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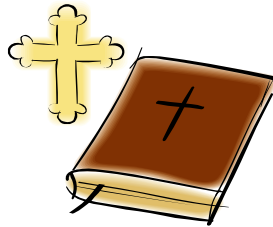
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saint John Vianney

A Mission Church of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish serving you since August 10, 1997
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Friends in Christ,

One week from this weekend, on Sunday, the 16th, after the 10 AM Mass, we will celebrate the end of the school year with a potluck. Please prepare and bring more of that really great food you brought for previous potlucks. I will bring the sodas. As we celebrate the end of the school year, we will celebrate the young people of our Mission. Our young ones have worked really hard all year, and they deserve a long break. Of course, our teachers too need a long break. Really, we cannot thank our teachers enough. So come and celebrate the end of the school year, next Sunday, after the 10 AM Mass.



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

Pot Luck Next Week

May 16th after 10AM Mass

Upcoming Events	
Food Collection for St. Felix Pantry	1st Sunday of every month
Food Collection for Kid's Pantry Backpack	3rd Sunday of every month
Great Adventure Bible Timeline Study Group	Starting Wednesday, 5/12/10, 10AM-12PM
Mandatory Evening of Reflection for Eucharistic Ministers	June 2nd - 7PM
Corpus Christi EM Commissioning Ceremony	June 6th - 3PM

CCD Teachers are needed to teach classes on Wednesdays.
Please contact Edwina to volunteer and/or for more information.

First Holy Communion Pictures are posted on the website. Visit www.sjvnm.org then click on PICTURES, drop down the VIEW option to 2010 1st Communion and click VIEW. If you want to download high quality pictures visit <http://picasaweb.google.com/gifts.of.the.holy.spirit/FirstHolyCommunionMay22010#>

All pictures were taken by John Reynolds. Thank you John for taking the pictures and allowing us to post them on our web site.

Want to read the bible in four years?

Stop by www.sjvnm.org and click on **subscribe**. You will receive daily reading in your eMail from the Bible and the Catechism. The readings will start with Genesis, Psalms, Matthew and the Catechism.

Grand Kids

A grandmother was telling her little granddaughter what her own childhood was like: "We used to skate outside on a pond. I had a swing made from a tire, it hung from a tree in our front yard We rode our pony. We picked wild raspberries in the woods." The little girl was wide-eyed, taking this all in. At last she said, "I sure wish I'd gotten to know you sooner!"

K4J
KIDS 4 JESUS

CIRCUS
of
STARS
SPOTLIGHT ON THE FATHER
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We will be registering the kids for VBS after all the Masses at the rear of the church.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO SIGN UP TO HELP WITH VBS.

There will be a list of positions to sign up for at the time of registration.

We will be having a meeting for the volunteers on Sunday May 16th after the 10:00 Mass, this is a very important meeting for all volunteers.

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In today's Gospel, Jesus says, "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him" (Jn.14:23). There are literally hundreds of references to money in the Bible and Church Teaching. Are your financial priorities being formed by the Word of God?

I had been teaching my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings, at bedtime, she would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us from e-mail. Amen."

**GREAT ADVENTURE DAYTIME STUDY GROUP
FORMING AT ST. JOHN VIANNEY MISSION!**

A 24-session **Great Adventure Bible Timeline** study group will begin on Wednesday, 5/12/10, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., at St. John Vianney Mission, 1000 26th Avenue, NE, Rio Rancho. The **Timeline** study is foundational to the entire **Great Adventure** series. Participants will need a Catholic **Bible** and a **Catechism of the Catholic Church**. The optional but "strongly recommended" study kit will cost \$30, payable at the first session. Please contact Jeannette at 892-1511, x104, or AquinasAM@yahoo.com to pre-register.

On the first day, God created the dog and said, "Sit all day by the door of your house and bark at anyone who comes in or walks past. For this, I will give you a life span of twenty years.." The dog said, "That's a long time to be barking. How about only ten years and I'll give you back the other ten?" So God agreed..... On the second day, God created the monkey and said, "Entertain people, do tricks, and make them laugh. For this, I'll give you a twenty-year life span." The monkey said, "Monkey tricks for twenty years? That's a pretty long time to perform. How about I give you back ten like the dog did?" And God agreed..... On the third day, God created the cow and said, "You must go into the field with the farmer all day long and suffer under the sun, have calves and give milk to support the farmer's family. For this, I will give you a life span of sixty years." The cow said, "That's kind of a tough life you want me to live for sixty years. How about twenty and I'll give back the other forty?" And God agreed again..... On the fourth day, God created humans and said, "Eat, sleep, play, marry and enjoy your life. For this, I'll give you twenty years." But the human said, "Only twenty years? Could you possibly give me my twenty, the forty the cow gave back, the ten the monkey gave back, and the ten the dog gave back; that makes eighty, okay?" "Okay," said God. "You asked for it." So that is why for our first twenty years, we eat, sleep, play and enjoy ourselves. For the next forty years, we slave in the sun to support our family. For the next ten years, we do monkey tricks to entertain the grandchildren. And for the last ten years, we sit on the front porch and bark at everyone.

