

PRAYER FOR ABORTED BABIES

LORD, I PRAY FOR ALL CHILDREN OF THE WORLD,
AND OF THIS COUNTRY,
FOR THOSE WHO HUNGER,
AND FOR THOSE WITH TEARFUL EYES,
FOR BEING ABANDONED,
OR FOR FEAR OF WAR.
BUT I ESPECIALLY PRAY FOR THOSE CHILDREN,
WHOM SOCIETY DENIES THE SUBLIME PRIVILEGE OF LIVING,
AND THROUGH MEANS OF ANTI-NATURAL LAW,
PROTECT THOSE DESIRING TO TAKE FROM THEM, THE GIFT OF LIFE.
FOR ALL THOSE GREAT MEN IN POWER,
WHOM ONLY ACHIEVE BEING UNGERMINATED CRUSHED SEEDS.
BABIES WHO SEE IN THEIR MOTHERS WOMB,
NOT THE FIRST NATURAL HABITAT,
BUT AN ASSASSINS CEMETERY THAT DENIES THEM TO WALK
ON THIS MARVELOUS BLUE PLANET,
WITHOUT GIVING THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO RUN, CRY OUT, TO PROTEST,
OR USING THE RECOURSE OF LEGITIMATE DEFENSE.
BABIES DEAD IN THE CEMETERY OF A UTERUS.
HOPES TRUNCATED BY A HUMANITY
THAT MOANS FOR HAVING GREAT HEROES, BASTIONS, HERALDS,
OF LOVE, OF SCIENCE, OF ART, AND PROGRESS.
FATAL ABERRATION OF UNCIVILIZED MEN OF THE XXI CENTURY,
MANIFESTATION OF THE CULTURE OF DEATH,
DENIAL OF THE GOSPEL OF LOVE.
BARBARIC SELFISHNESS THAT CLAMORS FOR JUSTICE TO HEAVEN.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

Father Vili Valderrama

*Since 1973, each year in the USA more than a million innocent babies die in maternal wombs,
victims of abortion, the most aberrant of homicides.*

NEW PARISH BULLETIN WITH EXTENSIVE BILINGUAL INFORMATION

Would you like to see a change in the parish bulletin format, with bilingual, extensive and varied information? It is possible thanks to the sponsors that advertise on the back page. If you are a business owner, consider advertising on our parish bulletin every week. Call the phone number on the on the back page of the bulletin. You can support the parish, in changing the format in this manner. There are 500 bulletins handed out every week, which would benefit your business with more Catholic Customers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please make your mass intentions during the week in the parish office. Don't try to do it on the weekends or at the last moment, immediately before Mass. Don't put your intentions on the altar. All intentions are to be registered in our data system. Thank you for your consideration.



BAPTISMS

Baptisms will be held on Saturday, January 2nd at 12:00 noon and Sunday, January 17th at 3:00 p.m. To register stop by the parish office.



COLLECTION

The amount collected last weekend was \$3,586.75. The parish goal is to collect \$5,000.00 a week to subsist, which equates to \$5.00 a week per family. Thank you for your generosity to the Church of Christ.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE KINO BORDER INITIATIVE

San Felipe de Jesus parish will host the *First Anniversary Thanksgiving Mass* of the founding of the Kino Border Initiative. The Mass celebrated by our Bishop of the Diocese of Tucson will be held on Sunday, January 17, 2010 at 1:00 P.M. Followed by a social gathering with all parishioners, the Jesuit Community, Sisters of the Eucharist and other special guests. We thank God for having sent Jesuit Priests to this border zone. We hope that this project continues to be fruitful and contributes to a better defense and protection of the weak in our society. But the responsibility is everyone's. We should all proclaim the dignity of the defenseless men and women of our world.

INTERNATIONAL JOURNEY FOR PEACE

Pope Benedict XVI's 2010 Message for the World Day of Peace, "If You Want to Cultivate Peace, Protect Creation," is the latest in a long tradition of Church teaching on our obligation to care for creation. Quoting Pope John Paul II and Pope Paul VI throughout his message, the Holy Father affirms that environmental degradation is "a wide-ranging social problem which concerns the entire human family" (# 3). *Some themes and excerpts from this statement are provided below. The full text of the message can be found at www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/messages/peace/index_en.htm*

Creation helps us to recognize our human dignity and God's love.

"Seeing creation as God's gift to humanity helps us understand our vocation and worth

as human beings . . . Contemplating the beauty of creation inspires us to recognize the love of the Creator" (# 2). **We have failed to carry out our role as steward.** "The true meaning of God's original command . . . was not a simple conferral of authority, but rather a summons to responsibility. . . . Nature is a gift of the Creator, who, enabled man to draw from it the principles needed to 'till it and keep it' (cf. *Gen. 2:15*). Everything that exists belongs to God, who has entrusted it to man" (# 6).

REMINDER ON FINGERPRINTING

Every third Thursday of each month, there is a session for fingerprinting, for those that have not done so or wish to serve in a ministry. The Diocese of Tucson prohibits persons that have not been fingerprinted to carry out any public function in the church: Serve, direct, teach, read, etc.. Please get your fingerprints taken, it is for everybody's well being. The next date for fingerprinting is Thursday, January 21, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN IS COMING

The Annual Catholic Campaign (ACC) is getting close, the support for the different ministries in the Diocese of Tucson. This year's goal is to collect 3.7 million dollars. All 76 parishes participate, each one with their own goals. This year's theme is: "Love and Serve Each Other". Be on the look out. If you have never made a promise to this campaign, would like to, and don't know what it is about, ask a parish leader, or at the parish office. Let us continue walking together, building a better world

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

It will take place Jan. 10-16. Let us intensify our prayers this January for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life for service in our Diocese. We know God answers our prayers. While we are blessed to have 16 seminarians this year preparing to serve as priests and one Deacon, Oscar Magallanes of Our Lady Queen of All Saints Parish, to be ordained this June. My hope is that we can invite 10 new candidates each year to enter the seminary and, as well, to invite women and men to consider serving the Church as vowed religious. Pray and invite!

2010 PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

NOTE: All meetings are at 7.00 p.m. in the parish hall.

January 21, 2010, February 25, 2010, March 25, 2010, April 22, 2010, May 27, 2010, June 24, 2010 July 29, 2010, August 26, 2010, September 23, 2010, October 28, 2010, November 23, 2010, December 16, 2010.

TUCSON MARCH FOR LIFE

The 2010 March for Life will take place on Saturday, Jan. 16. There will be a mass at 9 a.m. at St. Augustine Cathedral. After Mass, there will be a rally in Cathedral Hall with special guest speaker John Tabor of the Women's Crisis Centers. At 10:30a.m., we will begin our march to Holy Hope Cemetery, where we will hold the beautiful Rose Ceremony at the Statue of Rachel as a memorial for the children who have died because of abortion. This March for Life is a prayerful witness to our respect for life from conception to natural death. The March is held annually at the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision.

Each year, Kelly Copeland, in conjunction with the Arizona Right to Life, helps to organize this important event in which we can respectfully and publicly call for the repeal of Roe vs. Wade and an end to abortion on demand. In addition to marching, we need to intensify our efforts to reach out to women who are in situations in which they are considering abortion to help them to see their alternatives and that we want to assist them in any way possible to bring their child to term. Organizations like Reach Out, the Fatima's Women Center and Catholic Community Services are places where women can find help and support.