Consecration of Our Parish to Our Lady of Fatima

Thank you to all who joined our spiritual father— Archbishop Aquila, our apostle—in praying the Archdiocesan consecration prayer at Our Lady of the Snow or at home on Friday evening for all five of our churches. Thank you, good and faithful servants. You played an important role in salvation history. Here are some of the photos from October 13.



We prayed the Rosary at 7 p.m. in the community room below the church.



About 40 people came for the consecration! We caught all of them carrying "legalized weapons" in their hands. After these soldiers finished their "shooting" of prayers, they went upstairs for Mass and Confession. Some asked for a plenary indulgence by going to Confession, receiving Jesus in the Eucharist, and praying for the good intentions of the pope.



Earlier in the morning at Mother Cabrini Shrine, Father Michael led a Mass for about 60 people in the candle grotto. After Mass, many stayed to pray the Rosary. Notice the light shining from Jesus on the Cross.



This young prince of the Lord freely chose to lead one decade of the Rosary. He knows his prayers well and confidently led us in the fourth Joyful mystery. After the Rosary, we saw his mother praying another Rosary outside the candle grotto by the Rosary walk.

<u>St. John Paul II Consecrated the World to the</u></u> Immaculate Heart of Mary. Summary Results:

-March 25, 1984: Pope John Paul II consecrates the world (implying Russia) to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in union with all the Bishops of the world. (Sister Lucia declares that Heaven has accepted the consecration.)

-1985: Gorbachev becomes the last leader of the Soviet Union almost exactly one year after the consecration. -Late 1980's: Gorbachev greatly softens the government's attitude toward religion. He begins to allow prominent people to visit the Soviet Union, such as Mother Teresa. He reaches out to leaders of the Russian Orthodox Church. He allows 50 million Russian Orthodox and 10 million Roman Catholics to begin reopening and restoring their churches and monasteries.

-November 1989: Berlin Wall is taken down. -December 1, 1989: Pope John Paul II and Gorbachev meet at the Vatican for the first time. Gorbachev says to him, "Prayer is a sign of order, of spiritual values, and we have such need of those."

-December 25, 1991: The red flag with the hammer and sickle are lowered for the last time.

-December 26, 1991: Dissolution of the Soviet Union (without battle or bloodshed).

-[Sister Lucia said that God accepted this consecration and nuclear war was avoided.]

Comments about Gospel Vigilance

We are now standing in the face of the greatest historical confrontation humanity has ever experienced. I do not think the wide circle of the American Society, or the wide circle of the Christian Community, realize this fully. We are now facing the final confrontation between the Church and the antichurch, between the Gospel and the anti-gospel, between Christ and the antichrist. This confrontation lies within the plans of Divine Providence. It is, therefore, in God's Plan, and it must be a trial which the Church must take up, and face courageously....

We must prepare ourselves to suffer great trials before long, such as will demand of us a disposition to give up even life, and a total dedication to Christ and for Christ. With your and my prayers, it is possible to mitigate the coming tribulation, but it is no longer possible to avert it, because only thus can the Church be effectually renewed. How many times has the renewal of the Church sprung from the shedding of blood? This time, too, it will not be otherwise. We must be strong and prepared and trust in Christ and in his Holy Mother and <u>be very</u>, very assiduous in praying the holy Rosary. <u>The Mass—The Greatest Prayer on Earth. The</u> <u>More Masses You Attend, the More Grace You Can</u> <u>Receive, if Your Heart is Disposed</u>



The Mass is the sacrifice of the New Covenant in which Christ, through the ministry of the priest, offers Himself to God in an un-bloody manner under the appearances of bread and wine. Mass is the living renewal of the sacrifice on the Cross and brings great Divine Power into the world to convert souls and change hearts.

At Mass, at the words of consecration, transubstantiation takes place; that is, the entire substance of the bread and wine is changed into our Lord's Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. We know this through God's word, the perennial teaching of the Church, Eucharistic miracles throughout the world, and the effects that the Eucharist has in many lives.

"Every Holy Mass, heard with devotion, produces in our souls marvelous effects, abundant spiritual and material graces which we, ourselves, do not know... It is easier for the earth to exist without the sun than without the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!"

-Padre Pio

We have one chance to become a saint—in this lifetime. Don't delay; don't blow the chance.

