

August 16, 2009

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint John Vianney

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Friends in Christ Jesus,

Last Sunday we celebrated the Feast of St. John Vianney. Following the 10 AM Mass we hosted a potluck lunch. This was the best attended potluck in our history. I think the great attendance is a sign of good things to come--lots of growth. Thanks again to all who prepared and brought food. And thanks to all who helped set up and clean up. You are the reason for our success. Another potluck will be celebrated very soon. Secondly this: school is back in session. This means that our religious education classes will begin very soon. Make certain your child gets registered for religious education. Registration forms are available in our lobby.



Have a blessed week.

Fr. Scott Mansfield

Baptism after the 8:00AM Mass

September 13th

Baby: Daniel Logan Schutten

Parents: David & Seveda Schutten

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Holy Rosary

20 Minutes before each mass

Holy Masses

Saturday4:00PM

Sunday.....8:00AM

Sunday..... 10:00AM

Sacrament of Confession

Upcoming Events

8/30/09 After 10AM Mass Religious Education Teachers Meeting

9/06/09 After 10AM Mass Parent's Religious Education Meeting

9/13/09 After 10AM Mass Religious Education Classes Start

1st Sunday of every month..... Food Collection for Charity

All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent.

Thomas Jefferson

Religious Education Teachers:

Meeting 08/30/09 after 10am Mass

Parent's Meeting: 09/06/09 after 10am Mass

Classes Begin: 09/13/09 at 11:15-12:30

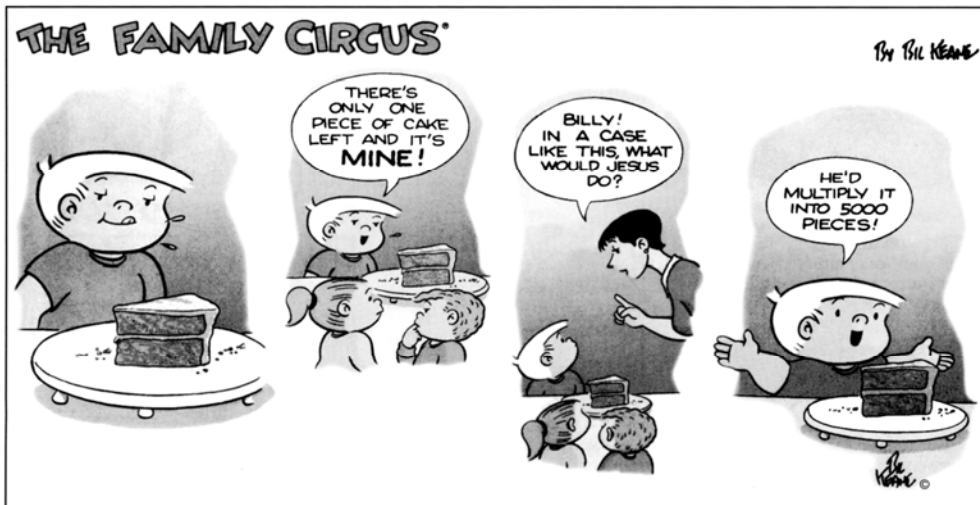
Please register if you have not already done so.

May today be all that I need it to be. **May** the peace of God and the freshness the Holy Spirit rest in my thoughts, rule in my dreams and conquer all my fears. **May** God manifest himself today in ways that I have never experienced. **May** my joys be fulfilled, my dreams become closer and my prayers be answered. **I** pray that my faith enters a new height, that my territory is enlarged and that I make one step closer to my destiny. **I** pray for peace, health, happiness and true and undying love for God.

Rosary Leaders Wanted

Rosary Leaders are needed for the Sunday 10AM Mass.

If you are able to serve as Rosary Leader please give your name/eMail/number to one of the Ushers.



Congratulations to all our Pot Luck winners and to Peggy Vigil for winning our St. John Vianney's raffle; "Resurrection" portrait.

Thank you Marcella Baca Dory, Julie Burnside, John Lombardo, Francis Donlin and Peggy Chavez for helping Loretta Tafuro sell Raffle Tickets after all three masses. Also, thank you Elena Chaves for donating the "Resurrection" portrait.

Baptism Notice

ALL paperwork must be turn in at St. Thomas Aquinas Office on Tuesday before the Sunday for baptism.

Yes, Michael Jackson did pass away in June - and so did:

Army SSG Paul G. Smith, 43, of East Peoria, IL
Army SPC Chancellor A. Keesling, 25, of , IN
Army 1SG John D. Blair, 38, of Calhoun, GA
Army SGT Rodrigo A. Munguia Rivers, 27, MC
Army 1LT Brian N. Bradshaw, 24, of WA

Army SSG Joshua A. Melton, 26, of Carlyle, IL
Navy MCPO Jeffrey J. Garber, 43, of Herningford, NE
Army SGT Rickey D. Jones, 26, of Plantersville, AK
Army SPC Casey L. Hills, 23, of Salem, IL
Army SPC Joshua L. Hazelwood, 22, of Manvel, TX

Pray for these brave souls that gave the ultimate sacrifice for the precious freedom that our Country and our God grants us.

