

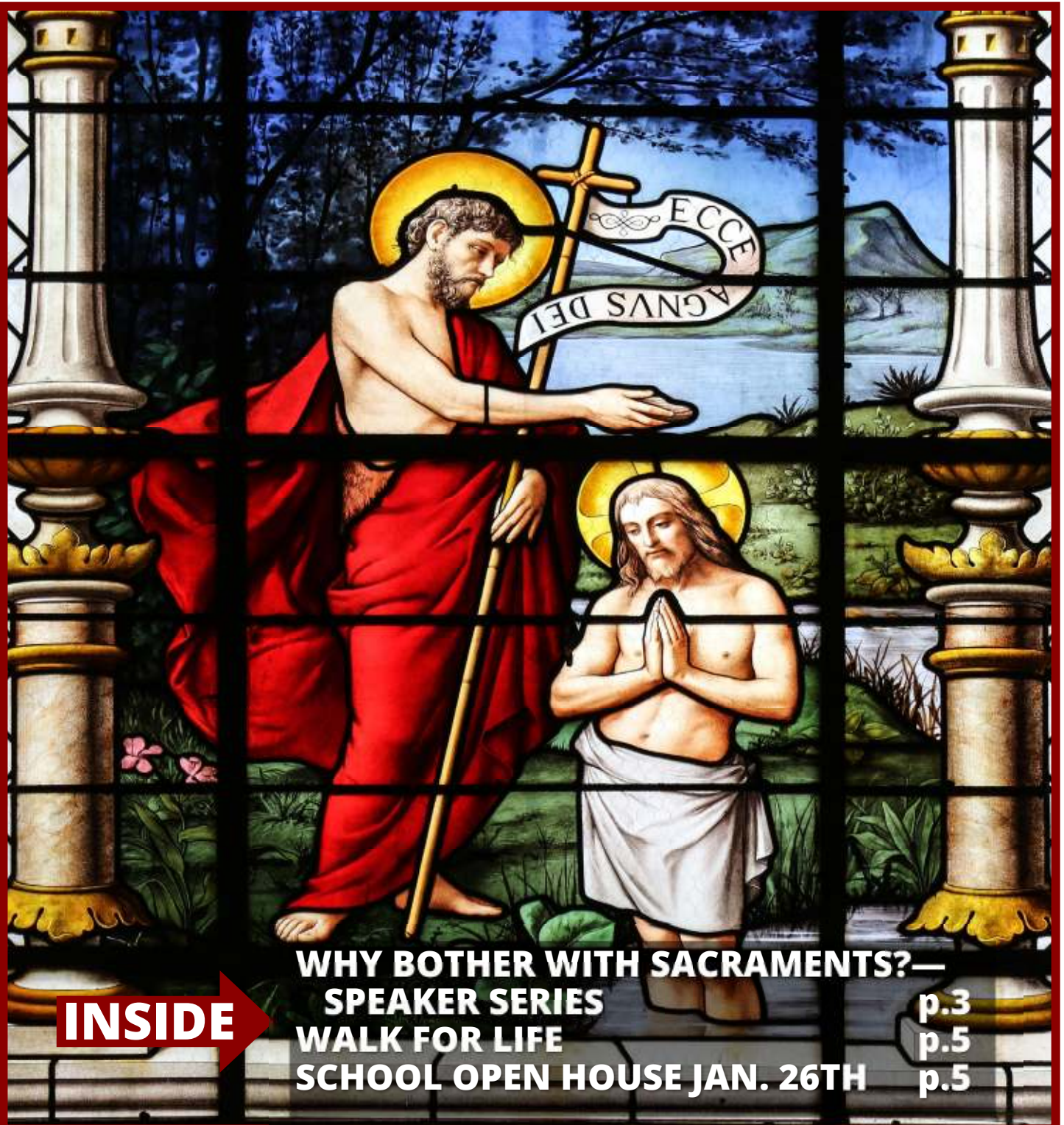


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PARISH EVENTS

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2020

3:00 pm R.C.I.A. in Parish Hall

MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020

7:00 pm Pastoral Council

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020

9:00 am Legion of Mary
7:00 pm Finance Council

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020

10:00 am Small Group Bible Study
6:00 pm SVdP Homeless Conference

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020

7:00 pm Holy Hour (Adoration & Confession)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2020

