

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

## May 29, 2011 Sixth Sunday of Easter

(209) 551-4973

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### Holy Eucharist Sunday Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm

Sundays: 7:30am,

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

### Daily Mass:

8:00am & 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:

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 Kottarathil, Assoc Pastor

Fr. Carlos Vega, Assoc Pastor

Fr. Larry Guerrero, Hospital Chaplain

Rev. Mr. Ken Ochinerio, Deacon

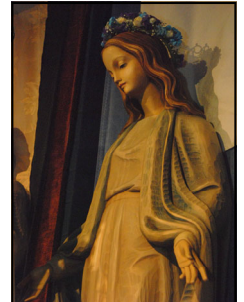
## From the Pastor's Laptop

Today is the last Sunday in May, the Month of Our Lady. This month, our children crowned the statues of Mary four times (!), 190 teens received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and 220 children received their First Holy Communion. Besides that, John Paul II, after whom our large classroom building is named, was declared "Blessed" by the current Pope. Finally, I was privileged to give an 8-day retreat to 24 Missionaries of Charity in Peru on the Blessed Mother. Let us give thanks for such a beautiful May! I hope we all learned how to pray the rosary a little better this month!

I wish to share with you a thought on Our Lady that I use in my retreats to the Sisters. In the first chapter of St. Luke's Gospel, we read about the first two joyful mysteries of the holy rosary: **the Annunciation and the Visitation**. We don't often think much about what actually happened as we speed through these mysteries on our fingers. But when the Angel Gabriel came to Mary, and she said "Fiat"—"Let it be done to me as you have said," she declared herself completely open to God's will. She consecrated herself to God's will. And it was at that moment that she made her First Holy Communion. The Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ came into her; she "conceived through the power of the Holy Spirit." The Body of Christ began to grow inside of her, and she became the world's first *tabernacle*, holding the Body of Christ inside her. (What does this mean for those who are considering an abortion? How can we help them "keep" the gift of the child safe inside of them?)

Do you know what Our Lady did next (she *didn't* have an abortion, thanks be to God)? Next, the *very next* verse in Luke's gospel, she "arose in haste and traveled to her cousin Elizabeth." What Our Lady did next was to become, not just a tabernacle, but a *monstrance*. She embarked on the first Eucharistic Procession in history. She bore the Holy Eucharist, the Body of Christ, all the way in sacred procession from Nazareth to Jerusalem, a journey of three days. She became the world's *first missionary*, bringing the love of God, the Body of His Only-Begotten Son, to her cousin, who needed her help.

Mary was the first to bring the Body of Christ, the Love of God, to another. She did it in *haste*, in obedience to God. But she is not the last to bring Christ to another. Each of us holds the Body of Christ in our hearts after receiving Holy Communion. It is our greatest joy to imitate Our Lady, to bring this Christ to others by our tenderness and kindness.



Children processing in the crowning of Mary at the 10:30am Mass on May 8th.

Fr. Joseph

**Staff Contacts**

**Parish Office**

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

Monday 10am-7:30pm

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

\*Closed Wednesday 11:15am-1pm

Friday 8:30 am-5 pm

Sunday 10 am-3 pm

**Weekend Maintenance 568-7558**

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

- Se Habla Español*..... Alex x103
- Accounting ..... Barbara x108
- Adult Ed & Bible Studies ..... Michael x203
- Altar Servers.....Svetlana x200
- Audio / Video .....Jeremy x213
- Becoming Catholic, RCIA.....Stacy x211
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- Bulletin & Website.....Jeremy x213
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**Readings 5/30-6/5**

**Monday:**

Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a

**Tuesday:**

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56

**Wednesday:**

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:**

See Prayer & Interior Life

**Friday:**

Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23  
12p Low Mass:

