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Baptisms*-Parents must meet with the Pastor for instructions and a date for the ceremony

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Visits to the Sick and Homebound-(*Holy Communion and/or Anointing of the Sick*)-Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements

Religious Education-Sundays, Sept.–May from 9:30 to 11:15 am. Pre-K through secondary grades

RCIA– (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) - Please contact the Pastor for more information

New Parishioners-Registration forms are located in the entrance of the Church, at the Parish Office and on our website

Prayer & Scripture Group-Meets the First & Third Tuesdays of every month

***Registered parishioners only**

MASS SCHEDULE

- ◆ **Daily Mass** Monday–Friday 8:30 am
 - ◆ **Saturday Vigil** 4:30 pm–Year Round
 - ◆ **Sunday Masses**
 - **September through May**
8:30 am & 10:30 am
 - **June through August**
9:30 am
 - ◆ **Spanish Mass**
5:00 pm Sunday–Year Round
 - ◆ **Holy Days of Obligation** 8:30 am & 6:00 pm unless otherwise noted
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- ◆ **Confessions** Fridays after the 8:30 am Mass, Saturdays 3:30 to 4:30 pm or by appointment
 - ◆ **Rosary** A half hour prior to daily Mass. Wednesdays the Rosary is dedicated for the protection of our area against disasters. Rosary begins 45 minutes before the first Sunday Mass
 - ◆ **Miraculous Medal Novena** Monday following the 8:30 am Mass
 - ◆ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** First Friday of every month beginning at 9:00 am concluding with a brief prayer service and Benediction at Noon
 - ◆ **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** First Fridays after the opening of Adoration



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AUGUST 18, 2019—TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

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- Mon. Aug 19** +Ambrose, Lottie & Patty Murphy
8:30 am Requested by Vin & Joan Bresnahan
- Tues. Aug 20** Members of the Parish

8:30 am Phil Ritchey
Requested by Diane & Tim Gleason
- Weds. Aug 21** Sarah Sapp
8:30 am Requested by Christine Sapp
- Thrs. Aug 22** +Fred Schoenbaechler
8:30 am Requested by Marie Schoenbaechler
- Fri. Aug 23** +Margaret Anfinsen
8:30 am Requested by Betsy Hobsek
- Sat. Aug 24** +Jack O'Neill
4:30 pm Requested by Dee & Marv Bergman
- Sun. Aug 25** Ann Inveen
9:30 am Requested by Vicki & John Jaunich

This Week

Monday, Aug 19, 2019

- St. John Eudes

Tuesday, Aug 20, 2019

- St. Bernard

• Prayer & Scripture Group-6 pm

Wednesday, Aug 21, 2019

- St. Pius X

Thursday, Aug 22, 2019

- The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, Aug 23, 2019

- St. Rose of Lima

Saturday, Aug 24, 2019

- St. Bartholomew, Apostle

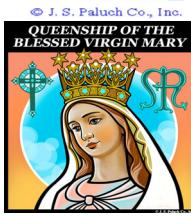
• Vigil Mass at 4:30 pm

Sunday, Aug 25, 2019

- Masses at 9:30 am and 5:00 pm (Spanish)

Monday, Aug 26, 2019

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PARISH CALENDAR

August 20-Prayer & Scripture Group Meeting

September 2-Labor Day

September 3-Prayer & Scripture Group Meeting

September 6-Adoration 9 am-Noon

September 8-Return to Regular Mass Schedule

-Grandparents' Day

-First Day of Religious Education

September 15-First Coffee Social of the season

September 17-Prayer & Scripture Group Meeting

October 1-Prayer & Scripture Group Meeting

October 4-Adoration 9 am-Noon

October 15-Prayer & Scripture Group Meeting

October 25-Fr. Jacek's 18th Ordination Anniversary

Weekly Collections

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WEEKEND OF AUG 2-3, 2019

ATTENDANCE - 280

OFFERTORY-\$3,271.00

SECOND COLLECTION-\$913.00

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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

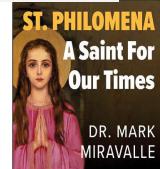
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Saint Philomena

By Dr. Mark Miravalle

Wonder Worker and Advocate

Martyred for her purity and fidelity to Christ, Saint Philomena is truly a saint for our times. Learn why so many love this young saint, the only one ever to be canonized solely on the basis of the profound miracles attributed to her intercession.



