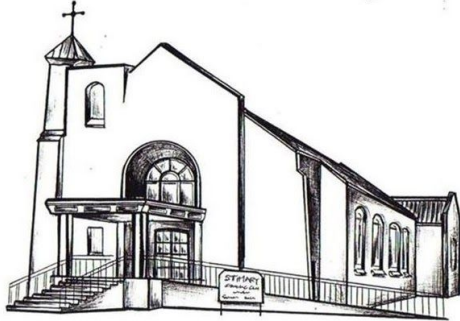


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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, February 22	The Chair of St. Peter	No Mass	No Mass
Tue, February 23	St. Polycarp	7 PM - Ann Wegman	No Mass
Wed, February 24		8 AM - Knights of Columbus	No Mass
Thu, February 25		8 AM - Ida Neusch	7 PM- Parish Family
Fri, February 26		8 AM - Jim Grabber	No Mass
Sat, February 27		No Mass	5:30 PM - Vincent Venhaus
Sun, February 28	The 2nd Sunday of Lent	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

ST. MARY'S

Divine Mercy Chaplet: 1st Sunday at 10:30 AM

Anointing of the Sick: By Request

CYO 4th Sunday 6:00 pm. at the Hall

CCD: Sundays at 10:15-11:30

Lector Sign-up Sheet: is located in the back of Church. Please sign up!

Adoration: following mass this Tuesday, Feb. 23. Please join us for this holy hour!

Stations of the Cross: will be Friday, at 6:30 PM.

2020 Contribution Statements: if you would like one, please contact or email Christina Wegman at cwegman696@yahoo.com

Live Mass Streaming: We will continue to live-stream mass for the time being. To access, follow our Facebook Page: StMarys Umbarger.

St Mary's Prayer Blanket Ministry: If you or a loved one suffers from a serious illness and would like a blanket, please contact Suzy Hicks or Fr Grant.

Want to reform society? Start with the family

By Philip Kosloski

St. Angela Merici was known to say, "Disorder in society is the result of disorder in the family."

For us it can be tempting to think that the only way to change the trajectory of the world is to enact laws that make society better. While legislation can help to that end, the core of the problem is much deeper.

Saints in particular would look at the state of the world and pinpoint the solution that would solve all of our problems in society.

St. Angela Merici, for example, would frequently say, "Disorder in society is the result of disorder in the family." This saying shaped how she approached her ministry, and she did everything she could to bring order to the family in any way that she could.

St. John Paul II shared this mindset, and was well-known for repeating a similar saying. He said in a visit to Australia, "As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live."

He expanded on this idea in his apostolic exhortation, *Familiaris consortio*, reinforcing this idea of reforming the family in order to reform the world.

The family is "the first and vital cell of society." The family has vital and organic links with society, since it is its foundation and nourishes it continually through its role of service to life: it is from the family that citizens come to birth and it is within the family that they find the first school of the social virtues that are the animating principle of the existence and development of society itself.

Virtue and prayer should begin in the family, where children first learn them. If they do not learn those values from their parents, they may not ever learn them, or learn them much later in life.

The saints challenge us today to see how we can impact the world by starting with our family.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Una oración para escuchar y responder a la llamada de Dios

By el padre Nicolas Buttet

Todos estamos llamados personalmente por Dios para algo único. Sin embargo, para escuchar esta llamada, hay que rezar y ponerse en lo que san Francisco de Sales y san Ignacio de Loyola llaman “la indiferencia”

¿Todo el mundo tiene una vocación? La respuesta es “sí”, pero conviene distinguir dos niveles de distinta importancia. »El primer nivel concierne a nuestra vocación de bautizados. A este respecto, todos estamos llamados a la santidad. Somos creados para la felicidad, para la belleza, es decir, para la visión de Dios.

Sea cual sea nuestro estado de vida o nuestra situación, estamos llamados a amar como Cristo nos amó. Responder a esta llamada original no es algo facultativo: es nuestra vocación propia de bautizados, nuestra alegría y nuestra salvación!

El segundo nivel concierne a la vocación como proyecto de Dios para nuestra vida. Es ahí donde interviene la colaboración tan misteriosa y hermosa entre la iniciativa divina y la libertad humana.

Recordemos al joven rico a quien Jesús miraba con tanto amor: “Si quieres ser perfecto...”.

