

*"Come, let us climb
the Lord's
mountain...that he
may instruct us in his
ways, and we may
walk in his paths...
come let us walk in
the light of the
Lord!"*

ISAIAH 2:3,5



Fall Newsletter 2017



*A
time for
goodbyes*



Fr. Antonio Giraldo was with us for about two years and said many of our week day Masses. This June he was transferred. We serenaded him with "Las Mañanitas" as a send off gift. We are not fluent Spanish singers, so Father encouragingly sang with us!



Fr. Randy Stice, had been one of our confessors and Spiritual Director since our arrival in the Knoxville diocese in May 2013. At that time we lived in Benton, TN. After we moved north to New Market, he willingly commuted, once a month, to continue ministering to us. Such was the generosity of his priestly heart!

He was appointed associate director of the Secretariat of Divine Worship for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. This became effective July 1, 2017.





*Honoring our Lady of
Fatima in our May
crowning in chapel.*



Deacon Jack, from Holy Trinity
Parish, preparing to give Benediction.

† July 1, 2017 our Lord called Sister Rose Anne of Jesus Home



Sister's wake. We gathered around her and prayed the



Bishop Richard Stika presides at Sr. Rose Anne's funeral Mass.

*Sister Rose Anne of Jesus
celebrating 50th Years in Vows
on June 19, 2016*

Happy, grace-filled moments

Sister had just finished pronouncing her renewal of Vows. Reverend Mother had her turn and face us. The grace filled moment of jubilation erupted with applause! Sister Rose Anne responded with an unexpected courtsey, on right, followed by a happy chuckle and a wave to all of us as a sign of gratitude!

Thank you, Sister Rose Anne, for your loving example and your joy! We continue to pray for you and ask your intercession.!



*Sister Christiana of Christ the King
Perpetual Vows ~ July 7, 2017*



Bishop Stika blessing of the Crown of Thorns and Ring



*Cardinal Rigali concelebrates at
Sister Final Profession Mass*



L-R Sunny, Sister Christiana and her mom



Group photo of this happy and blessed event!

The coming and going of loved ones, either in transfers, moves, or being called home to God are all precious. The moments of Sister Rose Anne's last days with us, and the surprise of her sudden "take off" for heaven left us so aware that our days and our moments are not ours. These are gifts; all is a gift. Her departure was a very concrete reminder how vital it is to prepare for the most important moment of our lives: the moment of entrance into Eternity!

Sister Christiana's perpetual profession came three days after Sister Rose Anne's funeral. Bishop Stika was present for both of these great events. A kind of silent undercurrent, a silent teaching, an eloquent homily from Jesus was being given as we prepared for the jubilation of a perpetual profession which followed three days later. It was the first time we have had a perpetual profession following so closely after a funeral.

What was the silent eloquent homily? "My dearest bride, you give yourself to Me in pronouncing your perpetual vows which bind us together forever. Words are used and pronounced, the covenant sealed forever in Me. I give all to you and you give all to Me. The years move forward and each day, each hour, each moment, these Vows need to be renewed, re-confirmed, reinvigorated so that when the moment for total consummation arrives you will be ready to receive my full divine embrace. Take care to guard each precious moment for it carries the weight of Eternal glory!"

August 21, 2017 - Solar Eclipse



In New Market, TN we experienced 99.1% of the total solar eclipse. Special solar glasses were purchased so we could view this spectacular wonder. Prior to the big day of the eclipse, we were given lots of information to help us comprehend what was going to take place. These were exciting moments as we all went hurriedly finished the noon dishes and positioned ourselves in the best location on our property.

We share some of our lighter moments with you. Look closely, you will notice that pointed finger is bent!



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Truth be known, we aren't even trying to look at the sun!! It took several tries for us to figure out where our Sister-photographer placed the camera! As you can see, some found the camera better than others!

