Pastor’s Corner

My brothers and sisters,

Even in death, Fr. Dan wanted to speak to us. He gave me this letter about six weeks ago. He asked that I share it with you after his death. Fittingly, these words belong in “The Pastor’s Corner”. We miss him and I miss a man who had an incredible impact on my priestly life and ministry. During the upcoming funeral rites for Fr. Dan, we will celebrate the gift of God’s mercy and the salvation won for us by Jesus the Christ who is Lord. It’s because of Him that we celebrate Fr. Dan.

Fr. Paul

My dear brothers and sisters,

I have often repeated to you some advice of the faith life: “Keep your bags packed!” I have had mine packed and I have now completed (Continued on page 2)
my journey with a grateful heart. I want to thank you for the many expressions of sympathy, concern and above all prayers during these last months. Fr. Paul has been especially helpful.

The prayer that has sustained me most of my life is this:

Father,

I abandon myself into your hands; do with me what you will. Whatever you may do, I thank you: I am ready for all, I accept all.

Let only your will be done in me, and in all your creatures – I wish no more than this, O Lord.

Into your hands I commend my soul: I offer it to you with all the love of my heart, for I love you, Lord, and so need to give myself, to surrender myself into your hands without reserve, and with boundless confidence, for you are my Father.

+Blessed Charles de Foucauld

I have prayed it unceasingly that I might really embrace all the phrases and not just recite words. By the grace of God, I have been able to do that for the past few months.

My body will be placed in a crypt at St. Augustine Cemetery that I may rest here among the people whom I have served and loved as family for 22 years. By God’s grace and mercy, I look forward to greeting you with great joy when your journeys are completed.

In the meantime, please remember to “Keep your bags packed.”

Fr. Dan
## Mass Intentions and Calendar of Events

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### Mass Intentions

- **SUNDAY January 13**: 9:00 AM James Kohnen, 11:00 AM Modesto Salazar, 10:00 AM John Kriletich, 11:00 AM Sue & Clark Herndon
- **MONDAY January 14**: 12:10 PM Marilu Radcliff (L)
- **TUESDAY January 15**: 12:10 PM Mariano & Mary Cardullo
- **WEDNESDAY January 16**: 12:10 PM Marguerite Hamilton
- **THURSDAY January 17**: 12:10 PM Valdelice & Antonio Matos
- **FRIDAY January 18**: 12:10 PM Victoriano & Magdalena Avendano
- **SATURDAY January 19**: 9:00 AM Emmeline Marie Sedillo (L), 11:00 AM Daniel E. Danielson, 12:00 PM Thomas Moothedath & Joseph Thottakath
Scripture Readings
January 20
Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:4-11
John 2:1-11

Rosary
St. Augustine Church
Monday through Saturday at 8:00 AM
St. Elizabeth Seton Chapel
Monday through Friday at 11:30 AM

Angelus
St. Elizabeth Seton Chapel
Monday through Friday at Noon

RCIA: Come and See
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process that adults complete to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please contact Matt Gray, (925) 202-5425 or mgray@catholicsofpleasanton.org.

Adult Confirmation
Adults interested in preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Matt Gray at (925) 202-5425.

Military Peer Support Group
St. Augustine Church - Rectory
3rd Wednesday of the Month
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Veterans share life challenges and opportunities with other veterans the 3rd Wednesday of each month. For more information, contact Dom Pietro at (925) 462-4665 or email at pietr11@comcast.net. All Ages welcome.

Grief Ministry
The death of a loved one is a shattering experience. It leaves us in a state of shock, confusion, pain and sadness. You do not have to suffer alone. We invite you to participate in our grief support meetings. We will be meeting at St. Elizabeth Seton, on January 10 and 22, February 12 and 28, March 14 and 28. There are two Tuesday evening meeting dates, January 22 and February 12. Contact Eleanor at (925) 846-8708 for more information. All are welcome regardless of religious affiliation.

Fr. Dan Funeral Rites
From Fr. Paul,
My brothers and sisters,
As we commend Fr. Dan Danielson to the Lord, I wish to share with you the arrangements for his Funeral Rites. After conversations with the Bishop’s Office and Fr. Dan’s sister, Bonnie, the celebrations are as follows.

