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SONS OF GUADALUPE RESTORE PLAYGROUND AT ST. PATRICKS, MADRAS

The Sons of Guadalupe (Guadalupanos) of Saint Patrick Parish are continuing with their summer-long project to renovate the game area on the west side of the Church. They have rebuilt the volleyball court and the horseshoe pit. Their biggest challenge was to take a small half-court basketball court and rebuild it to a regulation, full-size court.



On Saturday, September 8th, they, along with many other helpers, poured 27 yards of concrete to complete the basketball court. Soon the new hoop will be up, and the project will be complete.

All these improvements were funded through the Sons of Guadalupe (Guadalupanos) of Saint Patrick and given as a gift to the parish. Fr. Rick Fischer, the pastor, states that he has not seen such an organized group work so hard to accomplish their goal in a long time.

ST. PATRICK YOUTH RECOGNIZED FOR ACHIEVEMENT

Miky Alonso-Rodriguez, son of Cesario and Alma Alonso, parishioners of St. Patrick Church in Madras, attends and plays Men's Soccer at Willamette University in Salem, Oregon. Miky, named Tri-Valley co-Player of the year in high school, and fellow soccer player Omar Dominguez (also a parishioner of St. Patrick) recently received recognition for winning the 2017-18 Northwest Conference Championship at Willamette University.



Congratulations to both young men!



CDA COURT KLAMATH AIDS FOOD BANK

During a recent meeting at Sacred Heart Church in Klamath Falls, members of Catholic Daughters of America Court Klamath #1295 collected items for the Klamath-Lake Counties Food Bank and firmed up plans to celebrate their 80th anniversary in October.

The food drive was the brainchild of former Regent Joanne Azevedo, still thinking of others while recovering from surgery herself.



Photo by Anne Hiller-Clark.

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Thoughts Along the Way

Bishop Liam Cary

The Dark Sea of Scandal

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever,” St. Paul tells us. The Jesus Who taught and healed 2000 years ago is the same Jesus Who teaches and heals today in Gospel and Sacrament. The Jesus Who died and rose 2000 years ago is the same Jesus Who hands over His dying and rising to us in the Eucharist and draws us into communion with the Church He founded there and then for here and now. “Behold, I will be with you all days,” He promised, “even to the end of the world.”

But without the one Church He founded, no one would remember this Jesus; within a century of His death His promise would have been forgotten. Without the one Church He founded, history would have no record of His words and deeds in the Gospels which His Spirit inspired the Church to hand down as her own. Without the one Church He founded, the “living water” of sacramental life would not flow into our lives again and again to wash away our sins and set us free.

But the saving waters *do* flow; His saving Word *does* resound; we continue to break bread in memory of Him. Jesus is true to His promise to be with us always. In every succeeding generation His Spirit has never let the Church forget her Lord’s leave-taking words: “Go and make disciples of all nations, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

But from Judas’ dark dealings in the first century to Theodore McCarrick’s in the twentieth, scandalously unfaithful *Apostolic* self-seeking has betrayed faithful transmission of the Gospel time and again. Five hundred years ago, it was no secret that long-standing, deeply entrenched corruption permeated the highest levels of Catholicism. Protestants surveyed the damage and concluded that the Church was incapable of reform and recovery; so they broke away from Catholic unity to establish new churches free from scandal. But breaking Catholic unity did not suffice to fashion Protestant unity. Divisions multiplied and hardened among the baptismal heirs of the Lord Who willed all to be one.

This deeply saddening development had been foreseen long before in the Gospel of John. When Jesus said He would give His Body to feed us and His Blood to be our drink, many of His disciples reacted sharply—“How can this man give us His flesh to eat?”—and many of them “drew back and no longer walked with Him.” From that day to this the Mystery of the Eucharist was a deal-breaker. “Will you also go away?” a disappointed Jesus asked his Apostles. From that day to this the Church has found its voice in St. Peter’s response: “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.”

Peter’s question confronts every Catholic who comes under pressure to “go away” from Jesus’ unsparing demands on our minds and hearts, to depart from communion with Him in the Church He empowered His Apostles to build. But when we walk away from communion with the Church, what are we saying to the Jesus Who entrusted His words and His sacraments to her bishops and saints? Has His promise to be with His Church to the end of the world ceased to be true? Can He Who is The Truth be entangled in a tissue of lies?

As we sail into the dark, storm-tossed sea of the scandal of episcopal betrayal, we do well to bear in mind Jesus’ promise in the Gospel of John: “If you continue in My word, you are truly My disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

Pensamientos Del Camino

Obispo Liam Cary

El Mar Oscuro del Escandalo

“Jesucristo es el mismo ayer, hoy y siempre”, San Pablo nos dice. El Jesús que enseñó y sanó hace 2000 años es el mismo Jesús que enseña y sana hoy en el Evangelio y los Sacramentos. El Jesús que murió y resucitó hace 2000 años es el mismo Jesús que entrega su muerte y resurrección a nosotros en la Eucaristía y nos lleva a la comunión con la Iglesia que Él fundó allá y luego para aquí y ahora. “He aquí que yo estaré con ustedes todos los días”, prometió “aún hasta el fin del mundo”.

