

Women's Faith Sharing Group



The next gathering for the Women's Faith Sharing Group is Thursday, Aug. 18, at Mount St. Joseph from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our day will consist of Liturgy, lunch (\$9.00), meeting (reflecting on our favorite Bible stories of Mercy) and alone time for prayer, meditation and spending time with the sisters.

RSVP by noon on Aug. 15. For more info or ride call Diane (304-233-8574). All are welcome to attend part of the day or experience the entire day of love, service and faith sharing.



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Sunday August 28, 2016

Mass starts at 12:30PM

Haller Shelter

Oglebay Park

(by pool)

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Sunday Masses: 6:00 p.m. Saturday; 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Weekday Mass: 12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 11:15-11:50 a.m. Friday; 5-5:45 p.m. Saturday.

Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to Homebound: Call the parish office anytime to make arrangements.

Steak Fry to Benefit CCHS

Wheeling CCHS Booster Steak Fry dedicated to honor the legacy of Joe "Tuna" Allen will be held Saturday, Aug. 27, from 6-11 p.m. at the Wheeling Park ice rink.

Proceeds will benefit all sports within the Wheeling CCHS Athletic Association. Tickets are \$25. for more information, or to purchase a ticket, contact Amy Wear at (304) 780-6603.

First Communion

Confirmation



IT'S TIME TO REGISTER

for the 2016-2017 Faith Formation Year! Classes start Sunday September 11 at 9:15am. First Communion and Confirmation in the Cathedral offices, RCIA in the Rectory. Registration is open until August 29. Email or call Debbie Fahey to register or get more information. dfahey@dwc.org 304-233-4121

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Il Corriere del Duomo

Weekly Journal for the Cathedral of St. Joseph

World at War Needs Signs of Brotherhood, Friendship, Pope Says

VATICAN CITY (CNS)—In a world traumatized by war, young people gathered for World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland, gave strong signs of hope and brotherhood, Pope Francis said.

World Youth Day was a "prophetic sign for Poland and Europe" and took on a "global dimension" in a world threatened by a war fought in pieces, the pope said Aug. 3 at his weekly general audience.

"Precisely in this world at war, we need brotherhood, we need closeness, we need dialogue, and we need friendship. And this is the sign of hope: when there is brotherhood," he said.

The pope entered the Paul VI audience hall greeted by thousands of pilgrims reaching out to him, asking him to bless their religious articles, kiss their babies or receive their gifts. But one gift stopped the pope in his tracks: a pope doll.

Pope Francis pointed to the doll and to himself, not completely convinced of the similarity, and then laughed, thanking the pilgrim for her present.

Before taking his place on the stage, the pope greeted Rabbi Alejandro Avruj, an old friend from Argentina seated in the front row. Also present were bishops and pilgrims from Panama, the country Pope Francis announced would host World Youth Day 2019.

In addition, a group of 65 young refugees from Eritrea and Syria came to see the pope. According to the Vatican, the children are from the Center for Asylum Seekers at Castelnuovo di Porto, about 15 miles north of Rome. The pope greeted them and posed for a group photo after the audience.

In his main audience talk, Pope Francis reflected on his visit to Krakow



CNS Photo/Max Rossi, Reuters

Pope Francis poses with refugees as he leads his general audience in Paul VI hall at the Vatican Aug. 3.

July 27-31 to join hundreds of thousands of young people from across the globe who met to celebrate their faith and who answered the call to "go forth together, to build bridges of brotherhood," he said.

"They also came with their wounds, with their questions but, above all, with the joy of meeting each other," the pope said.

Despite language barriers, he said, the youths were able to understand each other, creating a "mosaic of brotherhood" that is "emblematic of World Youth Day."

Recalling his visit to the Auschwitz-Birkenau Nazi death camp, the pope said the great silence there "was more eloquent than any spoken word."

"In that silence I heard, I felt the presence of all the souls that have

passed there; I felt the compassion, the mercy of God that several holy souls brought there to that great abyss," Pope Francis said. "In that great silence, I prayed for all the victims of violence and war."

At Auschwitz, he said, he learned the "value of memory" not only as a remembrance of past tragedies, but also as a warning and call to responsibility today "so that the seed of hate and violence does not take root in the furrows of history."

"Looking at that cruelty, at that concentration camp, I immediately thought of today's cruelty, which is very similar. Not as concentrated as in that place, but around the world. This world that is sick with cruelty, pain, war, hate and sadness. And for this I ask you to pray so that the Lord may give us peace," he said.

