

November 8, 2009

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Saint John Vianney

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Friends in Christ Jesus,

Last Sunday night St. Thomas Aquinas Parish was treated to a wonderful presentation on St. John Vianney, performed by Leonardo Defillips. I was very much inspired to read again several homilies written by St. John Vianney. During one homily, St. John Vianney reminded his parishioners that each one of them would someday see God as He is. This is a truth we need to be reminded of often, for each one of us will see God face to face one day. This is why living a Godly life now is so important. When we pass from this life to the next, seeing God face to face, we must give a full account of our lives. As our Lord told the rich man, keep God's commandments, be charitable and share with those in need your time and talents and treasure, and follow Christ. This way the meeting with God will be an unspeakable joy.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Scott  
Mansfield



<b>Holy Rosary</b>
20 Minutes before each mass
<b>Holy Masses</b>
Saturday .....4:00PM
Sunday .....8:00AM
Sunday..... 10:00AM
<b>Sacrament of Confession</b>
Saturday ..... 3:00-3:45PM

<b>Upcoming Events</b>
Pot Luck ..... 11:10AM, November 29th, 2009
1st Sunday of every month..... Food Collection for St. Felix Pantry

## God of the ages,

We thank You for all who have served in the armed forces of this country.

We thank You for the freedom their sacrifice has earned and guarded for us.

Help us to prize this freedom and use it well.

We ask You to bless all living veterans in a special way today, as well as the families of all veterans.

Comfort those who grieve for those who gave the last full measure of devotion.

Strengthen those who bear physical, emotional, and spiritual wounds.

Stand with those who provide care to them.

Move us to reach out to sisters and brothers who are veterans, or relatives of veterans, or who currently serve in the military.

We pray for the day when no one needs to serve in the military.

Help us to live now in anticipation of that day, as people who long for peace, who pray for peace, and who seek to be peacemakers in this world.

We pray in Jesus' name.

Amen.

## Pot Luck Planed for November 29th, 11:15AM

All you cooks in the kitchen for Thanksgiving are asked to made an addition dish to bring to church on the following Sunday for our Pot Luck. On the other hand you may just be tired of Turkey by Sunday and want to make a different dish to be shared. Mainly what is desired is that you bring your friendship and share a good time with your fellow parishioners. Out of town guests are welcome so bring them on over.

### 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!

Booths range from \$15-\$20

For information call 999-  
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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 the success it has always been. Suggestions for non-perishable food items for this event include stuffing mix, instant potatoes, gravy mix, cranberry sauce, canned vegetables and canned pumpkin. As always, we greatly appreciate your generosity. If you would like to volunteer to help, or need more information, please call the office at 892-0526.

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

VETERANS  
DAY



NOVEMBER 11



## Dreams by Carl E. Beyer

I discovered one website that noted there are five different types of dreams. However most people only describe dreams as either dreams or dreams that are nightmares. I find it interesting that there is no ordinary term for the dreams that are not nightmares. So all dreams are dreams but there is this special category of dreams that are classified as nightmares. The textbook definition of nightmares is a little too long so I will give my own definition. A nightmare is the brain playing a game with itself to see how much stress it can handle before breaking. Just makes you want to jump into bed and see what games your brain wants to send your way.

I, personally, side with Art Bell in asking that the time between sleeping and waking to be like little slices of death. Art Bell describes this as laying our head down on our pillow and then we awaken with nothing remembered in between. That would simply be too easy and what would be learned from that? No, we need to have dreams that make us spend days, weeks and even years trying to figure out their meanings. Oh, the games our brain plays on us. A little research on dreams will inform you quite quickly that the bottom line is that no one really understands dreams and those that say they do are only trying to sell their book. So, a disclaimer, I am not selling a book and you are welcome to disregard this whole article as simply my opinion which holds no more weight than all those dream experts selling their books.

A common belief is that when we lose a loved one, we are often visited by them in our dreams to let us know they are OK. I lost my sister, Joanne, in August of this year and had only one dream of her that I remember so far. In the dream I meet Joanne as she looked in the 80's and I informed her that I thought she was dead whereas she tells me she is not dead, just homeless. That is all I remember as dreams are allusive. I have thought and thought and I am not sure what this means. Joanne is, of course, included in my prayers nightly. I pray that Jesus scopes her up and holds her close to his heart; but what of the dream. My curiosity got the best of me and I called one of my other sisters to ask if she had a dream of my sister, Joanne. Without me having explained my dream, she describes a similar dream where she dreamed of my sister. She tells Joanne that she thought she was dead and my late sister replies no, she is not dead. On that same phone call her daughter described a similar dream. So I made my sister a detective and she asks the other siblings and most of them have had a similar dream. I am now awaiting the next dream of my sister for some clarification.

