

CLANCY'S CLICHES

Magnetism. What a great and powerful force in our world that can either attract or oppose.

I seem to be a magnet. Of the attracting kind, of course. It seems to be my job here at St. Leo. When folks come for spiritual direction and see me piled on the floor, they pet me. Any individual or group of folks coming down the hallway gather 'round which ensues a friendly conversation and connection. There might even be some Italian in me since I'm like the leaning tower of Pisa against people's legs. Tha-wump!

Magnetism brings people together. Just look at the magnetism of a turkey dinner! It brings families and friends together. All over America on Thanksgiving Day, families sit down to dinner at the same moment..... at halftime usually! It's the coming together, the magnetism of our hearts (and tummies), joining forces to share, laugh, and love.

When you allow the force of love and kindness to work, it can bring a unity into the lives of so many. Resistance is such a natural response to something new or anything different. Try flipping that inner magnet to explore experiences of forgiveness, love and connections to people, to your surroundings, and to God. How does your magnetic heart work? Does it attract or oppose?

Who's wearing that goofy hat in the photo? Oh, it's me dressed up to celebrate 3 years with my rescuer and master, Father Jim. Even though it was late October when he picked me up from the doggie rescue people, we celebrate my birthday on November 1st, All Saints Day. Hence, the hat!



November opens with a special celebration and closes with one—Thanksgiving. Want to really freak someone out? Add 2 extra turkey legs to the turkey when it's in the oven. Oops. Oh, and I could never understand why those pilgrims wore their belt buckles on their hats. Can someone explain that to me? Hope your Turkey is moist and your stuffing is fluffy and when you're done eating you'll be nice and stuffy.

Quote for the month is by Rick Riordan: *With great power...comes need to take a nap.* A very wise man, indeed!

I need a nap after all that celebrating!

And now Heehee Time!

1. Why did they let the turkey join the band? **Cuz he had the drumsticks!**
2. Why can't you take a turkey to church? **They use FOWL language!**
3. If you call a large turkey a gobbler what do you call a small one? **A Gobblet!**
4. What sound does a space turkey make? **Hubble. hubble. hubble!**
5. The pilgrims' cows came to America on what ship? **The Moooooo - flower!**
6. What do you get if you divide the circumference of a pumpkin by its diameter? **Pumpkin pi!**

Howlin' is hootin'; Growlin's not gooten!



- Clancy