

November 1, 2009

All Saints Day

Saint John Vianney

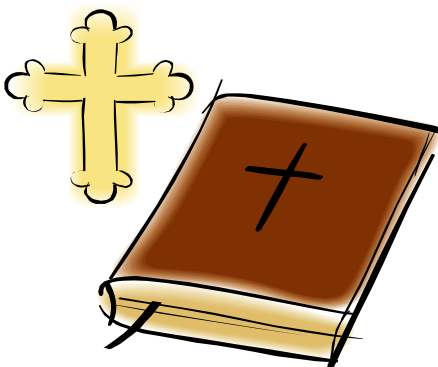
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Friends in Christ,

We celebrate the Feast of All Saints and the Feast of All Souls. The feast of All Souls is a special time of remembering the faithful departed--the dead who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially deceased family members and friends. And as we remember them, we pray for them. Whenever I celebrate a funeral Mass, I remind those in attendance to pray for the deceased person. How sad that so many show up to the funeral, but how few continue to pray for the deceased after the tears have dried. The dead--those in Purgatory--so greatly desire our prayers. Let's, therefore, aid the dead each day with our prayers. By the way, praying for the dead was a practice of the early Christians. Don't let anyone attempt to teach you otherwise.

Have a blessed week.



Fr. Scott
Mansfield

Holy Rosary

20 Minutes before each mass

Holy Masses

Saturday4:00PM

Sunday.....8:00AM

Sunday..... 10:00AM

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 3:00-3:45PM

Upcoming Events

1st Sunday of every month..... Food Collection for St. Felix Pantry

Merciful Father, hear our prayer and console us. As we renew our faith in Your Son, whom You raised from the dead, strengthen our hope that all our departed brothers and sisters will share in His resurrection, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen



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**St. Vincent de Paul
Thanksgiving Food Distribution,
Saturday, November 21, 2009**

The St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Distribution at St. Thomas Aquinas Church will be held on Saturday, November 21. Once again SVdP is relying on your help to make this project a success. If you are able to volunteer for this most worthy annual event, it is important that you attend the next general meeting. It will be held on Thursday, Nov. 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Thomas Aquinas office building. As always, we greatly appreciate your generosity. For more information please call the office at 892-0526.

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.

Observations on Growing Older
Going out is good. Coming home is better!

Arts and Crafts Fair
Being held at St. John Vianney
Saturday December 5th 8am-1pm
Benefit for: **Caring 4 Kids and SJV Building Fund**
There will be a variety of over 60 crafters!
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**Come, Pray and Sacrifice for The Unborn
Holy Family-Pray for us.**

**The Helpers of God's Precious Infants
Monthly Mass and Procession**

Saturday, November 14, 2009 with Fr. Joseph Vigil

Our Lady of Guadalupe this month co-sponsor

San Ignacio Church, 1300 Walter St. NE, Albuquerque



Mass Begins: 8:00 A.M. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a procession to a nearby abortion mill. Then, return to church for Benediction. Invite your family and friends to join you at this peaceful and prayerful event. Potluck social to follow. For more information contact Yolanda at Helpers@Defendinglife.Org or 220-8891.

The new Army recruit was given guard duty at 2a.m. He did his best for a while, but at about 4a.m. he went to sleep. He awakened to find the officer of the day standing before him.

Remembering the heavy penalty for being asleep on guard duty, this smart young man kept his head bowed for another moment and looked upward and reverently said, "A-a-a-men!"



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Defending Our Faith - A Series on Apologetics and Evangelization by John Lombardo

The Battle of Lepanto and Our Lady of the Rosary

The Starting Point for the Defeat of Congressional Health Care Plans

Dear friends in Christ, I have labored through the previous six articles to illuminate congressional duplicity in its attempt to veil the existence of euthanasia and abortion in its health care plans. Today I wish to illustrate how we Christians can absolutely thwart such dishonesty. My research discovered an excellent website which presented the answer I want to share. Catholic Radio Dramas.com (1) provided the religious and historical sources from which I make this information available to you. Enjoy!

In 1571 Turkish Muslims amassed a huge naval fleet of galley ships in the Bay of Lepanto off the coast of Cyprus in an attempt to control the Mediterranean Sea, destroy the Christian fleet and invade the whole of Europe. Don Juan of Austria, the exiled illegitimate son of the King of Spain found himself selected as commander-in chief of the outnumbered Christian fleet in what history would record as the bloodiest deck-to-deck sea battle in naval history.