Life has now been explained to you.

Marriage in Light of Humanae Vitae: Encyclical Letter by Pope Paul VI, 1968

Last week I covered three of the five subject headings I wanted to share with you. I will conclude the two remaining items this week.

Magisterium Teaching

“The Church...fulfilling the role given it by Christ as the identifier and interpreter of Scripture and apostolic Tradition, has constantly condemned contraception as gravely sinful.”(1)

Pope Paul VI Encyclical-On Human Life-(*Humanae Vitae*), succinctly stated that “We must once again declare that the direct interruption of the generative process already begun, and above all, directly willed and procured abortion, even if for therapeutic reasons, are to be absolutely excluded as licet means of regulating birth.”(2)

“Equally to be excluded, as the teaching authority of the Church has frequently declared, is direct sterilization, whether perpetual or temporary, whether of man or of the woman.”(3)

“Similarly excluded is every action which, either in anticipation of the conjugal act, or in its accomplishment, or in the development of its natural consequences, proposes, whether as an end or as a means, to render procreation impossible.”(4)

The Catechism of the Catholic Church reinforces Pope Paul VI Encyclical, notion that “Fecundity (to be fertile or fruitful) is a gift, an end of marriage, for conjugal love naturally tends to be fruitful...So the church ‘which is on the side of life’ teaches that “each and every marriage act must remain open to the transmission of life.”(5)

Fr. Pavone in a recently written monograph notes “there are two basic truths each person has to admit in this life:

1. There is a God.
2. It isn't me.

In order to understand these two lessons is to understand why contraception is wrong because “only God has absolute dominion over human life.”(6) “None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master. While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as His servants. Both in life and in death, we are the Lord's.”(7)

Dear friends, to put to rest any idea one may have that the use of contraception is a matter for each married couple to decide according to their individual conscience, note the following: The Church teaches that the illicitness of contraception is an infallible teaching and doctrine: “The Church has always taught the intrinsic evil of contraception...This teaching is to be held as definitive and irreformable. Contraception is gravely opposed to marital chastity, it is contrary to the good of the transmission of life, and to the reciprocal self-giving of the spouses; it harms true love and denies the sovereign role of God in the transmission of human life.”(8)

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Human Experience

Pope Paul VI's Encyclical, though written 40 years ago, has become prophetic in describing the fruits of contraception. Fr. Pavone notes that the most bitter fruit of contraception is abortion. Contraceptive failure rates are not low. "Approximately 9% of women who practice birth control become pregnant within one year of starting use. A typical woman who uses contraceptives continuously will create two babies."(9) What happens to these little innocents? John Paul II, the Great has the answer: he noted that contraception does not do away with the temptation of abortion but enhances the possibility of an abortion when an unwanted life is conceived. "Indeed, the pro-abortion culture is especially strong where the Church's teaching on contraception is rejected."(10)

In addition "recent studies reveal a far greater divorce rate in marriages in which contraception is regularly practiced than in marriages in which it is not."(11) On a slightly lighter note, we know how rapidly our society has decided that families should have only two children, maybe three. This idea was one of the first fruits of contraception. Large families were picked out for special innuendo: "When are you going to stop?" " We have two- that's enough", "How do you do it?" The one Marie and I got was "Oh my, are you Mormon or Catholic ?" We got used to these remarks and simply asked "Which ones should we get rid of ? Pick them out for us." Why do Marie and I along with those who accept the Church's teaching on contraception do so? Because we, the happy few, have decided to give without counting the cost.

In conclusion,, Historical Christian Teaching, Scripture , the Church Fathers, Magisterium Teaching, and Human Experience all testify to the moral evil of contraception.

I offer Verse 13 of St.Pio's Communion Prayer: "Stay with me Lord, because at the hour of my death I want to be one with You, and if not by Communion, at least by your grace and love. PEACE.

