

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

August 21, 2011 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

(209) 551-4973
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Visit our website:
www.stjmod.com

Holy Eucharist Sunday Mass:

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

Daily Mass:

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

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:

Chapel access code available in office
Holy Hour in the Church
Fridays 6:30pm-7:30pm

Children's Services:

Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)
At the 10:30am Sunday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Mondays-Thursdays 5:00-5:30pm
Fridays 6:30pm-7:30pm (Holy Hour)
Saturdays 8:30-9:30am; 4:00-5:00pm
*Homebound please call 551-4973 for a
priest to visit you by appointment.*

Clergy:

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

From the Pastor's Laptop

Today Pope Benedict will be offering the Holy Mass in Madrid with 44 young people from our parish. It is the 12th International World Youth Day, and although I cannot provide you with a realtime report in this laptop, I am indeed in Madrid as you read this. Even though I wrote this ten days ago, I



Brazilians behind us at Castel Gandolfo

can give you a report on the beginning of our pilgrimage. Fr. Mark and I brought our 65 youth to the major basilicas of Rome before going to Madrid, offering Mass in St. Peter's, the catacombs and at an altar at which St. Maximilian Kolbe offered his First Mass. Our highlight, though, was to see the Pope at close range. We managed to get a bus out to Castel Gandolfo, the papal summer refuge. Our bus was the first to arrive, but chanting, singing, flag-waving youth from Venezuela, Ecuador, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Colombia were close on our heels. As the Holy Father entered the courtyard at 10:30am, a sustained chant of "A-mer-i-ca!" rang out across the flagstones to greet him.

Our young people were able to see and hear the Pope about 50 feet away. One of them said that when Benedict came into the courtyard, she was confused by a strange emotion and began, inexplicably, to cry. I've had the same experience. We have an unconscious longing for our fathers, for Our Father, and the Pope's presence, at times, uncovers that.



Pope BXVI and I (and the back of Victor Mayoral's head).

It has been a beautiful pilgrimage. Young people search for meaning with disarming transparency. We older folks are able to acknowledge our own longings through their hearts. Only God, though, can fully meet these longings. So a meeting with the Holy Father, in the presence of young people, is a particularly powerful experience. Once again, thank you all, St. Joseph's, for helping our 44 young people spend some time with Benedict XVI and the Church.

Fr. Joseph

Staff Contacts

Parish Office (Lulu, Donna, Brenda, Lauren)
 Monday hours: 10:00 to 5:30;
 Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 to 5:30;
 Friday 8:30 to Noon.
 Each day the office will be closed for lunch
 from Noon to 1:00pm
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
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- Parish Registration Donna x102
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- Volunteering Tammy x207
- Youth Ministry..... Nathan x206

Readings 8/22-8/28

- Monday:**
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday:**
1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday:**
Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51
- Thursday:**
1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51
- Friday:**
1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
12pm Latin Mass:
1 Pet. 5:1-4, 10-11; Mt. 16:13-19
- Saturday:**
1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday:**
Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63; Rom 12:1-2;
Mt. 16:21-27
9am Mass: 11th Sunday after Pentecost
1 Cor. 15:1-10; Mk. 7:31-37

Sacraments

Our Mass Intentions

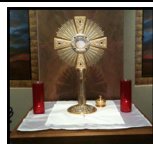
Sunday, August 21 (Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time)			
7:30a	Manuel Borges Victoria	1:30p	Joaquin Rocha y Cristina Marquez
9:00a	Krystyna Gaweda	3:00p	Adelaida Botelho & Aureliana Ballestros
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners	5:30p	Alfredo & Zenaida Tan
12:00p	Rebecca Crome	7:30p	Alejandro DeGuzman
Monday, August 22			
8:00a	Dorothy Fogarty and Dick Dinubilo	5:45p	Joe & Maria Viveiros and Domenic Zuccaro
Tuesday, August 23			
8:00a	Alberta & Manuel Ramirez and Mary English	5:45p	Louie Menezes and Alzira Victoria
Wednesday, August 24			
8:00a	Mary English and Christopher J. Perino	5:45p	John & Filomena Mendes
Thursday, August 25			
8:00a	Belmiro Da Rosa Goulart and Corazon Castigador	5:45p	Flora Silva and Linnea Fimbres
Friday, August 26			
8:00a	Mary English and John Wallace	5:45p	Elias Sousa and Rosanna Hollander
Saturday, August 27			
8:00a	Rosa Gonzalez and Kathleen Brake	5:30p	St. Joseph's Memorial Mass
Sunday, August 28 (Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)			
7:30a	Rusty Boyle	1:30p	Manuel Cuarenca & Maria de los Reyes
9:00a	Remedios & Francisco Castillo	5:30p	Maria Guadalupe Castellanos
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners	7:30p	Bernice Alcamo
12:00p	Rose Dembrowski		

