

ALL SAINTS DAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel come up from the East, holding the seal of the living God. He cried out in a loud voice to the four angels who were given power to damage the land and the sea, "Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." I heard the number of those who had been marked with the seal, one hundred and forty-four thousand marked from every tribe of the children of Israel.

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice:

"Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne,
and from the Lamb."

All the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshiped God, and exclaimed:

“Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving,
honor, power, and might
be to our God forever and ever. Amen.”

Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, “Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?” I said to him, “My lord, you are the one who knows.” He said to me, “These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb.”

Psalm 24

R. Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

The Lord's are the earth and its fullness;
the world and those who dwell in it.

For he founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers. **R.**

Who can ascend the mountain of the Lord?
or who may stand in his holy place?

One whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean,
who desires not what is vain. **R.**

He shall receive a blessing from the Lord,
a reward from God his savior.

Such is the race that seeks him,
that seeks the face of the God of Jacob. **R.**

1 John 3:1-3

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Mt 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia.

Matthew 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him.

He began to teach them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn,

for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the land.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart,
for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you
and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me.
Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward will be great in heaven.”

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

DAILY MEDITATION: MATTHEW 5:1-12

Blessed are you. (Matthew 5:11)

Stroll the halls of any maternity ward, and you'll see parents beaming with happiness over the birth of their child. You'll also hear them saying things like "I hope he grows up to be successful in life." "I'm going to make sure she has every opportunity I never had."

Here are a few things you probably won't hear them say: "I hope she finds her way to sadness." "I'm going to make sure he gets picked on in school." No one wants that for their children! But these are the very types of characteristics Jesus blesses in today's Gospel.

Now, Jesus doesn't want us to actively seek out persecution and sorrow. But he wants us to know that following him may lead to such challenges. That's because the way of discipleship is often at odds with the ways of the world:

- **In a world** marred by resentment and vengeance, Jesus wants us to forgive and turn the other cheek.
- **In a world** focused on money and power, Jesus wants us to live humbly and give generously.
- **In a world** wounded by wars and divisions, Jesus wants us to love our enemies and work for peace.

Every saint, both known and unknown, has experienced this tug-of-war between the world and the kingdom of God. And that's precisely why we celebrate them today: they "have survived the time of great distress" with their faith intact (Revelation 7:14). It's not just the saints. Every believer has their own times of "great distress" as well.

Isn't it helpful to know that you aren't alone in the struggle? All the saints are praying for you. The Holy Spirit is in you to empower and guide you. And you have your brothers and sisters in Christ. It truly is possible to "survive" even the greatest of temptations and take your place with all the saints in heaven. (Word Among Us)

MEN'S GROUP

Every Wednesday morning, a group of men come together in our Parish to pray for our Nation, our families and our parish. We have benediction, sometimes discussion and generally support each other in our Catholic identity. We do this from at 6:00am to 7:00am. The only requirements you have are you, a rosary, a mask, and your commitment to safe social distancing. We meet in the church. God bless you, hope to have you join us. Stay safe DcnJoe

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Sunday, November 1

8:30am at St. Theresa: Intention of Celebrant

9am: Parishioners of St. Anthony, St. Theresa & Our Lady of the Valley

10:30am: Priestly & Religious Vocations

11am at Our Lady of the Valley: ✚Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg by
Anthony & Patricia Hosemann

5pm: Intention of Donor

Monday, November 2, All Souls' Day

8:30am: ✚Millard Smith by Anne Zatkos

12:15pm: ✚Guadalupe Cortes y Jesus Veronica by Familia de Laura Veronica

5:30pm: Intention of Celebrant

Tuesday, November 3

8:30am: ✚Joseph Hajba by Jeanette Hajba

12:15pm: ✚Bill Brakke by The Pete Grosz Family

Wednesday, November 4

8:30am: ✚Thomas J. Pettit, Jr. by St. Anthony Family

12:15pm: ✚Tim Casey by The Caudle Family

Thursday, November 5

8:30am: ✚Gene Bertsch by Russ & Elizabeth Wenke

12:15pm: ✚Colette Williams by The Caudle Family

Friday, November 6

8:30am: Repose of the Souls of Our Vietnam Veterans by Steve & Joan Freeman

12:15pm: ✚Phyllis McCormick by Kim Slifka

Saturday, November 7

8:30am: Living & Deceased Members of The Knox & McClellan Families

5pm: ✚Phyllis McCormick by The Caudle Family

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for YOUTH

The Religious Education for Youth (CCD) is currently suspended for several weeks: Wednesday, November 4th and Wednesday, November 11th. This decision is a result in the very large spike in Covid-19 cases in Cody and Park County, particularly among the school-aged youth. There are also many people who are currently being tested because of contact tracing at St. Anthony's Parish. We have determined that it is prudent to be on the safe side and to respect, not only our youth, but their parents and health care workers as well.

