

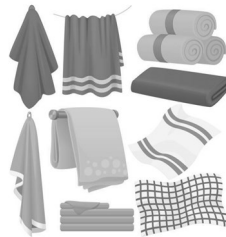
Adult Education Notes

- ✠ Today we hear about the first of the miracles of Jesus's ministry with the Wedding at Cana and the changing of the water into wine. Mary notices the wine has run out and that this may ruin the beautiful marriage celebration. "They have no more wine."
- ✠ She speaks to Jesus and tells him they have run out of wine which is no small thing in those days because wedding ceremonies and rituals back then lasted for a week or more. Some theologians say that Mary or Joseph were related to the bride or groom. This would make sense somewhat and what better occasion for Jesus to reveal his divinity than on a happy and joyful day. God rejoices in us just as a bridegroom does in his bride. It then says with his glory revealed, the disciples begin to believe in him with a deeper revelation of who he is.
- ✠ Mary plays a vital role in all of this. She sees the problem that only her Son can fix. You can't celebrate a wedding feast with water—you need wine! Water is necessary for life, but wine expresses the abundance of a banquet and the joy of a feast. She was saving them from embarrassment. Wine was definitely a need to celebrate.
- ✠ Mary's last words recorded in the Gospels are still relevant to us today! "Do whatever he tells you." They are her legacy to us. The servants of the church are us and we are entrusted with a new mission-to put into practice his Word.
- ✠ As we draw from the jar, we are entrusting ourselves to the Word so to experience it's work in our life. As with the steward who tasted the water-become-wine, we can say 'you saved the best wine til last'. The Lord continues to reserve the best wine for our salvation.
- ✠ At the center of all the commandments are those which Jesus gave us a few hours before his death on the cross. He gave us four commands at the Last Supper: Take, eat, drink, and do the Last Supper in memory of Him. Just remember Mary's request and words of wisdom: Do whatever he tells you. Live the Mass. Make it the center of your life. Receive everything you need. Be deprived "no more"

PRO-LIFE ROSARY: January 22

For those not able to go to the KC Pro-Life Rosary in Cape at noon, there will be one here at the Shrine at 10:00 AM that day. Or if you wish you can go to both!

FAITH STUDY: Tuesday, January 18 at 6:30 in St. Anne's Room we will see a short program to start. You're invited to bring your ideas of what you want to learn, input on days and times, and how you would like to share. I'll try to bring different options to consider and if you have ideas to explore please bring them. I will also have a selection of books to do a book study with. I am open to all ideas and am anxious to get this started. Please come and bring your opinion and desires. See you there!



From St. John PCCW:

KC Kitchen Supply Drive

The PCCW is sponsoring a drive to update items in the KC kitchen. We are asking for donations of new dish towels, wash cloths, pot holders and oven mitts. Many of us use the kitchen and we felt we should give back. If you are the one who did the laundry after the latest event you would feel as I did that most of the items would not be found in any of kitchens at home due to overuse, wear and tear. Please be generous with your donations. This drive ends on January 23, 2022. There will be a bin in the back of church for you to place your items. Thanks.

Music Teacher Needed

St. Augustine school has an immediate opening of a Music teacher. This position is part time. Please contact the school office for more information., 573-264-4644.

20th Annual Trivia Night

Come join the fun Saturday, January 29, 2022 at the 20th Annual St. Joseph Home and School Trivia Night in the St. Joseph Parish Center in Scott City. Test your knowledge of obvious and obscure information and above all have a good time with your friends laughing about what you know (or don't know). Admission is \$12.50 per person or 25.00 per couple with a max of 8 players per team. Doors open at 6:00 pm and play begins at 7:00. To reserve a table or to get more information call St. Joseph School 573-264-2600.