Baptisms

Jacob Ramos	Brennan Mullins	Lucas Trejo	Andres Peral
Ryenne Grayson	Alara Kosko	Yareli Hernandez	Makayla Vigil
Reyan Hogue	Brooke Smith	Joselyn Hernandez	Mario Chavarria
MaKennah Hogue	Karla Gaytan	Joshua Wright	Noah Salazar
Rocco Bruno	Hailey Razo	Madeleine Richmond	Luke Carlson
Jessie Ortega	Michael Calderon	Alvaro Davalos	Manuel Lopez

Stewardship: "Recognizing and Receiving God's Gifts"
August 21 — The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

The gifts that we receive from God are not given for our good alone. Today's readings highlight the appointment of a leader for the house of Judah and the appointment of Simon Peter as head of the Church. These leadership positions also carried heavy responsibility to care for the people in their charge. For our part, we have a role to play in the salvation of the world. God has a plan for us and gives us what we need to accomplish our task. These gifts we receive likewise obligate us to use them for God's purpose and not our own pleasure. May we recognize the needs of others and use our gifts accordingly.




St. Joseph's Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Try a Holy Hour with Jesus Once a Week!

Saturdays: 9-10am (Vacant); 10-11am; Noon-1pm (Vacant)

Please see the schedule outside the Chapel for hours needing a second person. Please contact David & Monica at 527-4920 if you can pick up one of these hours.

Remember a special day or person
-Altar Flower Donation-
 Call the Development Office for info. 551-4973, x207
 This week's donor: Anonymous
 Recently deceased family member



PLEASE NOTE: PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR
 LABOR DAY WEEKEND, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 AND
 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

We will reopen on Tuesday, September 6.

POTLUCK BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23 — 6:30PM FR. O'HARE HALL

Fr. Larry's & Fr. Benny's birthdays occurred during Lent this year, so we are having a summer celebration. Please bring your favorite dish to share and show your appreciation for the gift of their priesthood.

PRAISE GOD CHORALLY THROUGH SONG AND MUSIC!

If you can sing or play a musical instrument, bring your talent to St. Joseph's Music Ministry. Try-outs (all in JP II center, Music Room):

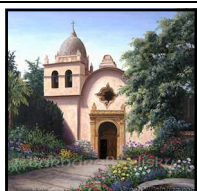
Adult Choir & Handbells Choir, Thurs., August 25, 6:00-7:30pm;

Cherubim Children's Choir, Fri., August 26, 6:00-7:00pm;

Youth Contemporary Choir (5:30pm Sun. Mass),

Wed., August 24, 7:30-8:30pm

Please call Svetlana, Music Director at 551-4973, ext. 200 for details.



ST. JOSEPH'S SENIORS — UPCOMING TRIP

Visit the newly refurbished San Carlos Cathedral and the Historical Carmel Mission on August 25. Cost: \$92/per person. Leave at 7am and return at 7pm. For more information, call Chris at 522-2694 or 480-2693.

SHOES FOR JOPLIN — MANY THANKS

Father Denis Dougherty of St. Joseph Parish in Springfield, MO., sent a card which reads: "Thanks for all the shoes for the tornado victims at Joplin . . . God bless you and reward you for a job well done!"

RETRouvaille — HELP FOR YOUR MARRIAGE!

