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**Jesus Christ is the same
yesterday, today and forever!**



Dear Friends,

As this new year of 2023 progresses our entire Diocese will be moving forward with the Road to Renewal process which has been in the planning and pilot stages for a couple years. The largest practical steps in the process, and those which will be profound in our experience, will take place during this year. It will be a time of needed adjustments, a time of growth and newness, and, I believe, ultimately a time of great blessings.

As was listed in the bulletin last week, Bishop Mike has appointed eight priests to serve as Vicars Forane for seven geographical regions, called Vicariates, and one non-territorial Vicariate for College and University Campus Ministry. Our Vicariate is the Southern Tier West Vicariate. The Vicar Forane for our region is Fr. Todd Remick. Fr. Todd's primary responsibility will be to serve as a link between the Bishop and the groupings of parishes, called Families of Parishes, of our Vicariate. Fr. Todd will assist the Families of Parishes by ensuring our collaboration and functioning accords with diocesan plans and, we pray, is very fruitful.

There are four Families of Parishes in our Vicariate. Each Family of Parishes consists of 3-6 parishes. Some of these parishes, however, have multiple worship sites (e.g., Blessed Mary Angela Parish has two worship sites: St. Hyacinth and St. Hedwig). Thus, each of the Families of Parishes in our Vicariate has 5-8 worship sites or Church buildings. Each Church site may also have former school buildings, convents, active rectories, cemeteries, etc.

Our Family of Parishes consists of the following Parishes (and worship sites):

1. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Dunkirk
2. Bl. Mary Angela, Dunkirk (St. Hyacinth & St. Hedwig sites)
3. Holy Trinity, Dunkirk
4. St. Joseph, Fredonia
5. St. Anthony, Fredonia
6. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Silver Creek (OLMC site in Silver Creek & St. Rose of Lima site in Forestville)

Thus, our Family has six Parishes and eight worship sites. Our Family also includes a significant number of cemeteries and numerous other buildings. Moreover, the Northern Chautauqua Catholic School (NCCS) is serving within this community as well.

The other three Families of Parishes in our Vicariate are comprised of Parishes in the following locations:

1. Jamestown/Falconer/Lakewood/Randolph
2. Mayville/Bemus Point/Westfield/Brocton/French Creek/Sherman
3. Gowanda/Cattaraugus/Langford/N. Collins/Eden

Each Family of Parishes will either have: (a) one priest appointed as the pastor and a specific number of other priests appointed as parochial vicars - this is called the One Pastor model; (b) a group of priests who serve the Family of Parishes "In Solidum", in which case all the priests jointly share the typical responsibilities

of a pastor, with one priest serving as moderator of the group - this is called the In Solidum model. Deacons also will be assigned to serve in each Family. We anticipate that these decisions and assignments will be made over the course of the coming weeks and months.

A date will soon be determined for our Family to begin the six-month process in which we will first plan and then begin to operate as a Family of Parishes. Based on the information we have received from the Diocese, we tentatively anticipate that our community will begin the process sometime between May and July, though no start date has been set at this point. The process begins with what is called an Initiation Phase. This phase will be a time of planning and forming a Strategic Plan for operating as a Family of Parishes. After the six month Initiation Phase, we will enter the Activation Phase, which will involve the implementation of that plan, and our full operation as a Family of Parishes.

The Initiation Phase will involve groups of representatives (laity, parish staff, and clergy) from each Parish in our Family working together to develop strategic plans according to six areas or "Pillars" of Parish life. These Pillars are: (1) Liturgy/Mass times; (2) Spiritual Life; (3) Forming Disciples; (4) Outreach/Inreach; (5) Stewardship; and (6) Administration.

During the early phases of this process, each Family of Parishes will also participate together in programs of spiritual renewal, including a great program entitled, Life In The Eucharist, among others. It will be the goal of our Family to bring our Parishes to pray, grow and serve together, live as one Catholic community, and bring the Light of Jesus Christ to all the people in all the communities of our area.

More information on the process can be found on the Road to Renewal website: <https://roadtorenewal.org/> - We will also continue to provide regular updates on the Road to Renewal as it becomes available.

