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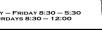


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Saints who have had to live without the EUCHARIST (Part 4, last chapter)

St. Mark Ji TianXiang (1834-1900) was an opium addict. Because his priest didn't understand the nature of addiction. he told TianXiang that he couldn't be absolved until he had beaten his addiction—which meant that he couldn't receive communion either. For 30 years, TianXiang continued to practice the faith while being denied the Sacraments. He never did manage to get clean, but he died a martyr and has been canonized a saint not just for his martyrdom but for his decades of attempting to follow Jesus even in the absence of the Sacraments.

Bl. Laurentia Herasymiv (1911-1952), like countless other Catholics in Nazi concentration camps or Soviet gulags, spent the last months of her life without the Sacraments and in the near certainty that she would have no opportunity for viaticum or a final confession. Arrested for refusing to abandon the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church for Orthodoxy, Sr. Laurentia and Bl. Olympia Bida were sent to Siberia, where both died as a result of all they'd suffered at the hands of the communists. As she lay dying, she begged for the Eucharist, calling out in her delirium, "Jesus, I do not want to die without you!" She died, as she had lived for two long years, without the Eucharist, and was fully united to Jesus.

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Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Conception, St Joseph, and St John Cantius!

This weekend we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. The following are some of the most inspiring passages from St Faustina's Diary, which relates the apparitions she received of Jesus in the 1930's. Pope St John Paul II established the Feast of Divine Mercy in the year 2000.

- 1. "Proclaim that mercy is the greatest attribute of God. All the works of My hands are crowned with mercy." (No. 301)
- 2. "Jesus: 'My child, life on earth is a struggle indeed; a great struggle for my kingdom. But fear not, because you are not alone. I am always supporting you, so lean on Me as you struggle, fearing nothing. Take the vessel of trust and draw from the fountain of life – for yourself, but also for other souls, especially such as are distrustful of My goodness." (No. 1488)
- 3. "Suffering is a great grace; through suffering the soul becomes like the Savior; in suffering love becomes crystallized; the greater the suffering, the purer the love." (No. 57)
- 4. "Today the Lord said to me, 'Daughter, when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul and ennobles it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of Mercy. Tell souls that from this fount of mercy souls draw graces solely with the vessel of trust. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity. The torrent of grace inundate humble souls. The proud remain always in poverty and misery, because My grace turns away from them to humble souls." (No. 1602)
- 5. "All grace flows from mercy, and the last hour abounds with mercy for us. Let no one doubt concern ing the goodness of God; even if a person's sins were as dark as night, God's mercy is stronger than

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CONFESSION

Wed & Fri 5-7 pm at IC Sun 10:30am-Noon St Joseph Those who wish to pray at church on their own, the hours the churches will be open are:

Immaculate Conception: 8AM to 9PM Tuesday through Sunday

St Joseph: 10AM to 4PM Wednesdays and Fridays 8AM to 4PM Sundays

We must maintain less than 10 people in church at a time. You may have to wait outside until someone leaves if there are too many people in the church. Sanitize your area when you leave.

Masses are at Immaculate Conception unless noted Saturday April 18

†Joan Skalitzky (J&B Giunta))

Sunday April 19 Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 AM watch on Facebook Live

†Members of All Three Parishes

10:30AM - Noon - Fr Dan at St Joseph Parish

1PM-5PM - Fr Dan at Immaculate Conception Parish

Monday April 20

Private Mass

Tuesday April 21

†Chad Stanley (B Stanley)

Wednesday April 22

†Raupp Family (T Thompson)

Thursday April 23

†Mary Simonis

6:00 PM Bible Study through ZOOM app

Friday April 24

†Sr. Jane Winkler (R Traczek)

Saturday April 25

†Celia & Paul Custack (M&C Kaufman)

Sunday April 26 Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM watch on Facebook Live

†Members of All Three Parishes

10:30AM - Noon - Fr Dan at St Joseph Parish

1PM-5PM - Fr Dan at Immaculate Conception Parish

ENVELOPES AND DONATIONS

You are welcome to mail your contributions to 341 W Main Street, Alma Center, WI 54611. The envelopes will be sorted and deposited in the appropriate church. You are also welcome to sign up for Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT). If you would like to do this please email Fr Dan.