"It's amazing that this saint withstood so much torture with such holy determination even at the young age of 13!"
—Anne Marie, Scarsdale, NY

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Rose Adams, Tony Ambrose, Carmen & Nilsa Aponte, Glenn Armani, Helen Armani, Nora Baker, Barbara Basgall, Jacob Basilotto, Patricia Benson, Peter & Peggy Bercik, Angela Biondello, Ami Blachowiak, James Blachowiak, Patricia Blackwell, Rev. Jim Bok, OFM & Mary Gate of Heaven Parish, Negril; Peggy Brick, Dolores Brown, Betty Bulifant, Tom Cabot, Chuck Cabot, Patricia Clemens, Mario Corso, Steve DiCristo, Larry DiOrio, Wendy Edwards, Aiden Foley, Connor Foley, Michael Fontaine, Justin Fiesta, Suzie Goldberg, Carmelle Goodridge, Judy Hage, Harry Haskins, Shawn Heeter, Pete & Alice Herber, Pat Herbert, Eddie Holloway, Sally Hooper, George & Betty Hoyt, Carol Humme, JoAnn Ippolito, Everette & Nancy James, Stephanie Jefferson, Diane Jezek, Stan Jock, Arlis Kelly, Jim Kirk, Ken & Ginny Kloiber, Eddie Knowlton, Kent Krabill, Zal Kutar, John Lambrecht, Larry Larson, Ginny LeClaire, Margaret Lines, Anne Lintner, Eric Marinelli, Catherine Mazzola, Jim & Joan McCaffrey, Cindy McClure, Kenneth McCurdy, Jim McDonnell, Patty McGlone, Rick McKenna, Jr., Gloria McKeown, Connor McKinnon, John McKinnon, Gema Moreno, Regina Mulherin, Ruth Nayard, Elizabeth Nomorosa, Bernadette Nyka, Danny O'Heron, Max & Mila Perez, Tyler Peryea, Leslie Petersen, John Pitale, Pal Polster, Shirley Porter, Catherine Porthouse, Greg Printy, Kristin Ramsey, Tina Reichenwallner, Phil Ritchey, Elly Rode, Jimmy Rosso, John & Janet Rovaldi, John Rozell, Heather Sallstrom Sanchez, Malte Sallstrom, Clarence Schuetz, Paul Sepczynski, Donnie Sheetz, Ann Speitel, Colleen Sullivan, Julianne Thorstenson, Pat Tweed, Helen Vonbank, Virginia Waggle, Robert Wallace, Pink Wesorick, Lynn Wickham, Mary Wilcox, Norman Willebrandt, Glenna Wolshlager

???QUESTION OF THE WEEK???

When have I stood up for what is right? When would I be willing to do so?



OLMM 2019 CFA STATUS
Parish Goal \$ 85,000.00
Pledged \$ 79,199.95
Total Paid \$ 70,512.41
Balance Due \$ 14,487.59
a/o 08/02/19

Thank you for your generosity.

SAINTS/FEASTS OF THE WEEK+

Aug 19-St. John Eudes-A French Roman Catholic priest, St. John Eudes is the founder of the Eudists and the Order of Our Lady of Charity. A noted preacher and confessor, he is also credited with founding several seminaries upon seeing the need for clerical formation.

Aug 20-St. Bernard-A French abbot, St. Bernard was a major leader in reforming Benedictine monasticism. After making his profession to the Cistercian Order, he was sent with 12 other monks to found a new monastery, which became known as the Abbey of Clairvaux.

