



OUR LADY *of* LOURDES

NUESTRA SEÑORA *de* LOURDES

OCTOBER 8, 2023

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8 DE OCTUBRE, 2023

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PARISH INFORMATION

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

REGISTRATION

Visit www.ololcc.net and click “I’m New” to join our parish.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass: 5:30 PM Vigil (Saturday)
8:00 AM * 10:00 AM * 12:00 PM * 5:00 PM (Español)

Monday-Friday: 6:45 AM * 12:00 PM

Saturday morning: 9:00 AM

July 4th & Thanksgiving: 10:00 AM

All Other Federal Holidays: 9:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 PM Vigil * 6:45 AM *
12:00 PM * 7:00 PM

• Note schedule changes for Christmas, Holy Week, Easter, and other Holidays and special occasions.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Sunday: 4:15 PM – 4:45 PM (Español)

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 12:30 PM

• Note special Confessions schedules during Advent, Lent and Holy Week.

ANNOINTING, HOMEBOUND & FUNERALS

Contact the Rectory Office.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays: 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

ROSARY

Monday – Friday: 6:15 AM * 11:30 AM

Saturday: 9:30 AM

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena - Wednesday: 12:30 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday: 3:00 PM

CLERGY

Fr. Frederick H. Edlefsen, *Pastor*

Fr. Joseph R. Kenna, *Parochial Vicar*

Fr. Daniel L. Mode, *In Residence*

Fr. Steven R. Walker, *In Residence*

STAFF

Ms. Debra Corrie, *Office Manager*

Mrs. Mary Ellen Hill, *Office Assistant*

Mrs. Esperanza Miranda, *Office Assistant*

Ms. Leigh Hasson, *Director of Religious Education (DRE)*

Mr. Tom Bartolomeo, *Director of Music*

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Children’s Baptisms arranged by appointment.

Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Mass & More” and “Baptism” to submit a request. Or call the Rectory Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Grades 1-2 prepare for First Holy Communion in our two-year CCD program. Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Get Involved” and “Religious Education” to register.

CONFIRMATION

Grades 7 & 8 prepare for Confirmation in our CCD program. Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Get Involved” and “Religious Education” to register. Or contact Leigh Hasson at dre@ololcc.net.

Youth Ages 14-17: Contact Leigh Hasson at dre@ololcc.net for more information.

Baptized Adults 18+: Follow the prompts on “How Can I Help You” on our website www.ololcc.net or contact the Rectory Office.

BECOMING CATHOLIC & ADULT CONFIRMATION

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is for adults age 18+ seeking the Sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Classes begin each fall with a view to receiving these Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass. Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Get Involved” and “Explore Catholicism” to register. Or call the Rectory Office to speak with a priest.

GODPARENTS AND CONFIRMATION SPONSORS

Have you been asked to be Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor? Go to our website and click “How Can We Help You?” and follow the prompts for Sacraments of Initiation and Godparents/Sponsors. Or call the Rectory Office.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Contact a priest at least 7-8 months before your wedding date to begin preparation. Submit a request at www.ololcc.net under “Mass & More” and “Marriage Prep”.



October 8, 2023

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 AM + Patricia Connors by Gary and Colleen McKinley

5:30 PM + Angelita S. Baylon by Rito G. & Hubert A. Baylon

SUNDAY OCTOBER 8

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM + Mazi Kingsley Ijeoma by Nneka Ijeoma

10:00 AM For all parishioners, living and deceased

12:00 PM + Theodore Vincent Abbruzzese by Michael and Linda Abbruzzese

5:00 PM (Spanish) Celebrant's Intentions

MONDAY OCTOBER 9

Saint Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 AM + Eugene Porfido

TUESDAY OCTOBER 10

6:45 AM + Daniel Souto-Fernandez by Tony and Maite Fernandez

12:00 PM + Karen Leef Rogers by Joseph D. Rogers

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 11

Saint John XXIII, Pope

6:45 AM Antonio Fernandez-Ribas by Tony and Maite Fernandez

12:00 PM + Beverley Long by Diane M. Dusza

THURSDAY OCTOBER 12

6:45 AM Nick Vetrano by Janet Vetrano

12:00 PM + Jack Geiser by Mary Ann Philippe

FRIDAY OCTOBER 13

6:45 AM Nick Vetrano by Janet Vetrano

12:00 PM + Maria Jeric by Heather Sullivan

MASS INTENTIONS

You are invited to honor a friend, relative, or loved one with an Our Lady of Lourdes Mass! Please contact the Rectory Office at 703-684-9261 or olol@ololcc.net to arrange. Bishop Burbidge suggests a voluntary donation of \$10.00 per Mass.

