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Pentecost Sunday

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YEAR FOR PRIESTS

June 19, 2009 - June 19, 2010

The Daily Liturgical Schedule

07:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration for private Holy Hours
07:40 AM Rosary Begins
08:00 AM Weekday Mass
08:30 AM Confessions until 9:00 AM
09:00 AM Church remains open for personal and private Eucharistic Adoration until Dusk each day

Check Page Two for non-Liturgical Scheduled Events

Mon. 5/24

8:00 AM Mass

Tues. 5/25

8:00 AM Mass

Wed. 5/26

8:00 AM Mass

Thur. 5/27

8:00 AM Mass

Fri. 5/28

8:00 AM Mass

Sat. 5/29

4:30 PM Mass

Sun. 5/30

9:00 AM Mass

11:00 AM Mass

Pray for victims of Cancer and their caregivers

Vocations to the Priesthood, Colleen Sheehan

Pray for victims of Cardiovascular Disease and their caregivers

Sally Colledge, Children

Pray for victims of Arthritis and their caregivers

Fr. Anthony Pollack, M/M Michael Byrne

Pray for victims of Neuromuscular Disorders and their caregivers

Danny Lardieri, Sisters

Pray for victims of Emotional Disorders and their caregivers

Joseph Cassarly, M/M Paul Cassarly

Pray for victims of Diabetes and their caregivers

Margaret Conrad, Bill Conrad

Pray for victims of Addictions and their caregivers

Margaret Joyce, M/M Steve Flanagan & Family

Rita Raichle, Sylvia & Pat

O.L.F. Memorial Weekend Dessert Sale

OLF is again asking our gourmet bakers to make desserts for our

Memorial Day Sale **May 29th-30th**

Desserts could include cakes, cookies, brownies, pies, and whatevers

***Please have them delivered to the RECTORY by
2:00 PM Friday May 28th***

Baked goods will go on sale after the 4:30 PM Mass on **SATURDAY May 29th** and after the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses on **SUNDAY May 30th**

In order to decrease duplication, please call the Rectory naming your bake sale item.

The Irish Times

Saturday, May 15, 2010

LARA MARLOWE in Washington



Palin sets out to reclaim feminism for the right

The former governor's giddy energy flows like an electrical current at anti-abortion gathering A THOUSAND of Sarah Palin's adoring fans gravitated from Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania and states further afield to hear her expound on the evils of abortion, Washington and what she calls the "lamestream media" at a fundraising breakfast here yesterday morning.

Palin was invited by the Susan B Anthony List, an anti-abortion group named after an early suffragist, which campaigns to defeat pro-choice candidates. Marjorie Dannenfelser, the president of the list, said Palin, who reportedly receives \$100,000 (€80,700) per speaking engagement, delivered the keynote address as a favour, a "freebie".

With mid-term elections in November, the list reserves special venom for Democrats who called themselves "pro-life" but voted for President Barack Obama's healthcare Bill. (The group claims the Bill allocates federal funds for abortion. It does not.) The lion's share of Susan B Anthony's funds go to Sue Lowden, the anti-abortion candidate from Nevada who has surpassed Senate majority leader Harry Reid in opinion polls.

The average age in the packed banqueting room looked to be about 46 – Palin's age. There were more women than men, and almost no black people. Some clutched Palin's best-selling book, *Going Rogue*, and wore "Palin Power" baseball caps and "Team Sarah" badges. In conversation, they referred to her by her first name. Many were blonde, and through some unconscious mimicry wore Palin-style high heels and neat little suits.

"Ours is a 24/7 mission," said Jane Abraham, the chair of the Susan B Anthony List, who introduced Palin. "We will fight every day, every hour, until every baby in America comes to term."

Palin was "a role model" for her 16-year-old twins, Abraham said. "You have given us more courage to keep fighting."

Palin swept on to the stage in a figure-hugging black suit, with a crucifix at her throat and a jewelled American flag in her lapel. "We Love Sarah" and "Vets for Sarah.net" said placards held high in the audience.

