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SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." - Mk 5:36bc, 38-39



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

11am:

+Joan Powers

1pm:

+Gloria Reyes Barriga

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

6pm:

+Paul & Lillie Luebbering

SATURDAY, JULY 6

8:30am:

+Paul & Lillie Luebbering

SUNDAY, JULY 7

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

11am:

+Paul & Lillie Luebbering

1pm:

+Holy Souls in Purgatory

"DO NOT BE AFRAID; JUST HAVE FAITH." —MK 5:36



Please Pray For:

*Terry & Pat Dean, Del
Waller, Allen Nieves,*

Andrew Tovar, Mary Lou

Fuller, Amy Tegley, Toni Meyers,

Myrtle Tharp, Fred Becker, Tiffany,

Jesse, Bill & Faye McKee, Mataya and

Rayland Winburn, Maya Tamayo, Ma-

ria Sandoval, Maria Welch, Cindy

Mitchell, David, Jane & Monica Reu-

ter, Denise Reuter, Rodriguez Family,

Baldwin Family, Elver Morales, Sebas-

tian Camarillo, Chris Jablonski, June

Sawyer, David Ingram, Barbara Strain,

Larry Miller, Kathy Owen, and Norma

Miller. Nursing home patients and

homebound: Betty Blach, Kevin Harris,

Bob Doss, Flo Fitzsimmons and Bill Jen-

kins. Our Military: Marissa Richter—

Army Nat'l Guard, Jonathon Waller—

Army, Michael A. Wilhelm—Army in

Korea, Dr. Kate Williams— Army Re-

serve, Daniel Clifford— Chief Navy

Officer, Thomas Dean— Corrections

Officer, Robert Dean— EMT, Michael

Alcala—Airforce. Our law Enforce-

ment: Robert Bartos, Eric Richter,

Mary Clifford, Josue Rangel, and all

others in the Armed Forces & Law

Enforcement.

Peter's Pence Collection
Be a sign of
mercy.



In two weeks, on Sunday, July 14th we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the

margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org

En do Semanas, el 14 de julio, es taremosla Colecta Peter's Pence, para apoyar a la Iglesia universal y la labor de la Santa Sede, incluyendo la ayuda al papa Francisco para que pueda llevar a cabo sus obras de caridad. Estas obras benefician a nuestros Hermanos y hermanas en la periferia de la Sociedad, incluyendo a las víctimas de Guerra, de opresión y de desastres. Por favor, sean generosos. Para más información, visiten www.usccb.org



Sunday Collections for 6/23/2024

Regular Collections: \$2,821.61

Building Collections: \$92.00

Local Charities: \$12.00

Women's Retreat at Subiaco

A women's retreat, titled "Thy Will Be Done - Putting Ourselves in the Hands of God," will be held Oct. 4-6 at Subiaco Abbey. This retreat fills quickly so do not delay in registering. The retreat directors/speakers are Debbie Eckert, spiritual director and retired business owner, and Father John Marconi, spiritual director and priest of the Diocese of Little Rock. The cost is \$205 per person (double room), \$245 (single room) or \$115 (commuters) and includes six meals for overnight and four meals for commuters. Contact Nancy to register or for more information at (281) 381-8645 or nunverferth@gmail.com.



Ryan Carlson

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 on our seminarians, go to
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*Our Seminarians
for the month of
June, 2024*



Tuan Do

**The parish office will be closed for
the week of the 4th.**



La Diócesis Católica de Little Rock está comprometida con la protección de niños y jóvenes. Si tiene conocimiento de abuso o ha sido abusado por clérigos, voluntarios de la Iglesia o trabajadores de la Iglesia, comuníquese con la Línea Directa del Estado de Arkansas para Delitos contra Niños al 1-800-482-5964 y el Canciller de Asuntos Canónicos, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. Para obtener ayuda pastoral, comuníquese con el Coordinador de Asistencia a las Víctimas de la Diócesis de Little Rock: Laura Gottspomer (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diócesis de Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.



