

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

Modesty is a required virtue for all Catholics.

Modesty of dress. Modesty of life and lifestyle. Modesty of conduct.

This week we will focus on the virtue and how it relates to the clothes we wear.

According to *Merriam-Webster's Online Dictionary*, modesty means: "freedom from conceit or vanity. . . propriety in dress, speech, or conduct." *Webster's New World College Dictionary* further says it is: "unassuming or humble behavior. . . lack of excesses or pretensions; moderation. . . decency; decorum."

These touch on the spiritual, moral, and social dimensions of modesty. "Modesty is the virtue that presents goodness in its proper color: one of elegance rather than affluence, economy rather than extravagance, naturalness rather than ostentation. . . Modesty is the virtue that allows one to focus on what is good without being distracted by irrelevant superficialities. The modest person is content with living well and performing good deeds without fanfare." (*Donald Demarco, "The Virtue of Modesty," Catholic Education Resource Center*)

"Purity requires *modesty*, an integral part of temperance. Modesty protects the intimate center of the person. It means refusing to unveil what should remain hidden. It is ordered to chastity to whose sensitivity it bears witness. It guides how one looks at others and behaves toward them in conformity with the dignity of persons and their solidarity.

"Modesty protects the mystery of persons and their love. It encourages patience and moderation in loving relationships; it requires that the conditions for the definitive giving and commitment of man and woman to one another be fulfilled. Modesty is decency. It inspires one's choice of clothing. It keeps silence or reserve where there is evident risk of unhealthy curiosity. It is discreet.

"There is a modesty of the feelings as well as of the body. It protests, for example, against the voyeuristic explorations of the human body in certain advertisements, or against the solicitations of certain media that go too far in the exhibition of intimate things. Modesty inspires a way of life which makes it possible to resist the allurements of fashion and the pressures of prevailing ideologies." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2521-2523*)

"Purity of heart requires the modesty which is patience, decency, and discretion. Modesty protects the intimate center of the person." (2533)

Pope Pius XII (1939-1958) wrote in 1954: "How many young girls there are who see nothing wrong in following certain shameless styles like so many sheep. They would certainly blush with shame if they could know the impression they make, and the feelings they evoke, in those who see them.

"The good of our soul is more important than the good of our body; and we have to prefer the spiritual welfare of our neighbor to our bodily comforts . . . If a certain kind of dress constitutes a grave and proximate occasion of sin, and endangers the salvation of your soul and others, it is your duty to give it up . . . O Christian mothers, if you know what a future of anxieties and perils, of ill-guarded shame you prepare for your sons and daughters, imprudently getting them accustomed to live scantily dressed and making them lose their sense of modesty, you would be ashamed of yourselves and you would dread the harm you are making for yourselves, the harm which you are causing to these children, whom

Heaven has entrusted to you to be brought up as Christians." (*From "The Forgotten Virtue: Modesty in Dress," by Msgr. Charles M. Mangan, 2004*)

Respecting God means that we wear respectful clothes to Church. And everywhere else.

Prayer

"Lord, this physical body is a member of your Son—*your* temple—*your* dwelling place. It is not my own to do as I please. You have bought me with the high-priced passion of your Son. When I unite myself with you, I am one with you in spirit. Help me to concentrate on your holiness, peace, faith, a love that permeates all things, and 'to be in union with those who call on' you 'with pure minds.' Amen." (*Daniel Weiss, Pure Intimacy*)



"2010" Weekly Budget.....	\$5,350.00
Offertory collected June 20 th	\$5,054.02
Difference	-\$ 295.98

Second Collections

Second collection June 20th "St. Vincent".....\$ 0

Campaign '10 Pledges:

Total donations made (from pledges) as of 06/13/10.....\$94,880.33
June 20th collection.....\$ 0
New Campaign total donations from pledges.....\$94,880.33

Next Week's Second Collection

Next week's second collection will be for the St. Clement's Building Fund.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE



Guarding our eyes; looking away; avoiding persons, places, and situations that can lead to lust; dressing appropriately, these are the things we must work on in being modest people. Modesty helps win the spiritual battle.

