

Gems of Wisdom from the *Diary* of Saint Faustina

826. [A]fter Holy Communion I returned to my room. Then I saw the Lord, who said to me, **Know, My daughter, that the ardor of your heart is pleasing to Me. And just as you desire ardently to become united with Me in Holy Communion, so too do I desire to give Myself wholly to you; and as a reward for your zeal, rest on My Heart.** At that moment, my spirit was immersed in His Being, like a drop in a bottomless ocean. I drowned myself in Him as in my sole treasure. Thus I came to recognize that the Lord allows certain difficulties for His greater glory.

“Connect with Your Daughter,” Fri, April 22, 6 p.m.

This event will be held at Mountain Parks Community Room. It is a special evening for fathers and grandfathers to connect deeper spiritually with their daughters and granddaughters. The evening includes a meal, special activities, and a short program. Please dress nicely. Cost: \$25.

-Registration: contact Ed Szalkowski, 970-627-0181, or edsski@gmail.com.

Spotlight on Our Lady of Fatima: 100-Year Anniversary Approaching in 2017

See the article from last week’s bulletin regarding the five things that Our Lady stressed at Fatima. One was the scapular. Here are some quick remarks:

The scapular was given from Our Lady of Mount Carmel to St. Simon Stock who was the Prior General of the Carmelite order at the time of the revelation on July 16th, 1251. The Order of Carmel was enduring difficulties, and he prayed fervently to Our Lady for help, *“Flower of Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Mother of the Son of God. Amiable Mother, ever Virgin, give to thy children of Carmel the privilege of thy protection, star of the Sea.”* At this prayer, Our Lady appeared to him, holding the brown scapular in her hands, saying to him, *“This will be the sign of the privilege that I have obtained for thee and for the children of Carmel; whoever dies clothed with this habit will be preserved from the eternal flames.”*

Many saints showed their devotion to wearing the scapular. For instance, St. John Bosco was buried in his scapular when he died in 1888, and when his body was exhumed in 1929, the scapular remained intact beneath his rotted and decayed clothing.

Pentecost

Pentecost is four weeks away. It is one of my favorite days. There will be a novena in the bulletin two weeks from now. You have a chance to ask God for a plenary indulgence on the day of Pentecost.

The Holy Spirit wants to have your gifts come alive. Here are some of those gifts:

Acts of mercy, administration, apostleship (bishops), casting out demons (deliverance/exorcism), discernment

of spirits, evangelizing, exhortation (preaching), faith, handling serpents (power over evil), healing, inspired singing (hymns or psalms), interpretation of tongues, martyrdom, miracles, pastoring, presiding (leadership), prophecy, revelation, service/helping ministry, teaching (catechizing), tongues (praying, singing, speaking), voluntary poverty, word of knowledge, word of wisdom. **Which of these has the Lord given you? Are you using them to build up His Church?**

Save the Date: Saturday, June 4

Conference about Our Lady of Fatima at St. Joan of Arc Church in Arvada. Time: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Totus Tuus Vacation Bible School; June 19 – 24

Save the date! \$20 donation to offset the cost. Grades 1-6: Mon – Fri, 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.; grades 7-12: Sun – Thur, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. More details coming.

Calendar of Events

-**May 1.** First Communion at Our Lady of the Snow

-**May 7.** Confirmation at the Denver Convention Center

Mass Collections, April 9 – 10

St. Anne	\$ 1417
St. Bernard	3023
Our Lady of the Snow	2723
St. Peter	435
St. Ignatius	74
Total	\$ 7672

Vocations Prayer Calendar; April 2016

Please pray for our seminarians every day.

Sat--Chad Smith & John Stapleton

Sun--Manuel Alarcon & Peter Srsich

Mon--Ryan Kent & Sean Conroy

Tue--Sile Wilfred Kone & Tony Davis

Wed--Yaroslav Cherniavskiy & Zach Taudien

Thu--Christian Mast & Christopher Marbury

Fri--Men and women applying for formation

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

KEY: StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard;

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

-Sat, Apr 16, StA, 5 p.m., Parishioners and visitors

-Sun, Apr 17, StB, 7 a.m., Thomas and Cindy Voll

-Sun, Apr 17, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Margaret Ledezma

Weekday Masses (see extra Masses listed in bold)

-Mon, Apr 18, StA, 8:30 a.m., John and Mary Wells

-Tue, Apr 19, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Jeff and Jackie Gilbert

-Wed, Apr 20, StB, 8:30 a.m., Ruthann Gillis

-**Thu, Apr 21, OLS, 8:30 a.m.**, Jim and Jeri Moat

-**Fri, Apr 22, StB, 10 a.m.**, Notre Dame students/staff

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StI and StP

KEY: StI = St. Ignatius (Walden); StP = St. Peter

-Sat, Apr 16, StI, 4 p.m., Parishioners and visitors

-Sun, Apr 17, StP, 10 a.m., Jeff and Jackie Gilbert