



#### RAISE THE ROOF

St. Francis de Sales, the Diocese of Baker's Cathedral Church, was dedicated in 1908 and is a beautiful Gothic-style building with large stained-glass windows that were installed in 1923. If you have not been to the Cathedral we invite you to

visit and we will be happy to give you a guided tour.

From time to time the Cathedral needs some tender loving care and this is one of those times. After 30 years of wear and tear, it is time to replace the roof. As you can see below, the Cathedral is in dire need.



Catholic Extension has offered a challenge grant for our roof replacement project. For every dollar donated, Catholic Extension will match up to \$45,000 on funds raised between now and October 1st this year. We can use your help in meeting this goal and are asking you to pray and see if you can contribute to our project. Please send your tax deductible donation to St. Francis de Sales Cathedral, 2235 First Street, Baker City, OR 97814. Every dollar will help us meet this goal.

You are also invited to join us at our Raise the Roof Fiesta on May 4th at the Baker Elk's Lodge for a fun evening of good food and a live and silent auction.

Tickets are \$20 per person (children under 6 eat free)

Tickets may be purchased through the Parish Office.



Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church in Hermiston presents:

DEACON HAROLD BURKE-SIVERS

Known around the world as the "Dynamic Deacon"

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers is one of the most sought-after speakers in the Church today. He travels across the United States and around the world speaking at conferences, workshops, retreats, parish missions, high schools, and young adult events – in short, to everyone who desires to know Jesus intimately and enjoy a deeper personal relationship with Him. His areas of expertise include marriage and family life, discerning the will of God, the sacraments, male spirituality, pro-life issues, evangelization, prayer, and many others.

Deacon Harold holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics and Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame, and a Master of Theological Studies Degree from the University of Dallas. He co-hosts the weekly broadcast, "Living Stones," every Monday on Mater Dei Radio, and has appeared as a guest on numerous other national and international radio programs, including "Catholic Answers Live" and "Vocation Boom Radio."

Retaining a deep love of Benedictine spirituality which he gained during his time discerning a call to that religious community, Deacon Harold is a Benedictine Oblate of Mt. Angel Abbey. He is also a member of the Fellowship of Catholic Scholars and the Confraternity of Catholic Clergy.

You are invited to attend a PARISH MISSION to hear this dynamic speaker

May 14th – 17th (beginning at 7pm in the church)

Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church 565 West Hermiston Avenue, Hermiston, OR For more information, please call the parish office at (541) 567-5812

you can also watch some of Deacon Harold's talks on video by visiting his website at: www. deaconharold.com



## I've Resurrected! Now what?

David Bisonó

Lent has come and gone and I am sure that many of us are happy and some even relieved. We can eat as much meat as we want and drink copious amounts of coffee without feeling guilty. Others may have given up social media and now find themselves catching up on all they have missed. My question is, now what? We have shouted with joy on Easter Sunday "HE IS RISEN!" Now what? Do we just return to our normal routines? Living as we did before? Eating as we did? If so, then why resurrect? Maybe we need an eternal lent — this way we would eat less and pray more?

I am convinced that the resurrection should profoundly and powerfully change and shift our existence. It is not conceivable that a man or woman who has been raised from death think the same thoughts and live in such a manner that negate the validity of resurrection. Many times I believe this is why people don't take the resurrection as serious as they should; after all how could they if they see no evidence of resurrected people?

Let's take a look at a resurrection account in the Bible and see what we can learn from it. We find this resurrection story in the gospel according to John in chapter 11. Jesus approaches the body of Lazarus and Martha says "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died" (vs 21). Martha, of course, was worried about her brother and had wished that Jesus would have shown up sooner, but while Martha was after the healing, Jesus' intent was resurrection. As you think about this, please think about yourself. Are you just after healing or do you want resurrection? In other words, are you after what's temporary or what's eternal?

Let me take a moment and clarify. Healing is great and I am sure that many reading this are praying for healing either for yourself or a loved one. And while you should continue praying for healing, more than *healing* our main concern should be resurrection; our focus should be heaven. Are we living as people who have died with Christ and resurrected with him or are we just merely going through the motions? I know that this may sound challenging, but if we are not living for heaven then why and for what are we living?

