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September 14 – Matthew Archbold

Profiled by Tom Lang

Matthew Archbold will be flying into Fresno from Philadelphia to kick off CP&BC Fresno's 2018/2019 Breakfast Meetings. Matt is the father of five children, an author, and a columnist for several prominent Catholic publications.

His comedic and inspiring tales of raising five children in "The Catholic Digest" have moved many to laughter and tears, while his thoughtful take on current events, pro-life, and religious liberty issues at "The National Catholic Register" has garnered him a large and faithful readership.

His own blog "Creative Minority Report," whose tagline is "We laugh because we believe," has become one of the most popular Catholic blogs.

Matt's book, "Faith Under Fire – Dramatic Stories of Christian Courage," has received wide acclaim for its portrayals of Christians facing intolerance, oppression, and even violence with expressions of love and faith.

Deacon Greg Kandra, award-winning journalist and multimedia editor for the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, a papal agency established in 1926 dedicated to giving pastoral and humanitarian support to Northeast Africa, the Middle East, Eastern Europe, and India, called Archbold's work "Superb." He called the book "a bright beacon of hope" which will leave readers "uplifted, inspired, consoled, and enriched."

Marjorie Dannenfelser, president of the Susan B. Anthony List, said that Archbold "highlights the urgent need for a national conversation about – and defense of – religious liberty, the bedrock of our nation."

Danielle Bean, author, editor of "Catholic Digest" magazine, called Archbold "a gifted reporter and storyteller," who makes "stories come to life," and will "light a fire in your faith!"

Matthew will share with us "How My Children Rid Me of Sanity But Gave Me So Much More."



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Speaker Recap Deacon Lawrence Klimecki

By Norma Williams

The entire world is different because you are in it, and there is no such thing as an “ordinary” person, stated June speaker Deacon Lawrence Klimecki from Sacramento. “Be the hero of your own story,” he urged.

Defining a hero as someone who sacrifices self for others, he uses modern media such as “Star Wars” and “Lord of the Rings” as examples for self-discernment, learning who God wants us to be. We often resist, seeing it as a lot of trouble, feeling unworthy, or fearful to leave safe environments. Once we have done so, however, the revelation causes us to view life through fresh eyes.

On the journey to self-discernment, we risk and gather allies and mentors who advise and guide us through trials, challenges, obstacles and temptations. The adversary likes to hide in what we once found satisfaction: pleasure, pride, and power. At this point God might ask, “Can you handle it?” just as Luke Skywalker was questioned in “Star Wars.” We are then challenged to stay or return to help others. That’s where the real work begins as we use our gifts to bring change to the world. “I am” transforms to “we are” as it did for Saint Damian of Molokai who became one of the lepers he served. As Jesus stated in John 15:13, “No greater love is there than this: to lay down one’s life for his friends.”

Deacon Lawrence also is an artist whose intent is to reveal God in our surroundings and touch upon the reason for existence.

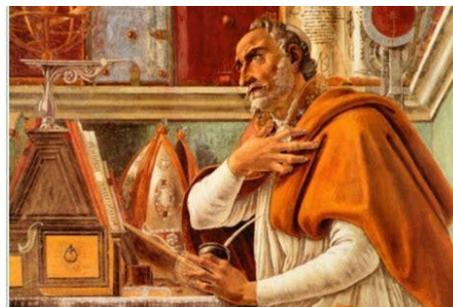
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Deacon Lawrence with his wife Anita

Prayer Research and Submission By Mary Borges

St. Augustine – Feast Day August 28



Prayer to Seek God Continually

O Lord my God, I believe in you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Insofar as I can, insofar as you have given me the power, I have sought you. I became weary and I labored. O Lord my God, my sole hope, help me to believe and never to cease seeking you. Grant that I may always and ardently seek out your countenance. Give me the strength to seek you, for you help me to find you and you have more and more given me the hope of finding you. Here I am before you with my firmness and my infirmity. Preserve the first and heal the second. Here I am before you with my strength and my ignorance. Where you have opened the door to me, welcome me at the entrance; where you have closed the door to me, open to my cry; enable me to remember you, to understand you, and to love you.
Amen.

Business Person of the Month Patricia A. Santy, M.D., M.S.

Dr. Patricia A. Santy is an M.D. Psychiatrist with 35 years of clinical experience, and is Board Certified in Psychiatry with a minor certification in Aerospace Medicine.

Besides her M.D. degree from UCLA, she has Masters’ Degrees in Biochemistry, Biomedical Engineering, and Theology.

Dr. Santy worked in the NASA spaceflight program and was the Crew Surgeon for a number of Shuttle missions including Challenger. She regularly gives talks on psychological requirements for long duration spaceflight, as well as various topics related to the Catholic religion, including mental health and religion.

She is the author of several books, including “Choosing the Right Stuff: The Psychological Selection of Astronauts.”

Currently she is a psychiatric consultant for California State University at Fresno and teaches all the online courses in the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner’s Program.



Upcoming Events

- October 12 – Breakfast Meeting
- November 9 – Breakfast Meeting
- December 14 – Breakfast Meeting

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Book Review

By John Kasaian

The Great Divorce
C.S. Lewis
145 pages, paperback
First HarperCollins paperback
edition, New York, 2001

The author of the Narnia books gives the reader in "The Great Divorce" an allegorical tale in response to Blake's "The Marriage of Heaven and Hell" – not that the reader needs to have read

Blake in order to understand what "The Great Divorce" is about.