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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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Friday,
July 5th
7pm-8am

IF YOU CAN NOT MAKE IT TO THE TIME SLOT YOU ARE SIGNED UP FOR,
PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AND LET US KNOW

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On June 24 just two years ago, the Supreme Court issued the landmark *Dobbs* decision that changed federal law regarding abortion. Here in Arkansas, it was a great day for celebration because, as a consequence of that decision, abortion became illegal in our state. That saved the lives of thousands of babies.

But now, the good laws in Arkansas are under attack. The proposed Arkansas Abortion Amendment would change our state constitution and bring the evil practice of abortion back to Arkansas. There is a signature collection drive underway to put the Arkansas Abortion Amendment on our voting ballots. Please don't sign that petition.

Let's pray to stop the Arkansas Abortion Amendment. Kathy Lee, a parishioner at Our Lady of Fatima in Benton, has put together a Novena to pray for a greater respect for every human life (available below in English and in Spanish). Please pray that supporters of this terrible amendment won't collect enough signatures for it to get on the ballot.

As the deadline for signature collection rapidly approaches, the efforts and pressure to get people to sign the petition are soaring like our summer temperatures. Please encourage everyone in your parish community to join in these prayers to stop



*Jesus tells us:
"I came so that they
might have life and
have it more
abundantly"*

John 10:10



the Arkansas Abortion Amendment.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of June 30, 2024

Sunday:

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12,
13 (2a)/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Monday:

Am 2:6-10, 13-16/
Ps 50:16bc-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23/
Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday:

Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8/
Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday:

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Thursday:

Am 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 9:1-8

Friday:

Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40,
131/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday:

Am 9:11-15/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/
Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday:

Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/
2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Sin isn't given its due these days. Downplaying sin is dangerous. But there is also another spiritual misstep in which we make way too big a deal out of sin. It happens, for example, when we persistently wonder if our confessed sins are "really" forgiven, or suspiciously ponder what God "really" thinks about us, behind His merciful face. Or when someone returns to Church, and we question whether his or her conversion was genuine. Or when we commit some sin and put on a sad face for days, thinking, "Maybe my sins are too great for God to deal with." God save us from that attitude!

Well, he does just that, this week, in the raising of Jairus' daughter. The dead twelve-year-old's house is filled with a spirit of excessive moaning and groaning, tumultuous weeping and wailing. They even laugh at Jesus in a mocking tone. It's shocking how easy it is for him to raise the dead child. It is equivalent to gently waking a kid from a light nap. And then he sends her off to get some lunch. No big whoop. The overactive drama is actually part of the problem, and removing it is a key part of the miracle.

Friends, sin can and does kill, but Jesus is *a/ways* ready and able to raise us back to life, often without much hullabaloo. His ease of forgiving should never be a pretext for presumption, minimizing sin, or taking lightly the cost he pays for our sins on the cross. But for God's sake, we often need Jesus to put out the weepers and wailers. He's the Lord. And remember, the girl is not dead, she's just sleeping.

— *Father John Muir*

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world. (Wis 2:24)

Psalm:

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (Ps 30)

Second Reading:

Not that others should have relief while you are burdened,
but that as a matter of equality
your abundance at the present time should supply
their needs,
so that their abundance may also supply your needs,
that there may be equality. (2 Cor 8:13-14)

Gospel:

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha koum*,"
which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" (Mk 5:41)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Talitha koum. Girl, arise! Jesus said this to the dead daughter of the synagogue official, and she obeyed. Listen for his voice when you are weighed down, burdened with doubt or misery, for he says it to you, too. Arise!

Observances for the week of June 30, 2024

Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Junipero Serra, Priest
Wednesday: St. Thomas, Apostle
Thursday: Independence Day
Friday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;
St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Saturday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Venerable Antonietta Meo, born in Rome, died of bone cancer at just 6 years old. In her short life she wrote hundreds of little letters to Jesus and Mary displaying a deep spiritual maturity and had a profound understanding of the redemptive value of suffering.

Prayer for Our Government

Dear Lord,
Guide and direct those who
serve this country in positions
of leadership and power. Give
them Your wisdom and clarity
as they make decisions for our
nation.
Amen.

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- Mk 5:36bc, 38-39

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Our wisdom writer teaches us that God did not create death, rather, death entered the world from the envy of the devil. How should a Christian think about death?

