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“The Joy of Love” Chapter 3

Looking to Jesus The Vocation of the Family

The mystery of the human family can only be understood in the light of the Father's infinite love revealed in Christ who gave himself up for our sake.

This chapter will summarize the Church's teaching on marriage. Marriage is a gift from the Lord. In Hebrews we read, “Let the marriage bed be undefiled”, and in 1 Cor. 7:5, “Do not refuse one another.” Marriage is not a yoke; it is a gift. Through his church, Christ bestows on marriage and the family the grace necessary to bear witness to the love of God and to live the life of communion.

In many ways, Jesus showed appreciation for marriage:

- a) Jesus began his public life with the miracle of Cana. He showed a close friendship with the family of Lazarus and his sisters. Jesus showed mercy with a family who had lost a child. Jesus showed mercy to the Samaritan woman and the woman caught in adultery.
- b) The Incarnation changed human history. Mary and Joseph both needed to say their YES. Both shepherds and kings showed joy when they met the Holy Family. As others shared exile and persecution, so did the human family of Jesus. Zechariah, Simeon, Anna, and the teachers in the temple experiences joy at the presence of Jesus. Wasn't this joy also in the humble home at Nazareth as Jesus grew up with his parents? The model of the Holy Family gives a model for any family facing problems in life.

The Family as contained in Church Documents:

Gaudium et Spes promoted the dignity of marriage and family. Marriage is there defined as a community of life and love. Mutual self-giving is required. In Lumen Gentium there is the formula of a domesticated church. Humanae Vitae shows the bond between conjugal love and the generation of life. Other Popes wrote that God's way of loving becomes the measure of human love.

The sacrament of marriage is not a social connection; it is a gift for the sanctification of the couple. Marriage is a vocation, a response to a special call of conjugal love. In accepting each other and with the grace of God, the couple promises total self-giving, faithfulness, and openness to new life. The family is the place where life is conceived and cared for. It is a horrendous contradiction when it becomes a place where life is rejected and destroyed.

Imperfect Situations:

Seeing things with the eyes of the Christ inspires the Church to use pastoral care for the faithful who are living together, or who have been married only civilly, or are divorced and remarried. The Church with mercy encourages the couple to do good, show loving care to each other, and to serve the community. Pastors must use careful discernment in these situations.

Rearing of Children:

A child is a precious gift; parents are called to respect the dignity of the person and morally assess the method of regulating birth. The education of children is a serious duty and primary right of parents.

JANUARY AT A GLANCE

Jan. 3 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 8:00 PM
 Jan. 3 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 Jan. 4 ~ ~~NO~~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-12)
 Jan. 4 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
 Jan. 5 ~ Adult Religious Formation Meeting, 7:00 PM
 Jan. 8 ~ Kapaun's Men Study Group, 8:30 AM (8 week study group)
 Jan. 8 ~ Parish Outreach Meeting, 11:45 AM
 Jan. 10 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 Jan. 11 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-2), 6:00 to 7:30 PM
 Jan. 11 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. 3-12), attend Advent Penance Service
 Jan. 11 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
 Jan. 12 ~ Stewardship Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
 Jan. 15 ~ Parish Soup Luncheon & Raffle, 11:00 to 2:00 PM
 Jan. 15 ~ Endowment Board Meeting, 12:15 PM
 Jan. 16 ~ Heart to Heart Ministry Meeting, 6:30 PM
 Jan. 17 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
 Jan. 17 ~ Liturgy Commission Meeting, 5:00 PM
 Jan. 17 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 Jan. 18 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-8), 6:00 to 7:30 PM
 Jan. 18 ~ PSR Class (Gr. 9-12), 6:30 to 8:00 PM
 Jan. 18 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
 Jan. 19 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
 Jan. 22 ~ Altar Society Meeting, 5:00 PM
 Jan. 24 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 Jan. 25 ~ PSR Classes (Gr. K-8), 6:00 to 7:30 PM
 Jan. 25 ~ First Reconciliation (2nd Grade), 6:30 PM
 Jan. 25-29 ~ PSR High School Youth “March for Life” Trip
 Jan. 25 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
 Jan. 31 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 Feb. 2 ~ K of C Annual Sausage Supper, 5:00 to 7:30 PM



PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER

Throughout the month of January the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their Pro-Life Baby Shower with the proceeds given to Catholic Social Services. A crib is in the entrance of church where you may leave your items (maternity & baby clothing, diapers, blankets, bottles, formula, etc.) Monetary donations may be placed in the weekend collection; mark the envelope “Pro-Life Baby Shower”. Thanks for your support & prayers.



