

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 8, 2012 Easter Sunday

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Visit our website:

www.stjmod.com

Holy Eucharist

Sunday Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sundays: 7:30am,

9am (Traditional Latin), 10:30am,

12noon, 1:30pm (Español),

5:30pm & 7:30pm

Daily Mass:

8am & 5:45pm; Saturdays 8am

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 10:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday thru Thursday 5-5:30pm

Fridays 6:30pm-7:30pm

Saturdays 8:30-9:30am & 4-5pm

Homebound please call 551-4973

for a priest to visit you by
appointment.

Clergy:

Fr. Joseph Illo, Pastor

Fr. Benny Kottarathil, Assoc Pastor

Fr. Tony Chacko, Assoc Pastor

Fr. Larry Guerrero, Hospital Chaplain

Rev. Mr. Ken Ochinerro, Deacon

Rev. Mr. Ernest Ciccarelli, Deacon

From the Pastor's Laptop

Happy Easter to all of you beautiful folk who have come to St. Joseph's this happy day! We are *made* beautiful by His shining Resurrection:

"The splendor of Christ risen from the dead has shone on the people redeemed by his blood, Alleluia" (from the Easter Liturgy).

We love the 6am Mass on Easter Sunday, celebrated on the East Lawn, facing the Rising Sun (just visible above Orchard Supply Hardware!). The sun usually breaks over us in all its morning glory about the time we sing the Gloria. We are who are stamping in the cold of early dawn begin to revive as the rising sun streams into our upturned faces. We begin to reflect the glowing energy of the new day as our cheeks radiate the rising sun. Truly *"This is the Day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!"* Our long Lent is over; the dreary winter is past; the rising sun breaks over the dew-laden grass. Let us believe that God gives us a new day, every day, and we are no longer slaves to the past or slaves of sin.

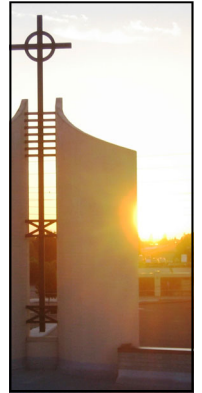
My mother and father have been married 58 years. It has not been an easy relationship, but it has been faithful, because both dared to believe in God's will for them. As I was growing up, my mother prayed every night with us children for "the resurrection of our marriage." When their relationship was at its most difficult, we children wondered if Mom and Dad should just get divorced. But Mom held her ground: "The grandchildren need to be able to come to their grandparents' home," she would say. She sacrificed the present for a future good, just like her Master, who suffered his Passion in view of a future Resurrection.

Many of you at Mass today are having real problems in your marriages. The Church offers a lifeline to troubled marriages, a weekend workshop called "Retrouvaille." It has saved many marriages in our own parish. I will be serving on the next weekend, April 13-15. Join me and other couples at **Modesto Retrouvaille** by calling Mando and Bonnie at 883-4291.



Mom and Dad's 50th Anniversary

Fr. Joseph



Questions?

To make an appointment with a priest or deacon or to register at St. Joseph's please contact Lulu, Alex, Lauren, or Donna in our parish office at 551-4973 or stop by during any of the fifty hours our office is open each week.

Parish Office

(Lulu, Donna, Alex, Lauren)

Sunday: 10:00-3:00pm.

Monday: 10:00 to 7:30

Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 to 7:30

Closed Wednesday from 11-1pm

Friday 8:30 to Noon

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 ServersSvetlana x200
- Audio / Video.....Jeremy x213
- Buildings & Grounds Susie x201
- Bulletin & Website..... Jeremy x213
- Child Ed & Sacraments Debbie x205
- Choirs & Cantors Svetlana x200
- Events & Activities Susie x201
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- Parish Lending Library x208
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- Youth Ministry Nathan x206

Are interested in becoming Catholic? Have you been away from the Catholic Church and would like help returning?

