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St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

“Go and learn the meaning of the words, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' I did not come to call the righteous but sinners.” Matthew 9:13

June 7, 2008 A.D.
 Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The mission of
 St. Thomas Aquinas
 Parish is to seek the
 greater honor and glory
 of God and the salvation
 of souls by sanctifying,
 teaching, and shepherd-
 ing the faithful through
 dynamic orthodoxy.



Pastor’s Corner Stewardship Focus Parish News



My dear family,

Many thanks to everyone who helped with or attended Fr. Whorton’s ordination and first Mass. I was so happy to see so many of our parishioners at the Cathedral! May God bless Father Whorton’s ministry among us.

Our dear parish friend, Msgr. Lawrence Mukasa, has arrived this week to help us for the month of June. It is always wonderful to have Msgr. Mukasa with us—he is our living link with the Church in Uganda! As always, we will enjoy having Msgr. Mukasa with us.

We are taking advantage of having him with us as Frs. Mansfield, and then De Palma, take vacation in June. It is also the month for the fathers to make
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WE HAVE BEEN CALLED

Today’s Gospel addresses Matthew, a tax collector, answering Christ’s call. Certainly the Orthodox Jews of that time considered Matthew and other tax collectors among the sinners, not the righteous. We too are sinners, yet Jesus calls us to walk righteously with Him.

Christ’s call is simple, yet difficult. His call means we have to change from our natural tendencies to be selfish and self-centered, like the tax collectors were. Christ’s call is to be **generous with His gifts**; to be His disciple is to follow His path with the help of the Holy Spirit; to convert our lives into being as Christ to our fellow man.

Christ’s call is to be **people of love and mercy** and the best way to live such a life is to be good stewards. His call is a healing call. Christ heals the wounds caused by original sin. When we give our **time, talent, and treasure** in His name for our fellow man, we foster Christ’s healing in our lives and bring His healing to those whom we serve.
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PROJECT DEFENDING LIFE

Once each month you will hear a pulpit announcement regarding Right to Life. These come from our former Vicar, Fr. Stephen Imbarrato. Fr. Stephen has a vibrant, active ministry called Project Defending Life. A few of our parishioners are actively involved in PDL.

PDL has a chapel near an abortion mill on San Mateo in Albuquerque. Members frequently pray there and participate in peaceful protests on Saturday mornings. PDL has a web site with current information designed to keep us in touch with Right to Life events around New Mexico:
www.projectdefendinglife.org.

You can receive regular e-mail messages to stay in touch even easier. Sign-up at the PDL web site. The messages provide news updates, scheduled events, prayer requests, and many other items.

Abortion is the unholy shame in today’s world. **It takes innocent lives of those who can’t protect themselves.**
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their annual mandatory retreat. Frs. Mansfield and De Palma went last week, and I am going this week.

Today, at the 9 a.m. Mass, we are hosting our first "Blue Mass" here at St. Thomas. The Blue Mass is a Mass for all Law Enforcement and Public Safety personnel. This day we honor those brave men and women who give of themselves so generously to protect us, and ask the Holy Spirit to guide and protect them in their challenging and important work on behalf of our community.

Several priests in the Archdiocese are celebrating jubilees this year. Msgr. Frank Eggert, the Pastor of Our Lady of Fatima in Albuquerque, and Fr. Charles Brown, retired, are celebrating their 50th anniversaries, and Fr. Jay Voorhees, the pastor of Annunciation in Albuquerque (my home parish) is celebrating his 25th. *Ad multos annos!* ("many more years!") dear priests of God. As always, pray for priests and pray for vocations.

June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. As our Holy Father said to the Church last Sunday, "The Heart of Christ expresses in a simple and authentic way the 'good news' of love, summarizing in itself the mystery of the Incarnation and of the Redemption . . . From the infinite horizon of his love, in fact, God wished to enter within the limits of history and the human condition, he took on a body and a heart, so that we can contemplate and encounter the infinite in the finite, the invisible and ineffable Mystery in the human Heart of Jesus, the Nazarene."

"I invite everyone to renew, in the month of June, his devotion to the Heart of Christ, making use also of the traditional prayer of daily offering and including the intentions I have proposed for the whole Church."