Pope St. Pius V, a former Dominican monk, strove to unite the naval forces of Venice, Spain, and the Holy See to meet the Muslim threat and entrusted the Christian fleet to the protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Pope sent his blessing to the fleet commander, Don John of Austria, recommending him to leave behind all soldiers of evil life, and promising him the victory if he did so. Realizing the importance of the impending battle, the pope ordered public prayers, and increased his own supplications to heaven and led the people of Rome in vigils and processions from dawn to dusk as they prayed the rosary to Our Lady of Victory.

The rosary became the spiritual weapon of the Christians as thousands joined together in prayer on the day of the Battle of Lepanto, October 7, 1571. That night while meeting with the cardinals, he suddenly stopped and opened the window and looking at the sky, he cried out, "A truce to business; our great task at present is to thank God for the victory which he has given the Christian army". He burst into tears over the victory which dealt the Muslim power a blow from which it never fully recovered. The decisive victory in the Bay of Lepanto destroyed all but a third of the enemy fleet and drove-off those that survived the conflict. Pope Pius V established October 7 as a feast day of Our Lady of Victory in honor of the Blessed Virgin's assistance in securing the victory, freeing some twelve thousand Christian galley slaves and securing the safety of Europe. In memory of this triumph he instituted the first Sunday of October the feast of the Rosary and added to the Litany of Loreto the supplication "Help of Christians". He was hoping to put an end to the power of Islam by forming a general alliance between the Italian cities and those of Poland, France, and all of Christian Europe.

Two years later Pope Gregory XIII changed the name of the feast day to Our Lady of the Rosary because it was through the *praying of the Rosary* that the battle was won. October became, and still is, the month of the Most Holy Rosary in the Church's calendar. Pope Leo XIII added the invocation "Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us" to the Litany of Loreto.

The Battle of Lepanto lasted for a little over four hours. When the smoke cleared it was evident the Christians had won a major battle utterly defeating a numerically superior force. The

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cost in lives lost was great: the Christians lost 8000 killed, the Muslims lost 25,000 killed. I haven't offered this story to demonstrate Christian superiority over Muslim strategy. My purpose is to show the power of praying the Rosary especially when prayed in concert. We have an Administration and a Congress which deprecates facets of human life, to wit, non-producers such as the pre-born, those whose lives are diminished or weakened, sick or handicapped people, and the dying. If each of us prayed the Rosary daily on behalf of these brothers and sisters of ours who knows what God can produce. Fifteen to twenty minutes is all it takes. October is the Month of the Rosary-start today. *O Mary, help me to recite my Rosary faithfully. Grant that it may keep me close to you on earth and gain for me eternal life and union with you in heaven. (2)*

1. Go to-www.catholicradiodramas.com/HomepgImages/articles/the_battle_of_lepanto
2. *Mary Day by Day*, Catholic Book Publishing Co. New York



Beginning on the crucifix, meditate on the set of Mysteries you are going to pray, then kiss the Cross and make the Sign of The Cross, and recite the Apostles' Creed.

The first isolated bead following the introduction is the beginning of the first decade. You may "go either way" around the loop of beads, and when beginning the first decade, ignore the medal.

A decade always begins with the "Our Father" recited on the isolated bead, then 10 "Hail Marys" recited on the following beads. On the last bead in each decade, also recite the "Glory Be..." and "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of your mercy. Amen" (from Fatima.)

Continue in this same manner through all five decades. After the fifth decade, say at least one concluding prayer on the medal; there is no set selection so you may use any prayer you feel is appropriate to the mystery upon which you have just meditated, or a prayer such as "Hail Holy Queen."