Second Reading:

Paul encourages the community of believers in Corinth to share with others out of their abundance as a means of establishing equality. What could you share with others among your family and friends this week?

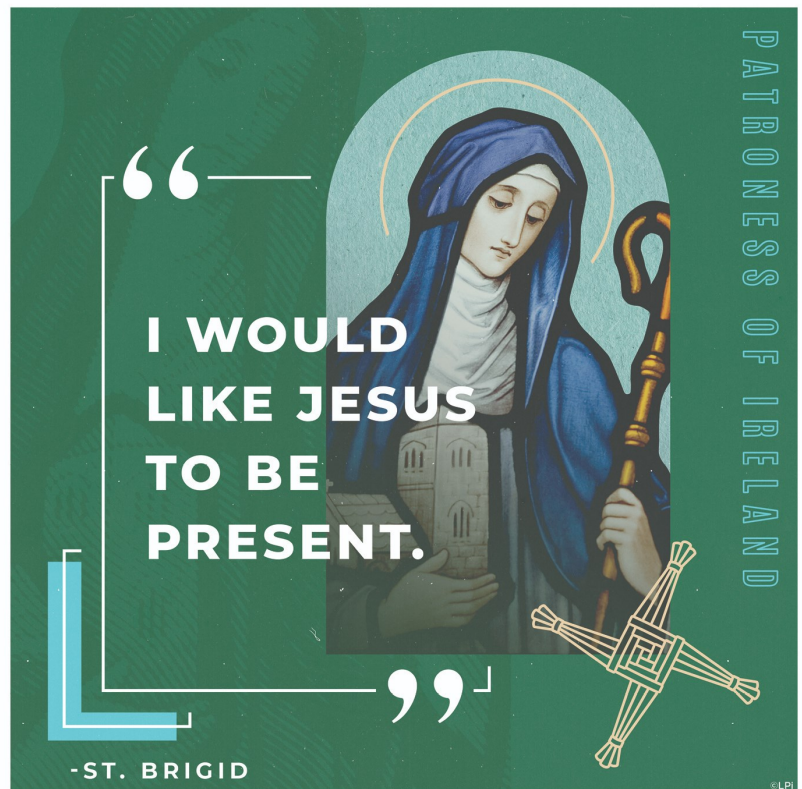
Gospel:

Mark presents us with independent healing stories of how faith in Jesus saves. What needs healing in your life?



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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The Touch of Christ

For a long time, I didn't understand why the virtual Masses of the pandemic were so wearisome to me. Theoretically, shouldn't it be a tired mother's dream, fulfilling her Sunday obligation from the couch, not having to worry how much noise the kids are making?

But it wasn't. Seeing Mass without experiencing it left me hungry. It left me starving.

Then a wise priest explained it to me. "Watching virtual Mass is like taking a virtual shower," he said.

Grace might not be something we can see with our eyes, but it is very much something that is transmitted physically. Jesus has a human body for a reason. He needs to touch people.

We see that nowhere more clearly than in this Gospel. The crowds are pressing on him, everyone trying to get close, everyone trying to share his space. The hemorrhaging woman claws her way through, desperate to make physical contact with him, any part of him, even his cloak. The synagogue official begs Jesus to come and "lay hands" on his daughter, knowing that this is the only way for her to survive. He doesn't ask for Jesus' good thoughts or approving gaze. He knows that isn't what he needs.

In the Gospels, Jesus saves people chiefly through his own touch because he wants to show us — you and me, sitting in the pews — something very important about how we are saved.

But where do you and I find the touch of Jesus Christ? Where do you and I find salvation?

It's in the water flowing over the infant's forehead. It's in the Host dissolving on our tongues. It's in the oil that is pressed to the skin of the confirmand, the dying man, and the brand-new priest. It's in the embrace of the newly married couple. It's in the extended hand of the priest as he says, "Your sins are forgiven."

It's still here, two thousand years later. It's still waiting for us to reach out and grasp it.

"If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured." — Mark 5:28

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

In today's digital world, do we really need to be face-to-face with a priest to confess our sins? Would Facetime or Zoom ever be allowed?

