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**JESUS IS LORD TO THE GLORY OF THE FATHER**



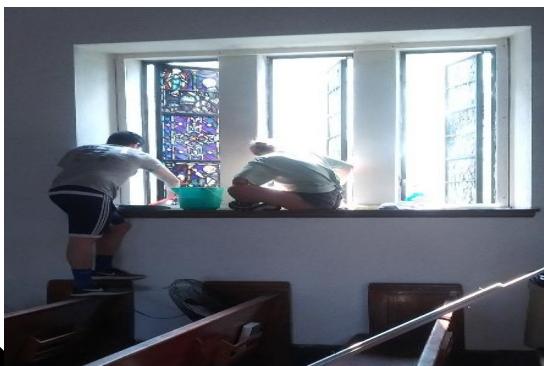
## **MY HOUR HAS COME.** *(Father God)*

### **THEY CAME...FULL OF VIGOR & THE LORD ...**

...& they worked like Trojans cleaning, praying, bringing Jesus that was in them to the people in the neighborhood as they distributed



Clothes & household items to neighbors passing by on S. Orange Ave. It was the indefatigable Team 3 from Catholic Heart Work Camp who have been serving here for over 20 years bringing teens who want to serve in venues throughout the Newark / Paterson area. Team 3 consisted of 5 young ladies: Bella, Abby, Delaney, Brenna & Maria & their adult sponsor, Josh Huang who thoroughly cleaned the church & Rectory Mass Room, washing all the woodwork, the floor under the pews after removing old kneelers & scraping the residue from them that was stuck to the floor & carrying them all down to the old church for storage. They climbed up on the window sills in the church to clean there & wash the beautiful stained glass windows



### **THESE WERE JERSEY GIRLS**

who came to Catholic Heart Work Camp from St. Joseph's parish in Hillsborough. They were so impressed by the beauty of the building & the history of the parish that they would like to come up for Mass here some Sunday. Catholic Heart Work Camp (CHWC) runs camps all over the country & even abroad. They are based in FL & started out with 100 campers. Now they minister to thousands. This NJ camp was a High Level camp where the spirituality was even more emphasized than the normal camps. And there is a noticeable difference in the spiritual maturity of campers of this camp. After a year's hiatus due to the COVID lockdowns, they geared up to do this much needed summer season for teens who have been cooped up for far too long.

It is not all work & no play. Their evening programs are awesome, lots of fun & frolic but also full of praise & worship after the fun & games. One evening session is dedicated to "4 Corners" where campers are free to seek prayer from adult sponsors or just share what is going on in their lives. It is a very powerful opportunity to draw closer to God. Check out their web site to see the amazing ministry they have to our youth.  
<https://heartworkcamp.com>

### **TODAY IS THE FEAST OF GOD THE FATHER.**

The Father Himself inaugurated this feast on July 1, 1932, Feast of the Precious Blood of Jesus, as He wanted this devotion bathed in the Blood of His Son. He began revelations from Himself to Sr. Eugenia Ravasio in Latin, a language she did not understand. She had little education but a brilliant mind & ended up heading up her order at the age of 25 & building churches, schools & hospitals in Asia, Europe & Africa where she discovered the first medicine for the cure of leprosy, extracting it from the seed of a tropical plant which was later developed at the Pasteur Institute in Paris. For her achievements, her congregation was awarded the highest honor for social work. Sr. Eugenia went home to the Father on Aug. 10, 1990 so these revelations are certainly pertinent for our time.

The Church recognized these revelations as authentic after 10 years of rigorous examination.



**HEALTH ALERT! SENIORS BEWARE!**

The Patients' Rights Council that operates out of Steubenville has posted a dire warning on the POLST also known as POST, MOLST, MOST, etc. which is a form routinely filled out at hospital admission or wellness visit designating advance care.

*This is generally a one page form with check boxes filled in by a physician, nurse or others designated by the facility. The form is put in the patient's folder & becomes an immediate medical order. Medicare pays doctors for having the conversation about advance care planning. Sometimes the one having this discussion can include, chaplains, social workers & others. The items dealt with include whether one does or does not want CPR, whether a person wants "comfort care" only, whether one does or does not want antibiotics, whether one wants full treatment.*

*Many people don't realize how broadly these terms can & are being interpreted. For example, "comfort care only" can mean that if one develops an infection, they wouldn't be treated for the infection but would be kept comfortable as the infection spreads. Such things as blood pressure medication & other common prescriptions can be withheld as long as the person is kept comfortable. Most people don't realize that even if they are able to discuss their current medical condition, they may not be told that these immediate medical orders have gone into effect. The only item on the form for which there is an immediate need is that dealing with CPR. Having medical orders about other topics is a convenience for care givers but a danger to patients.*

