

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 28, 2011
Twenty-Second
Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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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 The New Roman Missal

A recent poll discovered that only 23% of Catholics know that the English Mass prayers are about to change. I bet you are one of that 23%, but I bet you don't know exactly *what* will change in the New Roman Missal, and *why* it will change. The most obvious difference will be the response to the priest's greeting, "The Lord be with you." After November 27, we are to respond "And with your spirit" rather than "And also with you." I must say: I've been waiting for this better translation of the Mass for 25 years. As seminarians, in 1988, we learned how poor some parts of the current translation is. Since we are so used to them, most of us don't realize how flat, uninspiring, and in some cases downright incorrect the current prayers can be. The translation from the Latin was done quickly, and let us say, with charity and understanding, that the translators in the 1970s did the best they could with what they had. But over the last ten years, the Church has applied the resources necessary to produce a translation that appropriately communicates the beauty and dignity of the Latin original. We will begin learning and using it in Advent this year. When people say "Mass is boring," much of it is due to the "boring" translation we've been using all these years. I know we will all come to love the new prayers, once we understand them. I encourage you to attend the workshop on the new Mass prayers that I will give this Wednesday at 6:30. Come and hear the beauty of these new prayers we will begin praying at our Masses.

I write from Madrid, where we have joined 2 million young people for Holy Mass with Pope Benedict. Some of my pictures:



Lining up to get in.

Firemen cooling us down.



Priests welcome the Pope.

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
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Readings 8/28-9/4

Monday:

1 Thes 4:13-18; Mk 6:17-29

Tuesday:

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday:

Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday:

Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

Friday:

Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
12pm Latin Mass:
Ecclus. 31:8-11; Lk. 12:35-40

Saturday:

Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday:

Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95; Rom 13:8-10;
Mt. 18:15-20

9am Mass: 12th Sunday after Pentecost
II Cor. 3:4-9; Lk. 10:23-37

Sacraments

Our Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 28 (Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)			
7:30a	Rusty Boyle	1:30p	Manuel Cuarenca and 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		
Monday, August 29			
8:00a	Joe Barratt and Grace H. Kennealy	5:45p	Ann G. Besotes and Eric Tognazzini
Tuesday, August 30			
8:00a	Bernice Judd and Mary Ann Clonts	5:45p	John & Mary Rocha and James & Elmira Lorenzo
Wednesday, August 31			
8:00a	John & Virginia Bairos and Dwaine Stephan	5:45p	Everett Souza and Rita Santos
Thursday, September 1			
8:00a	Don Cleary and Arcadio & Maria Farinas	5:45p	Amparo Siscar and John & Virginia Bairos
Friday, September 2			
8:00a	Charles Tidwell and Rosanna Hollander	5:45p	Don Partyka and Isabele Bavaro
Saturday, September 3			
8:00a	John Flores and Ysabel Ramirez	5:30p	St. Joseph's Memorial Mass
Sunday, September 4 (Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)			
7:30a	Rusty Boyle	1:30p	Manuela Madueño, Alejandro Sanchez and Alejandro Sanchez, Jr.
9:00a	Alberto Mendonca	3:00p	Indian Mass
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners	5:30p	Kazneh Kandah
12:00p	Louise Bettencourt	7:30p	Filemeno Tadena

Prayer & Interior Life

Stewardship: "Recognizing and Receiving God's Gifts"

August 22 — The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we pray the Lord's Prayer we ask that God's 'will be done.' Today's readings relate to us the effect of allowing God's will to determine the direction of our lives. The prophet Jeremiah complains to the Lord about how he is ridiculed for preaching to the people but cannot stop himself. In the gospel Jesus declares that to follow Him one must deny himself and take up his cross. May we recognize the gift of a life lived in accord with God's will and open our hearts to Him.



St. Joseph's Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Try a Holy Hour with Jesus Once a Week!

Tuesdays: 5pm-6pm;


Wednesdays: 10:am to 11am; 11am to 12 Noon;

Thursdays: 2pm to 3pm (Vacant);

Fridays: 9pm to 10pm


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.

THANK YOU FROM OUR MILITARY MINISTRY



Our Military Ministry thanks everyone who helped with and supported the garage sale that was held on August 6. Over \$1,000 was raised which will be used to pay for mailing costs for care boxes to our troops.




WELCOMING THE ROMAN MISSAL THIRD EDITION-AUGUST 31
 Join Father Joseph Illo on Wednesday, August 31, from 6:45pm to 8pm in Fr. O'Hare Hall as he explains the changes in the language of the Mass that will occur in November. You will receive a complimentary booklet to help guide you through the changes.

