

Day 161 – Friday, August 28

Stories and Movies

One of my all time favorite stories

THE MONK AND THE WOMAN

Two Buddhist monks, on their way to the monastery, found an exceedingly beautiful woman at the river bank. Like them, she wanted to cross the river, but the water was too high. So one of them took her across on his shoulders.

The other was thoroughly scandalized. For two hours he scolded the offender for his breach of the Rule: Had he forgotten he was a monk? How had he dared to touch the woman? And worse, carry her over the river? And what would people say? Had he not disgraced their holy Religion? And so on.

The victim took it gamely. At the end of the lecture he said, “Brother, I dropped that woman at the river. Why are you carrying her still? ”

Movies I have watched and enjoyed

Netflix

Ace of Hearts – Based on a true story

The wit of a police Dog

Hachie – Based on a true story (A real tear jerker)

The length to which a dog will be loyal

The Biggest Little Farm – Based on a true story

A young couple starting an organic orchard in California

The Siege of Jadotville – Based on a true story

A story of Irish UN Peace Keepers who eventually lost the battle...with no lives lost

The Lord of the Ring Trilogy

The age old battle between good and evil

Wish Man – Based on a true story

A story about someone – I will leave it there and tell you to watch it.

If you like martial arts watch the IP Man series – Based on a true life person,

and not your normal martial arts movie, someone who could not tolerate social injustice.

In the light of eternity, we're here for a very short time, really. We're here for one thing, ultimately: to learn how to love, because God is love. - James Finley

Sincerely,

Fr. Jim Kaptein