

Our Mission: To Evangelize God's People,  
beginning with the Gift of the Holy Eucharist



A Stewardship Parish

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH • 1813 OAKDALE ROAD • MODESTO, CA 95355

## April 24, 2011 Easter Sunday

(209) 551-4973

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### Holy Eucharist

#### Sunday Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm  
Sundays: 7:30am,  
9:00 am (Traditional Latin), 10:30 am,  
noon, 1:30 pm (Español),  
5:30 pm & 7:30 pm

#### Daily Mass:

8:00 am & 5:45 pm; Saturdays 8:00 am  
*Traditional Latin Mass, Fridays at Noon*

#### Perpetual Eucharistic

##### Adoration:

Chapel access code available in office

#### Children's Services:

##### Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Sunday Mass 10:30 am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday thru Thursday 5:00-5:30 pm  
Saturdays 8:30-9:30 am; 4:00-5:00 pm  
*Homebound please call 551-4973 for a  
priest to visit you by appointment.*

#### Clergy:

Fr. Joseph Illo, Pastor  
Fr. Benny Kottarathil, Assoc Pastor  
Fr. Carlos Vega, Assoc Pastor  
Fr. Larry Guerrero, Hospital Chaplain  
Rev. Mr. Ken Ochiner, Deacon

## From the Pastor's Laptop

It's been the longest, coldest, wettest winter I've ever seen in Modesto. But now Spring has returned to our beautiful valley, and we have the Lord Jesus to thank for the warm breezes, sunshine, and flowers. To all our parish family, and to those who are visiting this Sunday, I wish you all a **Happy Easter**.



Photo of an adult baptism at St. Joe's

As they say, "everybody wants to go to heaven, but nobody wants to die." Jesus died before he went to heaven, to teach us how it works. He has "trampled death by death," in the words of the Byzantine Easter Liturgy. He has fought fire with fire, extinguishing the fire of hell with the fire of his love, poured out from the Cross. *Happy Easter, again!*

The biological life that is blossoming all around us, however, is only a sign of the eternal life that is surging in people's souls through Christ's sacraments. 35 adults and youth are to be baptized this Easter at St. Joseph's, and I dearly hope they will stay faithful to the Church until death. Resurrection is not for the body so much as it is for the soul, and the soul is sustained through fidelity to the sacraments. Without the Mass, the Lord's Supper, we cannot live. Without the Mass, we merely function as zombies—we eat, drink, play, and work, but we don't have the *abundance* of life Christ promises. Jesus did not simply *resuscitate* on the Third Day; he *resurrected*. It wasn't simply that his body came back to life. His entire person—body, soul, and spirit—was *glorified*. So it is for our 35 newly-baptized. They will *practice* their baptism in weekly reception of the Eucharist. At every Mass the Holy Spirit is remaking us through the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

I have known young people at the peak of bodily health who are dying through habitual sin. I have known very old people with chronic bodily weaknesses who are brimming with vibrant joy.



Easter Sunrise Mass

This year, if you do not receive the Holy Eucharist every Sunday, come back to Jesus. Be one of those who brim with energy and joy, through fidelity to Christ.

Fr. Joseph

**Staff Contacts**

**Parish Office**

**(Lulu, Donna, Alex, Lauren)**

Monday 10am-7:30pm

Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am-7:30pm

\*Closed Wednesday 11:15am-1pm

Friday 8:30 am-5 pm

Sunday 10 am-3 pm

**Weekend Maintenance 568-7558**

**How can we help? 551-4973**

- Se Habla Español*..... Alex x103
- Accounting ..... Barbara x108
- Adult Ed & Bible Studies ..... Michael x203
- Altar Servers..... Svetlana x200
- Audio / Video .....Jeremy x213
- Becoming Catholic, RCIA.....Stacy x211
- Buildings & Grounds .....Susie x201
- Bulletin & Website ..... Jeremy x213
- Child Ed & Sacraments .....Debbie x205
- Choirs & Cantors ..... Svetlana x200
- Events & Activities .....Susie x201
- Faith & Life Magazine ..... Michael x203
- Giving to St. Joseph's ..... Tammy x207
- Parish Lending Library..... x208
- Parish Ministries ..... Tammy x207
- Parish Registration..... Donna x102
- Room Reservations..... Rosario x110
- Volunteering ..... Tammy x207
- Youth Ministry ..... Carlos x206

