves. No funds whatsoever from the Bishop's Appeal went toward the purchase of the building; nor did the Diocese take on additional indebtedness to buy it.

Every step of the way the hand of Providence brought the right people to our door to help us make the move—the national office of the Knights of Columbus; John Kvapil, Phil Doza, and Beth Freeman of DKA Architecture; Matt Coen, Joe McNamee, and Eric Meeuwsen of CS Construction; and John Schimoller of Remax Real Estate.

In the last year and a half the Diocesan Finance Council contributed indispensable amounts of imagination, collaboration, and good advice to this project. Permit me to single them out by name: Father Rick Fischer, Vicar General; Joe LaCosse and Dick Grall

of St. Francis in Bend; Hank Caldwell of St. Pius X in Klamath Falls; Gary Thompson and Tom MacDonald of St. Joseph's in Prineville. At the heart of the project, Hope Burke, Chief Financial Officer for the Diocese, somehow kept a million details in balance and saw us through to completion. In the final days the foresight, hard work, and good-spirited cooperation of the Diocesan Staff lightened the burden of moving for all concerned. To one and all: many, many thanks!

We all look forward to seeing you in our new surroundings once we get thoroughly moved in.

Pensamientos Del Camino

Obispo Liam Cary

Una Nueva Oficina para el Nuevo Año

Cuando me fui de la Oficina Diocesana en Bend el 21 de Diciembre para celebrar la Navidad en Baker City, mi escritorio y cajas de archivos fueron vaciados, fotos habían desaparecido, y, con excepción de una pared donde estaban unas cajas llenas, mi oficina estaba vacía. Todo estaba listo para cuando llegara la troca de mudanzas al siguiente día, el 22 de Diciembre y nos llevara todo a nuestra nueva oficina en Redmond.

El Obispo Connolly trasladó la sede diocesana de Baker City a Bend en 1987. Treinta años de uso desgastó la propiedad, y la reubicación se había considerado seriamente antes de llegar yo en el 2012. Para entonces, sin embargo, el mercado de bienes raíces comerciales en Bend había dejado de prosperar. No tuvimos más remedio que esperar nuestro tiempo hasta que las estrellas se alinearan más favorablemente. Finalmente, en el 2016, lo hicieron.

Nuestro éxodo de Bend se inició hace aproximadamente un año con la asunción del préstamo diocesano por los Caballeros de Colón. Eso preparó el escenario para la compra poco después de un edificio de oficinas a una corta distancia del Aeropuerto de Redmond. Antes de nuestra llegada, había sido un centro de despachos con mucho espacio abierto lleno de cubículos; por lo que no tuvimos que derribar las antiguas paredes, y pudimos poner nuevas paredes donde las queríamos, con espacio para crecer para poder satisfacer las necesidades de expansión en los próximos años.

A medida que terminaba el verano pasado, la planificación, la concesión de permisos y la concesión de contratos para nuestro nuevo edificio continuaron progresivamente sin ningún problema grave, y el ritmo de la construcción se acercó tranquilamente a las fechas previstas. Y ahora, en el comienzo del Año Nuevo, nos movimos a nuestra nueva oficina.

Tal vez se estarán preguntando con todo derecho en cómo fue que se pagó. La venta de la antigua oficina y

otros bienes nos permitió financiar el acuerdo por nosotros mismos. Ningún fondo de la Apelación del Obispo se usó para la compra del edificio; ni la Diócesis asumió ninguna deuda adicional para comprarlo.

En cada paso del camino, la mano de la Providencia atrajo a las personas adecuadas a nuestra puerta para ayudarnos a hacer la mudanza—la oficina nacional de los Caballeros de Colón; John Kvapil, Phil Doza, y Beth Freeman de DKA Architecture; Matt Coen, Joe McNamee, y Eric Meeuwssen de CS Construction; y John Schimoller de Remax Real Estate.

