# Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 1, 2018

### Introducing ... First Saturday Devotion at St. John

During her 1917 apparitions, our Lady of Fatima said, *"Jesus wishes to establish in the world devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary,"* known today as First Saturday Devotion.

To learn more about the story of Our Lady of Fatima and requirements for making the First Saturdays, leaflets and pamphlets are available on the table at the rear of church. We encourage you to take them upon leaving church.

### NCYC Fundraiser Help Needed

**Attention** all out youth & family members: We are trying to coordinate a church yard sale for the Walton Community Sale Days on July 6 & 7. This is the largest fundraiser we have to support the youth trip to Indianapolis.

If you are at all interested in participating in any of the youth events in the future, please consider supporting us by helping with set up Thursday night, help with sale on Friday and/or Saturday, clean up Saturday night and possibly Sunday after Mass. Please call Brigid at 607.434.5874 if you plan to help.

### Catholic Charities RAFFLE

On June 30 and July 1, Catholic Charities representatives from our parish will partner with the Knights of Columbus to sell tickets for the annual raffle after all Masses. Raffle tickets are $20 each, and there are three money prizes-- First Prize: $1,200, Second Prize: $500, and Third Prize: $250. Catholic Charities celebrates over 100 years of assisting the poor and vulnerable in our area and the proceeds from this raffle help us to continue our mission. Pamphlets are available outlining the organization's continuing role. Only 300 tickets will be sold for this raffle. Thank you for your support and good luck!

Reconciliation Saturday at St. John

from 3 to 3:30 pm.

### Theology Institute July 29 to August 3

Coming again this summer -- Hartwick Summer Institute. This annual institute was established to provide continuing education and growth in faith in an environment of worship and fellowship. Father David Michiewicz from St. Mary's Church will be presenting: "Sacred Spaces into the Future." Brochures are in the Church literature racks.

### ~ Bishop's Appeal Pledges & Gifts ~

thebishopsappeal.org

Don't forget you can make your pledge online -- an outright gift or be on a monthly payment plan.

### Family Perspective — Bud Ozar

The healing of the woman and the child in the Gospel is a reminder we are all wounded. We retreat to those we love looking for acceptance, listening, understanding, and support. Families must be healing communities where Jesus is present in our care for one another.

### The Feast of Our Lady of Rosa Mystica

Our Lady Of Rosa Mystica Feast Day Celebration will be held on Saturday, July 14. Beginning with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9 am, the day will include the Sacrament of Reconciliation, inspirational talk and prayer, outdoor Stations of the Cross, the Rosary, Mass and the Crowning of Our Lady of Rosa Mystica at the Rosa Mystica House of Prayer in the beautiful countryside of Edmeston.

There is no cost to attend, lunch will be available for purchase, and the gift shop will be open all day.

*Rosa Mystica Shrine* *800.720.9858*

### Delhi Food Bank

Please bring a food donation when you come to Mass (or you can drop off at United Ministry on Mondays or Thursdays 1 to 3 pm): powdered milk, condiments, canned meats, biscuit mix, dried herbs/seasonings.

### κοῦμι!

God, who formed us in His imperishable image, did not intend for us to die -- death entered the world through the devil's envy and Adam and Eve's sin. As a result, we are all bound to die, but in the moving story in the Gospel, we see Jesus liberate a little girl from the possession of death.

On one level Mark is recounting an event that led the disciples to understand Jesus' authority and power over even the final enemy -- death (1 Cor 15:26). On another level, however, this episode is written to strengthen our hope that we too will be raised from the dead, along with all our loved ones who sleep in Christ (1 Cor 15:18).

Jesus commands the girl to *"Arise!"* -- using the same Greek word, κοῦμι, used to describe His own Resurrection (Mark 16:6). The consoling message of the Gospel is that Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life. If we believe in Him, even though we die, we will live (John 15:25–26).

We should rejoice that He has brought us up from the netherworld, the pit of death, and in thanksgiving for this gracious act, imitating Christ in our love and generosity for others. Dr. Scott Hahn

### *Hearts Aflame Eucharistic Congress*

What is a Eucharistic Congress?

The word "congress" is formed from two Latin words: *con* (from of the Latin preposition cum, meaning "together with") and *gressus* ("gathered," from grex which mean "flock"). So "congress" is a "gathering of the flock."

In Catholic tradition, a Eucharistic Congress is a largescale gathering of the bishop, clergy, and laity of a diocese, focused on Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Hearts Aflame will be held on September 22, from 9 am to 3 pm at the Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville. All in the Diocese of Albany are invited to attend. Please register at rcda.org/heartsaflame.

### GRIEF MINISTRY

If you have suffered loss recently or a while ago, our Grief Ministry is available to help by offering solace and empathy. Mission Statement: To provide a listening ear, compassion, and possible recommendations/direction for a positive life journey moving forward with the help of our Faith! Contact Kathy: 607.376.1633, katscr74@gmail.com.

### Marriage Moments — Susan Vogt

Independence is an important step on the journey to adulthood, but marriage also requires dependence. I depend on you to keep your word, to be there when I'm feeling hurt, to watch the kids so I can have a break. How do you depend on one another?

### Right to Life Bottles

Please remember to drop your deposit bottles in Father Willis Hall or St. Peter's conference room to help finance the Right to Life March next year.

### Parenting Pointers — Susan Vogt

In reflecting back on parenting your children, remember that "You are responsible for the process in raising your children, not the outcome." ~Parenting Your Adult Child Your success or failure does not depend on theirs. Don't beat yourself up or take undue pride.

*Dominican Retreat Center* *518.393.4169*

August 11-12: Silent Directed Retreat~

Ladies: Does the idea of having a weekend of quiet and time to be alone with God sound attractive to you? This weekend retreat may be what you are looking for. Designed similar to a week-long directed retreat, this weekend will provide you an opportunity to spend time with God in silence and solitude so you can focus on your personal relationship with God.

Sunday Vigil will be celebrated.

Cost: $205 (65 & over: $190)