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Dear Parishioners,

This week we follow up with what I shared with last week, from the same author Sean Fitzpatrick:

Online media is designed to distract, and online pornography is chief among these distractions. Education is the opposite of distraction. Students should be given, as Chesterton said, eternal standards and values by which they may judge material conditions and in an environment that does not have to compete with the cacophonies of the internet. Education is about the mysteries of internal and external reality, making virtual reality best left out of the picture together with its aspects that retard education, like pornography.

Though the internet offers a multitude of goods, it is not necessarily a tool that is appropriate for the young, especially given the popularity and prevalence of internet pornography. The power of the virtual world is one that renders it especially dangerous to those who are not yet equipped to wield its power. They should learn the proper use of modern devices after learning the proper use of their minds and hearts. It is best to foster natural faculties before subjugating them to bad and addictive habits.

Silence on the subject of pornography is among pornography's greatest strengths. Few are at ease speaking about pornography, so it goes unspoken; which is partly why it goes unchecked. Comfort in conversation, however, is often within the control of elders when speaking to youngsters so long as the adult is confident. In my experience, matter-of-fact dialogue about pornography with teenage boys is met with gratitude rather than grief. Pornography is a given in the lives of boys and, if treated as such without hesitation, adults gain a rhetorical advantage in discussion. Pornography is taboo, but not as a subject of frank debate with those who are targeted and tainted by it.

Parents and teachers should never refrain from talking straightforwardly to youth in their care about other wrongs rampant in our culture and pornography should join these topics; especially since young men are more likely to encounter and be drawn towards pornography than to many other moral corruptions. To avoid it is a failure in responsibility and a denial of the condition that all boys are in: a state of damage caused by the rampant violation of human holiness. Pornography is high among the diseases of the day and it must be addressed, even at the risk of embarrassment. Pornography is, at its core, a lie; and a surefire way to combat falsehood is truth. Conversation about pornography that is direct can repel its effects more effectively than internet filters.

Pornography destroys innocence and, once lost, innocence cannot be fully restored. Some of the qualities of innocence, however, can be regained. Wonder is one of those attributes, and one that is essential in the art of education. To an adolescent whose sense of wonder has been broken by pornography, wonder can seem a foreign or, worse still, a foolish thing.

Adolescence is an age that burns like fire. It is an age primed for wonder, though often robbed of the experience to wonder purely. There arises in adolescents an appetite for principles as well as for pleasures. This double pre-occupation is often an effort to discover who they are and how they fit into reality. Wonder wrestles with realities, and as such, is the remedy for pornography's unreal revels.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Newcomb

Liturgical Ministers for June 23rd/24th, 2018.

MASS	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00PM	B. HECKMAN	J. SNELLINGER, L. AVELLA, J. FLYNN	N. AND A. WEBB, S. PHILLIPS
8:30AM	J. HENDRICK	T. HOPPEY, T. CALVARIO	E. AND A. TRUJILLO
11:30AM	H. MARINARO	T. MARION, D. LIVINGSTON, N. SMITH	S. CUELLO, A. ST. LOUIS, M. FEDRIZZI

Please return all baby bottles to the Narthex this weekend.



Please return your **Bakeless Bake Sale** donations in the collection basket or to the parish office. Thank you! All donations to benefit our **Respect Life Committee**.
Support a beating heart!

We are in need of 3 people to step up to be on the parish advisory council for a 3 year term. We thank Loretta Avella, Antonio Collado, and Joyce Senkiew for their 3 years of service.



Once again, FAITH will be running a School Supply Drive starting the weekend of July 7th until July 22nd. Simply select a red or green apple from the Narthex. Red apples will have a specific list of supplies the schools are in need of and green apples give you the option of a monetary donation.

Supplies are distributed to ASK, HBE, the Middle School, and our very own Little Lambs. All are greatly appreciated. FAITH is always looking for more help planning and hosting different parish events. Please contact Danielle at daninyg89@frontiernet.net for more information.

Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom

This year's trip to Dorney Park and Wildwater Kingdom is on **Thursday, August 2nd** Children who have faithfully served our church through S.M.A.R.T., Altar serving, or in the choir are invited to attend. Please call the parish office for a permission form. All permission forms are due back **NO LATER** than **July 12**.



St. Mary's Little Lambs is accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year. There are limited spaces for the PREK-4 program, and various slots available for the PREK-3 program. Please contact: Eileen Carmody, Director (845) 858-4208 to schedule an appointment or to register.

Our current pledges for **Renew & Rebuild** is at \$460,000! Our Archdiocesan goal is \$605,000.

The Cardinal's Appeal Campaign is still ongoing. \$17,751 has been pledged of our parish goal which is \$38,000.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

- Monday, June 18**
9:00am In Thanksgiving, by Jim Froelich
- Tuesday, June 19 (Romuald, abbot)**
9:00am Deceased members of the Delaney family, by the family
- Wednesday, June 20**
9:00am June Livingston, by Vincent Livingston
- Thursday, June 21 (Aloysius, religious)**
9:00am Frank P. Wohlscheid, by Mary Wohlscheid
- Saturday, June 23**
4:00pm Susan Hinkley, by Jim Hinkley and family
- Sunday, June 24 (Nativity of St. John the Baptist)**
8:30am Xavier Rimlinger, by Mary Rimlinger
11:30am The parishioners of St. Mary's
1:30pm *Latin Mass*



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn brightly this week in memory of Kenny Decker, by Catherine Westfall.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Joann Wilcox, Jackie Mundy, Theresa Fuller, Donald Wolff, Sue Fitzsimmons, Barbara Straub, Robert Cinerar, Sandy Osbourne, Theresa Kavanagh, John McKean, William Lincoln, Jeanine Lincoln, Michael Barnes, Elizabeth Brennan, Walter Szpakowicz, Frances Brennan, Andrea Fedoruk, Jose Ramos, Carmen Ramos, Mercedes Rodriguez, Elizabeth Startup Jones, Thomas Davies, Pat Arnold, Sue Arnold, Steve Wilkinson, William Thomas, Maureen Hildebrandt, Charles Hildebrandt, Aedan Roach, James Roach, Robin Radzikowski, Dotty Lynch, Jesse G Smith, Marge Evans, Kaitlyn Smith, Jerome Smith, Joseph Fritts, Patricia Meinhold, Susan Upton, Devin Upton, Kathy Drane, Wayne DeMarco, Danielle Devore, Jennifer Utz, Jacqueline Hamilton, Tonya Cannon, Ryan O'Connor, Peter Billman, Helen Andreano, Tito Rivera, Maryann Gasko, Chris Marion III, Carson Fuller, Neil Stasilli, Debi Cotugno, Louis Harford, and Ramonita Irizarry.

The 2nd collection the weekend of June 30th/July 1st is for the Pastoral Solidarity for the Church in Africa.

The collection for was \$4,283.
Thank you for your continued generosity.