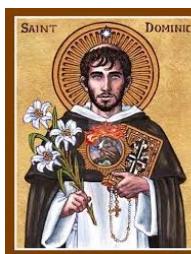
*If you are hospitalized, know whether you are considered "inpatient" or "outpatient". Even if you stay overnight, you might still be considered "outpatient". They will get the same care as one admitted as "inpatient". They are treated by doctors & nurses & may even undergo surgery. Unless they ask, there is no way to know what their status is. AND NOT KNOWING CAN COST A PERSON THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS! For example, a woman who had broken her ankle knew that Medicare would cover rehab in a nursing home if she was in the hospital for 3 days. But she didn't know that even though she had surgery & a rod & plate put in & was in the hospital for over 3 days, she was still considered to be an "outpatient". She was transferred to a nursing home & got a bill for \$15,000 from them. She learned Medicare wouldn't pay for the rehab since she was considered an "outpatient". She*

*filed for bankruptcy & went to live with her daughter. To prevent such a situation, it's imperative that anyone on Medicare understand what their status is if admitted to a hospital. (Patients Rights Council Update, Vol. 35, No.2, reprinted with permission)*

The Patients Rights Council has excellent info on end of life issues including advance directives. You can reach them at 800-958-5678 to ask for the forms. They ask for a \$25 donation per set & are far less expensive than a living will from a lawyer & they are just as valid. Get a separate set for each family member. Go to their web site at patientsrightscouncil.org to get very important information in this rapidly changing world of health care. They are excellent.

**AUGUST IS FULL OF BEAUTIFUL FEASTS**

Aug. 8th is the feast of St. Dominic without whom we would not have the Dominicans & this parish. He is beautifully portrayed in the stained glass windows in the church. This year the Sunday liturgy of Aug. 8 will supplant the normal readings on his feast day.



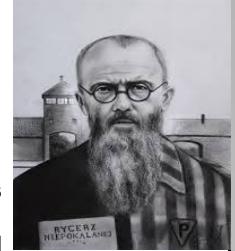
Another Dominican saint who graced the Americas was St. Rose of Lima. Of great beauty her parents insisted she marry but she marred her face & spent hours in prayer denying herself sleep & food. When she turned 20, she was permitted to enter the Third Order of St. Dominic. She is often depicted with a crown of flowers. Her feast Day is Aug. 23rd.



The patron saint of priests falls on Aug. 4. St. John Vianney spent countless hours in the confessional & turned a whole town dedicated to vice & pleasure around. People came from all over to confess to him, such was the power of this humble priest.

**ALSO THIS MONTH...**

...we remember St. Maximilian Kolbe, a warrior for Our Lady & victim of Nazi cruelty. He was murdered after taking the place of a father called out of the ranks for execution during WWII in Auschwitz. He is the patron saint of drug addicts, prisoners & the pro-life movement. He was cremated on Aug. 15, 1941, Solemnity of the Assumption. His Feast day is Aug. 14th



Another victim saint of Nazi atrocity is also celebrated this month, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Edith Stein, a Jewish convert & renowned philosopher. After reading the autobiography of St. Theresa of Avila, she

knew her search for truth had ended. She eventually entered a Carmelite convent. Because of her Jewish background she was arrested by the Nazi SS & sent to Auschwitz where she died in the gas chamber along with her sister, Rose on Aug. 9.



On the 21st of Aug, we celebrate Our Lady of Knock who appeared on a rain-drenched



night to the Irish who were suffering from the great potato famine & got little help from the colonizing British who had taken over much of the farmland & rousted the tenant farmers from their poor dwellings. Our Lady appeared along with St. John & St. Joseph along with a Lamb depicted on an altar before a cross surrounded by angels. Not a word was said. They were present to the suffering Irish in their misery.

Also in August are the feasts of St. Augustine & St. Monica, Aug. 27 & 28, great examples for those trying to pray their loved ones back to the faith.

And of course there is the great Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary into heaven which falls on a Sunday this year.

Another glorious portrayal of a great feast on Aug. 6, the Transfiguration, is on the great stained glass windows over the choir loft here at St. A's. So on the 1st Sunday of Aug, turn around & look up & behold the beauty bequeathed to us by the Irish peasants fleeing the famine & persecution.