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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | | 1 SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 MOTHER'S DAY | 10 MEETING CALDWELL 7:00 P.M. | 11 | 12 | 13 ASCENSION OF THE LORD | 14 | 15 SAINT ISIDORE THE FARMER |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 PENTECOST SUNDAY | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY | 31 FEAST OF THE VISITATION | | | | | |

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

OUR SCHEDULE FOR THE ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS HAS CHANGED. WE WILL BE HOLDING OUR ELECTION AT THE UPCOMING MEETING IN MAY. THE INSTALLATION WILL TAKE PLACE AT OUR JUNE MEETING IN ROCKDALE. THE DRESS FOR THE INSTALLATION WILL BE TUX AND SOCIAL BALDRIC. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE PROPER PIN AND FLAG FOR YOUR TUX. IF YOU ARE UNSURE THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT ONE, CONTACT JOSIAH BARROW, AND HE CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH WHAT YOU NEED. THERE WILL BE A CATERED DINNER, AND THE WIVES ARE INVITED. PLEASE LET IKE KORENEK KNOW AT 979-446-4159 IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING. IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO A MEETING IN A WHILE, THIS WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO COME BACK, ALONG WITH YOUR SPOUSE, AND ENJOY A PLEASANT EVENING WITH YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS.

THERE WILL BE CONFIRMATION AT ST. MARY'S IN CALDWELL ON JUNE 3, 2010. THIS IS ON A THURSDAY, AND THE MASS WILL START AT 7:00 P.M. THIS WILL BE THE FIRST TIME OUR NEW BISHOP WILL BE IN OUR ASSEMBLY LOCATIONS, SO IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE A GOOD TURN-OUT FOR HIM.

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

IT LOOKS LIKE THE PRO-LIFE MOVEMENT GOT TAKEN TO THE CLEANERS AGAIN, WITH THE EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED BY OUR PRESIDENT WITH REGARD TO THE HEALTH CARE BILL. I CANNOT FIND ANY INFORMATION THAT OUR TAXPAYER MONEY WILL NOT BE USED TO FUND ABORTIONS, EVEN THOUGH IT SOUNDS LIKE IT IN THE ORDER. APPARENTLY, THERE ARE TOO MANY LOOPHOLES IN THE PACKAGE, TO GUARANTEE THAT YOUR MONEY WILL NOT BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. JUST GOES TO SHOW YOU THAT THE ONLY WAY TO PUT A CURB ON THAT TYPE OF SPENDING, IS TO VOTE ACCORDING TO OUR CATHOLIC PRECEPTS. THERE IS A LARGE ENOUGH CATHOLIC VOTING BLOC, THAT ALL PRO-ABORTION POLITICIANS COULD BE VOTED OUT, IF WE VOTED AS OUR FAITH TELLS US TO DO.

WE WELCOME TWO MORE GENTLEMEN TO OUR ASSEMBLY 2587 WHO RECENTLY BECAME 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS. THEY ARE MAURICE JURENA AND JERRY ZAVODNY.

Today our country takes out a day to honor moms, a most fitting thing to be able to do as these are the incredible women that God has chosen for each one of us to give us life. A mother's task, as we all know, is to conceive, to bear, to nourish, and to educate her children. It is the single most important and dignified task on the natural level in this world. What God has entrusted to a mother is nothing less than the souls of the children that He has given to her. With a mother's care and with a mother's heart she carries her children with her, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. It does not matter how old she is, it does not matter how old they are, she never ceases being a mother. Even when you see mothers who are in their nineties and their children are in their seventies, it is pretty clear that this is still mother and child. And that mother continues to be a mother not only in this life but in the next as well. Which is why, of course, we pray for our mothers who are deceased, but also to know that if our mothers have gone the right direction after death, they continue to pray for us. Rather than stopping their maternal care, in fact it increases when they get to Heaven because their love increases as they look at God and they know perfectly even as they are known, as we heard in the second reading today. Consequently, our mothers who are in Heaven know us even better now than they did when they were in this world. They love us more perfectly, which is an astounding thought when we consider the love of a mother.

This concept of Mother's Day actually began many, many centuries ago. It began when the Christian people would recognize that they wanted to go back and celebrate the place where they were baptized. At the Easter Vigil, the new converts would be brought into the church and they would be baptized. They would come into the church at night dressed in white robes after having been baptized by the bishop, and all the people would stand and sing as the new converts would come forth. As this would naturally stir one's sentiments, the people would think about the place where they themselves were baptized. So the tradition grew up that on one particular Sunday out of the year people would go back to the place where they themselves were baptized, to their mother church. There, with all of the others who were received into the faith and baptized at that particular parish church, they would all gather together, children of the same mother, children born at the same baptismal font.

And it did not take long before people would recognize that if they would gather to honor the same mother on the spiritual level, the same place where they were reborn, that it also made perfect sense to continue on to honor the woman who bore them in the natural and physical order as well. Soon it became a matter of not only visiting their mother church, but on that same day they would honor their own mothers. That continues in this day. We do not recognize, generally, the religious element of this, but thankfully, at least even in our pagan country, we continue to recognize the dignity of mothers.

This is something that each and every one of us does recognize in our relationship with our own mother, and yet it is something which we need to protect because motherhood is under severe attack. When we have determined in our society that the most important task is relegated to the act of having at the most two children because it would be a violation somehow for a woman to bear more than that, we have destroyed the nature of what motherhood is really about. A woman is designed for life, abundance of life, and that is what Our Lord desires. Every single woman shares in the task of being a mother. Even if she does not conceive and bear in the physical order, the love that God places into the heart of a woman bears fruit in the spiritual order through prayer, through sacrifice, through the love which is demonstrated most perfectly in the heart of every single woman, especially we all recognize it in the hearts of our own mothers. It is that love, the love of a mother, which brings more children to the Lord.

EXCERPT FROM MOTHER'S DAY HOMILIES BY FATHER ALTIER BUMP

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