



“When you heard the...word of truth, and believed in it, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit who had been promised.”
(E phesians 1:13)

The Loreto Letter

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter

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“As stewards of God’s manifold grace, serve one another with the gifts you have received.”

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On Thursday the US Census Department released this troubling statistic: for the first time in our nation’s history, less than 50% of all households—48%—are headed-up by a heterosexual married couple. Every civil and healthy society in the history of humanity has known that healthy marriage is essential for a healthy society. Yet we “enlightened” westerners (North Americans and Europeans) are more and more choosing to walk away from it once we enter into it and even are giving up on it all together. As we do so we find ourselves facing a crisis far greater than anything radical Islam or an indebted economy could ever hurl at us; we are facing the deterioration from within of our very soul as a community, because we are losing from within the very image of God.

Everything God creates and institutes he does so to reveal his nature and his glory, which is life and love. This is especially true of two things: marriage and the Church. More than the tallest mountain, the deepest ocean, the most awe-inspiring star-lit sky, when someone wants to see that God is love and that the glory of God is life, he/she should be able to look upon a married couple and the Church.

Jesus revealed God to be a Trinity of persons. The words theology uses to speak of the relationship of the three divine persons are *perichoresis* and *communion*. *Perichoresis* comes from the Greek and *communion* from the Latin; they mean “mutual indwelling.” The Father and the Son mutually indwell with each other, and that indwelling is itself a divine person, the Holy Spirit.

God himself has instituted marriage and the Church to reflect this perichoresis, this communion. When a man and woman marry they reflect the mutual indwelling of the Trinity and by their marriage participate in it. When one is a fully initiated member of the Church, he/she fully receives the mutual indwelling of the Trinity and participates in it. That is why Jesus raised natural marriage to be a supernatural sacrament and does not permit divorce and remarriage, and therefore why from day one the Church has taught that Christians must marry lawfully and that the marriage of Catholics must be in the Church, that is, in Christ and specifically in the Eucharist. (I’ll continue to reflect on the relationship between marriage, the Church, and the Eucharist next week.)

On another note, next weekend will be Father Felicien’s last weekend with us. It is ironic that we say good-bye to him on Ascension Sunday. At the Last Supper Jesus told his disciples that in a little while they would not see him and then in a little while they would see him again. In a little while Father will leave us and in a little while he will be serving next door at St. Michael the Archangel Parish. We are hosting an open house for Father next Sunday morning after all the Masses. Please stop by and greet him, thanking him personally for his priestly service to us.

Happy anniversary to Deacons Mike and Dick. Monday is the second anniversary of their ordinations to the diaconate.

Finally, Happy Memorial Day. I assure you of my prayers for your deceased loved ones, particularly those who lost their lives in the service and defense of our nation.

Father Ed

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This Week's Liturgies

Celebrations of the Eucharist

Sunday Anticipated Saturday 5:00 pm
 Sunday 7, 9, 11 am and 5:00 pm
 Monday—Saturday 7:30 am
 Wednesday—Friday 5:30 pm

Mass Intentions for the week of May 29th

Sat.	5:00 pm	Anton Sturn†
Sun.	7:00 am	Virginia Barth†
Sun.	9:00 am	OLOL Parishioners
Sun.	11:00 am	Joseph Falco†
Sun.	5:00 pm	Dudzic Family
Mon.	7:30 am	Richard Dunn†
Tue.	7:30 am	Jean Curtis
Wed.	7:30 am	Allen Shelley†
Wed.	5:30 pm	Anna Zaroogian†
Thu.	7:30 am	Joseph Falco†
Thu.	5:30 pm	Jacob C. Washburn†
Fri.	7:30 am	Bob Winslow†
Fri.	5:30 pm	Robert Hennebry†
Sat.	7:30 am	Gary Latham†
Sat.	5:00 pm	Sean Brewer
Sun.	7:00 am	Cel & Butch Pierskalla†
Sun.	9:00 am	OLOL Parishioners
Sun.	11:00 am	Collyn DeNio†
Sun.	5:00 pm	Sister Michaela Hedican

