

BENEDICTION EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

Happy Birthday!

May 23 Taylor Colwell, Aiden McGinnis,
Andy Pietkutowski,
Brian Rumpke

May 24... Rita Bissinger, Kati Bradford

May 26... Sophia Michael, Barb Novotny

May 28... Jeff Beery, Emery Bradley, Taylor Remsing



I love people who
can make me laugh,
when I don't even
want to smile.

<http://quotes-lover.com>



NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

St. Mary Catholic School is in need of a volunteer for our Librarian Position. The position is approximately four hours per week. Support will be given to work through the Library. If interested, please call Darlene Smith at 937-840-9932.

Vacation Bible School will be held on June 26, 27 and 28. The theme is *A Mighty Fortress*. To help with the cost, if you would be interested in donating, here is a list of items required:

- Pool noodles: bright colors, around 30 are needed.
- Plastic table covers: Dark purple, light purple, grey 15 in each color
- Paper towel tubs: 30 needed
- Juice packs: 5 boxes
- Hi C fruit punch jugs gallon size: 4
- Large pieces of cardboard

If any of these items could be donated before June 1st, then we will then have an idea what more may need to be purchased. I will have a list in narthex for you to cross off an item donated. You can leave the items on the table in the narthex. Any questions? Please call Michelle Salyer at 937-840-9932, ext. 2. Thank you and God Bless.

First Communion will be on May 21, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Memorial Day Mass, Monday, May 29th, 9:00 a.m., at the Cemetery.

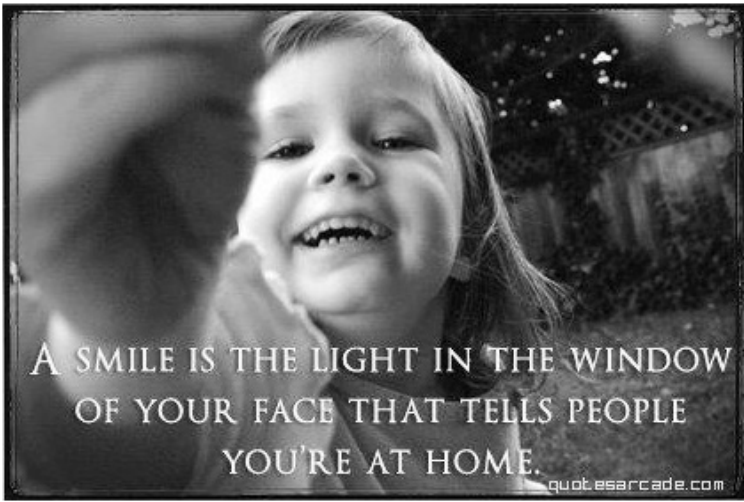
LAUGHTER AND SMILES ARE GOOD

A Catholic Priest, a Protestant Minister, and a Jewish Rabbi were fishing one day. The Priest and the Minister got into a deep discussion as to when life truly begins. The Priest said that life is eternal, even before one is born into this world. The Minister disagreed and claimed life can only begin once a person is actually born into this world. The two debated this for some time. Finally, the Rabbi spoke up and said, "My brothers, you have it all wrong. True life can only begin when the kids graduate college and move out of the house."



If one could get salmonella from eating raw chicken...

Can one get chickenella from eating raw salmon?



A SMILE IS THE LIGHT IN THE WINDOW OF YOUR FACE THAT TELLS PEOPLE YOU'RE AT HOME.

quot.esarcade.com



Oh Frank,
I'm so glad you're alive!



The smile on my face doesn't mean my life is perfect.

It means I appreciate what I have and what I have been blessed with.

I choose to be happy

www.daveswordsofwisdom.com


I saw this handbag and I got so worried!

more funny stuff at FUNNYASDUCK.NET

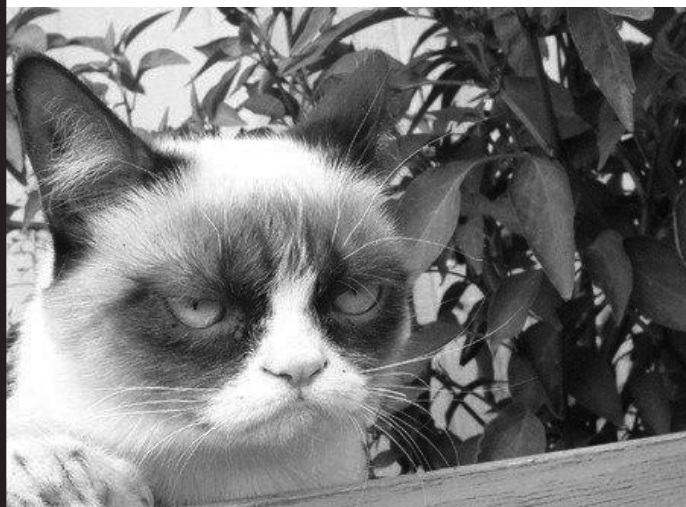


SENIORS
I'M SPEEDING BECAUSE I HAVE TO GET TO WHERE I'M GOING BEFORE I FORGET WHERE I'M GOING

I've been through a lot,



but I'm still smiling.




KEEP YOUR SMILES ON THAT SIDE OF THE FENCE!

SERMON FOR SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

This one line from the Gospel is so powerful, yet I have never heard a sermon about it. I would like to change that with my sermon today. Jesus says, “And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and *reveal* myself to him.” What is Jesus revealing and when does He do it? One of the definitions of “reveal” says “to show the divine.” Jesus wants to reveal He is present in all the circumstances of your life. Because Jesus is one with the Father, the Father is there, too. And we can’t forget the Holy Spirit is there because Jesus asked His Father to send the Holy Spirit to be with us always as a Helper. Jesus reveals the Holy Trinity is in you, surrounds you, goes where ever you go and gets involved with whatever you do. How do you know when God has revealed His Divine Presence? I answer this with one word: *Miracles*.

What is a miracle? A miracle is an extraordinary event revealing divine intervention in human life. Extraordinary is “extra” and “ordinary” put together meaning something that is above and beyond the ordinary. Sometimes miracles are very spectacular like in the Bible when cripples walk, blind people suddenly see, the deaf hear and even the dead are raised. Some wonder why these miracles don’t happen today. For my birthday I received this neat book as a present from “all of us.” I thank them whoever they are. The book is called “Dear Pope Francis.” The Pope answers letters from children around the world. One kid from Peru asked the Pope, “Why are there not as many miracles anymore?” The Pope answers Joaquin very firmly, “Who told you this? It is not true! There are miracles even now, and there are plenty of them. For example, there is the miracle of people who suffer and still do not lose their faith. So many people suffer and continue to remain faithful to Jesus. This is a miracle, a great miracle.” The Pope goes on to acknowledge there are spectacular healings that do occur. Then he writes, “But most of all there are everyday miracles – like the miracle of life and the miracle of good works that change people’s heart.” He concludes, “I’ve experienced many miracles. No they’re not the spectacular kind. I have never seen the dead come back to life. But I have seen many daily miracles in my life. Many.”

The greatest everyday miracle, where I see God revealing Himself the most, is when I can put a smile on someone’s face who is sad. To make someone smile who has no reason to smile is a work of God that changes broken hearts. Think of all the smiles Jesus put on suffering people’s faces when He cured them, forgave them, saved them and loved them. Zephaniah 3:17 says “The Lord Thy God will smile over you.” Every time you put a smile on someone who suffers a broken heart, Jesus reveals, “I am here.” Witness to others the everyday miracle that there is a God in Heaven smiling upon them. Happy Easter