SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - JANUARY 20TH, 2018

Musings from your Parish Priest:
Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and Forever! On Sunday January 6th of this year, I was not here in Spokane at our wonderful Parishes of St. Francis Xavier and St. Patrick. Instead I was attending Holy Mass while being surrounded by 17,000 young adults and about 500 priests in Indianapolis, Indiana for the SEEK conference which is put on by FOCUS - the Fellowship of Catholic University Students. Their Mission statement says: “FOCUS is a Catholic collegiate outreach whose mission is to share the hope and joy of the gospel with college and university students. Trained in Church teaching, prayer, sacred Scripture, evangelization and discipleship, FOCUS missionaries encounter students in friendship where they are, inviting them into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and accompanying them as they pursue lives of virtue and excellence.” Along with three other priests and about 120 young people from EWU, WSU, and GU our Diocese was well represented.

What I find to be most compelling about this missionary endeavor (which is about 20 years old) is that they have all embraced the basic tenets of our faith, without compromise. Bishop Daly always says that when it comes to our Catholic-Christian faith, that we are to be compassionate always and to compromise never. These young people are formed to have a great devotion to the Holy Eucharist and to the Blessed Mother. They embrace entirely, all that the Church holds to be true, good, and beautiful and most of all they are a compelling witness to sharing the Gospel message to young people. By first cultivating a relationship with their ‘disciples’ (people on their college campus who they recognize as needing to grow/convert in faith), they are able to win the person over with a solid friendship. Then they bring in the teachings of the Church and how to have a life of devotion to Christ in the Eucharist and to the Blessed Mother. Finally, after many months of doing the above, they then challenge these young people to go and share the Gospel as they have received. This is the pattern which Christ sent out the Disciples two by two, and for which St. Paul lived in his ministry. I encourage you to seek out FOCUS online at www.focus.org and to support them if you so desire. We also have 8 missionaries (at EWU and WSU Newman Centers) in our Diocese that are in need of financial assistance as well.

In Mary’s Immaculate Heart,

At the wedding feast at Cana, Christ performed the first of the seven signs (miracles) recounted in the Gospel of John. The wanting wine threatens to spoil the celebration of new love. But the Mother of God notices the need and speaks to her Son. With one word from his Mother, Jesus reveals his divinity; so that, just as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, all people can realize just how much our God rejoices in us. Just as it did for his first disciples, this revelation of glory leads us to deeper belief in Christ. The miracle of “good wine” continues through the outpouring of the spiritual gifts of the Holy Spirit to each individual.
St. Patrick our Patron Pray for us and our families!
The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ:
BEHOLD THE LORD THE RULER IS COME: and the Kingdom is in His hand, and power, and dominion. Ps. Give to the King Thy judgment, O God: and to the King's Son Thy justice. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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www.stpatrickspokane.org

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
Sundays 9:00 AM (Church)
Weekdays 7:00 AM (Convent)
Saturdays 8:00 AM (Church)
Holy Days Consult Bulletin

Sacramental Celebrations
Holy Baptism: Parental preparation is required. Please contact a priest to set up an appointment.
Penance: Saturdays, 8:30—9:00 AM or by appointment.
Holy Matrimony: Please contact a Parish Priest at least 6 months in advance of your wedding.
Care of the Sick & Homebound
Communion is taken to the sick and elderly on a regular basis. We ask families to please notify the Parish office when illness or infirmity impedes a person from coming to church for an extended period of time. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered on request. Call 487-1325, ext. 200.

St. Patrick's Prayer Line
Have a certain need that prayer can help? St. Patrick's Prayer Line is available. Call Jackie Silvey (483-3109).

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ANY NEWS FOR THE BULLETIN?
PLEASE CONTACT TRACI @ 466-3811, ext. 200
OR EMAIL: spatspokanebulletin@gmail.com
BULLETIN ITEMS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN MONDAY @ 4:00 PM. Also, if you know of any homebound who would like to have the bulletin mailed to them, please send us their address.


