

O.L.F. Year For Catholic Devotions June 2011 - June 2012

January is devoted to the devotion of the Holy Name of Jesus

Today's Gospel

Mk 1:21-28

Then they came to Capernaum, and on the Sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them **as one having authority** and not as the scribes.

The unclean spirit convulsed him [the possessed] and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? **A new teaching with authority**. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

This same Messianic Figure later promises to never leave us:

Matthew 28: 16 And the eleven disciples went into Galilee, unto the mountain where Jesus had appointed them. 17 And seeing them they adored: but some doubted. 18 And Jesus coming, spoke to them, saying: All power is given to me in heaven and in earth. 19 Going therefore, teach ye all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: **and behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world.**

In the whole New Testament John 6 is the only place Jesus offers the unvarnished affirmation of the only thing that is guaranteed, absolutely guaranteed, to bring himself and us into each other's presence. If one is not consumed with and by the Eucharist 24/7 one is pretty much wasting one's time; spinning his wheels, as it were! Following are Jesus' hard words concerning us and him.

*John 6: 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world 52 The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us [his] flesh to eat? 53 Jesus said to them, "**Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.** 54 ***Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. 55 For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. 56 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. 57 Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.***"*

Mon. 01/30 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer**
 Feast Weekday
 8:00 AM Mass Bill Conrad, *Austin Hallinan*
Tues. 01/31 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases**
 Feast Saint John Bosco, Priest
 8:00 AM Mass Theresa McCall, *Ray McCall, Jr.*
Wed. 02/01 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis**
 Feast Weekday
 8:00 AM Mass Anna Wineland, *Paul & Adaline Cassarly*
Thur. 02/02 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders**
 Feast The Presentation of the Lord
 8:00 AM Mass Janet Pufka, *Ernie & Helen Tomassetti*
Fri. 02/03 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders**
 Feast St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr
 8:00 AM Mass George Glashauser, *Mike & Sherry Byrne*
Sat. 02/04 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes**
 Feast Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:30 PM Mass Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Fatima
Sun. 02/05 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions**
 Feast Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 AM Mass Rosemarie Martin, *Stanley J. Krish Family*
 11:00 AM Anna Wineland, *Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Storm*

*Lord
 Jesus
 Christ
 Son
 Of
 God
 Have
 Mercy
 On
 Me
 A
 Sinner*

Happy Birthday:

Wedding Anniversaries

Friday Feb 3, 2012 Nocturnal Adoration - St. Mary's, 5th Ave & 14th St - 8-11 PM

MONEY MATTERS

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (January 22, 2012)

people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$ of which \$ accounted for visitor contributions.

# Envelopes In Circulation	204	# Used	86	# Unused	118
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FIRST NOTICE

A Special Message from Bishop Mark L. Bartchak

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recently announced that almost all employers – including Catholic employers – will be forced to offer their employees' health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. If the rule is not overturned, we will be compelled to either violate our consciences or to drop health coverage for our employees. I, along with my brother Bishops in the United States, have vowed to fight this unjust law. In the next edition of *The Catholic Register*, I will outline my concerns about this issue in greater detail and explain what you can do to help end this threat to our religious freedom. In the meantime, I ask for your prayers that wisdom and justice prevail and religious liberty may be restored. Thank you.

Our parish's Pro Life Tsar, Gerry Rose, informs us that the collection last week to raise funds for the March for Life in Washington yielded \$263.97 which constitutes a record response from OLF. Congratulations.

As of this printing the pastor is almost over the hump with his recovery over the attack of septicemia [blood poisoning] seemingly related to the surgical removal of one Wisdom tooth. Nobody appears to be at fault with regard to this not all that uncommon occurrence with such surgeries. If caught in time, as was the case with Z, death can be thwarted. The problem with the poisoning of the blood system is that it wreaks havoc with all the other systems. In Z's case he falls asleep after about seven minutes of any kind of physical or mental activity. He loses balance and gets dizzy (or vice versa) when he tries to walk. His doctors and medical advisors keep telling him to rest, rest, and more rest. He, of course, resists the advice claiming he doesn't know how to do that. All indications point to a complete incremental recovery over an extended period of time ... getting better and better ... day by day ... over three or four months. Father intends to return to fulfilling the regular daily Mass schedule on Monday, January 30, 2012.

We really lucked out in getting priests to cover weekend Masses these past two weeks. Looking ahead there appears to be little to no availability for Sunday coverage in the coming months. A goodly number of people, including Council members have suggested that this is the perfect time to experiment with the ONE SUNDAY MASS schedule. Father Z has agreed to try it as an experiment at least until he's fully "*back in the saddle again.*" Starting next week the 9:00 and 11:00 AM Sunday Masses will be compressed into ONE SUNDAY MASS at 10:00 AM. Get the word out to all those who don't read the Bulletin.

Experimentally & Temporarily: One Sunday Mass Only at O.L.F.
Until further notice: Sunday Mass at 10:00 (one Sunday Mass Only)
Starting Next Sunday, February 5, 2012

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Additional Rose Marie Martin Memorials = \$50.00

**Super Special
Ash Wednesday
February 22, 2012
Pierogi Sale
Only \$ 7.00 per dozen**

Order by calling 814-942-0371

Drive By - stay in vehicle - Pick Up
Behind the downtown K of C from 3:00 to 6:00 PM

*Our Lady of Fatima Pleaded That we pray the Holy Rosary Daily
At O.L.F. before each Mass and privately from 8:30am to 7:00pm*

During each of the Months remaining in 2011 as well as all of the months 'til June in 2012 we will be having special devotions, usually but not always or exclusively, after each weekend Mass, according to the schedule shown to the right of this announcement.

Month	Dedication / Devotion
January*	The Holy Name of Jesus
February	The Holy Family
March	St. Joseph
April	The Holy Eucharist
May	The Blessed Virgin Mary

Feast day: February 3
Patron of Throat Illnesses

Many Catholics might remember Saint Blaise's feast day because of the Blessing of the Throats that took place on this day. Two candles are blessed, held slightly open, and pressed against the throat as the blessing is said. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him.

Very few facts are known about Saint Blaise. We believe he was a bishop of Sebastea in Armenia who was martyred under the reign of Licinius in the early fourth century.

The legend of his life that sprang up in the eighth century tell us that he was born in to a rich and noble family who raised him as a Christian. After becoming a bishop, a new persecution of Christians began. He received a message from God to go into the hills to escape persecution. Men hunting in the mountains discovered a cave surrounded by wild animals who were sick. Among them Blaise walked unafraid, curing them of their illnesses. Recognizing Blaise as a bishop, they captured him to take him back for trial. On the way back, he talked a wolf into releasing a pig that belonged to a poor woman. When Blaise was sentenced to be starved to death, the woman, in gratitude, sneaked into the prison with food and candles. Finally Blaise was killed by the governor.

Blaise is the patron saint of wild animals because of his care for them and of those with throat maladies. In His Footsteps: Take time as Saint Blaise did to find out how you can help wild animals. Find out what is being done to support and protect the wildlife in your area. There is wild-life everywhere, even in cities. Even a birdfeeder can help God's creatures survive..