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible - Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the chapter. Little Rick was excited about the task - but he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Ricky was so nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, 'The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know.'

Congressional Health Care Plan vs. Catholic Medical Ethics: Part 1- HR 3200

Dear friends in Christ, I have just concluded reading a summary of the Congressional Health Care Plan, HR 3200, presently before the House of Representatives. What I read turned my stomach. This Bill is not concerned about money or government (miss)management. Stripped of its legalese this Bill is concerned with euthanasia and abortion, “the power to determine who lives and who dies in America.”(1)

I believe Rev. Rick Joyner’s personal response to HR 3200 is an excellent response. “National Health Scare”, his retort to HR 3200, is germane because members of both parties have read and appreciated his writings in the past. He notes: “In Germany, the National Socialists (Nazis) gradually desensitized to death beginning with abortion. Then they quietly, seemingly with the most noble intentions, rounded up the retarded and insane, claiming the state could take much better care of them, but no one ever saw or heard from them again. Then they did the same with the elderly. As word slipped out that they were being euthanized, it was explained that war made it necessary to eliminate all the ‘useless eaters’ so the troops could be fed, as well as those who worked for the war machine. By that time, the grip of control was too strong for anyone to protest or they would be sent to the camps. Life became cheaper and cheaper, people became more depraved, and millions were slaughtered in the death camps.

“America is following a parallel course. If Hitler had a tool such as the health bill that is being proposed by Congress, along with the technology of control now available, it would have made his task much easier and more effective, and probably resulted in many millions more having been easily murdered”.(2)

Our National Health “Care” bill is designed to place the authority to determine who lives and who dies in the hands of another Czar, nothing more than a bureaucrat, who will decide if your parents can receive treatment, even in life and death cases or whether you or your children should receive treatment even if it is a life or death situation.

Please, rise up and take a stand against what is happening today. Attend TEA parties, call, write or e-mail your Congressman and Senators and let them know what you think and where you stand. I’ve provided addresses, phone numbers, and websites at the end of this article. I have parsed salient parts of HR 3200 below which refer specifically to euthanasia and abortion. Use this information when contacting your Representatives and Senators.

HB 3200

*Pg 425 Lines 4-12: Government mandates Advanced (Death) Care Planning Consultation. Think senior citizens end of life.

*Pg 425 Lines 17-19: Government will instruct and consult regarding Living Wills, Durable Powers of Attorney. Mandatory! (It is my understanding a consult occurs every five years after age 65.)

*Pg 425 Lines 22-25: Pg 426 Lines 1-3: Government provides approved list of end of life resources, guiding you in death.

*Pg427 Lines 15-24: Government mandates program for orders for end of life. The government has a say in how your life ends.

*Pg 427 Lines 1-9: An “advanced care planning consult” will be used frequently as patient’s health deteriorates .

*Pg 429 Lines 10-12: “Advanced care consultation” may include an ORDER for end-of-life plans. An order from the government.

*Pg 429 Lines 13-25: The government will specify which doctors can write an end-of-life order.

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*Pg 430 Lines 11-15: The government will decide which level of treatment you will have.

*Pg 769 Lines 3-5: Nurse Home Visit Services-concerns “increasing birth *intervals* between pregnancies”
Government **ABORTIONS** anyone?

*Pg 770 Sec. 1714: Federal Government mandates eligibility for State Family Planning Services.
Abortion and State are Sovereign.

*Pg 838-840: Government will design & implement a Home Visitation Program for families with young children & families expecting children.

*Pg 844-845: This Home Visitation Program includes the Government coming into your home and telling you how to parent!

Those proposing this bill claim two things; 1. The word “euthanasia” is not used in HR 3200; therefore, it should not be inferred; 2. It would only pay doctors “for counseling patients about end-of life care...if the patients wanted it”.(3) Further, this bill would not “*basically* pull the plug on grandma because we decided that its to expensive to let her live anymore...”(4)

Friends, I pray along with Rev.Joyner that every Christian will rise up and take a stand against what is happening in our country. We can stop this if we take a stand. If we do not, what will we say to our God and Judge, Jesus, having this happen on our watch. As a Catholic Christian, I join with Rev Joyner in standing up for the truth regardless of the consequences. The Apostles and martyrs were persecuted and suffered shame rather than deny Our Lord. We can do no less. Read the bill for your selves. I have a 9 page synopsis I would be happy to e-mail to anyone who wants it. My e-mail is noted below, along with the addresses of our Senators and Congressmen. The brief outline and comments contained in this bill were put together by Mr. Mat Staver of the Freedom Foundation and Liberty Counsel. I believe his comments are correct considering this 1000+ page tome is replete with obfuscation. Please don't sit this one out.

My next endeavor will concern a Summary of Catholic Medical Ethics. Until then may God bless us, every one.

