

*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

February 5, 2012 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Visit our website:

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Holy Eucharist

Sunday Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sundays: 7:30am,

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

12pm, 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

Holy Hour in the Church

Fridays 6:30pm-7:30pm

Children's Services:

Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Sunday Mass 10:30am

Adoration & Confessions

First Friday 6:30pm-7:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday thru Thursday 5-5:30pm

Fridays 6:30pm-7:30pm (Holy Hour)

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 Kottarakkithil, Assoc Pastor

Fr. Larry Guerrero, Hospital Chaplain

Rev. Mr. Ken Ochinero, Deacon

Rev. Mr. Ernest Ciccarelli, Deacon

From the Pastor's Laptop



Washington 2012. CNN reported that "hundreds" of anti-abortion protesters gathered in Washington. Imagine the CNN coverage if the "Occupy" movement could rally 400,000 people!

gatherings of the world's youth are not at all like the angry, destructive "Occupy" crowds. Pro-life youth seek to build, not tear down. Young people, especially Catholic young people, beautifully testify to the joy of living the **virtue of hope**. And so the Prolife Movement is characterized by *youthful hope and joy*.

The Culture of Death, driven by "old" men and women who have turned from God and so lost their hope, seeks to strangle youthful joy. It seeks to convince young people, especially, that life is essentially irrational and random, and we cannot hope to ever reach the truth about anything. The Pope has called this the "**Dictatorship of Relativism**," which proclaims that *there is no such thing as truth*.

Death's Culture forces its darkness into our children's lives through the media, university and school curricula, and even through state law. For example, did you know that California law prohibits a 12-year-old girl's parents from knowing that she is pregnant and seeking an abortion? The law, in other words, does not support a parent's right to protect his or her own daughter from sexual abuse and the trauma of abortion. But a girl's parents are her best hope to protect her youthful freedom and joy in a culture that encourages predators. It is simply irrational to deny a girl this fundamental right to her parents' support.

A grassroots campaign to change that law, called the **Parental Notification Initiative**, is in the works. On a Sunday to come, you will have a chance to sign a petition to get this initiative on the November ballot.

Fr. Joseph

Staff Contacts**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 Servers	Svetlana x200
Audio / Video	Jeremy x213
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Bulletin & Website	Jeremy x213
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Readings 02/06-02/12**Monday:**

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday:

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday:

1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday:

1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30

Friday:

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37

12pm Latin Mass:

II Cor. 1:3-7; Mt. 16:24-27

Saturday:

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday:Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32;
1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45**9am Mass Latin Mass: 6th Sunday after Epiphany**

1 Thess. 1:2-10; Mt. 13:31-35

Sacraments**Our Mass Intentions****Sunday, February 5 (Fifth Sunday on Ordinary Time)**

7:30a	Rusty Boyle	1:30p	Lupe Perez and Jorge Medina, Jr.
9:00a	Jose & Jesuina Bairos	3:00p	Indian Mass
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners	5:30p	Cefus Willian
12:00p	Joe R. Fernandes	7:30p	Ann Brazil

Monday, February 6

8:00a	Arlene Enos and Maria Machado	5:45p	Omar Vidal and Bemuinda Faria
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Tuesday, February 7

8:00a	Elizabeth Elson and Josephine Paluzzi	5:45p	Mercedes Sanchez and Angelio Virgilio
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Wednesday, February 8

8:00a	Alice Eva Nelson and Thomas Schlarb	5:45p	Mary Touraine and Lula Manque
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Thursday, February 9

8:00a	Lorraine Ottoboni and Elizabeth Machado	5:45p	Jose Quidayan and Josephine Paluzzi
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Friday, February 10

8:00a	Rosanna Hollander and Beatrice Fugett	5:45p	John & Filomena Mendes and Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
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Saturday, February 11

8:00a	Alzira Victoria and Eliseo Ascencio	5:30p	St. Joseph's Memorial Mass
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Sunday, February 12 (Sixth Sunday on Ordinary Time)

7:30a	Myrtle Osberg	1:30p	Florentino Galvez and Joe Filice
9:00a	Albert Mendonca	5:30p	Leona Delos Reyes
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners	7:30p	John Valdez
12:00p	Thelma Coelho		

Prayer & Interior Life**OPUS DEI MEN'S EVENING OF RECOLLECTION
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

All men are welcome and encouraged to come to an Opus Dei Men's Evening of Recollection on Thursday, February 9, from 7:15pm to 9:15pm in the Church. This Evening of Recollection will be conducted by an Opus Dei priest. For information, please contact:

**PRAY TO END ABORTION**

Please join us to pray the rosary to end abortion. We meet every Tuesday & Wednesday morning around 9:15am in front of the abortion clinic at 2030 Coffee Road, Modesto. *Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for Us!*

**ST. JOSEPH'S PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL**

Try a Holy Hour with Jesus Once a Week! Please see the schedule outside the Chapel for vacant hours and for hours needing a second person. Please contact David & Monica at 527-4920 if you can pick up one of these hours.



