

St. Vincent de Paul

Catholic Church and Academy News

November, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

In the midst of an upsetting moment we must keep our heads and look at the big picture. I don't need to mention the facts, but for the sake of the narrative it may help. Some days ago there was an election with quite a bit on the line. Without too much idealizing, there was in general a pro-country, pro-family, pro-life, and open-to-religion platform against a platform which seems to be opposed to each of these goods and sides with a dangerous globalism. This was followed up by circumstances lending a reasonable doubt to the truth of the election outcome. We swim in murky waters.

All the above results in an understandable indignation. After the many difficulties in the last months to provide for religious and educational needs, we now have the worry of greater opposition to our work. So what do we do?

First, the concern for the global situation cannot affect the work right in front of us. Don't let a negative attitude creep into the home. Anger cannot influence the delicate task of parenting. Your children's development cannot suffer in any way because of the national situation. Like all things, we try to turn it to good. This is all the more reason to fortify your children in the Faith and Catholic life.

Many of us, religious and parents, have shared a concern about the preparedness of our young entering a world growing in hostility to the truth. Do they have the intellectual formation to answer an atheistic secularism? Do they have the moral fortitude to resist the allurements of pleasure? Whether they do or not will only be known in the test that lies ahead for them. But the successful outcomes of that test will be less mysterious if we, educators and parents alike, apply ourselves selflessly to this task.

Second, if God allows difficult circumstances it's because He wants a greater purification and purity of life and knows that we are capable of it. Is our Faith really based upon an unwavering belief in God or is it rather based upon a sense of material security? These are the moments that test the foundation of Faith. God's power is not limited, but rather extends to every little thing in this world. A political complication is not difficult for Him to solve, but He wants us to turn to Him with absolute confidence. Pray and Trust.

Finally, following an adage: "pray as if everything depends upon God, act as if everything depends upon ourselves", we have to do what we can. There is certainly place for political action for the good of the nation. But stay humble; oftentimes our role is simply to sow a few seeds in our circle of influence and leave the rest to other of God's instruments.

Let us keep up our good work with greater zeal and place all with confidence all in the hands of God through the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Be assured of my prayers.

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Michael Goldade

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Parish News

Rosary Candlelight Procession

Many faithful came for the candlelight rosary procession on Wednesday, October 7, the Feast of the Holy Rosary.





Starkenburg Pilgrimage

The theme of this year's pilgrimage was Perseverance. Numerous changes had to be made this year due to Covid regulations. The pilgrimage was only one day, Saturday, October 17, and pilgrims had to walk in groups of 24, staggered throughout the day. Consequently there were no large gathering of all groups at the start, lunch, or the shrine.

The Braves, Kateries and Guides assisted at the pilgrimage. Brother Renē and the Braves spent most of the day setting up, serving, and breaking down for the private Masses offered for each group. The Kateries waited at the shrine for returning shuttle buses so that they could be sanitized. The Guides counted the pilgrims in each group.





Holy Name Society Conference

Fr. Frank Kurtz addressed the men of the parish regarding the upcoming election on Saturday, October 24.

Look for details of the next Holy Name Society conference which is scheduled for Saturday, December 12.



SSPX 50th Anniversary

On October 31, the faithful enjoyed an Octoberfest style dinner prepared by Mrs. Louise Starr and Mrs. Anntonette Jamerson. The dinner was followed by a presentation by Fr. Bourmaud on the history of the Society of St. Pius X.



Academy News

Enthronement of the Tracy School to the Sacred Heart

Father Trummer enthroned the Tracy school to the Sacred Heart on Friday, October 23. To prepare for the enthronement, from October 12 - 22, students recited the daily enthronement prayer with their morning prayers.



All Saints Party

The Franciscan Sisters and high school girls hosted the all Saints party on Saturday, October 31 for children in grades K - 6. The party was held at the Tracy Campus. Winners for each grade section are listed below.

Grades K - 2 - Judged by Fr. Bourmaud

Gabrielle Maney - St. Elizabeth of Hungary Thomas Pence - St. Benedict

Grades 3 - 6 - Judged by Fr. Goldade

Grades 3/4

Juliana Tomac - St. Germaine Maddie Maney - St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Joseph Onochie - St. Anthony of Padua Jack Sestak - St. Magnus

Grades 5/6

Naomi Maney - St. Rosalia Flavian Dailey - St. Lucian







St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary

Two St. Vincent de Paul parishioners, Thomas Brauner, 2020 graduate of Notre Dame La Salette Academy, and Gabriel King, 2020 graduate of St. Vincent de Paul Academy, will enter St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary, along with 30 others, as first year seminarians on November 6, 2020. Please keep these young men in your prayers.

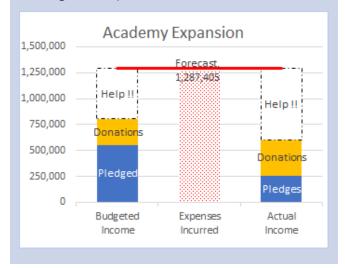


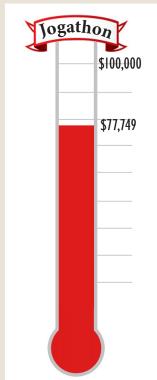


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The Jogathon will be run on November 13, but donations towards the goal will be accepted through the end of the year. Please give a one-time donation or make a per lap pledge to an academy student. You can also sponsor Fr. Bourmaud and Fr. Trummer, who will be running with the students. Help us meet our goal!

Upcoming Events

Nov. 6	First Friday all day adoration
Nov. 7	ARS meeting and conference
Nov. 11	Third Order of St. Pius X meeting
Dec.	Adult catechism on Wednesdays
	during Advent
Dec. 5	St. Nicholas party
Dec. 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec. 12	HNS conference
Dec. 18	Academy Christmas concert
Dec. 19	ARS day of recollection for women



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