Knights of Columbus 48th Annual Sausage Supper

Thursday – February 2, 2017

5:00 to 7:30 PM

Adults: \$9.00 Under 12: \$5.00

Preschool: Free

K of C Hall on Scenic Drive ~ 1216 M Road



FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met December 20th
- ❖ Members present: Dennis Wilson, G.L. VonFeldt, Jim Damm, Don Jensen, Jacques Molleker, David Zecha, Connie Mauney, Kathy Couchman, Pam Huffles & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Bob Haymaker, Leon Sanders.
- ❖ Minutes of the November, 2016 meeting were approved.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial report for November reflecting \$20,812.95 in income and \$28,345.81 in expenses for a deficit of \$7,532.86. The balance sheet showed assets of \$276,859.77.
- ❖ David reported on the lights in the church. David & Tom Giessel have replaced 91 bulbs so far. By replacing the lightbulbs with LEDs the entire church will only use 4,200 watts/35 amps. This decreases the watts used dramatically and emits much more light. It was moved and seconded for David & Tom to continue to replace the remaining lightbulbs.
- ❖ The address signs have been installed on all the parish buildings.
- ❖ Following discussion, it was moved and seconded for Don to put a door on the mechanical room of the annex and do some painting.
- ❖ Pam reported on the interest that will be credited to our Chancery Deposit. \$4,190.34 will reflect on the December Financial report.
- ❖ Next meeting: January 17, 2017 @ 12:00 Noon

ADULT RELIGIOUS FORMATION COMMISSION

- ❖ Met December 1st
- ❖ Members present: Mary Mitchell, David O'Gwin, Cathy Grover, Regis Lopata, Sr. Rebecca. Guest: Jim Mitchell.
- ❖ Minutes from the Sept. 13, 2016 meeting were approved.
- ❖ Sr. Rebecca will check with Sr. Irene to see if she has written more of the "Joy of Love" articles for the newsletter. Commission members will begin to work on future columns.
- ❖ Plans were made for the Adoration/Holy Hours for the upcoming months.
- ❖ Reviewed responses from our recent program on the Eucharist by Bishop Barron. Discussed having another program for Lent. One recommendation was for a program called a "Biblical Walk Through the Mass". This will be discussed further at our next meeting.
- ❖ Jim Mitchell presented a men's program called "Father Kapaun's Men". The commission suggested having the eight week sessions on Sunday mornings before the 10:30 am Mass. Jim will present the program during Masses one weekend in December to encourage participation from the men in the parish.
- ❖ It was noted some individuals indicated a desire to participate in Mass ministries following our recent stewardship renewal. It was decided to have training sessions by the end of January for these individuals.
- ❖ Next meeting: January 5, 2017 @ 7:00 PM

STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

- ❖ Met December 8th
- ❖ Members present: Mary Klinge, Brenda Langdon, Don Kazmaier, Kristy Mull, Elaine Coulson, Shane Sundahl, Sr. Rebecca & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Mary Mitchell
- ❖ Minutes from the November, 2016 meeting were approved.
- ❖ Reviewed stewardship witness talks. Both speakers were very well received.
- ❖ The usher checklist has been devised. Fr. Warren will look it over for additions or corrections.
- ❖ Jim Mitchell has updated the stewardship analysis spreadsheet with new data. Results totaled 90 new ministry sign-ups. A postcard will be mailed to new volunteers informing them they will be contacted in early January if orientation is needed.
- ❖ Next meeting: January 12, 2017 @ 6:30 PM



PSR NEWS

We hope that you all
had a blessed Christmas!

The end of December was busy for our PSR children. The Christmas play went better than we could have hoped. A big THANK YOU goes to all of those who filled the church for that special event. We hope you enjoyed it. For our last class of 2016, we went to share our play and do some Christmas caroling with the residents of Diversicare and Country Place Living. The residents loved it! After caroling, the kids were all given birthday cupcakes to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Thanks, to the Heart to Heart Ministry for this generous donation.

Many of our children also chose to participate in the "Keeping Christ in Christmas" poster contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. It was a fun competition, and we think we have some pretty good artists in our parish!

Not to be outdone, our youth group kids continued to have class, get ready for their "March for Life" journey, lead our preschool classes on Sunday, and they had a successful pie sale.

As we resume class in 2017, we will have our popcorn party on January 11th as well as give out prizes for the Saint Jar competition.

Thanks for your continued support and prayers, and have a very happy 2017!