OPUS DEI MEN'S EVENING OF RECOLLECTION THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

All men are welcome and encouraged to come to an Opus Dei Men's Evening of Recollection on Thursday, September 1, from 7:15pm to 9:15pm in the Church. This Evening of Recollection will be conducted by an Opus Dei priest. For further information, please contact Nilo Casiano (209) 324-5926.

Lay Dominican Chapter Meeting—2nd Saturday of each Month
8am Mass in church, after Mass meet in the JP II Room 5

Lay Dominicans come from all walks of life and have a strong sense of vocation to the Dominican Order. Four specific aspects set us apart from other Orders and Communities: Prayer, Study, Community, and Apostolate. If you believe that God is calling you to deeper spirituality you are invited to explore the Dominican tradition. Contact Sandy Uyeshiro 577-1493 or email: sandyopl@gmail.com.



PRAY THE ROSARY!
 Please join us to pray the Rosary the first Thursday of each month from noon to 12:20pm, in the Kaiser Spiritual Care Meditation Room (2nd Floor-2H1) at Kaiser Permanente. For more information, please contact Eileen Nicholson, 521-9594 or chaplain Quincy, 735-7646.

Sunday, August 28		
10:00 A	CLOW	JP6
1:00 P	CFCFFL - Youth	JP7
1:30 P	Handmaids of Christ	JP6
Monday, August 29		
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
7:00 P	Charismatic Prayer	JP10
Tuesday, August 30		
9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
6:15 P	Legion of Mary	JP4
6:30 P	Festival Committee	JP6
7:00 P	Charismatic Prayer	JP10
Wednesday, August 31		
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
6:30 P	New Mass translation (Fr.	Hall
Thursday, September 1		
9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
12:00 P	RE Bible Study	JP4
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
Friday, September 2		
12:00 P	Latin Mass	Chur
3:00 P	Divine Mercy Prayer	Chap
6:00 P	Indian Prayer Group	JP6
6:30 P	Children's Adoration	Chur
Saturday, September 3		
8:30 A	Confessions	Chur
8:30 A	Militia Immaculata	JP10
9:00 A	AA (Women) Language	JP4
9:00 A	Militia Immaculata Prayer	JP5
9:00 A	Made to Crave	JP4
4:00 P	Confessions	Chur
Sunday, September 4		
10:00 A	CLOW	JP6
1:00 P	CFCFFL - Youth	JP7
1:30 P	Handmaids of Christ	JP6
3:00 P	Indian Mass	Chur

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 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.



Season 3: In the footsteps of Christ

Register to lead a small ARISE study and pray group.

No experience necessary! Registrations at the plaza this weekend, call 551-4973 ext. 218, or e-mail arise@stjmod.com

Faith & Finances with Phil Lenahan

Living out the call to generosity transforms one's understanding about money and life. Instead of one's thoughts being focused on self-satisfaction, one thinks first of God and of others. Instead of giving as an afterthought, one gives from their first and their best (Pr. 3:9). One learns how to love.

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

The New Roman Missal, 3rd Edition

As Fr. Illo said in his laptop, the words we hear and say at Mass will be changing the first Sunday of Advent (November 27th). It will take some time to transition and get used to the new responses, but it is beneficial for us to learn about the changes now, so that we can be better prepared and able to enter into the Mass more fully. These changes have not just been created overnight and by one person, but it has been many years and thousands of people that have worked under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The Mass is so vital to our lives; it is how we pray and gather as God's family.

A couple of events coming up that St. Joseph's is offering are geared to help you prepare for the changes. Here they are:



☞ Welcoming the Roman Missal Third Edition ☜

Wednesday, August 31st
6:30-8pm in Fr. O'Hare Hall



With Fr. Joseph Illo

Come and receive a free booklet that will help guide you through the changes.

☞ St. Joseph's Music Ministry Workshop ☜
"New Mass Setting"

Are you interested in learning the new Mass settings and music? Come and join Fr. Joseph Illo and Beth Holton (Music Director at Our Lady of Fatima) on:

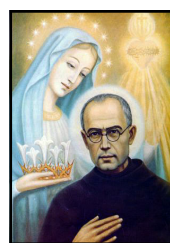
Saturday, September 17th
8:45-11am in Fr. O'Hare Hall



☞ Wisdom from the Saints ☜

"The soul hungers for God, and nothing but God can satiate it. Therefore He came to dwell on earth and assumed a Body in order that this Body might become the Food of our souls. "

— St. John Marie Vianney



MI Adult Village
MI Spanish Village

Meet *Every* first Saturday of the month, after the 8am Mass, room #5, JP II bldg. All are invited!