MODESTO: AUGUST 26-28; NOVEMBER 18-20

Retrouvaille helps couples through times of trouble, disillusionment and misery in their marriages. There is HOPE for your marriage. For confidential information about and/or to register for any of the 2011 Central Valley weekends shown, please call 1-800-470-2230 or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDED ITEMS FOR AUGUST

Our St. Vincent de Paul pantry is almost empty. Most Needed: toilet paper, toiletries, (small bottles of shampoo, face soap, tooth paste, etc.). In addition, canned fruit, canned vegetables, peanut butter, dried beans, rice and pasta. Seasonal fruit and vegetables are also welcome and can be taken to the Parish office. Please Help! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Sunday, August 21, 2011		
10:00 A	CLOW	JP6
1:00 P	CFCFFL - Youth	JP7
1:30 P	Handmaids of Christ	JP6
3:00 P	Filipino Mass	Chur
4:00 P	Filipino Fellowship	Hall
Monday, August 22, 2011		
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
7:00 P	Charismatic Prayer	JP10
Tuesday, August 23, 2011		
9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
6:15 P	Legion of Mary	JP4
7:00 P	Charismatic Prayer	JP7
Wednesday, August 24, 2011		
1:30 P	Widows(ers) Bible Study	JP5
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
5:45 P	AA Principle Study Group	JP5
6:00 P	ESL Classes	JP6
Thursday, August 25, 2011		
9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
6:30 P	Rosary Makers	JP5
Friday, August 26, 2011		
12:00 P	Latin Mass	Chur
3:00 P	Divine Mercy Prayer	Chap
6:30 P	Adoration & Confessions	Chur
Saturday, August 27, 2011		
7:00 A	Leadership Summit	Hall
8:30 A	Confessions	Chur
9:00 A	AA (Women) Language	JP4
4:00 P	Confessions	Chur
Sunday, August 28, 2011		
10:00 A	CLOW	JP6
1:00 P	CFCFFL - Youth	JP7
1:30 P	Handmaids of Christ	JP6

Please remember
 St. Joseph's when
 planning your
 estate.

Call 551-4973, ext.
 207 for information

☪ PSR Update ☪

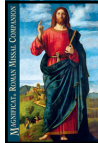
Parish School of Religion
551-4973, ext. 217
E-mail: psr@stjmod.com

PSR Office is open for registrations

Registrations will be taken Monday and Tuesday from 10:00 am-5:00 pm, and Wednesday from 1:00 pm -7:00 pm. The office is closed on Thursday and Friday. All new students must bring a copy of their Baptism Certificate and if they have attended class elsewhere, a transfer letter. Fees are \$75 for 1 student, \$100 for 2 students, and \$120 for 3 or more students. There will be a \$25 late fee for returning families. Payment plans are available.



Welcoming
The Roman Missal,
3rd. Edition
w/ Fr. Joseph Illo
Wednesday,
August 31st
6:45pm - 8:00pm in Fr.
O'Hare Hall



Faith & Finances
with Phil Lenahan

People often misinterpret what St. Paul said about money in 1 Timothy 6:10. They think he said "money is the root of all evils." What he actually said is, "the love of money is the root of all evils." There is a big difference. A steward of Providence recognizes money as a resource to be used in ways pleasing to God.

Call Anthony Butera (551-6562)

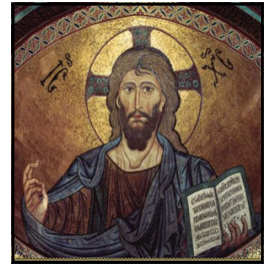
☪ RCIA Update ☪

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 at **541-8903** to make an appointment.

Religious Education

Bosco Conference

Last month seven parishioners (including 2 from staff) attended a Catholic catechetical conference at Franciscan University of Steubenville in Ohio. This year's theme of the Bosco (named after St. John Bosco) Conference was "Alive In Christ," emphasizing the importance for educators of the Catholic faith to incorporate Christ in all that we do and teach. There were great workshops and lectures by world renowned catechists and priests. We are grateful to you, our parishioners, who make it possible to participate in this wonderful conference. From the education our catechists receive at this conference they are becoming better formed in prayer and faith and thus better forming our children, youth, and adults in the Catholic Faith.