Events & Activities

Parish Life

Remember a special day or person

-Altar Flower Donation-

Call the Development Office for info. 551-4973, x207



IMPORTANT NOTICE

OUR PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FEBRUARY 6TH -8TH FOR OUR ANNUAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT. WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE THIS MAY CAUSE.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST — FEBRUARY 12

Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast in Fr. O'Hare Hall on February 12 after 7:30, 9:00 and 10:30am Masses. Menu will be: Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Orange Juice and Coffee. Cost will be \$5.00 per person at the door. Please come and join us for a morning of fellowship.



LIGHT WEIGH

LOSE holiday pounds and GAIN a deeper relationship with God. LIGHT WEIGH is a Catholic weight loss/spiritual growth program that has helped many find peace with food. Join us for an information meeting: Tuesday, February 7 at 10:30am, repeated at 6:30pm, St Joseph's parish, JPII Rm 8. 12-week course starts Feb. 21.

Questions? Call Ann 522-0697

2012-2013 ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

A limited number of scholarships are available for children of active, registered St. Joseph's parishioners at either Our Lady of Fatima or St. Stanislaus Parish Schools. Scholarship applicants must either be current students or enrolled for the 2012-2013 school year.

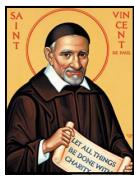
Application forms and information are available in the parish office and are due by April 30, 2012. St. Joseph's supports Catholic School Education and welcomes donations of support to help fund scholarships.

2012-2013 ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

A limited number of scholarships are available for children of active, registered St. Joseph's parishioners who will attend or are attending a four-year college or university as undergraduates. Prospective applicants must be enrolled for the 2012-2013 school year as full-time students. Application forms and information are available in the parish office and are due by April 30, 2012. St. Joseph's supports our college age parishioners and welcomes donations of support to help fund scholarships.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We are sorry to say, we cannot receive anymore clothing as we do not have storage year-around. We are grateful for your previous donations of clothing and were able to distribute it during Christmas. We are always in need of all size diapers, baby formula, hygiene staples, cereal, beans, rice and peanut butter.



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This Week

Sunday, February 5, 2012

10:00 A	Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)	JP6
1:00 P	Youth for Family & Life	JP7
3:00 P	Indian Mass	Chur

Monday, February 6, 2012

7:00 P	Charismatic Prayer Group	JP10
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Tuesday, February 7, 2012

9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
10:30 A	Light Weigh	JP8
5:30 P	ESL Classes	JP4
6:00 P	Live Stations Practice	JP2
6:15 P	Knights of Columbus Mtg.	Hall
6:15 P	Legion of Mary	JP4
6:30 P	Light Weigh	JP8
	Welcome Center Ministry	
6:30 P	Quarterly Mtg.	JP10
7:00 P	Charismatic Prayer Span.	JP7

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

1:30 P	Widows and Widowers Bible Study	JP5
5:30 P	AA Principle Study Group	JP5
5:45 P	Al Anon Group	JP10
6:30 P	Women's Bible Study	JP8

Thursday, February 9, 2012

9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
6:30 P	Rosary Makers	JP5
6:30 P	Compartiendo la Biblia	JP4
6:30 P	Men's Group	JP10
7:00 P	Spanish Young Adults	JP2

Friday, February 10, 2012

12:00 P	Latin Mass	Chur
3:00 P	Divine Mercy Prayer	Chap
6:00 P	Indian Prayer Group	JP6

Saturday, February 11, 2012

8:00 A	Lay Dominicans	JP5
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Sunday, February 12, 2012

6:15 A	Diocese of Stockton	Chur
10:00 A	CLOW	JP6
1:00 P	Youth for Family & Life	JP7

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

Call 551-4973, ext. 207
for information.

Scan this image with
your smart phone
and go directly to
St. Joseph's webpage
to view upcoming
events and
latest blogs.