Friends, this effort will involve a great deal of prayer, flexibility, mutual support, hope, charity, and faith. At times it may feel like many things are changing, as indeed, perhaps many things will be different. And in the same moment, the central realities of our faith, Sacramental, and spiritual life aren't going to change at all. As we read in the Letter to the Hebrews, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." (Heb. 13:8) God is faithful, and in response to His goodness we can all continue to strive and support one another in being faithful to Him and to each other. God is always doing something ... something new and something wonderful. Let us seek to renew together our confidence in Him!

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or thoughts to share. Peace to all of you in Christ, Fr. Mark

Queridos amigos,

A medida que avanza este nuevo año de 2023, toda nuestra Diócesis avanzará con el proceso Camino a la Renovación que ha estado en las etapas de planificación y piloto durante un par de años. Los pasos prácticos más grandes del proceso, y los que serán profundos en nuestra experiencia, se darán durante este año. Será un tiempo de ajustes necesarios, un tiempo de crecimiento y novedad y, creo, en última instancia, un tiempo de grandes bendiciones.

Como se mencionó en el boletín de la semana pasada, el obispo Mike ha designado a ocho sacerdotes para que sirvan como vicarios foráneos para siete regiones geográficas, llamadas vicariatos, y un vicariato no territorial para el ministerio en campus universitarios y universitarios. Nuestro Vicariato es el Vicariato del Nivel Sur Oeste. El Vicario Foráneo de nuestra región es el P. Todd Remick. Padre La responsabilidad principal de Todd será servir como enlace entre el Obispo y las agrupaciones de parroquias, llamadas Familias de Parroquias, de nuestro Vicariato. Padre Todd ayudará a las Familias de las Parroquias asegurando nuestra colaboración y acuerdo de funcionamiento con los planes diocesanos y, oramos, sea muy fructífero.

Hay cuatro Familias de Parroquias en nuestro Vicariato. Cada Familia de Parroquias consta de 3-6 parroquias. Algunas de estas parroquias, sin embargo, tienen múltiples lugares de culto (p. ej., la Parroquia Beata María Ángela tiene dos lugares de culto: St. Hyacinth y St. Hedwig). Por lo tanto, cada una de las Familias de Parroquias en nuestro Vicariato tiene de 5 a 8 lugares de culto o edificios de la Iglesia. Cada sitio de la Iglesia también puede tener antiguos edificios escolares, conventos, rectorías activas, cementerios, etc.

Nuestra Familia de Parroquias consta de las siguientes Parroquias (y sitios con templos):

1. Santa Elizabeth Ann Seton, Dunkirk
2. B. Mary Angela, Dunkirk (sitios de St. Hyacinth y St. Hedwig)
3. Santísima Trinidad, Dunkirk
4. San José, Fredonia
5. San Antonio, Fredonia
6. Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo, Silver Creek (sitios de NSMC en Silver Creek y de St. Rose of Lima en Forestville)

Así, nuestra Familia cuenta con seis Parroquias y ocho templos. Nuestra Familia también incluye un número significativo de cementerios y numerosos otros edificios. Además, la Escuela Católica Northern Chautauqua (NCCS) también está sirviendo dentro de esta comunidad.

Las otras tres Familias de Parroquias en nuestro Vicariato están compuestas por Parroquias en los siguientes lugares:

1. Jamestown/Falconer/Lakewood/Randolph
2. Mayville/Bemus/Westfield/Brocton/French Creek/Sherman
3. Gowanda/Cattaraugus/Langford/N. Collins/Edén

Cada Familia de Parroquias tendrá: (a) un sacerdote designado como párroco y un número específico de otros sacerdotes designados como vicarios parroquiales - esto se llama el modelo de Un Pastor; (b) un grupo de sacerdotes que sirven a la Familia de Parroquias "In Solidum", en cuyo caso todos los sacerdotes comparten conjuntamente las responsabilidades típicas de un pastor, con un sacerdote sirviendo como moderador del grupo - esto se llama el modelo In Solidum. También se asignarán diáconos para servir en cada Familia. Anticipamos que estas decisiones y asignaciones se tomarán en el transcurso de las próximas semanas y meses.