Aug 21-St. Pius X-Well known for his vigorous opposition to modernistic interpretations of Catholic doctrine, St. Pius X was Pope from 1903 until his death in 1914, during which time he promoted liturgical reforms and orthodox theology.

Aug 22-The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary-With the certainty of faith we know that Jesus Christ is king in the full, literal, and absolute sense of the word; for He is true God and man. This does not, however, prevent Mary from sharing His royal prerogatives, though in a limited and analogous manner; for she was the Mother of Christ, and Christ is God; and she shared in the work of the divine Redeemer, in His struggles against enemies and in the triumph He won over them all. From this union with Christ the King she assuredly obtains so eminent a status that she stands high above all created things; and upon this same union with Christ is based that royal privilege enabling her to distribute the treasures of the kingdom of the divine Redeemer. And lastly, this same union with Christ is the fountain of the inexhaustible efficacy of her motherly intercession in the presence of the Son and of the Father.-Catholicculture.org

Aug 23-St. Rose of Lima-A member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic, St. Rose of Lima is remembered for her piety and chastity. The first person from the New World—the Americas—to be named a saint, St. Rose wanted to become a nun, but her parents opposed her wishes and would not give her their permission. They wanted her to remain at home and help support the family, which she did by selling flowers from their garden.

Aug 24-St. Bartholomew, Apostle-One of Jesus' Apostles, not much is known about St. Bartholomew. What is known of him with certainty is that he is mentioned in the synoptic gospels and Acts as one of the twelve apostles. His name, a patronymic, means "son of Tolomai" and scholars believe he is the same as Nathanael mentioned in John, who says he is from Cana and that Jesus called him an "Israelite...incapable of deceit." The Roman Martyrology says he preached in India and Greater Armenia, where he was flayed and beheaded by King Asityages. -www.catholic.org

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Alice Ambrose, Sal Anastasio, Ed Anderson, Joe Arcuri, Pat Auge, Mary Lou Beck, Wally Birmingham, Roger Bolduc, Colleen Curtis, Al Doerman, Jo Ann Grabenstetter, Gerry Green, Mary Hagan, Leo Hage, Beverly Henderson, Daniel Higgins, Helen Holfelner, Lil Honc, Dave Humme, Ed Hughes, Pat Jock, James Kennedy, Betty Licari, Edward Lodema, Sandra Marcil, Kathryn McGuineas, Vincenzo Miceli, Sr., Leo Miller, Wes Morris, Maureen Murphy, Jim O'Neill, John "Jack" O'Neill, Volker Oelze, Richard Peterson, William "Joe" Porthouse, Mark Rodgers, Fred "Fritz" Schoenbaechler, Jeanette Smith, Jean Turner, Muriel Urrico, Gus Ventimiglia, Melanie Voris, Victor Zawadski
"Eternal rest grant unto them Oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they Rest in Peace."

Prayer for Safety In Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world,
hear the humble voices of your children.

The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order
and returned to its former quietude.

You are still the Master of land and sea.

We live in the shadow of a danger
over which we have no control:

the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant,
can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep
its conventional boundaries, invade our land,
and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You,
O loving Father.

Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still
so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal
with passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother,
we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so
that spared from the calamities common to this area
and animated with a true spirit of gratitude,
we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son
to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless
eternity awaits us. **Amen.**

[Composed by Most Rev. Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981), Second Bishop of Lafayette (1956-1973), following Hurricane Audrey in 1957]

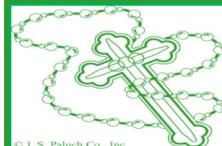
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The Bible and the Virgin Mary

Episode 7: The Promised Mother

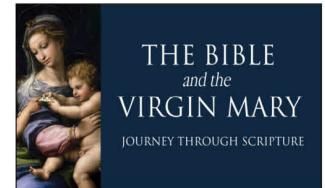


Why Is Mary Queen Mother?

Learn the biblical roots of this often-contested Catholic doctrine. See how Mary's queenship is alluded to in the New Testament and foreshadowed in the Old.