A blessed week, Msgr. Doug Raun

Dear St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners, Your brothers and sisters of **St. Patrick Parish in Chama** thank-you for your generosity during our time of need this past winter. Through the Archbishop's' appeal for assistance, we received almost **\$110,000** in donations toward the construction of a new church to replace the one destroyed by the snow. Your help made this dream a reality! Your Brother in Christ, **Fr. Clement Niggle**

To register with the parish, stop by or call the office (1594 Sara Rd, 892-1511) or send an e-mail to: Contact@stanm.org

We welcome our new Parishioners

Ernest U & Lucia J Candelaria

Gino P & Doris A Negreiros

Enrique & Mary Silva

Funerals

Please call our Parish Office as soon as possible in order to coordinate liturgical services.

Sacrament of Baptism

Feliciana Guadalupe Sálazar

Soniya Brooklyn Angelina Vigil

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call our Parish Office four months prior to your wedding day to make arrangements and complete the paperwork.

3rd Banns: Michelle DeAverio & Antonio Carrejo

Newly-ordained Father Jeff Whorton giving the final blessing at his first Mass.



To see all pictures in color, get on the weekly bulletin e-mail list. Send a message to Bulletin@stanm.org requesting the e-mail version.

Next Week's Readings

8-15 June

Sunday: Hos 6:3-6/Rom 4:18-25/Mt 9:9-13

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:8

Upcoming Events

The **ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY** will sell **religious articles** and provide a **continental breakfast** in the Fr. D'Arco Hall after the 7, 9, and 11 a.m. Masses next Sunday. Please help support their sustaining of numerous seminarians and novitiates!

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

We will have training on 28 June following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. If you are in 6th grade and older and would like to join a beautiful ministry, then plan to join us for training. Contact Cindy Keaveny at 892-5649 or ckeaveny@msn.com

SAFE ENVIRONMENT WORKSHOP

We have scheduled another workshop on **Saturday, 28 June**, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., in the St. Lucy Filippini room. Contact Kathy Girón at 892-1511 x107, or Kathy.Giron@stanm.org, to register. **If you are a ministry member who contacts children or adults in one-on-one circumstances, you must attend once!**

NURSERY SCHEDULE DETAILS

The nursery is open for **both the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.** Masses. Space is limited; come early enough to obtain a spot. The nursery is only for children ages one through three. **Teens who need service hours:** this is a great opportunity for you to accumulate hours and perform a truly rewarding service. If you can **volunteer** to help, please contact **Aud Walaszek** at: 792-8716 or e-mail her at walz11@msn.com.

ARMCHAIR AEROBICS

"Mild exercise" group (for men & women) meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays in the Religious Education building from 10:00-11:15 a.m. Call Betty Larson at 891-3577 if you're interested.

Homeschool Co-op

Janice Martinez and Chris LaLonde are beginning a High School (9-12) Catholic home schooling co-op in the fall here at St. Thomas Aquinas parish. Other grades might be available based on interest.

YOUNG AT HEART

Parish seniors are invited to join our social meetings every 2nd & 4th Thursday, Fr. D'Arco Hall (2nd Thursday) – Bingo 1:00 p.m. Questions? Call Earl 896-2400



Liturgical News

Steven Woodbury 892-1511 x105

Steven.Woodbury@stanm.org

PERPETUAL ADORATION TESTIMONIES

Here are some beautiful blessings posted in our Daily Blessings Received Book for the Chapel: Thank-you:
For my time with Father Zach!
For turning around my nephew's life!
For selling our home in just three months and 12 days!
For giving me hope and serenity!
For my tax rebate and a new job!
For my family and friends, especially my grandma!
For no injuries in my car accident!

PERPETUAL ADORATION CONTACTS

Pauline Salata (12 Midnight-6 a.m.) at 892-0524
Louie & Terry Santa Maria (6 a.m.-12 Noon) at 896-0307
e-mail: flagshipsm12659@msn.com
Paul & Anise Yarbrough (12 Noon-6 p.m.) at 899-0981
e-mail: yarburro@msn.com
Pat & Jolyn Murphy (6 p.m.-12 Midnight) at 892-4931
e-mail: jpmurphrc@msn.com

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is our response to Jesus' love for us. We become a part of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration by committing to spend a quiet holy hour of prayer in His Eucharistic Presence once each week. This unites us all together giving thanks to Our Lord for all He has done and will do for us.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Committed adorers needed for the following:

Sundays 2:00 a.m.; Fridays 1:00 a.m.