Answer:

The question of whether or not Catholics can celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation virtually (via social media, by phone, or in some other way) is a question that has actually been around for several years. The recent COVID-19 pandemic brought the question back in a new way, especially as many parishes were forced to introduce a sort of "social distanced" confession, with the sacrament being celebrated outdoors.

In reflecting on this question, however, there are a couple points that we want to keep in mind. First, as the Code of Canon Law observes in different places, the faithful have a right to the sacraments of the Church and the Church's ministers have a responsibility to make them accessible. At the same time, however, we always have to be sure that we respect the nature of the sacraments themselves.

Although modern forms of technology and communication can help us in our work of evangelization catechesis, the Pontifical Council for Social Communication has reminded us that, "Virtual reality is no substitute for the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the sacramental reality of the other sacraments, and shared worship in a flesh and blood human community. There are no sacraments on the internet" (The Church and the Internet, no. 9).

Although our encounters with others on the internet and via social media can be considered "real" in one sense, in the sacraments we encounter Christ in a personal and ecclesial way. It is never just a private experience but is always grounded in the life of the Church and this means that it must truly be personal, including the contact between the confessor and the penitent. While the convenience or ease of online celebrations might be appealing for many reasons, at heart, we always want to keep in mind the fullness of the Church's tradition and the meaning of the sacraments.



DECLINE TO SIGN

ARKANSAS ABORTION
AMENDMENT PETITION

"It is critical that all registered voters decline to sign the petition to allow the Arkansas Abortion Amendment on the November 2024 ballot."



BISHOP ANTHONY B. TAYLOR

Through July 5, canvassers are collecting signatures for the proposed Arkansas Abortion Amendment, which would allow unrestricted abortion "within 18 weeks of fertilization." Please decline to sign.

Know the truth about abortion at dolr.org/declinetosign

Catholics have duties and responsibilities as citizens, and we are called to actively participate in political life to further the common good. This means bringing our faith into the public square. (See *Gaudium et spes* 75) The intrinsically evil act of abortion must always be vigorously opposed. For this reason, Bishop Taylor is urging all Catholics not to sign the petition to put the Arkansas Abortion Amendment on our voting ballots.

Please Decline to Sign.

NOVENA TO DEFEND THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

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PRAYER

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. Jesus, I trust in you.

DAY ONE INTENTION

May every person's life be protected and cared for from conception to natural death.

DAY TWO INTENTION

May every child in his or her mother's womb be protected in law and welcomed in love.

DAY THREE INTENTION

May all who suffer after participation in abortion find healing in Christ's unending mercy.

DAY FOUR INTENTION

May pregnant and parenting moms find life-affirming help for themselves and their children through the Christian community.

DAY FIVE INTENTION

May healthcare always respect God's design and protect His gift of human life.

DAY SIX INTENTION

May all Christians help build a culture that cherishes every person as a precious gift from God.

DAY SEVEN INTENTION

May all people embrace the truth that every life is a good and perfect gift and is worth living

DAY EIGHT INTENTION

May our political engagement be guided by our Catholic faith.

DAY NINE INTENTION

May voters & elected leaders uphold the dignity of every human life in their political engagement

DAY TEN INTENTION

In thanksgiving for the graces received.

Please encourage everyone in your parish community to join in these prayers to stop the Arkansas Abortion Amendment.

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PRAYERS IN THE PEW™

National Eucharistic Revival Supplement – June 2024

We are on the threshold of the National Eucharistic Congress! Like the disciples on the Road to Emmaus, we have learned to discern and long for the Lord's Real Presence in the breaking of bread.



THE HOLY ANGELS ASSIST US IN EUCHARISTIC WORSHIP

Eucharistic Saint



St. Tarcisus (3rd century AD)—During a violent persecution, a twelve-year-old altar boy named Tarcisus volunteered to secretly carry the Eucharist to imprisoned Christians. On his way to the prison, he was attacked by a mob of boys who killed him but not before he handed the sacred Hosts over to a man who came to his aid. He is the first known martyr of the Eucharist.

