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MANDATORY PARENT MEETING SCHEDULE

FAITH FORMATION GRADES 3-12

Formacion de Fe, Grado 3-12

Thursday, 18 October
(*Jueves, 18 Octubre*)

Sumner Hall/7:30 P.M.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION GRADES 4-12

Thursday, 25 October
(*Jueves, 25 Octubre*)

Sumner Hall/7:30 P.M.

GRADES 3-6

Thursday, 15 November
(*Jueves, 15 Novembre*)

Lower Church/7:30 P.M.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK



"It is that we consider our soul to be like a castle made entirely out of a diamond or of very clear crystal, in which there are many rooms, just as in Heaven there are many dwelling places. For in reflecting upon it carefully... we realize that the soul of the just person is nothing else but a paradise where the Lord says He finds His delight."

St. Teresa of Avila
From: The Interior Castle

"THIS MAN WELCOMES, sinners and eats with them." So to them he addressed this parable. "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy and, upon his arrival home, he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in Heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." St. Luke, XV:1-6



MISSIONARY DISCIPLE OF THE WEEK

SAINT HEDWIG, WIDOW

FEAST DAY: 16 OCTOBER

Hedwig was born in 1174, and was the daughter of a Count in Bavaria. She was raised in a family that formed many religious including one saint. She was the aunt of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. When Hedwig was 12 years old, she was wed to 18 year old Henry, Duke of Silesia. They had seven children. Gertrude, her daughter later became the Abbess of a Cistercian Order of Nuns in a city near Breslau Germany.



When Henry's father died, he took over the Dukedom, and immediately prepared construction of a Monastery and Convent in the town where they lived. The couple lived a very holy and religious life, and this monastery was the first of several they founded and organized by different religious orders, Duke Henry also established hospitals including one for Hedwig to run for female lepers. In 1209 after Hedwig gave birth to her last child, she and her husband vowed to live a chaste life without marital relations as a loving offering to God. They also lived and presented themselves publicly without the expensive trappings of gold, jewels and expensive clothing - choosing to live humbly and simply for love of God.



Both Henry and Hedwig had the unfortunate sadness of trying to manage two of their sons, brothers, who were unhappy with what was given them by their father in terms of land and estates. They even formed armies to battle each other over territorial rights. In 1238, Hedwig's husband Henry died. Hedwig handled the loss without crying, saying, "Would you oppose the will of God? Our lives are His. Our will is whatever He is pleased to ordain, whether our own death or that of our friends." After his death, she put on the habit of a nun in the Cistercian monastery where her daughter Gertrude was Abbess.

In the last part of her life, she was rewarded with the gift of miracles and prophecy including knowing when she would die, which happened in October of 1243. Saint Hedwig was canonized in 1267.