October 19, 2022

Good Morning All,

- ~Adoration following the morning Mass till 4:00.
- ~Catholicism for Dummies class at the Parish Office 1:30.
- ~Saturday, October 22nd the annual Men's Club Oktoberfest celebration after the 5:00 Mass with carryout starting at 5:30! Tickets available at the door!
- ~Catholic Media ~ On your phone ~ The MediaTrix App is now LIVE and available for all Apple and Android products. (See below). In addition to Catholic Radio in South Carolina's live stream, there are eleven other portals (categories) with Catholic content. All App functions are operational, but some categories are just beginning to add content. Content will be added to each category in the App on a regular basis from here forward. We will also be creating QR codes (phone scannable download instructions) and providing marketing materials to content providers soon. In the meantime, anyone can download the App free-of-charge in the Apple App Store or at the Google Play Store using the search function. Just type in "MediaTrix" and look for the blue rose with a pristine white background.
- 1. Today's Readings: Memorial of Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs | USCCB
- 2. The RE Corner with Jan Heithaus: Our saints today, Ss. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues and companions, are North American martyrs, killed at the hands of native tribes. However as the Vatican news writes, "These eight deaths seemed like brutal failure after the sacrifices these men had endured for the mission. But God does not see as man sees. Later, Isaac Jogues' killer would ask for baptism. And in Ossernenon, the same village where Isaac Jogues, René Goupil and Jean de la Lande were killed, Kateri Tekakwitha, a Mohawk who became the first Native American saint, would be born only ten years later. Today, the Church in North America acknowledges these eight men as the small, suffering seed from which it sprang." Our article today is from the writings of St. John de Brébeuf.
- 3. Quote of the Day:
- ~My confidence is placed in God who does not need our help for accomplishing his designs. Our single endeavor should be to give ourselves to the work and to be faithful to him, and not to spoil his work by our shortcomings." Letter from Isaac Jogues to a Jesuit friend in France in 1646.
- ~Saints Jean de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and companions, you died far from the comforts of home and family. You accepted sufferings you did not deserve for the greater glory of God. Grant us patience when we are impetuous, endurance when tempted to quit, humility when confronted with ignorance, and physical toughness when the comforts of life are not to be found. Source: mycatholic.life

Ss. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Pray for Us! St. Joseph, Pray for Us!

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From the spiritual diaries by Saint John de Brebeuf, Priest and Martyr

May I die only for you, Jesus, who willingly died for me

For two days now I have experienced a great desire to be a martyr and to endure all the torments the martyrs suffered.

Jesus, my Lord and Savior, what can I give you in return for all the favors you have first conferred on me? I will take from your hand the cup of your sufferings and call on your name. I vow before your eternal Father and the Holy Spirit, before your most holy Mother and her most chaste spouse, before the angels, apostles and martyrs, before my blessed fathers Saint Ignatius and Saint Francis Xavier—in truth I vow to you, Jesus my Savior, that as far as I have the strength I will never fail to accept the grace of martyrdom, if some day you in your infinite mercy would offer it to me, your most unworthy servant.

I bind myself in this way so that for the rest of my life I will have neither permission nor freedom to refuse opportunities of dying and shedding my blood for you, unless at a particular juncture I should consider it more suitable for your glory to act otherwise at that time. Further, I bind myself to this so that, on receiving the blow of death, I shall accept it from your hands with the fullest delight and joy of spirit. For this reason, my beloved Jesus, and because of the surging joy which moves me, here and now I offer my blood and body and life. May I die only for you, if you will grant me this grace, since you willingly died for me. Let me so live that you may grant me the gift of such a happy death. In this way, my God and Savior, I will take from your hand the cup of your sufferings and call on your name: Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!

My God, it grieves me greatly that you are not known, that in this savage wilderness all have not been converted to you, that sin has not been driven from it. My God, even if all the brutal tortures which prisoners in this region must endure should fall on me, I offer myself most willingly to them and I alone shall suffer them all.

Source: liturgies.net