Mondays 1:00, 2:00, & 4:00 a.m. urgent!

"Could you not watch with Me one hour?" Mt. 26-40

PILGRIM VIRGIN: To have the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima in your home, and to receive Her Blessings in your life, call Cathy at 898-5591 or Joann at 899-9647.

Virgin I: **1-15 June Tina Santoni**

Virgin II: **1-15 June Ruby Ortega**

TABERNACLE FLOWERS Please contact Betty Larson at 891-3577 or Elaine Jones at 922-9758 to reserve a week for your intentions. The weeks run from Saturday through Friday. The cost for two vases at the Tabernacle is \$50.00.

You may share this cost with another person for both your intentions. **7-13 June Jennifer Ayers and Bryan Estvanko Wedding by their parents**

ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES -please call the parish office at 892-1511. **8-21 June Dolores Tedder**

High School and Life Teen Justin Bucalo 896-8097
Justin.Bucalo@stanm.org



AFTER THE 6:00 P.M. MASSES

8 June: Soul Wars

15 June: NO LT- Happy Father's Day Dads!

22 June: Catholic Underground

This is a night we will invite the **WHOLE PARISH** to come worship with us.

29 June: Summer kick off party/BBQ!!

PARENT LIFE NIGHTS

We invite you to share in your son's/daughter's experiences of Life Teen Nights. "How?" you wonder. We now hold **Parent Life Nights concurrent with Life Teen Nights**. We meet in the Religious Education Building, following the 6 p.m. Mass in room 7. What a wonderful way for you to get to know other parents and find answers to some of the questions with which we all struggle as we grow together with our teens!

Parent Life Nights are based on **the same subjects that the teens receive Sunday evenings**. You will grow, learn, and share life with other parents, your teens, and our families. We challenge you to take this step to move forward spiritually with your teens as they and we enrich each others lives in Christ. If you would like any other information concerning this great experience, please contact **Cindy Langlois** at **892-4702** or by email at: **clanglois53@msn.com** We look forward to meeting you!

Adult Ministries Jeannette Schlicher
892-1511 x104
AquinasAM@yahoo.com

ALPHA IS HERE!

Do you, or someone you know, want to know more about Catholic Christianity? If so, THE ALPHA COURSE is where one starts! ALPHA is an 18-week, no-pressure course in basic, foundational Catholic/Christian teaching. ALPHA is for **all** adults—young, old, and in-between: "cradle" Catholics wanting a refresher course or needing to prepare for sacraments of initiation (Confirmation and/or First Communion), and Christians and non-Christians wanting to become Catholic, or to simply learn more about Catholic Christianity without committing to it.

ALPHA is held in Fr. D'Arco Hall on Tuesdays, 6:00-9:00 p.m., begun on 5/27/08. Each class meeting normally includes dinner. Please contact Jeannette, AquinasAM@yahoo.com or 892-1511, x104, for more details and to pre-register.

St. Thomas Aquinas School
Sr. Anne Louise Abascal 892-3221
1100 Hood Road www.stthomasaquinaschool.org
Where Faith & Knowledge Meet
Sr. Anne Louise Abascal, Principal 892-3221

Our school is an integral part of the ministry of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, sharing its mission of giving greater honor and glory to God and seeking the salvation of souls, in total commitment and absolute obedience to our Lord Jesus Christ, and in full communion with His Holy Catholic Church and all her teachings.

Thus, we seek to educate our students with a traditional Catholic view which recognizes the sacred dignity of each individual and equips our students to grow personally in holiness and to influence the world in a truly Christian manner.

Children's Religious Education
Phone - 892-1497 CRE@stanm.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Registration is full. We will still accept registrations, but you will be put on a waiting list until notified.

ALL FIRST COMMUNION PICTURES are now in. Pick up your photos in the Religious Ed Office.

REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2008-09 Religious Education year will be available in the Religious Education Office.

St. Thomas Roman Catholic Homeschoolers (STRCH), ministering to the needs of home schooling families, meets every month for First Friday 9:00 a.m. Mass. Next meeting is 6 June, followed by fellowship in Fr. D'Arco Hall. Call Andrea Bass at 323-9222 for more information or you can join our group online! <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/STRCH-RRNM/>

NEW ACTS COURSE

Dr. Jeffrey Steenson, former bishop of the Episcopal diocese of the Rio Grande, is presenting a six-week course, "Introduction to the Early Church Fathers," on Mondays, 6/2/08-7/7/08, 7:00-9:00 p.m., in Fr. D'Arco Hall. Dr. Steenson earned his doctorate at the University of Oxford, England, and has studied the history and literature of the early Church extensively throughout his academic and ministerial careers.

A *very limited number* of copies of the recommended text, **The Fathers of the Church** (revised edition), by Mike Aquilina, will be available for \$12.56 each. Please contact Jeannette, 892-1511, x104, or AquinasAM@yahoo.com to reserve your copy.

Marriage & Family Life Deacon Hill 8921511 x103
Deacon.Hill@stanm.org

Attention Married and Engaged Couples

Has anyone ever clearly explained for you **WHY** the Catholic Church prohibits unnatural forms of birth control? For most of us the answer is **NO**. Learn about your faith and discover a natural method of family planning that goes beyond the physical. For more information call Elvira at 892-5783 or Rosanne at 892-2927.

Pre-Cana couples must attend **one** introductory session on Natural Family Planning. We suggest couples attend a session 4-6 months before their wedding date. To schedule a session and for more information, please contact Rosanne Sloan at 892-2927.



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS COUNSELING CENTER offers individual, couple, and family counseling with afternoon and evening appointments. A fee is charged for each hour session. For more info call the Counseling Center, 417-2467 or Deacon Burns, 892-1511, ext. 113.



“A wedding is a day, a Marriage is a lifetime,” is the message that **Catholic Engaged Encounter weekend** presents to the engaged couples attending their weekend retreat. For more information, call 352-1177 or 831-8117 in Albuquerque.

Young Adults Catholic Group Deacon Little
890-6574 Deacon.Dave@stanm.org

Meets the **2nd and 4th Fridays of the month**. We will meet each month at my house. The topic for our next series is the Holy Mass and the Bible. We appreciate RSVPs so we know how much food to prepare.

Culture of Life Corner

Maura Jans 892-3267 mcjans1@hotmail.com

Father, we pray that the People of God may exercise the love and mercy You desire us to show to the weakest members of our community, the sick and the unborn.

No More Hippocratic Oath?

“Historically before Hippocrates’ time, the doctor had a dual obligation, that is, to cure if they could and if they could not cure, to do people in with hemlock. And that dual obligation, when it came to Hippocrates and that point in Greek history, Hippocrates basically said this is not working, nobody will ever trust us if we have this dual responsibility. So we are going to dump that one part of our obligation that is the killing, and only cure. And under no circumstances do any kind of killing.

And, of course, what is happening is gradually that has eroded and doctors are going back to the pre-Hippocratic practices that Hippocrates tried to stop, that is not having hemlock readily available to kill people and not aborting people. Unfortunately in current medicine there is aborting people and there is euthanasia. And you now begin to realize why the practice of medicine and the medical profession is losing credibility.” -- Statement by Dr. Philip Ney, Canadian psychiatrist.

Let us pray that God may bless all doctors and nurses, and help them use their skills to heal and foster life.

Taken from Father Frank Pavone,
www.priestsforlife.org.



ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS!

THE HELPERS OF GOD'S PRECIOUS INFANTS

For more information contact Yolanda at 220-8891 or
5 Helpers@Defendinglife.org.