RCIA

Inquiry classes are for people who want to learn more about Catholicism, but aren't necessarily sure they want to become Catholic. The RCIA process is also for Catholics who have not yet completed their sacraments of Confirmation or Holy Communion. To start the process: call Stacy Phillips: (209)541-8903 to make an appointment.

Welcome to St. Joseph's

If you have never been to a Catholic church, welcome! If you are new to the area, welcome! If you have been away from the Catholic church for awhile, welcome back! If you are an active member of St. Joseph's, welcome! We are glad you are here no matter who you are.

Happy Easter! Thank you for joining us for Mass. May this Easter be the Easter that your life is transformed by God's grace and changed: participate, be active and get involved! Get plugged into our community, it is not the same without each one of you! We are truly blessed to have this community; come join us and receive the great gift of our parish. Please consider becoming a registered member of our parish (see back page), so that you can grow closer to God. Benefit from our monthly emails, our parish publications *Faith & Life* and *Simply Stewardship*, and all that St. Joseph's has to offer.



If you have been away from the Catholic Church, check out this video and visit www.catholicscomehome.org



On the Plaza



St. Joseph's staff will be giving out doughnuts on the Plaza after all the morning Masses today; please stop by and introduce yourself.

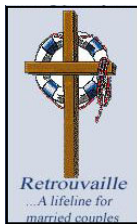
Parish Life

☞ Upcoming Events & Activities ☜

RETRouvaille — APRIL 13-15

a lifeline for marriages

Concerned about your marriage? *Retrouvaille* helps couples through times of trouble, disillusionment, and misery in their marriages. This program has helped many couples experiencing marital difficulties. Spots are still available and no couple is turned away for financial reasons. Contact Mando & Bonnie Santiesteban: (209) 883-4291 or email: Modesto@RetroCA.com



MILITIA OF THE IMMACULATA



April 14: Monthly meeting for the Prayer and Spanish Villages, following 8am Mass in Rm. 5, JPPII bldg.

April 15 — Family Village monthly meeting after 9am Mass in the Hall.

Fr. Benny will be the speaker at both meetings.

ST. JOSEPH'S LIBRARY SALE

We need your used books for our book sale on April 29. Please drop off any donations to the library or the Parish office. Thank You!



MASS 101 — MAY 12

9am-2pm Fr. O'Hare Hall



Do you want to get more out of the Mass? Did you know that most of the words we hear and say at Mass come from the bible? Save the date for this

workshop on the Holy Mass. Details coming soon!

☞ Opportunities to Help ☜

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Is having difficulty keeping their food pantry full. Deacon Ken, has a plea to our parishioners, please help us to help those who count on us to have food on their table, especially for their Children. The food bank, where we purchase food cannot keep up with demand at this time. Our Pantry's shelves are almost bare. We are in need of canned vegetables, fruit, meat, baby food, toiletries, packaged pasta, packaged beans, and cereals. Please contact Deacon Ken, if anyone knows of food suppliers who will work with SVDP to purchase food at wholesale or discount. God Bless you all, thank you for the support of our ministry.



St. Vincent de Paul

Christ is Risen, Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!

With these joyous words Christians have greeted one another on Easter Day for nearly two thousand years. And every Easter the words proclaim anew the faith and hope of every Christian in the Good News of God's profound love of mankind, a love that conquers death. This Easter greeting is still used today. In the Eastern Orthodox Churches this proclamation is made during the Easter service as each person kisses the Gospel book.

Whenever Christians greet one another with these exultant phrases, we affirm the unity of believers throughout all times and ages until He comes again in glory. Every Christian family can establish the custom of exchanging this historic greeting, which is also a profession of faith, on Easter morning. It would set an appropriate tone of rejoicing for the entire day.

More about Easter on page 6...

Regina Caeli

Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia!
For the Son you were privileged to bear,
Alleluia!

Is risen as He said. Alleluia!

Pray for us to God. Alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary,
Alleluia!

For the Lord is truly risen. Alleluia.