INVITE OUR LADY OF LOURDES HOME FOR A VISIT

Our parish's Legion of Mary group is offering parishioners the opportunity to host the "Pilgrim Virgin" statue of Mary in their home for 1-2 weeks. Many blessings can arise from Our Lady's visit! Contact the Legion of Mary at csb1789@hotmail.com

The Virgin Birth

Musing Over Mystery in October

By Fr. Frederick Edlefsen



When I was a student at LSU, someone wrote on a chalkboard: "Wake up Christians! Virgins don't have babies!" It was a feeble provocation. Moreover, my mind's reaction was not religious: "Boy, are there some weirdos around here." Back to microeconomics. But deep in my baptized gut, I had a more subtle sense: "Why not?" If the *Chalkboard Pope* wanted to provoke a crisis of faith, he failed. But the question stuck in my head like an annoying Beach Boy's song.

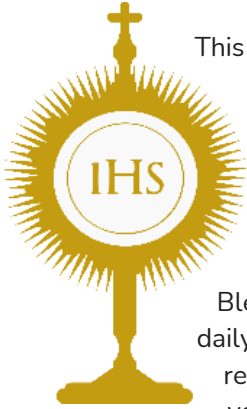
Seminary philosophy resolved the *Chalkboard Pope's* fallacy in one fell swoop: You can't prove a negative. You can only point to a lack of evidence or to contradictory evidence. The *Chalkboard Pope* was only declaring a lack of known precedents. He might as well have written: "Wake up every one! Unicorns don't exist." On the other hand, affirmations like "the earth is round" could be provable; and affirmations like "the earth is flat" could be disprovable. Affirmations are healthier for the mind than negations because they open the mind, and they demand real thought. For instance, consider the possibility that "elves live under the church." I have no reason to believe this. But it could be true. Maybe they're too shy and too clever to leave evidence.

For some reason (perhaps *faith*), the Virgin Birth has been taken seriously for 2000 years. Even non-believers take the trouble to oppose it on chalkboards. That's a mark in the Virgin's favor. Moreover, *supernatural* events - because they are *supernatural* - are not and cannot be reckoned by ordinary precedents. But the Church's *faith* takes seriously an unbroken testimony about "what God did."

In 431 AD, the Church solemnly declared that Mary is the "Mother of God" (*Theotokos* in Greek) at the Council of Ephesus. As the title implies, Mary gave virgin birth to both the "human nature" and the "divine person" of Jesus. John Donne was more poetic about it: "Thy Maker's maker, and thy Father's mother / Thou hast light in dark, and shut'st in little room, / Immensity cloistered in thy dear womb." Faith plays mind games, in a good way. The Virgin Birth is not a man-made idea. It's a good Word from heaven. So, here's my parting shot: "Wake up Christians! A Virgin had a Child!"

OUR PARISH

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



This season, you are called to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ. Fr. Edlefsen asks everyone to commit to attending one or more weekday Masses per week, going to monthly Confession, spending quiet time with the Bible before the Blessed Sacrament, and meditating daily for five minutes on the day's Mass readings. Christ is calling you to renew your faith in His real presence in the Eucharist, and your mission to bring God's life and justice to the world. Feel free to speak with a priest.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Dana Gould, Paul Durand, Ed Boehme, Rosa Diequez, April Garcia, Ron Harris, Jim & Becky McManaman, Bridget Hinds, Jose Silva, Peter & Geraldine Filpi, Parfait Williams and Francis Xavier Eversole. Please contact the Rectory at 703-684-9261 or olol@ololcc.net to arrange.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Tuesdays * 7:00 PM * Our Lady of Lourdes

Join our Pro-Life Committee in the church to pray a weekly rosary for the unborn and put an end to abortions.



PRAYER CHAIN

Have an urgent need for prayers? Members of our parish will pray for your intention. Please contact James at 703-887-7117 or ejt@cybtek.com with your request. Please provide a first name and prayer intention for persons needing prayer.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's Altar Flowers were provided in loving memory of Theodore Vincent Abbruzzese by Michael and Linda Abbruzzese.

Parishioners are welcome to sponsor altar and tabernacle flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate a special event. Sponsorship is \$50. Contact the Rectory Office at 703-684-9261 or olol@ololcc.net. Next available date is October 22nd.

