



Der Löwe und der Pfeil



The Lion and the Arrow—Issue 6

Announcements

On Sunday, November 1st, Father Broussard will bless the tombs at 1:30 p.m. in Saint Edmund's cemetery at Branch and at 3 p.m. in Saint Leo IV cemetery at Roberts Cove.

Daylight Saving Time ends on November 1, so don't forget to set your clocks back Saturday evening!

Election Day is on November 3. Adoration will be from 7 a.m. until 12 noon. Please stop by Saint Leo IV Church to pray for our country on Election Day. Also, please remember to go out and vote.

On November 4 there will be a Mass for Saint Joseph at 6 p.m. at Saint Leo IV Church.

November 10 will be the monthly CDA Mass at 6 p.m. The Mass will be followed by the annual memorial service for those buried in Saint Leo IV and Saint Edmund Cemeteries. The monthly meeting will follow the memorial. All members are invited to come and encouraged to wear their CDA badges.

Thanksgiving Day is on November 26. There will be Holy Mass in Saint Edmund Chapel at 6:30 a.m. and in Saint Leo IV Church at 8 a.m.



Monthly Saint

Every month the newsletter will feature a Saint or Religious Figure. Many times, a prayer or novena will be featured. For November we feature Saint Engelbert, Archbishop and Martyr.

Saint Engelbert was born circa 1185 at Berg in modern Germany. He was the son of the influential Count Engelbert of Berg and Margaret, daughter of the Count of Gelderland. He studied at the Cathedral School at Cologne, Germany. In a time when clerical and episcopal positions were a part of political patronage, Saint Engelbert was made provost of churches in Cologne and Aachen, Germany while still a young boy and of the Cologne Cathedral at age 14. He led a worldly and dissolute youth; known for his good looks, keen mind, and wild ways. Saint Engelbert went to war to support his cousin, Archbishop Adolf, against Archbishop Bruno; for this, and for threatening to attack the Holy Roman Emperor Otto IV, both Engelbert and Adolf were excommunicated in 1206.

In 1208, Saint Engelbert publicly submitted to the Pope's authority, and was received back into the Church. He fought the Albigensians in 1212. He was chosen Archbishop of Cologne on 29 February 1216. By this point, Saint Engelbert had mellowed somewhat, and cared about his See, but still had worldly ambitions. To preserve the possessions and revenues of his See and the count-ship of Berg, he went to war with the Duke of Limburg and the Count of Cleves, restored civil order, demanded the allegiance of his nobles, erected defenses around his lands, and even prosecuted family members when needed. He enforced clerical discipline, helped establish the Franciscans in his diocese in 1219 and the Dominicans in 1221, built monasteries and insisted on strict observance in them, and used a series of provincial synods to regulate Church matters.

Saint Engelbert was appointed guardian of the juvenile King Henry VII and administrator of the Holy Roman Empire by Emperor Frederick II in 1221. He supervised the kingdom and the king's education, and placed the crown himself during Henry's coronation in 1222. He worked for a treaty with Denmark at the Diet of Nordhausen on 24 September 1223.

However, for all that he was loved by his people for the stability and security he brought, many of the nobility hated and feared him, and the Archbishop had to travel with a troupe of bodyguards. Pope Honorius III and Emperor Frederick II advised Saint Engelbert to protect the Nuns of Essen who were being oppressed and harassed by Saint Engelbert's cousin, Count Frederick of Isenberg. To prevent action by the Archbishop, Count Frederick and some henchmen ambushed Saint Engelbert on the road from Soest to Schwelm, stabbing him 47 times. He is considered a martyr as he died over the defense of Religious Nuns. His Sacred Relics were translated to the old Cathedral of Cologne, Germany on 24 February 1226.

Saint Engelbert, pray for us

Events and Holy Days

Any events going on in Roberts Cove and in Branch during the month of the newsletter will be featured in this space. If you wish to have an event for the month listed, then please send all the information to ampdupuis@yahoo.com by the third Sunday of the month before the event is scheduled to take place.

November 1 – All Saints Day, Blessing of the Tombs and Daylight-Saving Time Ends
Blessing of the tombs will be at 1:30 p.m. at Saint Edmund and 3 p.m. at Saint Leo IV

November 2 – All Souls Day

November 3 – Election Day

November 4 – Mass for Saint Joseph

Holy Mass will be at 6 p.m. at Saint Leo IV

November 10 – CDA Mass, Memorial Service and Meeting

The CDA Mass will be at 6 p.m. with the annual memorial service and monthly meeting following.

November 11 – Veterans Day

November 18 – Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

November 21 – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

November 22 – Feast of Christ the King

November 26 – Thanksgiving Day

Holy Mass will be at 6:30 a.m. in Saint Edmund and 8 a.m. in Saint Leo IV

November 29 – First Sunday of Advent



November's flower is the chrysanthemum.



The birthstone of November is Topaz. It symbolizes love and affection, and it is believed to give the wearer increased strength and intellect.

Archive Dive

Each month we will take a look into our lush history and give everyone a gander at past events as well as interesting facts about our Church parish. We hope you will enjoy learning new things and revisiting the past.

Saint Edmund's Chapel in Branch is named for the English Saint Edmund of Canterbury. He died in 1240 and was canonized in 1247. His feast day is November 16th.

Msgr. Clay Bienvenue, pastor of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart in Church Point, began offering Holy Mass in the Branch mission in 1936. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was offered once a month in the home of Mrs. Philogene Thibodeaux.

In 1942, the John Meleck and Rufus Fruge families donated land for the chapel. In April of 1948, Saint Edmund's Chapel was formally dedicated. The first building was converted from a dance hall and ballroom. The Catholic Extension Society gave \$2000 as well as many furnishings for the chapel.

In 1952, the pastoral care of Branch changed from the Church Point Pastor to the Roberts Cove Pastor. The current Chapel and Hall were built under the direction of Father Stanley Begnaud. The structure was formally dedicated by Bishop Gerard Frey.

Fallen leaves lying on the grass in the November sun bring more happiness than the daffodils.

–Cyril Connolly