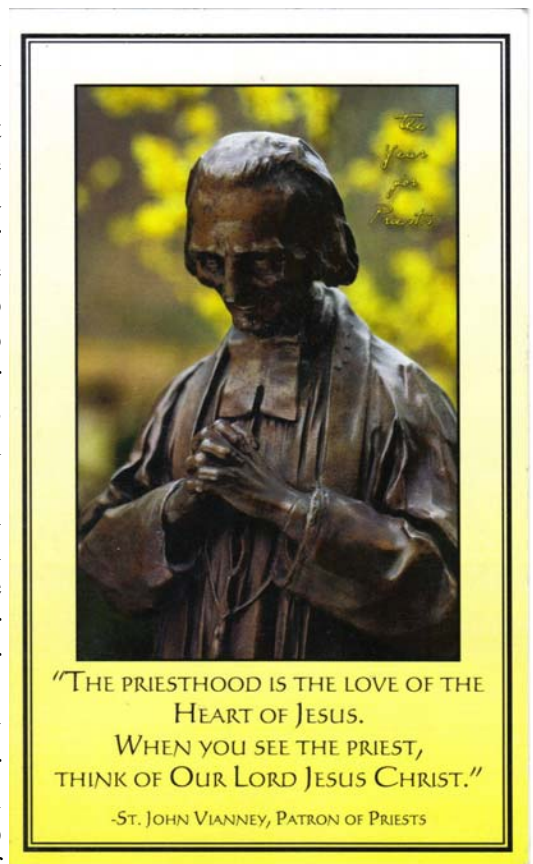
On Impurity by Saint John Vianney

That we may understand how horrible and detestable is this sin, which the demons make us commit, but which they do not commit themselves, we must consider what a Christian is. A Christian, created in the image of God, redeemed by the Blood of a God! a Christian, the child of God, the brother of a God, the heir of a God! a Christian, whose body is the temple of the Holy Ghost; that is what sin dishonours. We are created to reign one day in Heaven, and if we have the misfortune to commit this sin, we become the den of the devils. Our Lord said that nothing impure should enter into His kingdom. Indeed, how could a soul that has rolled itself in this filth go to appear before so pure and so holy a God?

We are all like little mirrors, in which God contemplates Himself. How can you expect that God should recognize His likeness in an impure soul? There are some souls so dead, so rotten, that they lie in their defilement without perceiving it, and can no longer clear themselves from it; everything leads them to evil, everything reminds them of evil, even the most holy things; they always have these abominations before their eyes; like the unclean animal that is accustomed to live in filth, that is happy in it, that rolls itself and goes to sleep in it, that grunts in the mud; these persons are an object of horror in the eyes of God and of the holy angels. See, my children, Our Lord was crowned with thorns to expiate our sins of pride; but for this accursed sin, He was scourged and torn to pieces, since He said Himself that after his flagellation all His bones might be counted.

O my children, if there were not some pure souls here and there, to make amends to the good God, and disarm His justice, you would see how we should be punished! For now, this crime is so common in the world, that it is enough to make one tremble. One may say, my children, that Hell vomits forth its abominations upon the earth, as the chimneys of the steam engine vomit forth smoke. The devil does all he can to defile our soul, and yet our soul is everything. . . our body is only a heap of corruption: go to the cemetery to see what you love, when you love your body. As I have often told you, there is nothing so vile as the impure soul. There was once a saint, who had asked the good God to show him one; and he saw that poor soul like a dead beast that has been dragged through the streets in the hot sun for a week.

By only looking at a person, we know if he is pure. His eyes have an air of candour and modesty which leads you to the good God. Some people, on the contrary, look quite inflamed with passion. . . Satan places himself in their eyes to make others fall and to lead them to evil. Those who have lost their purity are like a piece of cloth stained with oil; you may wash it and dry it, and the stain always appears again: so it requires a miracle to cleanse the impure soul.



	Sacristans	Ushers	EM of Holy Communion	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors
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Sat Nov 7th 4:00PM	David Crawford	Bill Deneen J.D. Strickland Mike Philbin	Esther Wilcox	Bill McCarty	Josh Storms Chase McMillan James Uhrich	David Crawford Peggy Riley
Sun Nov 8th 8:00AM	Julie Burnside	David Schutten John Christensen James E Dory	Coz Madrid	Frances Perko	Vincent Sergio Guillen Charles Lucero	April McClellan Petrita Lopez
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Prayer Corner

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

- ◆ For Arthur Ordaz who has just found out he has cancer. Please pray for his healing. (10/08)
- ◆ For Harvey Angers 88 yrs young, Alzheimers, going into a home.(9/20)
- ◆ For the soul of Bill Rounds, and for his wife, Vickie, healing and peace. (9/03)
- ◆ For Fr. Whorton on his deployment, and his family, 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.
- ◆ All our brave men and women of the world keeping their country free.
- ◆ For the lonely that they find comfort in the heart of Our Blessed Mother Mary as she too suffered the loneliness of Christ's death.

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

Thank you for your prayers.

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