Cada llamada de Dios –porque las hay– viene precedida de ese “sí” que respeta enteramente la libertad de cada hombre y mujer.

Dicho esto, para escuchar esta llamada de Dios, conviene ponerse en lo que san Francisco de Sales y san Ignacio de Loyola llaman “la indiferencia”.

Esta “indiferencia” es una firme determinación para cumplir la voluntad del Señor para y contra todo. Consiste en rezar así:

Oración para cumplir la voluntad de Dios

Ya sea el matrimonio o la vida consagrada, ya sea aquí o allí, poco importa, Señor, lo que importa eres Tú!

Sé que mi felicidad no depende de mi estado de vida ni de aquello que haga, sino de la intimidad que tenga contigo.

Solamente busco una cosa: estar disponible para servirte, porque solamente Tú puedes colmar los deseos más profundos de mi alma.

El consejo de san Ignacio

Ignacio de Loyola explica que si hemos elegido un modo de vida sin haber vivido primero este proceso de “indiferencia”, conviene perseverar en la fidelidad a la elección que hayamos hecho. Sin embargo, precisa:

“Muchos en esto yerran haciendo de oblicua o de mala elección vocación divina; porque toda vocación divina

es siempre pura y limpia, sin mixtión de carne ni de otra afección alguna desordenada”.

Dicho de otra forma, san Ignacio pone en evidencia el hecho de que las elecciones vitales, aun siendo buenas, pueden no ser calificadas como “vocación divina”.

En efecto, si una persona sigue su movimiento propio sin ese trabajo interior previo de la “santa indiferencia”, su vida será una elección personal, pero no cabe hablar con propiedad de “vocación”. Dicho esto, evidentemente es posible santificarse en una vida así!

Permanecer abiertos al presente y a la realidad

Falta ver cómo procederá Dios para indicarnos su voluntad, una vez esta “santa indiferencia” se haya adquirido tras la purificación de los sentidos.

En este punto, no hay que dar rienda suelta a la imaginación! Conviene permanecer tranquila y sencillamente abiertos al presente y a la realidad: un encuentro, un acontecimiento, una lectura... acompañados de una moción interior; así es el comienzo de un camino “vocacional”, en el sentido amplio del término, que merecerá siempre ser discernido con la ayuda de un guía espiritual.

Prayer for the conversion of a wandering soul

By Philip Kosloski

If you know someone who has lost their way, pray this prayer.

Typically it doesn't take long to think about someone we know who has lost their way and is spiritually wandering. They don't know who God is and are not motivated to seek him out.

Sometimes all we can do for that soul is pray for them, asking God to illuminate their minds and lead their hearts back to him.

Here is an excerpt of a prayer from the 19th-century prayer book, Catholic Hours.

Incarnate God, my divine my adorable Redeemer who are the way the truth and the life, bring him or her to the knowledge of your truth. O you who are the Light of the blind, the Refuge of sinners, our Savior and our Sacrifice, O you who gave yourself to be our daily bread, have mercy upon him. You O Lord know what is in man and you know what trammels surround him. You know all his darkness, all his weakness, all his doubts. Have pity therefore upon him, O my Savior, and let the bright beams of your eternal truth shine in upon his mind, clear away the clouds of error and of prejudice from before his eyes and mercifully teach him your truth and to make him your own. Amen.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

FOR BULLETIN NOTICES – Bulletin Deadline: Thursday @ noon. Please Contact Fr. Grant by email: frgrantspinhirne@gmail.com or Christina Wegman by email: cwegman696@yahoo.com or by phone: (806)499-3531.

Baptism or Wedding Please contact Fr. Grant at least 1 month in advance for baptisms and 6 months advance for weddings.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Umbarger: Sundays at 8:30 am or by appointment. **Happy:** Saturdays at 5 p.m. and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. or by appointment.

To use or rent the church or parish hall, please contact Fr. Grant or Debbie Batenhorst at least 3 months before the event.

FOR MASS INTENTIONS please talk to Fr. Grant or leave the intention in the collection basket. There are envelopes available in the back of Church.

Please pray for all the sick in our parishes

ST. MARY'S: Servero Gomez, Jeremy Koch, MaryBeth Sayers, Charles Russell

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