**Saturday:**

Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday:**

See Prayer & Interior Life

**9:00am Mass: Sunday After Ascension**

1 Pet. 4:7-11; Jn. 15:26, 27; 16:1-4

**Sacraments**

**Our Mass Intentions**

Sunday, May 29 (Sixth Sunday of Easter)			
7:30a	Rozann Platt (Fr. B)	1:30p	George Medina, Joaquin Rocha and Diego Zendejas (Fr. C)
9:00a	Joaquin Rocha (Fr. J)	5:30p	Silena Locklear (Fr. B)
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners (Fr. L)	7:30p	Alexander Gundersen (Fr. J)
12:00p	Primo & Lula Manrique (Fr. J)		
Monday, May 30			
8:00a	John Herlihy and Carilda Costello	5:45p	Marta Trujillo and Frank Lowry
Tuesday, May 31			
8:00a	Dwaine Stephan and Belmiro Da Rosa Goulart	5:45p	Rita Roeck and Penny Lane Wahl
Wednesday, June 1			
8:00a	Ramiro Tellez and Curtis Witherow	5:45p	Rosita DeLa Cruz and Agustin Reyes
Thursday, June 2			
8:00a	Charles Tidwell and Marcelina Barajas	5:45p	Marylyn Herrera and Veva Campitelli
Friday, June 3			
8:00a	Everett Lammy and Flora Silva	5:45p	Virginia Fester and Alias Sousa
Saturday, June 4			
8:00a	Elisa Kennedy and Elias Sousa	5:30p	St. Joseph's Memorial Mass (Fr. B)
Sunday, June 5 (Seventh Sunday of Easter)			
7:30a	Manuel Borges Victoria (Fr. J)	1:30p	George Medina, Silena Locklear and Francisco Rios (Fr. C)
9:00a	Arlene Enos (Fr. B)	3:00p	Indian Mass (Fr. B)
10:30a	All St. Joseph's Parishioners (Fr. J)	5:30p	Frank Lowry (Fr. J)
12:00p	Jim Trevillyan (Fr. B)	7:30p	Gilberto Ochoa, Jr. (Fr. C)

**Prayer & Interior Life**

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

**May 29 — Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Our faith in God is a gift from the Lord. In our acceptance of the truth of God's love for us we become stewards of that same love. When our hearts are full of God's love, it overflows to touch others and becomes visible to them. Our lives become a beacon, shining with the love of God, bringing light and hope to people stumbling in the darkness. As we grow in faith, we are strengthened by the Spirit of God. May we welcome Jesus into our hearts and accept the faith He offers, using it to grow closer to Him.

**MASS READINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 2**

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20.

**MASS READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or (for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20



**OFFICE CLOSED**

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Parish Office will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th. It will re-open at the regular time on Tuesday, May 31st.

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS**

St. Stanislaus Catholic Cemetery will have only one Memorial Day Mass this year, May 30, 2011. Mass will be at 9:00am in English with Fr. Ramon Bejarano. Thank You.

**CATHOLIC PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS CLUB**

Steve Valgos, well-known counselor, speaker and defender of our faith, will speak at the Catholic Professional Business Club on Tuesday, June 14, beginning with Mass at 7:00 a.m. This is the final meeting of the season. Everyone is welcome. Call 527-0026 for reservations or information.



**MILITARY MINISTRY NEWS**

Our Military Ministry mailed 140 packages to our troops on Friday, the 13th, Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Members of the Committee filled out Customs forms for all of them. This brought to over 800 the number of packages sent to our troops this year! If you can contribute to the cost of postage, which has gone up to \$12.95, please stop by the table in the plaza today. Also, please keep our men and women in the Armed Forces in your prayers, especially this Memorial Day Weekend. The Military Ministry also wants to thank Father Illo, and all of St. Joseph's parishioners, for their loyalty and support in making the Military Ministry a vibrant, active ministry.

**SAVE ON 2011 FESTIVAL RIDE, GAME AND FOOD TICKETS!**

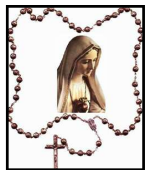
The 2011 Festival Committee will be selling carnival, game and ride tickets at a fantastic savings all three days of PSR Signups in JP11 Building: Saturday, June 4, 10am-5pm; Sunday, June 5, 10am-7pm, and Monday, June 6, 10am-7pm. Total Value: \$30. Your Cost: \$15. You get \$25 of Carnival tickets and \$5 parish game/food tickets!



**COOK NEEDED FOR ST. STANISLAUS' PRIESTS**

Looking for a part-time job? St. Stanislaus is looking for a part-time cook for the priests, 2-3 hours/day, five days/week, Mon-Fri. Please contact the Parish Office at (209) 524-4381 for more information.

**PRAY THE ROSARY!**



Please mark your calendars and 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. Come in person or you can teleconference from wherever you are by calling 1-888-858-2133 & access code: 9649484. Holy Family Catholic Church and Spiritual Care Department, Kaiser Permanente. For more information, please contact Eileen Nicholson, 521-9594 or chaplain Quincy, 735-7646.