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—Mica P., Vancouver, CA

OLMM PRAYER & SCRIPTURE GROUP

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 20th** at 6 pm in the Religious Education Building. Our topic will be "**The Beatitudes**." Please join us even if you couldn't make any of the previous meetings. We hope to see you then!

Prayers Needed - Pope Francis recently approved a miracle attributed to Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, making possible his beatification. The Vatican Congregation for the Causes of Saints promulgated the decree approving Archbishop Sheen's miracle on July 6. Another recognized miracle attributed to the Archbishop would lead to his canonization as a saint. The hope is that the second miracle be realized in 2019, the 100th Anniversary of Archbishop Sheen's Ordination to the Priesthood. In particular, two individuals, Robert and Wanda, require prayers for the intention of their healing.

PRAYER FOR HEALING THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF ARCHBISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN

Eternal Father,
you alone grant us every blessing
in Heaven and on earth,
through the redemptive mission of
Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ,
and by the working of the Holy Spirit.
If it be according to Your Will,
glorify Your servant,
Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen,
by granting the favor I now request
through his prayerful intercession
(mention your request).
I make this prayer confidently
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

"If only mortals would learn how great it is to possess divine grace, how beautiful, how noble, how precious. How many riches it hides within itself, how many joys and delights! No one would complain about his cross or about troubles that may happen to him, if he would come to know the scales on which they are weighed when they are distributed to men." St. Rose of Lima



A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS
Lord Jesus, you have chosen your priests from among us and sent them out to proclaim your word and act in your name. For so great a gift to your Church, we give you praise and thanksgiving. We ask you to fill them with the fire of your love, that their ministry may reveal your presence in the Church. Since they are earthen vessels, we pray that your power shines out through their weakness. In their afflictions let them never be crushed, in their doubts never despair, in temptation never be destroyed, and in persecution never abandoned. Inspire them through prayer to live each day the mystery of your dying and rising. In times of weakness send them your Spirit and help them to praise your Heavenly Father and pray for poor sinners. By your same Holy Spirit put your word on their lips and your love in their hearts, to bring good news to the poor and healing to the broken-hearted. And may the gift of Mary, your Mother, to the disciple whom you loved, be your gift to every priest. Grant that she who formed you in her human image, may form them in your divine image, by the power of your spirit, to the glory of God the Father, **Amen.**

Saint Teresa of Calcutta Vocation Society

A Women's Day of Reflection
The Sacred Heart Parish Guild of Our Lady presents Johnnette Benkovic Williams for "A Women's Day of Reflection" on Saturday, October 19, in the Parish, 211 W. Charlotte Ave. Punta Gorda. You are invited to spend the day hearing from Johnnette, who hosts daily TV and radio shows on EWTN as well as being a prolific author and national speaker. The day will explore the powerful influence God calls us to be in our homes, in the Church, and in the world... the feminine genius of women. The cost is \$35 and includes lunch. Seating is limited. For more information and to reserve your place call Dee Blayney at 317 496-6381.



HE VENIDO A TRAER FUEGO A LA TIERRA

18 de agosto de 2019 • Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Las intenciones de Jesús de "traer fuego a la tierra" y causar división preocuparon a sus oyentes, y también podría preocuparnos a nosotros. En el Antiguo Testamento, el fuego era visto como el medio de la purificación y juicio de Dios, verdaderamente un don al pueblo. El fuego destruye nuestras ilusiones acerca de nosotros mismos y nuestras conductas. Elimina los obstáculos de una relación amorosa con Dios. El fuego de Dios derrite cualquier tradición, creencia o práctica que permite el mal y la injusticia.

