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August 6th, 2017, The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord



Weekly Words from The Rock

Question for the Week

Below in our “Biblical Terminology,” one of the words we define is “Amen”. As you can see it means certainty, truthfulness, faithfulness, “So be it.” There was a question about Mary and Communion in which the response provided deals with the word “amen.” Let us look at the question and response today. The question comes from Msgr. Charles Pope, Our Sunday Visitor, July 16-22, 2017, page 15.

Question: Is it possible to receive Communion if a person doesn't believe Mary was conceived without sin, that the pope is the vicar of Christ and believes justification is by faith alone?

Msgr. Pope's Response: If such a person dissents as you describe, he or she probably should not receive holy Communion because there is dissent on such significant doctrines. Holy Communion is more than a confession of the True Presence. Our “amen” at the moment of Communion indicates that we are in communion with the whole Christ – head and body together. Our “amen” means that we believe all that the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches and professes to be revealed by God. If one cannot mean this, then their “amen” is false – or at least incomplete. Of course such a matter should be discerned with a parish priest. Perhaps he can help guide them in understanding the disputed teachings or at least help them to realize that faith is about more than membership or historical connections. Communion speaks to a deep unity of faith and practice.

Biblical Terminology

We continue our work of defining words and names from the pages of the Bible. My source for this is Harper's Bible Dictionary, Harper & Row Publishers, Copyright 1985.

Alpha – the first letter of the Greek alphabet. In Revelation, God (1:8; 21:6) and Jesus (22:13) are called “the Alpha and the Omega,” meaning the first and the last (omega is the last letter in the Greek alphabet; cf. Isaiah 44:6 for God as “first” and “last”). God was present at the first (Genesis 1:1-2:24; Psalm 90:2), and Jesus was also from the beginning (John 1:1-3). Both God and Jesus were expected to reign in the last days.

Altar – the translation of a Hebrew word denoting “a place of sacrifice.” Because it is formed from a verbal root that means “to slaughter” or, more specifically, “to slaughter and cut up for the purpose of sacrifice,” the term “altar” obviously is derived from the ancient, prebiblical practice of animal sacrifice. However, by the time of its usage in connection with biblical ritual, its early association with animal slaughter had been extended. Altars mentioned in the Bible were used for oblations in general: for a variety of foodstuffs, including grain mixed with oil and/or salt and incense, wine, fruits, four-legged animals, birds; and for incense alone. In addition, the probability that the prebiblical sacrifice or ritual killings took place on the altar itself appears remote. While offerings of all types were deposited and burnt on the altar, the actual slaughtering of sacrificial animals took place at a specifically designated spot adjacent to the altar itself.

Amen – a Hebrew word meaning certainty, truthfulness, and faithfulness. Both the Old Testament and New Testament use it as a liturgical response at the end of the

Psalms and doxologies in which the congregation affirms what has been prayed by saying Amen, “So be it.” In the gospels Jesus often prefaces his teachings with “Amen I say to you,” a solemn affirmation which the Revised Standard Version of the Bible translates “Truly I say to you.”

Andrew – one of the twelve apostles, identified as the brother of Peter (Matthew 4:18; Mark 1:16; John 1:40). Originally from Bethsaida, he was living in Capernaum at the time of his “call” (Mark 1:21, 29). According to Matthew and Mark, Andrew and Peter were fishing when called to follow Jesus. In John's account, Andrew, originally a disciple of John the Baptist, followed Jesus after hearing John say, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” Andrew then found his brother, Simon, and brought him to Jesus saying, “We have found the Messiah” (John 1:35-41). Andrew is among the first persons named in the apostolic lists perhaps an indication of his early selection to Jesus' inner circle of disciples. Elsewhere, Andrew only appears in Mark 13:3 and John 6:8-9; 12:20-22. Extracanonical traditions credit him with preaching in Scythia and suffering martyrdom (crucifixion) in Achaia.

Holy Humor



God's blessings! Father Schuster



Monday morning as I prepared to write this column, by way of procrastination, I read this daily reflection emailed from dynamiccatholic.com:

"Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others." - Pope Francis, *Joy of the Gospel*

Followed by this video clip sent from Bishop Robert Barron: <https://pivotalplayersfilming.com/bts-bestway>

In this video, Bishop Barron talks about "emptying out of the self so as to allow God to act." St. Paul says, "It is no longer I who lives, but Christ who lives within me." When we let go of our false self and allow a new center to emerge, we recognize a power already at work in us that can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. We are far more our true selves when we allow this to happen.

Next, I read the delightful children's book, *The Blessing of the Beasts*, written by Ethel Pochocki which will be used in the last Story in the Park event for this summer.