8:45 am Adoration after morning Mass

SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2020

7:00 pm Why Bother with the Sacraments? with Fr. Bernhard Blankenhorn, O.P. (St. Raymond Speaker Series) (p.3)

FEBRUARY 29, 2020

Leap into Lent: Men's Ministry Retreat

MARCH 21-22, 2020

St. Raymond 9th Annual World Famous Rummage Sale

ON THE COVER: St. John the Baptist Baptizing the Lord, stained glass windows in the parish church of Moncontour in Brittany, France. Photo by Fr. Lawrence Lew, O.P. Image: [flic.kr/p/Jng6rt](https://www.flickr.com/photos/jng6rt/). CC BY-NC-ND 2.0. License: bit.ly/ccbyncnd20

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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Jan. 11, 5:15 pm Nancy Harrington †

The Baptism of the Lord

Sun., Jan. 12, 8:00 am Ralph Ruocco † & Family,
Both Living & Deceased

10:00 am Fernanda Rossetti †

12:00 pm The Onyeneho Family,
Both Living & Deceased

6:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

Mon., Jan 13, 8:15 am Mother Cabrini (in
thanksgiving)

St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (m)

Tues., Jan 14, 8:15 am St. Therese (in
thanksgiving)

Wed., Jan. 15, 8:15 am Josephine Koenigs †

Thur., Jan. 16, 8:15 am Muriel Walton †

Fri., Jan. 17, 8:15 am Kamal Abusief

St. Anthony, Abbot (M)

Sat., Jan. 18, 8:15 am In Thanksgiving for
Blessings Received

St. Margaret of Hungary, OP, Virgin (m)

Sat., Jan. 18, 5:15 pm Patty Nelson †

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun., Jan. 19, 8:00 am Rosaria Furneri †

10:00 am Olga Mirek †

12:00 pm Harold & Carlyn Iuzzolino

6:00 pm St. Raymond Parish

S—Solemnity F—Feast M—Memorial m—Optional Memorial

Mass intentions are now available through 2021.
Please visit or call the parish office.

MINISTRY CORNER

BIBLE STUDY continues this Wednesday at 10:00 am in the parish hall.

LEGION OF MARY meets every Tuesday at 9:00 am! Don't worry, it's held in the parish hall. Join us!

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) meets Sunday at 3:00 pm in the parish hall.

MEN'S MINISTRY is planning a Lenten retreat for February 29, 2019, and their Second Annual Fish Fry. More details to be announced later.

SPEAKER SERIES

WHY BOTHER WITH SACRAMENTS?

Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 7:00 pm with
Fr. Bernhard Blankenhorn, O.P.

God is present everywhere. So why do we need the Mass or various sacraments to encounter God? Why isn't quiet time with Jesus in a beautiful forest good enough? God is present in our hearts. So why do we need mediations such as priests and formal ritual to grow spiritually? Fr. Bernhard will show why God becoming man is all about the sacraments, and why the sacraments are all about the Incarnation. In a fully Catholic vision of the sacraments, biblical teaching, sacred tradition, and spirituality all come together in a beautiful synthesis.



Fr. Bernhard Blankenhorn, O.P. is a professor of Theology at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Rome). He is the author of *The Mystery of Union with God: Dionysian Mysticism in Albert the Great and Thomas Aquinas* (Catholic University of America Press).

PARISHIONER SURVEY

The Archdiocese is conducting a parishioner survey in all parishes. Survey cards are available at the end of the pews. You can return the cards in the collection, in the collection box on the Marian entrance of the church, or any of the collection baskets in the church.



The survey is anonymous and takes just a few minutes. With help from each parishioner we will be able to know and understand better our Catholic people and their needs. Please complete and return the survey by Sunday, January 26, 2020.