This Week's Readings

Sun	1st.	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
	2nd.	1 Pt 3:15-18
	Gospel	Jn 14:15-21
		<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>
Mon	1st.	Acts 16:11-15
	2nd.	Jn 15:26—16:4a
Tue.	1st.	Zep 3:14-18a
	2nd.	Lk 1:39-56
		<i>Feast of the Visitation</i>
Wed.	1st.	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1
	2nd.	Jn 16:12-15
Thu.	1st.	Acts 1:1-11
	2nd.	Mt 28:16-20
Fri.	1st.	Acts 18:9-18
	2nd.	Jn 16:20-23
Sat.	1st.	Acts 18:23-28
	2nd.	Jn 16:23b-28
Sun.	1st	Acts 1:1-11
	2nd	Eph 1:17-23
	Gospel	Mt 28:16-20
		<i>Ascension of the Lord</i>

Communion Antiphon

A-89 Shout to the Ends of the Earth
 7th Sunday of Easter, Year A
 Song for the Week



Responsorial Psalm

“Let all the earth
 cry out to God with joy.”

Responses

Gloria #157
 Sanctus #166
 Christ Has Died #167A
 Amen #168
 Lamb of God #171



*The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 30th.
 Happy Memorial Day*

LOST & FOUND

Our “Lost & Found” is overflowing!! If you have lost any items while at OLOL, please check the “Lost & Found” tables this weekend. Unclaimed items will be donated to a charity or disposed of.

LAST CHANCE



This Week's Meetings

Sun.	4:00 pm	Choir Practice	SNO
Tues.	7:00 pm	Cantanti Loreti Practice	SNO
Tues.	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary	RG-B
Wed.	7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Officers/Directors Meeting	RG
Wed.	7:00 pm	RCIA Team Meeting	MO
Wed.	7:00 pm	Spaghetti Eddie Planning Meeting	CW
Thurs.	6:30 pm	Outreach for Recovery	SA
Fri.	6:00 pm	Adventure Princesses	MO
Sat.	8:00 am	Boy Scout Pack 317 Meeting	MO
Sat.	8:30 am	Confessions	CA
Sat.	9:00 am	Knights of Columbus Meeting	RG

Pastoral Services

Baptism of Infants—Please pick up a Baptism Prep Packet in the Parish Office at least three weeks prior to the birth of your baby or the date you would like to have your child baptized..

Christian Initiation of Adults—Non-Catholic adults who are called to full communion in the Catholic Church are asked to contact Shirley at 303.414.2255 for further information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation—Saturdays, 8:30-10:00 am at the Church or by appointment.

Marriage—Spiritual preparation is vital for the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage. Couples are invited to call the office at 303.766.3800 to arrange an individual meeting to discuss the marriage preparation process. A minimum of nine months is needed.

Care of the Sick/Dying—Please call at the beginning of any serious illness or hospitalization. If ill and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the office. In the case of death, please call Fr. Ed Buelt before meeting with the funeral director.

Adoration—The Adoration Chapel is available 24 hours per day, seven days per week. Please contact Marge or Tom Doyle at 303.693.1824 if you have questions or would like to sign up for Adoration.

Cor Jesu (Heart of Jesus) - An e-mail prayer ministry at OLOL Parish. E-mail CorJesu_olol@zofeb.com to join the e-mail prayer group, or to offer your specific prayer requests.

The Gabriel Project—Pregnant? Need help? Be not afraid. For help, hope and healing, call 1.800.713.3021

Come Home—If you are struggling with a past abortion, please contact Fr. Ed or Jane at 303.617.7472.

Flowers



The flowers decorating the altar this weekend have been donated by: Jim, Carol & Hannah Balmer in memory of our mother, Doris McManus. The flowers for the Blessed Mother are courtesy of Jan & Larry Horton and Perpetua Sturn in memory of Anton Sturn.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

High School Youth ~ 6/13

Join us for “Summer Kick-Off,” 6/13, 7—8:30 pm in the Modular.