Christian Awareness

By: Alex J. Nagem

Is it just me or do others have the same experience? I called my credit card company to order an additional card. The young lady I spoke to was polite and helpful, but businesslike on the phone. At the end of our brief conversation without initiation or invitation on my part she said, "God Bless." I was a little surprised that someone working for a major credit card company would end a conversation with a religious blessing. I hesitated for a second, thanked her and said the same to her. She thanked me and ended the call. There are believers out there. They are not afraid to let others know. I wonder how many people she comes in contact with each day for which she provides this wish. I also wonder how many people respond the same way. It is the small things in life that keep my imagination running wild. Well, actually there are many things that feed my imagination. It seems most thoughts are focused on prayer and questions to and about God. This is my form of constant prayer.

If you had one wish for yourself, what would it be? There are a few restrictions to this wish. You cannot wish someone back in your life that is now with Jesus. Why would they want to leave Him? They have reached their goal. You cannot wish to be a younger age. Would you really want to go through those "who am I really" teen years again? Besides, thinking what you know now may not help you as a teenager today or yesterday. Do you really want to take that chance? Your wish must be for something you can receive with some probability. You might say this is not an open ended chance to make a wish. But, I want you to think of a wish that may have the possibility of being granted and received. What would be the one wish that would give you joy, satisfaction and a feeling of worth? For me, it is living a life filled with the peace of Christ. I have been working on this wish for what seems my entire adult life. This appears to be a never ending project. For me, the peace of Christ is behavior focused on Jesus. The focus includes words spoken and thoughts of others that are kind and respectful. There is a willingness to help

others without the need for praise or any recognition. Being humble in nature is more than words spoken or written. It is satisfaction in who you are. Is it easy? Not as easy as I would want. There are temptations, frustrations, and those who I encounter that like pushing my buttons which results in thoughts and words unbecoming of a God fearing Christian. This is my spiritual struggle or maybe it is my continued spiritual formation. At this time in my journey, I believe they could be the same. Overall, there is just a strong desire for the peace of Christ in daily living. Unfortunately, what I have found is that this does not come without a continual test. There always seems to be a test. Why must there always be a test? I believe I have the answer to this question, though.

God was pleased with Jesus when he was to face temptations in the desert as we are told in Matthew 3:16-17, "And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'" I do believe Jesus is pleased and loves us as we face our daily tests. I am reminded of this every time I look at a crucifix or see the wonders of nature. With these two sites in mind, God has provided for our spiritual health as well as our physical and mental health. I believe the tests faced each day are to see if faith is real. We could blame God for a crisis and turn away from our faith. This seems like an easy approach, though not the best choice, ever. Turning away from faith and God does not eliminate the crisis. It only opens the door for more to come our way. I don't understand why some want to face a crisis without God. I have tried it a couple times in the past. They did not end well. Not until I asked God for help did I find comfort in a solution. Does this mean I am a God fearing man? I hope so. The other approach is to face the temptations and struggles knowing God is pleased with me and is with me for what I am to face. Being a God fearing man, keeps me from giving in to temptations. Well, sometimes there is a slip in

Peace Be with You

thought and word. Overall, I hope I continue as God fearing. I have questioned and argued with God on many occasions for the tests I faced. It did not matter, though. He never gave in and miraculously made them disappear. They waited for me until the ranting ceased. I know there will always be tests. But, I still wish and work toward a life in the peace of Christ.

In Martin Luther's lecture on Psalm 5:11 (Yes, I do read the theological concepts of Christians who are non-Catholic.), he stressed that "a theologian was not made by understanding, reading or speculating, but by dying and being damned." He also said, "There are three things that make a Christian-prayer, meditation, and temptation." I believe this can be said for any Christian wanting the peace of Christ in their life. What else can I believe? There are weeks when one crisis is overcome and another is encountered. There is a feeling of being in the ocean when you are hit by a wave. You lose your balance and fall in the water. You tumble in the surf before you regain your balance. But as soon as you regain your balance, you are hit by another wave. The tumbling and struggle to regain your balance repeat many times. This is kind of a continued rough Baptism in life. This time the salt in the water stings the eyes and the sand scratches the body, unlike our first Baptism. For my wish to come true to finding the peace of Christ, I believe there is a need for prayer to God for direction and thanksgiving. There is also a need for meditation on verses in the Bible so we may live a life as God has instructed. There are tests of faith with temptations to show our true love and commitment to God. One must practice what they read and believe for growth in religious life. There may be arguments when talking to God. For me, these arguments are never won. In all, I continue believe in Him. This gives me peace.