The survey can also be completed online at <https://sfarchdiocese.org/parish-survey-english>.

STEWARDSHIP

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COLLECTIONS THROUGH JAN. 5, 2020

Sunday Collections	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	+ / -
At Mass	\$121,328.55	—	—
E-Giving	\$ 94,846.00	—	—
Total Offertory	\$216,174.55	\$255,825.00	(\$39,504.45)

COLLECTIONS THROUGH JAN. 5, 2019

	YTD Actual	YTD Goal	+ / -
Fall Campaign	\$389,832.65	\$600,000.00	(\$210,167.35)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

CENSUS 2020 NEEDS YOUR CONGREGATION TO COUNT!



The U.S. Census is hiring thousands of people in San Mateo, San Francisco, and Marin Counties over the next few months before Census Day on April 1st. This is a great opportunity for your congregation to:

- **Help spread the word** within your community that local Census jobs are available at competitive pay rates (ranging from \$25-\$30/hour). Must be 18 years or older. Candidates apply online at 2020Census.gov/jobs.
- **Be a parish training site** for Census workers.
- **Volunteer as a Census Advocate at your parish.** Hours flexible. Training on January 23rd. Contact Jane Ferguson Flout at 415.972.1227 or jfergusonflout@CatholicCharitiesSF.org.

For more information about Census jobs and serving as a parish training site, contact Daniel Shifrin, Census Field Manager, at 650.216.8294 or daniel.g.shifrin@2020Census.gov.

See flyers on the church bulletin boards and desks near the entrances for more information.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS are available at each Mass. Go to Father's line during Communion and ask for a low-gluten host. To avoid contamination, please take a host from the low-gluten pyx.

HERE AND NOW

BY ELEONORE STUMP

When the Lord was baptized, a voice came from heaven saying "This is my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." There could hardly be a more important message than this identification of Jesus, could there?

But why did this important message come through a voice from heaven? A voice from heaven can be heard only by those who are *there then*. What about everybody else? Surely, it is

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important for all human beings to know that Jesus is God's beloved Son.

And the same sort of puzzle arises from the First Reading (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7). It says that the Messiah will open the eyes of the blind, and the Gospels testify that Christ really did so. But he opened the eyes of only a few blind people, those blind people who were *there then*. What about all the other blind people, in other places, in other times? Why didn't Jesus just heal all blindness everywhere with one impersonal command: let all the blind people of the world be healed?

And so here is one thing we can learn from these Readings. In the voice from heaven, in the miracles of Christ, God shows that he is committed to the good of particularity. God does not send the news about the Messiah as an impersonal message directed impartially to all humankind. He identifies Jesus as his Son by a voice from heaven heard by particular people at a particular time. Similarly, Christ does not issue an impersonal decree about nameless blind people taken as a group. Christ heals some particular blind people who happened to be at a particular place at the particular time when Christ was also there.

So you might feel that you are just an unnoticed member of your company or an invisible one of the many ordinary people in your town. But you stand out as the particular person you are, where the Lord is concerned. God does not deal with people as faceless members of a collective. He calls, and he heals one particular person at a time, as each individual comes to him.

But then you yourself—not your Church or your group, but *you*—need to come to the Lord, to face him, to know him, to love him, and to let

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him heal you. Come as yourself, as you are, *here and now*.

Eleonore Stump is Professor of Philosophy, Saint Louis University.

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RUMMAGE SALE

SAVE THE DATE! The **St. Raymond 9th Annual World Famous Rummage Sale** will take place on **March 21-22, 2020** in the school gym. **Super Donation weekend** will be **March 14-15**



and you will be able to drive up and drop off all of your donations directly into the gym. Please mark your calendars and plan to volunteer to help with the biggest St. Raymond community annual fundraiser. It is so much fun and best of all, you will get volunteer hours for helping out!

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of the following members of our parish community.

