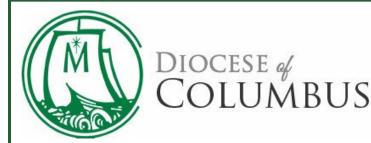


JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART



The Bishops of Ohio Announce the Lifting of the Dispensation from the Obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation

May 13, 2021

As we move beyond the worst of the coronavirus pandemic and access to the COVID-19 vaccine has become more widespread, the time has arrived for the good of all the faithful when the general dispensation from tion is no longer pagesery.

the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is no longer necessary.

Together, the Bishops of Ohio have decided that the general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (including the Saturday/Vigil Mass) is to be reinstated (CIC, can. 1247). This will take effect in each of the Dioceses of Ohio the weekend of June 5-6, 2021. As has always been the case, those who have a serious reason are exempt from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2181). This includes those who are ill, have significant health risk factors or care for someone who is immunocompromised or ill, as well as those who have significant fear or anxiety of contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons. Nevertheless, these persons should observe the Lord's Day (CIC, can. 1247) and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday, meditating on the Lord's passion, death and resurrection; an appropriate way to do this is through viewing a broadcast of the Sunday Mass. Masses that are broadcast through various media are not intended as a substitute nor do they fulfill the obligation for the persons who are able to gather for a Sunday celebration and other Holy Days of Obligation. Instead, they are intended for the sick, home-bound, the imprisoned, etc., who are unable to attend Mass in person. Kindly consult your pastor with any specific questions regarding the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. The book of Exodus reminds us to keep holy the Sabbath day (Exodus 20: 8-10). As Catholics, we are invited by God to gather together in community, and participate fully in the Sunday Eucharist, which is the "source and summit of the Christian life." "Participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist is a testimony of belonging and of being faithful to Christ and to his Church. The faithful give witness by this to their communion in faith and charity. Together they testify to God's holiness and their hope of salvation. They strengthen one another under the guidance of the Holy Spirit" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2182).

The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days is not something God asks of us out of His own necessity to be worshipped, but rather a gift to the faithful for their spiritual well-being, eternal salvation and formation in our relationship with God and one another. To that end, Saint John Vianney rightly asserts, "There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us." The Eucharist is the greatest gift Christ left to the Church—the gift of Himself. There is no substitute for Mass celebrated in person. We are profoundly grateful to our pastors and all of the faithful for their flexibility, fidelity and great generosity in support of the mission of the Church throughout this unprecedented time. As we prepare for the reinstatement of the obligation to attend Mass, we are excited once again to gather together in person without restrictions in our parish churches, most fittingly on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. As we reflect on our Lord's goodness and mercy in the midst of the sacrifices made during the coronavirus pandemic, we ask Saint Joseph to intercede for us, that through his fatherly protection and care, we may experience a renewal of faith in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We welcome you back with great joy and eagerness!

The Most Rev. Dennis M. Schnurr Archdiocese of Cincinnati

The Most Rev. David J. Bonnar Diocese of Youngstown

The Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan Diocese of Columbus

The Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas Diocese of Toledo

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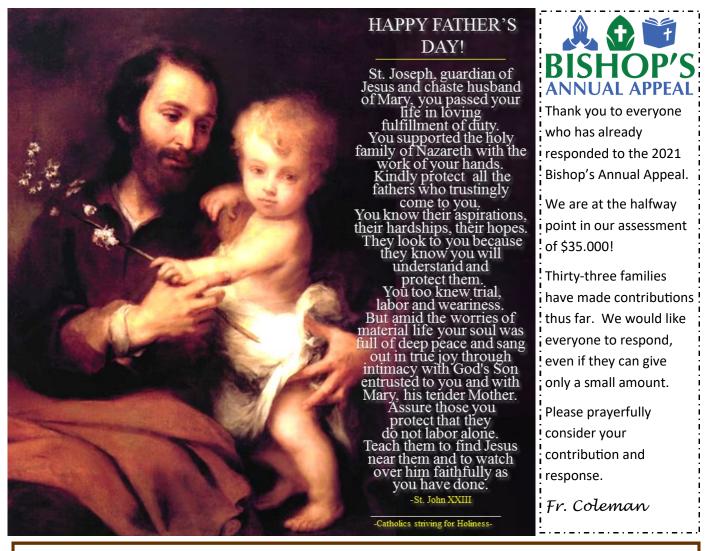