PSR Update ☀

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

The PSR office will be closed and there are no PSR classes this upcoming week: February 6-9.

SCHOOL OF FAITH CHANGE:
The School of Faith Spanish classes for Feb. 6 and Feb. 8 have been cancelled and rescheduled for Feb. 1 at 4pm and Feb. 29 at 7pm. We apologize for the inconvenience.

BIBLE STUDIES ☀

10 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MATTHEW'S GOSPEL (Part 2)
Neophyte Bible Study

February 6, 7-8:30pm in JP II, Rm 8
If you have gone through the RCIA process and become Catholic anytime in the past 5 years, you are invited to a bible study led by Gary Nelson. Gary will go through the books of the New Testament, starting with the Gospels.

ARISE *Season 4: Forgiveness and Healing*
Small faith sharing and bible study groups begin in two weeks . You may sign up after Mass this Sunday or by calling 551-4973 ext. 218.
or e-mail arise@stjmod.com.

LUNCH BIBLE STUDY
Join the Bible Study on campus every Thursday at noon in the Vatican Room. Bring your Bible and enthusiasm!
All are welcome!

For information call 551-4973 ext.218

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

Religious Education

What ever happened to meatless Fridays?

With Lent and Ash Wednesday (February 22) right around the corner, Catholics around the world will begin to prepare for what they will "give up." The penitential practices of our Catholic faith are in contrast to the values of our American culture. Some Catholics may recall the times when every Friday meant not eating meat. What many faithful Catholics don't realize is that the obligation of some form of penance on Fridays throughout the year has not been dispensed. In November of 1966, our US Bishops did allow for more meaningful penance other than just meat on Fridays. However, after 40-plus years the plan has back-fired and we have lost the practice of Friday penance. Let's look at what the Church says:

- ◆ Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 1438: The seasons and days of penance in the course of the liturgical year (Lent, and each Friday in memory of the death of the Lord) are intense moments of the Church's penitential practice.
- ◆ Canon 1250: The penitential days and times in the universal Church are every Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent.
- ◆ Can. 1251: Abstinence from meat, or from some other food as determined by the Episcopal Conference, is to be observed on all Fridays, unless a solemnity should fall on a Friday. Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- ◆ Can. 1253: The conference of bishops can determine more precisely the observance of fast and abstinence as well as substitute other forms of penance, especially works of charity and exercises of piety, in whole or in part, for abstinence and fast.

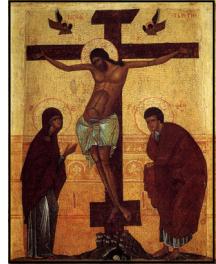
The Grace available from following the practices of our faith add to our Christian life. Many who have returned to the practice of "no meat" (or some other deliberate sacrifice) on Fridays profess how it has helped them fully appreciate the sacrifice that Christ made on Good Friday. As you and your family prepare for Lent 2012, consider returning to the practice of every Friday being a day of penance.

Practical tips/suggestions:

- Set the alarm on your watch/smart phone to go off at 3pm every Friday to remind yourself of Christ's sacrifice on the cross and say a prayer for yourself or someone in need.
- If you don't give up meat, fast from something else: sweets, soda, coffee, etc.
- Do an act of charity every Friday: drop off food for St. Vincent de Paul or visit a shut-in.
- Make it a rule: On Fridays no TV or other electronic devises, or have your kids give up that one toy that they really enjoy.
- Take time with your kids and share about Christ's love and sacrifice for us on the cross: pray the chaplet of divine Mercy or the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.

Every Friday in the church from 6:30pm-7:30pm we have Adoration & Confession, the first Friday is Children's Adoration.

Make it a priority to participate in the rich tradition of the Church by remembering every Friday the Passion & Death of our Lord Jesus.



Youth Ministry

Upcoming LifeNights:

2/5: No LifeNight – See you at 5:30pm Mass.

2/12: Kingdom Come – Miracles and the Kingdom of God/
the Gospels of Luke and Matthew.

2/19: Follow the Recipe – The visible and invisible reality
of the Sacraments.

2/26: Retro – Original Glory and Original Sin.

All high school teens are invited to join us every Sunday
from 7-8:30 p.m. Bring a friend! See you there!

Confirmation 1 students have been
working hard on Wednesday nights!
Recently they have been learning about
Spiritual Warfare, Mary and the
Rosary, the Saints and the Eucharist.