**Readings 4/25-5/1**

**Monday:**

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:**

Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:**

Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:**

Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:**

Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14  
 12p Low Mass: 1 Pet. 3:18-22;  
 Mt. 28:16-20

**Saturday:**

Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

**Sunday:**

Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118; 1 Pt 1:3-9;

**9:00am Mass: Low Sunday:**

1 Jn. 5:4-10; Jn. 20:19-31

**Sacraments**

**Our Mass Intentions**

Sunday, April 24 (Easter Sunday)			
6:00a	Fr. Joseph O'Hare (B)	12pm	Keith and John Hosang (Fr. L)
7:30a	Carol Smith (Fr. L)	1:30p	Antonio & Angela Dominguez and Joaquin & Natividad Rocha (Fr. C)
9:00a	Fr. Benny Kottarathil—Special Int. (J)	6:30p	Francisca Malijan (Fr. B)
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners (Fr. B)		No 5:30 or 7:30pm Masses
Monday, April 25			
8:00a	Nathan Inglima and Annie Ward	5:45p	John & Filomena Mendes
Tuesday, April 26			
8:00a	Doris Yago and Arlene Enos	5:45p	Sylvia McCormick and Frank Lowry
Wednesday, April 27			
8:00a	George Bringas and Florence Elkes	5:45p	Carmen Espinosa and Alzira Victoria
Thursday, April 28			
8:00a	Amelia Sagrado and Juan Quijano, Sr.	5:45p	Jim Trevillyan and Pat Paxia
Friday, April 29			
8:00a	Bienvenido De Leon and John Caratti	5:45p	Joe Mendes and Manuel Brazil
Saturday, April 30			
8:00a	John and Joe Mendes	5:30p	St. Joseph's Memorial Mass (Fr. B)
Sunday, May 1 (Divine Mercy Sunday)			
7:30a	Emil & Anna Carney (Fr. L)	1:30p	Charles Valdes (Fr. C)
9:00a	Albert Mendonca (Fr. B)	3:00p	Indian Mass (Fr. B)
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners (Fr. B)	5:30p	Al Brazil (Fr. L)
12:30p	Sylvester De Leon (Fr. J)	7:30p	Rizal Mina (Fr. C)

**Prayer & Interior Life**

**Stewardship: Recognizing and Receiving God's Gifts"**

**April 24, 2011—Easter Sunday—The Resurrection of the Lord**

The story of the first Easter morning gives us a picture of how Jesus' followers came to know He had risen from the dead. We get a glimpse of the hope and wonder that must have filled their hearts that day. As we contemplate the Resurrection we can attempt to make it a focal point of our spiritual exercises. In God's infinite love, His son Jesus became human to suffer in order to open the entrance to heaven for us. The Resurrection illuminates the Shepherd and the door by which we can enter the kingdom. May we recognize our Savior by the light of the Resurrection and keep it in our minds and hearts throughout the year.



**St. Joseph's Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel**

**Try a Holy Hour with Jesus Once a Week!**

Wednesdays: 10am to 11am;

Fridays: 2am-3am (vacant);

and 2pm to 3pm;

Saturdays: 12noon to 1pm

Please contact David & Monica at 527-4920

if you can pick up one of these hours.

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED—EASTER MONDAY  
APRIL 25**

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Parish Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 25th. Morning (8:00am) and Evening (5:45pm) Masses will be held as usual. The office will reopen on Tuesday, April 26th, at 8:30am.



**LAST CHANCE TO BE INCLUDED  
IN ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH DIRECTORY!**

Don't miss the opportunity to be in our Parish Directory. We want to include as many families as possible, so we have scheduled another set of dates for pictures to be taken this coming week (April 25-29). Please sign up in the plaza by the Welcome Booth. The Directory is a great way to identify faces we see at Mass and at various parish events, and thus helps to bring our community closer together.

**REQUESTS FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
TO FEED THE HUNGRY**

All types of canned goods with pull tops for homeless who do not have can openers are needed.



We also would welcome any fresh fruit from an over-abundance from your yard that currently is in season, e.g. oranges, lemons, etc. A parishioner has donated a refrigerator, so now we have the capability to refrigerate perishable foods. SVDP is very grateful for everything that has been done and all the food that has been donated, which makes it possible to assist families during these

**ST. STANISLAUS PRE-SCHOOL ENROLLMENT  
2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR**

St. Stanislaus, a fun, faith-filled environment with developmentally appropriate curriculum, is now enrolling children ages 2 years 9 months to 6 years old for the 2011-2012 school year. For more information please call (209) 524-3428. Spaces are limited.