Back to Basics

WORSHIP VS. VENERATION: The *Catechism* tells us that man owes worship to God as a sacred duty (CCC, 2095). In obedience to the First Commandment (Ex 20:5, Lk 4:8) we worship God alone! The Catholic liturgies, especially the Eucharist, are the Church's primary acts of divine worship.



Our relationship with God's holy ones—Our Lady, the saints and angels—is *not worship or idolatry*. It is veneration: love, esteem, and respect. Veneration increases our friendship with our spiritual companions in heaven and strengthens our own spiritual lives through their intercession.

The holy angels are our greatest allies in worshipping God, especially in the Mass: *In her Liturgy, the Church joins with the angels to adore the thrice-holy God ["Holy, Holy, Holy!"]* (CCC, 335).

We invoke the angels in the First Eucharistic Prayer, *"Almighty God, we pray that your angel may take this sacrifice to your altar in heaven,"* and in the conclusion of the funeral liturgy: *"May the angels lead you into Paradise."*

Faith in Action



Assistance – It is a holy thing to ask your guardian angel to help you worship better when you go to Mass. Angels are the custodians of heavenly worship (Rev 8:3-4) so they happily assist us with focus, attention, devotion, prayer, and praise.

Dressing for Mass – When the Book of Hebrews speaks of angels at worship, it describes them as "a myriad of angels in festal garments" (Heb 12:22)—such a beautiful metaphor! If the angels dress so wondrously for heavenly worship, shouldn't we also come to Mass as if it were the greatest event of our week?

"If the angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion,"
~ St. Maximillian Kolbe

National Eucharistic Revival News and Resources

Make sure to keep up to date on the National Eucharistic Revival at the Bishops' central website: www.EucharisticRevival.org. For news on the upcoming Eucharistic Congress, please see www.eucharisticcongress.org. You can also get the *Eucharistic Revival Edition Prayer Cards* at www.SitStandKneel.com for great evangelization resources to spread the Eucharistic fire!

PRAYERS IN THE PEW™ MONTHLY

FAITH IN ACTION CALENDAR / HIGHLIGHTS

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| SUNDAY JUN 2 | Solemnity of CORPUS CHRISTI |
| MONDAY JUN 10 | Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church |
| SATURDAY JUN 22 | Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More, Martyrs |

Faith Formation Companion to Prayers in the Pew™

→ MONTHLY SYNOPSIS ←

June 2024 – The entire month of June is in Ordinary Time, but it is also filled with great post-Easter feast days like Corpus Christi and the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts. Let us ask the grace this month to immerse ourselves in the Church's rich faith life and adore Christ with our reverent participation at Mass.

THE DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

The humble Polish nun who received the apparitions of Jesus, the Divine Mercy, from 1931-1938 had only three years of formal education. Yet, she was the originator of a worldwide movement of grace.

St. Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy was chosen by Jesus to spread the message of His Mercy during a century that was known for its utter barbarism: two world wars, the dropping of the Atomic Bomb, and the unleashing of plagues such as abortion, pornography, and euthanasia throughout the entire world.

Jesus asked St. Faustina to write down her experiences (now known as the *Diary*) and to propagate them in the form of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, which begins ↗

— THE SCHOOL OF SAINTS —



"The Lord said to me, 'The loss of each soul plunges Me into mortal sadness. You always console Me when you pray for sinners. The prayer most pleasing to Me is prayer for the conversion of sinners. Know, My daughter, that this prayer is always heard and answered.'" ~ *St. Faustina's Diary*, n. 1397

"It is not Death that will come to fetch me, it is the good God. Death is no phantom, no horrible specter, as presented in pictures. In the catechism it is stated that death is the separation of soul and body: that is all! Well, I am not afraid of a separation which will unite me to the good God forever." ~ *St. Therese of Lisieux*

begins with the noble and beautiful prayer below. He also commanded her to have an image of Him painted (with red and white light being emitted from His Sacred Heart) so that His Mercy could be venerated by all.

