

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends:

Jesus says "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." (Luke 12:49) Jesus has come to bring the kingdom of God to the earth and how he wishes the kingdom of God were already established everywhere on earth. The fire Jesus came to bring is the fire of love, the fire of hope. Bringing fire to the earth, doing anything good, is going to run into the opposition of evil.

We can think of many people who had fire in them to do good and they had to undergo a baptism of suffering as a result. For example, think of the ways in which these people who received the Nobel Peace Prize suffered: Nelson Mandela imprisoned; Simon Peres in Israel. Think of Pope John Paul II whose fire is standing up for the right to life of the unborn.

Think of the fire in our parents to do the best for our families. Think of the fire in parents with children on drugs to make sure that the problem is solved. Think of the fire in parents whose child was abused to make sure that it doesn't happen to any more children.

I am sure we all have some fire in us to do something good for those around us. Maybe some of us have fire to do something more than normal but are afraid of the baptism or afraid of the division that might be caused and so the fire doesn't come to anything.

My dear brothers and sisters, if you still haven't brought good fire that is within you to the earth, remember our great people and saints who had undergone a baptism of suffering and set the fire of love and the fire of hope, begin the life now. Jesus said, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." (Luke 12:49).

Fr. Vijay Kumar Madani

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

CCD: Catholic Christian Discipleship

Thanks for all the registration forms and payments this week! For the rest of the you, please do so by August 31 to be eligible for the Family Basket drawing.

Good News for Ss. Peter & Paul - we have a 7th grade catechist and another catechist who will teach either 10th grade or Confirmation class. We need two more people - a 6th grade catechist for 4 students and a catechist for 10th or 11th grade. We are half way to our goal. Please pray for two more people to come forward. Thank you!

~ **Georgi Whelan**

OUR WEEKLY GIVING

Ss. Peter & Paul	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 711.00
Loose	132.81
Total	843.81
Total from August 12, 2018	736.00
Building Fund	280.00
St. Stanislaus	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 284.00
Loose	46.00
Total	330.00
Total from August 12, 2018	424.00
Building Fund	25.00
St. John	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,760.00
Loose	87.72
Total	1,847.72
Total from August 12, 2018	1,177.00
Building Fund	30.00
St. Michael	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 205.00
Loose	41.00
Total	246.00
Total from August 12, 2018	300.00
Building Fund	10.00
<i>(Totals include only the basic collection)</i>	

Called to Become Saints
Catholic Services Appeal 2018-2019

The Annual Catholic Services Appeal is underway through out the Diocese. The "fair share" responsibility is listed below. As of **August 5th**, we have collected:

	Payments		
	Assessment	& Pledges	Amount Due
Ss. Peter & Paul	\$ 11,393.00	\$ 8,880.00	\$ 2,513.00
St. John	\$ 9,158.00	\$ 6,810.00	\$ 2,348.00
St. Stanislaus	\$ 5,234.00	\$ 5,234.00	PAID IN FULL
St. Michael	\$ 2,789.00	\$ 2,789.00	PAID IN FULL



Holy Family Parish in Willard **Rummage Sale** will be held **Saturday, August 24** from **8:00 a.m. - noon** and on **Sunday, August 25** from **8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Holy Family Parish in Willard will hold its annual **Bazaar & Buffet Style Chicken Dinner Sunday, August 25th** from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Adults & Carryouts: \$10; Children 6-10: \$5; 5 & under: FREE. The dining hall is air conditioned and handicap accessible. There will be a Bake Sale, Bucket Raffle and Children's Games.

Summer Fest Sunday, August 25th at **St. Anthony's Parish in Tony**. Serving Pa's charcoal chicken 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. includes homemade potato salad, baked beans, corn, dinner roll and fresh baked pie. Prices: 1/2 chicken: \$9 or 1/4 chicken: \$7. Over \$1600 cash raffle, 50/50 raffle, gun board **and more.**

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Thurs. & Fri. 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.