**Substitute Teachers** are needed for the Pre-School. Candidates should have 3-6 units in Child Development or Early Childhood Education or be currently enrolled in classes. For more information please call the above number.



**FAREWELL—FATHER MATTHEW O'DONNELL**

At the end of June, St. Luke's pastor, Fr. Matthew, will leave St. Luke's and begin a ministry of mission work in Bolivia. There will be an Aloha Luau Farewell Dinner/Dance on Saturday, May 7th, at St. Luke's Prendergast Center (gym), Stockton. Tickets on sale now in the Rectorry Office are \$28 per person. Casual dress or luau attire. (Groups wishing to be seated together must purchase tickets at the same time and pay at time of purchase.) Proceeds to purchase new tables and chairs. Sponsored by St. Luke's Church, School, and Pre-School.

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☞ PSR Update ☜

Parish School of Religion  
551-4973, ext. 217  
E-mail: psr@stjmod.com

### PSR Office Hours

Mon. 3:30-5:30 PM  
Tue.-Wed. 3:30-8:30 PM  
Thur. 3:00-6:30 PM

All classes resume the week of  
May 2.  
Confirmation rehearsal on May 4  
in the Church.

### SCHOOL OF FAITH CLASSES

The calendar is posted at  
[www.stjmod.com/adult-education](http://www.stjmod.com/adult-education)

### ☞ SAVE THE DATE! ☜ PSR REGISTRATION

Saturday, June 4th  
10am to 5pm  
Sunday, June 5th  
10am to 7pm  
Monday, June 6th  
10am to 4pm

Faith & Finances with Phil  
Lenahan—

[veritasfinancialministries.com](http://veritasfinancialministries.com)

Alleluia! "Give Thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his mercy endures forever" (Ps. 118:1). We have much to be thankful for this Easter Sunday, beginning with the gift of life and love that flows from our Lord this day. As stewards of Providence, we are called to share the blessing of our faith with others.

*Steps to Becoming Financially Free*  
—Call Nickie Miranda (526-4704)

☞ The Catholic Library, ☜  
JPII, room 11

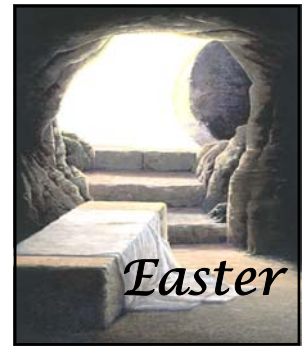
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# Religious Education

## The Beauty of Becoming Catholic

by Stacy Phillips, Coordinator of RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) at our parish has been busy this year! This Easter we welcome 28 people (8 adults at the Easter Vigil and 20 children and teens on Easter Sunday) into the faith through the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion. We also received 2 people into full communion with the Church on Holy Thursday, 1 candidate was received under the pre-Vatican II Tridentine Rite, 8 adults received Confirmation two weeks ago at Sacred Heart in Peterson and 13 more will receive Confirmation with our Bishop in June.



Fr. Larry Guerrero administers the Sacrament of Confirmation to Katherine Rodriguez at last year's Easter Vigil Mass.

But wait, that's not all! At St. Joseph's we have a year-round RCIA process. At other times in the year we also welcomed an additional 3 people into full communion with the Church and prepared 20 Catholics for Confirmation. That's a total of 75 people in one year!

Are you unbaptized? Do you know someone who isn't baptized? Are you a non-Catholic interested in learning what it would be like to be one? Are you a Catholic who was baptized as a baby, but never received Confirmation or First Holy Communion? If this is you or someone you know then it's time to join us! You may contact me to begin at any time of the year (Stacy at 541-8903). As you can see we're always open and these days we're always busy!

For all the baptized, children or adults, faith must grow after Baptism. For this reason the Church celebrates each year at the Easter Vigil the renewal of baptismal promises. Preparation for Baptism leads only to the threshold of new life. Baptism is the source of that new life in Christ from which the entire Christian life springs forth. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1254)



### ☞ Wisdom from the Saints ☜

"If I saw the gates of Hell open and I stood on the brink of the abyss, I should not despair, I should not lose hope of mercy, because I should trust in You, my God."

