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Thank You Mom!



Month of Mothers



"Your arms were always open when I needed a hug.

Your heart understood when I needed a friend.

Your gentle eyes were stern when I needed a lesson.

Your strength and love has guided me and gave me wings to fly. Sarah Malin

We wish all mothers a very Happy Mother's Day, not only on May 12, but every day of the whole year!



Looking forward to our next Associates meeting on Sunday, May 12, 2019!

Bro. John Sawchenko, ss.cc. will give us an idea about the life of a Brother in our ss.cc. Congregation.



Next Garage Sale
Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019



Saint Damien Celebration



Date: Friday, May 10, 2019

We meet at the capitol at 9:00 am

Associates dress in white shirts

All are welcome to attend Mass

at 6:00pm at the Cathedral.



Important dates coming up ...

May

- 3 First Friday
- 10 St. Damien
- 12 4th Sun. Mother's Day
- Associates Meet 1:00 pm
- 13 Our Lady of Fatima
- 26 Last Sunday Adoration
- 27 Memorial Day Holiday

June

- 2 Ascension of the Lord
- 7 First Friday
- 9 Pentecost Sunday
- 16 Holy Trinity + Father's Day
- 23 Corpus Christi Sunday
- 28 Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 30 Last Sunday Adoration

July

- 4 Independence Day Holiday
- 5 First Friday
- 28 Last Sunday Adoration

Associates do not meet
June, July, August



May Birthdays

1 – Deacon Morton Zabala
26 – Lisa Santos



The Associates meeting on April 14, 2019, began with adoration. This month's theme was "Creation waits for the revealing of the children of God". After assembling in the parlor, Sr. Dolores introduced Sr. Marie Lemert as the guest speaker. Sr. Marie shared her life story with the Associates. She began by relating her intense hunger to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist at the time of her first Holy Communion and her eventual disillusionment with and rejection of the wrathful God who would cast souls into hell for eating meat on Friday. She then continued with her story by telling of her husband and daughter and her time with the Unitarian Church. Several years after leaving the Church she heard an interior voice, which she later came to believe was her guardian angel, say, "God loves you now." In her desire to understand the meaning of this message, she once again attended church services. Her initial search in a Protestant denomination left her unsatisfied, so she turned to the Catholic Mass at the local Newman Center. She was amazed by what she saw: the priest dancing at the Gospel, guitars, active lay participation, and home-baked Eucharistic bread that actually looked like bread. So many changes had occurred during the 20 plus years that she had been away, and she eagerly sought out and read all she could about the Church from Vatican II onwards. This thirst finally led her to seriously consider religious life with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur which was a possibility since her marriage was not sacramental and had previously ended in a divorce. However, she had three reservations which she thought might bar her from entering: she had been married, was older, and was a smoker. The Sisters dispelled her fears, and she prepared to make a retreat prior to entering. God, however, had other plans, and Sr. Marie again heard an interior voice say, "Come to my heart." Not having any special devotion to the Sacred Heart, she was not sure what this meant and asked her spiritual director if she needed to seek psychiatric help. The sister assured her that the voice was authentic, and shortly afterwards Sr. Marie met a Sacred Hearts priest who introduced her to the [SS.CC.](#) Congregation and to Sr. Marie Dominic. In a great leap of faith and not having any backup plan, Sr. Marie joined the Congregation. She was later sent to Asia and eventually to Rome where she became involved in helping the victims of human trafficking. Sister concluded her life story by showing the Associates an icon of her favorite image of the Sacred Heart, one which portrays Christ as a migrant with barbed wire barring His way, and by sharing that she has three adult grandchildren and that a new great granddaughter is due to arrive soon. The Associates thanked Sr. Marie for her talk, and many wanted more information about her icon.



Sr. Dolores then had the Associates decide on a date for the next garage sale. Saturday, September 14 was chosen. She reminded everyone about St. Damien's feast day celebration at the State Capitol on May 10 and told the Associates to check the upcoming newsletter for the starting time. She also said that there will be no meetings during the months of June, July, and August. Finally Linda Jose announced that the T-shirts will be available next month, so those who ordered need to pay then. The Associates then



went to the dining room for refreshments. (Minutes by Mrs. Karen Kim)