Thoughts from Cheryl

One book excerpt has Francesca (a cockroach) excitedly sharing the news about the special celebration taking place at the cathedral with Martin (a skunk). "And the priest will bless all the animals. Can you imagine? I've never been blessed before." "Nor have I," replied Martin smiling, "but I don't think we are meant to be included, Francesca. It's for the respectable, the cute and cuddlies." "Well," said Francesca, "I'll bet there'll be rats and snakes and porcupines there. We're as cute as they are." "We are outcasts, my dear," said Martin gently. (They find that they do have a place at the table, in fact, front row seats.)

Moments later, I talked with Joann about how parishioners made an effort to find me this weekend and mention how moved they were with the Prayer of the Faithful. Joann's time and attention to crafting these prayers is truly a gift we can celebrate.

For me this prayer in particular hit home: *For the grace to let go: that we may surrender our old ways, have strength to endure transition, and receive the new beginnings that God offers us.*

And finally, the scripture passages for the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord.

Arriving on the mountain top, Peter, James and John behold Jesus transfigured before them and hear a voice out of the cloud say, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

I share what appear to be random tidbits as an example of how God speaks to me. His message comes through multiple avenues. His wisdom comes through the Pope and Bishops using social media, through artists who communicate a message, through parishioners who take a moment to talk about what is relevant to them, and staff who are immersed in a project. My message for today is ... the more I allow Christ to live through me, the more my true self will emerge. I need to trust in the process of letting go. Because, to be all that he created me to be is my greatest desire.

I would also like to take a moment to express our appreciation to J.R. Miller, Tim Geisler, and Claude Dobbelaere who are helping Tom Mahon to build a retaining wall on the east sidewalk to protect the tree and landscaping. It has been great to have the larger sidewalk and this project will provide a nice finish.

Enjoy God's embrace.

Parish News

Food for Friends: It's time to start thinking "Back to School" for our Food for Friends children. The shopping ads are out and there are lots of school supplies needed! For a 2nd year our ministry will be helping with filling backpacks with school supplies. There are backpacks to pick up at the church in a black tub near the office. Inside each backpack is a school supply list for each grade level at Ben Franklin. Pick a grade of your choice, shop, and return the filled backpack to church. There is also a tag with the word "Grade" on it. Please write the grade level that you have purchased for on this tag. If you cannot complete a full grade level supply list, purchasing supplies of your choice will be greatly appreciated. Copies of the school supplies are by the Food for Friends display.

In honor of the 100th anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima, celebrations continue to be held in our Diocese on the 13th of every month. Our Blessed Mother appeared to Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta on the 13th of May, June, July, August, September and October, 1917. On **Sunday, August 13th at The Church of the Resurrection**, a Rosary Procession will be held immediately following the 11:30 AM Mass. The statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be available for public veneration in order to obtain a Plenary Indulgence as proclaimed by Pope Francis (for more information see <http://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/three-ways-to-obtain-an-indulgence-for-the-100-year-fatima-anniversary-78258/>) Everyone is invited!



Liturgy Notes from Joann

Feast of the Transfiguration

Today we take a break from Ordinary Time and celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. The Gospel for today should sound familiar as we hear it twice every year:

Before his death, Jesus invited Peter, James and John up a mountain where they witnessed his transfiguration. As Moses and Elijah appeared to them, Jesus' face and clothing took on the bright illumination of glory.

On the *Second Sunday* of Lent, we hear this Gospel no matter what cycle of the liturgical year we are celebrating. It offers a glimpse of glory for those who are approaching the enlightenment of baptism and for all of us who seek cleansing from our sins. *Interesting side note: the moon is full on a day near the Second Sunday of Lent each year.*

On *August 6* the church hears the Gospel of the Transfiguration a second time. No one knows for sure the date of Jesus' transfiguration, but a chapel on Mount Tabor (the traditional site) may have been dedicated on this day in the fourth century. Many churches in the East and West observed August 6 as the Feast of the Transfiguration. In 1456, Christians won a victory over the Turks at Belgrade. News reached Rome on August 6, so Pope Callistus III extended the celebration of the Transfiguration of the Lord to the universal church.

The preface for today's Mass (the prayer before the Holy, Holy) was composed after the Second Vatican Council. It focuses not just on what happened to Jesus but also what it means for us:

For he revealed his glory in the presence of chosen witnesses and filled with the greatest splendor that bodily form which he shares with all humanity, that the scandal of the Cross might be removed from the hearts of his disciples and that he might show how in the Body of the whole Church is it to be fulfilled what so wonderfully shone forth first in its Head.

We are all called to the glory that Jesus revealed on Mount Tabor. The disciples witnessed the transfiguration so that the "scandal of the Cross might be removed" from their hearts. It brought reassurance to those tempted to doubt... them and us.

Psalm Refrain for August 13 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalm 85:8)

Lord, let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation.