Sunday, May 29th		
10:00 A	CLOW	JP6
1:00 P	CFCFFL - Youth	JP7
6:45 P	Youth Life Night	JP2
Monday, May 30th		
4:00 P	STJ Youth Jam Session	Mus
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
7:00 P	Charismatic Prayer Group	JP10
Tuesday, May 31st		
9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
6:15 P	Legion of Mary	JP4
7:00 P	Span. Charismatic Prayer	Chur
Wednesday, June 1st		
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
5:45 P	Principle Study Group	JP5
6:00 P	ESL Classes	JP6
Thursday, June 2nd		
5:00 A	Ascension Day (Sunday)	
9:00 A	Senior Strength Training	JP7
12:00 P	RE Bible Study	JP4
5:00 P	Confessions	Chur
6:30 P	Rosary Makers	JP5
7:00 P	Spanish Young Adults	JP7
Friday, June 3rd		
12:00 P	Latin Mass	Chur
3:00 P	Divine Mercy Prayer	Chap
6:30 P	Children's Adoration	Chur
Saturday, June 4th		
8:30 A	Confessions	Chur
9:00 A	AA (Women) Language of	JP8
9:00 A	M.I. Prayer Mtg	JP5
4:00 P	Confessions	Chur
Sunday, June 5th		
10:00 A	CLOW	JP6
1:30 P	Handmaids of Christ	JP6
3:00 P	Indian Mass	Chur
6:45 P	Youth Life Night	JP2

**Planned Giving**

Please remember St. Joseph's when planning your estate. Call 551-4973, ext. 207 for more info.

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☞ PSR Update ☞

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

PSR Office Hours

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

**PSR REGISTRATION**

Saturday, June 4  
10am to 5pm

Sunday, June 5  
10am to 7pm

Monday, June 6  
10am to 4pm

☞ Children's Liturgy ☞

There will be no CLOW Children's Liturgy during 10:30 am Mass on June 5th

**Faith & Finances with Phil Lenahan**  
*veritasfinancialministries.com*

Taking time to renew ourselves in body and spirit is important. After the apostles returned from their labors, Jesus told them, "Come away by yourselves to a lonely place, and rest awhile" (Mk. 6:31). With a little creativity, you can develop summer vacation plans that provide rest and renewal without breaking the bank.

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

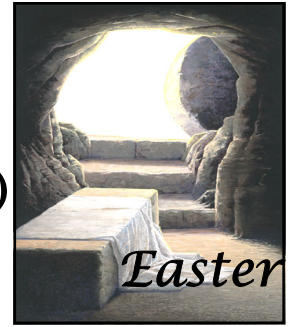
☞ RCIA Update ☞

**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

Save the Date!  
Vacation Bible Retreat (VBR)  
July 11th-15th  
8:30-noon daily in Fr. O'Hare Hall  
Ages: 4-12



*Easter*



This year's theme:

**ALL GOD'S CREATURES**

**Volunteers Needed**

Confirmation student helpers welcomed (counts toward service hours).

Adult helpers needed also.

Volunteer meeting on

**June 2nd in PSR room 6 at 6:30pm**

Registration forms will be available online or at the parish office and during PSR registration days.

Please call Kayte RV for more information: 557-0297



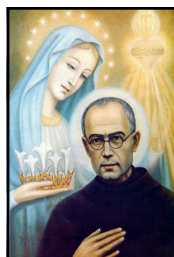
## Sunday's Gospel & the Catechism

Only when the hour has arrived for his glorification does Jesus promise the coming of the Holy Spirit, since his Death and Resurrection will fulfill the promise made to the fathers. The Spirit of truth, the other Paraclete, will be given by the Father in answer to Jesus' prayer; he will be sent by the Father in Jesus' name; and Jesus will send him from the Father's side, since he comes from the Father. The Holy Spirit will come and we shall know him; he will be with us forever; he will remain with us. The Spirit will teach us everything, remind us of all that Christ said to us and bear witness to him. The Holy Spirit will lead us into all truth and will glorify Christ. He will prove the world wrong about sin, righteousness, and judgment. (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* 729)

☞ Wisdom from the Saints ☞

*"Christians must lean on the Cross of Christ just as travelers lean on a staff when they begin a long journey. They must have the passion of Christ, deeply embedded in their minds and hearts, because only from it can derive peace, grace, and truth."*

—*St. Anthony of Padua*



Save the Date!  
Militia Immaculata Men's Retreat  
July 15th-17th

Space is limited so reserve your spot soon!

