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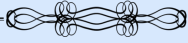
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This Week's Intentions

Ronald Celeste

By Angela Salce

Elaine D'Angelo

By M. Chennell & D. Catalfamo



Collection

Last weekend's collection was \$303.40. Thank you for your generosity! As a guide, local residents are encouraged to tithe; graduates students are encouraged to give \$5-\$8 per week and Undergraduates \$3-\$5 per week as you are able. If you are away please consider making up your support.



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Catholic Community at Rochester

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 24th, 2016

COOL THOUGHTS

Yesterday, I came across in some newsfeed an article that was entitled, "Here are 15 things the Catholic Church teaches that are ruining your sex life — even if you're not religious." You can Google it if you so choose. After reading it I was completely shocked by it, especially as someone who allegedly has a PhD in psychology wrote it.

Back in 2003, I read a book entitled, *The New Anti-Catholicism: The Last Acceptable Prejudice* by Philip Jenkins. It was an excellent historical and contemporary overview of how Catholicism is maligned in American culture today.

The Amazon book review it states, "Anti-Catholicism has a long history in America. And as Philip Jenkins argues in *The New Anti-Catholicism*, this virulent strain of hatred—once thought dead—is alive and well in our nation, but few people seem to notice, or care.

A statement that is seen as racist, misogynistic, anti-Semitic, or homophobic can haunt a speaker for years, writes Jenkins, but it is still possible to make hostile and vituperative public statements about Roman Catholicism without fear of serious repercussions. Jenkins shines a light on anti-Catholic sentiment in American society and illuminates its causes, looking closely at gay and feminist anti-Catholicism, anti-Catholic rhetoric and imagery in the media, and the anti-Catholicism of the academic world. For newspapers and newsmagazines, for television news and in movies, for major book publishers, the Catholic Church has come to provide a grossly stereotyped public villain. Catholic opinions, doctrines, and individual leaders are frequently the butt of harsh satire. Indeed, the notion that the church is a deadly enemy of women—the idea of Catholic misogyny—is commonly accepted in the news media and in popular culture, says Jenkins. And the recent pedophile priest scandal, he shows, has revived many ancient anti-Catholic stereotypes. It was said that with the election of John F. Kennedy, anti-Catholicism in America was dead. This provocative new book corrects that illusion, drawing attention to this important issue."

This book came to my attention because of some very sad and very public behaviors here at the University of Rochester. They were simply anti-Catholic, and worse yet, no one seemed to care, including most Catholics! I am all for honest academic discourse. People should be able to raise questions and critique foundations of thought. Yet, as the above article attests, I think often, very subtly and at times very publically, things are said about Catholicism, which would never be said about others, and it is said and accepted as pure fact. *So few things in the article mentioned are even true, therefore, not worth even mentioning.* Catholic theology, practice and beliefs should be critiqued. The Roman Catholic Church has and will never be afraid of any honest intellectual debate. For God sake we formed what many consider to be the heart of academic discourse and no doubt sponsor world-class institution of higher education. *Catholic history has proved that the Church has been wrong and that it can and will adjust its teachings, statements and practices over time as appropriate.* And it will apologize. The Church is not without sin. And I realize this causes some great pain. I give you that change in the Church may not happen as fast as it perhaps should. Yet, on another level, perhaps we should also be thankful that some organization doesn't change quickly, especially given the pace of change today?

But use a small test when discussing Catholicism with friends, reading articles on the internet or when you listen to a lecture or watch someone on television. Ask if what was being said or written was said about another group, what would the general response be from others be?

While current events and public discourse tell us prejudice is still upon many people, the title of the book mentioned above is, in my opinion, sadly, still relevant. Don't loose heart, but, also, don't be fooled by the work of evil in whatever form it shows itself.

If you don't want to read the book, read this article:

<http://americamagazine.org/issue/281/article/last-acceptable-prejudice>

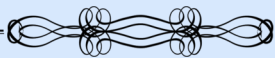
Peace, Fr. Cool

Ps...I am very excited to welcome a good friend and remarkable priest, Fr. Ron Gaesser this Thursday for a Spanish mass here at the Chapel. Fr. Ron runs the mission in the Dominican Republic the brothers of Sigma Chi support each year. Please join us!



Masa Espanol/Spanish Mass

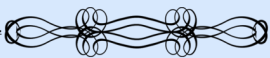
Fr. Ron Gaesser will be with us this Thursday for a Spanish mass here at the Interfaith Chapel at 6:30p.m on 1/28. Please join us!!



Volunteering Opportunities

Alternative Spring Break

Interested in making a difference AND having a great time this coming spring break? Newman sponsors the longest consecutive running Alternative Spring Break on campus to Frenchville, PA. Join us as we travel to work with the people in the inner-city. Contact Anne for more information or the registration form if you are interested! **There will be a general interest meeting**



after tonight's 7:00PM Mass!

Newman Weekly Schedule

Tuesday: NEWMAN NIGHT

4-6:00PM: Study Break (River Level, Interfaith Chapel)

6-7:00PM: Free Dinner (River Level, Interfaith Chapel)

7-7:30PM: Rosary Group (River Level, Interfaith Chapel)

Wednesday:

10-10:30PM: Instamass (Sue B. Dorm, Friel Lounge)

Thursday:

6:30-7:30PM: Spanish Mass (River Level, Interfaith Chapel)

Sunday:

10:30-11:30AM: Mass (River Level, Interfaith Chapel)

7-8:00PM: Mass (River Level, Interfaith Chapel)



Alternative Spring Break Pancake Breakfast

Come join us after our 10:30AM Mass next Sunday for a Pancake Breakfast. The cost is \$5 per ticket, and it can be purchased at the door, after either Mass, or the Campus Ministers' office. All proceeds will go towards Newman's Alternative Break service trip.

Kairos 30 - Across the Waters

February 5th-7th

Top 5 reasons to attend this Kairos :

1. Hope cooked food for a whole weekend.
2. Find out why the sign of peace takes forever after Kairos every semester.
3. 35 instant friends you never knew you were missing.
4. You want to find out what "across the waters" means. Encounter God in a safe and supportive environment that makes prayer and self-discovery as natural as it should be in daily life, but hardly ever is.

To register for Kairos 30: Across the Waters, fill-out a sign-up sheet on the back table and bring \$15 to any Newman staff member at the chapel.



World Youth Day 2016

Interested in attending World Youth Day 2016 in Krakow, Poland? Wanting to come to "an international Catholic event focused on religious faith and youth?" Then contact Fr. Cool for details!



Attention all Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors!

Interested in being a Eucharistic Minister and/or Lector with Newman? Be sure to sign-up on the back table. No experience is necessary. Please contact Sr. Leandra if you have any questions



CCHD Call for Internship Applications

Apply now through March 1 for 2016-2017 internships with the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) national office in Washington, D.C., and around 30 diocesan offices around the country. CCHD is the domestic anti-poverty program of the Catholic Church in the United States. More information about the internships can be found on their website. Interested students should apply by March 1.



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