



Catholics United for the Faith

Affirming Authentic Catholicism in Milwaukee

St. Gregory VII Chapter
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Fr. Eric Nielsen to discuss "Living the Faith in a Declining Culture" on Sunday, Oct. 16

Rev. Eric Nielsen has been the pastor and director of the St. Paul University Catholic Center since 2006, and a priest of the Diocese of Madison since 1995. He graduated from UW-Madison in 1984 with a degree in Civil Engineering, and he entered the Mundelein Seminary in 1990. The oldest of seven children, Fr. Nielsen grew up in Oshkosh and graduated from Lourdes High School in 1979. Although he enjoys outdoor activity and travel, he now spends most of his time encouraging UW-Madison students to focus on study and prayer as a path to know, love and serve Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nielsen's "Priestly Address" at this Twenty-eighth annual Msgr. Alphonse S. Popek Dinner should be "a must hear" for anyone involved with the education of young adults. This would include directors of religious education, catechists, directors of youth activity programs, and of course, parents. There are many who believe that the quality of the Catholic education provided at the St. Paul Center in Madison is greater than that found at liberal, Catholic colleges such as Marquette University. Fr. Nielsen directs 15 full-time missionaries, over 150 student leaders, and 80 small group Bible studies in a program that is producing priestly vocations and Catholic marriages - all of this - while building a new, 25 million dollar Chapel and student center to be ready in fall of 2017. Come and bring a friend to hear Fr. Nielsen discuss the challenge of:

"Living the Faith in a Declining Culture"

WHERE: Clarion Hotel and Conference Center

5311 South Howell Avenue (across from the airport)

WHEN: Sunday, October 16

TIME: 5:00 p.m. - Social Hour 6:00 p.m. - Dinner

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Plan to attend the Msgr. Popek Dinner with Fr. Eric Nielsen. Please R.S.V.P. by Oct. 11

Indicate dinner choice(s) and number: Beef Tenderloin Tips:___ Roasted Chicken:___ Cod Florentine:___

\$49 per person (\$29 per student)

Amount enclosed: \$_____

\$75 "Angel" donation (includes dinner ticket)

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The October 2016 Prayer Intentions published by Pope Francis

During October, Pope Francis has asked that we pray for two intentions: 1) **Journalists**. That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics, and, 2) **World Mission Day**. That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility to announce it. For information regarding the **Apostleship of Prayer**, contact **Fr. James Kubicki, S.J., Director**, at 414-486-1152, or visit: apostleshipofprayer.org

The 8th Annual "Women of Christ Conference" will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5

This 2016 Women of Christ Conference, titled "Mercy: God's Love in Action," will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5, at Washington County Fair Park (Hwy. 45 and Pleasant Valley Road in West Bend) from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Speakers include Bishop Donald Hying, Fr. John Burns, Sr. Miriam, James Heidland and Susan Tassone. The conference will include confession, lunch and a Mass celebrated with Archbishop Listecki. Good pricing available. Register at www.womenofchrist.net

We extend our sympathy, prayers and love to the Likoudis family

Longtime friends of CUF, and our personal friends, **Jim and Ruth Likoudis**, have announced that their son, **Paul**, age 61, passed away on Sept. 22, due to complications in his courageous fight against cancer. **Paul**, news editor of *The Wanderer* for 20 years, was known for his accurate and honest reporting on the state of the Catholic Church in the U.S. during those many years. We owe Paul a debt of gratitude. He was also a personal friend, and we were greatly saddened to hear the news. I enjoyed a long and wonderful telephone conversation with Paul in May, as we reviewed 30 years of memories. Some of you may know that **Jim** was one of the founders of **Catholics United for the Faith, Inc.** in 1968, and holds the title of **President Emeritus** of CUF. Paul is survived by his wife of 35 years, Paulette, 6 children, and 6 grandchildren. In a tribute to Paul, in the October 6 edition of *The Wanderer*, Christopher Manion quoted Paul's appeal to readers that appeared in a July issue. Paul wrote, "As I have previously told you, your support has kept my wife and me in our home. Without it, I don't know how we could stay in our home of 23 years." If you would like to send a gift and/or card to Paul's family, it can be sent to: **Mrs. Paul Likoudis, P.O. Box 236, Hector, NY 14841**. May Paul rest in peace.

Catechetical Corner: May Catholic couples, refusing to have children, marry in the Church?

