Dear Parishioners,

In the mythical story of the foundation of Rome, the twins Romulus and Remus dispute over the place of its foundation. Romulus makes the foundation of the city and in response Remus mocks it by jumping over the furrows marking the city’s boundaries. Romulus kills Remus because the latter had violated consecrated ground. If the cities dedicated to the gods of the heathens were treated with such respect, what respect must be had for the space of the Church, where God, the Lord of lords dwells!

Not only is it the house of God, but the place where the most sacred action upon earth takes place: the sacrifice of the Mass. The Church indeed is the place where heaven meets earth. Where, through Baptism, citizens for heaven are prepared. It is upon the altar that the action of man’s reconciliation with God is daily made. We can hardly treat it with enough respect. This newsletter is, in part, a tribute to those who serve the Church and make it a worthy house of God.

St. Therese of Lisieux, when becoming sacristan in the convent, sought for a scripture quote which would inspire her work. After much reading—and she really became a scripture scholar—she landed upon the following from Isaias 52:11 “Depart, depart, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean thing: go out of the midst of her, be ye clean, you that carry the vessels of the Lord.” It is a worthy lesson for those who render their service near the altar and certainly a lesson for those who receive from it.

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Michael Goldade

Life of Union with Mary, highly recommended by Fr. Goldade, and will be for sale in the vestibule before the Rosary Mission October 14-16. Only 40 copies will be available for $4.00 each.

Firmly rooted in the Church’s magisterium and the wisdom of the Saints, Life of Union with Mary presents a simple philosophy of life that is built around the relations of Mary to God and to man. That devotion to her can be a part of everyday life is a recurring theme in this devotional book that explains the extreme importance of union with Mary by showing its marvelous results.

Father Neubert not only gives the dogmatic basis for union with Mary, but details methods of working at and achieving it. He considers every spiritual exercise from this special angle and exemplifies his directions by quotations from many religious and laymen—including Saints—who have achieved union with Mary.

Throughout the book he stresses that by giving special attention to Mary the soul intends only to become more united with Christ, to become more like Him, and thus to most perfectly fulfill His mission and to help spread His kingdom on earth.

Author of thirteen volumes on the Blessed Virgin, eight of which have appeared in English, Father Neubert is widely recognized as an outstanding Marian scholar. Life of Union with Mary, written in the tradition of his other outstanding works, is nevertheless unique among Marian books. It will find a place on the bookshelf of everyone—priest, religious, and layman—who desires a simple way to spiritual progress. (Book description provided by Academy of the Immaculate)
Do not hallucinate.
Jogathon

The Jogathon fundraiser was off and running with its kickoff Wednesday, September 14. Students have already raised $11,000 towards a $75,000 goal. The jogathon is scheduled for Wednesday, October 26th at the North Kansas City High School. If you would like to sponsor Fr. Goldade, Fr. Bourmaud or a specific student please contact the school office for details: office@svdpacademy.org. Donations can be made anonymously.

Parish News

Upcoming Events:

**Rosary Mission** – October 14 - 16
Friday night 7:00 p.m.
Instruction
*Joyous Mysteries* – Recitation and meditation of the mysteries
Sermon: The evangelical virtues in the life of the Holy Family

Saturday morning
8:00 a.m. Holy Mass followed by coffee in the school
Instruction
*Sorrowful Mysteries* – Recitation and meditation of the mysteries
Sermon: The Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass followed by coffee in the school
Instruction
*Glorious Mysteries* – Recitation and meditation of the mysteries
Sermon: The Last Things

*Special indulgenced Confraternity blessing of Rosaries.*
*Plenary indulgenced blessing for those who have attended the mission.*

**Christ the King Festival** – Saturday, October 29 from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.
The Feast of Christ the King will be celebrated with an Oktoberfest complete with beer, brats, pretzels, potato soup, live music, lawn games and more! Donations are welcome to help cover the cost. Volunteers are needed to help plan and assist during the event. For more information or to get involved please contact Rebecca Heatwole at 816-716-7609 or rebecca.heatwole@gmail.com.

Congratulations

Fr. Goldade drew six winners from those who submitted email addresses to receive the parish newsletter. The winners each received a gift certificate to local coffee shops. Congratulations to:

Elizabeth Nevshemal  Chris Stegall
Gerry Gadwood  Victoria Walter
Emily Drumm  Susan Roth

Coffee and Donuts

Coffee and donuts are now being served after both Masses on Sunday. Come enjoy a cup of coffee and donut and visit with fellow parishioners. To volunteer to serve after one of the Masses, contact Mark Mahurin at 816-358-1633.

Visit St. Vincent’s website stvincentkc.org for Church and Academy news and information.

Capital Campaign

Pledges collected: $430,699.21
Total expenses: $315,270.00
Balance towards parking lot: $115,429.21