Mass Intentions

Sunday June 8th, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. † Mary E. Oakford by the Kuchar family
Mary Jane Heims birthday by Mom
† Bennie Archuleta by Janet C de Baca

9:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
† Jack Green by Irene Green
† Fr. Andrew D'Arco 25th ordination at STAP
by Mom & Dad

11:00 a.m. † Walery Lambert by Tim & Mary Davidson
Andrea Sutherland birthday by Grace & Preston
Ralph & Elsie Clark by Jerry Miller

12:30 p.m. That all our parishioners will live stewardship joyfully

6:00 p.m. † Angelo Reyes by Agatina Bonadonna
† George Baroch by Grace Bonadonna
† Joseph Bonadonna by Grace Bonadonna

8:00 a.m. @ SJV for the homeless

11:00 a.m. † Leokadia Matejczuk
@ SJV by Son, daughter-in-law & grandchildren

Monday June 9th, (Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time)

9:00 a.m. † Jack Green by Irene Green
† Justin DeLeonardis by Kay Wierzbicka
† George Baroch by the Purtell family

6:00 p.m. In thanksgiving to the Holy Family for successful Cardiac Ablation Procedure for Grace Sutherland
Judy Zanetti by Ken Cantwell
In thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart by Vangie Tripp

Tuesday June 10th, Weekday

9:00 a.m. To the Sacred Heart of Jesus for Deceased Priests
† Leonard Baker by Mr. & Mrs. John Naegale
† Justin Paul Segura by Marie Padgett

6:00 p.m. Deacon Aston Bailey by Doug & Karen Taylor
Fr. Jeff Whorton congratulations on your ordination
by Jerry Miller

Wednesday June 11th, Weekday St. Barnabas, Apostle

9:00 a.m. † Philip M. Groenewold by wife Jeanne
† Leonard Baker by wife, Nila
† Frank A. Whetzell by Marie Padgett

6:00 p.m. For the unborn

Thursday June 12th, Weekday

9:00 a.m. † Pula & Andrea Garcia by Marie Padgett
† Henry L. Garcia Jr. by Marie Padgett
† Henry & Maria Garcia Sr. by Marie Padgett

6:00 p.m. In thanksgiving to St Anthony & St Jude
by Vangie Tripp

Rio Rancho Blue Star Mothers extend special thanks to our parishioners. Their generous donation of sales items, combined with those of the Rio Rancho community, enabled us to raise more than \$1,600.00 for the family of Eric Schei who was seriously wounded while serving with the U.S. Army in Iraq. Christine, Eric's mom, credits her strong faith in God for her ability to begin each day with hopeful optimism.

Friday June 13th, St. Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor of the Church

9:00 a.m. † John Pignataro by Sandra Pignataro
Sam D. Cata for health by the family
† Leonard Baker by wife, Nila

6:00 p.m. For our military personnel

Saturday June 14th, Weekday

9:00 a.m. † Lucy McCachren by the Hoffman family
† Josie Rendon by Marie Padgett
† Mathew Ortiz by Ernest & Elena Duran

5:00 p.m. † Alfonso López 5th Anniversary by the Gonzales family
† Julio Streppone by wife Patricia
† Edmund Saavedra by Apodaca family

Sunday June 15th, Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Fathers Day

7:00 a.m. † Wayne E. Hanson In loving memory
by his wife & family
† Robert & Harold Gallegos by Terry Gallegos & family
† Enrique Serrano by the family

9:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
† Margarito Jaramillo by daughter Nila
† Sebastian Bellistri by Catherine & Tom

11:00 a.m. † Merejildo Rivera by John Rivera & family
† Joaquín Arguelles by Cindy & Dennis Garcia & family
† Leonard Baker by Dan & Mary Gallegos

12:30 p.m. † Charles Smith by family
In honor of Ven. Matt Talbot for special intentions
by Lorraine Torres

6:00 p.m. † Bruce Franco Sr. by wife & family
† Hal Kent by wife Joan Kent
† Ernie Trujillo 2nd anniversary by Jan & Rachael

8:00 a.m. @ SJV For vocations, especially from our parish

11:00 a.m. @ SJV For all of our parish clergy

St. Thomas Aquinas Bereavement Support Group meets Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the St. Lucy Filippini room, adjacent to the Parish office. For information contact Mary Davidson at 892-9886. If no response within two days, please call back.

