

January 17, 2010

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

CELEBRATION OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

<u>1/18 MON</u>	Rectory Office Closed <u>NO MASS</u>
<u>1/19 TUES</u>	<u>NO MASS</u>
<u>1/20 WED</u>	<i>St. Fabian</i> <u>NO MASS</u>
<u>1/21 THURS</u>	<i>St. Agnes</i> <u>NO MASS</u>
<u>1/22 FRI</u>	<i>St. Vincent</i> <u>NO MASS</u>
<u>1/23 SAT</u>	<u>THE LORD'S DAY MASS</u> <u>5:00 PM - HOVEN - Mass</u> *Jodi Rausch+
<u>1/24 SUN</u>	<u>NO MASS</u>

This Sunday's Readings:

Is 62: 1-5; Psalm 96; 1 Cor 12: 4-11; Jn 2: 1-11

CATECHISM PARAGRAPHS FOR THIS SUNDAY:

- + 1612-1617 - Marriage in the Lord.
- + 1601-1611 - Marriage in God's plan, under the law and in the Lord.
- + 1621-1632 - Celebration of marriage.
- + 2618 - Mary's intercession and the Cana wedding.
- + 2331-2336, 2364-2365 - Male and female: marital sexuality. Intimate partnership (fidelity) (Sixth Commandment)

DAILY READINGS FROM SACRED SCRIPTURE:

- Monday: 1 Sm 15: 16-23; Mk 2: 18-22
- Tuesday: 1 Sm 16: 1-13; Mk 2: 23-28
- Wednesday: 1 Sm 17: 32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3: 1-6
- Thursday: 1 Sm 18: 6-9, 19: 1-7; Mk 3: 7-12
- Friday: 1 Sm 24: 3-21; Mk 3: 13-19
- Saturday: 2 Sm 1: 1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3: 20-21
- Sunday: Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Cor 12: 12-30; Lk 1: 1-4, 4: 14-21

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYERS:

FROM HOVEN: Fr. Lance Oser, Helen Glodt, LaVonne Schumacher, Dyt Rundall, Marvin Schmidt, Kenny Kaup, Kay Klocker, Rick Karst.

FROM ONAKA: St. John's Parishioners, Jill Fix, Bertha Tuchscherer.

OTHER: Pope Benedict XVI, Bishop Paul Swain, priests, seminarians, Sisters of our Diocese, World Peace, sanctity of all human life, our military personnel, Jeff & Trish Simon, Laura Keller-Huber, Gene Ronke, Sandy Entringer, Dorothy Frost, David Baus, Helen Krumm+, Gary Abler+, Delores Heintzman+, Linda Anne Salfrank+, Patrick Engel, Krista Seurer.

Names will remain on our prayer list for four weeks. Please contact Linda in the office to request continued prayers.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS Jan. 23, 2010

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA - Saturday - 5:00 PM

LECTOR:	Rachelle Griese
EUCH. MIN:	Elaine Seurer
GREETERS:	Darrel Rausch Family
MARY'S HELPERS:	Kalecia Hageman, Shelby Shaykett
USHERS:	Please Volunteer
SERVERS:	Colton Hageman, Isaac Kaiser, Garret Spindler

Almighty and everlasting God, have mercy upon Thy servant, Benedict, our Supreme Pontiff, and direct him, according to Thy loving kindness, in the ways of eternal salvation; that, by Thy gift, he may always desire that which is pleasing unto Thee and may accomplish it with all his might. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for Pope Benedict XVI's General & Mission Intentions for January:

(G) General intention; (M) Mission intention

(G) **Young People and Media.** That young people may learn to use social communication media for their personal growth and in preparation to serve society.

(M) **Christian Unity.** That every believer in Christ may understand that unity among all Christians is necessary for effective proclamation of the gospel.

FR. LANCE'S NOTE

Dear Family in Christ:

Please welcome Fr. Kopel, who has kindly accepted to substitute for me these next two Saturday evenings.

Looking forward, February 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of the Holy Infant in the Temple and it is traditional to bless candles on that day as the Light of the World shone for the first time in His Temple in Jerusalem. Therefore, at the 7pm Mass that evening, you are invited to bring any candles from home and place them (in their bags) in the Sanctuary on the floor in front of the table Altar. I will bless them at that Mass, which will be followed by the praying the Joyful Mysteries of the most holy Rosary in honor of our Lady of Light, invoking Her powerful intercession for our parish, our country and the world.

Ad Jesum per Mariam!