For more information, please call John Souza 531-8126

☪ Total Youth Ministry ☪

# Family Life

For Youth Ministry Information contact **Carlos Gonzales** at 551-4973, ext. 206 or e-mail [cgonzales@stjmod.com](mailto:cgonzales@stjmod.com) Visit [www.stjyouth.com](http://www.stjyouth.com)



## Priest vs. Pilgrims Basketball Game

By Carlos Gonzales, Director of Youth and Family Ministries



In a close game the priests beat the pilgrims 34 to 32! The pilgrims led nearly the entire game. At the last second of the game, Ernest Madrigal made a lay-up as Carlos Gonzales was a centimeter away from blocking his shot of desperation. Fr. Peter Carota was seen dutifully praying the rosary as Our Lady of Victory led the comeback that will be talked about for ages.



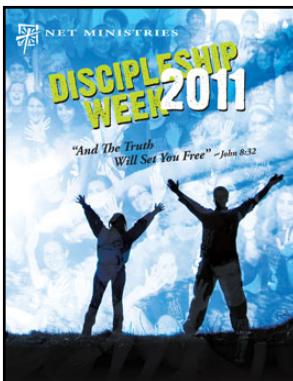
☪ High School Ministry ☪

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

**TONIGHT:  
Graduation Celebration  
Last Life Night of the Year**



☪ Junior High and High School Ministry ☪

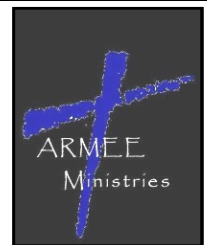


### NET MINISTRIES D-WEEK NOR\*CAL

Date: June 14-17 (Tues-Fri)  
Location: California State University, Stanislaus, Turlock, CA.  
Cost: \$230 (Includes Food & Lodging); \$265 after June 5  
Ages: Teenagers 13-18

For more Information and Registration  
[www.dweeknorcal.com](http://www.dweeknorcal.com)

ARMEE is a ministry devoted to ..  
Adoration  
Reconciliation  
Mass  
Eucharist  
Evangelization.



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

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



### Parish Cookbook



WYD 2011 World Youth Day 2011 Fundraiser MADRID

Buy a World Youth Day cookbook today! The cookbook includes appetizers, soups & salads, side & main dishes and desserts. The book has over 400 recipes from parishioners. Fr. Joseph, Fr. Larry, Deacon Ken, Fr. Peter Carota and Fr. Ramon Bejarano also contributed. Books will be sold in the parish office and in our parish bookstore.

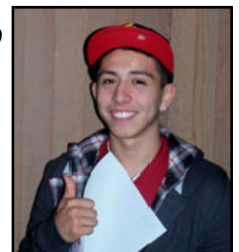
**12 Weeks to World Youth Day**

WYD 2011 MADRID

*"I want to go to WYD to deepen my faith."*

- Lorenzo Armendariz -20 Yrs. -

Sophomore, MJC





A smiling Jade in Sydney, Australia, for World Youth Day 2008

## Profiles in Stewardship

Jade Ferfas by Debbie Greco

God has given Jade Ferfas many artistic gifts and a very generous heart. If you attended our 3:30 Easter Sunday Mass, you may have seen Jade discreetly taking photos of the children receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Two weeks later, Jade spent the day taking photos of the 168 students being confirmed by the Bishop at our two Confirmation Masses. She was available before and after each Mass for any family interested in family photos. Every family received a complementary CD of their child receiving their sacraments, courtesy of Jade. In addition to being an excellent photographer, Jade is a wonderful artist and singer. She sings in our 5:30pm Sunday Mass choir, has participated in the Live Stations of the Cross, served on our Victory Core Team and attended World Youth Day in Australia.

Besides being a busy college student and taking care of her dog, Honey, Jade also spends much of her time working at Bleachers, the restaurant owned by her family, putting her talents to work in karaoke.

Jade is a wonderful model of stewardship. She offers her gifts and abilities to honor God and to bless others. *May we all follow her example and not neglect our gifts, but instead develop them, "fan them into flames for the glory of God."*