The diocese is committed to helping victims/survivors of sexual abuse and to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers who supervise other volunteers who work with minors and vulnerable adults are required to report any suspected abuse by others they supervise. Contact: Roberta Smith, Victims Assistance Coordinator (509) 353-0442 Office Phone or (509) 998-18340 Cell. You may also go to the Diocesan website: http://www.dioceseofspokane.org/safe-environment.

FORMED
Check out the latest materials available on FORMED (formed.org). You will find many articles and readings for adults and children! There are books, movies, documentaries and more! Don’t miss out on this free service offered to our parish!
**Mass Intentions**

Memorial Candle for January

**Good Shepherd Catechism**

Join us!
The Sisters will have classes on Mondays, from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Convent.
This is for children ages 3-12.

**Adult Faith Class**

We meet after Coffee and Donuts in the rectory. New members are always welcome. For more information, call Mike Dello at 385-3522.

**Sunday School & Sacramental Prep**

For more information, call Jan at 230-1957 or email her at jprovins@dioceseofspokane.org

We will meet on January 23 at 2 PM at the home of Millie Hynes, 3109 E. Indiana. This is a great time to join--come and hear selected stories from "My Grandparents' Blessings, Stories of Strength, Refuge, and Belonging" by Rachel Remen, MD. Parishioners from St. Patrick as well as St. Xavier are welcome. Our goal is to grow in faith by hearing literature together. If you need a ride, call Millie at 568-1140.

**Last chance to join the trip of a lifetime to the great and holy place of England!** Join Father Steven Walker (Diocese of Arlington, VA) and Father David Gaines (Diocese of Spokane, WA) on this holy adventure this February 18 – 27.

On this trip we will walk in the footsteps of Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman, C. S. Lewis and J. R. R. Tolkien. We will visit London, Oxford, Canterbury, the White Cliffs of Dover, Stonehenge, Salisbury, Birmingham, Harvington Hall and Stratford-upon-Avon, the home of William Shakespeare. Most importantly, we will celebrate daily Mass and visit the tombs of many great saints, such as St. Thomas More, St. Thomas Becket, St. John Fisher and St. Edmund Campion.

We’ve selected beautiful four-star hotels for this journey and a private motor coach will accompany us from start to finish. Hurry up, there are only 25 spaces available! All of this for only $3200.00 ($3470.00 from Seattle). For more information or to sign up please contact the tour coordinator Joe Long at jlong@prorome.com or (570) 309 1346.

**Stewardship:**

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**Charity**

$0.00

**Maintenance Fund**

$5.00

**Please note:** Mail your contributions to St. Thomas More Parish, 505 W. St. Thomas More Way, Spokane, 99208

**Hearts on Fire Men’s Conference**

January 26, 8 AM to 6 PM
Mirabeau Park Hotel

More information on the Diocesan website or call Mike Dello at 385-3522.

**WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?**

Catholic Youth Conference 2019
March 1-3rd @ Gonzaga Prep
If you are in 9-12th grade please join our group!
Cost: $95 and includes the conference, two nights in a hotel, and meals.
Please contact Athena Gaunt if you would like to register. athenagaunt@gmail.com or 360-927-2001.
All high school students welcome!

2019 Eastern Washington Legislative Conference
"Inform, Inspire, Involve"
Saturday, January 26, 2019
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Spokane Valley United Methodist Church
115 N. Raymond St.

Faith Leaders Panel connecting faith and public policy.
Workshops Include: environment, gun safety, taxes, immigration, homelessness, health care
Co-sponsored by Catholic Charities
To RSVP:
Send suggested donation of $20 to:
The Fig Tree
1323 S Perry
Spokane, WA 99202 or email: event@thefigtree.com
Questions: Call Scott Cooper, Catholic Charities 358-4273

Dear Friends,
The Catholic Medical Association, Gonzaga University, and the Diocese of Spokane are hosting a unique conference focusing on the growing problem of pornography in our culture. Pornography inflicts spiritual wounds and has become one of the leading public health crises of our day. The conference will be held on Saturday, February 23 and is open to the public.

