

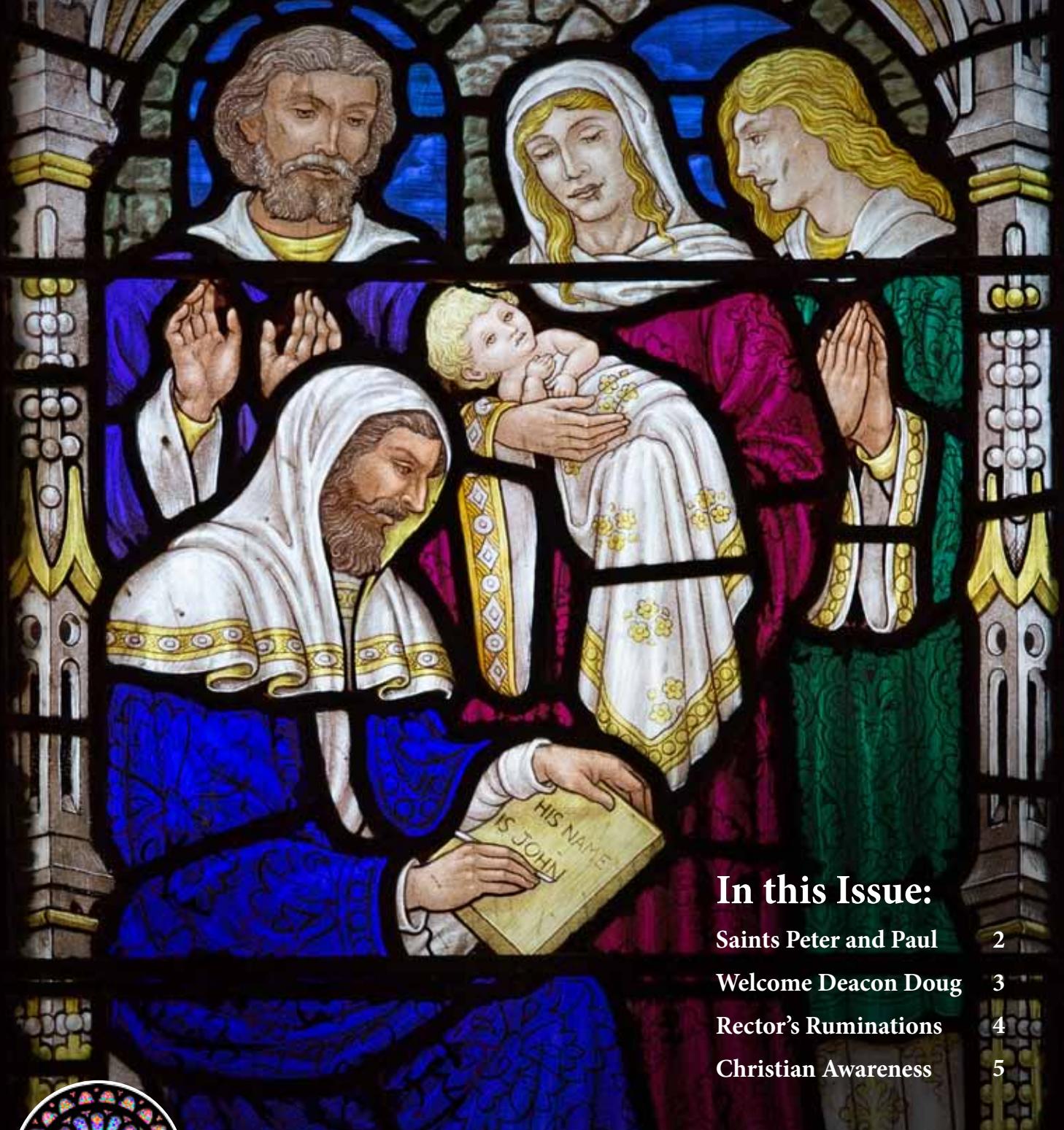
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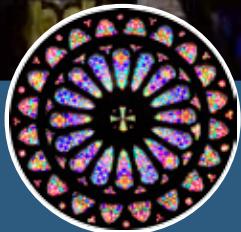
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and to fellowship, formation, sacrament, and prayer.

