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Sunday—Grades K through 7 meet 10:30 am-12:00 noon
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SUNDAY, May 24, 2020 A.D.



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To the Parish Family of
St John's in Leonia
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Mass Schedule

Saturday:5:00pm

**Sunday:.....7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am,
and 6:00pm**

Weekdays:.....9:00am Mon-Sat

SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

First Friday: 7:00pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions
First Saturday: 9:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary

Novenas prayed after 9:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

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St John the Evangelist, Leonia NJ

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please **PRAY** in the name of **JESUS**, the Healer, that the **SICK** of **ST. JOHN PARISH** may be restored to health and all those who **ASSIST** and **CARE** for the sick will be given the **STRENGTH** to continue **GOD'S GOOD WILL**: Nancy, Ben, David, Gio, Raul, Ed, Baby Declan, Connie Bizyk, Michael Brady, Maria Buljevic, Corazon Canare, Steven Chang, Joseph Corbo, Valerie Czermak, Janine DeCicco, Nestor DelPrado, Nelia DelValle, MaryEllen Diakakis, Carla Errico, Peggy Horan, Lori Hulle, Peter Indiveri, Imee Macalindong, Mary McGrath, Lenny Moriarty, Alphonsus O'Farrell, Gloria Petti Rebecca Piro, Aristedes Ramirez, Fr. Roy Regaspi, Margie Sagara, Betsey Sileo, Nicholas Storms, Ann Vaughan, Elly Valle, Manuel Villarosa and Mary Wagnes.

Spiritual Excerpt

God in the Ordinary

On the contrary, you must realize now, more clearly than ever, that God is calling you to serve him *in and from* the ordinary, secular, and civil activities of human life. He waits for us every day, in the laboratory, in the operating theatre, in the army barracks, in the university chair, in the factory, in the workshop, in the fields, in the home, and in all the immense panorama of work. Understand this well: there is *something* holy, something divine hidden in the most ordinary situations, and it is up to each one of you to discover it.

I often said to the university students and workers who were with me in the thirties that they had to know how to *materialize* their spiritual lives. I wanted to warn them of the temptation, so common then and now, to lead a kind of double life: on the one hand, an inner life, a life related to God; and on the other, as something separate and distinct, their professional, social, and family lives, made up of small earthly realities.

No, my children! We cannot lead a double life. We cannot have a split personality if we want to be Christians. There is only one life, made of flesh and spirit. And it is that life which has to become, in both body and soul, holy and filled with God: we discover the invisible God in the most visible and material things.

There is no other way, my daughters and sons: either we learn to find our Lord in ordinary, everyday life, or we shall never find him. That is why I tell you that our age needs to give back to matter and to the apparently trivial events of life their noble, original meaning. It needs to place them at the service of the kingdom of God; it needs to spiritualize them, turning them into a means and an occasion for a continuous meeting with Jesus Christ.

St. JoseMaria Escriva
Passionately Loving the World pg 5

FASTING

Are Catholics still required to fast prior to reception of Holy Communion? The General Rule is that Catholics **should fast for one hour** from solid food and beverages, with the exception of water, before going to Holy Communion. The period of fast is reduced for those who are sick, in the hospital, advanced in age and for those caring for them.

QUESTION?

The Church teaches the Mass is a sacrifice, what is a sacrifice? The word "sacrifice" means "something made sacred." Sacrifice is the offering of a gift, by a priest, to God alone as a sign that those offering belong entirely to Him. The gift is destroyed to show God that the people offering the sacrifice want to make up for the wrong they have done Him and that they wish to belong to Him alone. Sacrifice is offered to give honor to God (adoration and thanksgiving) and to make up for sins (atonement and satisfaction).

HOW SHOULD WE DRESS??

People generally have no real problem wearing proper clothing when entering places that demand such attire. Would you ever consider attending a formal dinner or a wedding dressed in a tee shirt and shorts, or a tank top and swimming trunks? Why be rebellious in God's house?

FAILURE LIST

- Albert Einstein** was 4 years old before he could speak.
 - Isaac Newton** did poorly in grade school and was considered unpromising.
 - Beethoven's** music teacher once said of him, "As a composer, he is hopeless."
 - When **Thomas Edison** was a youngster, his teacher told him he was too stupid to learn anything. He was counseled to go into a field where he might succeed by virtue of his pleasant personality.
 - F. W. Woolworth** got a job in a dry goods store when he was 21, but his employer would not permit him to wait on customers because he "didn't have enough sense to close a sale."
 - Michael Jordan** was cut from his high school basketball team. Boston Celtics Hall of Famer **Bob Cousy** suffered the same fate.
 - Walt Disney** was fired from a newspaper because he "lacked imagination and had no good ideas."
 - Winston Churchill** failed the sixth grade.
 - Babe Ruth** struck out 1,300 times - a major league record.
- A person may make mistakes, but isn't a failure until he starts to blame someone else. We must believe in ourselves, and somewhere along the road of life, we must meet someone who sees greatness in us, expects it from us, and lets us know it.

