

Bulletin Supplement for Sunday, November 7

Liturgy Spotlight

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The official date for implementation of the new Mass texts is: November 27, 2011 - The First Sunday of Advent next year.

In the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II issued the 3rd edition of the Roman Missal (the book containing the ritual texts for the celebration of the Mass) in Latin. With this new Latin edition comes the task of translating it into English and because of this some of our responses will change. This change is not only happening in the United States. All English speaking countries, and indeed all other countries, are working on a new translation of these texts. Shortly after the 3rd edition of the Roman Missal was issued, the principles for translation were revised. This is why much of what we hear and say will sound different.

Since Vatican II, there have been over 50 documents issued in the form of statements, instructions, guidelines and laws regarding the translation of liturgical texts. This process has been an ongoing development for decades that has involved consultation with linguistic and liturgical scholars. It is natural to question the changes that we will experience in worship. Some may wonder if this is just change for the sake of change. However, the art of translating liturgical texts is something that the Church has been working on for over 40 years, ever since the *vernacular* (the primary language of a particular people) has been allowed.

To review the text changes, and to study further the reasons for these changes, you can visit the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website: <http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal>.

“The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.”

Why Catholic Retreat Dates Please make plans to attend one of the final Why Catholic retreats on prayer, “Meeting Christ in Prayer.” We are privileged to have the executive director for Renew, Int., Sr. Terry Richard, come and facilitate these retreats. All are welcome to attend whether or not you have been I in a small group. The event is free and there is no need to RSVP. Please call Dawn Carrillo in the Faith Formation Office (363-7505, x152) for more information.

- Tuesday, November 9 at St. Mary’s in Alexandria from 6:30 – 8:30 pm
- Wednesday, November 10 at St. Joseph in Pierz from 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- Thursday, November 11 at Christ Our Light, North Campus in Princeton from 9:30-11:30 am
- Thursday, November 11 at St. Peter’s in St. Cloud from 7:00 – 9:00 pm
- Friday, November 12 at Sacred Heart in Staples from 9:30-11:30 am

Saint John’s Preparatory School Discovery Day—Friday, November 12

Saint John’s Prep in Collegetown is a Benedictine, co-educational day and boarding college preparatory school for students in grades 6-12, with boarding options beginning in grade 9.

Interested students and parents are invited to meet teachers and students to experience what it’s like to be part of the Saint John’s Prep Community. You will be matched with a “host” student and attend classes and activities.

To make a reservation for *Discovery Day* and to receive a schedule of the activities, please contact the Admissions Office at 320-363-3321 or 1-800-525-7737. Families interested in applying for the fall of 2011 are encouraged to also contact the Admissions Office for an application packet.

Hello from Molly Weyrens Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Schedules are busy and it seems that time is getting shorter and shorter! Although as a friend once said as I was complaining one day about not having enough time, “We’re all given the same 24 hours in a day, ya know.” OK, point taken. Dang! With that in mind I want to be intentional about the activities we offer here at the Church of Saint Joseph. For those in junior and senior high, these days go quickly and if you haven’t taken time to explore much of your faith life, I invite you to take that time. You will not be disappointed! Advent is approaching, and perhaps that will be a good time for you to slow down and reflect a bit.

There are 1,440 minutes in a day. Take away 6 hours for sleep and you got 980 left. Are you filling them up with good things? Are you leaving some space to breathe and be thankful? What is giving you meaning during those 980 minutes? Is it being with friends? Pornography? Gambling? Service? Reading good books? Sports? Alcohol? All are happening. Where do YOU fit in the midst of them?

Here are some ideas I have been mulling around regarding Youth Ministry and also gained through talking with some of you:

- Have the youth connect more with liturgy.
- Let’s do more service.
- How can we involve more students in TEC Retreats, Castaway (a senior high retreat in March) and the Jr. and Sr. High Youth Rally? (see information on page 2 of this week’s bulletin)
- Can we do a service trip this summer?
- Would students be interested in small groups that meet for a period of weeks on a certain topic?
- Would parents like to meet with other parents to hear the joys and struggles of parenting?
- Can we offer events where we have the young and older members of our parish work together? Kids Against Hunger, perhaps?
- How can we get our faith to be more in touch with our lives? Does it really make a difference? If so, how so?
- What about Open Gym Nights? Would people come? Are there any adults out there who might be interested in helping with this? Open a door and hang out with the youth? Make sure there’s no blood?!!
- Can we get something going on the church website and Facebook so that there is more communication going on? If schedules are tight, at least we can hear something from time to time via the web. (If this interests you, please let me know! I think we could do a lot with this outlet!)

Could we get the men of the parish to serve as Spiritual Coaches for our males in junior and senior high? This would mean coming together to perhaps ‘do’ something, but also share in some meaningful conversations about the joys and challenges of living a faithful life.

This is a start and I’d like to hear what you have to say! Please send me an email at youthministry@churchstjoseph.org. This is your church and YOUR life. I am here to assist, but I need to hear from you to make things happen!

Blessings on your week!

Youth Night in Rockville

If any adult would be interested in taking a group of kids to this event, please let Molly know at youthministry@churchstjoseph.org. It’s a great way to meet youth from other parishes! Perhaps we could sponsor something here in return? Youth Night is Friday, November 12 at Rockville Parish Center, 6:30 - 9:30 pm for 6th, 7th, 8th grade students. \$9 00 includes DJ entertainment, pool, games, door prizes, snacks, pizza, beverages. Bring food items or Toys for Tots and be entered in a special drawing. Rockville Lions Club members will be volunteering and collecting items for the Holiday drive. Other volunteers are needed—call Carol at 492-8407. (Parents/Guardians—please come inside to pick up your students at 9:30 pm).

Theology on Tap

Fr. Wilfred Theisen, OSB, a monk and retired physics professor from Saint John’s, is going to be talking about science and the Church on Tuesday, November 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Ground Round Grill & Bar. The Ground Round Grill & Bar is located at 2621 W Division Street in St. Cloud. Come early and order your meal and stay late for discussion and conversation. We hope to see you there!

Health Care and Immigration Reform: In Search of the Common Good

Theology Day at

Saint John’s School of Theology-Seminary

We are all to work for the common good. Join us for a presentation by Bernard Evans, Ph. D., as we explore together the opportunities for such work through our nation’s efforts to reform healthcare systems and immigration laws. Professor Evans teaches at Saint John’s School of Theology-Seminary and the department of theology of the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University. **Friday, November 19, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm, Emmaus Hall, SJU, Collegeville. Free event. Lunch provided.** Registration is required: www.csbsju.edu/sot, 320-363-3570 or email sot-sem@csbsju.edu.

Family Table Talk... Questions for your family discussion this week (Sunday Gospel: Luke 20:27-38): *Who is alive because you remember them? Who do you want to meet in heaven? What does Jesus mean, “God is God of the living?” What experiences in your life affirm God is living? How do you use the Bible in your own life? What is a question you have always wanted to ask Jesus?*