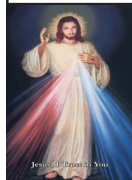


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Domingo 7 de Febrero 2021
en el aula a las 10am
Grados 2, 3, & 4.

 FOSTERING the MISSION The Diocese of Tyler 2021 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL This year's Bishop's Appeal is focused on instilling Purpose, Responsibility, and Hope in every Catholic East Texan. As you begin to receive requests for support, please pray that this coming season we can do our part to bring people to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ. Thank you.	 FOMENTANDO la MISIÓN La Diócesis de Tyler 2021 PROMESA ANUAL AL OBISPO La Promesa Anual Al Obispo se enfoca en inculcar Misión, Responsabilidad y Esperanza en cada católico. A medida que comience a recibir solicitudes de apoyo, ore para que esta temporada que viene podamos hacer nuestra parte para que las personas conozcan, amen y sirvan a Jesucristo. Gracias.
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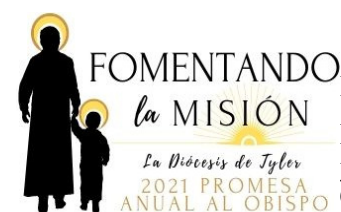


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Sun/Dom 31	
8:30am	Parish of St Francis
11:30am	Parroquia de San Francisco
Tue/Mar 02	
8:30am	People of St. Francis
Wed/Mié 03	
8:30am	People of St. Francis
Fri/Vie 05	
8:30am	People of St. Francis
Sat/Sáb 06	
5:30 pm	Parish of St. Francis
Sun/Dom 07	
8:30am	Parish of St. Francis
11:30am	Parroquia de San Francisco



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Una Pregunta Frecuente sobre al Promesa Anual al Obispo

P. ¿Cómo se utilizan los fondos?

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Birthday Blessings ~ Bendiciones para Cumpleaños

Feb 1 Catalina Bautista, Jesús López, & Jennifer Mendez
Feb 2 Julie Dial, Brígida Diaz, Efraín Fajardo, Roselyn García, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Amador Loyola, & Julieta Sánchez

Feb 3 Sergio Quintero Jr.
Feb 4 John Grupa, & Andrés Torres
Feb 5 Aryn Moore, & Joy Thompson
Feb 7 Luz Aguilar, Silvia Fajardo, & Ricardo Gonzalez



Frequently Asked Questions on Bishop's Annual Appeal

Q. How are the funds used?

A. Seminarian education, faith formation (St. Philip Institute), retired priests, missions, campus ministry, continued priestly formation, Catholic Charities, and Prison Ministry.



February 6 Saturday 5:30pm

Lector: Marcia Reynolds
Altar Server: One volunteer please
Extraordinary Minister: Brenda Flasowski

February 7 Sunday 8:30am

Lector: Michelle Rabb
Extraordinary Ministers: †Ron & Cindy Foster
Larry & Barbara Shupak
Acolytes: Ron Foster & Steve Ecord
Altar Server: Emily & Malley Ecord

7 de Febrero Domingo 11:30am

Diacono Martin Garcia
Lectores: Humberto y Maria Monsiváis
Salmista: Poli Fajardo
Ministros Extraordinario: José & Marina Cervantes & Maria Rodriguez
Servidores: Alexandra Andrade & Aitzia Ruiz



Demons and the Likes of Us

Several years ago, I visited the ancient monastery of Pomposa in Italy, whose fourteenth-century-frescoed church walls featured terrifying demons. They looked like the monsters from Maurice Sendak's famous children's book, Where the Wild Things Are: horns, tails, filed teeth, dank hair. You could tell just by looking at them how bad they smelled. One of them, an enormous buffalo-headed creature, was busily chewing a hapless human in half.



So were these the demons Jesus kept casting out wherever he went? If so, then we twenty-first-century folks might conclude that that was then, and this is now. The management of demons, though clearly a very big deal in the past, has little to do with the likes of us. But isn't it true that people can become obsessed with thoughts that lead to other thoughts that build upon still more thoughts until folks become walking Jenga towers of thoughts, top-heavy and unbalanced and emotionally exhausted from holding it all together? Social media provides all the examples we might ever need that this can indeed happen to a person.

So what if someone came along and—lightly, lovingly, but very firmly—pulled out the thought at the bottom of the pile? The tower would tumble, releasing a person from psychological bondage. I think this may have been what was happening when Jesus drove out a demon. When he lifted his hand and commanded a fraught and exhausted mind to leave a person in peace.