This Week

At The Cathedral

June 24 - July 1, 2018



SUN 24 THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

- 6:00 PM Mass for Ross Felton
8:00 AM Mass for Ross Felton
10:30 AM Mass for the Parishioners

MON 25 Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 12)

- 12:05 PM Mass for Dr. Adiel Anghie

TUE 26 Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 12:05 PM Mass for William Campbell

WED 27 Saint Cyril of Alexandria, bishop, doctor of the Church

- 12:05 PM Mass for Dorothy Hafferty

THU 28 Saint Irenaeus, bishop, martyr

- 12:05 PM Mass for Jack Jochum

FRI 29 SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

- 11:15 AM Confessions
12:05 PM Mass for the Moran Family

SAT 30 The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

- 11:00 AM Priesthood Ordination
5:00 PM Confessions
6:00 PM Mass for the Parishioners

SUN 1 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 8:00 AM Mass for John Mick McDonald
10:30 AM Mass for Frances Amato



Due to the Priesthood Ordination at the Cathedral on Saturday, June 30, there will be no 9:00 a.m. Mass or recitation of the Rosary on that day.

Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Isaiah 49:1-6 • Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15

Acts 13:2-26 • Luke 1:57-66, 80

Today is the Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist. To say John the Baptist and Jesus were closely related and connected is an understatement.

Both were foretold by prophets, especially Isaiah. The only record of the birth of John the Baptist appears in the Gospel of Luke and it is at the heart of our Gospel Reading today. A key player in this event is, of course, John the Baptist's father Zechariah. Zechariah was a Jewish priest, but when the Archangel Gabriel revealed to him that he would father a child, Zechariah refused to believe it. As a result he was rendered speechless until John was born.

Ordinarily the Church observes the day of a saint's death as his feast, because that day marks his entrance into heaven. To this rule there are two notable exceptions, the birthdays of Blessed Mary and of St. John the Baptist. In the breviary, St. Augustine explains the reason for today's observance in the following words: "Apart from the most holy solemnity commemorating our Savior's birth, the Church keeps the birthday of no other person except that of John the Baptist. [The feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin had not yet been introduced.] In the case of other saints or of God's chosen ones, the Church, as you know, solemnizes the day on which they were reborn to everlasting beatitude after ending the trials of this life and gloriously triumphing over the world."

On the date of his nativity, then, we honor John the Baptist, who was filled with the Holy Spirit while in his mother's womb, was chosen by God to herald His Son, lived a model life of holiness and was martyred for his faith. ☩

Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul - June 29

This Friday the Church celebrates two of the most well-known saints, Peter and Paul, who according to legend were executed on the same day in the year 64 A.D. under the command of Emperor Nero and buried in Rome.

Tradition says that Peter fled Rome to avoid arrest and saw Jesus on the road. "Where are you going, Lord?" Peter asked. Jesus replied, "I am going to Rome to be crucified again." Peter turned back and was crucified upside down, because he felt unworthy to meet his death the same way as Christ. Paul was arrested in Jerusalem and was sent to Rome, where he was placed under house arrest. He was slain by beheading, because as a Roman citizen he could not be subjected to the indignity of crucifixion.



In a sermon in the year 395, Saint Augustine of Hippo said: "Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith." Saint Peter is the patron of those in the fishing industry and Saint Paul is the patron of the lay apostolate, writers, Malta, and Greece. Both are the principal patrons of Rome.

Saint Peter and Saint Paul, pray for us!

June: Month of the Sacred Heart

On the Friday following the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Because this solemnity usually falls in June, this month is also known as the "Month of the Sacred Heart." Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is of great antiquity in the Church. It was Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, however, who made this devotion widespread. The great promise of the Sacred Heart is most consoling: the grace of final perseverance and the joy of having Jesus' heart as our sure refuge and infinite ocean of mercy in our last hour. During the month of June, let us ponder Christ's infinite love and meditate upon his suffering for the salvation of the world. *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!*

Welcome Deacon Doug

The Most Reverend Michael J. Bransfield, Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston, has appointed Rev. Mr. Douglas Breiding as Pastoral Associate and to liturgical ministry at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Wheeling, effective July 3, 2018.