This year two of our RCIA catechists, Leslie Klinger and Jamie Thai after five years of hard work, received their Bosco Conference certification. Congrats and thank you Leslie and Jamie for your perseverance and dedication.

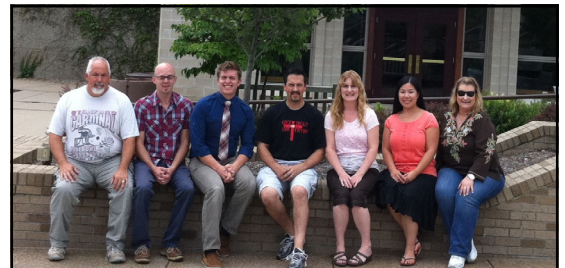


Leslie & Jamie received their RCIA catechist certificate at this year's Bosco conference.

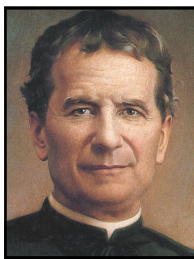
It was a true blessing and a nostalgic experience for both Nathan Steingrebe (our new youth minister) and Michael Webster (our new Director of Religious Education) to attend this conference at their Alma Mater. Both experienced a renewed zeal to do ministry, in particular, to work for the mission of St. Joseph's and to serve parishioners.



Nathan Steingrebe & Michael Webster with world renowned catechist, Barbara Morgan and her husband.



This year's group in front of Christ the King Chapel. From right to left: John Marsella, Nathan Steingrebe, Michael Webster, Matt and Wendy Bettencourt, Jamie Thai, & Leslie Klinger.



☪ Wisdom from the Saints ☪

"Be brave and try to detach your heart from worldly things. Do your utmost to banish darkness from your mind and come to understand what true, selfless piety is. Through confession, endeavor to purify your heart of anything which may still taint it. Enliven your faith, which is essential to understand and achieve piety." —Saint John Bosco



Register to lead a small ARISE study and pray group. No experience necessary! Registrations at the plaza this weekend and next Aug. 21-22 & 27-28, call 551-4973 ext. 218, or e-mail arise@stjmod.com

Youth Ministry

YOU ARE NEEDED

CORE TEAM

Our youth ministry program is looking for volunteers to be part of next year's High School Core Team. We are searching for adults and young adults to help minister to the high school students of our parish. You can read more about our Core Team as well as download a Core Team application at our website.

Victory Team

We are looking for peer ministers. The Victory team is composed of High School Students that volunteer their time and talent to minister to confirmation students in our parish. If you are in high school and are interested in claiming "Victory" in the name of Jesus, this ministry is for you!

**Informational meeting 5pm
in the youth & family center
August 22nd**

C-1

Catechists Needed

This year youth ministry will be leading first year Confirmation (C-1) preparation. We are in need of 20 catechists to help prepare our 7th graders for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

There will be an informational meeting Wednesday, August 17, at 6pm in the Youth and Family Center

Please pray the Rosary for all the WYD Pilgrims!



Contact Us!

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HIGH SCHOOL

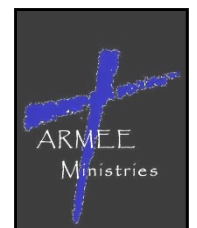
!!! Kickoff !!!

**Life Nights, Sundays 6:45-8:30 pm
in the Youth and Family
Center**

SEPT. 18, 2011

A.R.M.E.E. Ministry

Adoration
Reconciliation
Mass
Eucharist
Evangelization.



ARMEE meets on Monday nights at 7:30pm at Our Lady of the Assumption in Turlock.



MYRNA DIRIGE

Profiles in Stewardship

By Svetlana Avetisyan

Few people show as much gracious service and selflessness as Myrna Dirige. Myrna Dirige has been an active volunteer of St. Joseph's since 1991. She started the Sunday plaza refreshment ministry and has been running it for 10 years. Five years ago, Myrna joined the 8am Mass Altar Guild and now leads it. She also coordinates the Mother of Perpetual Help novena each Wednesday and organizes the yearly feast day. Myrna Dirige is active with the Filipino community: Festival Filipino Food Booth, Filipino Mass, member of Our Lady of Fatima Filipino American Prayer Group, Couples for Christ/Handmaids of the Lord, Regina Pacis Mundi Prayer Group, and is an Officer of Filipino Pastoral Ministry of the Stockton Diocese. With much grace, she assists families with funerals for their loved ones.

