

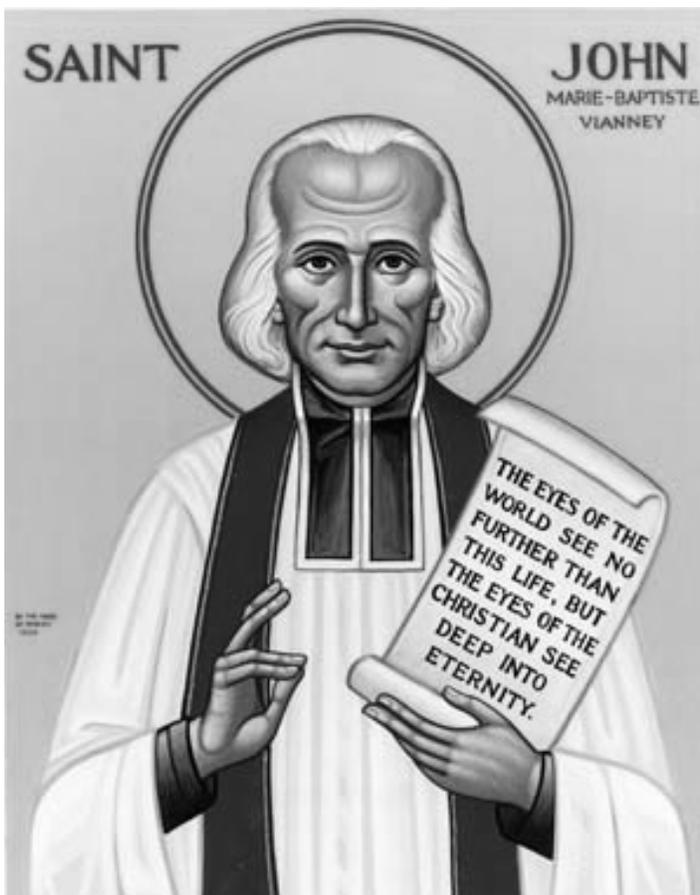
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 24-25, 2009

Fatima Mirror

A weekly publication for the education and edification of parishioners and friends of Our Lady of Fatima Parish of the Catholic Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown in Altoona, Pennsylvania. Most Reverend Joseph V. Adamec, D.D. is the diocesan bishop. Father J.D. Zatalava, M.Div. is the pastor. Parishioners worship in the church building named after Saint Leo the Great, 2000 12th Ave. 16601.

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Heb 5:1-6

Brothers and sisters:

Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring, for he himself is beset by weakness and so, for this reason, must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people.

No one takes this honor upon himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. In the same way, it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest, but rather the one who said to him: *You are my son: this day I have begotten you;* just as he says in another place: *You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.*



Private Novena In Honor Of Saint John Marie Vianney

Day 1: ARDENT FAITH

Saint John Marie Baptist Vianney you were born of a deeply religious mother; from her you received the Holy Faith; you learned to love God and to pray. At a young age, you were seen kneeling in the front of the statue of Mary. Your soul was supernaturally carried towards the things on High. Despite the high cost, you answered your vocation! Against many obstacles and contradictions, you had to fight and suffer to become the perfect priest which you were. But your deep spirit of faith supported you in all these battles. O Great Saint you know the desire of my soul; I would like to serve God better; from Him I have received so many good things. For this, obtain for me more courage and especially the depth of faith. Many of my thoughts, words, and actions are useless for my sanctification and for my salvation, because this supernatural spirit does not stir up my life. Help me to be better in the future. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions). Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 2: COMPLETE TRUST IN GOD

Saint John Marie Baptist Vianney, what confidence the people had in your prayers! You could not leave your old rectory or your humble church without being surrounded by imploring souls, who appealed to you as they would have appealed to Jesus Himself during His earthly life. And you, O good Saint, gave them hope by your words, which were full of love for God. You, who had always counted entirely on the heart of God, obtain for me a deep filial trust in His Providence. As the hope of divine goods fills my heart, give me courage and help me to always obey the Commandments of God. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions). Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