COUNSELING SERVICES ON SITE AT OLOL

Our parish is hosting Laura Salzmann, MA, NCC, a mental health therapist from Catholic Charities Family Services of the Diocese of Arlington. She will be offering counseling services every **Wednesdays, 8 AM - 4 PM in the Parish Hall**. Laura is a Resident in Counseling in the state of Virginia, with a master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Franciscan University of Steubenville. She works with children, adolescents, and adults experiencing anxiety, depression, grief, trauma, life changes and interpersonal issues. Please call her at (703) 454-2437 or Family Services at (703) 687-8987 for a consultation.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY!

Father Edlefsen encourages all to pray at least a decade of the Rosary daily, while contemplating Christ's life, and devoting ourselves to the Blessed Mother. October 7 is the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary.

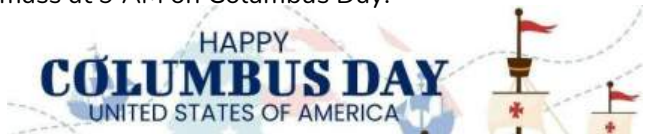


PET BLESSING THIS WEEKEND!


Fr. Edlefsen will do a St. Francis pet blessing in front of the church at 1:00 PM this Sunday, October 8th. All pets are invited!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED OCTOBER 9TH

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 9th in observance of Columbus Day. There will be only one mass at 9 AM on Columbus Day.



DID YOU KNOW?

	<p>The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The term "Eucharist" originates from the Greek word <i>eucharistia</i>, meaning thanksgiving.</p>
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VOLUNTEER

VOLUNTEER AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Share your unique gift with the parish! Scan this QR code or visit our volunteer page on www.ololcc.net. We have



many ministries, and we need YOU. The greatest needs are for sacristans, money counters, choir singers and CCD Teachers. Hispano-hablantes, you are especially needed to help our Saint Vincent de Paul ministry. Thank you for your support to our Parish Community!

ARE YOU AN ANGEL?

No experience necessary to join our "GARDENING ANGELS" to help maintain the churchyard gardens. Join in and learn as you work. Hours to fit your schedule. Please send an email to Carole DeLong at cdelong828@aol.com.



A FEW GOOD MEN NEEDED

Boys in the 4th grade or older are invited to serve at the Altar. If your son would like to be trained as an Altar Server, please contact Joe Mazel at joe.mazel4@gmail.com. Once trained, boys will be scheduled to serve one Mass per weekend. Siblings may serve together.



HELPING HANDS FALL FOOD DRIVE – NEXT TWO WEEKENDS!

The Helping Hands team will be collecting food donations for its October food drive to benefit Christ House during the weekends of October 14/15 and 21/22. Thanks for your generosity in helping those in need.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVDP)

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) is still looking for volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please send an email to SVDPOLOLconference@gmail.com.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WELCOME CCD STUDENTS

REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN

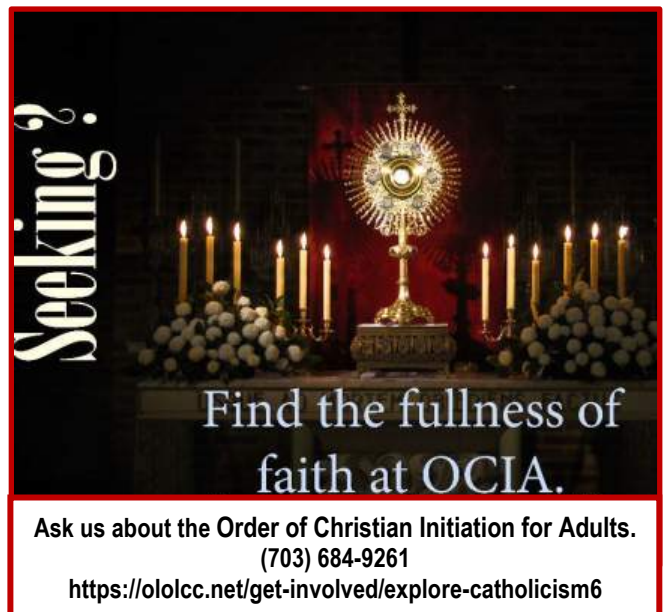
Sign up at <https://ololcc.net/get-involved/religious-education>

Any questions please contact Leigh Hasson, Director of Religious Education at dre@ololcc.net

Stewardship Reflection

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone..." Matthew 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens, but he was still obedient to God, the Father. Similarly, living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others, but we, too are called to be obedient. Saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well!