Lillian "Lily" Duzanica
Harold Meconi
Helen Pflaum
Dr. Kamal Abusief
Karen Marie Lundberg

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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eGiving provides an opportunity to simplify your stewardship donations through secure automatic giving. You can pay with a credit/debit card or your checking or savings account. Schedule or update recurring donations at straymondmp.org/giving. Thank you!

WALK FOR LIFE SF

WALK FOR LIFE MASS AT CATHEDRAL

Saturday, January 25, 2020

9:30 am: Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco

12:30 – 1:30 pm: Rally at Civic Center Plaza

1:30 pm: Walk from Civic Center Plaza to Justin Herman Plaza



The Walk for Life West Coast 2020 is coming up: Join fellow Catholics and pro-lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the smallest among us at the 16th Annual Walk for Life West Coast. There will be Mass at 9:30 am at St. Mary's Cathedral celebrated by Archbishop Alexander Sample from Portland, Oregon. The rally begins at 12:30 pm in Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down Market Street, begins at 1:30 pm. Last year's Walk drew more than 50,000 participants. For complete information and to download flyers, visit walkforlifewc.com.

VIGIL FOR LIFE AT ST. DOMINIC CHURCH ON EVE OF WALK

Friday, January 24, 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm

St. Dominic Catholic Church, 2390 Bush St., San Francisco

Join the Dominican Friars and St. Dominic Community in the annual Vigil for Life on Friday, January 24. Vespers begins at 5:00 pm, Mass begins at 5:30 pm, and Holy Hour begins at 6:30 pm; Confession is available.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Arthur Ang, Balvina Gonzalez, Bernice Corcoran, Candy Hernandez, Celeste Green, Diane Mojtehed, Emmanuel Barbariol, Gayland Hagy, Janice Hagy, Lorraine Macchello, Lynn Bacon, Lynn Cintron, Margaret McSweeney, Modesta Cintron, and those who wish not to be named. Contact the parish office if you wish to add a name to the list.

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE ⁵

St. Raymond School will be hosting our annual Open House on **Sunday, January 26, 2020**. Mass will be held at 10:00 am followed by Open House from 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Open House is a wonderful opportunity to get acquainted with St. Raymond School, meet the faculty and community and tour the campus. Please join us to learn all about our outstanding parish school.

If you need more information or have questions please do not hesitate to contact us at admissions@straymond.org or 650.322.2312. We look forward to welcoming you!



SVdP CORNER

"Marina" is a single mother with a ten-year old son. Her husband died unexpectedly in April and without his income she struggled to pay the full rent on her income alone.



She applied for Social Security benefits for her son but exhausted her meager savings before they were approved. She went to the Daly City Community Service Center for help and they referred her to St. Vincent De Paul's Peninsula Family Resource Center. We were able to pay her November rent as well as part of past due amounts for October. Her son is now receiving his benefits and she feels she will be able to cover her rent moving forward. Marina and her son were extremely grateful to SVdP for helping them get through this challenging time.

COFFEE & DONUTS AFTER 10:00 AM MASS—

In case you didn't know, Coffee & Donuts are available after every 10:00 am Mass in our parish hall. Make a new friend. Challenge Paul Mitiguy to ping pong!



HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE HOUR AFTER 8:00 AM MASS

Join us after the 8:00 am Mass for Coffee Hour in Parish Hall. Bring a treat if you like! Help a Sister Judy out!



WOMEN ON THE JOURNEY: INSPIRING LIVES A ONE NIGHT RETREAT FOR WOMEN

with Mary Abinante

Fri. Feb. 7, 6:00 pm—Sat. Feb. 8, 1:00 pm

Companionship is a key component of the spiritual life. We will consider saints and companions in our tradition and in our own lives. Who inspires us? Who gives us strength? Always, we seek to be renewed on our own journey of faith.

The retreat will include presentations, reflection time, conversation, and prayer experiences. You might wish to bring your journal if you use one. \$145–\$165

Register at vallombrosa.org/calendar or call 650-325-5614.