Let us continue; we then see that Jesus is not dissuaded by Martha's lack of faith or distrust, but rather he continues forward and calls Lazarus out of the tomb. Please pay close attention to what happens next. "When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" (vs 43) and at once Lazarus comes out of the tomb. But wait! Lazarus seems like he is having some trouble "The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth" (vs44a). Why would Jesus resurrect him but leave him bound that way? Why didn't he remove all the strips of cloth prevent-

ing him from walking, speaking and seeing? "Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go" (vs44b). So Jesus resurrects them and we the church unbind them. Amazing as it may sound many people are so mesmerized by the resurrection. They forget that we, the church, have a role in the resurrection process. It is our job to unbind Lazarus. Read the text again ""Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go" (vs44b).

Unfortunately many people today are bound! They have been resurrected just like Lazarus but nobody told them they were bound. The excitement and joy of resurrection can sometimes fool us into thinking all is well when nothing is further from the truth. So let me close with this, are our communities and parishes places where all the Lazarus' are welcomed and set free? Are our parishes filled with evidence of resurrection or do we just celebrate the resurrection, remember it, but forget to embrace and live it? I am fully persuaded that if we truly lived what we believed, the rest would believe by watching us live as resurrected people. Praying that our communities, homes and churches become centers where all the resurrected bound Lazarus' can walk in and find people willing to unbind them with great compassion, grace and mercy.

If you would like to join our daily devotionals in preparation for Pentecost and truly living as a resurrected person, please visit the diocesan website at <a href="https://www.dioceseofbaker.org">www.dioceseofbaker.org</a>.

### ¡He resucitado! ¡Ahora qué? David Bisonó

La Cuaresma ha venido y se ha ido y estoy seguro de que muchos de nosotros estamos felices y algunos incluso aliviados. Podemos comer tanta carne como gueramos y beber grandes cantidades de café sin sentirnos culpables. Otros pueden haber renunciado a las redes sociales y ahora se encuentran poniéndose al día con todo de lo que se han perdido. Mi pregunta es, ¿ahora qué? Gritamos con alegría el Domingo de Pascua "¡HA RESUCITADO! ¡Ahora qué? Regresamos a nuestras rutinas normales? ¡Viviendo como lo hacíamos antes, comiendo como lo hacíamos? Si es así, ¿por qué resucitar? Tal vez necesitamos una Cuaresma eterna, de esta manera podríamos comer menos y rezar más Estoy convencido de que la resurrección debe cambiar profunda y poderosamente nuestra existencia. No es concebible que un hombre o una mujer que ha sido levantado de la muerte tengan los mismos pensamientos y viva de tal manera que niegue la validez de la resurrección. Muchas veces creo que es por eso que las personas no toman la resurrección tan seria como debería; después de todo, ¿cómo podrían ellos hacerlo si no ven evidencia de personas resucitadas?

Echemos un vistazo a un relato de resurrección en la Biblia y veamos qué podemos aprender de él. Encontramos esta historia de resurrección en el evangelio según Juan en el capítulo 11. Jesús se acerca al cuerpo de Lázaro y Marta dice "Señor, si hubieras estado aquí, mi hermano no habría muerto" (vs 21). Marta, por supuesto, estaba preocupada por su hermano y deseó que Jesús hubiera aparecido antes, pero mientras Marta buscaba la curación, la intención de Jesús era la resurrección. Al pensar en esto, piensa en ti mismo. ¿Estás en busca de la curación o quieres la resurrección? En otras palabras, ¿estás detrás de lo temporal o de lo eterno?

Permíteme tomar un momento para aclarar, la sanidad es excelente y estoy seguro de que muchos que leen esto están orando por sanidad, ya sea para usted o para un ser querido. Y aunque deberías continuar orando por esto, más que curar nuestra principal preocupación debería ser la resurrección; nuestro enfoque debe ser el cielo ¿Vivimos como personas que han muerto con Cristo y resucitado con él o simplemente estamos haciendo el vaivén? Sé que esto puede sonar desafiante, pero si no estamos viviendo para el cielo, ¿por qué y para qué estamos viviendo?

