



El Tribunal Y El Proceso de la Anulación

El personal del Tribunal trata de ser practico y eficiente en procesar las peticiones que reciben. Deben seguir ciertos protocolos, y solo pedir cosas que son requeridas. Entendemos que habrán retos para los peticionarios, pero hay ciertas cosas que deben tener para poder avanzar: copias de documentos civiles, la dirección de correo de el/la ex-conyugue, y testigos dispuestos.

El proceso de anulación inicia cuando una persona somete una petición al Tribunal para una declaración de nulidad retando la validez de su matrimonio. La parte que inicia el proceso se conoce como el Demandante; la otra parte se conoce como el Demandado. La Petición es enviada al Tribunal en Savannah, Ga. Cuando todo el papeleo está completo, el párroco o diácono someterá el caso al Tribunal. El Demandado es contactado.

Recopilación de Evidencia. Después de que el Demandado ha sido citado, el caso es movido a la etapa de recopilación de evidencia. Es cuando cuestionarios son enviados a los testigos nombrados y al Demandado.

Decisión de la Conclusión de la Investigación. Ahora El Juez(ces) examina la evidencia para determinar si el matrimonio era valido.

Con relación a bodas que ocurren dentro de la Diócesis, cuando las solicitudes son recibidas y las dispensaciones otorgadas, el expediente Pre-Nupcial será devuelto a demandante por medio del Servicio de Correo de Los Estados Unidos.

Todos invitados a la cena de K de C el



viernes en el tarde, 27 de este mes, de las 6 a las 8, acá en el salón Sherlock. La cena es para recaudar fondos para la formación de seminaristas. El costo es comida: \$15 cada uno, \$25 para pareja, \$40 cada familia (no importa el número de hijos). Después de la cena nos hablará Padre Rodolfo Casals, SJ. Él es de padres Cubanos, graduado de US Naval Academy y anteriormente era marinero militar.

?Qué hacer si una amiga piensa en abortar?



¿QUÉ DICE LA IGLESIA CATÓLICA SOBRE EL ABORTO?

Más mujeres y niñas consideran el aborto de lo que pensamos. Familiares y amigas, nuestras niñeras, compañeras de equipo o de trabajo, casadas o solteras. Incluso si alguien se identifica como pro vida, la impresión de un embarazo inesperado, la devastación de un diagnóstico prenatal adverso, la vergüenza, presiones o temores pueden influir en que considere el aborto.

Si una persona compartiera contigo que está embarazada y no ha descartado tener un aborto, ¿sabrías responder? La respuesta está en el viejo adagio: Tenemos dos oídos y una boca, y debemos usarlos en esa proporción.

Aunque el impulso inicial puede ser convencerla de que el aborto termina con la vida de un bebé, eso no es lo primero que ella necesita escuchar. Estudios muestran que muchas mujeres que pasan por esto piensan: "Es el final de mi vida tal como la conozco". Lo que tu amiga necesita saber es que tú te preocupas por ella y que no está sola.

Escuchar primero a tu amiga ayudará a crear confianza y facilitar la apertura. Cuando sepa que realmente te preocupas por ella y confíe en ti, podrás compartir la verdad en el amor y después compartir hechos sobre el aborto, hacerle ver a tu amiga su propia valía intrínseca, y la ayuda y apoyo práctico disponible para que pueda elegir la vida para ella y su bebé.

Cuando una mujer enfrenta un embarazo difícil, la reacción de la primera persona a la que se lo dice suele influir en su toma de decisiones. ¿Cómo respondemos a nuestra amiga de una manera amorosa que exprese la afirmación de la vida para ella y su bebé?

Considere estos cuatro pasos del enfoque L.O.V.E. Approach™*: Listen and Learn (Escuchar y conocer), Opciones abiertas, Visión y valor y Extender y empoderar.

Fuente: U.S. Conferencia de Obispos Católicas



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October 15, 2017; 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders ...in parables, saying,

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son.

He dispatched his servants

to summon the invited guests to the feast..." (Matt: 22)

Nuestra Misión: Nosotros, los feligreses de la Iglesia Católica Santa María en Americus, Georgia, compartimos nuestra diversidad mientras abarcando nuestro Bautismo común adorando a Dios, celebrando la Eucaristía, honrando María, difundiendo la Palabra, y sirviendo a los demás.