All of your teachers have your phone numbers and emails and may contact you for on-line classes or discussions. I am currently re-building my email contacts in order to keep you updated on when we will restart classes.

In meeting with health care officials, I am convinced that we are truly seeing a dangerous increase of cases. Stepping back and identifying victims and getting well will make a great difference. Please, be safe: mask up, social distance and sanitize. God bless and protect you, Sincerely, Deacon Rick Moser

"BEING CATHOLIC" Class & Discussion

Join us for a Lively Class and Discussion of the Catholic Faith. This week's discussion, and next week, will be focused on those who are interested in the Catholic Faith, who wish to join the Catholic Faith or who are returning to the Catholic Faith. We will discuss how life, history, religion and God are all interconnected. Our discussions will cover what we believe, what we think and why. All your questions will also be answered. You will be given many handouts as well.

The class will be on Thursdays from 6:30pm until 8:00pm in the Joan of Arc Room in the Parish Center. The next two classes will be on Thursday, Nov. 5th and Nov. 12th. Classes will be led by Deacon Rick Moser. Please Join us, No Strings Attached!



Rev. Robert A. Pollauf of Detroit passed on this account of how Daniel saved his life in the lion's den: King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon was astonished that the hungry lions had not eaten Daniel. He summoned Daniel and promised him that if he would reveal his secret, the king would give him his freedom.

"It was easy, your excellency," Daniel said. "I went around and whispered in each lion's ear — 'After dinner, there will be speeches.'" (JoyfulNoiseLetter)

BOILER FUND OPPORTUNITY

St. Anthony's recently replaced the old boiler for the Church at a cost of \$80,000. Please consider making a donation to assist in paying for the new boiler. We all benefit from having heat in our beautiful Church! When you donate, please mark the outside of your envelope with "Boiler Fund," as well as putting it in the memo area of your check. Thank you for your generosity.

"So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of the faith." Galatians 6:10

LIVING AND GIVING

Living & Giving in Christ: Unity in Diocesan Ministries 2020 appeal: As of Oct. 27, 2020, St. Anthony remains at 67% of our goal with a shortfall of \$24, 923.32; St. Theresa remains at 68% of their goal with a shortfall of \$891.00; Our Lady of the Valley remains at 99% of their goal with a shortfall of \$46.00. For those who have not yet pledged, please consider doing so. You may donate online at www.livingandgivinginchrist.org.


PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT, DUE TO THE SPIKE IN COVID-19 CASES IN OUR COUNTY, EL DIA DE LOST MUERTOS, SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 31 IN BRADY HALL, HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

Bishop Steven Biegler wrote a letter regarding Pope Francis' comments about civil unions for homosexual persons. It will be included as an attachment in the online bulletin but may also be viewed at the following link:

<https://dioceseofcheyenne.org/>

Please consider accepting one of the following Holy Hours that are available: Mon.: 11am, 2pm & 6pm; Tues.: 11am & 6pm; Wed.: 9am, 10am & 2pm. Call the Office for more information, 587-3388.

Cody Cupboard will not be gathering food items via a food drive this year. They are, however, still assisting families in need & will need to purchase 15,000+ lbs of food to replace what would have been collected. Please consider making a monetary contribution to: The Cody Cupboard, PO Box 3006, Cody, WY 82414



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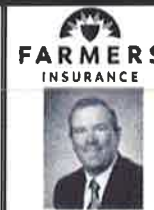
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Pope Francis promotes the dignity and rights of homosexual persons

October 28, 2020

In a documentary released on October 21, Pope Francis spoke about civil unions for same-sex couples. The Vatican has not offered any clarification on his comments, but media outlets have shed some light on this topic. Briefly, he did not propose any change in Catholic doctrine.

It is essential to know the context of his remarks. The excerpt in the documentary is an abridged quote from a much longer response that Pope Francis gave while speaking about the integration into the church of people living in ‘irregular situations.’ The full quote from the 2019 interview is, “Once I was asked a question on a flight—it made me angry afterwards, it made me angry because of how the media reported it—about the family integration of people with homosexual orientation, and I said: homosexual people have a right be a part of a family, people with homosexual orientation have a right to be in a family and the parents have the right to recognize this son as homosexual, this daughter as homosexual. Nobody should be thrown out or be miserable because of it.”

Thus, the context of his quote was about how families should treat a son or daughter with a homosexual orientation who have a right to be part of a family. He was speaking against the marginalization of gay children within families, something he has done before. In some cultures, acceptance of a gay child is unthinkable.

In the documentary, the pope’s condensed response included a statement about the need for laws that protect the rights of homosexual persons. He said, “What we have to have is a civil union law—that way they are legally covered. I supported that.” We should remember the pope is normally speaking to the Universal Church. In some countries, homosexual acts are punishable by death. The United States already recognizes civil unions of same-sex couples, who can be married civilly and receive all the legal protections which that guarantees.

