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Scripture Readings

October 4—October 10

SUN.	Gn 2:18-24; PS 128:1-2,3,4-5,6; Heb 2, 9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12
MON.	Jon 1:1-2:2; Lk 10:25-37
TUES.	Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:30-42
WED.	Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4
THURS.	Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13
FRI.	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26
SAT.	Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28

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From the Pastor,

Some Thoughts On Marian Shrines:

As we get used to our new church with the great painting of *The Adoration of the Christ Child* and the statue of Mary seated in the pew, I am conscious that I have had the honor of visiting a number of places where our Lady is honored. Until our own church was finished my favorite was Lourdes. It is a special place and like no other spot on earth. This is a peace and joy that can be found at Lourdes that being instant refreshment to the soul.

Others I have seen include Aranzazu, Begona, Izitar, Meritxell, Medjgorie, Leyre, and a number of other places in parts of Europe. A couple of things strike me about these places.

The first is that whether they are big or small, famous or relatively unknown, they are special. They are places that have become important as centers of prayer. The people who go there do so to pray, to touch God.

A second realization is that each in its own way is the story of Our Lady relating with people. It is the story of an event. Something happened, usually long ago and now shrouded in legend, that made this place important. But it is a personal place.

I contrast this with the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC. I lived next to the Shrine for four years, and have visited it countless times. It does not have the same feel, the same sense of place. It is not like the other shrines. After thinking about this for a long time I think that maybe one of the major differences is that the Shrine in Washington is dedicated to a dogma, not to an event.

In Lourdes you hear about Bernadette; in Aranzazu you hear about a statue and bell found on a tree. In Washington you hear about a doctrine. It is just not the same.

Granted that all of these shrines are to St. Mary the Virgin, the Blessed Mother. But she has been able to be different in each place and culture because each place and culture needed her to be different. If one looks at the great Marian shrines all over the world they are all about and event involving people except ours.

As the United States Church grows and changes, becoming more and more tied to origins in Mexico, Central, and South America maybe it would be good to change the title under which we honor Mary in our land. Rather than the Immaculate Conception we could create a feast of Our Lady of the Americas that brings together all the various American titles of Mary.

I feel that it has been a great honor to visit the shrines I have had a chance to see. Meritxell is a powerful place, with a new building that still has the old statue with red, yellow, and blue ribbons tied to the thumb. Aranzazu is a place of stark beauty and excellent liturgy. It is my hope that our church can become a Marian Shrine, honoring Our Lady in a new a special way.

Father Tom Faucher, Pastor

4 de octubre: fiesta de san Francisco de Asís (1182-1226). Estamos acostumbrados a la palabra "ecología"; palabra que seguramente el pobrecito de Asís nunca pronunció ni escuchó. Pero El conocía la raíz profunda, el verdadero significado de la ecología. Fue el primero que se preocupó por el equilibrio entre animales, plantas y seres humanos. Fue el primero que se consideró a sí mismo en relación con todas las cosas creadas: no importa cuán diferente seamos, todos somos criaturas de Dios, decía Francisco. Reconoció que las criaturas de Dios tenían una interdependencia, ordenada por su Creador, y que romper los lazos que las unen constituía una grave falta. Por eso sentía él un profundo respeto y admiración por todo lo que hallaba en la naturaleza: desde un simple animalito hasta el astro rey, el sol. Según cuentan las historias, todas las especies le escuchaban y obedecían sus órdenes. Con el paso del tiempo, este amor de san Francisco por la naturaleza fue lo que motivó a la Organización Mundial de Protección Animal a establecer el 4 de octubre como el "Día Mundial de los Animales". También el Papa Juan Pablo II reconoció su aporte cristiano a la humanidad al proclamarlo, en 1980, "Patrono de los animales y de los Ecologistas". En nuestra parroquia tendremos una bendición de los animales hoy domingo a las 4 de la tarde. La enseñanza de san Francisco es muy actual y la necesitamos. Debemos re-pensar nuestro lugar en el orden creado, de modo que el bienestar humano esté integrado en el bienestar de la naturaleza (medio ambiente) y de todas las demás criaturas (plantas y animales). También hoy el Padre Faucher celebra su cumpleaños. ¡Felicidades! Ad multos annos vivas!

Su amigo y servidor, Padre Jesús Camacho

October 4: Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226). We are used to the word "ecology"; a word which poor Assisi never pronounced or heard. But he knew the profound root, the true significance of the ecology. He was the first who worried about the equilibrium within the animals, plants and human beings. He was the first who considered himself connected to all created beings: It does not matter how different we are, we are all creatures of God, Francis used to say. Recognizing that the creatures of God had an interdependence, ordered by their Creator, and by breaking the bondage that united them would be a grave mistake. This is why he felt a profound sense of respect and admiration for all that he found in nature: from a simple little animal to the king of the stars, the sun. According to the stories told, all of the species would listen and

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obey his orders. With time, this love that St. Francis had for nature was the motivating factor for a World Organization for the Protection of Animals established on 4th of October and it was named "World Day for Animals". Pope John Paul II also recognized that this contributed to the Christian relation to humanity and he proclaimed in 1980 that St. Francis of Assisi as "Patron of the Animals and Ecologists". Here in our parish we will have the blessing of the animals today, Sunday at 4 PM. The teaching of St. Francis is very current and we need it. We should re-think our place in the order of creation so that the human well being is integrated with the well being of nature (environment) and all of the creatures (plants and animals). Today is also Fr. Faucher Birthday. Happy Birthday! Ad multos annos vivas!

