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Our pastor, Father Thomas Faucher, is on a partial medical leave from parish ministry. This is to give him time and opportunity to recover from illness. Almost all parish ministry will be done by Father Miller, Father Camacho, our deacons and parish staff during this time. Father Faucher will celebrate or concelebrate some Sunday Masses and preach on occasion, but not on a regular basis. Please keep Father Faucher in your prayers.

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PASTORS' PAGE

From the Pastor:

I have been asked to be on a radio program about religion: specifically a radio show which is very hostile to Roman Catholicism. I am not sure of the exact name of the show, but I think it is "Faith and Reason." It is hosted by Matt Flick from 6 to 7 p.m. weeknights on 790AM. I am going to be on the show Tuesday, May 9th. Mr. Flick has told me he truly dislikes Roman Catholicism and considers it evil. He said he would be polite to me but very forceful in his arguments against me.

Mr. Flick contacted the diocese and they concluded that I was the person they wanted to represent the church on the program. This is not the first time I have done that, and while it is hard work, it is also sort of fun to spar with someone who disagrees with so much of what we believe. Please try to give it a listen. For more information about this program, logon to www.carm.org.

Peace,
Fr. Tom Faucher, Pastor

Me han invitado para participar en un programa en la radio para platicar sobre el tema de la religión. No se el nombre exacto del programa pero es algo como "Fe Y Razón". El anfitrión es el señor Matt Flick quien tiene un programa de 6 a 7 de la noche durante la semana en el canal 790AM. Voy a participar en su programa el martes 9 de mayo. El señor Flick me he dicho que no quiere a la religión Católica Romana y piensa que es mala. El dijo que me tratará con cortes pero que su debate iba hacer muy energético. El señor Flick se comunico con la diócesis y ellos decidieron que yo era la persona adecuada para representar la iglesia en este programa. No es la primera vez que hago esto y admito que es trabajo difil pero al mismo tiempo es algo que me entretiene especialmente con alguien que desacuerda tanto con nuestras creencias.

Paz,
Fr. Tom Faucher, Párroco

El mes de mayo es muy hermoso. La primavera está en todo su esplendor y por eso es llamado el mes de las flores. Está dedicado a nuestra Madre María, la flor más hermosa que ha brotado en todo el universo. El amor a María es una de las características de la Iglesia Católica; y la devoción a la Madre de Jesús ha dado fama al pueblo hispano, de manera particular al mexicano. Pienso que es una buena oportunidad para reflexionar en el significado de nuestra devoción a la Madre de Dios.

La devoción, nos dice santo Tomás de Aquino, "no es otra cosa que la voluntad pronta para entregarse a todo lo que pertenece al servicio de Dios". El Concilio Vaticano II enseña que las diversas formas de piedad hacia la Madre de Dios que la Iglesia ha aprobado, hacen que el Hijo sea más amado. Desde los primeros siglos de la Iglesia comenzaron a surgir devociones marianas que el pueblo cristiano fue plasmando en formas y costumbres que posteriormente la Iglesia recogió en la liturgia y aprobó en su magisterio. De ellas hay algunas que se limitan a grupos, o países, o a determinadas épocas. Otras son universales. Las devociones marianas más destacadas son: las fiestas de la Virgen que la Iglesia, a lo largo del año, dedica para honrarla (Madre de Dios, Inmaculada, etc.); el santo rosario, recomendado con marcada insistencia por los Papas; el "angelus", que es la recitación del encuentro del Angel con María (la Anunciación); el escapulario de la Virgen del Carmen o alguna medalla; las tres Aves Marías; el sábado, día de la Virgen. Es el día de la semana que la Iglesia tradicionalmente dedica a María; la consagración a María. En la tradición hispana la hacen los niños y niñas al cumplir tres años y también las jovencitas en su Misa de Quinceaños; otras prácticas de devoción son las romerías o peregrinaciones a santuarios o ermitas dedicados a la Virgen. Entre los hispanos sobresalen las peregrinaciones a la basílica de Guadalupe, en la ciudad de México y a Nuestra Señora de San Juan de los Lagos, en el estado de Jalisco (México) y en San Juan, Texas.

Quiero felicitar a los niños/as que hacen su Primera Comunión este domingo y a los jóvenes que recibieron el sacramento de la Confirmación. Que su amor a Cristo siga creciendo hasta lograr una hermosa relación personal con El.