Jesús viene a mostrar el mal y de ese modo impulsar decisiones acerca de la verdadera naturaleza de Dios y propósitos. Las divisiones surgen a causa de las distintas decisiones que las personas hacen. ¿Jesús representa fuerzas demoniacas o al verdadero Dios? ¿Peleamos para perseverar comportamientos o conductas existentes, o entramos al camino que Jesús nos ofrece? Al evocar el fuego, Jesús sin duda no está sugiriendo la violencia o la falta de respeto hacia los demás. Jesús enciende un fuego, y luego en su muerte, produce sus resultados. Es un fuego de un amor de sacrificio, derritiendo corazones fríos y trayendo luz a un mundo oscurecido.

MANTÉN TUS OJOS EN JESÚS

El autor de la Carta a los hebreos pone a Jesús en el centro de la fe; además usa la palabra en griego *archegos* que puede traducirse como "líder". Esta generosa palabra incluye varios significados: iniciador, instigador y capitán. Jesús traza el camino, mostrándonos cómo correr la carrera de la fe. Con perseverancia y valor. Para una comunidad que está experimentando persecuciones y desánimo, Jesús es conocido como el modelo de una fe perseverante.

Al "mantener la mirada en Jesús" enfrentamos lo que a menudo es el obstáculo más persistente en nuestra fe, el desaliento. Nuestra atención llena de fe nos permite ver la realidad tan llena de la presencia de Dios. Dios ni está distante ni es indiferente. Dios está cerca y nos ama apasionadamente. El desaliento resulta en parte de ver sobre todo el pecado y la oscuridad en nuestro mundo y en nosotros mismos. Jesús, verdadero Dios y verdadero Hombre, nos recuerda de la acción divina dentro de nosotros y en medio de nosotros.

Lecturas de hoy: Jer 38:4–6, 8–10; Sal 40 (39):2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1–4; Lc 12:49–53

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PRESS RELEASE

"We, therefore, renew our call to all to act swiftly to stop using hate-filled language that demeans and divides us and motivates some to such horrific violence. Instead, we ask our leaders and all Americans to work to unite us as a great, diverse, and welcoming people."



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Committee on Migration

Bishop Frank Dewane
Committee on Domestic Social Development

Bishop Shelton Fabre
Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism

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V Encuentro, Sesiones del Decanato Norte

La Oficina del Apostolado Hispano de la Diócesis de Venice organiza una serie de sesiones por decanatos para continuar el proceso del V Encuentro. Los fieles del Decanato Centro están invitados a participar a la siguiente reunión que se realizará en: Epiphany Cathedral, 350 Tampa Avenue West, Venice, Martes 25 de Julio, 6:30 p.m.. La alegría de ser discípulos misioneros. Información: pastoralhispana@dioceseofvenice.org.

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[Jesus] endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God.
— Hebrews 12:2

[Jesús] soportó la cruz, despreciando su vergüenza, y se ha sentado a la derecha del trono de Dios.
— Hebreos 12:2

LISTEN TO JESUS AND THE PROPHETS

Prophets have always had a tough row to hoe. Their words, often unwelcome, are used against them to persecute and even kill them. Such was the fate of the Old Testament prophets, and Jeremiah is a great example of this. Jesus endured opposition from sinners, and did not turn back from a shameful death in order to rise to a glorious new life. The ultimate prophet, Jesus sought to warn the people of his time and ours of the divisions that his words would cause, showing himself to be the prophet of all time. We all need to look at our divisions and dilemmas in light of Jesus' teachings and warnings, and seek to understand all that he has proclaimed and taught about what will happen if we fail to listen. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Lord, come to my aid! (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith (Hebrews 12:1-4).

Gospel — I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing (Luke 12:49-53).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab,
44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10;
Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;
Jn 1:45-51

Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13;
Lk 13:22-30

OCCUPANCY

The value of life does not depend upon the place we occupy. It depends upon how we occupy that place.—St. Therese of Lisieux