MI Family Village

Meeting Changed to Sept. 18th JP II 10:30-12:00 (Due to Festival). Fr Joseph will be our Presenter. We look forward to resuming our Family Meetings and welcome all newcomers, Call John & Malissa Souza @ 531-8126 for more details. Children Welcome

☞ 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.

First Core meeting Monday, August 29.

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!

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.

HIGH SCHOOL

!!! Kickoff !!!

ATTENTION TEENS!! THE WAIT IS OVER!!

Join us on Sunday,

SEPT. 18, 2011

The Ultimate Battle of Eden

Beginning immediately after 5:30 p.m. Youth Mass in the Fr. O Hare Hall.

Contact Us!

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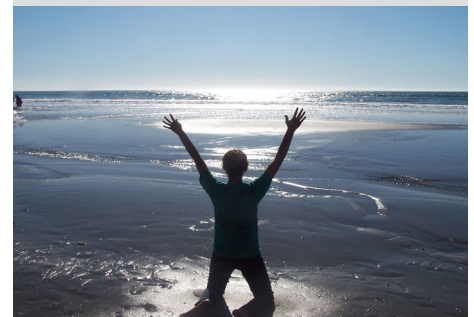
High School

!!RETREAT!!

November

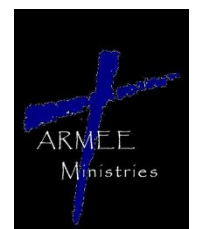
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In Aptos, CA



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.



Christine McGuire smiling at VBR

Profiles in Stewardship

by Debbie Greco

God has given Christine McGuire many gifts which she uses wholeheartedly in our parish. She uses her gift of music to sing in our Sunday choir, shares faith on Journey retreats, helps with VBR, and is our Parish Wedding Coordinator. In addition, Christine is a Confirmation girl's catechist, bringing her unique gifts of creativity to her class. On All Souls day, Christine decorated her class like a graveyard and had her husband Drew come out of closet dressed as a poor soul in purgatory, dragging chains into the darkened room, imploring the girls to pray for the souls in purgatory. To help her class know they are daughters of the King, Christine had them wear crowns and tap into their "inner princess" as they watched scenes from the Princess Bride. She brings her gift of knowing when to be tough and when to be tender with the girls. She even helped them earn service hours by meeting them at a hospital to bring Christmas cheer to some of the residents.

St. John of the Cross wrote *"The soul of one who serves God always swims in joy, always keeps holiday, is always in her palace of jubilation, ever singing with fresh ardor and fresh pleasure a new song of joy and love."* This, to me is an apt description of Christine McGuire. Our parish is very blessed by her generous use of God's generous gifts.

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

New this year at the Festival:



9/9: 7:00PM

9/10: 4:00 PM

9/11: 3:00 & 4:00 PM

- Each tour approx. 30 minutes
- Free gifts to visitors
- Come and invite your Catholic and non-Catholic friends!

It's not too late to volunteer or bake a cake! Go to the parish website and sign up! www.stjmod.com/festival.html



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

HOMILY OF BENEDICT XVI (PART 1 OF 2) TWENTY-SIXTH WORLD YOUTH DAY (2011)

Sunday, August 21, 2011



Seeing you here, gathered in such great numbers from all parts of the world, fills my heart with joy. I think of the special love with which Jesus is looking upon you. Yes, the Lord loves you and calls you his friends (cf. *Jn 15:15*). He goes out to meet you and he wants to accompany you on your journey, to open the door to a life of fulfilment and to give you a share in his own closeness to the Father. For our part, we have come to know the immensity of his love and we want to respond generously to his love by sharing with others the joy we have received. Certainly, there are many people today who feel attracted by the figure of Christ and want to know him better. They realize that he is the answer to so many of our deepest concerns. But who is he really? How can someone who lived on this earth so long ago have anything in common with me today?

The Gospel we have just heard (cf. *Mt 16:13-20*) suggests two different ways of knowing Christ. The first is an impersonal knowledge, one based on current opinion. When Jesus asks: "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?", the disciples answer: "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets". In other words, Christ is seen as yet another religious figure, like those who came before him. Then Jesus turns to the disciples and asks them: "But who do you say that I am?" Peter responds with what is the first confession of faith: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God". Faith is more than just empirical or historical facts; it is an ability to grasp the mystery of Christ's person in all its depth.

