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From the

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Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima (part 8)

6th Apparition of Our Lady: "Eye Witness Accounts," of Oct. 13, 1917 (continuation):

O Dia (another Lisbon daily, edition of 17 October 1917): "At one o'clock in the afternoon, midday by the sun, the rain stopped. The sky, pearly grey in colour, illuminated the vast arid landscape with a strange light. The sun had a transparent gauzy veil so that the eyes could easily be fixed upon it. The grey mother-ofpearl tone turned into a sheet of silver which broke up as the clouds were torn apart and the silver sun, enveloped in the same gauzy grey light, was seen to whirl and turn in the circle of broken clouds. A cry went up from every mouth and people fell on their knees on the muddy ground.... The light turned a beautiful blue, as if it had come through the stained-glass windows of a cathedral, and spread itself over the people who knelt with outstretched hands. The blue faded slowly, and then the light seemed to pass through yellow glass. Yellow stains fell against white handkerchiefs, against the dark skirts of the women. They were repeated on the trees, on the stones and on the serra. People wept and prayed with uncovered heads, in the presence of a miracle they had awaited. The seconds seemed like hours, so vivid were they."

Ti Marto (father of Jacinta and Francisco) "We looked easily at the sun, which for some reason did not blind us. It seemed to flicker on and off, first one way, then another. It cast its rays in many directions and painted everything in different colors--- the trees, the people, the air and the ground. But what was most extraordinary, I thought, was that the sun did not hurt our eyes. Everything was still and guiet, and everyone was looking up. Then at a certain moment, the sun appeared to stop spinning. It then began to move and to dance in the sky until it seemed to detach itself from its place and fall upon us. It was a terrible moment."

Maria de Capelinha (one of the earliest believers): "The sun turned everything to different colours--yellow, blue and white. Then it shook and trembled. It looked like a wheel of fire that was going to fall on the people. They began to cry out, "We shall all be killed!" Others called to our Lady to save them. They recited acts of contrition. One woman began to confess her sins aloud, advertising that she had done this and that.... When at last the sun stopped leaping and moving, we all breathed our relief. We were still alive, and the miracle which the children had foretold, had been seen by everyone."

Dr. Almeida Garrett, PhD (Coimbra University): I was looking at the place of the apparitions, in a serene, if cold, expectation of something happening, and with diminishing curiosity, because a long time had passed without anything to excite my attention. Then I heard a shout from thousands of voices and saw the multitude suddenly turn its back and shoulders away from the point toward which up to now it had directed its attention, and turn to look at the sky on the opposite side. It must have been nearly two o'clock by the legal time, and about midday by the sun. The sun, a few moments before, had broken through the thick layer of clouds which hid it, and shone clearly and intensely. I veered to the magnet which seemed to be drawing all eyes, and saw it as a disc with a clean-cut rim, luminous and shining, but which did not hurt the eyes. I do not agree with the comparison which I have heard made in Fatima---that of a dull silver disc. It was a clearer, richer, brighter colour, having something of the luster of a pearl. It did not in the least resemble the moon on a clear night because one saw it and felt it to be a living body. It was not spheric like the moon, nor did it have the same colour, tone, or shading. It looked like a glazed wheel made of mother-of-pearl. It could not be confused, either, with the sun seen through fog (for there was no fog at the time), because it was not opaque, diffused or veiled. In Fatima it gave light and heat and appeared clear-cut with a well-defined rim.

The sky was mottled with light cirrus clouds with the blue coming through here and there, but sometimes the sun stood out in patches of clear sky. The clouds passed from west to east and did not obscure the light of the sun, giving the impression of passing behind it, though sometimes these flecks of white took on tones of pink or diaphanous blue as they passed before the sun. It was a remarkable fact that one could fix one's eyes on this brazier of heat and light without any pain in the eyes or blinding of the retina. (Cont. on page 3)



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DOWHAT IS JUST

20th Sunday in Ordinary **Time** August 20 2017

Liturgy Schedule			Location	Mass Intention
Mon., Aug. 21	7:45 AM	Prayer/Communion Service	Elkton	
Tues., Aug. 22	7:30 AM 7:45 AM 9:00 AM	Mass Prayer/Communion Service Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Flandreau Elkton Colman	† Rita Walker
Wed., Aug. 23	9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Elkton Colman	All Parishioners
Thur., Aug. 24	7:45 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration	Elkton Colman	 All Parishioners
Fri., Aug. 25	7:45 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Prayer/Communion Service Mass/Exposition/Adoration Mass (Fr. Osborn)	Elkton Flandreau Colman	 † Steve Evans
Sat., Aug. 26	5:00 PM	Mass	Elkton	All Parishioners
Sun., Aug. 27	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Mass Mass	Colman Flandreau	† Frances/Joe Klein † Mabel Heinemann
CONFESSIONS ~ 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass.				