"Be careful what you allow your eyes to see and your ears to hear. We can control this to some degree. We can control the movies we watch, the TV programs we watch, the music we listen to, the magazines we read. . . Choose not to *look at* it, pass on it, change the channel, don't buy into it." (www.buildthetemple.com)

"The secret is to regard our bodies as beautiful gifts from God, miracles of His handiwork, chosen by Him to be His living temples on earth and to be glorified forever in heaven." (www.catholicmodesty.com)

STEWARDSHIP

"Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others, knowing that you will receive from the Lord the due payment of the inheritance." (Col 3:23-24)

CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP (CHWC)



This summer we will have two groups of our high school teenagers going on CHWC mission trips. The first left this morning for Nashville, Tenn., and will be helping with recovery efforts following spring flooding in Central Tennessee.



The second group leaves July 10 for Orlando, Fla., where they will help with painting house, cleaning up yards of senior citizens and the disabled, and working with social service agencies. Please keep our teens and adult leaders in your prayers.

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First Reading: 1 King 19:16b, 19-21

Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant.

Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18

You were called for freedom.

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

He resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you go.

Living the Paschal Mystery

The context for this Sunday's gospel is that Jesus is "resolutely determined" to go to Jerusalem, and this sets the time for the next months of Ordinary Time. On our own journey to the end of the liturgical year in November (hardly on our minds at this point in June!) we must be resolute about hearing the gospel faithfully and following Jesus, even when that means we, too, are going to "Jerusalem," which symbolizes the ongoing dying to self that is what living the paschal mystery really is.

We hear the gospel faithfully when that gospel is lived in our everyday circumstances. Hearing is more than words going into our ears; it demands of us resolute action. The gospels often are challenging. This one challenges us to go to Jerusalem with Jesus, and by being his faithful followers "the kingdom of God" is at hand through us. This ought to be all the motivation we need!

~Living liturgy

Stewardship Thought

In today's second reading, St. Paul provides a wonderful one sentence summary of Christian stewardship: Out of love, place yourselves at one another's service.

Saturday June 26, 5:30pm.....	Our Parish Family
Sunday, June 27, 8:30am.....	Our Parish Family
Sunday, June 27, 10:00am.....	(Spanish Mass) Our Parish Family
Sunday, June 27, 11:30 am.....	Our Parish Family
Sunday, June 27, 1:00pm.....	(Spanish Mass) Our Parish Family
Sunday, June 27, 7:00pm.....	(Spanish Mass) Our Parish Family
Monday, June 28, 12:15pm.....	Daily Mass
Tuesday June 29, 12:15 pm.....	Daily Mass TBD
Wednesday, June 30, 12:15pm.....	Daily Mass TBD
Wednesday, June 30, 6:30 pm.....	Rosary
Thursday, July 1, 12:15 pm.....	Communion Service
Thursday, July 1, 6:00 pm.....	Prayer Group/Adoration
Friday, July 2, 12:15pm.....	1 st Friday Mass in English
Friday, July 2, 7:00pm.....	1 st Friday Mass/Adoration in Spanish
Saturday July 3, 5:30pm.....	Our Parish Family
Sunday, July 4, 8:30am.....	Bill Arp (RIP)
Sunday, July 4, 10:00am.....	(Spanish Mass) Our Parish Family
Sunday, July 4, 11:30 am.....	Carl Lindzy (RIP)
Sunday, July 4, 1:00pm.....	(Spanish Mass) Our Parish Family
Sunday, July 4, 7:00pm.....	Our Parish Family

U.S. Catholic History

Sister Peter Claver (Hannah Elizabeth Fahy) "is the daughter of a mother raised in the Jewish faith and an Irish Catholic father. Her maternal grandparents came to the South before the Civil War and lived in the large house at 320 E. Third Ave. in Rome.