(1) The Essential Catholic survival Guide, p.284

(2) POPE PAUL VI ENCYCLICAL - HUMANAE VITAE , 13

(3) IBID, HV 14

(4) IBID, HV 15

(5) CCC 2366

(6) ABORTION AND CONTRACEPTION: FRUITS OF THE SAME TREE, BY FR. FRANK PAVONE

(7) ROM. 14:7-8

(8) VADEMECUM FOR CONFESSORS 2:4-NOTED IN ESSENTIAL CATHOLIC SURVIVAL GUIDE,P. 285

(9) IBID

(10) POPE JOHN PAUL II, ENCYCLICAL THE GOSPEL OF LIFE N 13, NOTED IN (6) ABOVE

(11) THE ESSENTIAL CATHOLIC SURVIVAL GUIDE, P.286

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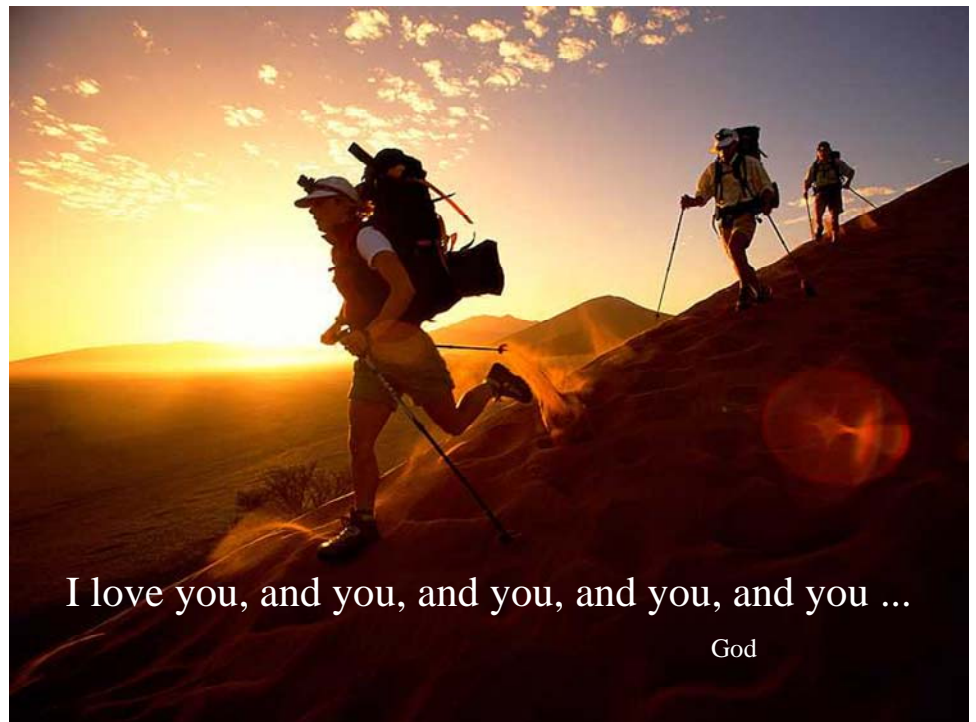
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We also like to hear about births, baptisms, marriages or other news about our church members.

If the church wants a better pastor, it only needs to pray for the one it has.



Prayer Corner

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

- ◆ For 7 month old boy, Caiden Monaghan, recovery after April 9th surgery. And our prayers for his parents during this difficult time. (4/11)
- ◆ Please pray for Marie Montoya health. (2/14)
- ◆ 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 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.

Mullikin Sport Camps

When/Where: Camp will be held at the St. Thomas Aquinas School gym located at 1100 Hood Rd. Rio Rancho, NM 87124

Camp #1 June 14-18 9:00-12:00 * Camp #2 June 21-25 9:00-12:00 * Camp #3 July 19-23 9:00-12:00

Times: Camp will be held from 9:00-12:00 Monday through Friday. Drop off and pick up for camp will be at the east gym door. Please provide your camper with a snack and water bottle for the camp. Cost: The cost for each camp will be \$50.00 per person.

My staff and I will provide a safe, positive environment that emphasizes critical lessons in many team and individual sports. We learn many different skills while playing fun and exciting games. All camps are open to boys and girls, ages 5 and up. Camp is operated by Heidi Mullikin, PE teacher at St. Thomas Aquinas School.

Pre-registration is important to ensure your space at camp. There must be a minimum of 10 students enrolled for camp to run successfully. You may contact me at hdh34@msn.com or 505-419-1404 with any questions.

	Sacristans	Ushers	EM of Holy Communion	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors
Sat May 8th 4:00PM	David Crawford	Mike Philbin Juan Serna	David Crawford	Bill McCarty	Karla Del Cid Jessica Van Loben Sels Jamie Van Loben Sels	Pam McCarty Bill McCarty
Sun May 9th 8:00AM	Julie Burnside	Carl Beyer Bill Deneen Vince Valdez Tom Anderson	Jeremy McClellan	Frances Perko	Dan Schick Shane Herrera Vincent Valdez	David Schutten April McClellan
Sun May 9th 10:00AM	Margaret Chavez	Tony Quinones Eddie Crespin John Valdez Gary Vigil	John Jenkins Carrie Jenkins Janis Crespin	Liz Martinez	Krista Savela Ariana Jenkins Emilio Crespin Angela Jenkins	Pinky Bjornstad Michael Tafuro
Sat May 15th 4:00PM	David Crawford	J.D. Strickland Juan Serna Mike Philbin	Esther Wilcox	Anne Sellman	Scott Harris Chase McMillan Robert Harris	Annette Montoya David Crawford
Sun May 16th 8:00AM	Julie Burnside	James E Dory Jim Cutler John Christensen Tom Anderson	Ana Marie Hartenhoff	Evelyn Romero	Dominic Ortiz Sergio Guillen Chris Schick	Andrew Rendon Gloria Rendon
Sun May 16th 10:00AM	Geri Hoover	Tony Quinones Gary Vigil John Valdez James Sandoval	Brian Padilla Margaret Chavez Loretta Tafuro	Rochelle Quinones	Christopher Padilla Alura McClellan Delaney Kast Josh Kast	Ana Padilla Peggy Riley

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