BUILDING PLANS

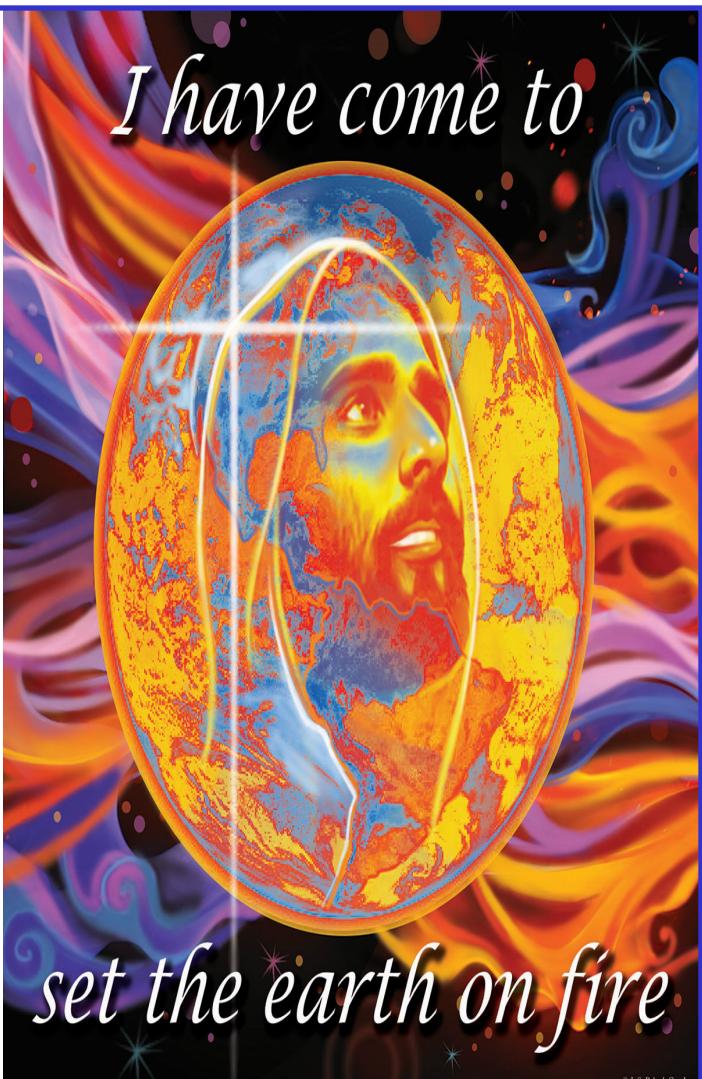
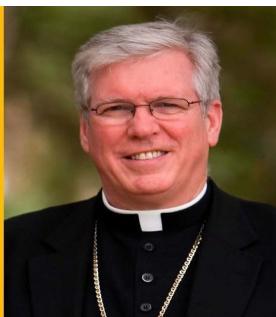
Whatever your lot in life, build something on it.

—Anonymous

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent weeks, we have reviewed how the Churches of East and West have enriched one another, and this past Thursday's solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was born in the Eastern Church. It is a gift from the ancient Church of Jerusalem, a commemoration of the death of Mary, and a feast charged with a deep sense of the Resurrection. Mary, the first disciple, is the first to share fully in Christ's victory over death. In the tradition of the East, August 15 is the "Dormition of the Theotokos," or the "Falling Asleep of the God-bearer." There is no shadow of death or gloom in the theology, since this is seen as a transformation of Mary's life into a heavenly and immortal existence. There is a sense in the tradition that she who made earth heavenly and exalted the human race by her faithfulness is glorified today.

A persistent legend among Orthodox Christians tells how all the disciples, except Thomas, who was preaching in India, were present at Mary's death and burial, and sat by the tomb for three days. On the third day, Thomas saw Mary's body rising to heaven. She greeted him as "my friend," and he was escorted by angels to proclaim her assumption to the others, who then realized her tomb was empty. Thus Thomas, the one who expressed doubt at the resurrection of Christ, received a gift from Mary: the chance to proclaim resurrection faith to the disciples.—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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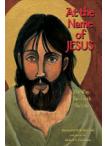
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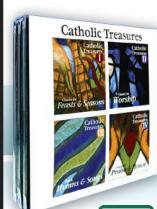
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