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Severs
10/14-Steve/Susan
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Happy Birthday to—
04—Hope Stone
06—Jenny Scott
14—Jason Gegen
15—Theresa
Penick
16—Michael
Sanderss
17—Paul Laudick
25—Tiffany Gruber
26—Marilyn



October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary

Friends,

For many years it hung on my bedpost. It along with the “glow in the dark” crucifix, are remembrances of my Catholic childhood. “It” was a rosary.

The rosary was one of the first prayers I learned. Attending St. Mary’s Cathedral school, I remember the Sisters of Saint Joseph praying the rosary with us in the classroom. At home we also prayed it especially when on a long road trip.

As I grew older, I out grew the rosary. I was taught meditation, contemplation, lectio divino, and may other methods of prayer. I began to lose the yearning to pray the rosary. That was until a good friend of mine was diagnosed with cancer. Distraught, I could no longer sit still, meditate, contemplate or read the Bible. Spying the rosary in a drawer, I snatched it and while walking, prayed the rosary in earnest. It felt good. It felt like coming home.

That was 15 years ago. Since then, I’ve made it a practice to pray the rosary daily. Sometimes, several times a day. I found out it encompasses meditation, contemplation, and scripture reading. It sums all those other methods up into one.

Perhaps it has been a while since you prayed the rosary. Get it out. Carry it with you. Pray it! Keep it simple. It works!

My friend has since gone home to her reward, as has many other friends. I continue to meditate, contemplate, and read scripture, but now I have added a boyhood devotion into my adulthood. The rosary, and I wouldn’t miss it for the world. It makes everything else make sense. Even sickness and death.

Pray the rosary. And yes, in case you were wondering...the rosary I had as a boy on the bedpost...it glowed in the dark too! Neat!

Father Ken

Praying the rosary daily is a good practice and there are many intentions needing prayer. November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory; many places are in dire need for rain and many looking for jobs. No doubt you have many other intentions needing prayers

The Feast of the Holy Rosary is October 7th.

Special Days in October

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| 01-St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus | 17-St. Ignatius of Antioch |
| 02-Guardian Angels | 18-St. Luke-Evangelist |
| 04-St Francis of Assisi | 19-Sts John de Brébeuf & Isaac
Jogues and their Companions |
| 06-St. Bruno & Bl. Marie-Rose
Durocher | 20-St. Paul of the Cross |
| 07-Our Lady of the Rosary | 24-St. Anthony Mary Claret |
| 12-Columbus Day | 28- Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles |
| 15-St Teresa of Jesus | 31-Halloween |

Magnificat Center

*Sisters of St. Joseph
Wichita Center*



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REMEMBER

Retreat for the Deaf and their families is set for October 22, 2011

Check-in time is 8:30 AM

Please remember to send in your registration???? Deadline: Oct. 12

It is important that you respond so we know how many to plan for.

Directions: Coming from the East: head West on Lincoln (Also marked "Service entrance")

Coming from the West: head East on Lincoln

You may either approach through either side. Magnificat Center is on the North end of the Mother-house. There is plenty of parking in the front. (The saying is: YOU CAN 'T MISS IT!!!!)



SAINTS FUN FACTS by John Sheppard

St. Bruno was born in Cologne and studied at the Cathedral in Rheims. He was ordained in 1055 and became a professor of theology. He was one of the most remarkable scholars and teachers of his time. He and six companions built a monastery and founded the Carthusians order in 1084. They embraced poverty, manual labor, prayer and transcribing manuscripts.

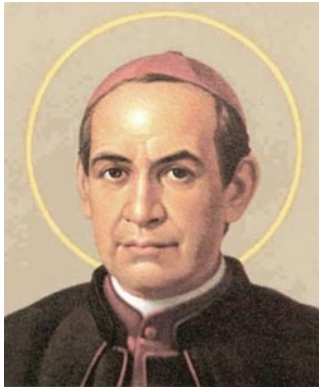
Their fame spread and Bruno became an advisor to the Pope. After 6 years he founded St. Mary's monastery in Calabria. He passed away in 1101.



St. Ignatius of Antioch converted to Christianity and eventually became bishop of Antioch. He is well known for the 7 letters he wrote on the long journey from Antioch to Rome. He urges the Christians to remain faithful to God. In the final letter he begs the Christians not to try to stop his martyrdom. He is remembered for his words as depicted in the picture above: **"The only thing I ask of you is to allow me to offer the libation of my blood to God. I am the wheat of the Lord. May I be ground by the teeth of the beasts to become the immaculate bread of Christ."**

Ignatius bravely met the lions in the arena.

St. Anthony Mary Claret is remembered on Oct 24th. He was a truly remarkable, dynamic and holy man who founded the Congregation that today bears his name—the Claretian Missionaries, the Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The impact of his life and his burning concern for the spiritual and physical well-being of all people—especially the poor—makes him much more than just an honored memory.