Pero sin la una Iglesia que El fundó, no habría memoria de este Jesús; Su promesa habría naufragado hace mucho tiempo. Sin la una Iglesia que El fundó no habría registro de Sus palabras y obras en los Evangelios que Su Espíritu inspiró a la Iglesia a adoptar como propios. Sin la una Iglesia que El fundó el “agua viva” de la vida sacramental no fluiría en nuestras vidas una y otra vez para lavar nuestros pecados y hacernos libres.

Pero las aguas salvadoras sí fluyen; su Palabra salvadora sí hace resonar; sí partimos el pan en memoria de Él. Jesús es fiel a su promesa de estar con nosotros siempre. En cada generación sucesiva Su Espíritu nunca ha dejado a la Iglesia olvidarse del mandato que les dejó a los Apóstoles: “Vayan y hagan discípulos de todas las naciones, enseñándoles a guardar todo lo que les he mandado”.

Pero desde las relaciones oscuras de Judas en el primer siglo hasta las de Theodore McCarrick en el siglo veinte, escandaloso egoísmo *Apostólico* ha traicionado la fiel transmisión del Evangelio una y otra vez. Quinientos años atrás, no era secreto que la corrupción se extendió a los más altos niveles del Catolicismo. Los Protestantes valoraron el dado y concluyeron que la Iglesia era incapaz

de reforma y recuperación; así que rompieron de la unidad Católica para establecer nuevas iglesias libres de escándalos. Pero romper la unidad católica no fue suficiente para formar la unidad Protestante. Las divisiones se multiplicaron y endurecieron entre los herederos bautismales del Señor, Quien deseó que todos fueran uno.

Esto desarrollo entristecedor había sido previsto mucho antes en el Evangelio de Juan. Cuando Jesús dijo que Él daría Su Cuerpo para alimentarnos y Su Sangre para que fuera nuestra bebida, muchos de sus discípulos reaccionaron bruscamente—“¿Cómo puede este hombre darnos Su carne para comer?”—y muchos de ellos “retrocedieron y ya no caminaron con Él.” Desde ese día hasta este, el Misterio de la Eucaristía ha sido el factor decisivo. “¿Se irán ustedes también?”, el decepcionado Jesús le dijo a sus Apóstoles. Desde ese día hasta hoy, la Iglesia ha encontrado su voz en la respuesta de San Pedro: “Señor, ¿a quién iremos? Tú tienes las palabras de la vida eterna.”

La pregunta de Pedro confronta a cada Católico que se encuentra bajo presión de “alejarse” de las exigencias sin reservas de Jesús en nuestras mentes y corazones, de apartarse de la comunión con Él en la Iglesia a la cual Él dio poder a sus Apóstoles para construir. Pero cuando nos alejamos de la comunión con la Iglesia, ¿qué le estamos diciendo a Jesús, Quien confió Sus palabras y Sus sacramentos a sus obispos y santos? ¿Ha dejado de ser cierta su promesa de estar con Su Iglesia hasta el final del mundo? ¿Puede Él Quién es la Verdad enredarse en un tejido de mentiras?

Mientras navegamos en el mar oscuro y tormentoso del escándalo de la traición episcopal, seria bien tener en cuenta la promesa de Jesús en el Evangelio de Juan: “Si ustedes permanecen en Mi palabra, verdaderamente son Mis discípulos; y conocerán la verdad, y la verdad los hará libres.”

BISHOP CARY'S SCHEDULE

- Oct 8-12 Clergy Assembly, Diocesan Retreat Center
- Oct 12 Quo Vadis Days, Diocesan Retreat Center
- Oct 15-18 Catholic Extension Bishop's Conference, Chicago
- Oct 20 St. Pius X, Klamath Falls:
8:30 a.m. Mass for Women's Retreat
10:00 a.m. Men's Retreat Talk
3:00 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Mass
- Oct 21 St. Pius X, Klamath Falls:
9:00 a.m. Mass
10:15 a.m. Faith Formation
- Oct 21 Sacred Heart, Klamath Falls:
12:30 p.m. Spanish Mass



Sharing Our Faith Appeal Update

Thank you to all who contributed and worked towards making this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal a success. Your participation brings us closer to our goal of \$625,000. As of the third week of September, over 1,940 households, from 58 parishes, contributed over \$538,800 (86%). 27 had met and exceeded their parish goal and 6 are almost there!

For your convenience, donations to the Appeal can also be made online at www.dioceseofbaker.org. However large or small your contribution might be, it will help us to reach our goal. We appreciate your generosity.