Deacon "Doug" Breiding is already a familiar face around the Cathedral parish, having been ordained a Permanent Deacon by Bishop Bernard Schmitt at the Cathedral on October 2, 2004. Born in California and raised in Wheeling, Breiding graduated from Wheeling Jesuit College in 1989, with Monsignor Kevin Quirk in the same class.

Deacon Doug, together with his wife of 34 years, Becky, have been blessed with three children and three grandchildren.

Breiding was privileged to assist as a deacon at Corpus Christi Parish, Wheeling from his ordination until now. He is a Benedictine Oblate of Saint Meinrad Archabbey and has a passion for making rosaries, chaplets, and chotkis - an eastern prayer rope.

In addition to his duties as a Permanent Deacon, he is currently the Director of Catholic Cemeteries for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

A deacon is an ordained minister of the Catholic Church. There are three groups, or "orders," of ordained ministers in the Church: bishops, priests, and deacons. Deacons are ordained as a sacramental sign to the Church and to the world of Christ, who came "to serve and not to be served." As ministers of the Word, deacons proclaim the Gospel, preach, and teach in the name of the Church. As ministers of the Sacrament, deacons baptize, lead the faithful in prayer, witness marriages, and conduct funeral services.

We extend a very warm welcome to Deacon Breiding and his family as he continues his ministry of service to our parish.

In your charity, please keep in your prayers:

Arthur Danehart, Austin Cook, Barb Mazzocca, Bertha Wurtzbacher, Betty Teater, Bill Wilson, Bob Armstrong, Bob Jones, Brogan Gallentine, Caleb Hlebiczki, Charles Heizer, Children of the Youth Services System, Chuck Fair, Darleen Williams, David A. Kress, Jr., Dustin Ronevich, Eva Wood, Father Joseph Wilhelm, Frank Davis, Fred Herink, Gail Koch, George Kirchner, Haley Carter, Hines Rotriga, James Benner, Jane Rudari, Marlene Martin, Janet Cupp, Janie, Jean and Chuck Schultz, Jim Antill, Jim and Dee, Jimmy Hocking, John Petrella, Jon-Michael Lasher, Judy Pack, Julia Sheets, Kathy Cooley, Kermit Klosterman, Liam Manning, Lukie Brown, Margaret Stocke, Mark Davis, Martha Yocom, Mary Alice Florio, Mary Ann Fowler, Mary K. Schlosser, Mary Walicki, Michael DeBlasis, Milissa Rose, Milly Burke, Mona Wurtzbacher, Nadine Greenwood, Norma Bosold, Patricia Kaliscz, Pete Mack, R. J. Stocke, Richard Simon, Rick Burgy, Ron Hickman, Rosalie Davis, Sarah Hanasky, Sarah Sargent, Shawn Thomas, Shirley DeCaria, Stanley Kyrc, Stephanie Bugaj, Susan Graff, Susan Mize, Susan Schulte, Tammy, Thelma Pearson, Thomas Griffith, Trystan Timmons, Victoria Jeskey



Priesthood Ordination - June 30

Rev. Mr. Martin Smay will be ordained to the priesthood by Most Rev. Michael J. Bransfield, bishop of Wheeling-Charleston, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling, W.Va., at 11:00 a.m. June 30. Priests, deacons and religious of the diocese will gather for the ordination along with Deacon Smay's family and friends.

"I'm sure that it is an exciting time in his life," said Rev. Dennis R. Schuelkens, Jr., director of Vocations for the diocese. "On the day of his ordination, the church confirms that, after careful inquiry, the candidate has been found worthy." During the ordination, Deacon Smay will stand before the bishop and promise to serve the people of God as a priest. As he kneels before the altar, the bishop will lay his hands on Deacon Smay's head and call upon the Holy Spirit to make him ordained a priest. The bishop will then pray the prayer of ordination. His fellow priests will then vest the newly ordained with the stole and chasuble.

Deacon Smay currently resides at the Pontifical North American College in Rome and earned a degree in theology (STB) from the Angelicum in 2017. He is studying for a degree in Canon Law at the Gregorian University.