Seeking?

Find the fullness of faith at OCIA.

Ask us about the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults.
(703) 684-9261
<https://ololcc.net/get-involved/explore-catholicism6>

FORMED

Free Catholic Films, Podcasts, Audio Books & More!



As a parishioner of Our Lady of Lourdes, you have pre-paid access to FORMED, an online Catholic media streaming service. Enjoy hundreds of Catholic films, e-books, podcasts, study courses, and more on your computer, tablet, and smartphone. Register at formed.org/signup and enter zip code “22202” or “Our Lady of Lourdes VA” to start using this service.

MARY, EXPLAINED



Bishop Burbidge invites us to look at Mary, our Blessed Mother, and imitate her example of receiving the Word and bearing the Word into the world. Produced by the Arlington Diocese, this 7-part video series explain the theology, traditions and devotions to Our Lady and encourages us to grow closer to her with the ultimate goal of growing closer Christ.

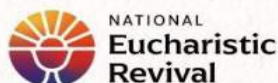
<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/maryexplained/>

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

June 2023 – June 2024 Year of Parish Revival

This year, we are all called to renew our faith and life in the grace of the Church’s sacraments. Father Edlefsen asks all parishioners to learn more about this year’s Eucharistic Revival, taking place in parishes throughout the country.

<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>



THE ARLINGTON DIOCESE

A JUBILEE JOURNEY WITH MARY

Marian Pilgrimage to Celebrate the Diocese’s Jubilee Year.

Mary has been given titles from Scripture, from teachings of the Church, and from many instances that Mary visited places on the earth to encourage people to spend more time in prayer with Jesus. There are 11 churches in the Diocese of Arlington which are named after Mary or one of her many titles. In preparation for the Golden Jubilee of the Diocese in 2024, we are all encouraged to visit as many of those churches named after the Blessed Mother and spend time in prayer at each! **Our Lady of Lourdes is one of the 11 churches that made the list!**

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubileejourney/>

PRAISE AND WORSHIP HOLY HOUR FOR HEALING AND CONVERSION

Tuesday, October 10 * 7:30 PM *

St. Leo the Great

Bishop Burbidge will lead in prayer along with musician Michelle Jacobee for the conversion and healing in families. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.

CATHOLIC BAR ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Friday -Saturday, October 27-28 * George Mason University, Arlington Campus

The Catholic Bar Association (CBA), the nation’s leading association of Catholic lawyers, is holding its Annual Conference and General Assembly. Bishop Michael Burbidge will be the celebrant



and homilist for the concluding Red Mass, followed by a banquet. Visit www.catholicbar.org/CBA2023 or see the bulletin ad for more information and to register.

MASS IN CELEBRATION FOR RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Sunday, October 29 * 11 AM * St. Joseph, Alexandria

Join the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Alexandria, for the Mass to celebrate Respect Life Month. All are welcome!



BISHOP'S PODCAST: WALK HUMBLY

Look for Bishop Burbidge's Homilies and Podcasts at www.arlingtondiocese.org/bishop/on-the-air where he offers a Catholic perspective on the most recent events in our society, and he answers questions from the faithful.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THOSE SEXUALLY ABUSED AS MINORS

The Diocese of Arlington offers comprehensive assistance to anyone who as a minor was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, teacher, employee or representative of the diocese. Parents, guardians, children survivors of sexual abuse are encouraged to contact the diocesan **Victim Assistance Coordinator** at (703) 841-2350 or visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/victim-assistance/

VOCATIONS

COOKING UP SOME FUN WITH FIAT

Saturday, October 14 * 10 AM – 3 PM * Washington D.C.

The Little Sisters of the Poor are cooking up some fun for high school girls interested in growing spirituality and exploring their vocation. The day will take place at the St. Jeanne Jugan Residence in Washington D.C., and will include Mass, baking, lunch and adoration. Visit www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/FIAT or call (703) 841-2514.

LOVING THROUGH LOSS COUPLE'S WORKSHOP

Saturday, October 28 * 9 AM * St. Thomas á Becket, Reston


For families who have experienced the loss of a child from pregnancy through adulthood, this one-day workshop helps couples understand how the trauma of child loss affects the family dynamic, while teaching them how to love each other through the complexity of child loss. The day will begin with Mass, followed by personal testimonies from families of loss, time for reflection, spiritual direction, and group discussion. Cost is \$80 per couple. Register at www.arlingtondiocese.org/redbird

YOUNG ADULT – FRASSATI RETREAT

Friday - Sunday, November 10-12 * San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

Young adults ages 21-35 are invited to join a weekend of spiritual adventure during which participants will scale the peaks and navigate the troughs of the spiritual life under the guidance of Pier Frassatti and Jesus Christ. For

the more adventurous souls, there will be an opportunity for a Sunday afternoon excursion to the summit of a Blue Ridge Peak. Cost is \$285. For further information or to register for this retreat, contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org or see the bulletin ad.