"I have held many things in my hands, and have lost them all. Whatever I have placed in God's hands, I still possess." Martin Luther

I pray you find the continual peace of Christ in your days, as I hope you pray the same for me.

Alex J. Nagem

Mass Intentions and Readings

Sunday—August 7th—NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 6:00p Mass for Brian Cornett
8:00a Mass for Helen Monica Holt
10:30a Mass for the Parishioners
RDGS: Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12
Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Msgr. Quirk will be away from Aug. 8-12. Msgr. Tom Petronek will be celebrating the Masses in his absence.

Monday—August 8th—Saint Dominic, priest

12:05p Mass for Henry Hofsiff
RDGS: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c Ps 148:1-2, 11-14
Mt 17:22-27

Dominic, died Aug. 6, 1221; born in Caleruega, Spain; founded the Order of Preachers, today numbering some 6,550 religious; an elective, fraternal form of community life devoted to contemplation, study, and preaching; sought to bring Albigensians back into the church through preaching and living evangelical poverty, canonized in 1234.

Tuesday—August 9th—Saint Benedicta of the Cross, virgin, martyr

12:05p Mass for Betty Craig
RDGS: Ez 2:8—3:4 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Benedicta, was born in Breslau, Germany in 1891 of Jewish parents. She studied philosophy under Husserl, the leading phenomenologist of his day. She was received into the Catholic Church in 1922, and in the following year entered into the Carmelite convent in Cologne where she received the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. At the end of 1939, she moved to the convent at Echt on account of the Nazi persecution of Jews, but in 1942, during the German occupation of Holland, she was arrested, transported to Poland, and killed in Auschwitz. Her writings include *The Mystery of Christmas*, *Eternal Being*, *The Science of the Cross*, and *the Prayer of the Church*. She was declared co-patroness of Europe by Pope John Paul II.

Wednesday—August 10th—SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR

12:05p Mass for Barbara Tomczyk
RDGS: 2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-9 Jn 12:24-26

Lawrence, died 258. four days after four other deacons and Pope Sixtus II were killed; cared for the temporal welfare of the Roman church; said to have been burned alive on a gridiron; after Sts. Peter and Paul, Lawrence is venerated as patron of Rome; mentioned in the Roman Canon.

Thursday—August 11th—Saint Clare, Virgin

12:05p Mass for Phil Tedesco

RDGS: Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62
Mt 18:21—19:1

Clare of Assisi, died 1253; disciple of Francis; founded the Poor Clares whose first convent at Assisi she directed as abbess for forty-two years; led an austere life, rich in the practice of charity and loving care.

Friday—August 12th—Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, religious

11:15a Confessions
12:05p Mass for Jean Huff
RDGS: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
Mt 19:3-12

5:00p Wedding Rehearsal
Jane, died 1641; from Dijon; wife of Baron de Chantal and mother of six children, two of whom died at birth; as a widow, with St. Francis de Sales, her spiritual director, she founded in 1610 at Annency in Savoy the Visitation nuns; established some eighty-five monasteries before her death.

Saturday—August 13th—Saints Pontian, pope, and Hippolytus, priest, martyrs

9:00a Mass for Fr. James McGoldrick
2:00p Mazzocca Wedding
5:00p Confessions
6:00p Mass for the Parishioners
RDGS: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19
Mt 19:13-15

Pontian, died in 235; bishop of Rome banished by Maximinus Thrax to Sardinia where he was reconciled with Hippolytus; before dying, he abdicated his office to make way for his successor, St. Anterus; buried in the cemetery of Callistus.

Hippolytus, died 235; disputed author of Apostolic Tradition; Roman priest and stern rigorist; opposed Sabellianism and milder penitential discipline of Pope St. Callistus; first anti-pope; exiled to Sardinia with Pontian; source of the Eucharistic Prayer II.

Sunday—August 14th—TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a Mass for Dr. Adiel Anghie
10:30a Mass for Dolores Perri
Baptism
RDGS: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2-4, 18 Heb 12:1-4
Lk 12:49-53

Weekly Collection

Envelopes: \$2,938.50 Loose: \$989.05

Online: \$263