Later, Pope Francis clearly said that he is not promoting “homosexual marriage.” He said, “It is an incongruity to speak of homosexual marriage. But what we have to have is a law of civil union, so they have the right to be legally covered.” Previously, he warned against threats to the institution of “marriage,” which he explicitly described as “between a man and a woman.” For him, a heterosexual union is unique because it implies the difference between the man and the woman who unite in reciprocity and are capable of engendering life. The word “marriage” only applies to that reality.

Multiple media reports suggest Pope Francis may have considered civil union law a preferable alternative to legislation that would create “same-sex marriage” law. This would allow for certain legal rights of same-sex couples which are integral to the dignity of the human person without creating a new legal definition of marriage. It is not clear what those rights would entail. Yet, they likely include adjusted health insurance premiums and tax rates, rights of inheritance, and visitation rights in hospitals and nursing homes. The Pope also has said that endorsing civil union laws “does not mean approving of homosexual acts.”

We pray that our society embraces everyone, including homosexual persons, as beloved children of God and brothers and sisters within our human family.

Your brother in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Biegler". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small cross at the beginning.

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El Papa Francisco promueve la dignidad y los derechos de las personas con una orientación homosexual

28 de octubre de 2020

En un documental publicado el 21 de octubre, el Papa Francisco habló sobre las uniones civiles para parejas del mismo sexo. El Vaticano no ha ofrecido ninguna aclaración sobre sus comentarios, pero los medios de comunicación han arrojado algo de luz sobre este tema. Sin muchos detalles; no se propuso ningún cambio en la doctrina católica.

Conocer el contexto de sus comentarios es importante. Es una cita corta extraída de una respuesta mucho más larga que dio el Papa Francisco en el documental, la cita se da al hablar sobre la integración en la iglesia de las personas que viven en 'situaciones irregulares'. La cita completa de la entrevista realizada en el 2019 es la siguiente: “Durante un vuelo, me hicieron una pregunta – al final terminé enojado, me enojó cómo los medios lo informaron – acerca de la composición de las familias integradas por personas con orientación homosexual, yo dije: las personas homosexuales tienen el derecho a ser parte de una familia, las personas con orientación homosexual tiene el derecho a estar en una familia y los padres tienen el derecho a reconocer a su hijo como homosexual, a su hija como homosexual. Nadie debería ser echado fuera, o sentirse miserable por ello.

En consecuencia, el contexto de esta cita fue acerca de cómo las familias deben tratar a su hijo o hija con orientación homosexual, que tiene el derecho a ser parte de una familia. Estaba hablando en contra de la marginación de niños gay dentro de sus hogares, algo que ha sucedido antes. En algunas culturas, la aceptación de un niño gay es impensable.

En el documental, la respuesta condensada del papa incluyó una declaración sobre la necesidad de leyes que protejan los derechos de las personas con orientación homosexual. Él dijo, “lo que debemos tener son leyes de unión civil – de manera que ellos estén legalmente protegidos. Yo apoyé eso”. Debemos recordar que el Papa normalmente se dirige a la Iglesia Universal. En algunos países, los actos homosexuales se castigan con la muerte. Estados Unidos ya reconoce las uniones civiles de parejas del mismo sexo, que pueden casarse y recibir todas las protecciones legales que esto garantiza.

Posteriormente, el Papa Francisco dijo claramente que no está promoviendo el "matrimonio homosexual". Aseguró que, “Es una incongruencia hablar de matrimonio homosexual. Pero lo que debemos tener es una ley de unión civil, para que ellos tengan derecho a estar protegidos legalmente”. Previamente, él advirtió sobre las amenazas contra la institución del "matrimonio", que describió explícitamente como "entre un hombre y una mujer". Para él, una unión heterosexual es única porque implica la diferencia entre el hombre y la mujer que se unen en

reciprocidad y son capaces de engendrar vida. La palabra "matrimonio" sólo se aplica a esa realidad.

Diversos reportes en los medios sugieren que el papa Francisco puede estar considerando las leyes de unión civil como una alternativa preferible a la legislación que crearía la ley de "matrimonio entre personas del mismo sexo". Esto permitiría ciertos derechos legales de las parejas del mismo sexo que son parte integral de la dignidad de la persona humana sin crear una nueva definición legal de matrimonio. It is not clear what those rights would entail. Yet, they likely include adjusted health insurance premiums and tax rates, rights of inheritance, and visitation rights in hospitals and nursing homes. The Pope also has said that endorsing civil union laws "does not mean approving of homosexual acts." No está claro qué implicarían esos derechos. Sin embargo, es probable que incluyan primas de seguro médico y tasas de impuestos ajustadas, derechos de herencia y derechos de visita en hospitales y hogares de ancianos. El Papa también ha dicho que respaldar las leyes de unión civil "no significa aprobar los actos homosexuales".

Oramos para que nuestra sociedad abrace a todos, incluidos aquellos con una orientación homosexual, como hijos amados de Dios y hermanos y hermanas dentro de nuestra familia humana.

Su hermano en Cristo,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Biegler". The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

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