January 7, 2023

Good Morning All,

Knights of Columbus Yard Sale at the Jockey Lot from 8:00 – 1:00.

First Saturday Mass resumes this morning at 9:30. Collection will be given to charity.

Fr. Bill Garrott will be at all the Masses this weekend prior to his Parish Mission on Sunday evening at 7 pm (rosary at 6:30 pm). Fr. Garrott will be giving the Homilies at each Mass. Plan on attending the 3 day mission, Sunday-Tuesday! Flyer attached.

The church bulletin will be coming tomorrow, so stay tuned!

- 1. Today's Readings: Christmas Weekday | USCCB
- 2. The RE Corner with Jan Heithaus:
- St. Raymond of Penafort (spelled in a variety of ways) is a little known saint to most of us. He lived from 1185-1275 in Barcelona. He was a Dominican priest who worked to aid Christian captives during the era of the Crusades and also helped organize the Church's legal code.

A contemporary of Saint Thomas Aquinas, he inspired the theologian to write the "Summa Contra Gentiles" for the conversion of non-Catholics. At least 10,000 Muslims reportedly converted as a result of St. Raymond's evangelistic labors.

- 3. Quote of the Day: St. Raymond of Penafort
- ~ "Look then on Jesus, the author and preserver of faith: in complete sinlessness he suffered, and at the hands of those who were

his own and was numbered among the wicked. As you drink the cup of the Lord Jesus (how glorious it is!), give thanks to the

Lord, the giver of all blessings."

St. Joseph, Pray for Us! St. Raymond of Penafort, Pray for Us!

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From a letter by St Raymond Penyafort, priest

May the God of love and peace set your hearts at rest

The preacher of God's truth has told us that all who want to live righteously in Christ will suffer persecution. If he spoke the truth and did not lie, the only exception to this general statement is, I think, the person who either neglects, or does not know how, to live temperately, justly and righteously in this world.

May you never be numbered among those whose house is peaceful, quiet and free from care; those on whom the Lord's chastisement does not descend; those who live out their days in prosperity, and in the twinkling of an eye will go down to hell.

Your purity of life, your devotion, deserve and call for a reward; because you are acceptable and pleasing to God your purity of life must be made purer still, by frequent buffetings, until you attain perfect sincerity of heart. If from time to time you feel the sword falling on you with double or treble force, this also should be seen as sheer joy and the mark of love.

The two-edged sword consists in conflict without, fear within. It falls with double or treble force within, when the cunning spirit troubles the depths of your heart with guile and enticements. You have learned enough already about these kinds of warfare, or you would not have been able to enjoy peace and interior tranquility in all its beauty.

The sword falls with double and treble force externally when, without cause being given, there breaks out from within the Church persecution in spiritual matters, where wounds are more serious, especially when inflicted by friends.

This is that enviable and blessed cross of Christ, which Andrew, that manly saint, received with joyful heart: the cross in which alone we must make our boast, as Paul, God's chosen instrument, has told us.

Look then on Jesus, the author and preserver of faith: in complete sinlessness he suffered, and at the hands of those who were his own and was numbered among the wicked. As you drink the cup of the Lord Jesus (how glorious it is!), give thanks to the Lord, the giver of all blessings.

May the God of love and peace set your hearts at rest and speed you on your journey; may he meanwhile shelter you from disturbance by others in the hidden recesses of his love, until he brings you at last into that place of complete plenitude where you will repose forever in the vision of peace, in the security of trust and in the restful enjoyment of his riches.

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PARISH MISSION iMERCY: THE DIVINE HOTSPOT Fr. Bill Garrott, OP JAN 8 - JAN 10, 2023

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Fr. Bill Garrott, OP, entered the Order of Preachers in 1988 and was ordained a priest in 1994. He has a master's degree in spiritual theology from the Angelicum in Rome. He has served as a Parochial Vicar, Campus Minister and Director of Vocations. Fr. Bill has preached nearly 200 parish missions throughout the United States and Canada using his musical abilities on piano and guitar. He has released two CDs. His home base is Washington, DC.

MISSION SCHEDULE

Fr. Bill Garrott will be present at all Sunday Masses January 7 & 8, 2023

Sunday	Jan 8	The Father's Blessing
	6:30 PM	Rosary
	7:00 PM	Presentation with Blessing with Oil of St. Joseph from St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Garrott
Monday	Jan 9	The Son's Healing
	8:30 AM	Mass
	9:30 AM	Confessions - Fr. Garrott
	6:30 PM	Rosary
	7:00 PM	Presentation with Eucharistic Procession and Adoration
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Garrott
Tuesday	Jan 10	The Spirit's Power
	5:30 PM	Mass
	6:30 PM	Rosary
	7:00 PM	Presentation with Veneration of a First Class Relic of St. John Paul II
	8:00 PM	Confessions - Fr. Garrott

Free Will Offerings Are Mandatory*