DID YOU KNOW?

The first country to adopt Christianity as its official state religion was Armenia. 2001 marked the 1700th Anniversary of Christianity in Armenia. In the year 301, St. Gregory the Illuminator arrived and converted King Tirdat III. In February of 2001, Pope John Paul II celebrated a Mass in the Armenian-rite to commemorate the occasion.

RACIST ROOTS OF PLANNED PARENTHOOD

The following are just a few of the many racist comments by Planned Parenthood founder Margaret Sanger: "Birth control: to create a race of thoroughbreds." - "More children from the fit, less from the unfit - that is the chief aim of birth control." - "The most successful educational approach to the Negro is through a religious appeal. We do not want word to get out that we want to exterminate the Negro population, and the Minister is the man who can straighten out that idea if it ever occurs to any of their more rebellious members." - "Those least fit to carry on the human race are increasing most rapidly. Funds that should be used to raise the standard of our civilization are diverted to maintenance of those who should never have been born." - "It now remains for the US government to set an example to the world by offering a bonus or yearly pension to all those obviously unfit parents who allow themselves to be sterilized." Margaret Sanger, an American, is the founder of Planned Parenthood in the early 1900's. She believed in eugenics - that is, engineering a superior race, an idea that Adolph Hitler read about and embraced. For Margaret, the race would be Protestant, white, with Northern European ancestry. Catholics, Blacks, Southern Europeans, Indians and Asians were, therefore, genetically all inferior and should not be allowed to breed.

"God could in no way permit the kind of evil out of which He could not bring good." **St. Augustine**

St John's Knights of Columbus

All men over 18 are invited to join the St. John's Parish Knights of Columbus, the world's largest men's fraternal organization. For more information or to join, please contact Mike Minetti at 201-370-2061.

PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

O Prince of peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion, the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Be their rock, their shield, and their stronghold and let them draw their strength from You. For You are God, for ever and ever.

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Sgt. Joseph Gonzales	

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HOW TO ANSWER ABORTION ADVOCATES

Abortion Advocates argue that many women will die from illegal abortions if abortion were once more outlawed, therefore abortion should remain safe and legal. However, prior to Roe vs. Wade, it has now been estimated that 500 women a year died from legal & illegal abortions, not 5,000 to 10,000 as claimed by abortion advocates. Deaths from illegal abortions decreased due to the advent of antibiotics in the 1940's. In 1972, the year before Roe vs. Wade, only 39 deaths due to abortion were reported.

St. Gertrude the Great

St. Gertrude is often invoked for souls in Purgatory. Our Lord told St. Gertrude that the following prayer would release 1000 souls from Purgatory each time it was said. The prayer was extended to include living sinners as well. "Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."

Join Us Live-Stream

Due to health concerns in light of the Coronavirus Pandemic, **Cardinal Tobin, Archbishop of Newark** has dispensed the faithful of the Archdiocese of Newark from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and has suspended the public celebration of Daily Mass until further notice. During this time, St. John's continues to Live Stream Sunday Mass at 9:30am and 11:30am and Daily Mass at 9:00am. Join us at Facebook Group LIVE MASS AT ST. JOHN. You can also watch the recorded video approximately 1 hour later on YouTube at St. John the Evangelist Leonia.

AN IRISH FRIENDSHIP WISH

- May there always be work for your hands to do;
- May your purse always contain a coin or two;
- May the sun always shine on your window pane;
- May a rainbow be certain to follow each and every rain;
- May the hand of a friend always be near you;
- May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

RESPECT LIFE

God's love does not differentiate between the newly conceived infant still in his or her mother's womb and the child or young person, or the adult and the elderly person. God does not distinguish between them because he sees an impression of his own image and likeness (Gn. 1:26) in each one. He makes no distinctions because he perceived in all of them a reflection of the face of his Only-begotten Son, whom "he chose... before the foundation of the world ... He destined us to love to be his sons according to the purpose of his will" (Eph. 1:4-6).

THE THREEFOLD TREASURE OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Holy Eucharist is the very center of all Catholic worship and devotion. We call it the Sacrifice of the Mass because Jesus Christ offered His life for all mankind. We call it the Blessed Sacrament because the Lord Jesus is truly present under the appearance of Bread and Wine. We call it Holy Communion because it is the sacred sign to unite all Catholic Christians to Jesus as they receive His Body and Blood.