MINISTERS OF SERVICE

ELKTON ~ SAT., AUG. 26

Lay Minister: Judy Kampmann, Sharon Landsman

Lect./Comm.: Bill Fargen, Kelly Neill **Altar Servers:** William/Garrett Neill

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Chuck Lorden Family

Ushers: Dan Knuth, Bill Stuefen

COLMAN ~ SUN., AUG. 27

Lay Minister: Doug Entringer, Betty Merges,

Ryan Zwart Lect/Comm: Chad Groos

Altar Servers: Kennedi Landis, Ava Mousel Gifts/Ushers/Greeters: Dan Miles Family

FLANDREAU ~ SUN., AUG. 27

Lay Minister: Dave Johnson, Jean McGlone, Bev Minor

Lect./Comm.: Pat/Amy Weight

Altar Servers: Cade/Brant LeBrun, Kelsey Sutton,

Luke Behrens

Ushers/Greeters: Todd Dietrich Family, Jeri Sabie

Sacristan: Bev Minor

Read our parish bulletins on-line:

www.parishesonline.com/find/sts-simon-and-jude-parish

Intention of the Holy Father for August: That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the be auty of creation.

Aug 13th
Our
Weekly Offering

Flandreau: \$3010 **Elkton:** \$853 **Colman:** \$1229

Daily Mass Readings:

Aug 21: Judges 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-44; Matthew 19:16-22 Aug 22: Judges 6:11-24; Ps 85:9-14; Matthew 19:23-30 Aug 23: Judges 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Matthew 20:1-16 Aug 24: Revelation 21:9-14; Ps 145:10-18; John 1:45-51 Aug 25: Ruth 1;1-6,14-16,22; Ps 146:5-10; Matt 22:34-40 Aug 26: Ruth 2:1-11, 4:13-17; Ps 128:1-5; Matt 23:1-12 Aug 27: Isaiah 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-8; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20

August 23: Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin: St. Rose is the first canonized saint of the American continent. Born 1586 at Lima in Peru, she was at an early age drawn to the love of God and began to live a life of prayer and penance. She worked hard to support her parents when they were in financial difficulties; but she would not consent to their designs for a marriage since she had vowed to consecrate her virginity to God. Having joined the third order of St. Dominic, she devoted herself almost entirely to a life of prayer, receiving many graces but also severely tried by temptations. She died at the age of 31 after a long and painful illness, and was canonized in 1671.

From "The Saints in Season", Edited by Austin Flannery, O.P.

September/October Mass Schedule

Colman - Saturday at 7:00 PM Elkton- Sunday at 8:30 AM

STS. SIMON & JUDE

Needed for the CCD program this fall:

- teacher for 5th grade
- co-teachers for 7th & 8th program
- co-teacher for the High School program

Do you have an eye for creatively hanging pictures? Please call Jeri Sabie (941-7303) or the parish office (997-2610) if you can help hang pictures in the church basement, making it a more engaging place to gather.

ACCEPT TRIALS

Trials and troubles may seem to overwhelm you. They cannot do more than work My Will, and that Will you have said is your Will.

Do you not see that you cannot be destroyed? From now a new Life is opening out before you. Yours to enter into the Kingdom I have prepared

The sunlight of My Presence is on your paths. Trust and go forward unafraid. My Grace is sufficient for all your needs.

From God Calling by A.J. Russell

Pray for Life with Bishop Paul J. Swain by Planned Parenthood on 41st Street 12:00 Noon ~ August 22nd

Save the Date! October 1, 2017 - Life Chain

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

A proposal for landscaping Landscaping: improvements on the parish grounds has been developed and is on display in the church Please stop by and check it out. entrance. Donations and/or Memorials are being accepted.



Congratulations to Ronald & Wedding Brittany (Otkin) Taylor who were married this weekend. May God's love grow stronger in their lives.

ST. PETER

Rolls & Coffee after Mass on Sun., August 27th. All are invited, sponsored by the K of C.

TRI-PARISH

Parish Annual Reports are available in the church entrance.

CCD Classes begin September 13th at all parishes.

Safe Environment: Annual training is required for all parish employees and any one who volunteers with our youth. For those who are unable to complete the training on-line, a training session will be held August 30 - 7:00 **PM** at the CCD center in Flandreau.

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The phenomenon, except for two interruptions when the sun seemed to send out rays of refulgent heat which obliged us to look away, must have lasted about ten minutes. The sun's disc did not remain immobile. This was not the sparkling of a, heavenly body, for it spun round on itself in a mad whirl. Then, suddenly, one heard a clamour, a cry of anguish breaking from all the people. The sun, whirling wildly, seemed to loosen itself from the firmament and advance threateningly upon the earth as if to crush us with its huge and fiery weight. The sensation during those moments was terrible.