Your friend and servant, Padre Jesús Camacho

Magnificat Newsletters in Narthex We have a limited amount for parishioners who do not have E-mail or who have not received a courtesy print copy from another parishioner. If you have E-mail please go Online to the parish website, <http://www.stmarysboise.org>, and click on Magnificat which is under the title, "Other Site Pages". The current issue is at the top of the list.

Platicas Prebautismales.....el 14, 21 y 22 de octubre a las 8 p.m. en el centro parroquial. Los próximos bautizos se celebraran el **sábado, 31 de octubre** a las 10 a.m. o dentro de Misa de 7 p.m. Favor de hablar a la oficina parroquial para hacer cita con el Padre Jesús para pedir el bautizo antes de la primera platica. Recuerden que los papas y los padrinos tienen que asistir a dos platicas durante el mes. Tienen que traer acta de nacimiento de la criatura y acta de matrimonio por la iglesia de los padrinos.

Come to the Fall Gathering! West Central Deanery cordially invites you to attend our Fall Gathering. We are celebrating the "Year of the Priest" with one of our guest speakers, Father Len MacMillan. Louanna Maheras, Idaho State President for the Council of Catholic Women will also speak. We will also have updates from NCCW convention held in Jacksonville, Florida. We will have a terrific fall feast dinner of soups, salads, bread and pie for dessert! **Friday, Oct. 16, at Holy Apostles Catholic Church, Meridian, at 6:00 p.m. Registration begins at 5:45 p.m. Cost: \$7.50.** RSVP Mary Pera, West Central Deanery President, 208-871-3062; email: pera871@gmail.com

Interested in owning one of St. Mary's old oak pews; if so contact the Parish office 344-2597.

Cookies! Cookies! Cookies! We are back! Saturday, Oct. 17 after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and Sunday, Oct. 18 after the 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Masses. Cost is \$3 per package of cookies.



CALENDAR – CALENDARIO

Sun., Oct. 4	HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FR. FAUCHER! <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 p.m., Blessing of the Animals (Courtyard)• 5:30 p.m., Pinochle Club (Gym)
Mon. Oct. 5.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7 p.m., SCC facilitators mtg (Narthex)
Tues. Oct. 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5:30 p.m. DFC mtg (Rm. A)• 7 p.m., Alanon (Rms. C & D)• 7 p.m., Estudio Bíblico (Salón A)
Wed., Oct. 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:30 a.m., Charismatic Prayer Group (Tabernacle)• 6 p.m. Safe Environment training (Rm. C)
Thurs. Oct. 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 p.m. Wedding rehearsal (Church)• 7 p.m. Patty's choir practice (Church)
Fri., Oct. 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 a.m. Reel Men's Prayer Group (Rm. A)• 12 p.m., Centering Prayer (Cry Rm.)• 5 p.m. wedding (Church)• 7 p.m., Alanon (Rm. A)

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults....

St. Mary's is always happy to welcome new people to the Catholic Church and to our community. We invite you to join St. Mary's Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program. We meet Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm in the parish office building. Those interested in learning more can contact the parish office or Monica Pittman at 208-331-2989 for more information.

Handyman wants to help those in need: We have been contacted by a handyman who wants to provide his services to our parishioners who are need. His services include leaking faucets, gutter cleaning, tile repair, some painting, dump runs, moving heavy objects, etc. If you have a need for his services please contact the office and we'll make the necessary arrangements.

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Want to play Bridge? St. Mary's evening bridge group is looking for new members. We meet in members' homes about once per month. Cost for each evening is \$4 and proceeds go to the school for scholarships. For more information, call Dick Vandenburg at 341-1081. Early morning calls are generally the best.

Year For Priests; we will recall priests of the diocese each week in prayer that God may renew and sustain their witness to the Gospel; this week we will pray for Fr. Laurence Gooley, S.J. and Fr. William Gould.

Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus next Sunday, October 11 after the 8:30 and 10:45 Masses. All are invited to enjoy a delicious breakfast for a good-will offering that helps support vocations.



Celebrate Recovery meets Thursdays 6:00-9 pm at Sacred Heart. It is a multi-issue Christ-centered program that helps people work on their hurts, hang-ups or habits. Topic: Special Speaker: Janet Ingrao Call Randy 602-5667 or Suzanna 724-1535 for info.

EVANGELIZATION RETREAT

Complete information regarding the return of St. Mary's Evangelization Retreat can be found Online at <http://www.stmarysboise.org> (look for the link under the "Parish Life" section of the home page). St. Mary's is invited to attend the retreat on November 6, 7, 8 at Sacred Heart parish. Their team will be our temporary retreat leadership, and this is our beginning experience. Contact Joanne Lechner, magnify@cableone.net or 344-2782.

Needed: A babysitter for a 2 year old Mon-Fri. 8-noon; please call the parish office 344-2597.

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