Let us pray:

O God, who gave

joy to the world

through the

resurrection of

your Son our Lord

Jesus Christ, grant,

we beseech you, that through the

intercession of the Virgin Mary, His

Mother, we may obtain the joys of

everlasting life: Through the same Christ

our Lord. Amen.



**THERE ARE NO PSR CLASSES
NEXT WEEK: APRIL 9-12**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
PARENT MEETING SPANISH
April 16 7pm in the Hall
Mandatory Meeting for all parents
whose children are receiving FHC
at Spanish Mass May 20.**

PSR Students, please bring canned fruit this month for St. Vincent de Paul. Thanks for your kindness and stewardship!



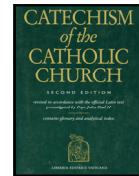
Religious Education

Parish School of Religion Registration — June 9-11

Does your child need their First Holy Communion or Confirmation? Save the date for our Parish School of Religion registration weekend. Details such as hours and enrollment cost will be given soon.

Catechism 101 — June 18

Join Michael Webster, St. Joseph's DRE, and discover the richness of our Catholic Faith. On the third Monday of every month, we will have a workshop on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We will meet at 7pm in JP11 Rm 8.



Vacation Bible Retreat (VBR) June 25-29

VBR is a treat for the children of St. Joseph's and always fills quickly. Be watching for upcoming announcements for opportunities to sign up your child and to volunteer.



Youth Ministry

Contact Us!

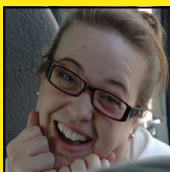


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Upcoming LifeNights:

4/8: No Life Night
Happy Easter!

4/15: Divine Mercy
4/22: The Holy Spirit

All high school teens are invited to join us for Youth Group! Come and enjoy prayer, games, and fellowship.



Confirmation Retreats

This is an important reminder that the Confirmation 1 retreat is this Saturday, April 14. It will take place in the Hall from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. If you have not turned in your permission slip please do so ASAP. Forms can be picked up and turned in to the parish office. The Confirmation 2 retreat is April 28.

St. Joseph's youth ministry challenges young people to love Christ and embrace the life of the Catholic Church. We have High School Life Nights after the 5:30pm Sunday Mass in the hall. Also we have our CI nights for 7th graders on Wednesdays at 7pm in the hall.

It's FINALLY Here!

You've heard of 'Where's Waldo?' but what about 'Where's Nathan?'. From April 10-13 Nathan Steingrebe will be at a different restaurant each day for his lunch hour. He will post a picture with a clue to where he is on his Facebook page. Any teen that figures out where he is and meets him within the designated time will win a free lunch with him. Be sure to 'friend' him on Facebook and let the games begin!



Family Life: Ideas for Celebrating Easter

Many children get so excited about their Easter baskets but forget why we celebrate Easter. Here are some ideas that you can do as a family:

- Everything we have done during the 40 days of Lent has led us to this day. It is time for rejoicing! It is appropriate to bring out the best of everything for the feast of Easter Day. Flowers, china — the works.
- “Alleluia” Egg -- an egg painted gold, or perhaps with *Alleluia* written on it. The child who finds the *Alleluia* egg is accorded a special honor such as getting to light the Christ Candle and say a prayer at mealtime, or being allowed to cut and serve the Easter cake; or choosing the next family activity.
- Make an Easter lamb cake. You can buy a lamb-shaped cake mold to bake it in. Decorate it with white frosting sprinkled with flaked coconut to represent wool, and give it eyes of chocolate chips. Your children can help with the decorating.
- In addition to the excess of candy eggs, include in the Easter basket something a little more lasting, like the inexpensive little books of Bible stories for the younger children; perhaps a medal or picture or a biography of a child's patron saint; even a Christian CD would be welcomed by some older children.