"Talk about courage and boldness; you all came through in [the presidential election in] 2008!" Palin exclaimed. "I appreciate you soooo much."

For decades, as Palin said to laughter, American feminists were found "in faculty lounges in east coast colleges". She was reclaiming feminism for the right, defining herself as "a western feminist, influenced by the pioneering spirit of our foremothers who went across the country in wagon trains. They had dirt under their fingernails and could shoot a gun and push a plough . . . I feel a connection to that tough, gun-totin' Annie Oakley feminism."

Mothers were the antidote to "these policies coming out of Washington", Palin said.

"We don't like this road to national insolvency, being under the thumb of big government. It's kind of a mom-awakening . . . The policies coming out of Washington are allowing us to be empowered, because moms know when things are going wrong."

The Tea Party, the grassroots conservative movement that is pulling the Republican Party to the right, was good. The media was bad. "The media kind of crack me up," Palin said. "They embed themselves in Tea Party rallies and they say, 'Who are these creatures?' Americans are smart enough to start holding the media accountable." The media portrayed tea-partiers as racist and violent when they were "just hard-working, patriotic, liberty-loving Americans."

Palin had gleaned nuggets of wisdom from hoardings and signs at Tea Party rallies. "My kid is not your ATM," she said to applause. "I do like that billboard that says, 'Mr President, I need a freakin' job,'" she continued. "And I like the one with George Bush's face that says, 'Miss me yet?' Yes! We do!"

The mounting deficit was "immoral, unethical . . . generational theft". Palin exhorted her fans: "Moms, rise up and say it's enough! In Alaska, the mama grizzlies rear up – and you thought pitbulls were tough. There are a lot of mama grizzlies here in this room – common-sense, constitutional women."

Palin's audience listened most raptly when she recounted her last pregnancy, and that of her unmarried teenage daughter Bristol. When she learned that she was carrying a baby with Down syndrome, she said she told God, "I don't think I can handle this: being governor, four kids already, my husband often away doing commercial fishing . . ."

But when Trig was born, she said she melted. "He looked up at me, and I thought, 'He gave you to me and me to you . . .' The recognition of Trig's perfection has been a blessing. I want to tell women, 'You will be blown away. Your life will be enhanced'. Trig is there in our life, showing us his golden heart. Trig has been the best thing that has ever happened to me and the Palin family."

Thereupon, the audience burst into the longest of several standing ovations. Palin moved on to the story of Bristol, who "didn't expect to become pregnant at 17", and "had to endure some public humiliation on a national stage".

Again, the media were the villains. "Our culture and the media are sending the message that it would be easier if you abort your child," Palin said. Bristol now advocates abstinence for teens.

"Why should I get clobbered for using myself as a lesson?" Palin said her daughter asks. Bristol's infant too "turned into an awesome blessing". The lesson was that "choosing life may not always be the easiest path, but it's always the right path".

Though Palin is Protestant, the half-dozen breakfast guests I spoke to at random were all Catholic. There was a sprinkling of clerical collars and wimples through the audience.

"I just wanted to look in on Sarah, and see how she's doing," said Father JD Zatavala, who'd travelled from Pennsylvania.

One or both of Palin's parents were Catholic, the priest said, but they left the church. It bothered him a little. "I don't think it's wishful thinking, he added. "When you listen to her, [she sounds as if] she's on the cusp of coming back."

From a TIME magazine Palin interview of August 29, 2008

What church do you attend?

A non-denominational Bible church. I was baptized Catholic as a newborn and then my family started going to non-denominational churches throughout our life.

Pastoral Notes:

On Friday, May 14, 2010 the parish received from the Estate of Helen V. Kasun a check in the amount of \$12,620, which represents roughly 75% of her total bequest to the parish. Until such time as the entire estate is settled fully and the bequest is ours free and clear we shall keep that amount available for possible (although unlikely) demand return.

