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St. Pius X Women's Retreat

October 13-14, 2017

Friday: 6:00 PM-8:30 PM • Saturday 8:30 AM-3:00 PM

Nationally Known Catholic Author & Speaker

Patty Schneider

author of
"Love Letters From Mom"

Learn more about Patty and her ministry at: pattyschneider.com

St Pius X Catholic Church • Klamath Falls, OR

Continental Breakfast and Lunch are provided.

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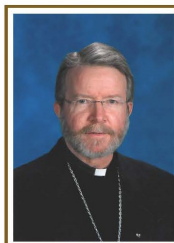


LIVING A LIFE OF JOY

Radiating the Gospel Message to the World
NW Catholic Marriage & Family Conference

OCTOBER 20-22, 2017

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church and Eastern Oregon University, La Grande, Oregon



THE MOST REV. LIAM CARY
Bishop
Diocese of Baker



MATT & MINDY DALTON
Marriage Missionaries
Archdiocese of Denver



FR. SAJI K. THOMAS, CMI
Pastor
Our Lady of the Valley

For more information visit: <http://olvcatholic.org> or call 541-963-7341

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Matt & Mindy Dalton, co-founders of *Marriage Missionaries*, have been doing this missionary work, full time, for the past eight years. Once they invited Jesus to be the center of their marriage and the primary source of their love, they developed a burning passion to share God's glorious design with others. They have appeared on various shows for *EWTV* and currently write monthly articles for *The Denver Catholic*. Archbishop Samuel Aquila has them currently teaching future deacons and their wives in the Diaconate Formation for the Archdiocese of Denver.

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE—CATHOLIC STYLE!

NOVEMBER 4, 2017
ST. THOMAS CHURCH
REDMOND



Featuring guest speaker Michael Cumbie
"Proud to be Catholic"

For those of you who have not attended these events at St Thomas Parish in Redmond, 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 OCTOBERFEST themed dinner will

include a homemade German meal, local craft beer, and a live accordion player.

Then comes the "icing on the cake" with our guest speaker, Michael Cumbie, former Baptist preacher from the deep south, who will give a talk titled "Proud to be Catholic" as he tells us why he converted to Catholicism in his humorous and entertaining way.



Tickets are a bargain at just \$12 per person which includes both the dinner and speaker. Get your tickets after weekend Masses, October 14/15, October 21/22, and October 28/29, or in the parish office. If you're coming from out of town, please call us at (541) 923-3390 for "Will Call" tickets. Tickets must be purchased by October 30th. Come prepared to try your luck on our 50/50 Raffle (win half the pot in cash!) and plan on having a fun and faith filled night. We hope to see you there!



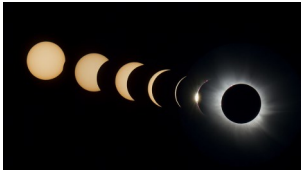
Thoughts Along the Way

Bishop Liam Cary

Summer of the Eclipse

On August 21st the sun disappeared. Countless eyes looked heavenward to watch the black curve of the moon devour the light of earth's star along its path toward total eclipse.

Having intruded on the sun's "space" in the sky, the moon proceeded confidently on its course, neither speeding up nor slowing down, never once veering aside or turning back. No one was taken by surprise. Lunar and



solar paths intersected at the time and place predicted. The harmonious regularity of cosmic motion runs in tune with the laws of nature, and sun and moon

submit to them.

Nature's laws govern us earthbound sky gazers too, for everything beneath the sun lives off of its light. No light, no life. When the sun finally burns out, the ice-cold darkness of death will come to stay. The laws that bring it to us we can't alter; we are powerless to make the sun change its course. But we can change the course of our life beneath the sun if we submit to the laws of the spirit written on our hearts by the Creator of the Stars.

The sun does not know that it radiates light and warmth, but we do. We know because we have minds—minds that reach far, far beyond the sun to bring to light the fundamental scientific truths that govern the entire universe. Whoever grasps that $2 + 2 = 4$ can set out on that journey of understanding, because the human mind was made for truth, truth that never ceases to draw us farther and wider and deeper into the mystery of the world around us and within us and beyond us.

Watching the disappearing sun together taught an essential lesson about that mystery: truth is something we *find*, not something we *make*. In the path of totality the eclipse was darker and colder and longer-lasting than it was in the path of partiality. But every eye that looked skyward saw the same darkened globe. The full "truth" of the one cosmic event distributed itself to accord with the perspective of viewers near and far. Regardless of their line of sight, all eyes converged in wonderment at the beauty on display before them. Every onlooker had a share in the same heavenly truth revealing itself in the darkened sky.

An imagination that crosses the path of cosmic beauty does not emerge unchanged. Albert Einstein marveled that the universe is proving to be ever more knowable by the human mind. To him this was "a miracle" since "one should expect a chaotic world which cannot be in any way grasped by thought." Freeman Dyson took the mounting evidence from modern physics

to be a sign "that the universe in some sense must have known we were coming." The truth of the star fields has been waiting for us to find it, and it's far more beautiful than anything we could make on our own.