“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and pleading with thanksgiving let your requests be made know to God”

Do not be anxious about discerning your vocation. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP

FAITH DIRECT ONLINE GIVING

Our Lady of Lourdes accepts online donations via Faith Direct! You can donate to all our parish's first and second collections and set up recurring payments on your own schedule. To sign up, scan the QR code below or on the cover of this bulletin, or visit www.faithdirect.net and enter parish code **VA327**.



SHARING OUR GIFTS

As Christians we are asked to nurture our many gifts during our lifetime and return them to our Heavenly Father with an increase. One way we can do that is to help our parish meet its future needs by including a bequest to Our Lady of Lourdes in your will. For more information, call the Diocesan Planned Giving Office at (703) 841-3819 or visit www.arlingtondiocese.planmylegacy.org.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

October 14 & 15 * All Souls' Novena

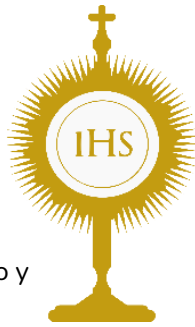
If you would like your loved one remembered in our All Souls' Novena, please include their name on your All Souls' Novena offertory envelope in the second collection the weekend of October 14.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Paragon Assisted Living

NUESTRA PARROQUIA

MENSAJE DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Todos estamos llamados a crecer en nuestra relación con Jesucristo. El Padre Edlefsen pide a todos que se comprometan a asistir a una o más Misas diarias durante la semana, ir a la Confesión una vez al mes, pasar tiempo con la Biblia ante el Santísimo Sacramento y meditar cinco minutos sobre las lecturas de la Misa del día. Cristo te está llamando a renovar tu fe en Su presencia real en la Eucaristía, y la misión de llevar el mensaje de vida y justicia de Dios al mundo.



CONFERENCIA DE LA SOCIEDAD DE SAN VICENTE DE PAÚL (SVDP)

La conferencia de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl (SVDP) de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes ya comenzó a proporcionar asistencia financiera para servicios públicos, alquiler y emergencias. Si desea ser voluntario con SVDP, envíe un mensaje a SVDPLOLconference@gmail.com.

BAUTISMOS

Para bautismos, los padres y padrinos deben asistir a la charla pre-bautismal, el último domingo de cada mes, después de la Misa. Los padrinos deben ser *católicos practicantes*, es decir personas que van a Misa cada domingo. Si el padrino/madrina no es feligrés de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, debe traer una carta de su parroquia certificando que es elegible para apadrinar. La carta debe tener sello de la parroquia, firmada por el párroco y ser enviada a Nuestra Señora de Lourdes una semana antes del día del bautismo. Próxima charla pre-bautismal será el **Domingo, Octubre 29** en el Lourdes Center a las 6:15 PM.

SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Para casarse por la Iglesia, por favor comunicarse con la oficina 7 -8 meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio al 703-684-9261.

POR FAVOR OREN POR

Paul Durand, Ed Boehme, Rosa Diéquez, April García, Ron Harris, Jim y Becky McManaman, Bridget Hinds, José Silva, Peter y Geraldine Filpi, y Parfait Williams. Comuníquese con la Rectoría al 703-684-9261 o lol@lolcc.net si necesita incluir a alguien en oración.

EXPOSICION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO

Todos los viernes se expone el Santísimo Sacramento de 12:30 PM – 3 PM. Se retira con el rezo de la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia. ¡El Señor te espera para tener un encuentro personal contigo!

El Nacimiento Virginal

Reflexionando sobre el misterio en octubre

Por el P. Frederick Edlefsen



Cuando era estudiante en la Universidad, alguien escribió este mensaje en una pizarra: "¡Despierten cristianos! ¡Las vírgenes no tienen bebés!" Fue un mensaje provocativo pero fútil. Además, mi reacción no fue de tipo religiosa: "Hey, ¿Qué gente rara hay por aquí?" De regreso a mi clase de microeconomía. Pero en lo profundo de mi ser bautizado, había una pregunta más sutil: "¿Por qué no?" Si el "Pontífice de la pizarra" quería provocar una crisis de fe, fracasó. Sin embargo, mi pregunta se quedó grabada en mi cabeza como una abrumadora melodía.