Liturgical Ministries

NOTE: Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled. Thank you.
Aug 12th/13th

Altar Servers

- 8:00 pm Beth Sellner, Devon Wald
- 8:30 am Chris Simonson, Hailey Talmo
- 10:00 am Andrea Augeson, Gabriella Castro
- 11:30 am Stella Pelowski, Felix Pelowski

Eucharistic Ministers

- 8:00 pm Jane & Rick Haeflinger, Judith Pelowski, Theresa Root, Patricia Schoenfelder, Kim Shimak-Hansen, **NEED SUBSTITUTE, NEED SUBSTITUTE**
- 8:30 am Carrie Carroll, Elaine Doherty, Christine Dvorak, Calvin Guyer, Patty Haler, Denise Koster, Christiane Lund, Micki Miller, Joan Miller, Dianne Plager, Beverly Sanders
- 10:00 am Regina Boehmke, Esther Connelly, Charles DeVos, Timothy Geisler, Melody Hudson, Douglas Hudson, Richard Streit, Robert Techentin, Bob Voss, Shannon Weick, John Wurst
- 11:30 am Marianne Aksamit, Janet Helgren, Patricia Hurley, Lynette Lenoach, Daniel McCormick, Jackie O'Connell, Sheila Pelowski, Karen Reopelle

Lectors

- 8:00 pm John Wald
- 8:30 am Michael Lose, Catherine Wagner
- 10:00 am Mary Chestolowski, Bryan Pierskalla
- 11:30 am Allen Aksamit

Greeters

- 8:00 pm Jennifer Gehling, Eileen King
- 8:30 am Karl & Lynn Ladin, Eric Ladin, Matthew Ladin, Marlys & David Gathje
- 10:00 am Alexa, Annette, Caleb & Jim Sinn, Becky & Gary Reiland
- 11:30 am Carrie Plumlee, Anne Wright

Ushers

- 8:00 pm Richard Clark, Randall Schoenfelder, Braeden Schoenfelder
- 8:30 am Tom Brown, J.R. Miller, Francis Mueller, Kenneth Mueller
- 10:00 am Eric Chestolowski, McKenna Chestolowski, James Maronde, Jacob Maronde
- 11:30 am Mick Garvey, Brett Parks, Jeffrey Schotzko
- Rosary**
7:30 pm Saturday

About the Parish

Weekly Bulletin deadline is Monday before noon.
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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 5:00pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday 8:00 pm

Sunday 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am

Daily Mass 8:30 am Monday - Friday

Rosary, Prayer and Devotions

Rosary: 8:10 am Monday-Friday

Saturday: 7:30 pm (starting January)

Adoration Chapel: 24 hours, 7 days

Parish Registration

We warmly welcome new parishioners and request that they register by calling the parish office.

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Communion for Shut-ins

Each First Friday and upon request.

Call the office for assistance.

Hospital Visitation

Please notify the parish office if any parishioner is confined to a hospital and would like a visit from a priest.

Calvary Cemetery

Joseph Vroman 288-1770

www.calvarycemeteryrochester.org

Rochester Catholic Schools

RCS Office 507-424-1817

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those considering becoming Catholic contact Joann Reier: 288-5528.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday from 6:45 - 7:45 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism preparation is held the second Tuesday of each month. Consult the Parish Office for the Pre-Jordan class and to schedule a baptism.

First Communion

First Communion/Reconciliation is usually in second grade.

Confirmation

Confirmation is a two year program starting in ninth grade with Confirmation being at the end of the tenth grade.

Marriage

Please make arrangements with the parish at least six months prior.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, Aug 7th

Heart of Trinity Prayer

Group 6:30 pm

Tuesday, Aug 8th

Holy Hour 7pm, Social Hour 8pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
7:00 pm

Thursday, Aug 10th

Marketing & Communication

Meeting 7:00 pm

Friday, Aug 11th

Widow's Prayer Group 9:15 am

Saturday, Aug 12th

Society of Divine Mercy Monastery

Prayer Group 6:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:45pm

Rosary 7:30 pm; Mass 8:00 pm

Sunday, Aug 13th

Rosary Procession following

11:30 am Mass

Teen Fire 6:30 pm

Bonfire 8:00 pm

Catholic School News

Preschool & Childcare Openings at Rochester Catholic Schools Beginning in the fall of the 2017-2018 school year, Rochester Catholic Schools will offer expanded child care opportunities for children ages 3, 4, and 5 year olds. Families can choose from a menu of options to design a program that meets their needs. With these flexible, affordable care options, parents can feel comfortable knowing their young children are in a safe, loving, Christ-like learning environment throughout the day including before and after school. Rochester Catholic Schools still has available preschool openings. To learn more or to take a tour, email admissions@rcsmn.org! We would love to meet you!