Su amigo y servidor,
Padre Jesús Camacho

May is very beautiful. The spring is in full splendor, and that's why May is called the month of the flowers. It is dedicated to our Mother Mary, the most beautiful flower that has sprouted in the entire universe. The love of Mary is one of the characteristics of the Catholic Church; and this devotion to Jesus' Mother is characteristic of the Hispanic people, in a particular way to the Mexican people. I think that now is a good opportunity to reflect on the meaning of our devotion to God's Mother.

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Devotion, St. Thomas of Aquinas says to us, "It is nothing other than the will to be of service to God." The Second Vatican Council taught that the diverse forms of piety towards the mother of God that the Church has approved, have made the Son more dear. From the first centuries of the Church there began to arise Marian devotions that the Christian people captured in forms and customs the Church later incorporated into the liturgy and its teaching. Some of these devotions are limited to groups, countries, or certain epochs. Others are universal. The most outstanding Marian devotions are: the holidays of the Virgin that the Church, throughout the year, dedicates to honor her (Mother of God, Blessed Virgin, etc.); the holy rosary, recommended with marked insistence by the Popes; the "Angelus," which is the recitation of the meeting of the Angel with Mary (the Annunciation); the scapular of the Virgin of Carmen or some medal; three Hail Marys; Saturday, day of the Virgin. It is the day of the week that the Church traditionally dedicates to Mary. In the Hispanic tradition they make their dedication to Mary when the children are three years and also the girls when they turn 15 they have their thanksgiving Mass; other practices of devotion are the pilgrimages or journeys to sanctuaries or chapels dedicated to the Virgin. Among Hispanics stands out the journeys to Guadalupe's basilica, in Mexico City and to Nuestra Señora de San Juan de los Lagos, in the state of Jalisco (Mexico) and in San Juan, Texas.

I want to congratulate the children who had their First Communion this Sunday and the young people who received the sacrament of Confirmation. Their love of Christ is still growing toward achieving a beautiful personal relationship with Him.

Your friend and servant,
Fr. Jesús Camacho



SUNDAY READINGS May 7th

First Reading:	Acts 4:8-12
Responsorial Psalm:	Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29
Second Reading:	1 Jn 3:1-2
Gospel Reading:	Jn 10:11-18

Reflections

1. Have you allowed the people in your life to come to know you as Jesus knows his sheep? What gets in the way?
2. Was there a time when you felt lost and needed someone to find you?
3. Relate the ways you are a good shepherd to your family and community.

Scripture Readings May 8th – May 14th

MON.	Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
TUE.	Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
WED.	Acts 12:24–13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
THU.	Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
FRI.	Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
SAT.	Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
SUN.	Acts 9:26-31; Jn 15:1-8

FINANCIAL NEWS

The "Financial News" section is being redesigned and will return next week.

Flower Power..Volunteers needed to arrange weekend Mass flowers one Saturday a month at 10:00 a.m. If you are interested, please contact Kathleen Duvall at 376-8503.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S – ESTA SEMANA EN SANTA MARIA

Date/ Fecha	DESCRIPTION (DESCRIPCION)/PLACE (LUGAR)
Sun., May 7	• 10 – 12 p.m., Clases de Catecismo
Tues., May 9	• 6-9 p.m., Karen's Choir (Church) • 7 p.m., Bible Study (Padre Camacho, Rm. B, Parish Center)
Wed. May 10	• 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Dance Practice (Gym) • 8 p.m. – Clases de bautismo (Rm. D)
Thurs. May 11	• 5:30 p.m., BINGO! (Gym) • 7 p.m., FLUX – Listening Session (Parish Center, Rm. B) • 7-8:30 p.m., Bob Parsley's Choir (Church) • 7 p.m. Clases de bautismo (Rm. D)
Sat., May 13	• 10 a.m., Spanish Baptisms
Sun. May 14	• 10 – 12 p.m., Clases de Catecismo

PRAY THE ROSARY FOR PEACE

Everyone is invited to Our Lady of the Rosary Church on Sunday May 7th to pray the rosary at 1 p.m. The rosary will be said at the same time all over the world for peace. Sponsored by the Legion of Mary.

PLATICAS PREBAUTISMALES

Las próximas juntas prebautismales se llevarán acabo el 10, 11, 15, 17 y 24 de mayo a las 8 de la noche en el centro parroquial. Los siguientes datos son muy importantes para bautizar a su hijo/a aquí en su iglesia de Santa Maria.