Doing whatever is needed for the good of the Parish and for the love of Christ is why Myrna was the recipient of St. Joseph's volunteer award this year. Her willingness to serve brings people closer to Christ and His path of Stewardship.

Myrna Dirige recently accepted the Greeter Coordinator position in the Hospitality Ministry. As you can see, Myrna's tireless service to our Parish is a great example of stewardship. Thank you, Myrna, for all you do!

Anyone who is interested in helping with Hospitality Ministry is invited to the training workshop Sat., October 8th, after the 8am Mass, at 8:45-10:30am, JP II, Rm 6. All current greeters and ushers are welcome, too!

Center for Lay Apostolates

FOCUS ON LEADERSHIP: Thank you to our Plaza Hospitality Volunteers for hosting our coffee and donuts after morning Masses. Please thank them for all the blessings they bring to our parish and consider becoming a volunteer.

Parish Stewardship — a way of life

Join the Family!

Be a Festival Volunteer!

Get a free t-shirt!

Sign up online at
www.stjmod.com/festival.html
or after Mass



Raise both Hands!



Scan this image with your smart phone and go directly to the Festival webpage to buy tickets, sign up or ask questions

Visit:

www.getscanlife.com for a free QR Scanner

New to the Parish? Wondering where to start??

Call the Center for Lay Apostolates

551-4973, ext. 207

From our Holy Father in Rome



BENEDICT XVI

TWENTY-SIXTH WORLD YOUTH DAY (2011)

Sunday, 17 April 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Dear young people!

It is a moving experience each year on Palm Sunday as we go up the mountain with Jesus, towards the Temple, accompanying him on his ascent. On this day, throughout the world and across the centuries, young people and people of every age acclaim him, crying out: "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

But what are we really doing when we join this procession as part of the throng which went up with Jesus to Jerusalem and hailed him as King of Israel? Is this anything more than a ritual, a quaint custom? Does it have anything to do with the reality of our life and our world? To answer this, we must first be clear about what Jesus himself wished to do and actually did. After Peter's confession of faith in Caesarea Philippi, in the northernmost part of the Holy Land, Jesus set out as a pilgrim towards Jerusalem for the feast of Passover. He was journeying towards the Temple in the Holy City, towards that place which for Israel ensured in a particular way God's closeness to his people. He was making his way towards the common feast of Passover, the memorial of Israel's liberation from Egypt and the sign of its hope of definitive liberation. He knew that what awaited him was a new Passover and that he himself would take the place of the sacrificial lambs by offering himself on the cross. He knew that in the mysterious gifts of bread and wine he would give himself for ever to his own, and that he would open to them the door to a new path of liberation, to fellowship with the living God. He was making his way to the heights of the Cross, to the moment of self-giving love. The ultimate goal of his pilgrimage was the heights of God himself; to those heights he wanted to lift every human being.

Our procession is meant, then, to be an image of something deeper, to reflect the fact that, together with Jesus, we are setting out on pilgrimage along the high road that leads to the living God. This is the ascent that matters. This is the journey which Jesus invites us to make.

The Fathers of the Church maintained that human beings stand at the point of intersection between two gravitational fields. First, there is the force of gravity which pulls us down – towards selfishness, falsehood and evil; the gravity which diminishes us and distances us from the heights of God. On the other hand there is the gravitational force of God's love: the fact that we are loved by God and respond in love attracts us upwards. Man finds himself betwixt this twofold gravitational force; everything depends on our escaping the gravitational field of evil and becoming free to be attracted completely by the gravitational force of God, which makes us authentic, elevates us and grants us true freedom. Psalm 24, which the Church proposes as the "song of ascent" ...indicates some concrete elements which are part of our ascent and without which we cannot be lifted upwards: clean hands, a pure heart, the rejection of falsehood, the quest for God's face. The great achievements of technology are liberating and contribute to the progress of mankind only if they are joined to these attitudes ...All these means of "ascent" are effective only if we humbly acknowledge that we need to be lifted up; if we abandon the pride of wanting to become God. We need the humility of a faith which seeks the face of God and trusts in the truth of his love.