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

The greatest religious action that Catholics perform week after week is coming together to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. We unite ourselves with Jesus as He adores God our Father on our behalf. He thanks God for us. His sacrifice begs forgiveness for us. He asks blessings for us. As often as we offer together the sacrifice of the Mass we are presenting to God our Heavenly Father the one and the same sacrifice that Jesus offered to God the Father on our behalf. At the Last Supper on Holy Thursday night He said "Do this in memory of Me".

HOLY COMMUNION

By partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we become united in body and blood with Him. It is the sign of unity that unites Catholics to one another as we receive the one Body and Blood of Christ.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Holy Eucharist is called the BLESSED SACRAMENT because in addition to giving us God's grace, Jesus the Risen Christ becomes truly present so that we can adore and worship Him as the Son of God, hidden under the appearance of Bread and Wine.

Truly, the Holy Eucharist is a threefold treasure of our Catholic Faith. In the Mass by the sacrifice of Jesus we honor God our Father. In Holy Communion we receive Our Lord to nourish the life we received in Baptism. In the Blessed Sacrament we adore Jesus Christ truly present in the Tabernacle.

Mass Book 2021

The Mass Intention Book for 2021 will open on June 1, 2020. Due to the Coronavirus, all requests will be through U.S. mail or may be dropped in the mail slot at the Rectory on Kingsley Street. Intentions are limited to a total of 5 masses, 4 of which may be on weekends, at an offering of \$10 each. Intentions for the Altar Bread and Wine and the Sanctuary Lamp will also be available. The offering for each of these is \$20/week.

Please Note:

A number of intentions for the Altar Bread & Wine and Sanctuary Lamp for 2020 are still available. The offering is \$20 for one week.

Just a Second

A young boy once asked God how long a million years was to Him. God replied "A million years to me is just like a single second in your time" Then the boy asked God what a million dollars was to Him. God replied, "A million dollars to me is just like a single penny to you." Then the boy asked: "God, could you spare one of Your pennies?" God smiled and replied, "Certainly, just a second."

WHAT THE CATECHISM SAYS

"In order that the full and living Gospel might always be preserved in the Church, the Apostles left Bishops as their successors. They gave them "their own position of teaching authority." Indeed, "the apostolic preaching, which is expressed in a special way in the inspired books, was to be preserved in a continuous line of succession until the end of time." **The Catechism of the Catholic Church #77**

God knew our Greatest Need

If our greatest need had been information, God would have sent us an educator. If our greatest need had been technology, God would have sent us a scientist. If our greatest need had been money, God would have sent us an economist. If our greatest need had been pleasure, God would have sent us an entertainer. But our greatest need was forgiveness, so God sent us a Savior.

LIFE'S LITTLE INSTRUCTIONS

Sing in the shower * Treat everyone you meet as you wish to be treated * Watch a sunrise at least once a year * Leave the toilet seat in the down position * Never refuse homemade brownies * Strive for excellence, not perfection * Plant a tree on your birthday * Learn three clean jokes * Return borrowed vehicles with the gas tank filled * Compliment three people everyday * Never waste an opportunity to tell someone you love them * Leave everything a little better than you found it * Keep it simple * Think big but relish small pleasures * Floss your teeth * Ask for a raise when you feel you earned it * Be forgiving of yourself and others * Over tip Breakfast waitresses * Say "Thank you" a lot * Say "Please" a lot * Avoid negative people * Buy whatever kids are selling from card tables in their front yards * Wear polished shoes * Remember other people's birthdays * Avail yourself to constant improvement * Carry jumper cables in your car's trunk * Have a firm hand shake * Send lots of Valentine's cards. Sign them "Someone who thinks you're terrific." * Look people in the eye * Be the first to say "Hello" * Use the good silver * Return everything that you borrow * Make new friends, but cherish old ones * Keep secrets * Sing in a choir * Plant flowers every spring * Have a dog * Always accept a helping hand * Stop blaming others * Take responsibility for everything in your life * Wave at kids on school buses * Be there when people need you * Feed a stranger's expired parking meter * Don't expect life to be fair * Never underestimate the power of love * Drink champagne for no reason at all * Live your life as an exclamation, not an explanation * Don't be afraid to say, "I made a mistake." * Don't be afraid to say, "I don't know." * Compliment even small improvements * Keep your promises * Marry for love * Rekindle old friendships * Count your blessings * Call your mother *

"One single Mass gives more honor to God than all the penance of the Saints, the labors of the Apostles, the sufferings of the martyrs and even the burning love of the Blessed Mother of God."

