

Each and every one of us has a particular vocation that must be followed, but the most important of all vocations is the vocation to love God. It is superimposed on whatever other vocation we follow in life. It does not interfere; it lifts and makes holy whatever we have set out to do. The vocation to love God gives light and serenity and peace to the fulfilling of the vocation of life for us. There is no frenzy about it. The love of solitude and peace and quiet does not militate against the ordinary demands of a day in the market place. With this in mind we should come to learn how to utilize the short day of this life for the glory of God, and for the sanctification of self and the salvation of our souls.

In conclusion, a word about our confessions is in order. We must avoid mechanical and repetitious confessions – confessions made with little or no firm purpose of amendment. Mechanical and repetitious confessions are cold formalities having little effect on the improvement of our soul's condition. These dead statements can sometimes go on for years without end, never with change of format or content. It can be reasonably assumed that such a way of expressing sorrow for sin will one day be met by judgment – judgment dictated by strict justice and not loving mercy!

Our Lord Himself has said: "Oh, if people would only love Me, what felicity would reign in this unhappy world."

1. **CATECHISM CLASS:** Children 6 to 14 please meet Father Joseph in the vestibule right after the 10:00 Mass.
2. There WILL be 5:00 PM Sunday Vespers and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament this afternoon.
3. Monday, November 13, 2006, is the Feast of all Benedictine Saints.
4. Tuesday, November 14, 2006, is the Commemoration of all Benedictine Souls.
5. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels. LET US ALSO PRAY FOR EVERYONE. Let us pray for ALL the priests and religious men and women of the world. NO MAN, WOMAN, OR CHILD SHOULD BE LEFT OUT OF OUR PRAYER. God made all men to be with Him in heaven for all eternity, and this includes every human being on earth, regardless of station or condition or place. While Our Blessed Lord was hanging on the Cross He did not look around and pick and choose those for whom He was dying. He did not exclude a single member of the Human Race – even His enemies – from the wounded Love that came forth from Him during those momentous moments. Weak human nature and erroneous persuasions will prevent some from achieving the purpose intended for them by God, but that matter remains entirely between all such and God. Our only duty is to pray for souls. We make **no** judgments concerning such matters. If there is any sifting to be done, it is to be done by God, Himself alone. We are **NOT** the ones to do the sifting.
6. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK:** (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)
 - SUNDAY: For the People of our Chapels
 - MONDAY: Deceased Father James Wathen
 - TUESDAY: The Henderson Family, living and dead
 - WEDNESDAY: Deceased Anton and Margaret Satori
 - THURSDAY: Welfare Lil Griffin
 - FRIDAY: Deceased Ada Stewart
 - SATURDAY: Deceased Arthur Harris (*Anniversary*)

Reverend Father James Wathen died Tuesday morning, November 7, 2006.

Another reliable old head is gone. When all the old heads are gone (and how many of them are left?), it can be said that Catholicism – true and authentic Catholicism has become a hearsay religion. Only those who actually lived when Catholicism was in full force and when it gave forth of its true brilliance and holiness to countless children of God; only those who actually experienced the unbelievable beauty and splendor and holiness of the Catholic life can tell of it first hand to anybody. Some such priests of God have been able by the grace of God to pass unto younger heads for safekeeping the treasure deposited in their own heads.

Father Wathen was a good and holy priest, and he did much good work for the welfare of God's Holy Faith. He was misunderstood and maligned, but undaunted, he continued his very good work.

After a very long and very painful cancer sickness, God called Father Wathen unto Himself. Let us pray that Father will pray for us as we continue the tremendous effort of keeping the flickering light of our Catholic and true Faith from going out altogether. Let us pray for the soul of Father James Wathen. May he rest in peace.

"The kingdom of God is within you. Wherefore, O faithful man, be converted to the Lord with all your heart. Forsake this miserable world and your soul will find rest. Learn to despise exterior things, ... and Christ will come to you and impart to you His consolation, if you prepare for Him a worthy dwelling within yourself. ... Make room for Christ and forbid entrance to all the rest." (The Following of Christ)