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St Joseph's Academy - Application Forms are now available at the school's office for students wishing to enter forms 2, 3 and 4 beginning in September. Interviews will begin on Monday, June 10th 2024.

On Father's Day June 16th, both first and second collections will be collected for the Diocesan priests. A special envelope is being distributed. Please return these envelopes on Sunday 16th June, 2024.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Joseph's Conference invites you to its Annual Fathers' Day Lunch on June 16, 2024 from 10:30 am - 12: 30 pm on the grounds of Holy Family Cathedral. Tickets cost \$25.00 each and can be purchased at the Pastoral Centre and from any of the following persons - Kate James, Benjamin Quinland, Hyacinth Matthew, Chakera West and Patricia Collins. Members of the conference look forward to your support.

Evil To Be Conquered - In any contest it is of the utmost importance that those involved have the firm determination to win. Those who are not sure of themselves lose out. Coaches know this, hence their pep talk to the team with the assurance that they are going to win. Civil rights demonstrators in the sixties often started their marches in church, where they listened to a talk and prayed for strength and determination. Evil exists and has tremendous power. We feel its strength in us and experience its sinister threat around us. We encounter corruption and pursuit of self-interests where we would expect dedication and fidelity to an oath of office.

Lectio Divina

READ: The crowd gathered around Jesus. Some thought that Jesus was out of his mind. Teachers of the law from Jerusalem accused Jesus to be under the power of Beelzebul. Jesus taught them that Satan cannot go against Satan. He further explained by saying that a family divided by itself cannot last. Jesus also said that no one can break into a strong man's house unless that strong man is tied up. Jesus' teaching also includes the unforgivable sin against the Holy Spirit. Jesus said this because they accused Jesus of being possessed by an unclean spirit. In the end, Jesus told them that whoever does the will of God is Jesus' brother. sister and mother.

REFLECT: The will of God leads to unity. But the unity we refer to needs to be qualified. The unity that God wants for us is none other than a unity that is built on truth and goodness. If people work together based on deception and evil intent, their coming together runs contrary to God's will. True unity is always guided by the Holy Spirit. False unity is based on the deception of Satan. As Christians, we are called to commit ourselves to the promotion of unity that is under the guidance of the Holy Spirit while standing against any group that is formed, based on lies and evil purpose.

PRAY: We pray that the Holy Spirit will always guide us to true unity.

ACT: As an expression of the unity of our family, we all go together to Church.



The Prayer of the Synod Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS:

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Amen.

Gillian Howie, Nelister Sebastian, Catherine Durand. Dion Thomas, Georgina-Glave-Toussaint, Catherine DeTouche, Edward Lewis, David Morris, Gweneth Bryan, Shanla Carr, Arnold Gomes, Jean James, Conrad Looby, Cecelia John, Justin Joseph, Carmen Ambrose, Tyler Lockhart, Joan Underwood, Cosmas Rowe, Andrea Brown, Latoya Edmun-Joseph, Rose Margetson, Niethia Dyier, Patrick Skerritt, Victor Charles, Junie Browne, Cheralyn Beazer.

The Diocese of St John's-Basseterre is organizing a memorial Eucharistic celebration for Bishop Anthony Tony Pascal Rebello, SVD, who died on May 4, 2024, Tonota, Botswana and for Fr Kevin O'Toole, SVD who passed away peacefully on May 21, at the Nazareth Home, London. The memorial Mass will take place on Wednesday, June 26th, 2024, at Holy Family Cathedral at 6pm. Both men served this Diocese with great dedication and are still fondly remembered by many.

You are invited to join Bishop Llanos as we honour these two great former missionaries.

CATECHETICAL NOTICES

ST. LWANGA YOUTH CENTER PRESENTS BEST FEST 2.0. - July 8 - 12, 2024. Register Now for Our Exclusive Workshop for students in Secondary and Tertiary education. Build valuable skills, gain insights, and prepare for future opportunities. Unlock your potential and grow your capacity. This Workshop will be held from July 8 - 12, 2024 at the St. Lwanga Youth Center, Stapleton Lane - 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration fee - \$100.00. Click on the link to register or call the Youth Center at 780 -9688. The first ten (10) registrants will receive a 10% discount.

Click the link to register https://forms.gle/vWVKE7buuGhxXE1c8

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION:

celebration: We pray for the 27 young people who will be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit on Sunday June 30th at 3:00pm. We pray for them, their sponsors and parents.

Tuesday 11th June,2024 FEAST OF ST BARNABAS, Apostle

St. Barnabas was born Joseph, and was an early Christian. Although not one of the original Twelve Apostles, Barnabas was referred to as an apostle by the early Christian Church. There is also a Church tradition, which says that Barnabas was "First of the seventy disciples of our Lord". Having been ordained along with the apostle Paul for their first missionary journey by the church in Antioch, both Barnabas and Paul enjoyed the title and dignity of Apostles from that time forward. This took place around 45AD. Barnabas and Paul's missionary journey was confined to Cyprus and Asia Minor. It is well documented in the New Testament book Barnabas' Acts. On second missionary journey, he returned to Cyprus, his native island. The apostles Barnabas and Paul on their first missionary journey had founded the Church of Cyprus. Barnabas suffered death in his native town of Salamis on Cyprus. He was one of the earliest Christian disciples in Jerusalem.