"During the war General (Nathan Bedford) Forrest took grandmother's house for his headquarters and the family was among Rome citizens evacuated to Atlanta," said Sister Peter Claver. Grandmother Hannah Jonas fled with her daughter Sarah, four. She gave birth to a son during the siege of Atlanta.

"Grandfather Israel Jonas was serving as secretary to a Confederate general. When he died after the war, Hannah Jonas opened a millinery shop to support her family.

Sarah Jonas "married Thomas William Fahy. Sixteen years older than his bride, he came to Rome soon after the war from Ireland, where he had been apprenticed to a dealer in linens in Sligo. 'My father had a dry goods store which later became Fahy's Store, like Rich's,'" Sister Peter Claver explained. (*Georgia Bulletin*)

Please pray for the people who are suffering:



Donna Thibault - respiratory illness, Barbara Smith-cancer, Marty McKinnon- ovarian cancer, Cayla Johnson-hydrocephalus, Joe Campbell-follicular lymphoma, Tonya Isham-tumor, Curtis Lunt-ill health, Melissa Silva-health, Juanita Rochester-cancer, Chuck Terry- prostate cancer, June Macejkovic-heart condition, Fr. Denis Kolumber-health, Ernie - leukemia, Maria Farias- breast cancer, Jeanne Walraven-health, Jean Seitz-cancer, Angie Defalco-health, Erna Wyatt-health, Jim Rorer-special intention, Michael Llop-brain tumor, Erik Bigelow-special intention, Janice Miller-health, Jaden Bates-health, Roy Davies-safety, Chris Wable-health, Jim Wable-lung cancer, Marilyn Clayton-health, Ashlie Warren-health, Jenna Proctor-health, Jeff Elder-health, Serge Kastorsky-cancer, Terry Alan-bladder cancer, Lisa Clark-failed surgery, Betty Maddox-chemo, Donald Hicks-health, Jeff Bigelow-health, Cindy Wilson-health, Audrin King-cancer, Bud Murphy-health, Geri Harper-breast cancer, Joanne Silvers-kidney cancer, Pam Bagley-lung cancer, T.J. Rushing-tumor, Richard Parker Sr.- alzheimer's, Florice Schneider-health, Grace Headley-cancer surgery, Grace Grant Orange-lung cancer.

Parish School of Religion



During the month of July, St. Clement's will be holding early registration for the 2010/2011 PSR School year. Each year we must have an updated form for each child that participates in Religion class. We also need a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate if you do not already have one in the parish office. If your child is preparing to make their Confirmation, we will also need a copy of their Communion certificate. Please bring these items along with your completed forms to the parish office. Packet's are available on the narthex table for your convenience. If you have any questions please feel free to call the parish office at (706)629-2345 or e-mail stclementcalhoun@yahoo.com. Classes begin in August.

Archdiocesan News

You are invited to the 16th annual **ATLANTA SUMMER ORGAN FESTIVAL** celebrating the ecumenical spirit of music in three churches. All concerts are at 7:30 p.m., one hour long, and end with a dessert reception. Come hear great organists play three spectacular Atlanta organs. A suggested donation is requested at the door. Casual dress. Concerts are Wed., June 30, at the EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL OF ST. PHILIP, 2744 Peachtree Road, NW, Atlanta, with organist Ned Tipton from Paris; Wed., July 7, at the CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING, 2699 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, with organist Timothy Wissler offering music for organ, flute, trumpet and voice; and Wed., July 14, at the PEACHTREE ROAD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 3180 Peachtree Road, NW, Atlanta, with organist Gerre Hancock from Austin, Texas. Contact: (404) 233-2145.

VILLAGE OF ST. JOSEPH COUNSELING SERVICES, part of Catholic Charities Atlanta, offers individual, couples, family, children, adolescent and group counseling therapy including: marital and family conflict; adolescent issues; depression; anxiety and stress; addictions; grief and loss therapies. A sliding scale fee is charged based on income and services are provided at several office and parish locations. Contact: (404) 733-3527 (English/Spanish intake line) for an appointment. When you call you will be helped to find the nearest location for your convenience.