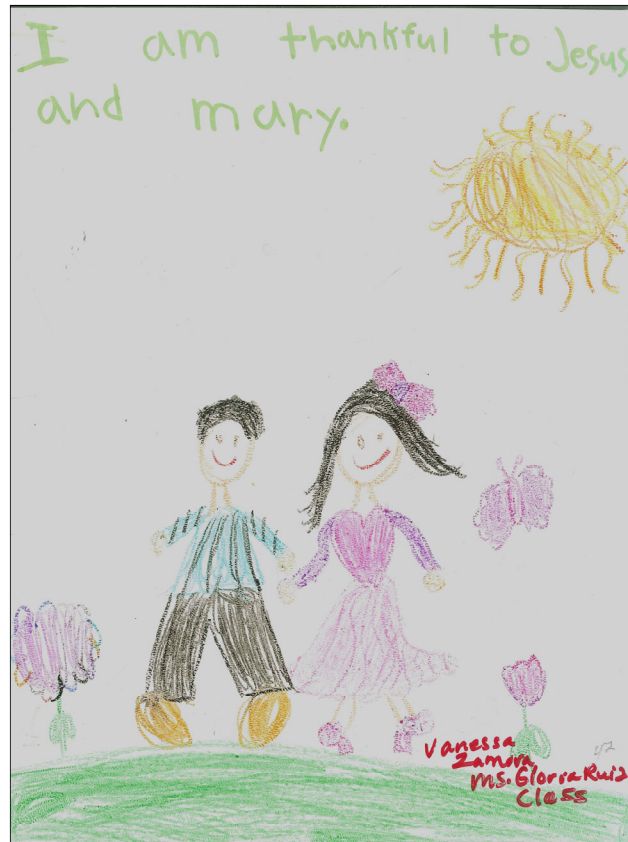
# Center for Lay Apostolates

FOCUS ON LEADERSHIP: Thank you to our Military Support Ministry for hosting our coffee and donuts after morning Masses. Please thank them for all the blessings they bring to our parish!

Parish Stewardship — a way of life

## Celebrating the Blessings God has given us!

Thank you to all of the Parish School of Religion children who submitted their original poetry and artwork for our Annual Responding to God's Blessings Celebration during the month of May. Below, Vanessa Zamora shares how she has been blessed.



New to the Parish? Wondering where to start??  
Call the Center for Lay Apostolates  
551-4973, ext. 207

BENEDICT XVI  
GENERAL AUDIENCE

Wednesday, 4 May 2011  
Catechesis on Christian prayer



## In the Diocese

### 2011 Bishop's Awards

Nominations are being accepted for the 2011 Bishop's Awards Dinner. Please go to [www.stocktondiocese.org/BishopAwards](http://www.stocktondiocese.org/BishopAwards) to print the nomination packet. Nominations are due no later than Wednesday, June 15. Proceeds from the dinner benefit Catholic Charities and SEEDS – Growing Faith through Student Scholarships, a tuition assistance program to help deserving students receive a Catholic education. Plan to attend the 10th Anniversary of the Bishop's Awards Dinner on October 15 at Presentation Parish, Stockton.

### SUMMER DANCE PROGRAM AT ST. STANISLAUS JUNE 15

St. Stanislaus Dance Ministry is looking for dance teachers and volunteers to help organize a summer dance program, which begins June 15 and ends with a performance on Saturday, July 30. Sign ups for classes have begun. For more information, please contact Francine English at (209) 380-6859.

### TWO OPENINGS MUST BE BILINGUAL ST. STANISLAUS FAITH FORMATION

**Religious Education Coordinator:** (Part Time) To coordinate the religious activities in the parish under the supervision of the Director of Religious Education.

**Director of Religious Education** (Full Time) To administer a total parish catechetical program and provide leadership to assist a parish community in building a solid foundation for spirituality, Christian living, ministry and outreach. To apply please send your resume to [vsnuffer@ststansparish.org](mailto:vsnuffer@ststansparish.org) or fax it to (209) 524-1910.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today I would like to begin a new series of Catecheses. After the series on the Fathers of the Church, on the great theologians of the Middle Ages and on great women, I would now like to choose a topic that is dear to all our hearts: it is the theme of prayer, and especially Christian prayer, the prayer, that is, which Jesus taught and which the Church continues to teach us. It



in fact in Jesus that man becomes able to approach God in the depth and intimacy of the relationship of fatherhood and sonship. Together with the first disciples, let us now turn with humble trust to the Teacher and ask him: "Lord, teach us to pray" (Lk 11:1).

In the upcoming Catechesis, in comparing Sacred Scripture, the great tradition of the Fathers of the Church, of the Teachers of

spirituality and of the Liturgy, let us learn to live our relationship with the Lord, even more intensely as it were at a "school of prayer". We know well, in fact, that prayer should not be taken for granted. It is necessary to learn how to pray, as it were acquiring this art ever anew; even those who are very advanced in spiritual life always feel the need to learn from Jesus, to learn how to pray authentically. We receive the first lesson from the Lord by his example. The Gospels describe Jesus to us in intimate and constant conversation with the Father: it is a profound communion of the One who came into the world not to do his will but that of the Father who sent him for the salvation of man.