Day 3 TRUE LOVE OF NEIGHBOR

Saint John Marie Baptist Vianney because of your love of God you showed great charity towards your neighbor. You could not preach on the Love of God without burning tears of love. During your last years, it seemed as though you could not talk about any thing else or live for anything else. Thus you sacrificed yourself to your neighbor by consoling, absolving and sanctifying them to the limits of your strength. Your charity inspires me to greater love of God, a love which is shown more by acts than by words. Help me to love my neighbor generously as Christ loves them. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions). Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

Day 4: HORROR OF SIN

Saint John Mary Baptist Vianney, you were so adamant against sin, yet so sympathetic and so ready to welcome the sinner. I come to you today as if you were still alive, as if I were kneeling at your feet and you could hear me. Bend towards me, listen to the repentant confidence for the weaknesses and miserable deeds of mine. Priest of the Lord, inexhaustible Confessor, obtain for me the horror for sin. You wanted us First to avoid the occasion of sin. I want totake your advice and make the resolution to break bad habits and to avoid the dangerous occasions of sin. Help me today to examine my conscience. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for... mention your special intentions). (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

Day 5: CONFESSOR OF SOULS

O Holy Priest of Ars, you knew how important was a good confession for the Christian life. It was to procure the happy fruits of millions of souls that you agreed to be in an uncomfortable confessional, which was like a prison, up to 15 to 16 hours on certain days.

I will try to develop the habit of frequent confession, to prepare properly each time and to have always regret for my sins, so that the grace of final perseverance but also the sanctification of my soul will be assured. Ask this grace for me. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions). Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Day 6: REAL PRESENCE

O Holy Priest of Ars, whose only comfort in this world was the real presence of Jesus in the tabernacle, was it not your great joy to distribute the Eucharist to the pilgrims who visited you? You refused Communion to the souls who refused to reform but to souls of goodwill you opened wide the doors of the Eucharistic Feast. You, who each day at Holy Mass received Holy Communion with great loves, give me some of your fervor. With freedom from mortal sin, obtain for me a sincere desire to profit from receiving Holy Communion. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for... (mention silently your special intentions). Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

Day 7: DISPELLER OF SATAN

O Holy Priest of Ars, the infamous attacks of the devil which you had to suffer and the trials which disheartened you by fatigue would not make you give up the sublime task of converting souls. The devil came to you for many years to disturb your short rest but you won because of mortification and prayers. Powerful protector, you know the temptor's desire to harm my baptized and believing soul. He would have me sin, by rejecting the Holy Sacraments and the life of virtue. But good Saint of Ars dispel from me the traces of the enemy. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions). Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

Day 8: EXQUISITE PURITY

O Holy Priest of Ars, a witness of your life made this magnificent praise of you: 'We would have taken him for an angel in a mortal body.' You so edified others: the modesty and the exquisite purity radiated from your body. With such charm and with such enthusiasm you preached to others about these beautiful virtues which you said resembled the perfume of a vineyard in bloom. Please I beg you to join your entreaties to those of Mary Immaculate and Saint Philomena in order that I guard always, as God asks me, the purity of my heart. You, who have directed so many souls towards the heights of virtue, defend me in temptations and obtain for me the strength to conquer them. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in you. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

Day 9: DESIRE FOR HEAVEN

O Holy Priest of Ars, your precious remains are contained in a magnificent reliquary, the donation from the priests of France. But this earthly glory is only a very pale image of the unspeakable glory which you are enjoying with God. During the time you were on earth, you used to repeat in your dejected hours, 'one will rest in the other life.' It is done, you are in eternal peace, and eternal happiness. I desire to follow you one day. Until then, I hear you saying to me: "You should work and fight as long as you are in the world." Teach me then to work for the salvation of my soul, to spread the good news and good example and to do good towards those around me in order that I will receive the happiness of the Elect with you. Holy Priest of Ars, I have confidence in your intercession. Pray for me during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions). Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.

1324 The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch. It is the sum and summary of our faith: "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking."

Dear Friends of Fr. Leo Lynch,

We write to you today to ask for your help. Fr. Leo is facing a liver transplant because of diabetes, which, until recently, had been undiagnosed. His insurance will pay for the surgery, but before he can be put on the transplant list, he must have a home plan in place, which in his case, means an assisted living facility where he would have access to 24/7 care and transportation to Pittsburgh twice a week for about 6 weeks. After much research, it is felt that the cost for this plus his co-opted care and medications may exceed \$20,000, which he does not have.

