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Dear Friends in Christ,

**Lots in the news this week! Be sure to read the interview with Fr Matthew Van Smoorenburg LC, a great discussion of the call to a Legionary vocation. And if you have not been following the amazing story of nurse and RC member Kelly Suter, read about her work treating patients of Ebola in Liberia.**

God Bless...Jim

**Living the Joy of the Gospel**

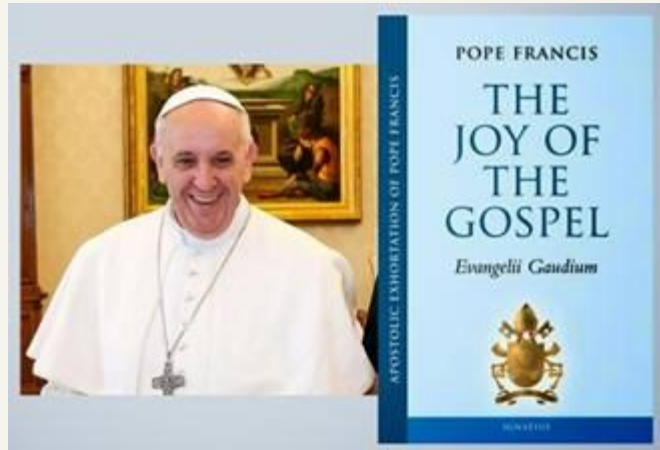
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Follow Regnum Christi!



As Advent approaches, Regnum Christi members are encouraged to immerse themselves in the “Joy of the Gospel.”

The RC Spirituality Center is offering a new study circle guide as a free download on the apostolic exhortation from Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel).

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## Reviving One Heart, One Life at a Time

Legionaries and Everest Collegiate High School students participate in 9th annual ProLife Youth Conference in Michigan



"Young Church, I feel your faith and your holy prayer! If this was the last mass I celebrated, I would die a happy person."

These were the words of Fr. Patrick Gonyeau of the Archdiocese of Detroit, the main celebrant at the vigil Mass that culminated the Building Bridges to a Culture of Life (BBCL) Prolife Youth conference held November 8 at Shrine High School in Royal Oak, Michigan. The theme of this year's event was "Revive One Heart, One Life at a Time!"

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## The Vocational Call of the Legion of Christ

An interview with Fr Matthew Van Smoorenburg LC, director of vocations for the North American Territory



Like many of today's Catholic priests, Fr. Matthew Van Smoorenburg LC wears many hats. He is pastor of St. Brendan the Navigator Parish in Cumming, Georgia. He also is a member of the Legion's territorial council for North America and the Regnum Christi Territory Council for North America. He took time from his demanding schedule to talk about one his most vital jobs, helping the Legion of Christ to respond to young men who may have a vocation to the priesthood.

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## Encouraging Family Prayer, Strengthening Parish Communities

National Director for the Pilgrim Queen of the Family Apostolate encourages Regnum



Maggie Biggs, National Director for the Pilgrim Queen of the Family (PQF) apostolate, is extending a personal invitation to Regnum Christi members to “bring Our Lady to family, friends, work, neighborhoods, schools, parishes and to all walks of life.”

“This apostolate is easy and simple to implement and a great way to bring Mary into your home and life,” she said. “Don’t miss this opportunity to open the door for Mary to come to many more American homes!”

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## “I’d Rather Be Here”

Nurse Kelly Suter is interviewed by 60 Minutes with the members of her medical team in West Africa



“Even though I know it’s a reality that I could get sick, and that I could be one of them that doesn’t survive, I’m OK with that because I’d rather be here helping than home and safe.”

These are the words of Kelly Suter, Nurse and Regnum Christi member, being interviewed this past Sunday on the 60 Minutes news program.

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## Know when to say "No"!



*"Men do not differ much about what things they will call evils; they differ enormously about what evils they will call excusable." G.K. Chesterton*

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## Liberia Update -- November 12

By Kelly Suter



Another week has come and gone here in West Africa. As remnants of the rainy season disappear, the heat and humidity seem to be climbing rapidly. Of course, this means there are now more insects, more scorpions, more snakes and more difficult working conditions. Despite those challenges, we are more determined than ever to contain the virus, provide good care and convey to our patients the depth of our commitment.

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## Wedding Dresses

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*"Just thread the needle, it is God who does everything." -- Blessed Mary of Jesus*

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I had the privilege of witnessing the marriage of Theresa and Ricky two weeks ago.

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## Darkness Part 1: Where We Fix Our Eyes

By Ashley Osmera



I hate the dark. I hate being in the dark, walking in the dark, waking up in the dark...yes. I hate the dark. There's something so utterly unnerving and vulnerable and helpless about the absence of light. At least for me, the absence of that light stirs in me a strong feeling that I have no control; it's rather hard to control what your eyes and mind and heart cannot grasp.

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## Offer yourself to God



*"Let your constant practice be to offer yourself to God, that He may do with you what He pleases." -- St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori*

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