-- Saint Gemma Galgani



### The MI "Family Village" is Recruiting Volunteer Child Development Coordinator

Needed, an enthusiastic and qualified person to develop lesson plans for small children and oversight with Militia Immaculata Children's program. It entails 3 hours a month. Students interested in child development are welcome. Come, offer your gifts and help evangelize our children.

Call John & Malissa Souza 531-8126





Carol and Pino Scarpinati

## Profiles in Stewardship

by Stacy Phillips

The Bosco Conference (held at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio) is a highlight for those on the RCIA Team. Several years ago, the presenter shared that the best person to greet those "Inquiring" was a Catholic grandma...and we have that in Carol Scarpinati. Carol (who is also a 3rd Order Carmelite) is part of the Inquiry Team and presents on the basic foundations of our Catholic faith. She also shares "gems" from her Italian Catholic roots in Philadelphia. My favorite story is how her grandmother would pray the Rosary while cooking gnocchi (marking the cooking time with each Hail Mary). Together with her husband, Pino, they provide help in more ways than can be counted. Pino has generously provided the lamb for the yearly "RCIA Seder Meal", no small task for 175 people, but year after year, he does this with a smile. Actually, it would be hard to separate good food from these 2 active Parishioners...Pino at the Parish Festival food booth, the Mary Mother of God dinner, celebrating St. Joseph's Feast Day...the list could go on. You may also recognize Pino as an Usher at Mass. For both of these wonderful people, their faith shines though in all they do. For us, the example of building a Catholic community through hospitality, friendship and service is a blessing.

# Center for Lay Apostolates

FOCUS ON LEADERSHIP: Plaza Refreshments are suspended today so that our volunteers can enjoy time with their families.

## Parish Stewardship — a way of life

Thank you to our wonderful Knights of Columbus for the good work they do in our parish and most recently for their delicious, family-building soup, fish and crab Lenten dinners. We enjoyed each one!



*St. Joseph's Parish carefully budgets to prepare our Easter Welcome Bags for visitors and newer parishioners. The Rosary Makers of St. Joseph's provided lovely rosaries and we thank them!*

### \*2011-2012 St. Joseph's Catholic Elementary School Scholarships

### \*2011-2012 St. Joseph's College Scholarships

Applications and information are available in the parish office and are due by April 30, 2011.

New to the Parish? Wondering where to start??  
Call the Center for Lay Apostolates

# We're glad you're here!

If you are new to our parish, welcome! If you have been away for awhile, welcome back! Please pick up a welcome bag at the welcome booth in the plaza. Here is some information you might find helpful:



**May is "Responding to God's Blessings" Month  
Join us May 21st for a Free Parish Breakfast  
Sam to Noon in Fr. O'Hare Hall!**

### Want to get involved?

St. Joseph's is a stewardship parish, we have over 80 apostolate/ministries.

*If you would like to give of your time and talents, please contact: 551-4973 ext. 207*

### Have you had your child baptized?

For infant baptism call the parish office at 551-4973.

*For information on sacramental preparation for children*

*7 years or older call Debbie at 551-4973 x205.*

### Not Catholic? Haven't yet received all the Sacraments of Initiation?

Our Inquiry group meets year-round.

*Call Stacy 541-8903 to begin.*

## New Parishioners/ Parishioner Update

We welcome you to St. Joseph's Catholic Church! Whether a long-time resident or newly arrived we would love to keep in touch! If you are not registered, or need to update contact information, please stop complete this form and place it in the collection basket, stop by the parish office, or mail it to the address below:

St. Joseph's Catholic Church,  
1813 Oakdale Rd.  
Modesto, CA 95355

Name _____	New Parishioner **
Phone _____	New Address
Address _____	Moving, please remove from directory
City _____ Zip Code _____	Would like to receive envelopes
E-mail Address _____	

**\*\*If registering, we will contact you upon receiving this form to complete the process.**

WORLD RENOWNED COMPOSER AND CONCERT PIANIST

# Eric Genuis



Friday, May 6, 2011  
St. Stanislaus Catholic Church  
1200 Maze Blvd. Modesto, CA  
Hors d'oeuvres 6:30PM-7:30PM  
Local Talent and Eric Genuis  
7:30PM-9:30PM

\$30 Per Person  
\$50 Per-Couple  
\$10 Ages 13-18  
Free Under 13



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