HOME VISITS

Home visits are suspended unless it is an emergency.

Fr Dan at (715)964-5201 or (715)218-8391

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Contact Jolene Janke at 715-964-6334 or stevenmj@centurytel.net to ask for prayers. If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain and pray for others, contact Jolene. The Power of Prayer is Amazing!

Please pray for all on the Prayer Chain, as well as our Active Military: Geralyn Csizmar, Joseph Janke, Katie Kotschi-Nelson, Frank Ueker, Derek Laufenberg, Logan Meacham, Madeleine Searles, Michelle Thompson, Luke Hansen, Brandon Ripp, Alex Ripp, Andrew Elfering, Holden Mitchell, Cameron Lane and Seth Johnson. (Please let us know when your soldier is no longer deployed.)

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our misery. One thing alone is necessary; that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God's merciful grace, and then God will do the rest." (No. 1507)

6. "A soul does not benefit as it should from the sacrament of confession if it is not humble. Pride keeps it in darkness. The soul neither knows how, nor is it willing, to probe with precision the depths of its own misery. It puts on a mask and avoids everything that might bring it recovery." (No. 113)

May God bless each of you on this Divine Mercy Sunday. I am here if you are in need. Please do not hesitate to call. You are in my prayers. Trust in Jesus during this difficult time.

Fr Dan Thelen



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WEEK OF 4/12	IC	St. Joseph	Sт. Јон и
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PLATE	20.00	20.00	
FLOWERS	130.00	100.00	
BLDG		2500.00	
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TOTAL	1470.00	3395.00	385.00
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Sunday Fund Day Winner!!

Sunday, April 12, 2020 \$500 winner is Steph O'Leary Hanrahan

God Has Taken Care Of Me

In the midst of a plague that was devastating an entire country, and which was particularly affecting the poor, a charitable priest entered into a lowly and damp stable where a victim of the epidemic was suffering. What did he see? A dying old man, stretched out over disgusting rags. He was alone; a stack of hay served as his bed. Not a piece of furniture, not even a chair, for he had sold everything in the first days of his illness to buy some drops of soup. On bare, black walls hung a hatchet and two saws, which, along with his two arms - at least when he was able to move them - constituted his entire fortune. But now he had no energy to even lift them.

"Have courage, my friend." the confessor said to him. "It is a great grace which the Lord grants you today. You are about to depart from this world where you have known only sorrow."

"Sorrow!" the dying man exclaimed in a very faint voice. "You are wrong! I took St Joseph as my patron saint and model and, like him, I have never complained of my lot. I knew neither hate nor envy; my sleep was peaceful. I worked hard by day, but I rested by night. The tools you see provided me with the bread I ate with delight. I was poor, it is true, but St Joseph was just as poor; and I have kept fairly well up to now. If I recover, which I doubt, I shall return to my workplace and continue to bless the hand of God who, up to now has taken care of me." (pg 126)



Immaculate Conception-Easter Sunday



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Parish—Bible Study

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Confessions We will hold Confessions at these times, or call Fr Dan at his cell number (715-218-8391) and set up a time. We must also be careful not to let more than 10 people in the church at one time, and practice social distancing.

5:00 pm-7:00 pm—Wednesday and Friday

At Immaculate Conception

10:30 am-Noon—Sunday. St Joseph

Divine Mercy Novena

Friday, April 10th—Sunday, April 19th

Private Recitation

We thank the following for their donation of Easter flowers: St Joseph

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†Elnora Bowman

By Dean and Janet Stephens †James Forsting and Our Families By Ethel Forsting

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