THE DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(The participant then repeats the following petition three times)

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

Although Sr. Faustina established the content of this devotion, it was the bishop of her local diocese, Karol Wojtyla, who is most responsible for its promotion. After he was elected Pope John Paul II in 1978, he authorized the devotion for universal use. He canonized St. Faustina in the year 2000, as the first saint of the new Millennium.

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CALENDAR OF FAITH | June

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| JUN 1 Sat | St. Justin, Martyr |
| JUN 2 Sun | Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs |
| JUN 2 Sun | Solemnity of CORPUS CHRISTI |
| JUN 3 Mon | St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs |
| JUN 5 Wed | St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr |
| JUN 6 Thu | St. Norbert, Bishop |
| JUN 7 Fri | SACRED HEART OF JESUS |
| JUN 8 Sat | IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY |
| JUN 9 Sun | St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church |
| JUN 11 Tue | St. Barnabas, Apostle |
| JUN 13 Thu | St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church |
| JUN 21 Fri | St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious |
| JUN 22 Sat | St. John Fisher, Bishop and St. Thomas More, Martyrs |
| JUN 24 Mon | BIRTH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST |
| JUN 27 Thu | St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church |
| JUN 28 Fri | St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr |
| JUN 29 Sat | STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES |
| JUN 30 Sun | First Martyrs of Rome |

FAITH FUNDAMENTALS



The Four Last Things

The Church always tells us what we need to hear, not always what we want to hear. This is especially true of the doctrine of the Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell.

The Church wants us to think about what comes after this earthly life now before we actually come face to face with these realities at the end of our earthly lives.

Death is a certainty for all mortal beings. It is not just a physical reality but also a spiritual passage. It is that moment when our souls separate from our bodies and our spiritual destiny is fixed for all eternity.

Next comes **Judgment**. There is the immediate judgment of our souls, which the Church calls the "particular judgment". This is followed by the "general judgment" at the end of time where Christ will come "to judge the living and the dead" as we profess in the Creed.

At the moment of death, each of us will make one of two choices that will determine our eternal fate: either **Heaven** or **Hell**. Humans are endowed with free will, and our eternal destiny is fixed by our own choice. Where will you choose to spend eternity?

BIBLE BASICS



Proverbs 3:3-4 "Let not mercy and truth forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart, and so find favor and high esteem in the sight of God and man."

Matthew 5:7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."

CATECHISM CONNECTION



1023 Those who die in God's grace and friendship and are perfectly purified live forever with Christ. They are like God for ever, for they "see him as he is, face to face".

1033 To die in mortal sin without repenting and accepting God's merciful love means remaining separated from him forever by our own free choice. This state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the blessed is called "hell".

Praying with the National Eucharistic Revival

Preparation for Holy Communion

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of everlasting glory, behold I desire to come to You this day and to receive Your Body and Blood in this heavenly Sacrament for Your honor and glory and the good of my soul.

I desire to receive You, because it is Your desire, and You have so willed it: blessed be Your Name forever. I desire to come to You like Mary, Your most holy Mother, that I may be delivered from all my evils and embrace You, my only good.

I desire to come to You that I may be happily united to You, that I may henceforth abide in You, and You in me, and that nothing in my life or death may ever separate me from You. **Amen.**

[Prayers concerning the Eucharist can be found on the Official *Prayers in the Pew* Eucharistic Revival Edition Prayer Card.]