Pronto se determinará una fecha para que nuestra Familia comience el proceso de seis meses en el que primero planifiquemos y luego comencemos a operar como una Familia de Parroquias. Con base en la información que hemos recibido de la Diócesis, anticipamos tentativamente que nuestra comunidad comenzará el proceso en algún momento entre mayo y julio, aunque no se ha establecido una fecha de inicio en este momento. El proceso comienza con lo que se llama una Fase de Iniciación. Esta fase será un tiempo de planificación y formación de un Plan Estratégico para operar como una Familia de Parroquias. Después de la Fase de Iniciación de seis meses, entraremos en la Fase de Activación, que involucrará la implementación de ese plan y nuestra operación completa como Familia de Parroquias.

La Fase de Iniciación involucrará a grupos de representantes (laicos, personal parroquial y clérigos) de cada Parroquia de nuestra Familia trabajando juntos para desarrollar planes estratégicos de acuerdo a seis áreas o "Pilares" de la vida Parroquial. Estos Pilares son: (1) Liturgia/Horarios de Misa; (2) Vida Espiritual; (3) Formando Discípulos; (4) Alcance externo y interno; (5) Mayordomía; y (6) Administración.

Durante las primeras fases de este proceso, cada Familia de Parroquias también participará en programas de renovación espiritual, incluyendo un gran programa titulado, Vida en la Eucaristía, entre otros. Será el objetivo de nuestra Familia llevar a nuestras Parroquias a orar, crecer y servir juntas, vivir como una comunidad Católica y llevar la Luz de Jesucristo a todas las comunidades de nuestra área.

Puede encontrar más información sobre el proceso en el sitio web de Camino a la Renovación: <https://roadtorenewal.org/> - También continuaremos brindando actualizaciones periódicas sobre Road to Renewal a medida que esté disponible.

Amigos, este esfuerzo implicará mucha oración, flexibilidad, apoyo mutuo, esperanza, caridad y fe. A veces puede parecer que muchas cosas están cambiando, ya que, de hecho, tal vez muchas cosas serán diferentes. Y en el mismo momento, las realidades centrales de nuestra fe, vida sacramental y espiritual no van a cambiar en absoluto. Como leemos en la Carta a los Hebreos, **"Jesucristo es el mismo ayer, hoy y por los siglos"**. (Heb. 13:8) Dios es fiel, y en respuesta a Su bondad todos podemos continuar esforzándonos y apoyándonos unos a otros para ser fieles a Él y unos a otros. Dios siempre está haciendo algo ... algo nuevo y algo maravilloso. ¡Busquemos renovar juntos nuestra confianza en Él!

Por favor, dejame saber si tienes alguna pregunta o idea para compartir. Paz a todos ustedes en Cristo Rey, P. Marcos

Las Clases de Virtus

De acuerdo con nuestra plan diocesana y parroquial de "Protección de los niños de Dios", requerimos que cualquier persona que esté o vaya a trabajar o ser voluntario con jóvenes complete el curso introductorio de VIRTUS y participe en el programa VIRTUS. El Curso Introductorio se ofrecerá aquí en la Escuela Católica Northern Chautauqua el martes 21 de febrero de 2023 a las 10:00 a. m. La inscripción se puede completar en línea en www.virtusonline.org; también puede comunicarse con Natalie al 716-366-1750 para obtener registrándose o con cualquier pregunta.

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time—January 29, 2023

Weekly Masses

Saturday, January 28

5:00 p.m. James A. Andrews by Kathleen (sister)

Sunday, January 29

8:00 a.m. Stephen Thomas Thompson by Frederick Mackowiak

10:00 a.m. Charlie & Evelda & Dave Meyer, by Jane, Jim & Janet

11:30 a.m. Parishioners of SEAS

Monday, January 30

7:00 a.m. Raymond Schrantz (Birth), by Marie Damico

Tuesday, January 31— St John Bosco

7:00 a.m. Robert Skrzniarz by Leo & Sandy Bain

Wednesday, February 1

7:00 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, February 2-The Presentation of the Lord

7:00 a.m. Tom Schrantz by Len & Dorothy Schrantz & Family

Friday, February 3-St Blaise & St Ansgar

7:00 a.m. Sheryl Carreras by Ron & Susan Hall

Saturday, February 4

5:00 p.m. Joseph & Helen Banach by the Banach Family

Sunday, February 5

8:00 a.m. Peggy Glenn by Ron & Susan Hall

10:00 a.m. Fr Walter Werbicki & Carolyn Terese by Maria Kuschel Ruiz

11:30 a.m. Parishioners of SEAS

Please remember to pray for the infirmed:

Janet Bonasera, Scott Collins, Sue Dietzen, Len Fijal, Jose Gambarelli, Keith & Kevin, Desiree Jones, John Maternowski, Frederick Mackowiak Jr., Mike McCarty, Peter Notaro, Joel Rivera, Javier Robles, Lenny Schrantz, Jessica Sinclair, Jack Van Dervort, Mollie Watkins, Kevin Washington and Fr Tom Wopperer.

Memorials

Greg S. Russell by Alexis Ginley

Armando (Jeff) Fernandez by Alexis Ginley

Stella Karin by Janet & Jim Kubasik

Natalie Gavin by Chris Sell

ORACIÓN POR LAS VOCACIONES

por San Anibal María de Francia

Oh María, el futuro de la Iglesia depende de la presencia de personas generosas capaces de decir Sí a DIOS como tú lo hiciste en el momento de la Anunciación. Madre de la Iglesia, que tu ejemplo de vida, que viviste con espíritu de total acogida y entrega, despierte en el corazón de muchos jóvenes el deseo de ofrecer su vida al servicio de tu Hijo, que es Amor- hecho carne para la salvación de la humanidad. Amén.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

by St. Annibal Maria di Francia

O Mary, the future of the Church depends on the presence of generous persons capable of saying YES to GOD as you did at the time of the Annunciation. Mother of the Church, may your example of life, which you lived in the spirit of total acceptance and self-giving, awaken in the hearts of many young people the desire to offer their lives in the service of your Son, who is Love-Made-Flesh for the salvation of mankind. Amen.

Weekend of January 21 & 22

Mass Attendance/Asistencia a Misa:

5:00 PM – 45

8:00 AM – 55

10:00 AM – 71

11:30AM – 107

Total 278

Collection/Collecta:
\$3,236.51

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Wednesday, February 1 - 3PM-Food Pantry

Friday, February 3 - 10:30AM-Mass at County Home

Sunday, February 5

9:00AM-Sacramental Prep classes

10:30AM-RCIA English in rectory meeting room

12:30PM-RCIA Spanish in Church

Carpenter Needed

The Food Pantry is seeking a carpenter that would be willing to donate their time to build a table to be used for distributing food. Materials will be supplied by the Food Pantry. If interested, please contact Deacon Mike at the rectory 716-366-1750.

An Apology

We accidently left a Christmas Flower donation off the list that was printed two weeks ago from: Rosalind Vacanti Barris in Memory of Joseph, Rose and JoAnn Vacanti and others.

Also, we had a donation that came in after the list was printed from: M. Lina Pinero in Memory of Christian Fuentes and Willie Fuentes.

“Souper Bowl” Canned Soup Drive

Super Bowl Sunday is just two weeks away and even though our team isn't going to be one of the competitors for the “big game”, they showed us and the world how to stand with your head held high and proud when faced with just about every obstacle that could have been thrown at them this past season. For our third straight year, we will be collecting cans of soup on Super Bowl weekend, February 11 & 12. Boxes will be placed by each entrance where you can leave cans of soup. The soup will then be taken over to our SEAS food pantry.

Candlemas Day

Thursday, February 2 is Candlemas Day. Candles will be blessed at Mass that day and left out on the baptismal font for purchase throughout the next few weekends. Seven-day candles which have a refillable insert in them, are \$8. If you would like the refillable insert only, they are \$4. A bag of tealight candles are \$1. There will be envelopes by the candles to place your money in and the envelope can either be dropped in the slot in the rectory office door or dropped in the collection basket.

VIRTUS Class to be offered here ...

In keeping with our Diocesan and Parish “Protecting God's Children” policy, we require anyone who is or will be working or volunteering with youth to complete the VIRTUS Introductory Course and participate in the VIRTUS program. The Introductory Course will be offered here at Northern Chautauqua Catholic School on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Registration may be completed online at www.virtusonline.org - you may also contact Natalie at 716-366-1750 for assistance in registering or with any questions.

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