ADULT EVENTS/RETREATS

Fruit of the Spirit Retreat offered in Watertown

February 5-6, 2010: Retreat begins Friday at 6:30pm and concludes Saturday at 9:30pm. Presenters will be Mrs. Jane Barz and Mrs. Carol Larson. Pre-registration required. The fee for the retreat will be \$40.00, which includes your registration fee and two meals on Saturday. For more information or to register contact Mavis Kemnitz at 605-880-5996 or mavis.kemnitz@gmail.com

Going once, going twice... Registration will be closing soon for our special Valentines Day **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend scheduled for February 12-14, 2010, at Broom Tree Retreat and Conference Center. The weekend is currently 50% full! Contact Curt & Rochelle Lauret at 605-362-9145 to register or visit them at www.WWME.org.

YOUTH RETREAT

In 2010 the Diocesan-led Steubenville trip will be going to the Steubenville North conference in St. Paul; the dates of the actual conference are Friday, July 30th to Sunday, August 1. The *tentative* cost will be in the \$250-\$300 range, depending on final busing costs and whether or not a Valleyfair stop is included. The diocese has approximately 100 seats available. More info to come as details are finalized.

COMING EVENTS - ONAKA

Tues., Jan 19th @ 7:00 PM - Altar Society meeting.

No Mass in Onaka or Hoven on Sunday, Jan. 24th.

There will only be weekend Mass in Hoven on Saturday, Jan. 23rd at 5:00pm.

NOTES

Family Movie Night: *Facing the Giants*

Tuesday, January 19th at 7:00 PM in the Hoven High School science room

Sponsored by Hoven Area Right to Life

The movie will begin at 7:15 PM. Popcorn, snacks, and refreshments will be served.

A short informational meeting--about the Hour of Reflection in Pierre on that Friday, Jan. 22nd--will begin at 7:00 PM just before the movie.

Come and enjoy a family-oriented movie with the rest of your family, and learn about what it is that

Hoven Area Right to Life is currently active in.

For more information contact Spencer Cody at 948-2449 or spencercody@hotmail.com

Hope to see you there!

Christmas Concert Pictures are available at the rectory if you wish to order them. Cost is 50 cents each.

Notice - There are daily spiritual readings and reflections at the following website www.apostleshipofprayer.org.

Anniversary Mass Celebration - If you will be celebrating 25, 50, 60, and 65 or more years of marriage, **please call the rectory by Mar. 19th** so your name can be submitted to the diocese. A special Mass in your honor will be celebrated this summer, date is not scheduled at this point. For those who submit their names, an invitation will be sent to you by the diocese to attend this celebration.

Movies for Sale - "The Passion", "Jesus of Nazareth", "Our Father's Plan", "Joan of Arc", "Kenosis Confession", "Three Kinds of Love", "The Meaning of the Mass". If interested, stop at the rectory or call us.

Natural Family Planning & Fertility Care: For information and a list of instructors and physicians call the Family & Children Faith Formation Office, 605-988-3776.

Also see: www.usccb.org/prolife/issues/nfp

Please remember that the Church bulletin is available on St. Anthony's website at www.stanthonyshoven.com and also in a printable form on the Hoven website at www.hovensd.com

SACRIFICIAL GIVING – ST. ANTHONY’S

January 9-10, 2010

Amount collected for weekend.....\$2,916.01

SACRIFICIAL GIVING – ST. JOHN’S

January 10, 2010

Amount collected for weekend.....\$1,356.49

God bless you for your continued support of our parishes!

Geothermal Update

Project Cost: \$495,000

Pledge Goal: \$300,000

Pledge Total: \$200,208.62

Pledge Income Received: \$176,239.82

Outstanding Pledge Balance: \$23,968.80

Papal liturgist endorses 'reform of the reform' of the liturgy By Father Matthew Gamber

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- The pope's chief liturgist, Msgr. Guido Marini, endorsed calls in the church for a "reform of the reform" of Catholic liturgy.

"For some years now, several voices have been heard within church circles talking about the necessity of a new liturgical renewal," Msgr. Marini said.

A fresh renewal movement would be "capable of operating a reform of the reform, or rather, move one more step ahead in understanding the authentic spirit of the liturgy and its celebration," he said.

Msgr. Marini, who has served as master of papal liturgical ceremonies since late 2007, spoke Jan. 6th to a conference of priests from English-speaking countries gathered in Rome to mark the Year for Priests. The conference was sponsored by the Australian Confraternity of Catholic Clergy and the U.S.- based Confraternity of Catholic Clergy.

The papal liturgist said the goal of the new reform movement "would be to carry on that providential reform of the liturgy that the conciliar fathers had launched" but which has "not always, in its practical implementation, found a timely and happy fulfillment."

Msgr. Marini stressed that the liturgy celebrated by the church should be marked by historical continuity.

"I purposefully use the word continuity, a word very dear to our present Holy Father," Msgr. Marini said. "He has made it the only authoritative criterion whereby one can correctly interpret the life of the church."

Msgr. Marini said that an appreciation of continuity would help bring together divergent schools of thought regarding the liturgy.

