Mass Intentions This Week

Saturday, August 19, 2017

4:00 PM Darrel Holycross-Bob & Lori Gietzen

Sunday, August 20, 2017

10:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners' (pro populo)

Tuesday, August 22, 2017

12:10 PM †Sr Anne McNulty—Becky Meyer

Thursday, August 24, 2017

6:15 PM Mass †Jack Bailey-Mike & Shirley Meeker

6:45-7:45 PM Adoration/Confessions

7:45 PM Benediction

Saturday, August 26, 2017

4:00 PM †Walter & Julia Burke—Reagan & Julie Kennedy Sunday, August 27, 2017

10:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners' (pro populo)

Weekend Mass Attendance: 397

Additional Masses at St Mary of Woods: Saturday, 6:00 PM and Sunday, 8:00 AM; 10:00 AM; (3 Sep, last Sunday for the 10:00 am Mass) Wed. 6:15 PM and Fri., 12:10 AM.

 Parish Offering Weekend of 8/12 & 8/13/2017

 Sunday Offering
 \$6,832.87

 Improvement Fund
 \$1,079.00

 Assessment
 \$ 15.00

 Assumption of Mary
 \$ 5.00

 TOTAL COLLECTIONS
 \$7,951.87

TODAY: Sunday, 20 August 2017, at the 10:00 AM Mass the Zainesfield United Methodist Church will join us in singing. Please come at least 15 minutes early to hear them.

Interested in Learning More About The Catholic Faith?

RCIA classes are starting soon! RCIA--the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults--is a process of coming to a greater understanding of the Catholic Faith and preparing to enter the Church by the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at Easter. Classes will be held weekly at St. Patrick, and will begin in early September. You are most welcome! For more information, please contact Ashley Roberts at ashleyroberts.dre@gmail.com; or call the church office.

Catechist Training for all PFF catechists and assistants will be held Tuesday, August 29, from 6:30-8:30 pm, in the RCIA room. This will be a very important meeting, since we will have an overview of both the new K-8 curriculum and the new high school program, and also discuss the new archdiocesan certification program. Please make every effort to attend! Regrets only, RSVP to Ashley at ashleyroberts.dre@gmail.com or call the church office.

<u>PRAYER</u>: Don't give God instructions just report for duty!

Marriage, Youth & Family News Saturday, August 19, 2017 at St Mary of Woods 6:00 PM Shrine Fatima Mass

The Most Amazing Facts about Our Lady of Fatima

In May of 1917, deep into World War I, three little children in rural Portugal claimed to have seen a vision of Mary, the Mother of God. We are now about to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of an event that Saint Pope John Paul II has credited with saving his life, as well as the upcoming canonization of two of the children. Here are 20 things you should know about Our Lady of Fatima.

<u>The Witnesses</u> Mary appeared to three children. Two of them, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, were siblings and the third, Lucia Santos, was their cousin. In the spring of 1917 the three of them were assigned by their parents to herd sheep near their hometown of Fatima. It was during these times of herding sheep that the apparitions began.

<u>Other Apparitions</u> Mary wasn't the first apparition to come to the children. Three times before Mary appeared the children claimed to have seen an angel who identified himself as "The Angel of Peace" told the children to pray, make sacrifices, and to adore the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

<u>Number of Apparitions</u> Mary didn't just appear once. The anniversary we will celebrate on May 13 is the anniversary of her first appearance. She appeared a total of six times to the children over that summer with the final appearance being October 13, 1917.

<u>The Community's Response</u> Jacinta and Francisco's mother didn't believe the children when they told her. She told a neighbor about it as a joke, but that neighbor spread the word about the apparitions of Mary and soon the entire village knew about Mary and the children.

<u>How Our Lady Looked</u> The children described Mary as brighter than the sun and wearing a white mantle with a gold trim and holding a rosary. This image would become the basis for the famous statue that would be built. Many replicas of this statue can be found throughout people's homes as a devotional today.

<u>The First Apparition</u> After the first apparition, Mary told the children to come back a month later and she would reappear. Lucia's mother asked the local priest what she should do. The priest told her to let Lucia go, but to bring her to him immediately afterwards so he could question her.

<u>The Second Apparition</u> At the second apparition in June of 1917, Mary told the children that Francisco and Jacinta would be taken to heaven soon but that Lucia would be around a long time in order to spread the message that she was about to give them.