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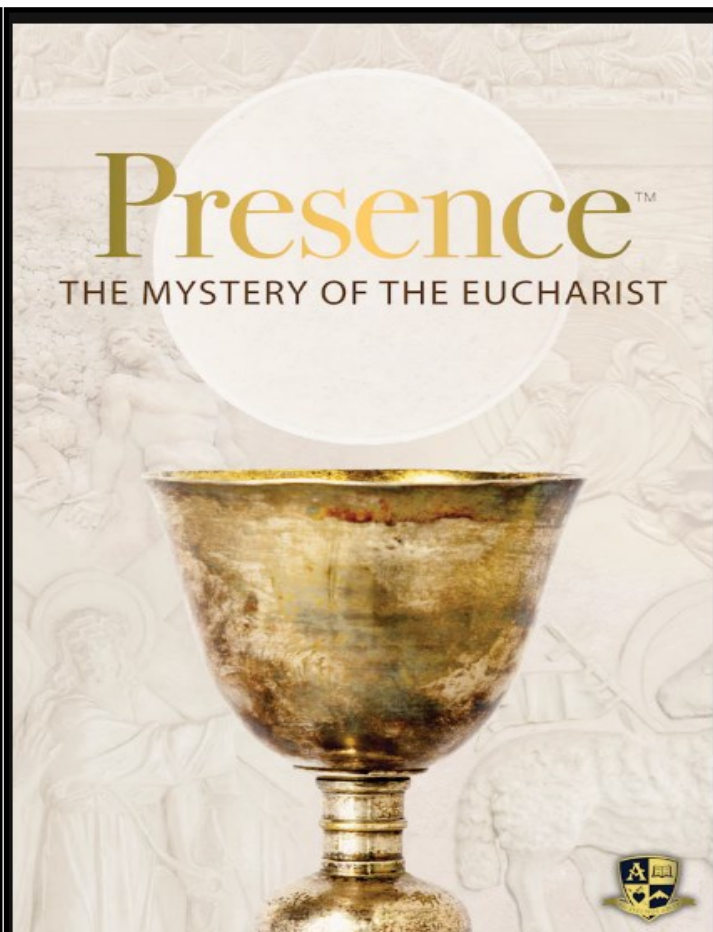
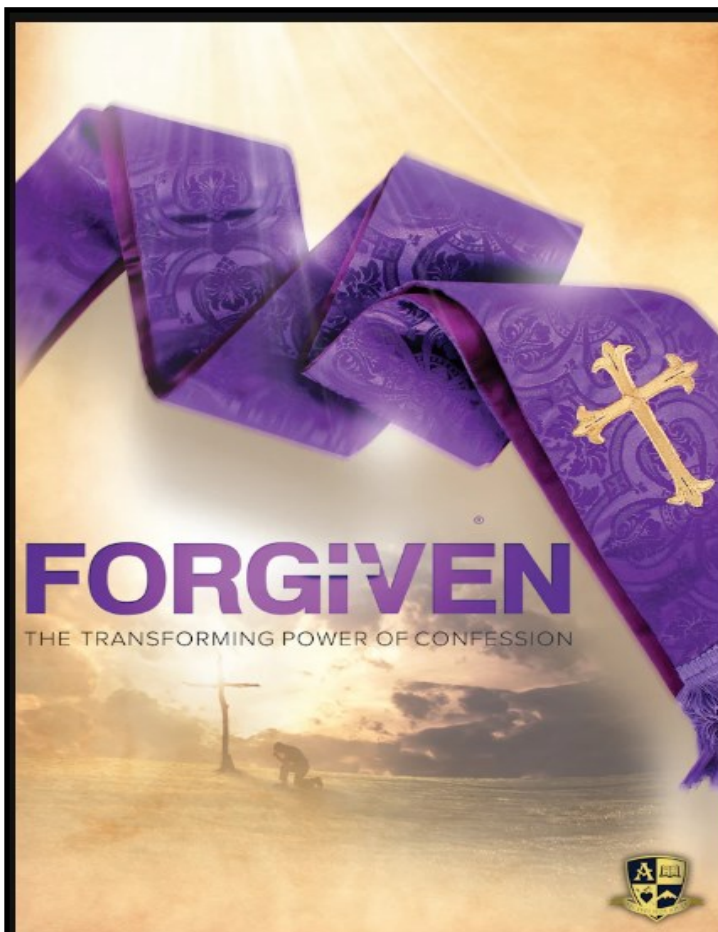
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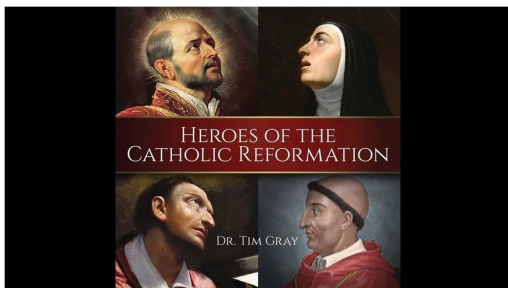
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