The PSR Commission



Kapaun's Men

Taking as our model the life of Father Emil Joseph Kapaun, a courageous Catholic priest, Army Chaplain, and leader of men, Kapaun's Men are men who are committed to fighting the great spiritual battle that rages around us. Start the New Year with a renewed spirit. Help fight the battle. Kapaun's Men will meet for eight weeks at 8:30 am beginning Sunday, January 8th in the Parish Education Center. A full breakfast will be served prior to starting the group study.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| (01) Philip Hammeke
Maria Harrison | (17) Shannon Foster
Sharon Larsen |
| (02) Josh Holmes
Betty Nauert
Colleen Wolf | Darrell Tanner
Kim Walker
Gretchen Whittington |
| (03) Toni Wilson | (18) Shirley Hammeke |
| (04) Samuel Gonzalez | Morgan Kelty |
| (05) Michele Collins
Ann Haremza
Gavin Reece
Troy Welsch | (19) Joe Gasser
Luis Loya
Lu Ann Pankratz |
| (06) Cindy Colglazier
Shawn Gasser
Jared Skelton | (20) Rosendo Cenicerros
Regis Lopata
Madelyn Mull
Roy Penka |
| (07) Lewis McDonald
Kate Reece | (22) Mickey Perez |
| (08) Tanner Lang | (23) John Fitzsimmons
Stacy Parr |
| (09) Jason Hammeke
Braelyn Turner | Mike Schartz |
| (10) Mary Perez
Beverly Taylor | (24) Kimberleigh Chilcott
Eli Fox
Bud Johnson |
| (11) Jesse Medina
Owen Reece | (25) Carol Moeder
Judy VonFeldt |
| (12) Ramona Howard
Bethany Steinlage | (26) Xavier Hammeke |
| (14) Ray Colglazier
Kathy Flores
Fay Murphy | (27) Gage Hammeke
Hailey Sickles
Camry Snyder
Teagan Walker |
| (15) Camden McDonald | (29) Amy Froetschner |
| (16) Amy Herter
Mark Lessard
Jim Ryan
Chris Whittington | Jim Mitchell
Karen Stacey
(30) Benton Simmons
(31) Armella Dechant |

Remember with Prayer

Mary Schartz	Betty Tauscher
Fheno Perez	Dorothy Edmonds
Terry Perez	Hazel Callahan
Maxine Ackerman	Mickey Perez
Grace Perez	Mary Ann Schartz
Phyllis Neidig	Clayton Kelty
Frank Callahan	Amy Herter
Jayden Waller	Catherine Orth
John Harmon	Joyce Greathouse
Sharon Larsen	Frank Callahan
Fr. Warren Stecklein	Sue Haymaker
Fr. Charles Mazouch	Ryan Shelton
Norma Delaney	

All of our men and women serving in the
United States military

*God Bless
Your New Year*

The LORD bless you, and keep you:
The LORD make his face shine upon you,
and be gracious to you:
The LORD lift up his countenance upon you,
and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- (02) Jon Roy and Michelle Kelty
(05) Michael and Amy Simmons
(11) Dennis and Pam Theis
(24) Bob and Sharon Larsen
(26) Mark and Betty Schartz
(27) Bret and Terri Bauer



CONGRATULATIONS!

Mark & Betty Schartz ~ Married 68 years
Bob & Sharon Larsen ~ Married 58 years



DIED IN CHRIST

Patricia "Pat" Barrett ~ December 12, 2016

NOVEMBER 2016 FINANCES

INCOME:

Collections	15,800.82
Special Donations	25.00
Endowment	
Interest	1.55
Farm	
PSR	3,409.58
Fundraisers	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,576.00</u>
TOTAL	\$20,812.95

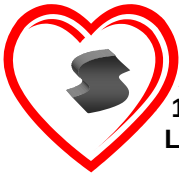
EXPENSES:

Stewardship	1,808.52
Salaries	9,020.86
Insurance	1,699.00
Utilities	1,600.79
Maintenance	2,239.02
Improvement	
Office	1,079.29
PSR	7,734.74
Farm	
Miscellaneous	<u>3,163.59</u>
TOTAL	\$28,345.81

Sacred Heart Altar Society Meeting
Sunday, January 22nd
5:00 pm ~ Parish Education Center

KNIGHTS JANUARY EVENTS

- Jan. 3 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
Jan. 14 Car Club Dinner (R)
Jan. 21 Pheasants Forever (G)
Feb. 2 48th Annual Sausage Supper (R)



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SOUP LUNCHEON & BASKET RAFFLE **SUNDAY – JANUARY 15, 2017**



Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 15th

Sacred Heart Altar Society is sponsoring a Chili and Chicken Noodle Soup Luncheon from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Parish Education Center. Enjoy a bowl of either homemade Chili or Chicken Noodle Soup, relishes, beverage and your choice of dessert. A free will donation is requested. Proceeds will go toward our PSR High School Youth's "March for Life" trip to Washington, D.C. In addition to the luncheon, attendees will have an opportunity to purchase tickets for a basket raffle. Take time to browse over the baskets. There's something for everyone! Tickets are 4 for a dollar. The drawing will take place at the conclusion of the luncheon. We hope to see you there!