ONGOING WEEKLY MEETINGS (Religious Education Building)

Al-Anon: Thursdays, Noon, rm. 6
Bible Study: Jeannette, 892-1511 x104
Blue Army: Tuesdays, 10 a.m.; Cathy, 893-5591
(Call Cathy with your prayer petitions.)
Rosary Makers: Fridays, 10 a.m., rm. 6 896-6127
(Father D'Arco Hall)
Charismatic Prayer Meeting: Thursdays, 7 p.m.
(Church)
Prayer for Vocations/Chaplet of Divine Mercy:
Wednesdays, after 9 a.m. Mass

WE HAVE BEEN CALLED

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Living Christ's call is **living in the spirit** and not in the world. We use things of the world to accept and accomplish His healing in the world. His call is about using our time, talent, and treasure to **honor Him by doing good for others**. Christ's focus was on those whom He came to serve. Our focus must be on service like Christ's; **service before self**.

Our faith in Christ means answering His call and accepting His healing. As told in 1 Pt 1:16: "...for it is written, Be holy because I am holy." This is our faith, something that can never be taken from us. Answering Christ's call to holiness (**service before self**) will ensure that we hold on to our faith, throughout this life into the next, for faith is the only thing we can take with us and Christ's call is the only call that matters in the end!

Are you answering Christ's call to holiness through service? **Are you focused on Him through giving your time, talent, and treasure in His name to His people?** When we answer the Church's call to be good stewards, we actually answer Christ's call to be holy "...because I am holy."

FACILITY SCHEDULING

We held our annual facility scheduling meeting on 23 May. There the directors determined the basic facility schedule for the next year from July 2008 through June 2009. We're now entering the several thousand items from that meeting.

To ensure you obtain an equitable opportunity to schedule your ministry's meetings, please submit your scheduling requirement immediately to Scheduling@stanm.org. This will help prevent any accidental mis-scheduling during this major effort.

It is essential that your ministry maintain a current point of contact with the scheduling office. **E-mail addresses** are the most effective and efficient means of communications. Please ensure your ministry has someone who monitors their account frequently and can either make a scheduling decision or knows who can. Snail mail and telephone contacts are usually too slow and ineffective to work in this function!

You can also obtain a form from the parish office to submit your requests. We cannot accept facility scheduling requests over the telephone. We schedule events based on each directorate's pre-established priorities. Even so, occasional events (such as an Archdiocese or parish-wide function) supersede pre-scheduled events. You can call 892-1511 x115 with any questions.

ST. BERNADETTE FILM TO BENEFIT ST. JOHN VIANNEY!

On **Friday, 13 June 2008 from 6:30-10:30 p.m.** at the Rio Rancho High School Performing Arts Center, St. John Vianney Mission Church will show the movie, *Bernadette*, starring Sydney Penny, directed by French filmmaker, Jean Delannoy. *Bernadette* tells the remarkable story of **St. Bernadette Soubirous**, 'the little saint of Lourdes,' from her early life of poverty and ill health to the appearances of our Blessed Mother to her beginning on 11 February 1858, to her entrance into the convent at Nevers, France.

Don't miss this opportunity to gather for fellowship, entertainment, refreshments, and be inspired by St. Bernadette's amazing life! Books and DVD's will be available for purchase and proceeds will benefit the St. John Vianney Building Fund. Admission is 12 years and under for FREE, Children over 12 years of age \$3.00, Adults \$8.00, and Seniors \$5.00. Contact Joanna Dunn at 897-2169, Loretta Tafuro at 891-9234, or the St. Thomas Aquinas parish office 892-1511.

PROJECT DEFENDING LIFE

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It ruins the lives of the parents involved. It is not Christ's way, nor should it be ours!

Get involved with PDL and help continue the progress these dedicated believers are making. Read about successes and challenges PDL faces. **Be part of the solution**, and not the problem! Contact the PDL office at 266-4100 or contact@defendinglife.org. And don't forget about our Right to Life parish ministry on page 5. Remember, we are all called to serve Christ! **How are you answering His call?**

COME AND SEE

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A RELIGIOUS SISTER FELICIAN SISTERS PROVINCIAL HOME

SATURDAY, 14 JUNE 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

The Felician Franciscan Sisters of the Southwest Province invite interested women in experiencing first hand a day in the life of a religious sister. The day will provide opportunity for **Community prayer, a tour of the sisters' home, sharing vocation stories with the sisters, small group discussions, and table fellowship.**