Source:https://www.columbuscatholic.org/the-return



popsicles Fla-vor-ice flashlights - (available on Amazon from 10 pks to 30 pks)

Thank you for any help you can provide! Submitted by Mary Posten



Four Father's Day Blessings

1) The Aaronic Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26, NIV).

2) An Old Irish Blessing

May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand. (a traditional Irish blessing)

3) A Blessing from the Apostle Paul

May God, out of His glorious riches, strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, that Christ may dwell in your heart through faith.

May you, being rooted and established in love, have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and may you know this love that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. May God, who is utterly able, do immeasurably more for you and in you than all you can ever ask or imagine. *(based on Ephesians 3:16-19, NIV)*

4) A Sevenfold Blessing from Scripture

May God be gracious to you. May God bless you. May God make His face shine upon you. May you be strengthened with all power according to God's glorious might. May you be filled with joy. May God give you the desire of your heart, and make all your plans succeed. (Drawn from Psalm 67:1, Colossians 1:11, Psalm 20:4)

You may want to combine one or more of these blessings, or add to them specific prayers of your heart for your father (or grandfather, or other father figure). And you don't have to pray these blessings only on Father's Day, of course. They work all year round.

source:guidepost.org



Adult Ed Mother's Day Cookie Sale!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!!! You made our sale a tremendous success!

And !!! Your support has inspired us to have another "specialty" cookie sale for Father's Day!

We will have sample cookies available on June 5th and 6th so that you will have the opportunity to preorder. I am planning some interesting designs - a sort of "TOOL BOX" (pardon the pun) theme!

Cookies will be individually wrapped for safety in handling.

Submitted Joanne Farrell

Our Lady of Cranganor: June 10

In Eastern India stands the church and the Shrine of Our Lady of Cranganor, which it is asserted, was built by one of the three kings who visited the Divine Child and



His Blessed Mother. India was one of the countries that had the privilege of receiving the light of Faith at the dawn of Christianity.

History relates that Saint Thomas the Apostle came to India at Cranganor in 52 AD. There the Christians are still known as Saint Thomas Faithful. Kerala, as the place is also known, is cut off by the

mountain ranges from the rest of India, and has held firmly to the Faith, regardless of the gloom of the rest of the continent. The deep spirituality of the Catholics evidences their great love for the Mother of God, Our Lady of Cranganor. Nala-bat as the country is likewise called, may be translated as Mary's country, Mary's namesake. It is believed that when Saint Thomas came to Cranganor, he brought with him a picture of Our Lady, painted by Saint Luke; this was lost after Saint Thomas' martyrdom, but was later discovered in a cave at Little Mount, Madras, near the scene of his death.

In 1498 when the Portuguese arrived in Cranganor, they were surprised to find so many churches dedicated to Mary. Saint Francis Xavier found the people of Cranganor very strong in faith and devoted to Mary, Our Lady of Cranganor. He spared no pains to flame their devotion to the Mother of God.

One may wonder why devotion to Mary took root and blossomed so strongly in Kerala – almost as though it met some deep religious and psychological need. Perhaps

the reason for such spontaneous devotion is to be found in the position of the mother in the Hindu family. For while love, obedience, devotion and dependence one's on mother are natural to all peoples and nations, in Cranganor the exalted position of the mother assumes singular, if not unique, proportions. The mother is everything in the family; to depend on her is a deep-rooted tendency of all children in Kerala.