Weekly Collection

June 17, 2018

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Rector's Ruminations

The Cathedral Conundrum Angels

BY REV. MSGR. KEVIN M. QUIRK

At long last, gentle reader, we begin a short diversion into angels in our review of the apse mural as we move back down from the Holy Spirit to the six angels depicted above the image of Christ Pantocrator. Here I will first provide a review of angels in general and then a discussion of these six particular angels. This broader review will provide some background for the consideration of other angels found in the murals and elsewhere in the Church; indeed, angels are almost as prevalent in the art of the Cathedral as they are crowded into the sacred space with us as the Sacrifice of the Mass is being offered and attendants around Christ enthroned in the Tabernacle, as they were to him in the desert, in the Garden of Gethsemane, on the Cross, and at the tomb.

The Holy People of Israel have believed in angels since the earliest days of faith in the One True God, as evidenced in the Old Testament. The first five books of the Bible, the Pentateuch, make use of the Hebrew word מַלְאָךְ – mal'akh – for angels, the word itself meaning “messenger.” As St. Augustine said so wise, “Angel is the name of their office, not of their nature. If you seek the name of their nature, it is ‘spirit’; if you seek the name of their office, it is ‘angel’: from what they are, ‘spirit’, from what they do, ‘angel.’” Here, St. Augustine is referring both to the Hebrew word employed to name them and to the Latin term “angelus,” borrowed from Greek, which again means “messenger.” They are, quite simply, messengers from God and His ambassadors to us and to the world.

The function of angels as God’s messengers or His ambassadors can be clearly seen in both the Old and New Testament. The Hebrew Scriptures

tell us that angels appeared to each of the Patriarchs, to Moses, Joshua, and numerous other figures. The Abraham cycle and the Jacob cycle are replete with the intervention of angels, one of whom Jacob himself famously wrestles, ending up with sciatica as a result (Oh, would that I could claim the same cause for mine).

Likewise, angels appear throughout the New Testament, even at points, especially in Paul’s letters, where the casual reader may not notice. The New Testament includes many interactions and conversations between angels and humans. Indeed, the first two chapters of both the Gospels of Matthew and Luke have multiple interventions by an angel – the Archangel Gabriel – or a single angel, or choirs of angels. As mentioned above, according to Matthew 4:11, after Jesus was tempted in the desert, “...the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.” At Luke 22:43, an angel comforts the Christ during the Agony in the Garden and, at Matthew 28:5, an angel speaks to the women at the empty tomb. As they were a part of the lives of the Patriarchs and of the life of Christ, angels are part of our faith and our own lives, shaped by the descriptions of Gabriel, Michael, and Raphael in Sacred Scripture and by the developing thought of Pseudo-Dionysius the Areopagite, whose writing Celestial Hierarchies, heavily influenced our own conception of the choirs of angels.

Pseudo-Dionysius, in his reflections on Matthew 22:24-33, Galatians 3:26-28, Ephesians 1:21-23, and Colossians 1:16, taught that there are three Hierarchies of angels, with each Hierarchy containing three Orders or Choirs – thus nine choirs altogether.

First sphere: 1. Seraphim, 2. Cherubim, 3. Thrones;

Second sphere: 4. Dominations (also called Dominions), 5. Virtues, 6. Powers;

Third sphere: 7. Principalities, 8. Archangels, 9. Angels

While the other Father of the Church developed similar or related lists, St. Thomas Aquinas largely accepted Pseudo-Dionysius teaching Thomas Aquinas and in his great Summa Theologica and other works a treatise on angels which has continued to influence our understanding. He observed that, as Psalm 8:4-5 tells us, angels are higher than men, they, therefore have greater knowledge than men. Nevertheless, the Angelic Doctors notes that angels are not omniscient (Mt 24:36) or omnipotent. They are not divine and are less than God; we are little less than them, as David sings. The Fourth Lateran Council confirmed this in 1215, declaring that the angels were created beings and that men were created after them, a teaching reaffirmed by the First Vatican Council in 1869.