DOMINICAN NUNS OF CORPUS CHRISTI MONASTERY

"COME AND SEE" DAYS
January 18, 2020 and
July 18, 2020



Start your New Year by taking a step to discern God's will for love in your life! Single, Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 38 years are invited to learn more about discerning God's call and to experience a taste of the life of a cloistered Dominican nun. The day of retreat will include talks, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass and the Divine Office prayed with the Dominican nuns, and more!

For more information and to register, visit opnunsmenlo.org/upcoming-events or contact Sister Joseph Marie, O.P., at vocations@opnunsmenlo.org. The event is free and all meals will be provided.



FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

Reborn

Session 2 - The Rite Explained



Each prayer and action in the Rite of Baptism is filled with spiritual significance, beauty, and grace. By now, you're more clearly what's happening, we have a greater appreciation for why Baptism takes us further into a life-changing relationship with God.

WATCH ON FORMED.ORG

Communicating Truth Evangelization by the Laity

How can Catholics evangelize in a culture that calls moral convictions "hate speech" and "intolerance?" Please join us for this important day of thoughtful presentations, dialogue and reflection at the Annual DSPT Convocation of the College of Fellows on **Feb. 1 at 9:30 am** at DSPT in Berkeley.

Speakers include Fr. Michael Sweeney, OP (Lay Mission Project) and Fr. Justin Gable, OP (DSPT Philosophy Professor) as well as DSPT Fellows and a panel of current students, lay and Dominican. This year's topic is "Communicating Truth - Evangelization by the Laity". All information and RSVP required at dspt.edu/convocation2020.



THE ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF THE COLLEGE OF FELLOWS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2020. 10AM-4PM AT DSPT

DISCERNING GRADUATE STUDIES IN PHILOSOPHY OR THEOLOGY?

Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology
Wednesday, February 19 - Friday, February 21

Are you discerning graduate studies in Philosophy or Theology? Come to "See DSPT 2020" days. You'll have the opportunity to visit classes, meet faculty and students, and get the information you need about DSPT academic, communal and spiritual life. Registration is open at dspt.edu.

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS If you are a visitor to St. Raymond Parish, we want you to know you are welcome here—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or another parish in the Archdiocese. Say hello to any of our parishioners! For information about our parish or to register, please contact us at office@straymondmp.org or register online at www.straymondmp.org/register.

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

MASSES

Saturdays 5:15 pm Vigil

Sundays 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 Noon,
6:00 pm

Weekdays 8:15 am (Mon.-Sat.) in the Chapel

Holy Days 8:15 am, 12:15 pm & 7:00 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturdays after the 8:15 am Mass (Chapel)

Thursdays 7:00 pm—8:00 pm at Holy Hour

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

1st Thursdays after 8:15 am Mass (Chapel)
or by appointment

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:45 pm-4:45 pm or by
appointment

Thursdays 7:00 pm—8:00 pm at Holy Hour

HOLY HOUR (ADORATION & RECONCILIATION)

Thursdays 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Mon.-Sat. 7:25 am (Office of Readings and
Morning Prayer) in the Chapel

ROSARY

Mon.-Sat. 8:00 am in the Chapel

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, AND FUNERALS

Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755 or
email office@straymondmp.org.

VISION STATEMENT St. Raymond Parish is a family. As disciples of Jesus, we are “children of God” and “brothers and sisters in Christ.” Jesus himself says, “Whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother, and sister, and mother” (Matthew 12:50). We welcome all to belong to our Catholic family and to inherit with us in Christ the mission to preach the Gospel!

MISSION STATEMENT St. Raymond Parish is a community united by our Catholic Faith as disciples of Jesus Christ. We seek communion with God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit through ongoing personal and communal conversion to Christ and a deeper commitment to the mission Jesus gives each of us to preach the Gospel. The sacred scriptures and sacraments of the Church sustain us. We dedicate ourselves to Truth and strive to grow in love of God and neighbor through community, prayer, study, and service, as we work by grace to build up in one another and share freely with others the abundance of magnificent gifts God has given.