Much more than the father, the mother is the breadwinner in the family. She owns, buys, and sells property and governs the house without any consultation with the father; he may frequently be away, but she always remains at home in the house. Her brothers have no right property, only а living allowance and accommodations. Now this matriarchal system has been carefully guarded by the majority of Hindus. It lies at the very heart of the traditional way of life in Kerala; a timehonored custom which has helped to give Marian devotion an easy welcome and speedy growth.

Saint Ignatius of Loyola always wore the rosary conspicuously over his cassock. To his great satisfaction, Our Lady's "Madre de Dios" church was assigned to him on his arrival at Cochin, replacing Cranganor as the port of traffic with the western world. When Saint Francis arrived, he found a Confraternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary already established and he fostered this zealously during his lifetime.

Source:*from The Woman in Orbit, roman-catholic-saints.com, Marian Calendar

An Angel for Gabe

Something very unexpected happened to me on the way into Kroger this past Mother's Day. Our grandson, Gabe, was on his way home after two weeks in the hospital following a serious brain surgery. Steve and I were taking dinner to Gabe and his family, and I wanted to pick up a "Welcome Home" balloon and some candy for Gabe. Steve dropped me off at the door, and as he went to park, I realized that I didn't have my mask on. I was walking back to the car to get it when a young man approached me and asked if I was a mother. He said that he just wanted to wish me a Happy Mother's Day. I said "yes" and "thank you very much", then went toward our car while Brad – asked me if he could show me something quite the young man went into the store.

Once in the store, I wanted to find him and really let him know my feelings on this day - much happiness and thankfulness that God had made this Mother's Day so special for all of us, with Gabe finally coming home. When I found him, I told him about Gabe, and how worried we've all been. He commented that in the parking lot I had looked a little down, and he said that he wanted to share his story with He told me that he was a me. veteran, and that he had been injured in Afghanistan. "I didn't think I was going to ever come home," he said. He had a long recovery, during which he had no use of his legs - no feeling. He then told me that he turned to God and prayed and prayed. He turned his life around and was healed, and he now works with vets, police, security, and the military – his new mission.

When he asked how our grandson was doing. I told him that Gabe was on his way home, and will

be facing chemo and radiation treatments after the surgery heals. But, he is so happy to be going home, I told the young man. I commented that Gabe is a very spiritual person, he prays, reads the Bible, and is active in his church. I also told him that Gabe recently graduated from cheering up. He certainly did the job, thank God. Seton Home Study School.

I told him that we just wanted to pick up something to welcome him home. We were standing at the flower department and I mentioned that I couldn't find

much. He noticed a planter shaped like a barrel cactus, with a little cactus plant in it. He told me that the cactus is a remarkable plant because it can stay alive with very little care and water in many areas of the world. He thought maybe Gabe would enjoy taking care of it and nourishing it. This young man took the cactus over to a nearby counter, paid for it, and told me to give it to Gabe. He refused to take any money for it. I have no idea how much it cost, but at that point it didn't matter. I knew then that I was in the hands of an angel. (I still got Gabe a balloon and some candy.)

"Things will be okay," he said. "God has Gabe and your family in His hands, and He always answers pravers."

Then, the young man – I finally got his name:



unusual - his tattoos. On his right arm were Jesus on the cross, and angels all the way up his arm. On his left, the tattoos were of devils and Satan. I could see that this young man had been in the middle of a tremendous spiritual battle in his early life. God won! Brad then asked if he could pray for Gabe, for me, and our family. So, right there in the flower department at Kroger, this brave young man prayed for Gabe and all of us, then gave us a blessing.

"Would you mind if I gave you a hug?" he asked. I gave him permission, thanked him, then we each went our own wav.

When we got to Gabe's, he was already home. We hugged and cried tears of joy. When I everyone about told my experience at Kroger, even more tears of joy flowed.

I don't know much else

about Brad; but I believe that God put him in my life on that Mother's Day. He wasn't pushing any religion or selling anything. In the parking lot, he just noticed I was looking downward and wondered if I needed some

> Sandy Venturini May 10, 2021

PRAYER REQUEST OF THE UNBORN:

Dear Unborn,

Please pray for the conversion and repentance of all who caused your death; pray for the salvation of their souls; pray for peace in the hearts of your moms who had no choice in the decision of abortion.

