

The K of C meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All Knights in good standing (current dues paid) are encouraged to attend.

Next meeting will be August 19, 2021, 7PM-MASKS ARE OPTIONAL AT MEETINGS.



Scott Sherman, Richard Chaves, Paul Stiefvater, Ryan Chaves, Gordon Krook, Marco Vela, and Al Hausotter

UPCOMING NEWS AND EVENTS

**During these hot days of summer the office is opening at 8:00 AM and will be closing at 12:00 PM.

July 27th: Graveside Services for Nancy

Curtiss @ 11:00AM

July 31st: No Confessions

July 31st: Funeral for Dennis & Charlie Oliver

at 12:00 noon in Halfway

Annual Catechetical Symposium

Getting Back to the Miraculous Enlivening Faith in Our Homes & Parishes

When: August 6-8, 2021

Where: Cascade View Retreat Center in

Powell Butte, OR

Check in August 6, 3-5PM

Begins: August 6, 2021, 5:15PM

Ends: August 8th 12:30PM

Cost \$75.00 + housing

If you are interested, you may register on the Diocesan web site, or contact the parish office.

Religious Education

Monday July 26th, we remember St. Joachim and St. Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the earthly grandparents of Jesus. Little is known of Mary's parents, and they are not mentioned in the bible. Most of what we know is from Catholic legend.

Pope Francis in a speech he gave on a visit to the city of São Sebastião do Rio de Janeiro Brazil July 26,2013 had this to say in regards to the feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne:

"Today the Church celebrates the parents of the Virgin Mary, the grandparents of Jesus, Saints Joachim and Anne. In their home, Mary came into the world, accompanied by the extraordinary mystery of the Immaculate Conception. Mary grew up in the home of Joachim and Anne; she was surrounded by their love and faith: in their home she learned to listen to the Lord and to follow his will. Saints Joachim and Anne were part of a long chain of people who had transmitted their love for God, expressed in the warmth and love of family life, down to Mary, who received the Son of God in her womb and who gave him to the world, to us. How precious is the family as the privileged place for transmitting the faith! Speaking about family life, I would like to say one thing: today, as Brazil and the Church around the world celebrate this feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Grandparents Day is also being celebrated. How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage which is so essential for each and every society! How important it is to have intergenerational exchanges and dialogue, especially within the context of the family. The Aparecida Document says, "Children and the elderly build the future of peoples: children because they lead history forward, the elderly because they transmit the experience and wisdom of their lives" (No. 447).

This relationship and this dialogue between generations is a treasure to be preserved and strengthened! "

Reflection from Franciscan Media: This is the "feast of grandparents". It reminds grandparents of their responsibility to establish a tone for generations to come: They must make the traditions live and offer them as a promise to little children. But the feast has a message for the younger generation as well. It reminds the young that older people's greater perspective, depth of experience, and appreciation of life's profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored.

St Joachim and Anne are the Patron Saints of: Grandparents and St. Anne is also the patron Saint of women in labor.

These things, I warmly wish for you,

Someone to love, some work to do,

A bit of sun, a bit of cheer,

And a guardian angel always near.



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