At this first Catechesis, as an introduction I would like to propose several examples of prayer in the ancient cultures, to show that practically always and everywhere they were addressed to God.

I shall start with ancient Egypt, as an example. Here a blind man, asking the divinity to restore his sight, testifies to something universally human. This is a pure and simple prayer of petition by someone who is suffering. This man prays: "My heart longs to see you.... You who made me see the darkness, create light for me, so that I may see you! Bend your beloved face over me" (A. Barucq — F. Daumas, *Hymnes et prières de l'Égypte ancienne*, Paris 1980). That I may see you; this is the essence of the prayer! In the religions of Mesopotamia an arcane, paralyzing sense of guilt predominated, but which was not devoid of the hope of redemption and liberation on God's part. We may thus appreciate this entreaty by a believer of those ancient cultures, formulated in these words: "O God who are indulgent even in the greatest sin, absolve me from my sin.... Look, O Lord at your tired servant and blow your breeze upon him: forgive him without delay. Alleviate your severe punishment. Freed from bonds, grant that I may breathe anew, break my chains, loosen the fetters that bind me" (M.-J. Seux, *Hymnes et Prières aux Dieux de Babylone et d'Assyrie*, Paris 1976). These are words that demonstrate how the human being, in his search for God, had intuited, if vaguely, on the one hand his own guilt and on the other, aspects of divine mercy and goodness.



Una sonriente Jade en Sídney Australia en la Jornada Mundial, 2008

Dios le ha dado a Jade Ferfas muchos dones artísticos y un corazón generoso. Si usted asistió a la Misa de la Pascua de las 3:30 usted pudo ver a Jade tomando fotos discretamente a los niños recibiendo los Sacramentos de Bautismo, Confirmación y la Eucaristía. Dos semanas después Jade se paso el día tomando fotos a los 168 estudiantes que fueron confirmados por el Obispo en nuestras dos Misas de Confirmación. Ella estaba disponible antes y después de cada Misa para cualquier familia interesada en fotos en familia. Cada familia recibía un CD de regalo de su hijo/a recibiendo los sacramentos cortesía de Jade. Además de ser una excelente fotógrafa Jade es una maravillosa artista y cantante. Ella canta en el coro de la Misa del Domingo de las 5:30pm, ha participado en las Estacione de la Cruz en Vivo, sirviendo el Equipo de Victory y asistió a la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud en Australia.

Aparte de ser una estudiante del colegio ocupada y de que cuida de su perro, Miel, Jade también pasa mucho de tiempo trabajando en el Restaurant Bleachers, el cual su familia son dueños, poniendo sus talentos a trabajar cantando en el Karaoke.

Jade es un modelo maravilloso de la corresponsabilidad. Ella ofrece sus dones y habilidades para dar honor a Dios y para bendecir a otros. *Que todos podamos seguir su ejemplo y descuidemos nuestros dones, sino más bien desarrollarlos, "ventílalos en llamas para la gloria de Dios".*

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

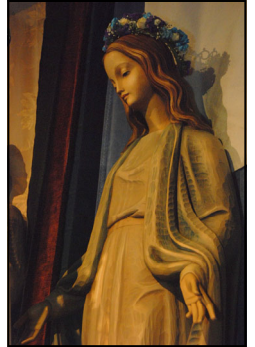
Hoy es el último domingo de mayo, el Mes de Nuestra Señora. Este mes, nuestros niños coronaron las estatuas de la Virgen María cuatro veces, 190 adolescentes recibieron el Sacramento de la Confirmación, y 220 niños hicieron su Primera Comunión. Fuera de esto, Juan Pablo II, del cual nuestro edificio de salones escolares recibe su nombre, fue declarado "beato" por nuestro Papa. Finalmente, he tenido el privilegio de ofrecer un retiro de 8 días sobre la Santísima Madre, a 24 Misioneras de la Caridad en Perú. ¡Demos gracias por tan hermoso mes de mayo! ¡Espero que todos hayamos aprendido a rezar el rosario un poco mejor durante este mes!