We are on pilgrimage with the Lord to the heights. We are striving for pure hearts and clean hands, we are seeking truth, we are seeking the face of God.

In the Diocese



Season Three is coming soon. All ARISE Parish Teams and Small Group Facilitators are invited to training on September 6 at St. Patrick's, Sonora; September 7 at Our Lady of Fatima, Modesto; and September 8 at St. Michael's, Stockton. Each session will be offered 1:30 – 3:30pm and 7:00 – 9:00pm in Spanish and English. This third season emphasizes our commitment to walk in the footsteps of Jesus by living lives marked by love and integrity. See your parish bulletin for Sign up Sunday.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Development Office

The Diocese of Stockton Pastoral Center has an immediate opening for a highly skilled full time administrative assistant to provide support to the fast-paced Development Office. Duties include: word processing, preparing confidential materials, responding to numerous sensitive phone calls, complex database retrieval, maintaining office scheduling calendar and other general office duties. Excellent benefits and compensation package based on skills and experience. Candidate should possess excellent organization and administrative skills; effective oral and written communication skills; strong database management and business computer skills. Send resume to Diocese of Stockton Pastoral Center, Attn: Human Resources, 212 N. San Joaquin St., Stockton, CA 95202, or Email ldillen@stocktondiocese.org.

CORRESPONSABILIDAD (STEWARDSHIP)

Por Svetlana Avetisyan



Myrna Dirige

Muy poca gente muestra tanto amor y entrega al servicio como Myrna Dirige. Myrna ha sido una activa voluntaria en St. Joseph's desde 1991. Ella fue quien comenzó el ministerio del café y donas en la plaza los domingos después de misa y lo ha dirigido por 10 años. Hace ocho años Myrna se unió al Ministerio del Altar y ahora es quien lo dirige. Ella también coordina la novena de la Virgen del Perpetuo Socorro los miércoles y organiza su fiesta anual. Myrna se mantiene también muy activa con la comunidad Filipina: El Puesto de Comida Filipina del Festival, Grupo de Oración Filipino Americano de Nuestra Señora de Fátima, Parejas por Cristo, Grupo de Oración Regina Pacis Mundi, y Oficial del Ministerio Pastoral Filipino de la Diócesis de Stockton. Ella también asiste a familias en las misas de funerales.

Haciendo lo que sea necesario para el bien de la parroquia y por amor a Cristo es la razón por la que Myrna fue la recipiente del premio al voluntario de St. Joseph's este año. Su disposición para servir acerca a la gente más a Cristo y a su senda de Corresponsabilidad.

Myrna recientemente aceptó la posición de coordinadora del Ministerio de Hospitalidad. Como pueden ver, el servicio incansable de Myrna es un buen ejemplo de corresponsabilidad. ¡Gracias Myrna, por todo lo que haces!

¡Boletín Parroquial en Español! DEL LAPTOP DEL PÁRROCO, Padre Joseph Illo

Reunion con el Papa Benedicto

Hoy el Papa Benedicto estará ofreciendo la Santa Misa en Madrid con 44 jóvenes de nuestra parroquia. Es la 12ava Jornada Mundial Juvenil, y aunque no puedo darles un reporte en vivo con este laptop, me encuentro realmente en Madrid mientras leen este.



Aunque lo escribí hace diez días, puedo darles un reporte sobre el comienzo de este peregrinaje. El Padre Mark y yo llevamos a 65 jóvenes a las Basílicas mayores de Roma antes de ir a Madrid, ofrecimos Misa en San Pedro, las Catacumbas, y en el altar donde San Maximiliano Kolbe ofreció su primera Misa. Sin embargo, nuestro momento mas importante ha sido el ir a ver al Papa a poca distancia en Castel Gandolfo. Pudimos llegar en bus a Castel Gandolfo, la residencia papal de veraneo. Nuestro bus fue el primero en llegar, pero cantando, y moviendo las banderas, se encontraban los jóvenes de Venezuela, Ecuador, México, Brasil, Argentina, Chile y Colombia cerca a nosotros. Cuando salió el Santo Papa al patio a las 10:30am, un canto de "A-mer-i-ca!" se escucho por todo el empedrado dándole la bienvenida.