Yet faith is not the result of human effort, of human reasoning, but rather a gift of God: "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven". Faith starts with God, who opens his heart to us and invites us to share in his own divine life. Faith does not simply provide information about who Christ is; rather, it entails a personal relationship with Christ, a surrender of our whole person, with all our understanding, will and feelings, to God's self-revelation. So Jesus' question: "But who do you say that I am?" is ultimately a challenge to the disciples to make a personal decision in his regard. Faith in Christ and discipleship are strictly interconnected. And, since faith involves following the Master, it must become constantly stronger, deeper and more mature, to the extent that it leads to a closer and more intense relationship with Jesus. Peter and the other disciples also had to grow in this way, until their encounter with the Risen Lord opened their eyes to the fullness of faith.

Dear young people, today Christ is asking you the same question which he asked the Apostles: "Who do you say that I am?" Respond to him with generosity and courage, as befits young hearts like your own. Say to him: "Jesus, I know that you are the Son of God, who has given your life for me. I want to follow you faithfully and to be led by your word. You know me and you love me. I place my trust in you and I put my whole life into your hands. I want you to be the power that strengthens me and the joy which never leaves me".

Jesus' responds to Peter's confession by speaking of the Church: "And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church". What do these words mean? Jesus builds the Church on the rock of the faith of Peter, who confesses that Christ is God. The Church, then, is not simply a human institution, like any other. Rather, she is closely joined to God. Christ himself speaks of her as "his" Church. Christ cannot be separated from the Church any more than the head can be separated from the body (cf. *1 Cor 12:12*). The Church does not draw her life from herself, but from the Lord.

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.

BASIC THEOLOGY FOR MINISTRY COURSE

If you want to become involved as a parish volunteer; thinking about becoming a deacon; or interested in learning more about your faith, the Basic Theology for Ministry Course will provide an adult-level study of the teachings of the Church. It is also a pre-requisite for men considering becoming Permanent Deacons. For more information, call the School of Ministry at (209) 546-7630.

CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The Scripture Institute leads Catholics into a deeper understanding of how to interpret scripture as the Catholic Church intends. This year the Scripture Institute will explore the Gospels, Paul's letters, and the Book of Revelation. Sessions will be held at the new Ryan Conference Center in Stockton, on Monday evenings, beginning Sept 12th. The cost is \$85 a unit (books included.) To register, call 546-7629.



Christine McGuire

Dios le ha dado muchos dones a Christine McGuire los cuales ella usa de todo corazón en nuestra parroquia. Usa su don de canto para cantar con el coro, comparte su fe en Cursillos de Cristiandad, ayuda en VBR, y es la Coordinadora de Bodas en la parroquia. En adición, Christine es catequista de Confirmación, llevando sus dones de creatividad a su clase. El día de Todos los Santos, Christine decoró su clase como un panteón e hizo que su esposo saliera vestido como una pobre alma en el purgatorio, arrastrando cadenas en la obscuridad del cuarto, implorando a las niñas que rezaran por las ánimas del purgatorio. Para ayudar que las niñas de su clase se dieran cuenta que son hijas del Rey, les dio a usar coronas mientras veían escenas de la película Princess Bride. También usa su don de conocer cuando debe enseñar y cuando dar ternura a las niñas. Hasta les ayudó a ganar horas de servicio esperándolas en el hospital para llevar la alegría de la Navidad a los pacientes. San Juan de la Cruz escribió *“El alma del que sirve a Dios vive en alegría, vive festejando, vive en su palacio de júbilo, cantando con renovado ardor y placer una nueva canción de alegría y amor.* Esto, para mí es una apta descripción de Christine McGuire. Nuestra parroquia es generosamente bendecida por su uso de los generosos dones que recibe de Dios.