As his friend, you know that he has given so much to others as a faithful servant in our diocese for over 30 years. As priest, he has been a chaplain, teacher and administrator in addition to being a devoted son, caregiver, family member and friend. He has worked among many of us at St. Therese's, Sacred Heart, Cathedral, Our Lady of Fatima, St. Joseph's, Bon Secours, BGHS, and Smithfield State Prison with love and concern for all God's children.

Now, in his time of need, we must be his servants with our love, prayers, encouragement, time and financial support. To expedite Fr. Leo's eligibility for the transplant list, please send your gift as soon as possible. We would like to successfully conclude this effort by November 1st.

We are hoping that 100 - 200 of you will be able to contribute \$100 - \$200, but you may send a check of any amount, which will be greatly appreciated, payable to:

**The Fr. Leo Lynch Medical Fund c/o Citizens Bank
3415 Pleasant Valley Blvd.
Altoona, PA 16602**

On behalf of the Friends of Father Leo,
Mike Bryne, O.L.F.

The Friends of Father Leo Lynch Fund (mentioned on the previous page)

Is sponsoring a

Sit down Pasta Fagioli Feast

On Sunday, November 1 - between 1 and 5 P.M.

At Saint Stan's

A Five dollar donation is asked of each adult attendee

MONEY MATTERS**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Oct 18)**

257 People Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$1,668.45 of which \$161.20 accounted for "loose."

Envelopes In Circulation 233 # Used 100 # Unused 133

O.L.F. Parishioner Patty Flanagan has volunteered to direct an Adult Choir which on an on-going basis would enhance our parish's 4:30 P.M. worship experience two Saturdays a month. Which two Saturdays, will be up to the vote of the choir. A super convenient rehearsal schedule is planned for 15 minutes before the 4:30 Mass and 30 minutes after the 4:30 Mass every other week. November 7, 2009 is the date for the first rehearsal. Specifics will be hashed out at that time.

Note to singers: Even if the 4:30 is not your usual or preferred Mass time, consider either altering your schedule for the good of the "team" or possibly going to two Masses on those week-ends when your voice is needed at the 4:30. The fact of the matter is we have many fine voices at

St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Shop

The cold weather has come early this year and St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Shop, (2223 8th Avenue, Altoona) is in need of blankets. All donations will be greatly appreciated! Volunteers are always wel-

**SAINT JUDE FEAST DAY OBSERVANCE AT SAINT MARK'S
416 SIXTH AVENUE, ALTOONA PA**

There is a special person to whom you can turn to for help when challenges seem overwhelming and hope seems gone for good. That person is Saint Jude Thaddeus, the Patron Saint of Hopeless Cases. He is waiting right now to intercede on your behalf with the Lord.

Tuesday, October 27 —9 AM Mass, Veneration of the Relic of Saint Jude, Saint Jude Prayers, Confessions afterwards. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 12 noon

Wednesday, October 28 — *Feast Day of Saint Jude* 12 Noon — Scripture Service, Saint Jude Prayers, Benediction, Veneration of the Relic of Saint Jude, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 7 PM & at 7 PM Mass, Veneration of Relic, Saint Jude Prayers, Confessions afterwards

Refreshments after Mass

Large Sanctuary Candles for your intentions will be available and will be placed on the altar. Petitions will also be placed on the altar. Forms for candles and petitions will be available.

O.L.F. MASS INTENTIONS FOR October 26 - November 1, 2009

Monday	10/26	08:00 AM	Frances Kasun, Helen & George Bula	<i>Weekday</i>
Tuesday	10/27	08:00 AM	Don Shuma, Joe & Janet Luciano	<i>Weekday</i>
Wednesday	10/28	08:00 AM	Fred M. Weakland, M/M Shawn Breslin	<i>Simon & Jude, apostles</i>
Thursday	10/29	08:00 AM	Helen Dzwonkowski, Carol Smith	<i>Weekday</i>
Friday	10/30	08:00 AM	Health of Denise Keagy, Friends	<i>Weekday</i>
Saturday	10/31	04:30 PM	Sally Colledge, Husband Pete	<i>All Saints</i>
Sunday	11/01	09:00 AM	Liv & Dec'd Members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish	<i>All Saints</i>
Sunday	11/01	11:00 AM	Rita Raichle, Faith V Vollenweider	<i>All Saints</i>