"The liturgy cannot and must not be an opportunity for conflict between those who find good only in that which came before us, and those who, on the contrary, almost always find wrong in what came before," he said.

The way forward for any liturgical renewal is "to regard both the present and the past liturgy of the church as one patrimony in continuous development," he said.

He offered suggestions for showing continuity in the liturgy and gave examples from current papal liturgical celebrations.

The tradition of praying while facing East, and so symbolically facing the Lord, is now seen in the placement of a crucifix on the altar of St. Peter's Basilica, he said. "Hence the reason for the proposal made by then-Cardinal Ratzinger and presently reaffirmed during the course of his pontificate, to place the crucifix on the center of the altar, in order that all, during the celebration of the liturgy, may concretely face and look upon the Lord, in such a way as to orient also their prayer and hearts," he said.

A renewed emphasis on "adoration," explained by Msgr. Marini as "union with God," also will foster continuity with the past and should be a criterion for future liturgical practices, he said. Everything in the liturgy must be conducive to adoration, Msgr. Marini said, including the music, the singing, the periods of silence, the way of proclaiming the Scriptures as well as the

liturgical vestments and the sacred vessels.

He said it was this same desire to renew a sense of adoration that prompted Pope Benedict to make it the norm in papal liturgies for the pope to distribute Communion on the tongue to people kneeling.

"By the example of this action, the Holy Father invites us to render visible the proper attitude of adoration before the greatness of the mystery of the eucharistic presence of our Lord," Msgr. Marini said. He said the same attitude of adoration "must be fostered all the more when approaching the most holy Eucharist in the other forms permitted today."

Throughout his talk Msgr. Marini quoted extensively from the writings of Pope Benedict concerning the liturgy.

"I have learned to deepen my knowledge these past two years in service to our Holy Father, Benedict XVI. He is an authentic master of the spirit of the liturgy, whether by his teaching or by the example he gives in the celebration of the sacred rites," Msgr. Marini said. Copyright (c) 2010 Catholic News Service/USCCB. All rights reserved.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Next Funeral Luncheon: Circle 9

Special Activity: Circle 6

Thurs., Jan. 21st @ 4:00 pm - Circle 6 cleans Church.

Help Wanted - St. Anthony's Altar Society is looking for 1 or 2 people to clean St. Anthony's Church twice a month starting in February, 2010. Wages and hours are negotiable. If interested, contact Sheila Von Wald (948-2565) or Paula Schumacher (948-2556), Co-Chairpersons.

Seven Miracles that Saved America *Why they Matter, Why We Should Have Hope*

By Chris Stewart and Ted Stewart, Shadow Mountain; Review by David Forsmark

"In the beginning of the contest with G. Britain, when we were sensible of danger, we had daily prayer in this room for the Divine protection — Our prayers, Sir, were heard, and they were graciously answered. ... I have lived, Sir, a long time; and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth, that God governs the affairs of men!"

—**Benjamin Franklin, 1787**

"There is no overwhelming proof, but deep inside we know. And to those who believe, it also seems clear that these events took place with the direction and purpose. Despite our weaknesses, which are many, and our failings, which have existed since our inception, God has been willing to intervene so that this nation might survive."

— **Chris and Ted Stewart, 2009**

The Founding Fathers regularly wrote that they considered themselves to be doing God's work in establishing the United States. This habit was not just confined to the conspicuously devout, such as Patrick Henry and Samuel Adams but also to such secular saints as Jefferson and Franklin, the so-called Deists. More to the point, they fervently believed — and often asserted — that God in his Providence actively intervened in events to make their efforts successful.

Today, we often dismiss such rhetoric as "just the way people talked back then" and explain how politicians of a certain era used it to rally an overwhelmingly religious populace behind them.

In their terrific new book, *Seven Miracles that Saved America: Why they Matter, Why We Should Have Hope*, former Air Force

officer Chris Stewart and his brother, U.S. District Court Judge Ted Stewart, argue forcefully that the Founders not only *meant* what they said, but they were *right*.

The Stewarts look at seven instances in which overwhelming odds had to be beaten for the United States to exist in its current form. While some might argue over their meaning or the significance of some of their "miracles," the unlikely circumstances that saved the day in several cases will have even a hardcore secularist taking a second look:

- The extraordinary unlikelihood that America was colonized due to the efforts of an ambitious navigator with humble beginnings — rather than perhaps the greatest fleet ever assembled for just such a purpose— which "discovered" North America about 70 years before Columbus.
- The million-to-one odds that saved the English colonization of America as a fleet crossing the Atlantic arrives in Jamestown minutes before it was to be abandoned.
- The fortuitous fog that saved Washington's army that was as well-timed — and accurate — as any artillery smokescreen.
- The discovery of the Japanese fleet heading toward Midway in the vastness of the Pacific during World War II by an American reconnaissance airplane extending its search well beyond its operational range.