I will make greater reference to each choir of the angels that appear in the Church in later connundra, but for now will mention that great emphasis that has been placed on the Virtues, Archangels, and Angels in Catholic art and spirituality, often finding expression in public and private devotions. Particular attention is given to Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael among the archangels, though our own dome’s windows depict a fourth Archangel, Uriel, and the Fathers of the Church were almost unanimous in their testimony to Seven Archangels, whom Pope Saint Gregory I lists as Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Simiel, Oraphiel, and Raguel. Among the Ninth Choir of Angels, attention is given to the guardian

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Christian Awareness

Like a Rock

BY ALEX J. NAGEM

Does the number of times I have knelt in prayer count for much? How about when all I do is kneel in the presence of God in the Tabernacle, listening, and waiting for the Holy Spirit to fill my mind with thoughts of God's will, does that count for something? I cannot count the numbers of prayers I have said during my life. I have prayed out of fear and uncertainty on many occasions. I am continually saying prayers of thanks each day. Many of these prayers are being thankful for some of the smallest gifts. These gifts may be for completing a project that was easier than expected. I have said prayers of thanks for overcoming a tough meeting, or better medical test results than expected. But do they all count for something? Bear with me as I explain.

I have a rock on my desk that I found while walking through the Smoky Mountains National Park some years ago. The rock is red in color with specks of sand throughout. It looks as if someone took a wet ball of sand and red clay and threw it against the ground and let it dry in the sun and air for many years. For whatever reason at the time, it came home with me. The reason I mention this sedimentary rock is because of the way it was formed. These types of rocks are made up of sandstone, limestone, and shale. They start as sediments carried in rivers and streams and deposited in lakes and oceans. When buried, the sediments lose water and become cemented together to form a rock. Each piece of sediment and droplet of water counts in the creation of this rock that looks like a misshaped hamburger patty. This rock will last for many decades and maybe centuries to come. For me, every little prayer we say, every con-

versation we have with God, every time we kneel in His presence or in prayer, is like a piece of sediment in the water. Overtime, these prayers and our kneeling in silence help to form a strong, rock-like, foundation for our beliefs. Yes, I know there is more involved in our foundational beliefs, but I am only providing you with some hopeful thought for this Sunday morning. We need to be taught about our Triune God. We need to have the love of God revealed to us, and understand the meaning of His love for us. We need to understand what we must do in return for this love. We need to understand what is celebrated in the liturgy of the Mass. We need not be just observers during the Mass, but fully aware and engaged in its effects. There is the Liturgy of the Word when we listen to readings from the Old and New Testament, the reading of the Gospel, and the Homily. Then we take part in the Liturgy of the Eucharist. For me, the Eucharist is the closest we come to Heaven on earth. The priest makes present the sacrifice Jesus made for us during the Mass. All of this is the grains of sediment that help form our foundation of Catholic belief. Sorry if I got carried away for a moment. I guess my passions got the best of me.

I worry for our Catholic faith. I worry that for many their faith is still in the sediment flowing through water stage. There is little hardening and strengthening of their faith. Where is the desire to become a priest or a religious? I worry and pray for our aging priests. They have devoted their life to being witnesses of Christ. They are ministers of the sacraments, teachers, and stewards of the Church. They are burdened with worries of church finances, the health and well being of

their own family, and of ours. They are the rock that we all cling to when we need to talk or confess our sins and ask forgiveness. They provide comfort when we are sick or dying. They join in the celebration of birth and marriage. They are the shining light in a black suit. They are the ones who help the water dry around the sediments that build our faith into a rock foundation that is unshakable. There are many experiences that strengthen and also erode our Catholic belief. Jesus taught us to look beyond our faults, weakness, and even our strengths, and focus on what is to come with a belief in Him as the Son of God. Every prayer we say, every conversation with God we have, and every time we kneel in the presence of God in the Eucharist and the Tabernacle, we are adding one small piece of faith to the rock of our Christian belief.

"A contemplative is not one who takes his prayer seriously, but one who takes God seriously, who is famished for truth, who seeks to live in generous simplicity, in the spirit. An ardent and sincere humility is the best protection for his life of prayer," Thomas Merton.

You are remembered in my prayers as I hope I am remembered in yours.

"Vocatus Atque Non Vocatus, Deus Aderit" ☩

Never get tired
of doing little
things for
others.
Sometimes
those little
things occupy
the biggest part
of their heart.

