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RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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Saturday - 9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Sunday - 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:30 pm
SUNDAY: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12 Noon & 5:30 pm

DAILY: 7:00 am & 8:15 am

SACRAMENTS:

RECONCILIATION: 4:15 - 5:15 pm on Saturday, and by appointment. Please call the rectory office.

BAPTISM: 1:00 pm on Sunday and by appointment. Please call the rectory office to register.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements by appointment and a minimum of six months prior to marriage. Please call the rectory office.

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HOLY COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
on June 14, 2001

From the first days of the Church's celebration of the Eucharist, Holy Communion consisted of the reception of both species in fulfillment of the Lord's command to "take and eat . . . take and drink." The distribution of Holy Communion to the faithful under both kinds was thus the norm for more than a millennium of Catholic liturgical practice.

The practice of Holy Communion under both kinds at Mass continued until the late eleventh century, when the custom of distributing the Eucharist to the faithful under the form of bread alone began to grow. By the twelfth century theologians such as Peter Cantor speak of Communion under one kind as a "custom" of the Church. This practice spread until the Council of Constance in 1415 decreed that Holy Communion under the form of bread alone would be distributed to the faithful.

In 1963, the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council authorized the extension of the faculty for Holy Communion under both kinds in *Sacrosanctum Concilium*.

Holy Communion has a more complete form as a sign when it is received under both kinds. For in this manner of reception a fuller sign of the Eucharistic banquet shines forth. Moreover there is a clearer expression of that will by which the new and everlasting covenant is ratified in the blood of the Lord and of the relationship of the Eucharistic banquet to the eschatological banquet in the Father's kingdom.

POSTURE IN RECEIVING COMMUNION

When receiving Holy Communion, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister (no. 160).

New Communion Procedure

- (1) have 2 stations of distributing the Body of Christ at the center
 - (2) have 2 stations of distributing the Blood of Christ at the 2 side aisles
 - (3) The communion will begin from the front to the back
 - (4) We will bring communion to the handicapped and elderly.
 - (5) Communion line should be one pew at a time. Please do not rush into the center aisle at the time of communion
 - (6) After receiving the communion, please return to your seat by the side aisles.
- We will implement this new procedure beginning in August.

The choir needs your voice!

Please join us in the church on Thursday Sept. 4 at 7:30 p.m. as we begin the 2008 - 09 season. Ability to read music is helpful, but not required. No audition required! You're hired! Oh. . ., and bring a friend.

RENEWAL AND WELCOME

In order to form a more perfect union with our Creator through Christ, all parishioners are urged to reach out to **FAMILY, RELATIVES, FRIENDS AND CO-WORKERS** in a loving way accomplishing the exhortation of MT 28, 18-20. "Go and make disciples of all nations"

Please take a green card from the pew for more information.

An outreach team is being formed; volunteers are requested. Co-ordinator....Fr. Donie.

Email: doniekay@aol.com

After School Religion Classes

Registration is now taking place for After School Religion Classes for First Communion

First Communion - Level I:

This is a two-year program and your child must be a baptized Catholic, entering the first grade (or above) and be able to read at grade level. The classes meet every Wednesday beginning in September from 3:30-4:30pm.

First Communion - Level II:

Re-registration forms will be mailed directly to you. No one is admitted to these classes without completing Level I.

Registration forms are available in the Rectory- no students will be admitted after classes have begun. If you have any questions, please call **310) 476-7403 ext. 235** or email **Michelle Berlin** at smtchurchlady@aol.com

Blessed Sacrament

August 5th, will be the first Tuesday of the month and there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon. **All are welcome.**

Men's Weekend Retreat August 1-3, 2008

Father Brian Mullady, OP, will lead this weekend at Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra- of growing in awareness of God's plan for you life and drinking from the wellsprings of prayer to refresh and renew your soul. For information or reservations call Stan Interrante (714) 996-4164.

Carmelite Spirituality Retreat**August 29-31, 2008**

Fr. Adrian Tomlinson is coming from England to lead this retreat at sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra. Spend quality time with God. learning more about prayer from the great Carmelite mystics, This retreat is for anyone who would like to pray more deeply. For information or reservations call (626) 289-1353 ext. 218

Hurting from a past abortion experience?

The Westside Pregnancy Clinic (wpcclinic.org) is offering a Post Abortion Recovery Program. To participate in this program or for more information, please contact the WPC at 3 10-268-8400 or debe@wpcclinic.org by August 8, 2008.