St. Alphonsus Liguori

MASS INTENTION

REQUESTED BY

SATURDAY, MAY 23, ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE ROSSI	
5:00 PM PAUL PALKA	RICH & CHARLENE PALKA
MARICA MUSTAC	MARIE & FRANK TARABOKIJA
SUNDAY, MAY 24, THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	
9:30 AM JOSEPH RILEY, SR.	MARY RAUSCH
MARY & WILLIAM RAUSCH	MARY RAUSCH
11:30 AM JOSEPHINE TRAUTSCH	BETSY TRAUTSCH
LUKE HORAN	MARY ELLEN DIAKAKIS
MONDAY, MAY 25, ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH	
9:00 AM MARIE ORRICO	
CLAIRE ROVETTO	CATHY & JOE DOHENY
TUESDAY, MAY 26, ST. PHILIP NERI, PRIEST	
9:00 AM JOHN DAVIS	VERA & BRENDAN DALY
ANGUS TODD	MARY MORNINGWAY
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP	
9:00 AM ANN & SAL CANCELLIERE	RICHARD SAMPERI
ROBERT CASEY	CATHY & JOE DOHENY
THURSDAY, MAY 28, ST. BERNARD OF MENTHON	
9:00 AM ROSE COVIELLO	
MARILOU TRINIDAD (LIVING—BIRTHDAY)	LINDA SALAMANTE
FRIDAY, MAY 29, ST. MARY MAGDALEN DE PAZZI	
9:00 AM PANTALEON GUERRERO DUMLAO, JR.	DIANA DUMLAO
MARICA MUSTAC	TEDDY TARABOKIJA & ROBIN PEARL
SATURDAY, MAY 30, ST. JOAN OF ARC	
9:00 AM DENNIS RIORDAN (LIVING)	MARY MORNINGWAY
MARICA MUSTAC	LYDIA & RAMON SANCHEZ
5:00 PM NORA & JOHN MULLIGAN	MULLIGAN FAMILY
MARICA MUSTAC	CHRISTIE & LUCAS TARABOKIJA
SUNDAY, MAY 31, PENTECOST SUNDAY	
9:30 AM JOSEPH JAMES RILEY	CARL & ANNETTE LEGRECA
ROSINA TARANTO	LISA CIRILLO
11:30 AM ERNESTO VAZQUEZ	MILLIE VAZQUEZ
FELIX DISLA	TAMARA DURAND

Sanctuary Memorials

The Altar Bread & Wine is in memory of **Mario DeLeon**
requested by **Amalia Panaligan**

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of **Thomas Burke**
requested by **Evelyn & Jerry Solokas**

The Altar Bread and Wine and the Sanctuary Lamp in the Church can be dedicated on a weekly basis. The Sanctuary Lamp in the Rectory and the Convent can also be dedicated on a weekly basis.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 114: 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday:	<u>Vigil:</u> Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 <u>Day:</u> Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; I Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Kidz Korner Answers

1. Nazareth
2. Gabriel
3. 13/14
4. Elizabeth
5. John the Baptizer

Sacrament of Matrimony

We see how marriage can endure earthly traumas - and was regulated by God in His wisdom and love.

-Noah & His Family: Marriage Survives The Flood.

The bible specifies one form of wickedness that really angered God: "they took for their wives as many of [the daughters of man] as they chose" - and that only "Noah found favor with God." [Genesis 6:2b, 8] So God made a covenant with Noah, his wife, and their sons and their wives. We presume that Mr. and Mrs. Noah must have insisted that - as long as their kids lived under their roof, they had to follow their rules - which included the sacredness of marriage. While the kids may not have liked it, it did guarantee them a place on the Ark! From this the Church realizes:

- Marriage can endure earthly traumas.

Adam and Eve taught us marriage can survive our sins, and 'the Noah's' taught us it can also survive natural disasters and every other trauma. In fact, one Blessing in the Rite of Marriage states: "Father, by your plan man and woman are united, and married life has been established as the one blessing that was not forfeited by original sin or washed away in the flood."

- God has a Thing for Families United by Marriage.

God chose to save Noah's wife - as well as their sons and their wives - to show that marriage has a special place in His heart! God, who makes men and women one in marriage, also helps keep them one - with their children, too! [But we must follow His Word; if we ignore God, God cannot help us!]

- Moses Codifies Marriage.