"No one can say, 'I have the truth,'" Pope Benedict XVI wrote. "It is the truth that possesses us," as it did on August 21st. "We do not possess it but are held by it. Only if we allow ourselves to be guided and moved by the truth, do we remain in it." For the Truth that we Christians have found is the Way and the Life as well.

As I drove home from Madras that morning, filled with wonder at what I'd witnessed, the words of a song came to mind:

"Lord of the Star Fields, Ancient of Days,
Universe Maker, here's a song in Your praise.

Voice of the Nova, Smile of the Dew,
All of our yearning only comes home to You.

O Love that fires the sun, keep me burning.
O love that fires the sun, keep me burning."

Pensamientos Del Camino

Obispo Liam Cary

Verano del Eclipse

El 22 de Agosto el sol desapareció. Incontables ojos miraron hacia el cielo para ver la curva negra de la luna devorar la luz de la estrella de la tierra a lo largo de su camino hacia el eclipse total.

Habiendo penetrado en el "espacio" del sol en el cielo, la luna siguió confiadamente en su curso, sin acelerar ni detenerse, sin apartarse ni retroceder ni una sola vez. Nadie fue tomado por sorpresa. Caminos lunares y solares cruzados en el tiempo y el lugar previsto. La regularidad del movimiento cósmico está en sintonía con las leyes de la naturaleza, y el sol y la luna se someten a ellas.

Las leyes de la naturaleza nos gobiernan también a nosotros los observadores del cielo, porque todo bajo el sol vive de su luz. No luz, no vida. Cuando el sol finalmente se apaga, la oscuridad helada de la muerte vendrá para quedarse. Las leyes que nos la traerán no podemos alterar; somos impotentes para hacer que el sol cambie su rumbo. Pero podemos cambiar el curso de nuestra vida bajo el sol si nos sometemos a las leyes del espíritu escrito en nuestros corazones por el Creador de las Estrellas.

El sol no sabe que irradia luz y calor, pero



nosotros sí. Sabemos porque tenemos mentes que llegan mucho más allá del sol para sacar a la luz las verdades científicas que gobiernan el universo entero. Quien comprende que $2 + 2 = 4$ puede emprender ese camino de entendimiento, porque la mente humana fue hecha para la verdad, la verdad que nunca deja de atraernos más amplia y profundamente al misterio del mundo alrededor y dentro y más allá de nosotros.

Viendo juntos el sol desapareciendo, aprendimos algo esencial tocante ese misterio: la verdad es algo que *encontramos*, no algo que *hacemos*. En el camino de la totalidad el eclipse era más oscuro y más frío y más duradero que en el camino de la parcialidad. Pero cada ojo que miraba hacia el cielo vio el mismo globo oscuro. La “verdad” completa del evento cósmico se distribuyó de acuerdo con la perspectiva de los espectadores cercanos y lejanos. No le hizo su línea de visión, todos los ojos convergieron en asombro ante la belleza que se exhibía ante ellos. Cada observador tenía una participación en la misma verdad celestial que se revelaba en el cielo oscuro.

Una imaginación que cruza el camino de la belleza cósmica no emerge sin cambios. Albert Einstein se maravilló de que el universo está demostrando ser cada vez más conocible por la mente humana. Para él esto era “un milagro”, ya que “uno debe esperar un mundo caótico que no puede ser de ninguna manera agarrado por el pensamiento”. Por su parte, Freeman Dyson tomó la evidencia creciente de la física moderna para ser una señal de “que el universo en algún sentido debe haber sabido que estábamos viniendo.” La verdad de los campos estelares ha estado esperando que la encontremos, y es mucho más hermosa que nada podríamos hacer por nuestra cuenta.

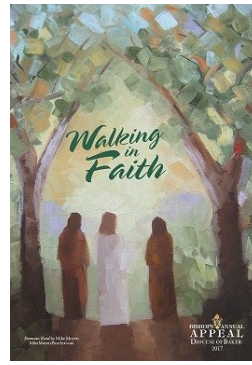
“Nadie puede decir, ‘Tengo la verdad’, escribió el Papa Benedicto XVI. “Es la verdad que nos posee”, como lo hizo el 21 de Agosto. “No la poseemos, sino que la sostenemos. Sólo si nos permitimos ser guiados y movidos por la verdad, permanecemos en ella”. Porque la Verdad que nosotros los Cristianos hemos encontrado es a la vez el Camino y la Vida también.

Regresé a casa de Madras la mañana del eclipse, lleno de asombro por lo que había presenciado. Y unas palabras de una canción me vinieron a la mente:

“Señor de los Campos de Estrellas,
Antiguo de Días,
Creador del Universo,
a Ti canto alabando.

Voz de la Nova, Sonrisa del Rocío,
A Ti regresa nuestro anhelo entero.

Amor que enciende el sol, mantenme ardiendo.
Amor que enciende el sol, mantenme ardiendo”.



