

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

THE PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF ST. PETER

4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



The Virtue of Courage

As the Apostles were sailing on the Sea of Galilee, with Christ being asleep, their fear overtook them as a great storm arose on the sea. The boat was rocked by the waves and their confidence, courage, along with their faith seemed to drown under the water. Their courage, or fortitude failed in the face of danger and why? The brief and superficial answer is that the Apostles, at this stage of their formation, did not have the Supernatural Cardinal Virtue of Fortitude, nor the Gift of Fortitude as coming from the Holy Ghost. What courage they had was only on the natural level. Christ would build upon it, but this episode shows us how fragile the edifice of our faith can be if it's not rooted in the supernatural truths of our Faith. There is not room here to do

a full treatise on the virtue of fortitude, but hopefully we can give some helpful considerations.

On the natural level, man always acts for an end, ie with a purpose in mind. Ultimately, we act with the intention of our own happiness in one way or another; whether we are seeking a physical good or necessity, (like food/drink etc), or a difficult good (like achieving a high school education or working out to achieve good health). Fortitude, on a natural level, seeks to overcome an obstacle to achieve temporal goods; like enduring a work day to pay for food and rent etc. As a virtue on the supernatural level, fortitude is willing to endure difficulties and hardships to achieve higher goods and from a spiritual motive. Prudence measures the present difficulty and determines if the end is worth achieving for the cost. Fortitude is the spiritual strength to endure many sufferings to achieve spiritual goods. With the supernatural virtue of Fortitude a person acts in a way that recognizes the true value of the soul, of its place in creation under God's law and God as the Highest and Inestimable Good.

Knowing that Christ is in our ship, (ie our soul by sanctifying grace and in the Church), we can stand firm against any wave that we come against, because He is our strength. Persevere always!

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LITURGY SCHEDULE JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 4

SUNDAY: 4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
8:00 AM LOW MASS
10:15 AM HIGH MASS

MONDAY: ST. MARTINA, VM
7:45 AM LOW MASS

TUESDAY: ST. JOHN BOSCO, C
7:45 AM LOW MASS

WEDNESDAY: ST. IGNATIUS, BM
7:45 AM LOW MASS

THURSDAY: PURIFICATION OF THE BVM
7:45 AM LOW MASS

FRIDAY: FERIA/ST. BLAISE, M
5:00 PM SOLEMN HOLY HOUR
6:00 PM LOW MASS

SATURDAY: ST. ANDREW CORSINI, B
8:00 AM SOLEMN HOLY HOUR
9:00 AM LOW MASS

CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY: 7:15 AM AND 9:30 AM
MON-THURS: 7:25AM - 7:40AM
FRIDAY: 5:10 PM - 5:40 PM
SATURDAY: 8:10 AM - 8:40 AM
OR BY APPOINTMENT

Announcements and Upcoming Events



Ave Regina Caelorum

(Translation)

Hail, O Queen of Heaven.

Hail, O Lady of Angels

Hail! thou root, hail! thou gate

From whom unto the world a light
has arisen:

Rejoice, O glorious Virgin,

Lovely beyond all others,

Farewell, most beautiful maiden,

And pray for us to Christ.

St. Blaise Throat Blessings

Friday, February 3rd

and

Sunday, February 5

***after the masses.**

(Marian Hymn from Feb 2nd to Holy Wed.)

****Cut out to keep in your missal****

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

"...there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was covered by the waves; but He was asleep. So they came and woke Him, saying, Lord, save us! we are perishing! But He said to them, Why are you fearful, O you of little faith? "

MATTHEW: 8:24-25



MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 4

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM

Pro Populo

Ella Delperdang

rb: Joseph Seeley

Monday: 7:45 AM

Annalisa Bonocore

rb: Bonocore Family

Tuesday: 7:45 AM

+Francesco DiMaggio

rb: BonocoreFamily

Wednesday: 7:45 AM

Betty Smith Willard

rb: David A. Smith

Thursday: 7:45 AM

Sr. Marie Bernarde Keifer OSB

rb: Cilia Family

Friday: 6:00 PM

Bill Lavelle

rb: Mark & Julie Whitehead

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Bill & Cheryl Shields

rb: Susan Shields

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A - ve Re-gí-na cæ-ló-rum, *A-ve Dómi-na Ange-
 ló-rum: Salve ra-dix, salve porta, Ex qua mundo lux est
 orta: Gaude Virgo glo-ri- ó-sa, Super omnes spe-ci- ó-sa:
 Va-le, o valde decó- ra, Et pro no-bis Christum ex-ó- ra.