1. Special Bulletin- National Health Scare, By Rick Joyner

2. Ibid

3. Ibid

4. Albuquerque Journal, Wednesday, August 12, 2009 by Philip Elliott, The Associated Press (quoting President Obama)

5. Ibid

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Saint John Mary Vianney: Catechism on Confession



My children, as soon as ever you have a little spot upon your soul, you must do like a person who has a fine globe of glass, which he keeps very carefully. If this globe has a little dust on it, he wipes it with a sponge the moment he perceives it, and there is the globe clear and brilliant. In the same way, as soon as you perceive a little stain on your soul, take some holy water with respect, do one of those good works to which the remission of venial sins is attached -an alms, a genuflection to the Blessed Sacrament, hearing a Mass. My children, it is like a person who has a slight illness; he need not go and see a doctor, he may cure himself without. If he has a headache, he need only go to bed; if he is hungry, he has only to eat. But if it is a serious illness, if it is a dangerous wound, he must have the doctor; after the doctor come the remedies. In the same way, when we have fallen into any grievous sin, we must have recourse to the doctor, that is the priest; and to the remedy, that is confession.

My children, we cannot comprehend the goodness of God towards us in instituting this great Sacrament of Penance. If we had had a favour to ask of Our Lord, we should never have thought of asking Him that. But He foresaw our frailty and our inconstancy in well-doing, and His love induced Him to do what we should not have dared to ask. If one said to those poor lost souls that have been so long in Hell, “We are going to place a priest at the gate of Hell: all those who wish to confess have only to go out, ” do you think, my children, that a single one would remain? The most guilty would not be afraid of telling their sins, nor even of telling them before all the world. Oh, how soon Hell would be a desert, and how Heaven would be peopled! Well, we have the time and the means, which those poor lost souls have not. And I am quite sure that those wretched ones say in Hell, “O accursed priest! if I had never known you, I should not be so guilty!”

It is a beautiful thought, my children, that we have a Sacrament which heals the wounds of our soul! But we must receive it with good dispositions. Otherwise we make new wounds upon the old ones. What would you say of a man covered with wounds who is advised to go to the hospital to show himself to the surgeon? The surgeon cures him by giving him remedies. But, behold! this man takes his knife, gives himself great blows with it and makes himself worse than he was before. Well, that is what you often do after leaving the confessional.

My children, some people make bad confessions without taking any notice of it. These persons say, “I do not know what is the matter with me;” . . . They are tormented, and they do not know why. They have not that agility which makes one go straight to the good God; they have something heavy and weary about them which fatigues them. My children, that is because of sins that remain, often even venial sins, for which one has some affection. There are some people who, indeed, tell everything, but they have no repentance; and they go at once to Holy Communion. Thus the Blood of Our Lord is profaned! They go to the Holy Table with a sort of weariness. They say, “Yet, I accused myself of all my sins. . . I do not know what is the matter with me. ” There is an unworthy Communion, and they were hardly aware of it!

My children, some people again profane the Sacraments in another manner. They have concealed mortal sins for ten years, for twenty years. They are always uneasy; their sin is always present to their mind; they are always thinking of confessing it, and always putting it off; it is a Hell. When these people feel this, they will ask to make a general confession, and they will tell their sins as if they had just committed them: they will not confess that they have hidden them during ten years — twenty years. That is a bad confession! They ought to say, besides, that they had given up the practice of their religion, that they no longer felt the pleasure they had formerly in serving the good God.

My children, we run the risk again of profaning the Sacrament if we seize the moment when there is a noise round the confessional to tell the sins quickly which give us most pain. We quiet ourselves by saying, “I accused myself properly; so much the worse if the confessor did not hear. ” So much the worse for you who acted cunningly! At other times we speak quickly, profiting by the moment when the priest is not very attentive to get over the great sins. Take a house which has been for a long time very dirty and neglected — it is in vain to sweep out, there will always be a nasty smell. It is the same with our soul after confession; it requires tears to purify it. My children, we must ask earnestly for repentance. After confession, we must plant a thorn in our heart, and never lose sight of our sins. We must do as the angel did to Saint Francis of Assisi; he fixed in him five darts, which never came out again.

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Prayer Corner

Let us join as a community in prayer for our fellow parishioners and/or their family members.

- ◆ For the soul of Sgt. Joseph “Joe” Anthony Harris and for his family members. (7/22)
- ◆ For Healing and Peace for Bill Rounds, and for his wife, Vickie (7/19)
- ◆ For Fr. Whorton on his deployment, and especially for his family, and for all those families in our community affected by this deployment, that they all remain under God's loving care. (Till he returns)
- ◆ For the strength and courage of the disabled, sick, elderly, and dying
- ◆ For our country leaders to make the right decision for the well being of our country.
- ◆ For guidance to our leaders for the removal of the stain of abortion from our country.
- ◆ All our brave men and women of the world keeping their country free.

Prayers are kept on the list for a month then need to be resubmitted.

Thank you for your prayers.

Thank you for reading our bulletin.

Any suggestions, comments, prayers or articles can be sent to

bulletin@sjvnm.org.

We also like to hear about births, baptisms, marriages or other news about our church members.

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