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- 1) Soliciten bautizo al Padre Jesús Camacho.
- 2) Tengan lista el acta de nacimiento de su hijo/a (MUY IMPORTANTE)
- 3) Busquen padrinos que estén casados por la iglesia
- 4) Se pide que los papás y padrinos acudan a 2 pláticas (por lo menos).
- 5) Se celebrará el sacramento de bautizo los últimos sábados del mes a las 10 de la mañana y en la Misa de 7.

ALTAR SERVERS, GREETERS, MUSICIANS NEEDED

Anyone fifth grade or above who is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Tom at the Parish (344-2597) for training. Training to be an altar server does not take a long time. New servers are always paired up with veteran servers.

We are also looking for young greeters, musicians, etc. You do not have to be confirmed to be involved in these ministries.

Later there will be a lector workshop offered for those who have been confirmed and who would like to proclaim the scriptures at Sunday Liturgies. Most students of St. Mary's School as well as graduates from Bishop Kelly already have experience in lectoring during the school Masses.

PINOCHLE CLUB

The Pinochle Club potluck and card party will take place on May 21 at 5:00 p.m. in the parish center. New players are most welcome. Call Molly at 345-5286 or Marilyn at 342-3480 if you have questions.

The Sisters of Marymount Hermitage would like to thank the people of St. Mary's for their hospitality and support when they visited last weekend.



Ana Cooney's Family would like to extend their appreciation for all of the outpouring of warmth and kindness of all of the people who helped before the 11 o'clock Mass on Easter Sunday when Ana fell and broke her femur. She is doing better. Thank you St. Mary's for being so caring. Sincerely, Ana Cooney's Family.

PROJECT RACHEL

If you or someone you know is hurting from an experience with abortion, there is hope. Please call Project Rachel 1-866-327-7495.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT: CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS

In conjunction with the recent annual diocesan audit for compliance with the U.S. bishops' policies to safeguard children, and in accord with the Diocese of Boise's commitment to make the Diocese the safest possible environment for children, youth and adults, Bishop Driscoll extends this invitation to Idaho Catholics.

If you believe that you are a victim of sexual abuse or misconduct by a paid or volunteer church worker, or know someone who may have been, the Bishop invites you again to contact the Diocese of Boise Assistance Coordinator, Melaney Swenson, 345-6031, mswenson@ccidaho.org, the Vicar General, Fr. Joseph da Silva, 342-1311, jdasilva@rcdb.org, or the Bishop himself, 342-1311.

The Diocese of Boise wants to do everything possible to reach out to those affected by sexual abuse and misconduct and help heal the wounds they have experienced.

Catholic Charities of Idaho provides counseling for individuals, couples and families. Call CCI at 345-6031 for more information.

Welcome to the Eucharistic Table!

Congratulations to all those who received their First Eucharist at the 8:30 Mass on May 7, 2006.

Isabel Amyx	Ailish Harrison	Moses Petty
Emily Baca	Elizabeth Heffner	Adam Schaub
Joshua Ball	Charlie Jenkins	Payton Seefeldt
Madilynn Batman	Selby Jenkins	JT Shalz
Maggie Blum	Trey Jones	Ryan Siekert
Sam Brasil	Patrick Kelly	Maya Simkins
Cole Bunderson	Jessica Kochaver	Brendan Smith
Kendall Byers	Olivia Konecni	Alyssa Terteling
Bailey Clifford	Ashley Korn	Darcy Terteling
Patrick Cunningham	Gretchen Litzinger	Tommy Terteling
Brittany D'Souza	Orion Logan	Joe Tonkin
Isabel Funke	Sheridan Meyer	Ivan Torrez
Yuma Garcia	Michael Montgomery	Stefan Vietz
Samuel Geraty	Jack Morrison	Nicholas P. Wieber
Michael Hardenbrook	Michael O'Toole	Shelby Wolf
Gabrielle Harrington	Megan Pape	

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Religious Education. Register Now for Pre-School - 6th Grade Religious Education. Classes begin in the fall on Sundays from 9:45-10:45am. Please register early to help determine the need for catechists, classroom space and textbooks. Call Meg at 344-2597.

Vacation Bible School. Children ages 4 through 5th Grade register now for "Serengeti Trek: Where Kids Are Wild About God," St. Mary's Vacation Bible School on June 12-16 from 9 a.m. – Noon each day. We also need adults and teens to be part of our crew. Call Meg at 344-2597.