You can get dozens of Easter holiday ideas from household magazines and the food section of newspapers. The main difference in the celebration and festivities in a Christian household is that we know who we're celebrating and why! For more ideas visit: www.wf-f.org/Easter Day.html

New to the Parish?
Wondering where to start??

Call the Center for Lay Apostolates
551-4973, ext. 207

Center for Lay Apostolates

Parish Stewardship—a way of life

Share your love of our parish - join one of our leadership committees!

Stewardship Committee Openings

Our Stewardship Committee is accepting applications for membership. St. Joseph's Stewardship Committee is an advisory body to the Pastoral Council and Pastor. If selected the member will be expected to serve a total of 3 years. Some of the duties of the Stewardship Committee include, but are not limited to: Annual Ministry Tent and Stewardship Renewal process, Parish Movie Nights, Stewardship 101 and developing an awareness of appreciation and stewardship formation for the parish. Please send a letter of interest to Ron Cook, Chairperson, at byhimandforhim@yahoo.com or bring it to the parish office.

Development Committee Openings

Our Development Committee is accepting applications for membership. St. Joseph's Development Committee is an advisory body to the Pastoral Council and Pastor. If selected the member will be expected to serve a total of 3 years. Some of the duties of the Development Committee include, but are not limited to: Coordinating the Annual “Responding to God's Blessings Month of Celebrations”, Planned Giving initiatives and focusing on a vision statement of: “As the St. Joseph's campus and her number of parishioners grow we will seek to find the human and financial resources necessary to provide for this growth, according to God's will.” Current members include those in the legal, business, insurance, real estate and other parishioners who love their parish. Please send a letter of interest to the Development Office at tmenezes@stjmod.com or bring to the parish office.

Please include a brief description of yourself and your relationship to the parish, your areas of education and work, why you wish to serve on the Development Committee, and one recommendation you could make to improve parish life.

Questions for either Committee, please call 551-4973, ext. 207 Page 5 - April 8, 2012

Sunday of Sundays...

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Mass on Easter Day is the most splendid and exuberant celebration of the Church. For this is the Sunday of Sundays, the day of Resurrection of Christ, the center and foundation of our faith. As Saint Paul said, "If Christ be not risen, your faith is vain" (I Cor. 15:14, 17). Thus Easter is the pinnacle of all feasts of the Church year, which began with Advent, or the expectation of the coming of the Messiah, sent by God to provide the means for our Salvation. The culmination of the entire liturgy is the Easter feast. Families who attend Mass on Easter Day join millions of Christians all over the world - past and present - in joyous affirmation of our redemption through the love of Christ, our hope of salvation, and our faith in the resurrection from the dead and the life of the world to come.

What does Alleluia mean?

Every element of the festive celebration of Mass on Easter Day resounds with the great *Alleluia* the triumphant word of praise for God of men and angels. *Alleluia* (or *hallelujah*) is a Hebrew word adopted by the Christian Church. *Hallel* is the greatest expression of praise in Hebrew. Combined with *Jah*, the shortened form of the name of God, JHVH (meaning "I AM"), it becomes *Hallelujah*. *Alleluia* is a Latinized spelling. From the time of the apostles the proclaiming of the *Alleluia* was a revered custom in ordinary life as well as in connection with the liturgy of the Church. Farmers and tradesmen sang it as they worked, and mothers taught their children to pronounce it before any other word. In Christian homes on Easter morning children and parents might greet each other with "*Alleluia*," then light a specially decorated Easter candle. This word of praise on Easter morning inspired Handel to write his famous *Hallelujah Chorus*. Playing a recording of this magnificent Chorus from *Messiah* on Easter morning is a memorable way of awakening the household to the joy of the day and the promise of the coming Easter Mass and celebration.

