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December 11, 2015

Dear Friends in Christ,

Regnum Christi members have much to be grateful this week!

Tomorrow, 44 men will be ordained priests of the Legion of Christ. You can learn all about it on the special ordination website...and you can watch the proceedings live at the site. You have to get up pretty early (4 a.m. US Eastern). Pictures, videos and written reports will be available shortly after the ordinations are finished.

Advent is a special time of preparation, prayer and reflection as we ready ourselves for the arrival of the Christ Child. So, the Legion has set up a special place to submit prayers intentions. If you, friends, family anyone – have prayer intentions you would

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like bolstered by Legionary prayers, [here is the place to visit.](#)

You can see the third in our series of videos on the Communications Principles of Regnum Christi: [Transparency and Truth.](#)

And, you'll find more items of interest below, including a new video message from Fr John Connor LC, territorial director for the Legion.

**God Bless....Jim
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[A video message from Fr John Connor LC](#)



**Meet the Renewal Delegates 12:
Cindy Casper- Michigan,**

Northern Indiana, and Toledo OH Women



My name is Cindy Casper. My husband, Bryan and I live in the small town of Argos, Indiana, which is about 30 miles south of Notre Dame. We have been married for 33 years and have three grown children. I have been in the movement since Christ the King of 1998. I was drawn to the movement in a time in my life when I was searching for true Catholic formation for our family, especially for our three children. I can still remember sitting many times in front of the Blessed Sacrament talking with Our Lord, "I can't protect them from the evils in this world, please provide a means to help me educate and develop their faith in such a way that they will know the love you have for them, to know true teachings of the church and so that these teachings remain with them throughout their lives."

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**Meet the Renewal Delegates 13: Donna Garrett –
Member of the Regnum Christi Territorial
Committee**



I grew up in Nebraska in a Catholic family having two sisters and two brothers. My oldest brother was born with Down Syndrome and continues to be one of the greatest influences in my life. I knew I was going to be a nurse dedicated to sick children since the age of five. I graduated with a bachelor's degree in nursing and spent most of that time working in the pediatric intensive care units. Among my other great blessings are my husband Jeff of 27 years and our four children ages 21-25.

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Meet the Renewal Delegates 14: Eileen Wieck: Washington/Oregon



My name is Eileen Wieck. I am the delegate for Washington/Oregon. I live just outside of Seattle. I met RC in Edmonton, Canada through road teams when I was 17. I served as section assistant throughout my 20's. The Consecrated women and Legionaries always treated me as though they believed in me despite my inexperience and youth. I had never heard that voice of confidence before and I struggled to believe it.

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Meet the Renewal Delegates 15: Valerie Doran, Calgary Women



My name is Valerie Doran, and I am a second degree third level member of Regnum Christi (along with my husband Brian). In 2001, we moved to the city of Edmonton with our two small children, as Brian was beginning university there to become a doctor. Shortly after we settled, our dear friend Eileen Wieck connected with us and shared Regnum Christi with us. Everything she spoke of resonated in our hearts and we were so excited to know more; we agreed to attend the upcoming Mass for Regnum Christi families.

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Conquest Saints Vs. Zombies?



On November 28th and 29th, twelve boys ranging from grades five to twelve and three dads came together at Camp Brebeuf of the Hamilton Diocese for an unforgettable Conquest weekend. The theme uniting the retreat was Christ as the unfailing friend in our spiritual battle. The idea of spiritual warfare came to life throughout the weekend in a showdown between saints (the campers) and the zombies (obstacles, the counselors, dads, etc).

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A work before dying

By Melicia Antonio

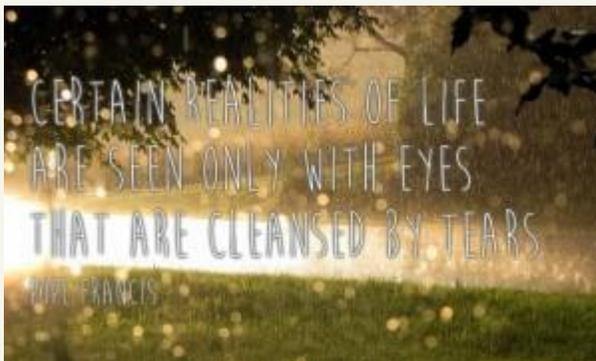


Hidden in a niche in Rome's Basilica of Saint Sebastian is a little-known Bernini treasure: his "Salvator Mundi," or Saviour of the World. I rather happened upon it by accident, popping into a cool church to find relief after a long hike on the Via Appia and being captivated by a hauntingly beautiful bust. Bernini, I found out later, called it his "Darling." Sculpted shortly before his death at the long-ripe age of 82, he wished it to be sum of his artistic endeavors and a final testimony of his personal love for Christ.

Perhaps it is not the most-visited Bernini work in all Rome, but it is the work that Bernini most loved. What will be the final work of your life? Will it be an expression of the love that has motivated you all your life?

The Love of Christ Impels Us

By Carol Dodd



I recently made my first visit to an ICU. But let me clarify: I wasn't the patient—I was the student. Just two hours, and I learned so much.

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So Much More

By Br Dain Scherber LC



Christ's love in the manger is overwhelming. In the minor seminary, we used to have special dinners in preparation for Christmas. We called them Posadas after the Spanish tradition of having a procession in memory of the inns ("posada" is Spanish for "inn") that had no room for Mary and Joseph. We began with the rosary followed by a procession outside and concluded with dinner prepared by one of the classes. I always remember processing outside in the icy, dark New Hampshire evenings, trying to keep my candle lit, avoid slipping on the black ice and landing on my tailbone, keep my fingers and ears from freezing, and respond to the litanies of the procession all at the same time, all the while hoping to survive until we arrived to a nice hot dinner. The thought would always strike me: Jesus, Mary and Joseph had it all that night except the warm dinner after. I don't know if I would have survived those processions without that savory "carrot" in front of me, but those cold nights helped me appreciate more just what Jesus gave up for me.

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My Heart Doesn't Stop Beating

By Rachel Peach



“I don't understand!”

A whiney voice from the back of the 12 passenger van. I turned around. I wasn't sure what my 9 year old brother was talking about.

“What is it, Isaiah?”

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Heart Prepare our hearts

By Br Andrew Gronotte LC



Christ is coming. We are already a good ways into advent. Time is flying. The readings today remind us of the urgency to prepare for our Lord. The days we have left, we need to find what is stopping God from having a place in our heart. The path has to be made smooth so that He can come. John reminds us how we can prepare for His coming, repenting. In the mystery of Christmas, we are confronted with the Mercy of God that comes to meet us and to raise us up to Him. But for us to meet God's mercy we need to recognize our need. On Tuesday the Holy Father will inaugurate a jubilee year for the Church, celebrating God's mercy. This Christmas Christ wants to give us His mercy, but we need to open our hearts to receive it.

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