The pastor will seek the advice and counsel (N.B. *not the instruction or permission*) of the Parish Advisory Council and Finance Committee as to an appropriate dispersal of the funds obtained from this generous and unanticipated bequest. Two options appear to be immediately obvious.

We could treat the influx of cash as a fortuitous make-up of the typical short fall we experience in our fundraising efforts. As most parishioners know (or should know) our annual budgets project a profit income of \$1,000 per fundraiser. Unfortunately we only occasionally reach that level of success. Choosing this option we would simply make the bequest a part of our normal operational funds.

The second option would be to ear-mark the funds for the completion of one or several projects which need to be dealt with not immediately but very soon. The two steeples need some serious “pointing” work. The sidewalk (and curb) in front of the church is not only an “eyesore,” it’s beginning to be the source of many a foot, ankle, leg, hip, and back sore. Replacing the rest of the discolored Plexiglas on the front windows with the beautifully transparent Lucite the insurance company and an anonymous donor paid for last year is no longer a cosmetic nicety but a practical necessity.

The Council and Committee will help the pastor make these decisions at the July 4th regularly scheduled meeting which, for obvious reasons, has been rescheduled to June 27. In the mean time we prayerfully thank Helen for her generosity to her parish. She is a perfect example of how it is that parishioners can continue to help their parishes not just in a *spiritual* way, but in a *material* way also, even after they have died.

Speaking of Fundraisers

Thanks and congratulations go to those who really got behind the last Hoagie Sale. We profited \$945.00.

The next fundraiser is a **MEMORIAL WEEKEND SWEET TOOTH BONANZA** on May 29 and 30. Bring your baked goods to Church for your parish to sell. Bring your wallet to buy fellow parishioners **dessert and snack specialties**. (See next week's *Bulletin* for ideas and instructions.)

Please call to the attention of the Rectory any parishioner who might be having to stay home for a period in excess of one month, thus unable to get to Mass. We will make arrangements for Holy Communion visitation.

MONEY MATTERS

7th Sunday of Easter May 16, 2010

312 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$2,772.71 of which \$ 486.16 accounted for visitor contributions.

Envelopes In Circulation 225

Used 105

Unused 120

O.L.F. ACA Goal = \$17,830**Pledged to date = \$ 4,760.00*****These are parishioners who have already Pledged to the 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal***

Anonymous (1)	Mrs. Genevieve Musto	M/M David Smith
M/M John Adams, Sr.	M/M John G. Noonan, Jr.	M/M Jerry Smith
Mr. Anthony Bruno	Mr. Tim O'Connor	Mr. Thomas Smith
M/M Michael A.. Byrne	Ms. Helen Pufka	Mr. Herbert E. Summers, Jr.
Mr. Thomas Gibbons	M/M Joseph Pufka	Miss Bernadette Weakland
M/M Charles Hennigan	Mrs. Bernard Quinlan	Mrs. Eleanor Yeager
M/M James Hosgood	M/M David Riley	Fr. J.D. Zatalava
MS. Erma Iannaello	M/M James R. Riley	
Mrs. Mildred Maucieri	M/M Alfred J. Sisto	
Mrs. Catherine Mincin	Mrs. Carol Smith	

Sunday (today) May 23**Monday, May 24****Tuesday, May 25****Wednesday, May 26****Thursday, May 27****Friday, May 28****Saturday, May 29****Memorial W/E Dessert Sale****Sunday, May 30****THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

As an added Para-liturgical item to O.L.F.'s regular weekly honoring of our troops and veterans on Sunday May 30, (Memorial Day) just before, and a little after, the 11:00 Mass, we will have formal military services honoring the deceased veterans of all military engagements. Join in this, what promises to be an impressive event.

*Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!**Fr. J.D. Zatalava*

In the interest of full disclosure those gracious and talented people who organized the splendiferous celebration thought it important for me to assure all who might be concerned that not one penny of parish monies was used in pulling it off. Private donations from parishioners and friends of mine were used to pay the expenses incurred.