En el último año y medio, el Consejo de Finanzas Diocesano contribuyó una cantidad indispensable de imaginación, colaboración, y bueno consejo a este proyecto. Permítanme nombrarlos individualmente: Padre Rick Fischer, Vicario General; Joe LaCosse y Dick Grall de San Francisco en Bend; Hank Caldwell de San Pío X en Klamath Falls; Gary Thompson y Tom MacDonald de San José en Prineville. En el corazón del proyecto, Hope Burke, Director Financiero de la Diócesis, de alguna manera mantuvo un millón de detalles en balance y nos vio hasta el final. En los últimos días, la previsión, el arduo trabajo y la buena cooperación del Personal Diocesano aliviaron la carga de la mudanza para todos los interesados. A todos y cada uno: ¡muchas, muchas gracias!

Esperamos verlos en nuestro nuevo entorno una vez que ya estemos completamente instalados.

New mailing address for the Diocese of Baker:
641 SE Umatilla Street
Redmond, OR 97756

Bishop Cary's Schedule

Jan 22-29	Covering regular Mass schedules and Confessions at St. Katherine in Enterprise and St. Pius X in Wallowa
Jan 31	8:15 AM Mass at St Francis School in Bend followed by adoration until 11:00 AM for Catholic School Week
Feb 5	National Catholic Bioethics Workshop in Dallas, Texas

The Traditional Latin Mass in Bend

The Extraordinary Form (Latin) Mass is offered **every other** Sunday at St. Francis of Assisi Historic Church at 1:00 PM. All Masses are sung Masses.

In February EF Masses will be celebrated on **February 5th and 19th**. Fr. Szymakowski will hear confessions after Mass upon request.

If you would like to be added to a Mass schedule notification email list, please email John Driscoll at johncdiscoll1068@gmail.com. If you are interested in being an Altar Server or singing in the schola, please contact Stephanie Swee at swee0574@gmail.com.

Saints and Feasts: St. Francis de Sales, Patron Saint of the Diocese of Baker



In an Apostolic Letter dated November 26, 1963, upon the request of Bishop Francis P. Leipzig, Pope Paul the VI officially named St. Francis de Sales as the patron of the Diocese of Baker.

St. Francis de Sales, bishop of Geneva and a doctor of the Church, is renowned for the clarity of his teaching and preaching. Intellectually and spiritually tormented in his youth by debates over predestination, Saint Francis, upon arriving at a proper understanding of the question, was better able to treat with charity the Calvinists of Geneva. During the time of the Protestant reformation, Saint Francis led an expedition into Switzerland—Calvinist territory—to convert the 60,000 Calvinists back to Catholicism and from 1593 to 1602 he is said to have converted 40,000.

In 1602, at age 35, he became bishop of the diocese of Geneva, in Calvinist territory. While administering his diocese, he continued to preach, hear confessions and catechize the children. His gentle character was a great asset in winning souls. He practiced his own axiom, “A spoonful of honey attracts more flies than a barrelful of vinegar.”

- ◆ Feast Day: January 24
- ◆ Type of Feast: Memorial
- ◆ Born: August 21, 1567 (Thorens, France)
- ◆ Died: December 28, 1622 (Lyons, France)
- ◆ Symbol: Sacred Heart of Jesus
- ◆ Patron of: Catholic press, confessors, deaf people, educators, journalists, writers
- ◆ Beatification: January 8, 1661, by Pope Alexander VII
- ◆ Canonization: April 8, 1665, by Pope Alexander VII
- ◆ Proclaimed a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius IX on November 16, 1877

NW Catholic Men's Conference 2017

The NW Catholic Men's Conference will be held February 24-25, 2017, at the Pendleton Convention Center. Speaking at the Conference will be Bishop Liam Cary, Bishop Thomas Daly, bishop of Spokane, Reverend Daniel Maxwell, pastor of Our Lady of Angels in Hermiston, Reverend Kumar Udagandla, pastor of St. Mary in Pendleton, and David O'Neil, director of the Catholic Campus Center at the University of Idaho.

The cost is \$40 which includes three meals. Fathers and sons, ages 15 and up, are welcome.

Registration forms and additional information available at www.nwcmg.com or call St. Mary's Parish at (541) 276-3615.