The C1 students and volunteer
Catechists enjoy watching part of
the “Catholicism” DVD series.

Our parish has been blessed with faithful teens and young adults who always are ready to serve. The “Victory” team is made up of teens and young adults who help serve our Confirmation 1 7th-8th graders. Meetings are held in the JPII center every Monday from 4:30-5:30pm.

Come check it out!

A “Victory” pyramid after a successful C1 class!!



Contact Us!

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Save the Date:

Steubenville San Diego

July 27-29

Open to all high school
teens, graduating 8th
grade through 12th grade.

Guest speakers and
musicians this year
include:

Ike Ndolo,

Fr. Michael Schmitz,
Matt Smith, Jackie

Francois and
Righteous B!!

More details to come!

“But now, thus says
the Lord, who created
you, O Jacob, and
formed you, O Israel:
Fear not, for I have
redeemed you; I have
called you by name:
You are mine.”

Isaiah 43:1



Nicholas Reggiani

Profiles in Stewardship

by Michael Webster

Nicholas recently has plugged himself back into the life of the Church. About 5 months ago he joined the Knights of Columbus and is committed to going to their monthly meetings and volunteering at their various events.

Nick is engaged to be married. He and his fiancé will receive the Sacrament of Matrimony soon. He also has signed up to take a couple of hours out of his busy week (planning a wedding can be very busy work) to open our parish library and assist others to find the right book or DVD to benefit them spiritually.

Nicholas works for the city of Modesto on their website design. He has chosen to volunteer with our parish website, using his education, time, and talent to enhance and update our website. At St. Joseph's, we see our website as an evangelization tool, to share the Gospel message with as many people as possible. It is a blessing to have Nicholas on board and his desire to share the faith.

Nicholas is a great example of true discipleship and living as a good steward of the gifts God has given him. He gives us all a great hope in the future generation of the Church. Thank you Nick!

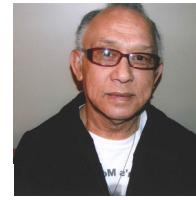
Center for Lay Apostolates

FOCUS ON LEADERSHIP: Please thank the Plaza Refreshment Volunteers for serving your coffee and donuts after Mass today.

Parish Stewardship — a way of life



Veterans Salute!



Veterans salute – Thomas P. Kuahine

(By Leonard E. Churilla, Military Support Ministry Historian)

Thomas P. Kuahini has been a St. Joseph parishioner since December 1999. He can be seen daily at the 8am Mass and the 7:30 am Mass on Sundays. Born on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23, 1944, Thomas is one of ten sons and one daughter of Mary and Solomon Kuahini of Kalihi District, Honolulu, Hawaii. After graduating from high school in 1962 in Honolulu he joined the U.S. Navy. Upon completion of basic training in San Diego he received orders to the USS Takelma (ATF-113), one of several fleet tugs home ported in Pearl Harbor. The Hawaiian native said he spent his whole time in the Navy aboard the Takelma and that it was more exciting than he could have imagined. Because of its mission, the Takelma was deployed twice from its home port for 13 months at a time. Thomas was proud that he "had his sea legs" while most other sailors were experiencing seasickness. This had its drawbacks, however, because he often was asked to stand watches for two or three shifts in a row with little sleep. "The captain was glad that he could count on me," he said. "We had some very rough times towing barges from Singapore and Hong Kong during typhoons. Very often the crew had to work 20 hours a day hauling ammunition barges from the Philippines to Vietnam during that war."

While off duty in 1963 he was involved in a serious traffic accident which left him with steel rods in both his legs for 22 years. After rehabilitation from the hospital he was returned to duty aboard the Takelma and was honorably discharged on March 5, 1965. Thomas later felt that the islands were getting too crowded for him so he decided to find work in San Francisco where he worked in the naval shipyard for a while. It was close to the Veterans Hospital in Palo Alto where he could get needed therapy. He continued commuting there after moving to Modesto to be near his grown daughter and two granddaughters. In 1990, Thomas suffered another serious accident while riding his brand new Harley-Davidson motorcycle in Modesto, which caused him to lose one of his legs. After more surgery and rehabilitation, he is gradually recovering, thankful for "a wonderful life." Thomas said that half of his brothers served in the Navy while the other half served in the Army. "The Navy broadens one's horizons while the Army trains one for the jungle," he chuckled. He is proud of his Hawaiian heritage and having served his country.