Besides CS Lewis is fun to read, Blake not so much.

Here is a dream, Dante-esque but uniquely Lewis, Oxford Don and Cambridge Chair of Medieval Literature, and raconteur extraordinaire.

Set up your hammock, pack up your Dunhill with Three Nuns, and pour a tall one, for this promises to be good!

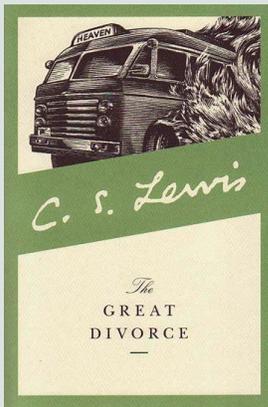
Hell is an immense gray town sparsely populated by the damned. Sparsely populated because no one gets along, so they perpetually quarrel and keep moving out of the neighborhood. Just like Los Angeles. Our character boards a day tripping bus bound for Heaven, taking ghosts who have finished their time in Purgatory along with simply prideful ghosts who want to argue with the Saints.

Heaven is a painfully uncomfortable place for transparent ghosts and the day trippers move around in great discomfort, each greeted eventually by a Saint who urges them to repent and climb with them up the mountain and get solid.

Our character is met by Philosopher George MacDonald, Lewis' answer to Virgil from Dante's Inferno, and sees first-hand the Great Divorce, the myriad of pride which keeps sinner's in hell and apart from God in Heaven.

I found "The Great Divorce" a grand little book, forcing the reader to meditate on the uncomfortable subjects of good and evil, grace and judgement.

You can get your copy from Cotter's Religious Goods.



September 21 – Reflection for the International Day of Peace

"The International Day of Peace is a day on which we try to imagine a world quite different from the one we know. We try to picture those who wage war laying down their arms and talking out their differences. We try to picture all governments listening to – and acting on – the will of the people. We try to picture hatred turning into respect, bigotry turning into understanding, and ignorance turning into knowledge. And we try to picture the very root causes of conflict – poverty, marginalization and greed – giving way to development and justice. We do this because progress in our world does not happen without someone first having a vision or a dream."

-Former United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan,
September 10, 2001



Let us pray:

Good and gracious God, we ask you to make us, like St. Francis, instruments of peace.

For those who govern nations and people,

We ask you grant them wisdom;
For those who are faithful to the struggle of justice,

We ask you grant them fortitude;
For those willing to explore the root causes of conflict,
We ask you grant them understanding;

For the trust You place in us all to bring about Your peace,
We express our gratitude.

Today and always, let me be attentive to the many ways I am able to sow peace in the world. Amen.

Excerpt from Catholic Health Association of the United States,
Reflection for the International Day of Peace

The tactic of nonviolence is a tactic of love that seeks the salvation and redemption of the opponent, not [their] castigation, humiliation, and defeat. ... True nonviolence ... strives to operate without hatred, without hostility, and without resentment. It works without aggression, taking the side of the good that it is able to find already present in the adversary.

Thomas Merton's
"Conjectures of
a Guilty Bystander"



Pope's Worldwide Prayer September Intention: Universal

Young People in Africa

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

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CP&BC Membership Dues: Annual dues are \$45 per person and are due June 30, 2019. A membership application form is available on our website at www.cpbcfresno.org. The deadline is December 31, 2019 to be included in the 2020 directory. For more information contact John Kanaley at 315-243-6597

Reservations: Reservations are required for all breakfast meetings, held at Pardini's, and can be made by calling Lourdes Sanchez at 559-434-2722 or by visiting www.cpbcfresno.org then click on the reservation link. Doors open at 7 a.m. for coffee and networking. The program starts at 7:20 a.m. and concludes at 8:30 a.m. The breakfast cost is \$17 for members and \$22 for non-members. An annual discounted cost of \$120 is available to members that prepay for the year; this is a savings of \$33. Reservations are still required for prepays.

Membership Directory for 2020: Ad space for the 2019 directory is closed. Ad space starts at \$50. Send an email to directory@cpbcfresno.org for more information. December 15, 2019 is the deadline to reserve ad space. December 31, 2019 is the deadline for ad artwork. More directory information is available at www.cpbcfresno.org

Prayer Network: CP&BC has a "prayer network" to be used for member prayer needs for themselves or loved ones. We have members already signed-up to pray for special needs submitted; however, anyone else is invited to also become part of the prayer network. Sally Lauritzen is the point person to whom requests can be made, and once they are received she will email or phone the network. Contact Sally (salauritz@att.net or 559-439-8378) to become part of the network or to submit a prayer request.

Website: Please be sure to visit www.cpbcfresno.org for all the latest information about our club. CP&BC thanks J. Colin Petersen of J - I.T. Outsource for the design and maintenance of the website.

Mission Statement:

As Catholic professional and business men and women, we are called to live our Christian ethics not only on Sundays, but throughout our daily lives at home and at work.

Our goal in the Catholic Professional & Business Club shall be to incorporate and uphold our beliefs in every aspect of our daily lives, and to gather to share with others who seek a more ethical business environment.

Each of us shall strive to achieve a commingling of our ethical obligations and our professional obligations in demonstration of the fact that ethics and business need not be mutually exclusive terms.

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