Continuemos; luego vemos que a Jesús no lo disuade la falta de fe o desconfianza de Marta, sino que continúa y llama a Lázaro fuera de la tumba. Presta mucha atención a lo que sucede a continuación. "Cuando dijo esto, gritó a gran voz," ¡Lázaro, sal fuera de ahí! "(Vs 43) y de inmediato Lázaro sale de la tumba. ¡Pero espera! Lázaro parece estar teniendo problemas "El hombre muerto salió, con manos y pies atados con tiras de tela y su cara envuelta en un paño" (vs44a). ¡Por qué Jesús lo resucitaría pero lo dejaría atado de esa manera? ¡Por qué no se quitó todas las tiras de tela que le impedían caminar, hablar y ver? "Jesús les dijo," Desátenlo, y déjenlo ir "(vs44b). Entonces Jesús los resucita y nosotros la Iglesia los desvinculamos. Aunque parezca increíble, muchas personas están sumamente hipnotizadas por la resurrección, se olvidan de que nosotros, la Iglesia, tenemos un papel en el proceso de resurrección. Es nuestro trabajo desvincular a Lázaro. Lea el texto de nuevo "Jesús les dijo: "Desátenlo, y déjenlo ir" (vs44b).

Desafortunadamente, imuchas personas hoy están atadas! Han resucitado al igual que Lázaro, pero nadie les dijo que estaban atados. La emoción y la alegría de la resurrección a veces pueden engañarnos y hacernos creer que todo está bien cuando nada está más lejos de la verdad. Así que permítanme cerrar con esto, ¿son nuestras comunidades y parroquias lugares donde todos los Lázaros son bienvenidos y liberados? ¿Están nuestras parroquias llenas de evidencia de la resurrección o simplemente celebramos la resurrección, la recordamos, pero nos olvidamos de abrazarla y vivirla? Estoy completamente convencido que si realmente viviéramos lo que creemos, el resto creería al vernos vivir como personas resucitadas. Estaré orando para que nuestras comunidades, hogares e Iglesias se conviertan en centros donde todos los resucitados atados a Lázaro puedan caminar y encontrar personas dispuestas a desatarlos con gran compasión, gracia y misericordia.

Si quieres vivir verdaderamente como una persona resucitada puedes unirte a nuestro devocional diario en preparación para Pentecostés visitando por favor la página de la diócesis <a href="www.dioceseofbaker.org">www.dioceseofbaker.org</a>.

CARY'S SCHEDULE
9:00 AM Mass, Lakeview
11:30 AM Mass, Adel
7:00 PM Confirmation, Merrill
10:30 AM Mass, St. Edward Parish,
Lebanon, Knights of Columbus Meeting
7:00 PM confirmation, Bend
11:00 AM Confirmation, Ontario
4:00 PM Confirmation, Nyssa
9:00 AM Confirmation, Burns
3:30 PM Legacy of Faith Foundation

#### THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS IN BEND

7:00 PM Confirmation, Madras

Meeting, Chancery

May 15

The Extraordinary Form (Latin) Mass is offered at 1:00 p.m. every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at St. Francis of Assisi Historic Church. In May there will be EF Masses in May on the 13th and 27th. All Masses are sung. Confessions are now available prior to Mass from 12:15 to 12:45. The Church's front doors are unlocked at 12:00.

#### Keeping Our Promise to Protect

Bishop Cary's January 1, 2013 Pastoral Letter to Priests, School Principles and Directors of Religious Education clearly states our commitment to 100% compliance with the USCCB's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. All church employees regardless of their role and all volunteers working with children/youth are required to be compliant with this Charter.

Information on the Diocese of Baker Protection of God's Children Charter is available on our website: www.dioceseofbaker.org/protection\_of\_children.htm.