Pray for your brothers and sisters who may have survivors' guilt. Please pray and intercede for any considering abortion: that God may grant them the graces to see alternatives; that if they have an ultrasound, may they have their eyes opened to see a real person in the womb.

Please pray for your dads who were given no input towards your life. Pray for peace in the hearts of those who would have taken you into their homes and hearts - may God grant them peace. In Jesus' Name I pray.

What a surprise when after the "Easter" flowers were removed that a second beautiful arrangement appeared.

Thank you to Anne Grossman for renovating our Easter Altar!

This would also be a good time to say "thank you" to all those individuals who take the time to bring flowers to the Altar in reverence of God and for Our Lady to show their

> love and gratitude for the Catholic Church.



Changes will be coming in Covid restrictions. Stay tuned for updates! Fr. Coleman

PRAYERS FOR OUR COUNTRY

This prayer has evolved over time. Each time I thought that it was done, I was prompted to tweak it some more. Only God knows whether it is done or if more may be added. But for now this is the prayer God has inspired me to say.

It seems that this is a prayer for these times that we are experiencing. May God bless you all, protect you and keep you all safe.

Mary Bishel



What a beautiful day we had for our 2021 May Crowning!

For the USA to return to "one nation under God indivisible, with liberty and justice for all". And for our Holy

Mother the Church to stay true to The Word of God, both from the very top position to the lowest person.

But this prayer can be used for whatever intention you intend:

Through the Precious Blood of Jesus, I pray for the truth to prevail; may flaws be mended; for the conversion and repentance of sinners; for corruption to be exposed; and that God's justice be served. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen.

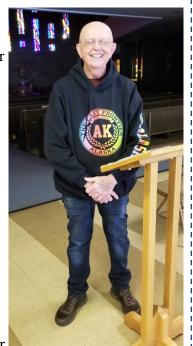


COLUMBUS CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR NOMINEE SPEAKS TO MEN OF THE MEDAL

Longtime parishioner George Medary addressed the Men of the Medal Prayer Group at the May meeting. George spoke on the history of the St Vincent de Paul ministry in the world and at Miraculous Medal church. His message encouraged us to take action to help those experiencing hard times. Did you know that our local chapter has one of the highest requests monthly of all the Columbus Chapters? George pointed out that they help *parishioners first* then others. They have helped with food, shelter, utilities, medicines, car repairs as well as temporary housing. Please consider giving to the great charitable work of our St Vincent de Paul Ministry at our parish. George also acknowledged his predecessor, Tony Bishel as well as current treasurer Bob Trisket.

By the way, George was nominated as Catholic Man of the Year in the Diocese of Columbus. In addition to St Vincent de Paul, George is active in the choir, praise band, Knights of Columbus, and the Bishop Griffin Center. He is also the Parish Captain for the Catholic Men's Conference. He and his wife Francie are always helping out the parish in any way needed. Congratulations George. The next Men of the Medal meeting is Saturday morning June 12th from 9-11 in Don Ross Hall.

Submitted by Patrick Shroyer



Knight's News

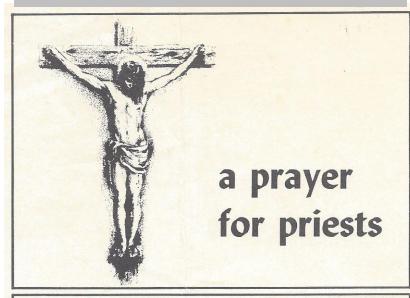
The Mother's Day Flower Sale was a great success! The Knights sincerely want to thank everybody who purchased flowers for their support and hope they enjoy their flowers this Spring and Summer.



We are looking into possibly of having the Knights vs Squires softball game in July. This is to be discussed at the June meeting. More information will follow as soon as we have it.