During the solar phenomenon, which I have just described in detail, there were changes of colour in the atmosphere. Looking at the sun, I noticed that everything around was becoming darkened. I looked first at the nearest objects and then extended my glance further afield as far as the horizon. I saw everything an amethyst colour. Objects around me, the sky and the atmosphere, were of the same colour. An oak tree nearby threw a shadow of this colour on the ground. Fearing that I was suffering from an affection of the retina, an improbable explanation because in that case one could not see things purple-colored, I turned away and shut my eyes, keeping my hands before them to intercept the light. With my back still turned, I opened my eyes and saw that the landscape was the same purple colour as before. The impression was not that of an eclipse, and while looking at the sun I noticed that the atmosphere had cleared. Soon after I heard a peasant who was near me shout out in tones of astonishment: "Look, that lady is all yellow!" And in fact everything, both near and far, had changed, taking on the colour of old yellow damask. People looked as if they were suffering from jaundice, and I recall a sensation of amusement at seeing them look so uply and unattractive. My own hand was the same colour. All the phenomena which I have described were observed by me in a calm and serene state of mind, and without any emotional disturbance. It is for others to interpret and explain them." (www.ewtn.com/fatima/apparitions/angel1.htm)

Inner Healing Retreat facilitated by the Matthew Ministry: Sept. 8-10 at Abbey of the Hills. This retreat will help individuals go to the source of their hurts and receive the healing Spirit of Christ and be set free. For more information about retreat content go to: www.thematthewministry.com To Register, go to abbeyofthehills.com.

Grieving the Loss of a Loved One: Sept. 15-17 Weekend Non-Denominational Retreat, held at Broom Tree Retreat Center. Call 988-3775 or 800-700-7867 or email cfs@sfcatholic.org for more information or to register. Registrations limited.



The 23rd Annual "BISHOP'S Cup" Benefiting Broom Tree Retreat & BISHOP'S CUP/ Conference Center: Monday, August 28th at the Minnehaha Country Club.

For more details on the rules, schedule and to register, visit www.ccfesd.org



Charity Bishop's Hunt: Sept. 25 & 26 benefiting Newman Center Campus

Ministries; held at Horseshoe K Ranch, Kimball. Register at www.ccfesd.org or call 988-3765.

Beautifully Made - A Women's Conference: We are excited to announce the first-ever diocesan women's conference! Save the Date for April 14, 2018 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center, and sign up at www.sfcatholic.org/WomensConference for the latest news and updates! If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Chris Burgwald.

Youth: Going Deeper: September 15-17 Youth Conference: October 21 March for Life: January 17-21, 2018

www.sfcatholic.org/vouth/

Sioux Falls SEARCH: October 27-29 www.sfcatholic.org/youth/search-forchristian-maturity/

TONIC SoL-FA Concert: Sunday, Sept. 24 -4:00 p.m. at Abbey of the Hills. Tonic Sol-fa is an a cappella trio from the Minneapolis-Saint Paul pop-music-oriented region. With а largely repertoire, their CDs have sold over 1,000,000 copies, and the group has toured throughout the US and abroad. Tickets at abbeyofthehills.com

Surviving Divorce Program- Fall Sessions: For information or to register contact Catholic Family Services at 605-988-3775 or cfs@sfcatholic.org. Cost \$45 - Scholarships are available.

- Sioux Falls, SD begins Wednesday, September 6th. 6:30-8:30 pm.
- Brookings, SD begins Tuesday, Sept. 12th, 6:30-8:30 pm at St. Thomas More Parish.

Flandreau Locker Benefit: August 20th, 10:00 -2:00 at the Flandreau Community Center.

Baptismal Preparation Class: Required of all parents requesting to have their child baptized. Classes are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month in SS&J Parish Basement. Contact Fr. Doug (997-2610) prior to the class to register and give baptismal information.

Broom Tree Retreats:

For more information and to register please call (605) 263-1040. email broomtree@sfcatholic.org or visit our website

Silent Retreats:

Women's: Sept. 7-10 (changed date), Oct. 19-22, Nov. 2-5

Men's: September 21-24, November 16-19

Days of Recollection: Aug. 22, Sept. 12, Oct. 17, Nov. 14, Dec. 5. Begins at 10 a.m. and include conferences, time for Adoration, Mass, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The day ends in mid-afternoon. Because lunch is served, we ask that you please *register*. A prayerful donation is requested.

One day silent retreats: October 28, December 9. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Designed as an introduction to Ignatian silent retreats, it includes an orientation to silent prayer, entering into grand silence and spending the day with the Lord there. Holy Mass will be offered as well as time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession, the Rosary and two meditations spread through the day. And just like other silent retreats, lunch will also be served in silence. You will have time to take a walk on the grounds, pray and guiet your soul. Cost - donation.

Father Flood