Mission: We, the parishioners of St. Mary Catholic Church in Americus, Georgia, share our diversity while embracing our common Baptism by worshiping God, celebrating the Eucharist, honoring Mary, spreading the Word, and serving others.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Clases de Preparación Bautismal - Por favor llame la oficina parroquial para registrarse por las platicas pre-bautismales a menos un mes antes del Bautismo.

Clases de Preparación de Matrimonio - Las parejas necesitan comunicarse con el Padre por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la boda.

Sacramento de la Unción de un Enfermo - Si alguien está enfermo, llame el párroco para recibir este sacramento (favor, no esperar al ultimo momento).

Confesión/Reconciliación - Sábado 4:00 pm a 4:30 pm o llame el párroco por una cita particular.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptismal Preparation Class - Contact the pastor by phone /email to register for a pre-Baptism class at least a month ahead of a Baptismal date.

Marriage Preparation - Contact the pastor at least 6 months before expected wedding date.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick - Those quite ill, hospitalized, or facing surgery who wish the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the pastor sooner rather than later.

Confession/Reconciliation - Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm or call Fr. Fran for an appointment.

HORARIO DE LAS MISAS

Sábado: 5:30 PM (Ingles)

Domingo: 9:30 (Ingles); 11:30 (Español)

Martes a Viernes a las 12:00 (ingles) en la capilla

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY MASSES

Saturday: 5:30 pm - English

Sunday: 9:30 (English); 11:30 (Spanish)

Tuesday thru Friday, 12 Noon, in chapel (English)

Diocesan Office for Protection of Children & Youth (912-201-4074); toll free hotline is (888) 357-5330

Bishops: October is Respect Life Month
Promoting life includes opposing the culture of death's efforts to assist with suicide.

“The deadly and dangerous practice of assisted suicide is now legal in five states (Oregon, Washington, Vermont, California, and Colorado) and the District of Columbia, our nation's capital. With new momentum and lots of money, assisted suicide proponents are pursuing an aggressive nationwide campaign to advance their agenda through legislation, ballot measures, litigation, and public advertising, targeting states they see as most susceptible to their message.” Below are two of the many reasons for opposing assisted suicide.

Broad Definition of Terminal Illness. Assisted suicide laws typically appear to limit eligibility to terminally ill patients who are expected to die within 6 months but don't distinguish between persons who will die within 6 months with treatment and those who will die within 6 months without treatment. This means that patients with treatable diseases (like diabetes or chronic respiratory or cardiac disease) and patients with disabilities requiring ventilator support are all eligible for lethal drugs because they would die within 6 months without the treatment they would normally receive.

Puts Vulnerable Persons at Risk of Abuse and Coercion Once lethal drugs have been prescribed, assisted suicide laws have no requirements for assessing the patient's consent, competency, or voluntariness. Who would know if the drugs are freely taken since there is no supervision or tracking of the drugs once they leave the pharmacy and no witnesses are required at the time of death? Despite a reporting system designed to conceal rather than detect abuses, reports of undue influence have nonetheless surfaced...Elder abuse is considered a major health problem in the United States, with federal estimates that one in ten elder persons are abused. Placing lethal drugs into the hands of abusers generates an additional major risk to elder persons. Assisted suicide laws often allow 1 of the 2 witnesses to the request for lethal drugs to be an heir to the patient's estate. Therefore, an heir or friends of the heir can encourage or pressure the patient to request lethal drugs and then be a witness to the request.

Are You VIRTUS Trained? VIRTUS is a program encouraged by Bishops nation-wide to train adults, clergy included, on promoting safe environment for children and youth. The next VIRTUS training class in our area in English takes place at St. Teresa Church in Albany October 21st from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

This training is required for Safe Environment Compliance for any adult who will come into contact with youth as part of their ministry (a listing of those ministries can be found at <http://bit.ly/1yU4Yk6>), and must be completed before they begin ministry.

We also invite adults who are not currently volunteers to attend this training to learn tools they can use to help keep children safe. Seating is limited and you must pre-registration online to save your seat. To register, go to www.diosav.org, and find the training listed on the Upcoming Events Calendar.