The conference will focus on the individual, familial, and cultural impacts of pornography. The National Center on Sexual Exploitation reports that 64% of young people ages 13-24 seek out pornography on at least a weekly basis. As this problem is clearly growing in our communities, especially among young people, I encourage pastors and principals to take the lead in inviting others to attend the conference. Many teachers, parish employees, and volunteers who work with youth and young adults could benefit by learning from the experts who will be presenting.

The impacts of pornography are extensive, as the speakers at this conference will attest. I hope this event will begin to turn the tide in Eastern Washington against this damaging moral and public health crisis.
In Christ,
Bishop Daly

**Join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts after Mass today.**
PRAYERS BEFORE & AFTER
THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

PRAYER OF SAINT AMBROSE
BEFORE HOLY MASS:
I draw near, loving Lord Jesus Christ, to the table of your most delightful banquet in fear and trembling, a sinner, presuming not upon my own merits, but trusting rather in your goodness and mercy. I have a heart and body defiled by my many offenses, a mind and tongue over which I have kept no good watch. Therefore, O loving God, O awesome Majesty, I turn in my misery, caught in snares, to you the fountain of mercy, hastening to you for healing, flying to you for protection; and while I do not look forward to having you as Judge, I long to have you as Savior. To you, O Lord, I display my wounds, to you I uncover my shame. I am aware of my many and great sins, for which I fear, but I hope in your mercies, which are without number. Look upon me, then, with eyes of mercy, Lord Jesus Christ, eternal King, God and Man, crucified for mankind. Listen to me, as I place my hope in you, have pity on me, full of miseries and sins, you, who will never cease to let the fountain of compassion flow. Hail, O Saving Victim, offered for me and for the whole human race on the wood of the Cross. Hail, O noble and precious Blood, flowing from the wounds of Jesus Christ, my crucified Lord, and washing away the sins of all the world. Remember, Lord, your creature, whom you redeemed by your Blood. I am repentant of my sins, I desire to put right what I have done. Take from me, therefore, most merciful Father, all my iniquities and sins, so that, in purified mind and body, I may worthily taste the Holy of Holies. And grant that this sacred foretaste of your Body and Blood which I, though unworthy, intend to receive, may be the remission of my sins, the perfect cleansing of my faults, the banishment of shameful thoughts, and the rebirth of right sentiments; and may it encourage a wholesome and effective performance of deeds pleasing to you and be a most firm defense of body and soul against the snares of my enemies. Amen.

PRAYER OF SAINT BONAVENTURE
AFTER HOLY MASS:
Pierce, O most Sweet Lord Jesus, my inmost soul with the most joyous and healthful wound of Thy love, with true, serene, and most holy apostolic charity, that my soul may ever languish and melt with love and longing for Thee, that it longing for Thee, that it may yearn for Thee and faint for Thy courts, and long to be dissolved and to be with Thee. Grant that my soul may hunger after Thee, the bread of angels, the refreshment of holy souls, our daily and supersubstantial bread, having all sweetness and savor and every delight of taste; let my heart ever hunger after and feed upon Thee, upon whom the angels desire to look, and may my inmost soul be filled with the sweetness of Thy savor; may it ever thirst after Thee, the fountain of life, the fountain of wisdom and knowledge, the fountain of eternal light, the torrent of pleasure, the richness of the house of God. May it ever compass Thee, seek Thee, find Thee, run to Thee, attain Thee, meditate upon Thee, speak of Thee, and do all things to the praise and glory of Thy name, with humility and discretion, with love and delight, with ease and affection, and with perseverance unto the end.

May Thou alone be ever my hope, my entire assurance, my riches, my delight, my pleasure, my joy, my rest and tranquility, my peace, my sweetness, my fragrance, my sweet savor, my food, my refreshment, my refuge, my help, my wisdom, my portion, my possession and my treasure, in whom may my mind and my heart be fixed and firmly rooted immovably henceforth and forever. Amen.