-Saint John Paul II

St. Bernard Potluck

Join your church family for a meal on Monday, October 16, 5:30 p.m. at St. Bernard Church. Bring your favorite foods to share. This is a chance to network and form community and meet Fr. Peter.

The Office is Closed on Tuesday, October 17

"Catholic Netflix"-Seeking Your Input

Our churches have the next few weeks to try out "Formed." If you have access to the Internet, would you please browse formed.org and watch a movie or listen to a talk in English or Spanish, and give us priests and Deacon Jim feedback. Access instructions:

Visit: formed.org Click on LOGIN Email: trial@formed.org Password: Rosary17

2017 Annual Pro-life Pregnancy Resource Connection Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Date: Sunday, October 22

Come one! Come all! Come hungry! October is Respect Life month across the United States. What a delicious way to contribute to LIFE!

Please join us after the 9:30 a.m. Mass at <u>Our Lady</u> <u>of the Snow</u> for an old-fashioned, homemade pancake breakfast complete with sausage, fruit, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and various beverages.

Cost: \$10 for and adult plate; \$5 for children 6-12; and children under 5 are free.

There will be beautiful handmade Rosaries for sale specially made for the occasion. All proceeds go to benefit PRC.

For more information, call Mary Pat Himes at 970-531-1935, or Pat Pulliam at 361-442-3532.

Mass Schedule for All Saints: Holy Day of Obligation

-Tuesday, October 31 St. Ignatius, 5:30 p.m. -Wednesday, November 1 St. Bernard, 8:30 a.m. St. Anne, 5 p.m. Our Lady, 6:45 p.m. St. Peter, 6:30 p.m.

All Souls Envelopes; All Souls Day is November 2

If you receive collection envelopes, you have an All Souls envelope in your box. Please think about your beloved deceased and put your envelope in the collection no later than <u>October 30</u> so we can place envelopes on the altar and pray for your beloved by name—seven Masses in November.

Your envelope donation pays for our Vacation Bible School, called *Totus Tuus*. Last year about 40 children attended.

Novena for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Available at the exits. Begins November 2.

The Use of Incense

During this winter season, we will list at least one week in advance where incense will be used at Mass. There are seven Masses on the weekend starting on November 18. At least one Mass will have incense.

Here is some of the significance of incense: -Incense was used in the Temple at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. -Incense symbolizes our prayers rising (see Ps 141:2), purification, and the mystery of the Holy Spirit. -The burning charcoal symbolizes zeal; the fragrance coming from the incense symbolizes virtue.

Upcoming Second Collections

-November 4-5: Annual Seminarian Appeal -November 11-12: Annual Mission Appeal -November 25-26: Annual Christmas Families

Calendar of Events

-Nov 1 (Wed). All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation
-Nov 2 (Thu). All Souls Day. Begin Novena.
-Dec 8 (Fri). Immaculate Conception—Holy Day

Mass Collections, October 7 – 8

St. Anne	\$ 1544
St. Bernard	2142
Our Lady of the Snow	2641
St. Peter	1447
St. Ignatius	481
Total	\$ 8255

Vocations Prayer Calendar

Please pray for our seminarians every day. Sat—Blaise Buches & Daniel Rivas Sun—Jason DiRito & Rommy Goyes Mon—David Hall & Drew Jones Tue—Drazen Hosi & Javier Moretton Wed—Jun Pham & Owen Limarta Thu—Trevor Lontine & Kyle McDonald Fri—Increase in vocations to priesthood/religious life

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

KEY: StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard; OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

-Sat, Oct 14, StA, 5 p.m., +Sue Jeffrey -Sun, Oct 15, StB, 7 a.m., Dan and Diane Bielski -Sun, Oct 15, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Donald and Ellen Patry

Weekday Masses

-Mon, Oct 16, StA, 8:30 a.m., Peter and Ruth McGinn
-Tue, Oct 17, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Mark and Debbie Goulette (Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass; no Holy Hour)
-Wed, Oct 18, StB, 8:30 a.m., Gonzales Team
-Thu, Oct 19, OLS, 8:30 a.m., Dollie Darrah
-Fri, Oct 20, OLS, 8:30 a.m., Fr. Michael's intention

Mass Intentions and Schedule for StP and StI KEY: StP = St. Peter; StI = St. Ignatius (Walden)

-Sun, Oct 15, StP, 10 a.m., Parishioners and visitors -Sun, Oct 15, StI, 1 p.m., Parishioners and visitors