While this book makes a theological and political point, the emphasis in *Seven Miracles that Saved America* is on storytelling. The Stewarts employ an unusual device — novelizing part of each chapter, much like the Shaaras or Alan Eckert — while sticking to known facts and actual quotes. This makes for an extremely engaging, if rather quirky, narrative.

The authors open with the fascinating — and not well known account — of how America should have been colonized by the Chinese, rather than by Western Europeans. Even if the Chinese did not discover the American continents, though it seems likely they *should* have, with their massive fleet and more advanced technology.

However, the glorious fleet that was sent on a mission of discovery, returned to a China that had changed and become inward-focused and xenophobic. The records of the exploration were burned, and the fabled fleet was left to rot, along with China's expansionist ambitions. (For more on this, check out last year's interesting, if flawed, book, *1421*^[1].)

The next chapter, *The Miracle at Jamestown*, continues the discussion of the religious and cultural nature of those who colonized America and why it was important. While the Stewarts propose the obvious, that those who followed Columbus were culturally very different than the navy of Zheng He, the authors assert it was also very important that a Protestant presence be established in America. They contend the competition among Christian sects led to the religious diversity and tolerance that formed the basis of the United States.

Their story of how close Jamestown came to failure and abandonment is gripping reading. How it was saved is one of the more convincing cases for the word "miracle" in the book—along with the "mysterious fog" that saved Washington's army in New York in the Revolutionary War, allowing him to pull off a Dunkirk-like evacuation and live to fight another day.

Many might put the circumstances of extraordinary events down to the American character that results from free men, for the first time in history, being allowed to operate on principles of liberty. It's not unusual, for instance, to hear the term "the miracle of the

Constitution.” It’s just unusual — today, at least — for it to be meant as literally as the Stewarts’ assert.

This is particularly true in the chapters in which the authors see the hand of God in the timing of Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan assuming the presidency in times of crisis.

Easily the most controversial chapter — and the most likely to raise the ire of some country club Republicans, much less Democrats — is the chapter saying that Ronald Reagan not only won the Cold War but also saved America.

The Stewarts, however, point out that George H.W. Bush, while a good man, *did* call the Reagan economic agenda “voodoo economics” during the Republican primaries. Even if Bush 41 truly was aboard, he would not have had the political oomph to push it through a Democrat-controlled Congress.

More importantly, Bush was from the “realist” foreign policy tradition, which would have looked for “stability” and détente over real change. The most persuasive point the authors make here is to remind us that, after all of Reagan’s successes in putting the USSR on the ropes, Bush ordered a “reassessment” of U.S. relations with the Soviets upon taking office.

While the first Bush administration was “reassessing,” communism collapsed, and 41 was too surprised to even celebrate the Berlin Wall coming down, as Reagan had predicted.

Of course, such pivotal battles as Gettysburg and Midway had hundreds of little moments that one could argue “changed the course of history.” In the case of Midway, for example, the authors are persuasive in their argument that nearly every one of those moments miraculously went the Americans’ way.

In the case of Gettysburg, for instance, they could easily have titled the chapter, “The Miracle of Friendly Fire.” Had Stonewall Jackson, the South’s best tactician and Lee’s greatest commander been with him at Gettysburg ... who knows? Jackson was easily the most important figure in American military history to be mistakenly shot by his own troops.

Those of a determinedly secular mindset may be apt to dismiss this book too quickly. Even if you reject the premise out of hand and prefer to think of it as “*Seven Statistically Wildly Improbable Coincidences that Saved America*,” this book is worth your time.

In each case, the Stewarts do a masterful job of setting the stage of not only why the odds were stacked against the outcome we take for granted but also in reminding us of what was at stake. Each chapter, it could be argued, is as good a one-chapter treatment of a momentous time as you are likely to find anywhere—particularly setting the stage for the Civil War, and demolishing the notion that slavery was a side issue.

Which brings us to the authors’ ultimate point. As bad as things seem now, America has been much closer to the precipice in its history. The Stewarts write that if God did not let the nation fail, or fall to its enemies then, there is no reason to suppose he is done with America yet.

The end may not be near after all.

conception, gestation and birth are made artificial, if human embryos are sacrificed to research, the conscience of society ends up losing the concept of human ecology and, along with it, that of environmental ecology. It is contradictory to insist that future generations respect the natural environment when our educational systems and laws do not help them to respect themselves. - Pope Benedict XVI, *Charity in Truth (Caritas in Veritate)*, 74, June 29, 2009

Please use this weekly column to open a healthy discussion with your family. (Refer children who are away from home to it at www.stanthonyshoven.com)

FAMILY CORNER

In order to protect nature, it is not enough to intervene with economic incentives or deterrents. *The decisive issue is the overall moral tenor of society.* If there is a lack of respect for the right to life and to a natural death, if human