Oxford Suites—Pendleton is offering a special group rate of \$92 plus tax. Use promo code NWCMC when booking online or call 541-276-6000. To book online go to: <https://gc.synxis.com/rez.aspx?Hotel=38808&Chain=17623&promo=NWCMC>



Blessings and Graces at Schoenstatt Marian Conference for the Pacific NW

It is with sincere gratefulness to Our Mother Thrice Admirable, Queen and Victress of Schoenstatt, that we report the success of the first regional conference of the Schoenstatt Rosary Campaign, held November 18 - 20, 2016, in Kennewick, Washington. Our Mother of Grace guided us and worked many little miracles to help us as we planned each detail of the conference over the course of a year.

More than 230 people from Oregon, Washington and Idaho gathered at St. Joseph parish to learn more about Schoenstatt's contribution to the New Evangelization and to come together as a Schoenstatt community in the Pacific Northwest. 135 participants were from the English-speaking community and almost 100 were from the Spanish-speaking community. It was a great blessing to have both communities represented for a bi-lingual conference to celebrate our mutual love for Our Blessed Mother! We were pleased that 43 married couples attended together, making up more than a quarter of the total in attendance. A separate workshop for 18 girls was provided on Saturday afternoon.

Presenters were Schoenstatt Fathers, Marcelo Aravena and Francisco Rojas, and Sister M. Isabel Bracero. Mr. Enrique Soros did a magnificent job as Master of Ceremonies. Each of the five main conference talks were presented in either English or Spanish; headsets and real-time translation were provided for those not understanding the language of the presented talk. A break-out session was offered in both languages for men



Pictured here are over 60 Rosary Campaign Missionaries with their Pilgrim Mother shrines at one of the Masses at the conference.

and women. Mass was celebrated each of the three days, with confessions offered on Saturday afternoon. Meals were provided each day of the conference by the Spanish Rosary Campaign group at St. Joseph Parish and the Connell/Etopia Knights of Columbus. We are truly grateful for the many offerings of time and talent (Mass musicians, sacristans and servers; conference decorations and more) given by so many who made everything possible.

Many in attendance did not know anything about Schoenstatt and were very happy to have learned more about the movement from their participation in the conference. We made many new friends and contacts who are eager to be part of the Schoenstatt Movement! With confidence, we pray that our follow-up efforts will be blessed by a real growth in the Schoenstatt Movement in the Pacific Northwest.

— Deanna Leonard

Nothing without YOU, Dear Mother, Nothing without US!

2017 Sacred Liturgy Conference to highlight the Liturgy as the “Voice of the Bridegroom”

Sacred Liturgy Conference
The Voice of the Bridegroom
July 12 – July 15, 2017
Sacred Heart Church in Medford, OR



www.SacredLiturgyConference.org

Registration is now open for the 5th annual Sacred Liturgy Conference scheduled for July 12-15, 2017 in Medford, OR.

Join Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke, Archbishop Alexander K. Sample and Bishop Robert F. Vasa in Southern Oregon for a three-day immersion in the Church's sacred liturgy and its living musical heritage. The theme of this 5th

annual conference is “The Voice of the Bridegroom” and will focus on sacred liturgy, Church history and the role

of Gregorian chant.

The conference will include eight important and informative lectures, five chant workshops, four sung liturgies, and plenty of time for fellowship. His Eminence Cardinal Burke will give a lecture and celebrate an Extraordinary Form Solemn Pontifical High Mass assisted by priests of the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter. Archbishop Sample will give a lecture and celebrate a Pontifical Mass in the Ordinary Form. Additional faculty will include Bishop Vasa, Reverend Gerard Saguto, FSSP, Reverend Vincent Kelber, O.P., Reverend Timothy Furlow, Dr. Lynne Bissonnette-Pitre and Dr. Francisco Romero.

The conference is organized by the director of Schola Cantus Angelorum, Dr. Lynne Bissonnette-Pitre MD, PhD, LGCHS and hosted by Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Medford, Oregon. This Sacred Liturgy Conference promises to be intellectually, liturgically and spiritually enriching.

To find out more specifics about the schedule, accommodations, and how to register for the conference go to www.SacredLiturgyConference.org. You may also call 206-552-3400 or email sounavoce@gmail.com.

Don't delay, as space is limited and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.