LEGION OF MARY

Members of the Legion of Mary invite the parishioners of St. Mary's to become aware of the Legion. Members meet once a week to pray together and serve the Body of Christ. For further information you may call Eva Pera (888-7823) or Margee Cook (322-6279).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PARISH HALL TABLE REPLACEMENT UPDATE

We've received enough generous donations to purchase 12 new lightweight tables for the parish hall; however, we remain 8 tables short of our goal. If your family or group would like to donate a table or simply make a contribution, contact Knights of Columbus representatives Mike Pape at 388-3847 or Quinn Morrison at 338-0442.

ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION OF THE TREASURE VALLEY NEWS....

ACE-TV Summer Courses for Personal Enrichment and Catechist Certification will include:

1. Church History, with Ms. Laura Henning, Theology teacher/campus minister at Bishop Kelly High School. This class will have a 'retreat-like, spiritual' dimension as well as interesting content of important dates and facts. Daytime dates are Saturday, June 11th and July 16th from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.; and evenings on Thursdays June 16th and 23rd and Wednesdays, June 29th and July 13th from 7-9 p.m. at BKHS, for a total of 16 hrs of instruction.
2. Introduction to Theology, with Fr. Hugh Feiss OSB, presents an overview of the history, sources, tasks, methods and trends of Catholic theology. Arranged especially for those who prefer a shorter, more intensive format, this course will be held on June 14, 15 and 16 from 9—2:30 at St. Joseph School library (15 hrs of instruction).

3. Catechesis with Adults, with Peg Wuelfing, Ph.D. This course meets the 'methods' requirement and is designed esp. for catechists of RCIA, prison ministry, Returning Catholic programs, DREs, pastoral associates, and others who assist in adult faith formation. Classes will be held on August 1, 3, 8, 17, 22, 24, 29 and 31 from 7-9 p.m. at Risen Christ.

For additional information and registration, call Peg at 424-8989 or visit our website at AdultCatholicEd.org.

Job Openings

ADVERTISING/BUSINESS/CIRCULATION MANAGER -

Catholic Diocese of Boise Communications Department/Idaho Catholic Register (Diocesan newspaper) needs team-oriented, enthusiastic, outgoing person with excellent communication and customer service skills; proficient with Adobe InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, QuickBooks and MS Office and able to assist other staff people with these programs; Must be creative, detail-oriented, well-organized, capable of working well under deadlines and multi-tasking; Print advertising sales experience and website skills a plus. An understanding of the Catholic Church and its teachings is essential. Applicant needs a bachelor's degree in graphic arts, business, communications or related field, plus at least two years' experience in related fields. Applications accepted until position is filled. Interested persons may obtain job description, compensation and benefit information, and application packet from Stephanie Raper, Dept of Human Resources, 208-342-1311x132 or sraper@rcdb.org.

Employment Notice: St. Joseph's Catholic School is preparing to hire teachers for the 2006-2007 school year. If you hold a teaching certificate and are interested in full or part time employment, please contact Mrs. Young at the school for an application. There may also be openings for instructional assistants, again, please contact the school (342-4909).

Faith and Life Institute for Theological Education (FLITE)

In May, 2006, an introductory run of three courses, offered both on the Albertson College campus and at Boise's Cathedral of the Rockies, will introduce FLITE to congregations in both ends of the Treasure Valley. These courses will showcase the kinds of programs that will be offered by FLITE in the future at a discounted fee of \$5 per person.

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The following courses will be offered:

"The Jewish Joy of Law" –

Dr. Howard Berger

(May 10 – Cathedral; May 11 – ACI)

"Mary Magdalene: Jesus' Beloved Disciple?" –

Dr. Denny Clark

(May 17 – Cathedral; May 18 – ACI)

"Digging the Bible: Using Archaeology to Understand the Bible and its History" –

Dr. Mark Smith

(May 24 – Cathedral; May 25 – ACI)

¿QUIERE APRENDER INGLES?

Se ofrecen clases de ingles particulares. Si está interesado, por favor hable con Marisela en la oficina parroquial al número 344-2597.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL BUILDING TRUST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

- Monday May 22nd, 2006
- Plantation Country Club Boise, Idaho
- Shotgun Start 1 p.m.
- Silent Auction and Dinner to follow

Take your shot at winning a brand new Harley Davidson! Signup forms can be picked up in the office at St. Mary's School. (For corporate sponsorship opportunities call Rob Zahm 890-0110.)

Estudios de Biblia con el Padre Jesús Camacho se presentan los martes a las 7 p.m. en el centro parroquial.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Special thanks go this week to CHF Home Furnishings (see Ad, back page).