To **RSVP** or to get more information please contact: **Sister Margaret Marie Padilla** or **Sister Veronica Marie Lucero**, 4210 Meadowlark Lane SE Rio Rancho, NM 87124-1021. Phone: 505-892-8862

Parish Directory

Pastor (Ext. 107).....	Rev. Msgr. Douglas A. Raun
Vicar (Ext. 110).....	Rev. Fr. Scott Mansfield
Vicar (Ext. 116).....	Rev. Fr. Jeffrey Whorton
.....	Rev. Fr. Michael DePalma, in residence
Deacons.....	Rev. Mr. Roger Ayers, James Baca, Tom Burns, Kenneth Hill, David Little, Leroy Sanchez, Frank Smith
Business Manager (Ext. 101).....	Martin Sedillo
Accountant (Ext. 108).....	Ana Martínez
Acct Asst (Ext. 111).....	Jeannie Pinel
Acct Asst (Ext. 109).....	Liz Large
Adult Ministries (Ext. 104).....	Jeannette Case Schlicher
Ayuda Español (Ext. 360).....	Deacon James Baca
Bulletin Editor (Ext. 358).....	Bill Mader
Catholic Social Action (Ext. 112).....	Deacon Frank Smith
Communications & Development (Ext. 115).....	Bill Mader
Funeral Notices.....	Extension 353
Maintenance (Ext. 129).....	Gilbert Garcia & Manuel Fernandez
Marriage & Family Life (Ext. 103).....	Deacon Ken Hill, Director
Associate Director.....	Deacon Frank Smith
Music & Liturgy (Ext. 105).....	Steven Woodbury
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Religious Education (892-1497).....	Sr. Alma Blume MPF
Administrative Asst (892-1497).....	Laura Smith
Sacristan.....	Anne McCluskey
Secretary to the Pastor (Ext. 107).....	Kathy Girón
Special Mass Schedule.....	Extension 350
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<u>WEBSITE</u>	www.aquinaschurch.org
Youth Ministries (896-8097).....	Justin Bucalo
Assistant (896-8097).....	Alisha Stravinski

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday (fulfills Sunday obligation).....	5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....	7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. (Bilingual) & 6:00 p.m. (LifeTeen)
Monday - Saturday.....	9:00 a.m.
Monday - Friday.....	6:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

**24 hours each day in the Adoration Chapel
located on the west side of the Church**

Mission Church St. John Vianney

St. Thomas Aquinas School
1100 Hood Road SE

Mass Times

Sunday..... 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Friday.....	8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Saturday.....	8:30 a.m., 3:00 - 4:30 p.m., 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Around the Archdiocese

Evangelization: “Come follow me” The Gospel records that Matthew does not hesitate to follow Jesus once he receives the invitation. His response to Jesus is immediate and absolute. Matthew didn’t spend a lot of energy wondering what others might say or think, or worrying that he was not good enough to be a follower of Christ. Let us trust that we too, can follow Jesus with equal abandon. Christ invites us all to follow him.

Southwest Catholic Charismatic Conference

July 25-27, 2008 at the beautiful Glorieta Conference Center in Glorieta, New Mexico. Confirmed speakers include Archbishop Michael Sheehan, Fr. Celsus Auguste, Jim Murphy and Fr. Daniel Balizan in English and Fr. Gino Correa and Fr. Gonzalo Moreno en español.

Theme: Good News, Go Tell it Everywhere! Call 505-247-0397 or visit www.asfcc.org for registration information.

Ch 13, Sunday Mass 7:00 a.m.

Ch 47, La Voz Católica, Sundays 10:00 a.m.

WORLD REFUGEE DAY 22 JUNE

World Refugee Day is a global, annual event when we join in solidarity with the nearly 20 million refugees around the world who struggle to survive and rebuild their lives. It is a time to bring attention to the refugee plight, a time to take responsibility to resolve this human tragedy, and a wonderful occasion to celebrate the amazing and diverse cultural gifts the refugees bring to us all. We are pleased to report that, since 2000, Catholic Charities of New Mexico has helped approximately 2,000 refugees from 26 countries start their new lives in Albuquerque.