Correction to the "A Few Words of Recognition and Thanks", article in the May 2021 issue: The Knights who were the diaper delivery men were Steve Doyle and Bob Trisket; I mistakenly named George Medary. Please excuse





IN THE NAME OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, FATHER. SON AND HOLY SPIRIT, WE BEG YOU DEAR JESUS. ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST, THAT YOU KEEP HIDDEN WITH-IN THE WOUND OF YOUR HEART, YOUR PRIESTS WHOM YOU HAVE ORDAINED TO YOUR ETERNAL PRIESTHOOD.

PRESERVE THEM, PROTECT THEM AS THE DISPENS-ERS OF THE MYSTERIES OF GOD, AND KEEP THEM FAITHFUL IN THEIR MISSION AS YOUR EXPLATORY VIC-TIMS FOR THE SINS OF MEN. TOGETHER WITH YOU, O CHRIST, ARE THEY CONTINUALLY OFFERED ON YOUR ALTAR ON HIGH IN THE SIGHT OF THE FATHER, A PROPITIATION OF LOVE RISING AS INCENSE FROM MEN TO GOD. EVER INCREASE IN YOUR FAITHFUL PRIEST-VICTIMS YOUR POWER TO DRAW ALL HEARTS INTO YOUR OWN, THAT YOU MAY PERFECT YOUR WORK OF GRACE AMONG THE SONS OF GOD, WHOSE INHERIT-ANCE IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

HAVE PITY, DEAR JESUS, ON THOSE OF YOUR PRIVI-LEGED ONES WHO HAVE STRAYED FROM YOUR HEART AND TORN OPEN THE WOUND IN YOUR SIDE BY THEIR INFIDELITY TO YOU. RELEASE UPON THEM THE TOR-RENTS OF YOUR LOVE AND COMPASSION, DROWNING THEIR SOULS IN YOUR OCEAN OF MERCY WHICH THEY CANNOT ESCAPE. DRAW THEM BACK INTO THE FULL-NESS OF THE LIFE AND THE LIGHT THAT IS OF GOD. AMEN.

Council Officers for the 2021-2022

Knights of Columbus, Council #11188, is honored to announce following nominations for fraternal year 2021-2022:

*Grand Knight: Alex Esparza

*Deputy Grand Knight: Bob Trisket

*Chancellor: Mike Draudt III

*Warden: Tim Hickey

*Advocate: George Medary

*Recorder: Bill Wilbur

*Financial Secretary: John Petrushka

*Inside Guard: Andy Wells

*Outside Guard:

*First Year Trustee: Fritz Mirville,

S - Second Year Trustee: Steve Doyle

T - Third Year Trustee: Emmett Saylor

*Treasurer: Mike Jacobs

The elections will take place on June 8th.

Prayer Of Protection For Devices April 12, 2021 by <u>sd</u> (spiritdaily.com)

Umbrellino Prayer for Technology Lord Jesus Christ, Sovereign King enthroned in Heaven, in Your love and mercy establish a perimeter of protection with Your Precious Blood around our communication devices and all technology used during this session, the cameras or webcams, microphones, speakers, displays, any and all software, WiFi connections in the air, both my router and the router of N. and anyone assisting, the optic cables involved in the transmission of data, and the light waves being used to transfer data. Cleanse them with Your Precious Blood and drive from them any satanic influence. Establish around them a sanctuary of Your mercy where satan and any other evil spirit or human agency cannot interfere. I ask, Father, that You would block, bind, rebuke and render impotent any assault of the evil one from them in any way. Father, so long as these instruments are utilized in this ministry of Divine Mercy, we ask You to allow them to enjoy the protection of the Blessed Mother, St. Michael the Archangel and all the holy angels. We ask this in Your most Holy Name, the Name before which every knee shall bow, in Heaven, on the Earth, and under the Earth, that Jesus Christ is Lord. R. Amen.

WITH ECCLESIASTICAL APPROVAL.

Fr. Coleman's Calendar