School News

St. Martin of Tours School is a Catholic, coeducational elementary school specializing in traditional academics including foreign language and the fine arts. We are currently accepting applications for the 2008/2009 school year in grades K, 1 and 7. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Oswald at (310) 472-7419

Youth Ministry News:

1) Wednesday at 3:15 in the afternoon SMT Youth Ministry will be meeting for an afternoon of fun, Nintendo Wii, and Scripture Study! Food will be provided and your teens can be picked up at 5:15.

2) Join us for a LIFENIGHT!

LIFENIGHT is a non-classroom, large group gathering where teens can relax, have fun, connect, and grow in an understanding of God's relevance in their lives. Dinner is provided. LIFENIGHTs are held every two weeks on the first and third Sunday of every month after the 5:30 PM Teen Mass.

Please pray for our sick relatives and friends

Harold Martinez, Alexandra Payne, Kaylee Cote, Forough Mesbahzadeh, Howard Kaufman, Kathy Nielsen, Joy Vinasirt, Jessie Snyder, Krissy Kobata, Carmen Vella, Juan J. Ortega, Lisa Guggenheim.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 2

8:15 – Frances Hughes, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
4:15 – Confessions **Fr. Ben**
5:30 – Phillip Chan, R.I.P. **Fr. Cooley**

Sunday, August 3

7:30 – Our Parishioners **Fr. Ben**
9:00 – Dr. Edward Colbert, R.I.P. **Fr. Cooley**
10:30 – Dr. Thomas Cook, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
12:00 – Andrew Hoblock, R.I.P. **Fr. Cooley**
5:30 – Phi Nguyen, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
Baby Keane, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**

Monday, August 4

7:00 – Dalton Gudelman, Spec. Int.
8:15 – John Houston, R.I.P.

Tuesday, August 5

7:00 – Jackie Weir, R.I.P.
8:15 – Patricia Powel, R.I.P.

Wednesday, August 6

7:00 – Holly Garcia, R.I.P.
8:15 – Juan Antonio Zabra, R.I.P.

Thursday, August 7

8:15 – Jennie Allard, R.I.P.

Friday, August 8

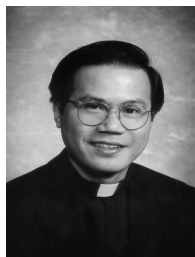
7:00 – Eldon Zangrando, R.I.P.

Saturday, August 9

8:15 – Jennie Allard, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
4:15 – Confessions **Fr. Ben**
5:30 – Harold & Yellie Chang, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**

Sunday, August 10

7:30 – Victor Logan, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**
9:00 – Our Parishioners **Fr. Ben**
10:30 – Harold Heblock, R.I.P. **Fr. Donie**
12:00 – Dr. Edward Colbert, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**
5:30 – Domenica & Henry Tomei, R.I.P. **Fr. Ben**



I heard that at one restaurant in Pennsylvania run by the Amish tradition customers are very surprised when they enter because they find themselves not sitting at a small table with those they come in with but at a large table with strangers! And side dishes are delivered in a big communal bowls. This arrangement forces strangers to talk to one another.

After a few awkward moments from the beginning, people start sharing jokes and stories and they are laughing and having a good time.

There is something powerful about the experience of eating together: the acceptance of one another as it was in Jewish custom, the sharing of one’s life story, the joy, and the unity it brings. Jesus started this tradition, and the Church finds it to be the true powerful moment as we gather around the Lord’s table to break bread and share one cup. We cannot forget that Catholics are Eucharistic People.

Many do not find the Eucharist to be a powerful experience. They see only the flaws in the priests, in the people who come, and in the universal Church. They see it as an empty ritual that doesn’t do anything to “those people.” They are so right to see that we are weak and sinful people, but they are so wrong about the “gathering” of people in sharing the bread and cup. It is not about the people but it is about God who is present in that gathering. We say in the Creed about the One and Holy Catholic Church because we believe the holiness of the Church does not come from the people but from the One who is the true presider at the table and who makes people holy. It is also about the experience of being together as one people.

The other misunderstand aspect of the Eucharist is the social dimension. Traditionally, we think coming to Church one must be solemn and quiet – no talking and no socializing. Can you imagine when people gather to eat and no talking? Is it a “gathering”? Without talking or socializing there would be no joy, no laughter, and no unity. People come but there is no sharing. This is one big missing element about the Eucharist today.

Once again I strongly encourage all of you to receive communion under both species – the Body and Blood of Christ, and we will implement a new procedure of receiving communion. Liturgically speaking, at the communion it is the time for us to sing praise to our God because of the great gift of Jesus given to us, so please take your time (one pew at a time) to receive communion and sing with us.

Fr. Ben