New to the Parish? Wondering where to start??

Call the Center for Lay Apostolates

551-4973, ext. 207

From our Holy Father in Rome

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE WORLD DAY OF PEACE 1 JANUARY 2012 EDUCATING YOUNG PEOPLE IN JUSTICE AND PEACE (PART III)

Educating in truth and freedom



Saint Augustine once asked: "Quid enim fortius desiderat anima quam veritatem? – What does man desire more deeply than truth?" The human face of a society depends very much on the contribution of education to keep this irrepressible question alive. Education, indeed, is concerned with the integral formation of the person, including the moral and spiritual dimension, focused upon man's final end and the good of the society to which he belongs. Therefore, in order to educate in truth, it is necessary first and foremost to know who the human person is, to know human nature. Contemplating the world around him, the Psalmist reflects: "When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you arranged, what is man that you should keep him in mind, mortal man that you care for him?" (*Ps 8:4-5*). This is the fundamental question that must be asked: *who is man?* Man is a being who bears within his heart a thirst for the infinite, a thirst for truth – a truth which is not partial but capable of explaining life's meaning – since he was created in the image and likeness of God. The grateful recognition that life is an inestimable gift, then, leads to the discovery of one's own profound dignity and the inviolability of every single person. Hence the first step in education is learning to recognize the Creator's image in man, and consequently learning to have a profound respect for every human being and helping others to live a life consonant with this supreme dignity. We must never forget that "authentic human development concerns the whole of the person in every single dimension" including the transcendent dimension, and that the person cannot be sacrificed for the sake of attaining a particular good, whether this be economic or social, individual or collective.

Only in relation to God does man come to understand also the meaning of human freedom. It is the task of education to form people in authentic freedom. This is not the absence of constraint or the supremacy of free will, it is not the absolutism of the self. When man believes himself to be absolute, to depend on nothing and no one, to be able to do anything he wants, he ends up contradicting the truth of his own being and forfeiting his freedom. On the contrary, man is a relational being, who lives in relationship with others and especially with God. Authentic freedom can never be attained independently of God. Freedom is a precious value, but a fragile one; it can be misunderstood and misused. "Today, a particularly insidious obstacle to the task of educating is the massive presence in our society and culture of that relativism which, recognizing nothing as definitive, leaves as the ultimate criterion only the self with its desires. And under the semblance of freedom it becomes a prison for each one, for it separates people from one another, locking each person into his or her own self. With such a relativistic horizon, therefore, real education is not possible without the light of the truth; sooner or later, every person is in fact condemned to doubting the goodness of his or her own life and the relationships of which it consists, the validity of his or her commitment to build with others something in common".

In order to exercise his freedom, then, man must move beyond the relativistic horizon and come to know the truth about himself and the truth about good and evil. Deep within his conscience, man discovers a law that he did not lay upon himself, but which he must obey. Its voice calls him to love and to do what is good, to avoid evil and to take responsibility for the good he does and the evil he commits. Thus, the exercise of freedom is intimately linked to the natural moral law, which is universal in character, expresses the dignity of every person and forms the basis of fundamental human rights and duties.

In the Diocese

RUSSIA SISTER PARISH PROJECT

Our Russia Sister Parish committee is distributing free SHARES cards to help the mission parishes in Vladivostok, Russia. Present the card every time you shop at Save Mart, Lucky, Food Maxx, and Smart Foods. The mission will earn up to 3% of your grocery sales! It costs you nothing! Contact Jim Emerson at (209)496-1542 or daughterciti@sbcglobal.net to get your free cards! You may also pick one up in the vestibule, outside the chapel.

CATHOLIC SISTERS IN AMERICA (CSA)

CSA Is a traveling exhibition depicting the innovative, action-oriented women whose passion for justice helped shape our nation's social and cultural landscape. The untold story of these unsung heroes is now recounted, documenting a vital and significant perspective of American history. The exhibit runs from January 24 - June 3. Visit the website: <http://womenandspirit.org>

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

All Saints Catholic Campus Ministry in Turlock is offering \$500 scholarships for students currently enrolled or planning to enroll at CSU Stanislaus. Scholarships are for the 2012-2013 school year.

Application forms are available online (CSUS website) or contact Carol Parks (209) 634-1142. The applicants' need and potential for success in a given field are taken into consideration when choosing a recipient; religious affiliation is not a factor. Application forms must be returned to All Saints parish office, 4040 McKenna Dr., Turlock, by March 17.