#### Contacts for Reporting Abuse

All allegations or incidents of sexual abuse by clergy or laity to anyone under the age of 18 years of age should be reported immediately to the civil authorities: 911 or Oregon Department of Human Services (1-855-503-7233). After reporting any abuse involving a minor to civil authorities, please contact our diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator, Leah Bickett (541-388-4004).

For allegations against a priest, deacon, seminarian, or adult lay staff of misconduct to an adult (18 years or older), please contact our Vicar General, Very Rev. Richard O. Fischer, V.G. (541-891-9015).

If criminal behavior is involved (e.g. rape, attempted rape, assault, and stalking), immediately report it to the police (911) and then the Vicar General. If in doubt about whether a behavior is criminal, call the police.

If you wish to know more about the Diocese of Baker's Protection of Children policies please contact Leah Bickett (541-388-4004).



## Northwest Catholic Women's Conference

A gathering of Catholic Women to celebrate faith and friendship.

Cost of the Conference is \$45 today through May 1st and \$60 after May 1st. Reservations can be made online at: www.nwcwomen.com.



### St. Thomas Church Easter Sunday Joy

Easter morning brought beautiful weather and anxious children to St. Thomas Church in Redmond. After the 10:00 a.m. Mass, families shared with one another the joy of the Risen Lord as they watched their children racing down the sloping green lawn of St. Thomas Academy to gather up the treasure before them of hundreds of colorful Easter eggs.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt began over 25 years ago at St. Thomas. Parishioners generously provide enough eggs and treats for all children who will attend — and they never lack enough to fill their baskets.

Brothers, John (age 5) and Marc (age 3) Mattioda, show off their Easter baskets to Father Todd Unger.



#### PRIESTLY ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following as they celebrate their ordination anniversaries during the month of May:

Rev. Alfred Fisher, Retired, Anchorage, AK	May 26, 1956
Rev. Charles Dreisbach, Retired, Klamath Falls	May 23, 1959
Rev. Ron Warren, Retired	May 19, 1962
Rev. Raymond Hopp, Retired, Lakeview	May 01, 1965
Rev. Mike Fitzpatrick, SJ, St. Andrew's Mission	May 14, 1977
Rev. Louis H. Albrecht, Retired	May 14, 1986
Deacon Joe Garlitz, Elgin	May 31, 1987
Rev. Bailey Clemens, Jordan Valley	May 23, 1998
Deacon Jesus Esparza, Hermiston	May 27, 2000
Deacon Irineo Ledezma, The Dalles	May 27, 2000
Deacon Daniel Martinez, Pendleton	May 27, 2000
Deacon David Raj, Retired, Hood River	May 27, 2000
Deacon Omar Torres, Pendleton	May 27, 2000
Rev. Andrew Colvin, LCDR, Guam	May 31, 2002
Very Rev. Andrew Szymakowski, JCL, Sisters	May 22, 2004
Rev. Daniel Maxwell, Hermiston	May 22, 2009
Most Rev. Liam Cary, ordained as Bishop on	May 18, 2012

We are most grateful for the years of service of all our clergy and bishop. Please keep them in your daily prayers.



# RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT COLLECTION UPDATE

Over the past 29 years the Diocese of Baker has participated in the Religious Retirement Collection. As of March 31st, the 2017 Religious Retirement Collection has brought in \$116,868.24 — a record breaking year! Ten percent of the collection was sent to the national office; the remainder stayed in our Diocese.

As reported previously, the Health and Retirement Association continues to be under-funded. The Diocese of Baker also makes payments to the dioceses of our foreign-born priests based on years of service in our diocese. Because of our large unfunded liability and our outstanding retirement liability for our foreign priests, the diocese chose to allocate the majority of this collection to the Priest's Retirement Program. Our diocesan and foreign priests have served the Church and they have done so for relatively little material reward. These dedicated priests deserve a just retirement for their committed years of service to the Diocese.

Through our participation in the National collection we will continue, also, to support the religious sisters and brothers who have served in our Diocese.

Thank you for your generous support.