Intense love for God and people was the force that drove St. Anthony Mary Claret through out his life. **'Fire'** was the word he used to describe the love that gave him the sustaining power to keep all his projects going.

It is a good and pious thought to pray for the dead for the splendid reward that awaits them.

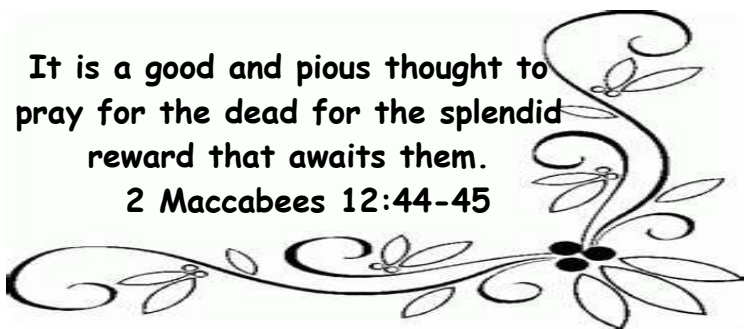
2 Maccabees 12:44-45

Devotion to the angels is an expression of faith in God's enduring love and providential care extended to each person day in and day out until life's end. Do you pray to your guardian angel asking for protection as you begin each day? They are ready to assist us.



Angels are mentioned 99 times in the Bible.

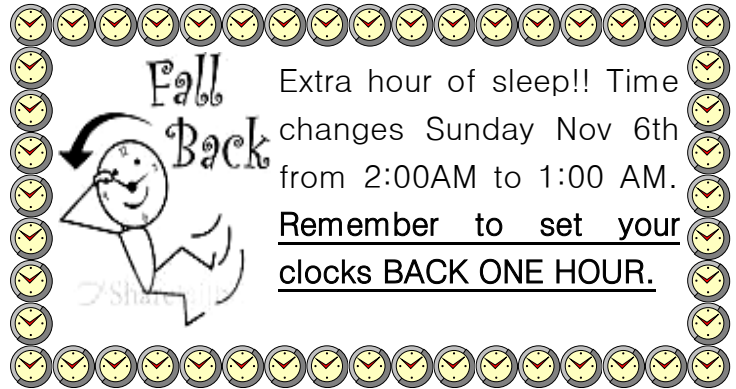
Feast of the Guardian Angels is October 2nd.



Happy Birthday

November Birthdays

- 05-Isaac Sanders
- 06-Jed Shepherd
- 10-Vanessa Frambers
- 06-Joseph Weber
- 10 - Bill Pyles
- 19-Julia Marie Sanders
- 23-Kathy Henderson
- 26-Mindy Hedrik
- 29-Virginia Lichtenberger



November Anniversaries



- 06-Ronald/Madeléine

NO NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Time out for 3 R's-Rest, Relaxation and Reflection. Look for the next newsletter in December.

I wish all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving!!
Sister Eula

Novembe 27—First Sunday of Advent



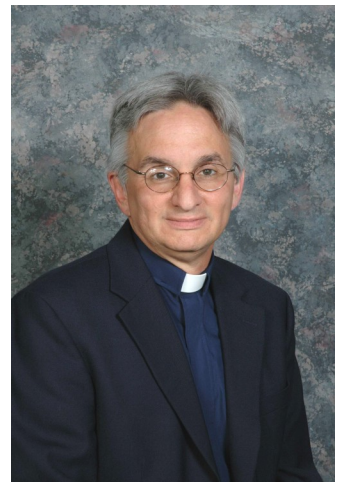
This marks the beginning of a new Church Year and the day we begin the changes in the language of the Mass.

St. Paul of the Cross was born in Genoa. His infancy and youth were spent in great innocence and piety. He was inspired from on high to found a congregation and in an ecstasy he saw the "Habit" which he and his companions were to wear. After consulting his director, Bishop Gastinara, he reached the conclusion that God wished him to establish a congregation in honor of the Passion of Jesus Christ (known today as the **Passionists**). On Nov. 22, 1720 the bishop vested him with the "Habit" he had seen in a vision, the same that the **Passionists** wear at the present time. St. Paul remained the indefatigable missionary of Italy. His message emphasized the Passion of Jesus. He founded an order of Priests and Sisters. He died in Rome at the age of 81. He was canonized by Pope Pius IX in 1867.



Fr. Rich Luberti

Fr. Rich will be conducting a retreat for the Deaf and their families. See the brochure enclosed in this newsletter. You might also read about Fr. Rich in the Catholic Advance.



He was here years ago for a retreat and is eager to return to Wichita. We look forward to all of you attending the retreat on Oct 22. The day will end with a 4:30pm Mass fulfilling your Sunday obligation.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALINA AND STEPHAN SCHWEBKE ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR SON: BRAYDEN WES, BORN ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2011.