Nuestros jóvenes pudieron ver y escuchar al Papa a una distancia de 50 pies. Uno de ellos dijo que cuando Benedicto salió al patio, estaba confundida por la extraña emoción y comenzó a llorar inexplicablemente. Yo he tenido esta misma experiencia. Añoramos inconscientemente a nuestros padres, Nuestro Padre, y la presencia del Papa, algunas veces nos deja esto al descubierto. Ha sido un hermoso peregrinaje. Los jóvenes buscan el significado con una transparencia desarmante. Nosotros los de mas edad podemos darnos cuenta de



nuestro añoro por medio de su inocencia. Sin embargo, solo Dios puede suplir este añoro en ellos. Por esta razón, una reunión con el Santo Padre, en la presencia de los jóvenes, es una experiencia particularmente poderosa. De nuevo, gracias a todos ustedes, St. Joseph's por ayudar a que 44 jóvenes se reúnan con Benedicto XVI y la Iglesia universal.

Fr. Joseph

Nuestro Santo Padre en Roma

BENEDICTO XVI

XXVI Jornada Mundial de la Juventud

Domingo 17 de abril de 2011



Queridos hermanos y hermanas, queridos jóvenes:

Como cada año, en el Domingo de Ramos, nos conmueve subir junto a Jesús al monte, al santuario, acompañarlo en su acenso. En este día, por toda la faz de la tierra y a través de todos los siglos, jóvenes y gente de todas las edades lo aclaman gritando: “¡Hosanna al Hijo de David! ¡Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor!».

Pero, ¿qué hacemos realmente cuando nos unimos a la procesión, al cortejo de aquellos que junto con Jesús subían a Jerusalén y lo aclamaban como rey de Israel? ¿Es algo más que una ceremonia, que una bella tradición? ¿Tiene quizás algo que ver con la verdadera realidad de nuestra vida, de nuestro mundo? Para encontrar la respuesta, debemos clarificar ante todo qué es lo que en realidad ha querido y ha hecho Jesús mismo. Tras la profesión de fe, que Pedro había realizado en Cesarea de Filipo, en el extremo norte de la Tierra Santa, Jesús se había dirigido como peregrino hacia Jerusalén para la fiesta de la Pascua. Es un camino hacia el templo en la Ciudad Santa, hacia aquel lugar que aseguraba de modo particular a Israel la cercanía de Dios a su pueblo. Es un camino hacia la fiesta común de la Pascua, memorial de la liberación de Egipto y signo de la esperanza en la liberación definitiva. Él sabe que le espera una nueva Pascua, y que él mismo ocupará el lugar de los corderos inmolados, ofreciéndose así mismo en la cruz. Sabe que, en los dones misteriosos del pan y del vino, se entregará para siempre a los suyos, les abrirá la puerta hacia un nuevo camino de liberación, hacia la comunión con el Dios vivo. Es un camino hacia la altura de la Cruz, hacia el momento del amor que se entrega. El fin último de su peregrinación es la altura de Dios mismo, a la cual él quiere elevar al ser humano. Nuestra procesión de hoy por tanto quiere ser imagen de algo más profundo, imagen del hecho que, junto con Jesús, comenzamos la peregrinación: por el camino elevado hacia el Dios vivo. Se trata de esta subida. Es el camino al que Jesús nos invita. Pero, ¿cómo podemos mantener el paso en esta subida? ¿No sobrepasa quizás nuestras fuerzas? Sí, está por encima de nuestras posibilidades. ... También han aumentado las posibilidades del mal que se presentan como tempestades amenazadoras sobre la historia.