Go! Leadership

Interested in being a mentor for Middle School or Confirmation Tracks? Want to get more involved in the parish with skits, music, testimonies and more? Look for a *GO! Leadership* application in the Youth Section of the Narthex starting May 30th!

GIRL ~ 6/1

Kick-Off, Wednesday, June 1st, 5:15—7:15 pm.
Bring a dessert to share!

Guppy Fest ~ 6/17

“*Guppy Fest*” is a one-day Catholic Youth Rally featuring sessions for Middle & High School Youth to be held on 6/17. There will be speakers including: Neely Meeks, Fr. Matt & Susie Powers, a former CU Lady Buff basketball player. Also plan to attend Mass and a concert with Ceile Rain. Registration forms are available in the Narthex; the cost is \$15 per person.

Water World Road Trip ~ 7/13

Our Water World excursion will be July 13th. Permission forms are in the Narthex. Don’t miss out, the bus fills early; sign up now!

United States Flag Retirement Ceremony

Come see how a United States flag is retired. The OLOL sponsored Boy Scouts in Troop 317 will be holding a flag retirement ceremony at 7:30 pm on Monday, May 30th in the parking lot at OLOL

Totus Tuus ~ Help Needed!

Parent Help—Parents are needed to help with the daytime and evening programs. Volunteers must be “Safe Environment” trained. If you have not gone through Safe Environment training, we can arrange it for you.

High School Volunteers— If you are in High School and would like to help with the Elementary day-time program, we are looking for a few hard workers! This is a great gig; spaces are limited. If you are interested, please call Joan at 303.414.2274.



R.C.I.A.

Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is for adults interested in being baptized, coming into the Catholic Church from another denomination or Catholics who need to receive Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation

How does our parish attract inquirers each year who are considering becoming Catholic? The short answer is you! When any parish has many inquirers year after year, it is the fruit of the Holy Spirit as parish members open their hearts to welcome others. Members of a welcoming and evangelizing community take seriously their call to share the Divine message of salvation. Give thanks to God as he continuously strengthens each of us who seek to do His Will in offering a gentle, humble, and clear welcome to the Catholic faith.

“Go out into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.”
(Mark 16:15)

Calendar

- 6/5: Mass at 9:00 am followed by Mystagogia at 10:30 am in the RG-A. Inquiry Session, 10:30 am, RG-B.
- 6/12: Pentecost. Last Mystagogia Session at 10:30 am in the RG-A. Inquiry Session at 10:30 am, RG-B.

Children’s Ministry



Registration forms for all RE programs will be available in the Narthex beginning July 1st.

Here at Our Lady of Loreto our children’s programs are Intergenerational and parents have the opportunity to share in their children’s faith formation. By this we mean that we require at least one parent per *family* to accompany their children to class.

1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist

The typical age to begin preparation for First Holy Communion is 2nd Grade or seven years of age. We have two Tracks, both are a total of 12 weeks. One will begin on September 12th, and the other will begin on November 7th. Both Tracks meet on Monday evenings from 5:30-6:30 pm in the Chapel of the Word. **Each child must be accompanied by a parent.**

3rd—6th Grades Religious Education

Classes for 3rd—6th Grade meet on Tuesday evenings, 5:30 -6:30 pm beginning on 9/20. Throughout the year we will be incorporating opportunities for prayer and Eucharistic Adoration, Service Projects as well as age appropriate hands on activities to teach the children about their faith. **Each child must be accompanied by a parent.**



Opening Hearts and Minds to the Sanctity of Life.