Nicholas Reggiani

Nicholas se ha entregado de nuevo a la vida de la iglesia. Hace 5 meses se unió a los Caballeros de Colón y se ha comprometido a asistir a las juntas mensuales y ayudarles en todos sus eventos.

Nick también está comprometido para casarse. Él y su prometida recibirán el sacramento del Matrimonio muy pronto. También se ha inscrito para donar dos horas de su ocupada semana (planear una boda puede ser mucho trabajo) para trabajar en nuestra biblioteca parroquial y asistir a los demás a encontrar el libro o DVD correctos para beneficiarse espiritualmente.

Nicholas trabaja para la Ciudad de Modesto diseñando su página de internet. También ha decidido ayudarnos como voluntario con nuestra página de internet parroquial usando su educación, tiempo, y talento para realizar y actualizarla. En St. Joseph's tomamos nuestra página como una herramienta para evangelizar, y compartir el mensaje del Evangelio con toda la gente que sea posible. Es una bendición el tener con nosotros a Nicholas con su deseo por compartir la fe.

Nicholas es un gran ejemplo de un verdadero discipulado y un buen corresponsal de los dones que Dios le ha dado. Él nos da a todos una buena esperanza en la futura generación de la Iglesia. ¡Gracias Nick!

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

400,000 personas (la mayoría jóvenes) marcharon en Washington hace algunas semanas. 40,000 personas (la mayoría jóvenes) marcharon en San Francisco hace unas pocas semanas, para dar testimonio de la



Washington 2012. CNN reportó que "cientos" protestaron en contra del aborto en Washington. ¡Imagine la cobertura de CNN si el movimiento de los "Indignados" pudiera juntar a 400,000 personas!

santidad de la vida humana. Una jovencita que asistió a la Jornada Mundial Juvenil en Madrid el año pasado me dijo que en la Marcha Por La Vida se sentía el mismo gozo y espíritu de esperanza. Estas masivas reuniones mundiales juveniles no se parecen en nada a aquellas multitudes destructoras y enojadas llamadas "occupy". Los jóvenes Por

la Vida tratan de construir y no de derribar. Los jóvenes, especialmente la juventud Católica, dan un testimonio hermoso del gozo de vivir la **virtud de la esperanza**. De manera que el Movimiento Por La Vida se caracteriza por la esperanza y el gozo juvenil.

La Cultura de la Muerte, dirigida por hombres y mujeres "viejos" que se han separado de Dios y han perdido la esperanza, trata de estrangular el gozo juvenil. Trata de convencer a los jóvenes, especialmente, que la vida es esencialmente irracional y al azar, y que nunca podemos alcanzar la verdad de nada.

El Papa ha llamado esto la "**Dictadura del Relativismo**," la cual proclama que *la verdad no existe*.

La Cultura de la Muerte trata de forzar su oscuridad en la vida de nuestros niños por medio de los medios de comunicación y el currículo escolar en la universidad y en las escuelas, y hasta por medio de la ley estatal. Por ejemplo, ¿sabia usted que la ley de California prohíbe que los padres de una niña de 12 años de edad sepan que está embarazada y tratando de tener un aborto? La ley, en otras palabras, no apoya los derechos de los padres de proteger a su hijo o hija de abuso sexual o del trauma causado por un aborto. Pero los padres de una niña son su mejor esperanza de proteger su libertad y gozo juvenil en una cultura que fomenta depredadores. Es simplemente irracional el negarle a una niña el derecho fundamental de tener el apoyo de sus padres.

Se está realizando una campaña para cambiar esta ley, llamada **Iniciativa para la Notificación Paterna**. Uno de los próximos domingos, tendrá la oportunidad de firmar una petición para incluir esta iniciativa en la balota de este noviembre.