All above are taken from www.wf-f.org

For more on Easter scan the QR code or visit:



<http://www.wf-f.org/EasterDay.html>

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From our Holy Father in Rome

REGINA CAELI

Castel Gandolfo-Easter Monday, 25 April 2011



Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Surrexit Dominus vere! Alleluja! The Lord's Resurrection marks the renewal of our human condition. Christ triumphed over death, caused by our sin, and restores us to immortal life. This event gave rise to the whole of the Church's life and to the very existence of Christians. On this day, Easter Monday, we read in the first missionary discourse of the nascent Church: "This Jesus", the Apostle Peter proclaimed, "God raised up, and of that we are all witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this which you see and hear" (Acts 2:32-33).



One of the characteristic signs of faith in the Resurrection is the greeting among Christians during Eastertide, inspired by the ancient liturgical hymn: "Christ is risen! / He is truly risen!". It is a profession of faith and a commitment of life, as it was for the women described in Matthew's Gospel: "And behold, Jesus

met them and said: 'Hail!'. And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.'"

"The whole Church", the Servant of God Paul VI wrote, "receives the mission to evangelize, and the work of each individual member is important for the whole.... She remains as a sign — simultaneously obscure and luminous — of a new presence of Jesus, of his departure and of his permanent presence. She prolongs and continues him" (*Evangelii Nuntiandi* 8).

How can we encounter the Lord and increasingly become his authentic witnesses? St Maximus of Turin stated: "Anyone who wishes to reach the Saviour must first, in his own faith, seat him at the right hand of the Divinity, and place him with heartfelt conviction in Heaven," in other words one must learn to focus the gaze of one's mind and heart constantly on the heights of God, where the Risen Christ is. In this way God encounters man in prayer and adoration.

The theologian Romano Guardini noted that "adoration is not something additional, something secondary... it is a matter of the utmost importance, of feeling and of being. In adoration man recognizes what is valid in the pure, simple and holy sense." Only if we are able to turn to God, to pray to him, do we discover the deepest meaning of our life and the daily routine is illumined by the light of the Risen One.

Sacraments

Our Mass Intentions

Profiles in Stewardship

by Tammy Menezes



Donna Roeck

St. Joseph's is identified as a Stewardship Parish and we are often described as "dynamic" "engaged" and "spiritually strong". These characteristics also describe our Pastoral Council Chair, **Donna Roeck**. Donna lives a life of Catholic Stewardship and has always made sure that she allows enough time to share her talents with her parish. Originally from Wisconsin, Donna joined our parish family in 2004 when she journeyed to Modesto for a healthcare management position. Her activities have included serving on the annual Festival leadership team, leading our Children's Liturgy of the Word, serving as both an Extraordinary Minister of Communion and a Lector, being a member of our Bell Choir and now serving as Chair of our Pastoral Council. Her diverse experience in our parish and in her occupation allows her to have a valuable perspective, especially as we prepare our transition to a new pastor this year. Donna has a wonderful sense of humor and enjoys hearing from her fellow parishioners. She welcomes your suggestions for our parish - you can let her know some of your ideas with our new Pastoral Council Suggestion Box in the church vestibule. Thank you Donna, for your gifts of talent which you always share with a smile!

Sunday, April 8 (Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord)			
6:00a	Fr. Joseph O'Hare	12:00	Rusty Boyle
7:30a	Rosanna Hollander	1:30p	Antonio Dominguez and Alejandro Blandon
9:00a	Christopher John Perino	5:30p	Fr. Joseph O'Hare
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners		No 7:30pm Mass
Monday, April 9			
8:00a	George Cunha and Daniel Martinez	5:45p	John & Virginia Bairos and Margot Carrasquilla
Tuesday, April 10			
8:00a	Alberto Dino and Jesus Flores Galvez	5:45p	Jessica Solis and Mary Margaret Ridge
Wednesday, April 11			
8:00a	Richard Coyle and Josefina E. Zepeda	5:45p	Nawarat Photikoe and Larry Kinser
Thursday, April 12			
8:00a	Kathy Downs and Frank Bettencourt, Sr.	5:45p	Frank Bettencourt, Sr. and Alzira Victoria
Friday, April 13			
8:00a	Rosanna Hollander and John Caratti	5:45p	Bill Vermillion and Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
Saturday, April 14			
8:00a	Albert J. Alegria and Julio & Ailene Gallo	5:45p	St. Joseph's Memorial Mass
Sunday, April 15 (Divine Mercy Sunday)			
7:30a	Agatha Olsson	1:30p	Anastasia Curiel and Joaquin Rocha
9:00a	Albert Mendonca	3:00p	Divine Mercy Prayer
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners	5:30p	Robert & Elena Gutierrez
12:00p	Juanita Pesado	7:30p	Jim Trevillyan