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "...the institution of marriage and married love is ordered to the procreation and education" of children... #1652, and, the marriage covenant, by its very nature, is ordered to the "...generation and education of children." #1660 In other words, the answer is, no. Marriage must be open to life, and must exclude any form of contraception. (Natural Family Planning is not contraception.)

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Book of the Month: *For God and Country*

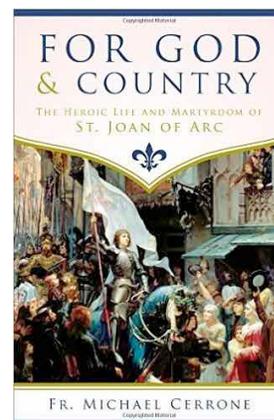
Author: **By Fr. Michael Cerrone III**

Publisher: **Sophia Institute Press, 2015**

"She was thirteen when St. Michael first appeared to her in a vision. Within five years she was rallying a demoralized army, leading the French to a definitive defeat of the English. Captured and imprisoned in England, at nineteen years old she was burned at the stake after a rigged ecclesiastical inquisition falsely charged her with heresy. Joan of Arc isn't your typical saint. Groomed from her earliest years for a specific mission from God, she responded with indefatigable resolve to liberate her homeland. Her extraordinary, heroic witness led countless souls in religious fidelity to God and compassionate charity to others..."

Today, St. Joan remains heavenly engaged in holy war, radiantly and powerfully continuing her witness as a virtuous, victorious virgin against the evil Enemy of souls."

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Priest: 'You might not have a church to go to if you don't vote the right way in November'

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By Claire Chretien

September 23, 2016

NAPLES, Florida, September 23, 2016 (LifeSiteNews) - We are at a "precarious moment in our history" when churches must speak truth to power or risk the loss of a lot more than their tax statuses, former Ave Maria Law School chaplain Father Michael Orsi said in a blistering speech at a National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children event on September 10.

Orsi, now on the pastoral team of St. Agnes Church in Naples FL said, "For too long, pastors and churches have been bullied into believing that they can say nothing political from the pulpit," said Orsi. The regulation that is used to silence them "was a piece of spite work" against non-profits that had opposed President Lyndon Johnson, he said.

"Let me remind you: the Bible is a political document," the priest said. "The prophets, including John the Baptist, and Jesus, lost their lives because they spoke the truth to power."

"The Constitution is quickly being destroyed," warned Orsi, and "unless the right choice is made in November, we may not have a court that is fair and balanced in its interpretation of the Constitution."

"Too many of the pastors - too many, practically all - in Germany refused to speak against

national socialism," continued Orsi. "And, look [at] the result: millions of Jews, pastors, priests, homosexuals, gypsies all lost their lives because everyone was afraid. What are you afraid of, a couple of bucks? Your tax-exempt status? What's that going to do to you? Your churches may be closed anyway, because if a certain party gets

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charged with deciding whether the government may force churches and religious institutions to pay for abortion, contraception, and abortifacient drugs, he noted.

Furthermore, "I'm not going to vote for a candidate who decides that we can redefine the meaning of marriage," proclaimed Orsi.

"Our opponents believe once they destroy the family, once they destroy the churches, they can re-create society in their own image and their own likeness. That, my friends, is not just political. That is diabolical. Get it straight, for crying out loud! The devil is in this!"

"We are in a battle for the soul of America," he said.

"Somehow, [Christians] have come to buy the story that you cannot be political in church," said Orsi. "Let me tell you right now, oh yes, you can, and oh, yes, you better be. Because you might not have a church to go to if you don't vote the right way in November."



THE FALL – WINTER – SPRING SCHEDULE:

- October 16 **MSGR. POPEK DINNER & PRIESTLY ADDRESS----**Rev. Fr. Eric H. Nielsen
- November 20 **TO BE ANNOUNCED**
- December 11 **MSGR. POPEK BIRTHDAY/CHRISTMAS DINNER**
- January 15 **TO BE ANNOUNCED**
- February 19 **AFTERNOON OF RECOLLECTION, by Fr. James Kubicki, S.J. (at Sacred Heart Church)**
- March 19 **TO BE ANNOUNCED**
- April 9 **TO BE ANNOUNCED**
- May 21 **TO BE ANNOUNCED**
- September 17 **TO BE ANNOUNCED**



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