Fr. Joseph

Nuestro Santo Padre en Roma



MENSAJE DE SU SANTIDAD PARA LA CELEBRACIÓN DE LA

JORNADA MUNDIAL DE LA PAZ 1 DE ENERO DE 2012

EDUCAR A LOS JÓVENES EN LA JUSTICIA Y LA PAZ (PARTE III)

Educar en la verdad y en la libertad

San Agustín se preguntaba: «*Quid enim fortius desiderat anima quam veritatem?* - ¿Ama algo el alma con más ardor que la verdad?». El rostro humano de una sociedad depende mucho de la contribución de la educación a mantener viva esa cuestión insoslayable. En efecto, la educación persigue la formación integral de la persona, incluida la dimensión moral y espiritual del ser, con vistas a su fin último y al bien de la sociedad de la que es miembro. Por eso, para educar en la verdad es necesario saber sobre todo quién es la persona humana, conocer su naturaleza. Contemplando la realidad que lo rodea, el salmista reflexiona: «Cuando contemplo el cielo, obra de tus dedos, la luna y las estrellas que has creado. ¿Qué es el hombre para que te acuerdes de él, el ser humano, para que de él te coides?» (*Sal 8,4-5*). Ésta es la cuestión fundamental que hay que plantearse: *¿Quién es el hombre?* El hombre es un ser que alberga en su corazón una sed de infinito, una sed de verdad –no parcial, sino capaz de explicar el sentido de la vida– porque ha sido creado a imagen y semejanza de Dios. Así pues, reconocer con gratitud la vida como un don inestimable lleva a descubrir la propia dignidad profunda y la inviolabilidad de toda persona. Por eso, la primera educación consiste en aprender a reconocer en el hombre la imagen del Creador y, por consiguiente, a tener un profundo respeto por cada ser humano y ayudar a los otros a llevar una vida conforme a esta altísima dignidad. Nunca podemos olvidar que «el auténtico desarrollo del hombre concierne de manera unitaria a la totalidad de la persona en todas sus dimensiones», incluida la trascendente, y que no se puede sacrificar a la persona para obtener un bien particular, ya sea económico o social, individual o colectivo.

Sólo en la relación con Dios comprende también el hombre el significado de la propia libertad. Y es cometido de la educación el formar en la auténtica libertad. Ésta no es la ausencia de vínculos o el dominio del libre albedrío, no es el absolutismo del yo. El hombre que cree ser absoluto, no depender de nada ni de nadie, que puede hacer todo lo que se le antoja, termina por contradecir la verdad del propio ser, perdiendo su libertad. Por el contrario, el hombre es un ser relacional, que vive en relación con los otros y, sobre todo, con Dios. La auténtica libertad nunca se puede alcanzar alejándose de Él. La libertad es un valor precioso, pero delicado; se la puede entender y usar mal. «En la actualidad, un obstáculo particularmente insidioso para la obra educativa es la masiva presencia, en nuestra sociedad y cultura, del relativismo que, al no reconocer nada como definitivo, deja como última medida sólo el propio yo con sus caprichos; y, bajo la apariencia de la libertad, se transforma para cada uno en una prisión, porque separa al uno del otro, dejando a cada uno encerrado dentro de su propio “yo”. Por consiguiente, dentro de ese horizonte relativista no es posible una auténtica educación, pues sin la luz de la verdad, antes o después, toda persona queda condenada a dudar de la bondad de su misma vida y de las relaciones que la constituyen, de la validez de su esfuerzo por construir con los demás algo en común». Para ejercer su libertad, el hombre debe superar por tanto el horizonte del relativismo y conocer la verdad sobre sí mismo y sobre el bien y el mal. En lo más íntimo de la conciencia el hombre descubre una ley que él no se da a sí mismo, sino a la que debe obedecer y cuya voz lo llama a amar, a hacer el bien y huir del mal, a asumir la responsabilidad del bien que ha hecho y del mal que ha cometido. Por eso, el ejercicio de la libertad está íntimamente relacionado con la ley moral natural, que tiene un carácter universal, expresa la dignidad de toda persona, sienta la base de sus derechos y deberes fundamentales...

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NOTICIA

Nuestra Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada del 6-8 de febrero para nuestro Retiro Espiritual Anual, discúlpenos por cualquier inconveniencia.

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OPORTUNIDAD para BECAS

El Ministerio Católico de la Parroquia All Saints en Turlock está ofreciendo becas de \$500 para estudiantes actualmente inscritos o con planes de inscribirse en la universidad CSU Stanislaus. Las becas son para el año escolar 2012-2013. Las formas para aplicar están disponibles por la (CSUS website) o poniéndose en contacto con Carol Parks (209) 634-1142. Las necesidades del estudiante y el potencial por el éxito en su fil serán tomadas en consideración al escoger a un recipiente; la afiliación religiosa no es un factor. Las aplicaciones tienen que ser enviadas a la oficina de la parroquia All Saints, 4040 McKenna Dr., Turlock, antes del **17 de marzo 2012**.

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