Monday, 21 January 2019
• Reception of the Body and Visitation - St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Pleasanton - 5:00 PM
• Vigil for the Deceased - St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Pleasanton - 7:30 PM

Tuesday, 22 January 2019
• Mass of Christian Burial - St. Augustine Church, Pleasanton - 10:30AM
• Reception - St. Augustine Hall, Pleasanton
• Committal - St. Augustine Cemetery, Pleasanton

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
Fr. Dan Danielson
Joey Jacinto
Orlando Garcia
Kenneth Roy Green
Louis Rinaldi
Joan Dailey
Florenza D’Orazio
Celia Ann Ryan
Christopher Kliment
Edward Marnell
Teresa Santero
Cheryl Morgan
Michael Kalabolas
Brandi Shasta Costa
Ana Claros
Rosemary B. Fidler
Boilen De Souza
Robert Riley
Steve Adams
Mary Shaw
Fred Shaw
Ruth Coronado
Teresa Grande
Virginia Dacosta
Gonzaga Dacosta
Steven & Cindy Zarza
Franne Mannino
Ernie Madriaga
Rose Holmes
Candy Garcia
Bella Collins
Ken Harden
Dave Johnson
Rene Sanchez
Marie Minnihan
Marilu Radcliff
Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry would like to thank Sandy Rowney of Knit This, Purl That for the beautiful yarn valued at $955.28 that she donated to us as she packed up boxes to move her store to 358 South Livermore Ave., Livermore, CA 94550. Our ministry will use this high quality yarn to fashion prayer shawls, hats, scarves, baby blankets, and face cloths for those in need of our handiwork. We feel truly blessed! - Joanne Lenigan & JoAnn Matone, Prayer Shawl Coaches.

Crab Feed & Silent Auction

Save the date for The 50th Annual Crab Feed and Silent Auction Saturday, February 9 at St. Augustine Hall. The cost will be $55 per person. Doors will open at 5:00 PM for the Silent Auction Preview, and dinner will begin at 7:00 PM. Tickets can be purchased online. Please see the website for more details.

Hidden Treasure In Closets?

The Knights of Columbus have been accumulating prizes for their Silent Auction during their Crab Feed on February 9. If your household is like most, there’s an item in your closet gathering dust for one reason or another. Please consider converting your dormant treasure to a needy person’s “hope or need” by donating it to this event. They are also seeking airline miles to attach to a prize already donated by generous parishioner of a week in Hawaii. Contact Lou Santero at (925) 846-5124 or lpsantero@yahoo.com.

Disco Bingo

Saturday, January 26 @ St. Augustine Hall
Doors open immediately after 5:00 PM Mass. Bingo games start at 7:00 PM. Admission $5.00 per person (includes 6 Bingo games!). Dinner options available. Dinner options available.

Questions? Call Kim Schnall at (925) 474-2775 or email Lien-Thi de la Pena at ldelapena@catholicsofpleasanton.org.

This is a family event! All are welcome!
Why We Do What We Do At Mass

For some Catholics, Mass is comfortable because of its “routine.” At the same time, that “routine” is downright boring for others and doesn’t do ANYTHING to keep them motivated. For both groups, the larger question, “What are we doing at Mass?” goes unanswered. Or if answered, the common response is, “that’s the priest’s job.”

Today, religious ignorance – regardless of religion or denomination – is no longer acceptable. If we cannot explain why Mass IS different than other Christian services, then we have missed the essence of our identity. Catholics need to be formed to understand the central mystery of our identity. That is revealed and shared at Mass.

We shall unpack the Mass, explain the Mass, and focus particularly on the responsibility that we all have – especially those who are not ordained – as the laity. There will be homilies and formation opportunities for learning and conversation.

January 20 & 24
Introductory Rites

January 27 & 31
Liturgy of The Word

February 3 & 7
Liturgy of The Eucharist

February 10 & 14
Communion Rite and Concluding Rite

Two sessions per week

Every Sunday @ 12:30 PM
St. Elizabeth Seton Church (Child care will be provided)

Every Thursday @ 7:30 PM
St. Elizabeth Seton Church

Rev. Paul D. Minnihan

Fr. Paul D. Minnihan was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Oakland in 1993. After an additional year of graduate studies, he was assigned to the Catholic Community of Pleasanton in 1994 as parochial vicar (associate pastor). In 2006, the Bishop of Oakland invited Minnihan to serve as first Provost for the yet-to-be-built Oakland Cathedral of Christ the Light and be the Bishop of Oakland’s master of ceremonies.

In addition, he was named Director of Worship for the diocese in 2010. At that time, Father oversaw the preparation and implementation of the new translation of the Roman Missal in Oakland. He coordinated programs of formation for parishes on the celebration of the Mass and to pray the new missal.

Prior to this particular ministry, Fr. Paul was the Pastor at St. Paschal Baylon Parish in Oakland, St. Monica Parish in Moraga and St. Jerome Parish in El Cerrito. He served on Priest Councils for the Diocese of Oakland. He was also appointed a member to the United States Bishop’s Commission on Evangelization.

Father Minnihan has a Bachelor’s degree in philosophy, Master’s in Theology and an STD/PhD in Systematic Theology from the Catholic University in Louvain, Belgium.