Los Santos Padres han dicho que el hombre se encuentra en el punto de intersección entre dos campos de gravedad. Ante todo, está la fuerza que le atrae hacia abajo – hacia el egoísmo, hacia la mentira y hacia el mal; la gravedad que nos abaja y nos aleja de la altura de Dios. Por otro lado, está la fuerza de gravedad del amor de Dios: el ser amados de Dios y la respuesta de nuestro amor que nos atrae hacia lo alto. El hombre se encuentra en medio de esta doble fuerza de gravedad, y todo depende del poder escapar del campo de gravedad del mal y ser libres de dejarse atraer totalmente por la fuerza de gravedad de Dios, que nos hace auténticos, nos eleva, nos da la verdadera libertad.

El salmo procesional 23, que la Iglesia nos propone como “canto de subida” para la liturgia de hoy, indica algunos elementos concretos que forman parte de nuestra subida, y sin los cuales no podemos ser levantados: las manos inocentes, el corazón puro, el rechazo de la mentira, la búsqueda del rostro de Dios. Las grandes conquistas de la técnica nos hacen libres y son elementos del progreso de la humanidad sólo si están unidas a estas actitudes... Todos estos elementos de la subida son eficaces sólo si reconocemos humildemente que debemos ser atraídos hacia lo alto... Tenemos necesidad de la humildad de la fe que busca el rostro de Dios y se confía a la verdad de su amor. Subimos con el Señor en peregrinación.

Oración y Vida Interior

Corresponsabilidad: “Reconociendo y Recibiendo los Dones de Dios”

Los dones que recibimos de Dios no son únicamente para nuestro bien. La lectura de hoy señala el nombramiento de un líder para la casa de Judea y el nombramiento de Simón Pedro como cabeza de la Iglesia. Esas posiciones de liderazgo también contenían grandes responsabilidades de cuidar de la gente bajo su cargo. Por nuestra parte, nosotros tenemos un papel que jugar en la salvación del mundo. Dios tiene un plan para nosotros y nos da lo necesario para realizar nuestra tarea. Los dones que recibimos nos obligan a usarlos para el propósito de Dios y no para nuestra propia satisfacción. Que podamos reconocer la necesidad de los demás y usemos nuestros dones como corresponde.

Catecismo para Niños

Horario de la Oficina:

Lunes y Martes de 10:00am—5:00pm

Miércoles de 1:00—7:00pm

Serrado jueves y viernes.

Todo estudiante nuevo tiene que traer una copia del certificado de Bautismo y si han tomado clases en otra parroquia, una carta de transferencia.



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VIDA PARROQUIAL

Martes: Grupo de Oración
Carismático de

7:00pm-9:00pm., en JP II salón #7.

Miércoles: Clases de Inglés de 6:00pm
-7:30pm en JP II salón #6.

Miércoles: Hora Santa en español de
7:00pm-8:00pm., en la Capilla.

Jueves: Estudio de Biblia de 6:30pm-
8:30pm en JP II salón #4-All Saints

Jueves: Grupo de Jóvenes-Adultos de
7:00pm-9:00pm en JP II salón #2.

RECOGNIZING
AND
RECEIVING
God's Gifts



St. Joseph's Annual Stewardship Renewal September 18, 2011

Everything we have is a gift from God:

- Our TIME (prayer time)
- Our TALENTS (using our talents for parish service)
- Our TREASURE (Giving back some of what God has gifted us)

Time Commitments are between you and God.

Talent Commitments/Interests will be followed up by ministry leaders.

Treasure commitments are confidential.

Parishioner Video at all Masses:
September 10- 11, 2011

*Stewardship is your
response to the many gifts that
God has given you...*

DID YOU KNOW THAT WORDS AT MASS WILL BE CHANGING? THE CHANGES WILL NOT OCCUR UNTIL ADVENT (NOVEMBER 2011), BUT IT IS GOOD TO BE AWARE OF THE CHANGES NOW. YOU ARE INVITED TO AN INFORMATIONAL NIGHT, WITH FR. JOSEPH ILLO, ON THE ROMAN MISSAL, THIRD EDITION.

WELCOMING THE ROMAN MISSAL, THIRD EDITION



with Fr. Joseph Illo

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31ST
6:45PM - 8:00PM
IN FR. O'HARE HALL**

**COME AND RECEIVE A COMPLIMENTARY
BOOKLET THAT WILL HELP GUIDE YOU
THROUGH THE CHANGES (PICTURED RIGHT).**