To form the People of Israel from twelve tribes into one Nation, God inspired Moses to codify all the rules and laws which kept them together - and kept them from hurting or killing each other. Some say Moses settled on 'ten commandments' so Jewish children could memorize them - by writing a key word from each commandment on each finger! How did the Ten Commandments affect marriage? **Honor Your Father And Your Mother.** Since marriage makes them one flesh, what goes for dad goes for mom - and that's God's rule! God scores a big one for feminist equality! **You Shall Not Covet Your Neighbor's Wife.** Ok, we have a way to go to make the sexes equal, but this commandment certainly puts the kibosh on breaking the marriage covenant. Yet, as some point out, Moses did permit a decree of divorce; all a man had to do - if there was just cause - was prove the cause [infidelity, indecency, defilement, etc.] and write a bill of divorce, and it was over. But when the Pharisees reminded Jesus of this, He dismissed it as Moses' attempt to deal with the people of his time - and that divorce was not - and is not - in God's plan. However, the main point is: until Moses, men could come and go as they pleased; Moses shocked men by requiring a process which kept woman from being dumped!

-Jesus and Saint Paul built up the marriage bond - and how the early Church understood matrimony. We see how God kept marriage intact - even after we fell in the Original Sin and sank in the Great Flood - and how God strengthened it in the Law of Moses.

-Jesus & Marriage.

In Christ's days on earth there were two types of rabbis: **Temple** rabbis offered sacrifices, performed rituals and rites; **Preaching** rabbis gathered disciples and wandered everywhere to teach God's law. Since Jesus was not a temple rabbi, He probably never performed a wedding, but He did speak often about marriage - and chose a wedding receipt as the site for His first miracle. At His Mother's intercession, Jesus turned water into wine, saving the newlyweds much embarrassment and grief. Since the town where this 'almost dry' reception took place was **Cana**, the Church calls its marriage preparation program '**Pre-Cana**' - before the wedding feast.

-Jesus' Teaching On Marriage. emphasized the intimacy that should be evident between spouses. Although He praised celibacy

the sake of the Kingdom, He also praised marriage: a roundabout way of extolling the *unique place marriage* and *family life* have in building up God's Kingdom on earth.

-Saint Paul & Marriage.

In his writings Paul built on Jesus' teachings and raised marriage to be **the sign** of Christ's love for His Church: just as Christ totally and singly loved and sacrificed Himself for His Bride, the Church - so must husbands and wives be totally and singly dedicated to each other. In his earlier writings, when Paul expected Christ to return at any moment, he seems to dismiss the importance of marriage. But Paul and other New Testament writers also sharply criticize those who violate the marriage bond - with two exceptions. One is the '**Pauline Privilege**' - based on Paul's teaching that a marriage is dissoluble if, after two unbaptized persons are married, one gets baptized - but the other refuses to live peaceably with the newly Christian spouse. The other is the '**Petrine Privilege**' - reserved to Peter's successor, the Pope, based on a decision made by Peter, the first Pope. It involved the marriage between a Christian and an unbaptized person which ended in divorce; when the Christian party sought to re-marry another Christian, Peter declared the first marriage null 'in favor of the faith' - after making sure the Christian in that first marriage was not to blame for the breakup of that first marriage. Since this is a tough one to prove, it is rarely granted.

STEWARDSHIP

MY FAMILY - MY PARISH - MY RESPONSIBILITY

Did you ever notice that the price of a movie is now over \$10, milk is almost \$3 a gallon, and there is no longer such a thing as penny candy? The price of everything around us has increased, **but has your weekly donation to the Church ever increased?** That one dollar donation doesn't buy as much as it once did. As your expenses increase, so do those of the Church, but we rely on your generosity to meet our expenses. Please be generous.

Just a reminder since the school building is still currently not rented we are asking for all our parishioners to please try to give an additional \$10 a week.

THINK ABOUT IT

There is something terribly wrong with American society when it requires a 15 year-old girl to get parental permission to get her ears pierced, but she needs no parental consent to abort her unborn child.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE

There is something wrong with this world when basketball superstar Michael Jordan makes more money from Nike annually than all the Nike factory workers in Malaysia combined. Americans spend \$17 billion a year on pet food which is \$4 billion more than what is needed to provided basic health and nutrition for everyone in the world. Europeans spend \$11 billion a year on ice cream which is \$2 billion more than is estimated to provide clean water and safe sewers for the world's population. Americans spend \$8 billion a year on cosmetics which is \$2 billion more than the estimated total needed to provide basic education for everyone in the world.

KIDZ KORNER

1. What was Mary's hometown?
2. What was the name of the Angel that appeared to Mary?
3. About how old was Mary when the angel appeared to her?
4. What cousin did Mary go to after the angel appeared to her?
5. The cousin Mary went to see was also expecting a baby, what Saint was it? Answers on page four

"He who trusts in himself is lost, he who trusts in God can do all things."

St. Alphonsus



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