For more information please contact Virtus facilitator Ron Akerman: 229-942-1653 or by email at: ronakerman@mediacombb.net

INVITATION FOR RCIA SPONSORS:



The parishioners of St. Mary's are an essential part of the RCIA process. All of us are called by our baptism to share, not privatize, our faith. A way of sharing is by becoming a Sponsor to accompany a person journeying to enter fully into our Catholic Church. Think of the RCIA as a unique opportunity to renew your own faith while opening doors to faith to potential members whether they are an unbaptized catechumen or not a fully initiated candidate (having received Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). A sponsor serves as a companion and, as needed, offers guidance by sharing their own faith experiences as a practicing Catholic. Sponsors are not expected to know the answers to every question a catechumen or candidate may ask. But they can find a Catholic resource who can. Please prayerfully consider becoming a sponsor. Contact RCIA Coordinator Bernie Bosse if you can oblige : 229-815-189 or by email at: bcbosse@mchsi.com.

Save The Date: K of C Seminarians Dinner



will be Friday, October 27 from 6 PM to 8 PM in Sherlock Hall. Tickets are \$15 for one person, \$25 for a couple, and \$40 for a family of three or more. The meal will be chicken, rice, green beans, dessert and drinks. See any Knight to purchase tickets; you can also purchase tickets the night of the dinner. All proceeds go to support seminarians of our diocese.

Our post dinner speaker is Father Rodolfo Casals who was ordained a priest this past summer. He is a member of the same religious order as our Pope and our pastor. Before entering the seminary, he graduated from The US Naval Academy and went on to serve for several years as a Surface Warfare Officer. He decided to enter the Jesuit seminary program in 2006. He is the son of Cuban immigrants, was born in Yonkers, New York, and presently is assigned to St. Thomas More Church in Decatur, Ga.

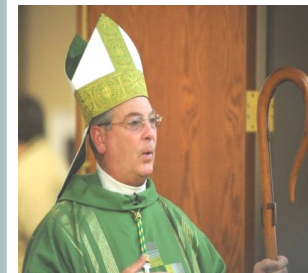
As in past years, we will have door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and a silent auction items. We are still looking for items, so if you any, including services to donate for auction or prizes, please contact Ron



Mass Intentions Requests

Please contact the pastor by phone or email to arrange a Mass intention, either for a weekend or weekday.

October 14-20	Mass Intention	Requestor
Saturday	+Maria Hanh Thi Nguyen	Daughter
Sunday 9:30	+Dennis Kriegle	Bernie Bosse
Sunday 11:30	Parishioners	Pastor
Tuesday	Conley Morgan	M. Turner
Wednesday	+John Healey	Betty Shenk
Thursday	+ Donald Shenley	Betty Shenk
Friday	+ Lilian Kruczek	Sherri Weil



Bishop Thanks St. Mary's Parishioners For Again Making BAA Goal

In a letter sent this past week to our pastor, Bishop Hartmayer commends parishioners of St. Mary's for meeting our BAA goal and indeed, with each pledge being redeemed, continuing to surpass it. As he writes, "In my (BAA) video and letter, I asked everyone to prayerfully consider Psalm 116: 'What shall I return to the Lord for all that he has given me?' I thank you all for making a gift again this year or maybe given making a gift for the first time. St. Mary Church is a model of what we can accomplish together in faith, love and commitment. Your gift will touch the lives of so many people through programs and services funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal and I thank you for all your commitment to the Diocese of Savannah". May God continue to bless all parishioners who are exemplary in their practice of stewardship of treasure to their diocese and to their parish.

Stewardship Thought: 28th Sunday



Stewardship is an important concept for our spiritual growth as Catholics. It is a way of thanking God for all His blessings by returning to Him a portion of the time, talent and treasure we have received.

Missed a parish bulletin? Your parish bulletin is edited weekly by our pastor and contains items of pastoral relevance. It is posted on our parish website usually by Sunday thanks to Louise Bosse. Our parish web site is below:



www.stmaryamericus.com

Weekend	Offertory	Budget/Presupuesto	Surplus/(+Sobre)Deficit/(—Falta)	2nd Collection
October 1	\$3,095	\$2,925	+\$170	
October 8	\$3,156	\$2,925	+\$231	Southern Cross \$698