Sunday, 22 June; 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.;

**Outpost Performance Space, 210 Yale SE Blvd.
(2 blocks south of Central).**

Program: Multi-cultural musical performances (to include music by a Grammy-nominated performer), refugee testimonials, and delectable refreshments! Admission: Free! Call for reservations, as seating is limited! For more information, contact Feliz Tixier, Volunteer Coordinator, Center for Refugee Settlement and Support, 724-4670 or 724-4629 (direct) or tixierf@ccasfnm.org.

St. Thomas Aquinas Ministries

Altar & Rosary Society: Saralee Wisner - 792-5516
Altar Servers: Cindy Keaveny - 892-5649
Apostolate Our Lady of Fatima: Gerrie - 892-0414
BeFrienders: Gloria Hultine - 891-0388
Bereavement: Mary Davidson - 892-9886
Catholic Daughters of America: Mary Chambers - 896-0256
Charismatic Prayer Group: Nila Baker - 892-1511 x361
Counseling Center: 417-2467 or Dn. Tom Burns - 892-1511, ext. 113
Elizabeth Ministry: Cyndee DeBlassie - 922-0145
Eucharistic Adoration: Ben & Gaylene Bitonel - (806) 676-0333
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
Doug & Karen Taylor - 896-7985
FAMILIA: Phil & Cathy Casaus 890-3222
Finance Council: Christian Reedy - 899-0873
Greeters: Eileen Walling 891-1775
Home & Hospital Ministry: Eileen Walling - 891-1775
Catholic Homeschoolers: Andrea Bass - 323-9222
Holy Cross Association: John & Penny Marselle - 400-7245
Knights of Columbus #6696: Allen J. Rowbotham - 899-2516
Lectors: Maria Burns—771-2005
Life Teen Liturgical Coordinator: Jeannette Mata - 896-8483
Natural Family Planning: José & Elvira Guillén - 892-5783
Nursery: Aud Walaszek - 792-8716
Parish Social Committee: Debbie Hanko - 379-0561
Pastoral Council: Danny Trujillo - 891-8515
Pre-Cana: Michael & Michelle Beglau 771-0756
Public Affairs Committee: Felicie Truscio - 891-1304
Respect Life: Maura Jans - 892-3267
Rosary Makers: Jim Tauer - 896-6127 or Jane Ricci - 892-9260
Secular Franciscans: Ernest & Elena Duran - 890-7040

St. Peter's Men's Apostolic Ministry: Brad Hayden - 890-3151
Welcoming Team: John & Mecki Kahrs - 890-6534
Young Adult Catholics: Deacon Dave Little - 890-6574

Crisis & Immediate Help

Albuquerque Rape Crisis Center: 266-7711
All Faith's Receiving Home: 271-0329
Catholic Charities: 247-9521
Child Abuse/Neglect: 841-6100 or 1-800-797-3260
Haven House: 896-4869 or 1-800-526-7157
Missing Children's Hotline: 1-800-587-4357
National Runaway Switchboard: 1-800-621-4000
S.A.F.E. House 247-4219
Suicide Crisis Hotline: 247-1121 or 266-7711

Support & Other Groups

AIDS Hotline: 1-800-342-2437
Ala Teen or Al Anon: 262-2177
Alcoholics Anonymous: 266-1900
Birthright Rio Rancho: 891-1430
Blue Star Mother: 792-4552
Boy Scouts: Bob Ortiz - 891-8941
Children, Youth & Families: 841-4482
Concerned for Disabled: 892-6467
Consumer Credit Counseling: 884-6601
Cub Scouts: Carol Donlin 6a@stasnm.org
Gamblers Anonymous: 260-9899
NAMI (Mental Illness): Betty Rivera 867-1087 or Lee Stevens 792-8871
NM Commission for the Blind: 841-8844
Overeaters Anonymous: 896-1359
St. Felix Pantry: 891-8075 - Food & Clothing Support
St. Thomas Aquinas Counseling Center: 417-2467 or 892-1511 ext. 113
Society of St. Vincent de Paul: 892-0526
United Way Information & Referral Help Line: 247-3671