Scripture Readings

The readings are included each week so that those who are unable to join us for daily Mass will be able to consider and pray them in union with the whole Church.

Week of June 24

Monday

2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15, 18
Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13
Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday

2 Kings 19:9-11, 14-21,
31-35, 36
Ps 48:2-3, 3-4, 10-11
Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday

2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-13
Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40
Matthew 7:15-20

Thursday

2 Kings 24:8-17
Ps 79:1-2, 3-5, 8, 9
Matthew 7:21-29

Friday

Acts 12:1-11
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18
Matthew 16:13-19

Saturday

Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19
Ps 74:1-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21
Matthew 8:5-17

Next Sunday

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24
Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13
2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15
Mark 5:21-43

Weekly Devotions at the Cathedral

The following devotions are prayed each week following the 12:05 pm Mass:

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday

Litany of Loreto

Tuesday

Litany of Saint Joseph

Wednesday

Litany of the Sacred Heart

Thursday

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Fridays

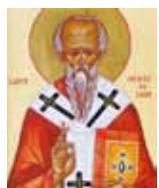
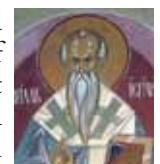
The Holy Rosary

Saturdays after the 9 am Mass



This Week with the Saints

June 27 - Saint Cyril (378-444), the patriarch of Alexandria, was an avid defender of the faith; therefore, he was no stranger to conflict. He found himself at odds with Nestorius, the archbishop of Constantinople, who advocated that the Blessed Virgin is the mother of Christ (*Christotokos*) not the Mother of God (*Theotokos*). St. Cyril presided over the First Council of Ephesus (431), which condemned this particular belief, known as Nestorianism, as heresy and proclaimed Mary as the Mother of God. The Council of Chalcedon (451) based its teachings regarding the two natures of Christ on the thought of St. Cyril. Due to the breadth of his writing on the Incarnation and the dignity of the human person, he was declared a Doctor of the Church.



June 28 - Saint Irenaeus (130-202) was the bishop of Lyons, France, a disciple of St. Polycarp of Smyrna, and one of the first Christian theologians. His best known work, *Against Heresies*, is an attack on the gnostics, who claimed to have a secret oral tradition from Jesus. Irenaeus refutes them by pointing out that we know who the bishops are back to the Apostles, and that none was gnostic. He is an early witness to the recognition of the four accounts of the Gospel, to the unique importance of the Bishop of Rome, and to the apostolic succession — the unique interrupted transmission of authority from the Apostles themselves to present-day bishops.



June 30 - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church were those who suffered martyrdom during the reign of Nero, approximately 54-68. Nero, a ruthless and unstable man, blamed the early Christians for a fire that destroyed two-thirds of Rome. Some believe Nero himself may have started the fire to clear land for future building projects, in particular, a palace. Heinous and barbaric tactics were used to torture and kill Christians, including crucifixion, covering people with wax and lighting them ablaze as human torches, and feeding them to animals. Saints Peter and Paul were among thousands of Christians that were killed at the hand of Nero.



*All holy men and women,
Saints of God,
pray for us!*



Pope: Commandments are God's loving words, not oppressive commands

By Junno Arocho Esteves

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — The Ten Commandments given by God are meant to protect his children from self-destruction; they are not harsh rules meant to enslave and oppress, Pope Francis said. Since the days of Adam and Eve, the devil has sought to deceive people into believing that the rules set forth by God are “the imposition of a tyrant who prohibits and forces” rather than a loving father “who is taking care of his children,” the pope said June 20 at his general audience in St. Peter’s Square.

“Man and woman are in front of this crossroad: does God impose things on me or does he take care of me? Are his commandments just a law or do they contain a word? Is God master or father? Are we his subjects or his children?” he asked.

Continuing his new series of audience talks on the Ten Commandments, the pope reflected on the biblical reference to it not as “commands” but as “words.” While a command “is a communication that requires no dialogue,” the word is “the essential means” of establishing a relationship through dialogue. “God the father creates by his word and his son is the Word made flesh. Love is nourished by words,” the pope said. “Two people who do not love each other cannot communicate. When someone speaks to our heart, our loneliness ends.”