Today, chastity is often mistakenly associated with being old fashioned, with a fear of passion or with sexual inhibition. But in reality it is much more than simply the absence of sexual relations. Chastity calls for purity of mind as well as body. If we are not working to develop a pure heart or a pure mind, then our bodily actions will reflect this. If we have no control over our desires or passions, then we cannot be trusted in either the big or the small things. We will remain slaves of our own passions and weak in spirit. If we cannot say "no," then our "yes" will mean nothing. ~ Episcopal Commission for Doctrine, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, Pastoral Letter to Young People on Chastity (January 2011)

Life Closet

At this time we are accepting only spring and summer clothing. We are in extreme need of children's clothing size 2 toddler through 16/18 youth, men's pants, t-shirts, and **new** underwear and socks for men, women, and children. Donations should be placed in the yellow bin marked "Life Closet" which is located in the north hallway. Thank you!



Diapers & Wipes, Thank You!

We contributed over 3,800 diapers and 6,200 wipes to Gabriel House and Catholic Charities from our recent collection. Thank you to all of our generous parishioners!

From Mourning to Morning ~ 6/25

What does it mean to be *divorced* in the Catholic Church? This workshop is meant to help tease out the spiritual and emotional effects of divorce. In this workshop, participants will: 1. Learn about the Church's teachings on divorce; and 2. Understand and practice some skills that are useful in coping with the grief that comes from divorce. This workshop will be held on Saturday, 6/25, from 9:00 am—1:00 pm in the Chapel of the Word. Register no later than 6/17 by contacting Elaine at 720.240.7433 or elaine@bethechampion.com.

Walburga Retreats

Consider spending a day of retreat, quiet and prayer at the Abbey of St. Walburga, located in Virginia Dale, outside Ft. Collins. The programs include presentations, times for quiet prayer and reflection, and opportunities to join the nuns for the Eucharist and the Divine Office. For more information, call the Abbey at 970.472.0612 or e-mail: aswretreats@gmail.com.

June Retreats include:

June 3-5—"Mosaics as Meditation."

June 11th—"Marriage According to God's Plan: A Day's Retreat on the Spirituality of Marriage."

Other Happenings

Spaghetti Eddie Volunteers Needed!

We are seeking "Spaghetti Eddie" Volunteers for Saturday, June 18th for the following Committees: Serving, Entertainment, Desserts, Cooking (several shifts), Set Up, Volunteers, Beverages, Greeting, Decorating, Kitchen Clean Up, Clean Up, and Take Down. Sign up in the Narthex before and after all Masses, this weekend, May 28 - 29.



This is our annual "Spaghetti Eddie" parish family event.

Save the Date: *Friday, September 9th* 13th Annual Golf Tournament, Dinner & Auction!



The *LOL Knights of Columbus*, hosts of the annual event, invite everyone to participate in one of our parish's premier adult social events. This year's event will be held at the Heritage Eagle Bend Golf Club on Friday, 9/9. Whether you golf or attend the auction & dinner only, this is a party you won't want to miss!

Archbishop's Catholic Appeal



God has blessed us with countless gifts. Let us express our thankfulness by returning a portion of our material blessings to His children in need through a gift to the 2011 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. Everyone is asked to give in a spirit of genuine sacrifice.

Gifts of Treasure

May 22, 2011	Adults	\$32,932.50
	Children	\$232.08
May 15, 2011	Adults	\$39,316.20
	Children	\$485.12
YTD Actual Offertory		\$2,056,081.45
YTD Budgeted		\$2,195,480.00

Financial Status as of 5/1/11

St. Joseph Ministry Center Construction

Estimated Costs

Now Under Construction, East Wing:	\$7,500,000
East Wing Garden Meeting Space:	\$300,000
Future Cost of West Wing:	<u>\$6,750,000</u>
Total Estimated Cost:	\$14,550,000

Funds Available

Current Funds Available:	\$4,892,000
Current Pledges to be collected:	\$4,645,000
Total Funds Expected to be available	\$9,537,000

New Pledges needed to complete construction **\$5,013,000**

Please note that funds available & pledge information will be updated on a monthly basis.

Our Lady of Loreto Debt
Church—\$8,768,021