Parishes that have reached 100% of goal:

- ♦ Holy Family, Christmas Valley
- ♦ Holy Trinity, Sunriver
- ♦ Our Lady of Loretto, Drewsey
- ♦ Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Chiloquin
- ♦ Our Lady of the Snows, Gilchrist
- ♦ Our Lady of the Valley, La Grande
- ♦ Sacred Heart, Klamath Falls
- ♦ Sacred Heart, Union
- ♦ Saint Alphonsus, Dufur
- ♦ Saint Anne, Monument
- ♦ Saint Anthony, North Powder
- ♦ Saint Edward, Sisters
- ♦ Saint Elizabeth, John Day
- ♦ Saint Helen, Pilot Rock
- ♦ Saint James, Bly
- ♦ Saint John, Paisley
- ♦ Saint Joseph, Prineville
- ♦ Saint Katherine, Enterprise
- ♦ Saint Patrick, Lakeview
- ♦ Saint Patrick, Madras
- ♦ Saint Patrick, Vale
- ♦ Saint Pius X, Klamath Falls
- ♦ Saint Pius X, Wallowa
- ♦ Saint Richard, Adel
- ♦ Saint Thomas, Crane
- ♦ Saint Thomas, Plush
- ♦ Saint William, Ione

Parishes that have reached over 90% of goal:

- ♦ Our Lady of Angels, Hermiston
- ♦ Saint Francis de Sales, Baker City
- ♦ Saint Mary, Elgin
- ♦ Saint Mary, Hood River
- ♦ Saint Mary, Wasco
- ♦ Saint Thomas, Redmond

The Traditional Latin Mass in Bend

The Extraordinary Form (Latin) Mass will be offered at 1:00 p.m. **every Sunday beginning in October** at Saint Francis of Assisi Historic Church.

A High Mass (Sung Mass) will be offered on the **first and fourth Sundays in October**. Confessions will be heard before Mass on these Sundays from 12:15 to 12:45.

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

ST. FRANCIS STUDENTS TRAVEL TO ITALY



Hi, my name is Kate Schimmoller and I am a 8th grade student at Saint Francis of Assisi School in Bend, Oregon. After two years of studying ancient civilizations and a lot of fundraising, part of my class was able to visit Italy with Mrs. Terri Logan, our Social Studies teacher, and the Worldstrides program. It was an amazing adventure, and some of us had never been on an airplane – let alone been out of the country.

Our trip began in Venice on a hot and humid day, and we traveled by water taxi to our hotel on the island of Lido. Some of the sights we saw in Venice were the Doge's Palace, the Bridge of Sighs, and Saint Mark's Basilica. In Saint Mark's Basilica, the floor was uneven from people walking on it and wearing it down. In the Doge's Palace, some of the paintings were darker than others. This is because there were two different artists painting. One used semi-dark colors that became darker, and the other used bright colors with crushed precious gems in his paint. We also visited a glass blowing factory, and watched a demonstration. The glass blowers had been there for generations.

In Florence we toured the art School and Museum, Accademia and saw Michelangelo's David. We also saw some unfinished sculptures of Michelangelo's that played with shadows to create humans out of a few chisels of stone. It was amazing! We walked everywhere in Florence, and saw a lot of beautiful buildings. We went inside a church called Santa Croce, and saw the tomb of Michelangelo. One of his students carved the three muses sitting around his tomb, mourning his death. One night, we attended Apicius, the international School of Hospitality, and cooked our own dinner.

On our way to Rome, we stopped in Assisi and

visited Saint Clare's Chapel and the Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi. Saint Clare's Chapel was built below the Basilica of Saint Francis and focused more on the suffering and death of Jesus and St. Francis, the Basilica focused on the Resurrection and life. It was so beautiful in Assisi we all wanted to stay longer.

On our first day in Rome, we visited the Vatican in Vatican City, the Colosseum, and an area called the Forum. The Vatican was covered in beautiful murals and gold. We got to go see the Sistine Chapel. It was beautiful and very crowded. The Colosseum was huge and magnificent. It was amazing to stand where people had stood thousands of years ago. In the Forum, you could see buildings from both ancient Rome and the Renaissance.

The next day we toured Pompeii. It was amazing to see how intact all the buildings were. We also saw the shells of people who weren't able to escape the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius. We also saw many jars and pitchers. One of our chaperones, who is an archeology graduate student at Yale, Ms. Rachel Logan, said she had never seen any pitchers so intact before. In some of the buildings, you could still see some of the paint, or the original mosaic floors. I thought Pompeii was one of the most amazing places we visited.

On the final day we visited the Basilica of San Clemente, a beautiful Catholic church that when you walked in, you could go down a staircase to go to one of



the first churches ever built in Rome. Another stairway led to an ancient Roman temple. It was amazing to see three places of worship stacked right on top of each other. After that we visited the Pantheon, and it began to rain. The atmospheric pressure usually keeps the rain from falling into the Pantheon, but it was raining so hard that it came pouring through the hole in the roof. There was an acapella choir singing and when they finished their song, immediately there was a huge clap of thunder, like God was clapping. It was a surreal experience.

In our trip we saw many amazing things. It was a life changing experience. It makes me interested in traveling more so I can learn more about history, cultures, and God all over the world.

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