Quisiera compartir con ustedes uno de los temas sobre Nuestra Señora, el cual uso en mis retiros para las Hermanas. En el primer capítulo del evangelio de San Lucas, leemos sobre los dos primeros misterios gozosos: La

**Anunciación y la Visitación.** Casi nunca meditamos sobre lo que aconteció, mientras que rezamos rápidamente estos misterios con nuestros dedos. Cuando el Ángel Gabriel vino donde María, y ella dio su consentimiento- "hágase en mí tal como has dicho," ella se abrió completamente a la voluntad de Dios. Se *consagró* a la voluntad de Dios. Y fue en aquel momento que ella hizo su Primera Santa Comunión. El Cuerpo, Sangre, Alma y Divinidad de Jesucristo entró en ella; y "concibió por medio del poder del Espíritu Santo." El Cuerpo de Cristo comenzó a crecer dentro de ella, y ella se convirtió en el primer "tabernáculo," llevando consigo el Cuerpo de Cristo. (¿Qué significa esto para aquellos que están considerando tener un aborto? ¿Cómo podemos ayudarlos a "tener" el regalo de un niño en la seguridad de su vientre?)

¿Saben lo que hizo Nuestra Señora inmediatamente (ella no tuvo un aborto, gracias a Dios)? *Luego, el verso que sigue* en el evangelio de Lucas, dice que ella "se fue, sin más demora, a visitar a su prima Isabel." Lo que hizo Nuestra Señora no fue solamente convertirse en un tabernáculo, sino también en una custodia. Ella se embarcó en la primera procesión eucarística en la historia. Ella llevó consigo el Cuerpo de Cristo, en una sagrada procesión desde Nazaret a Jerusalén, un viaje de tres días. Ella fue la *primera misionera*, llevando en ella el amor de Dios, el Cuerpo de Su Único Hijo Engendrado, a su prima, quien necesitaba ayuda.

María fue la primera en llevar el Cuerpo de Cristo, y el amor de Dios a otros. Ella lo hizo sin demora, en obediencia a Dios. Pero ella no es la última en llevar a Cristo a otros. Cada uno de nosotros tenemos el Cuerpo de Cristo en nuestros corazones después de recibir la Santa Comunión. Es nuestro mayor gozo imitar a Nuestra Señora, y llevar a Cristo a otros por medio de nuestra amabilidad y ternura.



Fr. Joseph

# Nuestro Santo Padre en Roma

BENEDICTO XVI  
AUDIENCIA GENERAL

Miércoles 4 de mayo de 2011

Catequesis sobre la Oración Cristiana



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## VIDA PARROQUIAL

**Martes:** Grupo de Oración

Carismático de

7:00pm-9:00pm., en la Iglesia.

**Miércoles:** Clases de Inglés de  
6:00pm-7:30pm en el 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 el Salón # 4-All Saints de JPII

**Jueves:** Grupo de Jóvenes-Adultos de  
7:00pm-9:00pm en el salón #7.

*Queridos hermanos y hermanas:*

Hoy quiero comenzar una nueva serie de catequesis. Después de las catequesis sobre los Padres de la Iglesia, sobre los grandes teólogos de la Edad Media, y sobre las grandes mujeres, ahora quiero elegir un tema que nos interesa mucho a todos: es el tema de la oración, de modo específico de la cristiana, es decir, la oración que Jesús nos enseñó y que la Iglesia sigue enseñándonos. De hecho, es en Jesús en quien el hombre se hace capaz de



unirse a Dios con la profundidad y la intimidad de la relación de paternidad y de filiación. Por eso, juntamente con los primeros discípulos, nos dirigimos con humilde confianza al Maestro y le pedimos: «Señor, enséñanos a orar» (Lc 11, 1).

En las próximas catequesis, acudiendo a las fuentes de la Sagrada Escritura, la gran tradición de los Padres de la Iglesia, de los maestros de espiritualidad y de la liturgia, queremos aprender a vivir aún más intensamente nuestra relación con el Señor, casi una «escuela de oración». En efecto, sabemos bien que la oración no se debe dar por descontada: hace falta aprender a orar, casi adquiriendo siempre de nuevo este arte; incluso quienes van muy adelantados en la vida espiritual sienten siempre la necesidad de entrar en la escuela de Jesús para aprender a orar con autenticidad. La primera lección nos la da el Señor con su ejemplo. Los Evangelios nos describen a Jesús en diálogo íntimo y constante con el Padre: es una comunión profunda de aquel que vino al mundo no para hacer su voluntad, sino la del Padre que lo envió para la salvación del hombre.