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

Una encuesta reciente muestra que solamente un 23% de los Católicos se han enterado que muy pronto cambiarán las palabras usadas en la Misa en inglés. Por supuesto que el promedio es más alto entre aquellos que van a la Misa regularmente. Apuesto que usted es uno de aquellos que sabe que las oraciones de la Misa pronto cambiarán, pero también estoy seguro que usted no sabe exactamente de que manera y el por que. La diferencia más obvia será en la respuesta al sacerdote cuando dice, “the Lord be with you.” Después del 27 de noviembre, responderemos de la siguiente manera “and with your spirit” en vez de “and also with you.” Así será más fiel al Latín, como es en Español (“Y con tu espíritu”). Sin embargo, quiero decirles que yo he esperado esta nueva traducción de la Misa por 25 años. Mientras estábamos en el seminario, en 1988, aprendimos la pobreza de la actual traducción. Muchos no se dan cuenta que las oraciones que usamos ahora son insípidas, no inspiran y en algunos casos, son incorrectas. La traducción fue hecha apresuradamente y mediante una gran presión, y en algunos casos, reflejando ideología. Podemos decir con caridad y comprensión, que los traductores de 1970 hicieron lo que pudieron con lo que tenían. Pero por los últimos diez años, la Iglesia ha invertido el tiempo y los recursos necesarios para llevar a cabo una traducción que comunique apropiadamente la belleza y dignidad de la Sagrada Liturgia. Comenzaremos a aprender a usarla durante la temporada antes de la navidad este año. Cuando la gente dice “la Misa es aburrida,” se debe a las oraciones “aburridas” que hemos estado usando. Estoy seguro que con el tiempo amaremos las nuevas oraciones, cuando las entendamos. Ofrezco un taller sobre las nuevas oraciones este miércoles a las 6:30pm.

Escribo esta desde Madrid, donde 42 de los feligreses de nuestra parroquia terminan la Jornada Mundial Juvenil. Esta es una de mis fotos— nosotros padres dando bienvenida al Papa.



Fr. Joseph

Nuestro Santo Padre en Roma

BENEDICTO XVI (1 de 2)
XXVI Jornada Mundial de la Juventud
Domingo 21 de agosto de 2011



Al veros aquí, venidos en gran número de todas partes, mi corazón se llena de gozo pensando en el afecto especial con el que Jesús os mira. Sí, el Señor os quiere y os llama amigos suyos (cf. Jn 15,15). Él viene a vuestro encuentro y desea acompañaros en vuestro camino, para abriros las puertas de una vida plena, y haceros partícipes de su relación íntima con el Padre. Nosotros, por nuestra parte, conscientes de la grandeza de su amor, deseamos corresponder con toda generosidad a esta muestra de predilección con el propósito de compartir también con los demás la alegría que hemos recibido. Ciertamente, son muchos en la actualidad los que se sienten atraídos por la figura de Cristo y desean conocerlo mejor. Perciben que Él es la respuesta a muchas de sus inquietudes personales. Pero, ¿quién es Él realmente? ¿Cómo es posible que alguien que ha vivido sobre la tierra hace tantos años tenga algo que ver conmigo hoy?

En el evangelio que hemos escuchado (cf. Mt 16, 13-20), vemos representados como dos modos distintos de conocer a Cristo. El primero consistiría en un conocimiento externo, caracterizado por la opinión corriente. A la pregunta de Jesús: «¿Quién dice la gente que es el Hijo del hombre?», los discípulos responden: «Unos que Juan el Bautista, otros que Elías, otros que Jeremías o uno de los profetas». Es decir, se considera a Cristo como un personaje religioso más de los ya conocidos. Después, dirigiéndose personalmente a los discípulos, Jesús les pregunta: «Y vosotros, ¿quién decís que soy yo?». Pedro responde con lo que es la primera confesión de fe: «Tú eres el Mesías, el Hijo del Dios vivo». La fe va más allá de los simples datos empíricos o históricos, y es capaz de captar el misterio de la persona de Cristo en su profundidad.

Pero la fe no es fruto del esfuerzo humano, de su razón, sino que es un don de Dios: «¡Dichoso tú, Simón, hijo de Jonás!, porque eso no te lo ha revelado ni la carne ni la sangre, sino mi Padre que está en los cielos». Tiene su origen en la iniciativa de Dios, que nos desvela su intimidad y nos invita a participar de su misma vida divina. La fe no proporciona solo alguna información sobre la identidad de Cristo, sino que supone una relación personal con Él, la adhesión de toda la persona, con su inteligencia, voluntad y sentimientos, a la manifestación que Dios hace de sí mismo. Así, la pregunta de Jesús: «Y vosotros, ¿quién decís que soy yo?», en el fondo está impulsando a los discípulos a tomar una decisión personal en relación a Él. Fe y seguimiento de Cristo están estrechamente relacionados. Y, puesto que supone seguir al Maestro, la fe tiene que consolidarse y crecer, hacerse más profunda y madura, a medida que se intensifica y fortalece la relación con Jesús, la intimidad con Él. También Pedro y los demás apóstoles tuvieron que avanzar por este camino, hasta que el encuentro con el Señor resucitado les abrió los ojos a una fe plena.