Bishop's Annual Appeal Update

In the coming weeks our 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal campaign will be complete, but receiving of donations will remain open until April of 2018. The many blessings that have been shared by Catholic families all over the Diocese will be harvested and transformed into works of evangelization, faith formation, adult and youth ministry, care for our priests, and many other programs and ministries to enhance the faith life of our Catholic community.

Nearly 2,400 Catholic households have made this harvest possible, achieving 90% of our goal, and there are many more who are still prayerfully reflecting on what amount might be appropriate to offer, given their personal circumstances.

As of September 15th, 23 parishes/missions have met and exceeded their goals (see below), 6 are above 90%, and 21 have improved participation over last year.

- ♦ St. James in Bly
- ♦ St. John in Condon
- ♦ St. Katherine in Enterprise
- ♦ St. Catherine in Fossil
- ♦ Our Lady of the Snows in Gilchrist
- ♦ St. William in Ione
- ♦ St. Elizabeth in John Day
- ♦ St. Pius X in Klamath Falls
- ♦ Sacred Heart in Klamath Falls
- ♦ Our Lady of the Valley in La Grande
- ♦ St. Patrick in Lakeview
- ♦ St. Patrick in Madras
- ♦ St. Mary in Maupin
- ♦ St. Anthony in North Powder
- ♦ St. John in Paisley
- ♦ St. Helen in Pilot Rock
- ♦ St. Thomas in Plush
- ♦ St. Joseph in Prineville
- ♦ St. Thomas in Redmond
- ♦ Holy Trinity in Sunriver
- ♦ Sacred Heart in Union
- ♦ St. Patrick in Vale
- ♦ St. Kateri Tekakwitha in Warm Springs

We thank all who donated or made a pledge. Your support has opened a window for the Lord to touch many hearts through the programs the Appeal supports and your generosity inspires others to follow in your example to participate. However large or small your contribution might be, it will help us to reach our goal.

Donations can also be made online at the diocesan website www.dioceseofbaker.org. We appreciate your generosity.

MARIAN FAIR BOOTH CELEBRATES 8TH YEAR AT DESCHUTES COUNTY FAIR

Parishioners throughout the Central Oregon area dedicated their time at the Deschutes County Fair in August to evangelize and catechize on the most perfect Pro-life story ever told: "...and Mary said 'Yes'...the 'Yes' that changed the world!" Lk 1, 38

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of Mary and her Peace Plan from Heaven that was handed to three shepherd children in Fatima to deliver to the world; we also focused on answering "Yes!" to Mary, Our Lady of Fatima, to bring her messages from God to the world. In imitation of Our Lady, we reached out, through our



actions, to welcome all at the fair to visit our booth and to either gaze and ponder quietly on the pictures and statement, or to stay and visit, and accept a free Rosary and other religious materials.

Many previous fairgoers have returned to visit and to share the blessings they have received from their visits and from reading the Marian materials and from praying their Rosaries. Others who stopped by had never thought about being a child of Mary. Let us all share our Lady's messages from Fatima of great Faith, Hope, and Love to all mankind with great Charity.



Pictured above: Connie Vorndran, Terri Nichols and Claire Nichols—three generations who love the Blessed Mother.

THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS IN BEND



The Extraordinary Form (Latin) Mass is offered **every 2nd and 4th** Sunday of the month (beginning in September) at 1:00 PM at St. Francis of Assisi Historic Church. All Masses are sung Masses.

Father Andrew Szymakowski will hear confessions after Mass upon request.

October 8	18th Sunday after Pentecost
October 22	20th Sunday after Pentecost
November 12	23rd Sunday after Pentecost
November 26	Last Sunday after Pentecost

If you would like to be added to a Mass schedule notification email list, please send your request to johncdriscoll1068@gmail.com.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

On September 9th, about 75 people from two parishes, St. Thomas and St. Francis, arrived to pray and sing in front of the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic



in Bend. Father Jose Thomas Mudakodiyil, Pastor at St. Francis of Assisi, led the recitation of the 'Pro-Life' Joyful mysteries of the Rosary. Terri Isom, cantor, then led the sung version of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

The purpose for prayer on this particular day, was to give tribute to the 60 million human beings aborted since 1973, when the U.S. Supreme Court made abortion the law of the land. Across this country today, at over 300 locations, graveyards, pro-life memorial sites and clinics, prayers were said to honor the human beings aborted before their birth took place.

Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life. So we pray for all of God's children, especially the abused, abandoned, and aborted. We pray for all men and women suffering the affects of abortion and that the society that allows and promotes abortion to have a change of heart. May God's infinite mercy and love bring reconciliation to the men and women involved.



Join the Pro-Life effort in Central Oregon to peacefully demonstrate on the Sanctity of Life.

When? Every Thursday from 11 AM to Noon

Where? On Division Street in Bend.

For more information, contact Susan Thorne at (541) 548-9970.

BISHOP CARY'S SCHEDULE

Oct 9-12	Clergy Assembly, Diocesan Retreat Center
Oct 15	9:00 AM Mass and Acolyte Installation, Prineville
Oct 15	12:00 PM Mass, Prineville
Oct 20-22	NW Catholic Marriage & Family Conference, La Grande