Paula Huston

Paula Huston is a longtime Camaldolese Benedictine oblate and the author of two novels and seven books on the spiritual life. Her most recent is One Ordinary Sunday: A Meditation on the Mystery of the Mass. She is currently at work on the history of the Big Sur hermitage.

Saint Agatha Feast Day February 5

Patron saint of breast cancer patients, martyrs, wet nurses, bell-founders, bakers, and invoked against fire, and earthquakes.

St Agatha is a saint from the ancient Church who suffered under the Roman Emperor Decius c.231-251. From a very young age, the beautiful Agatha dedicated her life to God. That did not stop men from desiring her and making unwanted advances toward her. In an anti-Christian society, her dedication to God made her vulnerable to the evils of roman rule. When she had endured unspeakable tortures she was miraculously healed while imprisoned and denied food and medical attention. When she was finally returned to prison after many tortures she prayed: "Lord, my Creator, you have ever protected me from the cradle; you have taken me from the love of the world, and given me patience to suffer: receive now my soul." Agatha is believed to have passed into Heaven around the year 251. She is commonly featured in religious art with shears, tongs, or breasts on a plate.

Los Demonios y lo que nos Gusta

Hace varios años, visité el antiguo monasterio de Pomposa en Italia, cuyas paredes de iglesia con frescos del siglo XIV presentaban demonios aterradores. Se parecían a los monstruos del famoso libro infantil de Maurice Sendak, Donde Viven los Monstruos: cuernos, colas, dientes afilados, cabello húmedo. Se notaba con solo mirarlos lo mal que oían. Uno de ellos, una enorme criatura con cabeza de búfalo, estaba atareado masticando a un desventurado humano por la

mitad.

Entonces, ¿eran estos los demonios que Jesús seguía expulsando dondequiera que iba? Si es así, entonces nosotros, la gente del siglo XXI, podríamos concluir que eso fue entonces y esto es ahora. El manejo de los demonios, aunque claramente fue algo muy importante en el pasado, tiene poco que ver con gente como nosotros. Pero, ¿no es cierto que la gente puede obsesionarse con pensamientos que conducen a otros pensamientos que se basan en más pensamientos hasta que la gente se convierte en torres de pensamientos Jenga andantes, pesadas y desequilibradas y emocionalmente agotadas por mantener todo junto? Las redes sociales proporcionan todos los ejemplos que podríamos necesitar de que esto le puede pasar a una persona.

Entonces, ¿qué pasa si alguien llega y, con suavidad, cariño, pero con mucha firmeza, saca el pensamiento al final de la pila? La torre se derrumbaría, liberando a una persona de la esclavitud psicológica. Creo que esto pudo haber sido lo que estaba sucediendo cuando Jesús expulsó a un demonio. Cuando levantó la mano y ordenó a una mente agotada y tensa que dejara a una persona en paz.

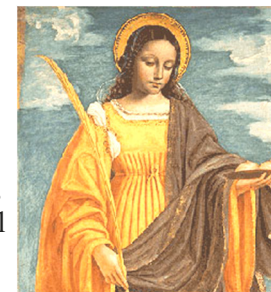
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Santa Águeda Fiesta 5 de Febrero

Patrona de los pacientes con cáncer de mama, mártires, nodrizas, campanarios, panaderos e invocados contra incendios y terremotos.

Santa Águeda es una santa de la antigua Iglesia que sufrió bajo el emperador romano Decio c.231-251. Desde muy joven, la bella Agatha dedicó su vida a Dios. Eso no impidió que los hombres la desearan



y realizaran avances no deseados hacia ella. En una sociedad anticristiana, su dedicación a Dios la hacía vulnerable a los males del dominio romano. Cuando había soportado torturas indescriptibles, se curó milagrosamente mientras estaba encarcelada y se le negó comida y atención médica. Cuando finalmente fue devuelta a la cárcel después de muchas torturas, oró: "Señor, mi Creador, siempre me has protegido desde la cuna; me has alejado del amor del mundo y me has dado paciencia para sufrir: recibe ahora mi alma. . " Se cree que Agatha pasó al cielo alrededor del año 251. Suele aparecer en el arte religioso con tijeras, tenazas o pechos en un plato.