En esta primera catequesis, como introducción, quiero proponer algunos ejemplos de oración presentes en las antiguas culturas, para poner de relieve cómo, prácticamente siempre y por doquier, se han dirigido a Dios. Comienzo por el antiguo Egipto, como ejemplo. Allí un hombre ciego, pidiendo a la divinidad que le restituyera la vista, atestigua algo universalmente humano, como es la pura y sencilla oración de petición hecha por quien se encuentra en medio del sufrimiento, y este hombre reza: «Mi corazón desea verte... Tú que me has hecho ver las tinieblas, crea la luz para mí. Que yo te vea. Inclina hacia mí tu rostro amado» (A. Barucq – F. Daumas, *Hymnes et prières de l’Egypte ancienne*, París 1980, trad. it. en *Preghiere dell’umanità*, Brescia 1993, p. 30). «Que yo te vea»: aquí está el núcleo de la oración. En las religiones de Mesopotamia dominaba un sentido de culpa arcano y paralizador, pero no carecía de esperanza de rescate y liberación por parte de Dios. Así podemos apreciar esta súplica de un creyente de aquellos antiguos cultos, que dice así: «Oh Dios, que eres indulgente incluso en la culpa más grave, absuelve mi pecado... Mira, Señor, a tu siervo agotado, y sopla tu aliento sobre él: perdónalo sin dilación. Aligera tu castigo severo. Haz que yo, liberado de los lazos, vuelva a respirar; rompe mi cadena, líbrame de las ataduras» (M.-J. Seux, *Hymnes et prières aux Dieux de Babylone et d’Assyrie*, París 1976, trad. it. en *Preghiere dell’umanità, op. cit.*, p. 37). Estas expresiones demuestran que el hombre, en su búsqueda de Dios, ha intuido, aunque sea confusamente, por una parte su culpa y, por otra, aspectos de misericordia y de bondad divina.

## REGISTRO DE

### CATECISMO PARA NIÑOS (PSR)

El 4 de junio de 10am a 5pm, el 5 de junio de 10am a 7pm y el 6 de junio de 10am a 4pm. **Todo estudiante ya inscrito deberá reinscribirse, durante estos 3 días para evitar pagar cuota extra. Todo estudiante nuevo tiene que traer el Certificado de Bautismo, si el niño/a fue bautizado en otro país favor de irlo pidiendo para tenerlo listo el día de registro.**

**El Ministerio de St. Vincent de Paul** le pide de su ayuda para dar un poco de comida a los pobres de nuestra comunidad. Ellos necesitan toda clase de comida o fruta enlatada, y cajas de comida como cereal, macaroni con queso u otras cajas. También aceptamos fruta fresca de temporada como naranjas, limones, etc. Puede llevar sus donaciones a la Oficina Parroquial y de antemano le damos gracias por sus donaciones y generosidad.



Marque el Día

### Retiro de Biblia Vacacional (VBR) para niños.

“Todas las Criaturas del Señor” del 11 al 15 de julio 8:30am-12:00pm. Edades: 4-12. Comenzará con la Misa a las 8:00am en la Iglesia. Para más información o para ser voluntario llamar a Kayte al 557-0297. Puede registrarse en la Oficina Parroquial.

# Parish School of Religion Registration (Catechism Classes)

## June 4th, 5th, & 6th

Registration for returning & new students is only a week away!

John Paul II Center, Rooms 6 & 7

Hours

June 4th 10:00am-5:00pm

June 5th 10:00am-7:00pm

June 6th 10:00am-4:00pm

Fees for 2011-2012

\$75 for one student, \$100 for two students, \$120 for three or more students



Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis for all students. However, you do not have to come first thing on Saturday morning to obtain the class your child needs. No classes filled at last year's registration until Sunday evening. We plan enough space for every returning child.

The process includes choosing a class time from the available spaces and fee payment or applying for a scholarship (we offer a limited number of partial scholarships and payment plans).

**Returning Students** must complete registration by June 6th or a late fee of \$25.00 per family will apply. If your family will be out of town during this time, you must contact us prior to June 6th to avoid the late fee. You will be able to register after the PSR office reopens on August 8th.

**New Students** (families must be registered in the parish) may register for classes during the registration weekend, but they must already be registered as parishioners at the parish. At the time of registration parents of new students must include a copy of each child's baptism certificate (or registration cannot be taken). We encourage you to register at the parish office and provide a copy of your child's baptism certificate before June 4th. Registration for new students ends Sept. 14, after 9-14-2011 a late fee of \$25 per family applies.

\*First year Confirmation preparation will occur on Wednesdays and will not be classroom based, but children still need to register.