<u>A Vision of Hell</u> During this second apparition, Mary showed the children a vision of hell. The vision of hell would prompt the children to consistently repeat Mary's command to them to pray so that souls would avoid going to this place. (continued)

Mass requested:

We will make every attempt to get them on the date you request, however, funerals, prior requests and other events may prevent this.

August Ministry Schedule for the following:

Sat, Aug 26, 4pm

Date requested:

Mus/Cant: Judy Wells, Mindy Bailey Servs: Devin, Jaden, Treven Marchal Lect/Readers: Rose & Mike Lyons

Extra Min: Rick Schrader, Liz Marchal, Dan Wells

Sun, Aug 27, 10am

Mus/Cant: Leanna George, Mary Foust, Kim Martin

Servs: Kevin, Branden, Connor Eckstein Lect/Readers: Becky Jones, Kelsey Baughman Extra Min: Mark Jones, Eric Tom, Mary Giannola

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (592.9455)

Hours: 10:00 am-12:00pm, Tues & Thurs;

5:00-7:00 pm

Dates: Aug 8,9,19, 2017 Clients: 83 Money spent on assistance: \$2139.88 Need: mac & cheese, fruit, laundry detergent

THANK YOU!



Dates to Remember:

September 9, 2017, 7:00 a.m. -8:30 a.m. TMIY (That Man Is You! www.thatmanisyou.org) Saint Patrick Church-Makley Hall

October 14, 11:00 a.m.-Eucharistic Procession to O.L. of Fatima

PARISH PRAYER LINE: Tammy Bauer, 937.441.0645

Continued Marriage, Youth & Family News

Spreads As the apparitions continued and people began to hear about them, Fatima began to be a place of pilgrimage. So many people came that the civil authorities became concerned about the number of people and actually arrested the children. Jacinta and Francisco's mother hoped this would make the children admit they were making the whole thing up. The children continued to hold to their story. *The Secrets of Fatima* One of the things the children held to very fast and told nobody until Mary gave them permission are what are called the Secrets of Fatima. Mary told the children three things that they were instructed to keep secret. These three secrets, especially the third secret, would become the focus of much discussion in the future. The Day the Sun **Danced** Although the secrets of Fatima get most of the attention, there is a documented miracle attached to Fatima that deserves much attention. At her final apparition, in October of 1917 the sun danced in the sky, reportedly changing colors and rotating. This was witnessed by over 30,000 people and even reported in the local newspapers. A Pilgrimage Site Over two million people visited Fatima in the next 10 years, which would cement Fatima as one of Catholicism's biggest pilgrimage sites, and pilgrims have continued to flock to this site ever since. Francisco and Jacinta died of a flu pandemic that struck Portugal in the next three years. Lucia would live a full life, dying at the age of 97 in 2005 after living as a nun for most of her life. Revealing the Secrets Mary gave the children three secrets, which over time have become quite famous. Mary told the children to keep them secret, but after pressure from other people the children asked Mary for permission to tell the secrets and they were given the permission, except for the third secret which was to be kept a secret. The First Secret The first secret was the vision of hell that the children were granted access to by Mary. After the children saw what hell was like, the emphatically preached the need to pray for souls to avoid what they saw in hell. The Second Secret The second secret promised an end to the "great war" (remember World War I was going on at the time) but an even greater war should people continue to offend God. The second secret promised that the greater war would be signaled to begin by a great light at night. The Third Secret In January of 1938 the widest reaching aurora event in almost 250 years occurred and was visible from California to Northern Africa. The Anschluss of Austria happened a few weeks after this, marking Hitler's beginning of trying to seize new lands for his empire. The Assassination Attempt on Pope John Paul II The Vatican, which had the writings of Lucia, did not release the third secret until the year 2000. The third secret involved seeing a vision of a Bishop in white being killed. Many have interpreted this vision as the attempted assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II in 1980, although in 2010 Pope Benedict XVI said it did not necessarily refer to this event. The assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II took place on the feast of Our Lady of Fatima and Saint Pope John Paul II credits her with saving his life after being shot. One of the bullets that struck the pope was given to the bishop of Fatima and is, still to this day, placed in the crown of the original statue as a gesture of thanksgiving from the Pope to Our Lady. Canonization of the Three Children Jacinta and Francisco, the two children who died early, will be canonized as official saints of the church this May when the Pope travels to Fatima to celebrate the 100th anniversary. Lucia, who lived a full life, is on the road to canonization herself.