Rochester Catholic Schools The new RCS brand was released this past spring and this summer our [new website](#) has been launched incorporating our new brand. We believe our families will love the new [Parents & Students](#) page which will host easy-to-find information you might be seeking. Website: <http://www.rcsmn.org/parents-students>.

Community News

Peace Lantern Floating Ceremony, Thursday, August 10th, 7:00 pm East Picnic Shelter at Silver Lake Park. Come to hear speakers, make a lantern and listen to music. For more information, see our bulletin boards. For information and suggested actions, watch a video, [Humanitarian Consequences](#) on the website www.psr.org/nuclear-weapons.

The Church of St. Paul Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will hold their 25th Annual Salad Luncheon which will be held on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Church of St. Paul, Zumbrota. There will be delicious assorted salads, meat and cheese trays, deviled eggs, French bread and beverages. Adults, \$8; children 6-12, \$4; 5 and under, free. Take-outs are available, please call 732-5347. We hope to see you there!

Pax Christi Faith Formation Team has a position open in Children's Ministry. Requirements: applicant must be an active member of the Roman Catholic faith community, related education & experience, parish faith formation experience preferred. Contact Tim Shea, Parish Administrator 507-282-8542, ext 104. Application for this position is available at the parish office, 4135 18th Ave NW, Rochester or on paxchristchurch.org, click on About, then Join Us.

Readings for the Week of August 6, 2017

Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9
Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-17/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-9/Jn 12:24-26
Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-16, 21/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/Mt 17:14-20
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33
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Mass Intentions

Mon., Aug,	7th	8:30 am	Thanksgiving for Holy Family
Tues., Aug.,	8th	8:30 am	Rob Frisby (Healing)
Wed., Aug.,	9th	8:30 am	Priests in Recovery
Thurs., Aug.,	10th	8:30 am	†Joyce Wieseler
Fri., Aug.,	4th	8:30 am	†Forgotten Souls
Sat., Aug.,	5th	8:00 pm	†Arden Imm
Sun., Aug.,	6th	8:30 am	For the Parish
		10:00 am	†Matthew Konkel
		11:30 am	†Don Tobie

Financial Blessings Sunday, July 30th, 2017

Church Support.....	\$9,499
Capital Projects.....	\$720
Children's Collection.....	\$35
EFT Church Support.....	\$360
EFT Capital Projects.....	\$15
St. Vincent de Paul Society.....	\$4,810

Rest In Peace

May the eternal Light shine upon them

Mildred Jorgenson
Robert Murphy
Cindi Ann (Grulke) Poleos



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Hours of Need

**Life changes when we spend time
with Jesus face to face.**

Prayerfully consider committing to one hour a week before Him in Eucharistic Adoration.

Could you not spend one hour with Me?"

Matthew 26:40

Call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up. Any hour is welcomed.

*** We are looking for a second adorer in these hours.**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 am	11 am*	1 am	12 am	12 pm	3 am*	12 am
		3 am*	11 am*	1 pm	10 am	5 am*
		4 am			1 pm	8 am*
		9 am*			2 pm	1 pm
					4 pm*	2 pm
					5 pm	9 pm
						10 pm



Faith Formation

For questions, concerns or to sign up as a Team member,
contact Rosemary, Grades 6-10 dre6to10ym@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x104

New This Fall for Grades 6-8



What is Edge?

Edge is a Catholic middle school youth ministry program. It provides a safe fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith, and, most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. ***Edge will replace the traditional classroom format of our Wednesday night classes with a format that is catechetical, fun, and relevant. It will be offered at 6:00pm and 7:30pm.***

What makes up an Edge Night?

The four main components that make up the backbone of every Edge Night are: Gather, Proclaim, Break, and Send.

GATHER - The Gather welcomes the youth and introduces the night. Games or icebreakers help the youth disengage from anything going on at home or school while allowing them to focus for the Edge Night.

PROCLAIM - The Proclaim is the teaching portion of the night. There are numerous ways to present information such as a panel discussion, a teen witness, audio and video clips, or rotating sessions.

BREAK - The Break is where the rubber hits the road. The youth have heard about a truth of our faith or how to deal with an issue in our world. Now, they have the opportunity to break it open on their level through small group discussion or activities.

SEND - While the Send may begin by presenting a poster board or skit from small groups, it is ultimately a crucial opportunity for the youth to be led into a time of prayer.

What is needed to make this work?

We need a core group of **adults and high school students** who will work in teams to lead small groups. Being able to journey with, pray with, and work with a group of people who are all striving to bring youth closer to Christ is a true blessing. No previous experience is necessary- all plans and materials for the nights will be provided.

Basic Edge Team Member Requirements:

- A love for Christ and middle school youth.
- A desire to minister to middle school youth.
- A willingness to serve as a Christian role model.



For More information go to <http://lifeteen.com/edge-ministry/>