In the Diocese

NET MINISTRIES BENEFIT DINNER



NET (National Evangelization Teams) Ministries is a Catholic youth mission organization. They have been doing retreats for young people in the Diocese of Stockton for over 10 years.

The benefit dinner will take place at St. Stanislaus School Community Center, 1416 Maze Blvd, in Modesto on Friday, April 13, from 6-9pm.

The cost is \$15/person. To reserve your seats e-mail Jim Hastings at jim.hastings@netusa.org by April 10. Special presentations will be given by Net Team 6.

"NET Ministries...is the new evangelization on steroids! I thank God for them."

Timothy Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York



Readings 04/09-04/15

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

Friday:

Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

12pm Latin Mass:

1 Pt. 3:18-22; Mt. 28:16-20

Saturday:

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

Sunday:

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118; 1 Jn 5:1-6;
Jn 20:19-31

Latin Mass: Low Sunday

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

Bienvenido a St. Joseph's

Si usted nunca ha estado en una Iglesia Católica, ¡le damos la bienvenida! Si ha estado fuera de la Iglesia Católica por un tiempo, ¡bienvenido a casa! Si usted es un miembro activo de St. Joseph's, ¡bienvenido! Nos alegramos de que esté aquí, cualquiera dondequiera que se encuentre.



No deje que esta santa temporada pase desapercibida, haga que esta sea la Pascua

que cambia su vida: ¡participe e involúcrese! Estamos verdaderamente bendecidos de tener esta comunidad; venga y reciba el gran regalo que es esta parroquia. Sea parte de nuestra comunidad, ¡no será la misma sin cada uno de ustedes! Por favor considere ser un miembro registrado de nuestra parroquia, para que pueda crecer más en Dios y beneficiarse de todo lo que St. Joseph's tiene para ofrecer.



NOCHE DE PELICULA GRATIS—13 DE ABRIL

¡Horton Hears a Who!

Traiga a su familia y amigos para ver esta película clásica de Dr. Seuss en la pantalla grande en el Salón Parroquial a las 7pm. Proveremos palomitas y limonada gratis. Traigan galletas para compartir.

VENTA DE LIBROS

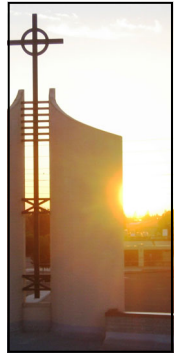
Necesitamos sus libros usados para nuestra venta de libros el domingo, 29 de abril. Por favor deje su donación en la librería o la oficina parroquial. ¡Muchas gracias!



¡Boletín Parroquial en Español!

