

### Altar Society

Congratulations to all those who received their First Holy Communion. What a special day this was for you.

A big THANK YOU to all who helped with Bishop Connolly's funeral luncheon. Thanks to the Knights for set up and take down and all the Altar Society ladies that were there to help. It was a big job for our parish but with everyone's help it was a success.

Today is Mother's Day so don't forget to remember your mother. Here is a prayer from Creighton University especially for Mom's on Mother's Day:

#### **GRATITUDE FOR MY MOTHER**

Dear Lord today I turn to you to give you thanks for my mother. With your own gift of life, she bore me in her womb and gave me life. She tenderly, patiently cared for me and taught me to walk and talk. She read to me and made me laugh. No one delighted in my successes more; no one could comfort me better in my failures. I am so grateful for how she mothered me and mentored me, and even disciplined me.

Please bless her, Lord, and comfort her. Help her loving heart to continue to love and give of herself to others. Strengthen her when she is down and give her hope when she is discouraged.

Most of all, Lord, on the Mother's Day, give my mother the graces she most needs and desires today. I ask you this, in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior forever and ever.

#### **THE CALL WENT OUT --- YOU RESPONDED!!!**

"Thank you" to Knights and family members that adapted their priorities last week and helped set-up/take-down of tables, chairs or assisted in some way for the Funeral Mass and Reception for Bishop Connolly. (With fear of missing someone, we won't mention names)---BUT you and your family members know who you are -- "**Thank you.**"

His brother and family members from Nampa, Idaho and family members with a 13 hour drive from mid Nevada were here---- and expressed sincere appreciation. "Your hospitality expresses your thoughts and feelings for one of our family---who we always called Bishop Tom."

#### **In Memory**

This past week we helped bury one of our parishioners and Knight of Columbus Council members. When he was assigned Bishop for the Baker Diocese, Bishop Connolly joined the Baker City Council # 849. He remained as one of our council members even after the move of the Chancery Office to Bend, in 1987. Many of us remember him attending our council monthly meetings when he was in town. He never missed attending a Knights of Columbus State Convention---even if only a brief appearance for ½ day. Definitely a "pillar" of the KC organization and the virtues of charity, unity and Catholic fraternity they promote.

What more appropriate closure for one of our parishioners, than the printed tribute on parchment paper that was placed on his casket. The funeral director felt it should go with him; it did. ***Bishop Thomas J. Connolly He was a dedicated, devout and beloved priest-bishop, known and respected in the community and a friend of all. God bless you forever.***

### **RELAY FOR LIFE YARD SALE**

**Saturday May 23, 2015**

**May 23rd - starting at 8AM to 1PM at 39183  
Pocahontas Road (across from D & B) corner of  
Pocahontas road and Chico Road.**

**If anyone would like to donate items for the Yard Sale,  
Please call 541-519-6632 or 541-519-5141 for pickup or  
delivery instruction**

### **Catholicism, The Journey of a Lifetime**

Beginning May 21, join us for ten weeks of video presentation. ***Catholicism, The Journey of a Lifetime*** is created and hosted by Rev. Robert E. Barron. Each video is approximately one hour in length and the subjects are listed below by viewing date. Fr. Barron travels to over 50 locations throughout 15 countries, presenting the spiritual artistic treasures of our Church. This is an informal gathering in the parish hall provided for educational and spiritual enrichment.

### **Religious Education**

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his friends, "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love." John 15:9-11

The Fourth Commandment: Honor your Father and Mother. You show your love for your parents by the kind and generous things that you do for them each and every day.



### **A Prayer for all Mothers**

Thank you, Lord, that you fill a mother's heart with love,  
That you have instilled in her very being the need to protect her children if at all possible,  
Thank you for giving her the gift of nurturing her children, of teaching them, of comforting them,  
For feeding them and making a safe place for them.

For guiding them to be all that God has created them to be.  
Fill every mother with love, wisdom and endurance, with strength and patience and joy.  
Give them ability to forgive again and again.  
Enable her to rely on You and call upon You, because You will give her all she needs. Amen