Queridos jóvenes, también hoy Cristo se dirige a vosotros con la misma pregunta que hizo a los apóstoles: «Y vosotros, ¿quién decís que soy yo?». Respondedle con generosidad y valentía, como corresponde a un corazón joven como el vuestro. Decidle: Jesús, yo sé que Tú eres el Hijo de Dios que has dado tu vida por mí. Quiero seguirte con fidelidad y dejarme guiar por tu palabra. Tú me conoces y me amas. Yo me fío de ti y pongo mi vida entera en tus manos. Quiero que seas la fuerza que me sostenga, la alegría que nunca me abandone.

En su respuesta a la confesión de Pedro, Jesús habla de la Iglesia: «Y yo a mi vez te digo que tú eres Pedro, y sobre esta piedra edificaré mi Iglesia». ¿Qué significa esto? Jesús construye la Iglesia sobre la roca de la fe de Pedro, que confiesa la divinidad de Cristo. Sí, la Iglesia no es una simple institución humana, como otra cualquiera, sino que está estrechamente unida a Dios. El mismo Cristo se refiere a ella como «su» Iglesia. No se puede separar a Cristo de la Iglesia, como no se puede separar la cabeza del cuerpo (cf. 1Co 12,12). La Iglesia no vive de sí misma, sino del Señor. Él está presente en medio de ella, y le da vida, alimento y fortaleza.

Corresponsabilidad: “Reconociendo y Recibiendo los Dones de Dios”

Todo lo que tenemos es regalo de Dios:

- Nuestro Tiempo (en oración)
- Nuestros Talentos (usando nuestros talentos sirviendo en nuestra parroquia)
- Nuestro Tesoro (regresando algo de lo que hemos recibido de Dios)

Su compromiso del tiempo es entre usted y Dios (oración).

En su compromiso de talentos/ intereses recibirá una llamada de los líderes del ministerio.

El compromiso de su tesoro es confidencial.

La Renovación Anual de la Corresponsabilidad en St. Joseph's es el 18 de Septiembre.

Video sobre la Corresponsabilidad: el 11 de Septiembre del 2011.

La Corresponsabilidad es una respuesta a los muchos regalos que hemos recibido de Dios...

Gran Baile de Colores



Sábado, 3 de Sept.
5:00—11:30pm

Centro Comunitario
de St. Stanislaus
Amenizado por
Los Bondadosos y
Los Kinos

\$25 x adelantado \$30 en la puerta
Niños menores de 10 años \$10
Venta de Comida y Bebidas

Boletos por adelantado con:

Gustavo Padilla (209) 606-2741,
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VIDA PARROQUIAL

Martes: Grupo de Oración
Carismático de

7:00pm-9:00pm., en JP11 salón #7.

Miércoles: Clases de Inglés de
6:00pm-7:30pm en JP11 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 JP11 salón #4-All Saints

Jueves: Grupo de Jóvenes-Adultos de
7:00pm-9:00pm en JP11 salón #2.

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Friday-Sunday
September 9-11, 2011

Valley WINE AND FOOD
EXPEDITION
A ST. JOSEPH'S EVENT

Silent Auction-All Welcome

Dozens of food and wine vendors, generous sampling and tasting, live music

\$25 Adult (must be age 21+) 6:30-9:00 pm
Friday, Sept. 9—Fr. O'Hare Hall

Dinner ITALIAN

Delicious Pasta and Meatball Dinner

\$7 Adult and \$2 Child (age 3-10)
Saturday, Sept. 10—Fr. O'Hare Hall, 5-8pm

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DRAWING EVERY HOUR

\$5 Each or SAVE:

5 Pack only \$20

12 Pack only \$48

Need not be present to win! Drawing: 9/11/11-8pm

(1) \$2,541 (1) \$1,041 (1) \$541 Hourly : \$41

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Carnival Rides All 3 Days!

Friday: 5-10pm Sat.: 4-10pm Sun.: 12-10pm

Exchange for wristband: Friday only

\$15.00—pack of (25) tickets—\$10 Savings!



CAKE WALK

International Food Booths and Games

\$10—Packet of (10) tickets or \$1 Each

Friday: 5-10pm Sat.: 4-10pm Sun.: 12-8pm



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4:00 PM Saturday

3:00 and 4:00 PM Sunday (30 minutes)