Las clases de filosofía del seminario resolvieron la falacia del "Pontífice de la pizarra" de un solo golpe: no se puede comprobar una declaración negativa. Solo se puede señalar la falta de evidencia o la evidencia contradictoria. La declaración del "Pontífice de la pizarra" indicaba solo una falta de hechos conocidos. Este sujeto bien podría haber escrito:

"¡Despierten todos! Los unicornios no existen". Por otro lado, *afirmaciones* como "la tierra es redonda" pueden ser *demostrables*; y *afirmaciones como "la tierra es plana"* pueden ser refutables. Las afirmaciones son más favorables para la mente que las negaciones porque abren la mente y exigen un razonamiento real. Por ejemplo, consideremos la posibilidad de que "unos duendes vivan bajo la iglesia". No tengo ninguna razón para creerlo. Pero podría ser cierto. ¡Tal vez son demasiado tímidos y demasiado inteligentes para dejarse ver!

Por alguna razón (tal vez por *la fe*), el nacimiento virginal se ha tomado en serio durante 2000 años. Incluso los no creyentes se toman la molestia de oponerse a esta declaración. Esa es una marca a favor de la Virgen. Además, *los eventos* sobrenaturales, porque son sobrenaturales, *no son* y no pueden ser validados por precedentes ordinarios. Pero un testimonio ininterrumpido por más de 2000 años sobre "lo que Dios hizo" es algo que la fe de la Iglesia toma muy seriamente.

En el año 431 DC, la Iglesia declaró solemnemente que María es la "Madre de Dios" (*Theotokos* en griego) en el Concilio de Éfeso. Como el título lo indica, María dio nacimiento virginal tanto a la "naturaleza humana" como a la "persona divina" de Jesús. John Donne fue más poético al respecto: "El Creador de tu Creador, y la madre de tu Padre/ Tiene luz en la oscuridad, y encerrada en una pequeña habitación, / Inmensidad guardada en tu querido vientre". La fe juega con la mente, en un buen sentido. El nacimiento virginal no es una idea hecha por el hombre. Es la Palabra del cielo. Así que aquí está mi mensaje de despedida: "¡Despierten cristianos! ¡Una virgen tuvo un hijo!"

AVIVAMIENTO EUCARÍSTICO NACIONAL

Junio 2023 – Junio 2024

Año de Avivamiento Parroquial

Durante este Año Nacional de Avivamiento Eucarístico, todos estamos llamados a renovar nuestra fe en la gracia de los sacramentos de la Iglesia. El Padre Edlefsen invita a todos los feligreses a aprender más sobre esta importante iniciativa que se está llevando a cabo en las parroquias de todo el país

<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>



NUESTRA SENORA DE LOURDES BUSCA FACILITADOR DE MANTENIMIENTO Y SEGURIDAD – 10-20 horas/semana

El candidato deberá realizar tareas rutinarias y de mantenimiento en la iglesia, la rectoría, la oficina y un salón parroquial que incluye cocina y aulas. Debe encargarse de reparaciones dentro y fuera de las instalaciones. Inspeccionar desagües, sump pumps, electrodomésticos, generadores, termostatos, detectores de humo y otros dispositivos. Servir como punto de contacto para contratistas e inspectores. Instalar y desmontar mesas y sillas durante eventos. Se requiere verificación de antecedentes y cumplimiento con los requisitos diocesanos para la protección de menores. Envíe su hoja de vida a olol@ololcc.net con el título MANTENIMIENTO.

DONACIONES EN LÍNEA CON FAITH DIRECT

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8 DE OCTUBRE DE 2023

Domingo 27o del Tiempo Ordinario

“La piedra que los constructores rechazaron se ha convertido en la piedra angular...” Mateo 21:42

Jesús fue rechazado por los líderes políticos y religiosos de su época, así como también por ciudadanos ordinarios, pero el siguió obedeciendo a Dios Padre. De la misma manera, tener un estilo de vida de corresponsabilidad puede hacer que usted sea “rechazado” por los demás. Dar gracias antes del inicio de una comida en un restaurante puede atraer miradas extrañas de algunas personas, ¡pero para otras es una señal que Dios está vivo y bien!

GRUPOS VOLUNTARIOS

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