The dream of my late sister, like so many dreams, begs the question, are dreams simply our own brains playing games or are they a mechanism for some kind of communication from a higher source? Being a Roman Catholic, I would say the higher source would then need to be God but that also is a problem. I find it difficult to believe that God would take the opportunity in dreams to play such games with us that we spend countless hours either trying to figure out the dream or forgetting the dream. But some dreams do have power and lessons even when they are disturbing.

I had a dream once that I feel literally saved my life. It was a simple dream in which I was driving home and a red pickup ran a red light and t-boned my vehicle. At that time I worked many a late nights in my store therefore heading home after midnight when the drunk drivers are

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often out. For several weeks I cautiously approached green lights. One night, I stopped at a fully green light to allowed a red pickup to run the fully red light. These are the dreams that are hard to wrap any logic around. Was it simply good odds that sooner or later I was going to meet a red light runner or was it a forewarning so that I could be here to write this article?

Unfortunately we do not have a Joseph, who interpret dreams for the Pharaohs, available to us. It amazes me when reading the Bible the number of times that biblical figures were able to have such clear messages in their dreams. In the Bible, one source informs me, there are 224 references to dreams or visions. If dreams were meaningless, why are they so common in our most holy bible? But, on the flip side, nowhere in the bible are there any clear instructions on how to handle the confusing dreams that haunt our lives.

It should be clear by now that I am not one of those fortunate ones who dream sweet dreams. I have heard my wife laughing in her sleep which must have been a very nice dream. My wife looks forward to her dreams while I pray for no bad ones. I pray for the white light of our Lord to surround our house and loved ones and to keep out the bad spirits and demons from our dreams. There is no doubt for me that the evil one negatively influences our dreams. When one of our daughters was a small child she was plagued with bad dreams. We used the simple but effective prayer of: "I command in the name our Lord, Jesus Christ, that all evil spirits leave this house". This prayer had direct and quite fast results with my daughter's nightmares. This simply prayer is often overlooked in assisting us in keeping our homes holy.

I find it interesting to speak with other people about their dreams and to share the wide variations of dreams. I will share some of my dreams so that those of you who have similar dreams will know that you are not alone. My simplest and scariest dream was one that was only black. No colors, no shapes, no emotions only black. This black was the closest I have ever been to pure evil. Then there are those great nightmares in which you awaken only to find yourself still in the nightmare. These dreams require all your inner strength to force your physical body into a state of awakening and out of your nightmare. I have dreamed about going down the tunnel to that light we will all seek at our meeting with our Lord and not making it. That makes you re-examine your behaviors! I have killed myself in a dream. Well not exactly myself but my good side fighting my bad side and I hope I remember correctly that my good side won. Still it was upsetting that I "killed" myself. The most confusing dreams are those of an alternate reality in which we lived a completely different life and upon waking have to re-center ourselves into this life. That one is best not dwelled upon unless you have nothing else in this life to think about. I will leave you with that small sample of dreams to ponder. I am sure there are a large number of you who have had similar dreams.

Go forth and dream sweet dreams but be sure to ask our Lord for assistance with the difficult ones. God Bless You All.



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### ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

St. Thomas Aquinas Arts and Crafts show will be held **November 14th and 15th in Father D'Arco Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Crafters will have Jewelry, Stained glass, Ceramics, Hand sewn items, Wooden Crafts, Christmas items and much more. Food will also be available. All spaces have been sold out. Everyone welcome. **For further information call Elaine Yont 896-2400.**

### 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](mailto:Helpers@Defendinglife.Org) or 220-8891.

	<b>Sacristans</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>EM of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Rosary Leader</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Lectors</b>
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
Sun Nov 8th 10:00AM	Margaret Chavez	Tony Quinones Aaron Quinones Brian Padilla Gary Vigil	Rosie Root Margaret Chavez John Lombardo	Pinky Bjornstad	Krista Savela Jamie Van Loben Sels Jessica Van Loben Sels	Connie Dudon Rochelle Quinones
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Sun Nov 15th 8:00AM	Julie Burnside	James E Dory Jim Cutler Tom Anderson John Christensen	David Schutten	Evelyn Romero	Charles Lucero Peter Lucero Dominic Ortiz	Jose Guillen Geneva Torres
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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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<b>Oh Holy Water</b> <b>Where have thou gone?</b>
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