DEL LAPTOP DEL PÁRROCO, Padre Joseph Illo

¡Felices Pascuas a todas las hermosas personas que han venido a St. Joseph's a la Misa este domingo! Uno de los versos de la liturgia para esta semana dice así: “El esplendor de Cristo resucitado de la muerte, ha brillado sobre la gente redimida por su sangre, Aleluya.” Una de las Misas preferidas, es la del domingo de Pascua a las 6am, la cual celebramos en el pasto al frente de la iglesia, para ver la Salida del Sol (¡el cual apenas se puede ver sobre la tienda Orchard Supply Hardware!). El sol sale sobre nosotros con toda su gloria de la mañana, a la hora en que cantamos el Gloria de la Misa Pascual, y todos aquellos que se encuentran en Misa en el frío de la aurora, comienzan a revivir. El sol que está saliendo brilla sobre los rostros de las personas y refleja la cálida energía de la nueva vida que se genera en nuestro planeta tierra. En verdad, como lo dice la liturgia durante toda esta semana, “¡Este es el Día que el Señor ha hecho; gocemos y llenémonos de alegría en él. Aleluya!” Nuestra larga Cuaresma de penitencia ha terminado; los días deprimentes del invierno han pasado, y el sol saliente resplandece sobre el pasto cargado de rocío. Creamos que Dios nos ha dado un nuevo día cada día, y que nosotros ya no somos esclavos del pasado o esclavos del pecado.



Mi mamá y mi papá han estado casados por 58 años. No ha sido una relación simple, pero ha sido una buena relación, simplemente porque ambos decidieron creer en la voluntad de Dios para ellos. Mientras que yo estaba creciendo, mi mamá rezaba cada noche con nosotros los niños por “la resurrección del matrimonio de su mamá y su papá.” Nosotros rezábamos con ella, y nuestras oraciones fueron escuchadas. Su matrimonio ha resucitado hasta cierto punto, aunque nada como lo será en el paraíso. Mientras que éramos adolescentes siempre nos quejábamos diciéndole a ella, que ellos deberían de divorciarse. “Yo deseo un hogar al que puedan venir los nietos,” decía ella. Ella sacrificó el presente por un futuro mejor, así como su Señor Jesucristo, quien sufrió su Pasión con su mirada hacia la futura resurrección.

Muchos de ustedes en Misa hoy están teniendo verdaderos



Aniversario de cincuenta años de mi mamá y mi papá

problemas en su matrimonio. Estos necesitan una resurrección. Les aconsejo que vayan a la solución Católica para problemas matrimoniales, un fin de semana llamado Retrouvaille. Estaré sirviendo en el próximo fin de semana del 13-15 de abril, ¡Vengan!

Fr. Joseph

Nuestro Santo Padre en Roma

REGINA CAELI

Castelgandolfo - Lunes del Ángel 25 de abril de 2011



Queridos hermanos y hermanas:



Surrexit Dominus vere! Alleluja! La Resurrección del Señor marca la renovación de nuestra condición humana. Cristo ha derrotado la muerte, causada por nuestro pecado, y nos reconduce a la vida inmortal. De ese acontecimiento brota toda la vida de la Iglesia y la existencia misma de los cristianos. Lo leemos precisamente hoy, lunes del Ángel, en el primer discurso misionero de la Iglesia naciente: «A este Jesús —proclama el apóstol Pedro— lo

resucitó Dios, de lo cual todos nosotros somos testigos. Exaltado, pues, por la diestra de Dios y habiendo recibido del Padre la promesa del Espíritu Santo, lo ha derramado. Esto es lo que estáis viendo y oyendo» (*Hch 2, 32-33*). Uno de los signos característicos de la fe en la Resurrección es el saludo entre los cristianos en el tiempo pascual, inspirado en un antiguo himno litúrgico: «¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡Ha resucitado verdaderamente!». Es una profesión de fe y un compromiso de vida, precisamente como aconteció a las mujeres descritas en el Evangelio de san Mateo: «De pronto, Jesús les salió al encuentro y les dijo: “Alegraos”. Ellas se acercaron, le abrazaron los pies y se postraron ante él. Jesús les dijo: “No temáis: id a comunicar a mis hermanos que vayan a Galilea; allí me verán» (28, 9-10). «Toda la Iglesia —escribe el siervo de Dios Pablo VI— recibe la misión de evangelizar, y la actividad de cada miembro constituye algo importante para el conjunto. Permanece como un signo, opaco y luminoso al mismo tiempo, de una nueva presencia de Jesucristo, de su partida y de su permanencia. Ella lo prolonga y lo continúa» (*Evangelii nuntiandi 8*).