Thursday 13th June, 2024 FEAST OF ST ANTHONY, priest & doctor

The Feast of St. Anthony is observed every year on June 13 to honor the life and work of St. Anthony of Padua, who accomplished many things during his short time in this world as a priest. He was revered by his contemporaries and noted for his powerful preaching, vast knowledge of scripture, and undying love and devotion to the poor and the sick. They made him one of the most quickly canonized saints in church history. His fame spread through Portuguese evangelization and he became the patron saint of Lisbon, Padua, and many other places in Portugal. St. Anthony is invoked and respected around the world as the patron saint for the recovery of lost items. He is credited with several miracles involving lost people, things, and even spiritual goods.

> Happy Feast Day St Anthony's - Potters

This Sunday's Readings 9th June, 2024

First Reading Genesis 3: 9-15 Responsorial Psalm

130: 1-8
Second Reading:

2 Corinthians 4: 13—5:1

Gospel

Mark 3: 20 -35

"If a nation is divided by civil war, that nation cannot stand"



Monday 10th June

1 Kings 17: 1-6 Psalm 121: 1-8 Matthew 5: 1-12

Tuesday 11th June

Acts 11: 21-26: 13: 1-3
Psalm 98: 1-6
Matthew 5: 13-16
Feast of St. Barnabas, Apostle

Wednesday 12th June

1 Kings 18: 20-39 Psalm 16: 1-2, 4-5, 8, 11 Matthew 5: 17-19

Thursday 13th June

1 Kings 18: 41-46 Psalm 65: 10-13 Matthew 5: 20-26

St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor

Friday 14th June

1 Kings 19: 9, 11-16 Psalm 27: 7-9, 13-14 Matthew 5: 27-32

Saturday 15th June

1 Kings 19: 19-21 Psalm 16: 1-2, 5, 7-10 Matthew 5: 33-37 Blessed Virgin Mary

WHAT THE FIRST READING SAYS TO ME

Notice the promise of a Redeemer, who will overcome evil by striking at its head. The sacred writer is convinced that God will intervene. He knows this from his national history. God has helped his people to defeat enemies and threats of evil so often that he will do it again. Hence, we too can pray "With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption [from evil]"

WHAT THE SECOND READING SAYS TO ME

Paul makes a few beautiful statements that may encourage those of us who are getting on in years. He says: "We do not lose heart because our inner being is renewed each day, even though our body is being destroyed at the same time." Although we are aging, we can continue to grow into even more beautiful persons, in spite of the fact that the agility and physical functions of our body decay. "You," the person you make of yourself now, will live forever. "We have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven."

WHAT THE GOSPEL SAYS TO ME

The gist of today's Gospel is the ongoing battle between good and evil. Jesus expels demons and indicates that the final defeat of evil, promised for the world to come, has been initiated in our history. But we are part of this battle. "Onward, Christian Soldiers" is a hymn we still hear in our churches. Be determined that we shall overcome, since God is with us.

KNOW YOUR CHURCH

Address of the Holy Father

Dear brothers and sisters,

I wish to greet you with affection, and I would like first and foremost to thank all the members of the Dicastery for the Clergy: you have come to Rome from the four corners of the earth to offer your important contribution to the reflection on the ordained ministry and, with you, there are also the consultors of the Dicastery. Thank you for your presence. And thank you to the Cardinal Prefect and the other superiors and officials of the Dicastery, above all for the work you do every day, often in silence and hidden away, in the service of ordained ministers and the seminaries. On this occasion, I would like first to convey my gratitude, my affection and my closeness to the priests and deacons of the whole world. Many times, I have warned against the dangers of clericalism and spiritual worldliness, but I am well aware that the vast majority of priests work with great generosity and spirit of faith for the good of the holy People of God, bearing the weight of many hardships and facing pastoral and spiritual challenges that are sometimes not easy. Your Plenary Assembly focuses in particular on three fields of attention: the ongoing formation of priests, the promotion of vocations and the permanent diaconate. I would like to dwell briefly on each one of these themes. Ongoing formation. It is a theme that is spoken of a great deal, especially in recent years, and which had already been referred to in *Ratio fundamentalis* in 2016. The priest, too, is a disciple following the Lord and, therefore, his formation must be an ongoing journey; this is even more true if we consider that today we live in a world marked by rapid changes, in which new questions and complex challenges that demand a response are always emerging. Therefore, we cannot delude ourselves that it is enough for formation in the seminary to lay sure foundations once and for all; rather, we are required to consolidate, strengthen and develop what we have in the seminary, in a process that may help us to mature in the human dimension, to grow spiritually, to find suitable languages for evangelization, to explore what we need to adequately address the new questions of our time.



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