Jesus, the pope added “is the word of the father” that gives life and “not the condemnation of the father.” “The commandments are the path to freedom because they are the word of the father who sets us free. The world does not need legalism, but care. It needs Christians with the heart of children,” Francis said.

Ruminations ...

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angels, assigned as personal protectors to each living person. In contemporary spirituality, there has been somewhat of an overemphasis on the personalization of angels in general and guardian angels in particular, such that some persons seek to learn the name of their own guardian angel, an undertaking the guardian angel itself would have no interest in whatsoever. For this reason and others, the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments, in its "Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy," warned that "the practice of assigning names to the Holy Angels should be discouraged, except in the cases of Gabriel, Raphael and Michael whose names are contained in Holy Scripture."

As I wrote, more attention will be given to the individual choirs of angels in future entries. For now, returning to



Please remember
in your prayers all
who serve in the
Armed Forces.
May they be kept
safe and out of
harm's way.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be on break during the month of July. It will resume in August.

the six angels depicted above the head of the enthroned Christ, clearly in His glorified body and surrounded by the saints, and the Holy Spirit above, one can see the angels in their role as messengers or intermediaries between human beings and God. Angels are the lowest order of the angels, and the most recognized. They are the ones most concerned with the affairs of living things. Within the category of the angels, there are many different kinds, with different functions. The angels are sent as messengers to humanity. Personal guardian angels come from this class and are not, thus, of a separate order or class.

These six gathered with their hands raised in praise and their wings extended, three angels flanking each side above Christ's head, are unmistakably a reference to the six days of Creation in the first chapter of Genesis, which itself is arranged as two sets of three God builds three containers, and

then takes three days to fill each one). Their presence, like the cityscape surrounding the saints, is Mr. Lieftuchter's symbolic way of affirming the recreation of all things in Christ and the new and eternal Jerusalem, not destroyed by fire at the end, but redeemed by Christ and coming down from the heavens. These six angelic mediaries remind us who contemplate the mural that in Jesus Christ a permanent union has been established between God and man and that Christ, lifted up from the Cross and raised from the dead, has become the new and more permanent Jacob's ladder, upon whom the angels ascend and descend (John 1:51).

With hope, the next instalment will focus on the image of the Lamb at the top of the proscenium arch itself and the iconography around it. If you have a question for The Cathedral Conundrum, please share it with our editor, Mr. Tyler Greenwood (tgreenwood@dwc.org).

Infant Jesus of Prague Novena

July 2, 2018 thru August 27, 2018; Nine consecutive Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

Saint Mary's Church, 20 North Fourth Street, Martins, Ferry, Ohio

The Infant of Prague Society of St. Mary's Church, Martins Ferry, will begin the 27th Annual Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague with Benediction. For more information, please contact Shirley Moczek by phone at (304) 810-4688 or by e-mail at Moczek305@comcast.net

Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents Retreat

Saturday, July 21, 2018; 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart of Mary Church, 200 Preston Ave, Weirton, WV

This is a faith based ministry for parents whose children (of any age) have died by any cause, no matter how long ago. A donation of \$25 for individuals or \$40 for couples is requested to attend this one day spiritual retreat. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Maureen Kerr at (304) 723-7175 or visit www.emfgp.org.



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From the Diocesan Office of Safe Environment

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment. To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 (toll free) or 304.233.0880; Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Msgr. Frederick Annie, ext. 267, or Msgr. Anthony Cincinnati, 270. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to www.dwc.org, then click the "Diocese" tab, then click "Office of Safe Environment" under the "Offices" menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church's efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org>. Under "Issues and Action," click "Child and Youth Protection" from the drop down menu.

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Masses

Sundays: 6:00 p.m. (Saturday)
8:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Weekdays: 12:05 p.m. Monday thru Friday
9:00 a.m. Saturday

Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin

Confessions

Friday 11:15-11:45 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00-5:45 p.m.
or by appointment



BAPTISMS / INITIATION

Both Baptism and the Rite of Initiation for Adults can be arranged by contacting the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples who are members of the Cathedral parish should contact the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK / COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND
Please call the parish office to arrange for a visit.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration forms can be obtained through the parish office.
Please notify the parish office of address changes through the parish office or by visiting the website.

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