¿Cómo podemos encontrar al Señor y ser cada vez más sus auténticos testigos? San Máximo de Turín afirma: «Quien quiera encontrar al Salvador, lo primero que debe hacer es ponerlo con su fe a la diestra de la divinidad y colocarlo con la persuasión del corazón en los cielos» es decir, debe aprender a dirigir constantemente la mirada de la mente y del corazón hacia la altura de Dios, donde está Cristo resucitado. Por consiguiente, en la oración, en la adoración, Dios encuentra al hombre. El teólogo Romano Guardini observa que «la adoración no es algo accesorio, secundario (...). Se trata del interés último, del sentido y del ser. En la adoración el hombre reconoce lo que vale en sentido puro, sencillo y santo». Sólo si sabemos dirigirnos a Dios, orar a él, podemos descubrir el significado más profundo de nuestra vida, y el camino diario queda iluminado por la luz del Resucitado.

**NO HABRÁN CLASES DE CATECISMO POR DOS SEMANAS:
ABRIL 9-12**

**REUNION PARA PADRES DE FAMILIA PARA LA PRIMERA
COMUNION**

16 de abril a las 7pm en los salones 6, 7 and 8 en el Hall

Reunión obligatoria para padres de familia de los niños que van a hacer su Primera Comunión en la Misa en español el 20 de mayo.

**CORRESPONSABILIDAD
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Por Tammy Menezes



Donna Roeck

La Iglesia de St. Joseph's se identifica como una Parroquia Corresponsal y seguido nos describen como “dinámicos” “comprometidos” y “espiritualmente fuertes”. Estas características también describen a la Cabeza del Consejo Pastoral, Donna Roeck. Donna vive una vida de corresponsabilidad católica y siempre se asegura de apartar suficiente tiempo para compartir sus talentos en su parroquia. Originaria de Wisconsin, Donna se unió a nuestra familia parroquial en el 2004 cuando llegó a Modesto por una posición de trabajo como Administradora del Cuidado de la Salud. Sus actividades han incluido servir en el equipo de liderazgo del festival, encabezando nuestra Liturgia de la Palabra para Niños, sirviendo como Ministro Extraordinario de la Santa Comunión y Lectora, como miembro de nuestro coro de campanas y ahora sirviendo como Cabeza de nuestro Consejo Pastoral. Su diversa experiencia en nuestra parroquia y en su ocupación le permiten tener una valiosa perspectiva, especialmente en nuestra preparación para la transición de un nuevo párroco este año. Donna tiene un maravilloso sentido del humor y le gusta escuchar las opiniones de sus compañeros feligreses. Ella les pide sus sugerencias que tengan para nuestra parroquia—le pueden hacer saber sus ideas en nuestra Caja de Sugerencias para el Consejo Pastoral situada en el pasillo de la iglesia. ¡Gracias Donna, por tus dones de talento los cuales siempre compartes con una sonrisa!

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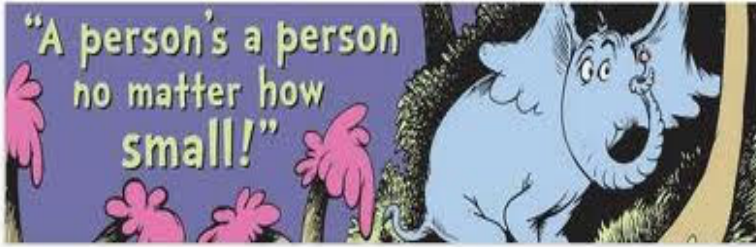
Free Parish Movie Night

Friday, April 13

7pm-9pm

Fr. O'Hare Hall

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Free Popcorn, Lemonade
and Coffee Bring Cookies to
Share. Chairs provided or
bring a blanket for the floor

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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 complete this form and place it in the collection basket, stop by the parish office, or mail it to the address on the front of the bulletin.

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New Parishioner

Phone:

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