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MASSES IN ENGLISH/EN INGLÉS

Saturday Vigil/Sábado: 5:00 PM
Sunday/Domingo 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

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Domingo: 12:45 PM

DAILY MASS/MISA DIARIA (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday/Lunes,
Martes, Jueves y Viernes: 9:00 AM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday/Martes, Miércoles y
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COMMUNION SERVICE/SERVICIOS DE

COMUNIÓN (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday & Friday/Lunes y Viernes: 6:30 AM
Wednesday/Miércoles: 9:00 AM

BAPTISM/BAUTIZOS

In English: Call the office to begin the process.
This requires two months preparation. *En Español:*
Los Sábados
10:00 AM. Llame a la oficina para hacer arreglos con
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MARRIAGE/MATRIMONIO

Call the office to arrange with a Priest or
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In English: Saturdays 3:30 PM (in the church) or by
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Nurture the development of our faith and knowledge of Christ
Offer to share the Holy Spirit's gifts of time, talent and treasure
Worship through prayer, Mass and the Sacraments

THOUGHTS FROM FR. RICHARD
 PENSAMIENTOS DE PADRE RICARDO

■ **BISHOP BARBER'S STATEMENT
 REGARDING THE RECENT SHOOTINGS**

Our hearts are heavy as we mourn the senseless loss of life across our country this week, in Baton Rouge, in Minneapolis and in Dallas. We pray for mercy, for consolation and for healing for those who have lost loved ones, for those who have been killed and wounded, and for those whose hearts have been twisted by hatred. Let us also pray for courage, for each of us, to answer this escalating cycle of violence with more powerful acts of mercy and love. All lives matter, no matter the color of our skin or the profession of faith we make. We are all children of God and all human life is sacred and precious.

Please join me in seeking common ground, and in calling upon our civic leaders to work together to find resolution to this escalating violence. Love is stronger than hate, but it requires each of us to act with courage and compassion.

Let us recall the words of Pope Francis: "May the God of peace arouse in all an authentic desire for dialogue and reconciliation. Violence cannot be overcome with violence. Violence is overcome with peace."

Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ, Diocese of Oakland

■ **NECESSARY FALLING APART**

By Richard Rohr

Most religion is highly "legitimizing religion." It is used for social control and public order both by the powers that be and by people who want to be in control. This limited use of religion has allowed much of Christian history to participate in a toxic and unjust environment—just as long as we have "a personal relationship with Jesus." This will not work anymore; in fact, it never did.

The American Bishops, paraphrasing many recent Papal statements, said that "social justice is an integral part of evangelization, a constitutive dimension of preaching the Gospel, and an essential part

of the Church's mission." [1] Social critique is not an add-on, an option, a choice, or a unique vocation for a few. If Jesus is indeed "the Savior of the world" (John 4:42), we must not, we cannot, continue to think of salvation as merely a private matter. We are wasting our time trying to convert individuals without also challenging corporate sin and institutionalized evil. Otherwise, we send momentarily changed people back into the world; now they think they are godly, but they are the opposite of godly, and the disguise is perfect. As Jesus says, "the last state of the house is worse than the first" (Matthew 12:45).

It has taken Christians a long time to be able to see the Gospel in a fully historic, social, and political context; although this is clearly God's concern, starting with the Book of Exodus. Truly transformed people change the world, while fundamentally unchanged people soon conform to the world (see Romans 12:2). Culture will win out every time, if it is not also critiqued. Politicians normally prefer an unaware and superficial populace.

Dorothy Day put it even more strongly: "Our problems stem from our acceptance of this filthy, rotten system." [2] As long as we unquestioningly buy into the egoic system, where the roots of our narcissism often lie hidden, we're going to have problems. If we think we can say our private prayers and still genuflect before the self-perpetuating, unjust systems of this world, our conversion will not go very deep or last very long. There is no one more radical than a real person of prayer, because they are not beholden to any ideology or economic system; their identity and motivation is found only in God, not in the pay-offs of "mammon." Both church and state are threatened by true mystics. Such enlightened people can't be bought off or manipulated, because their rewards are always elsewhere.

Most of us need to have the status quo shaken now and then, leaving us off balance and askew, feeling alienated for a while from our usual unquestioned loyalties. In this uncomfortable space, we can finally recognize the much larger kingdom of God. Many churches don't seem to understand this, even flying the national flag

in the sanctuary. After authentic conversion, our old "country" no longer holds any ultimate position. We can't worship it as we were once trained to do.

This pattern of temporary falling apart precedes every transition to a new level of faith, hope, and love. If one is not prepared to live in temporary chaos and to hold the necessary anxiety that chaos entails, one never moves into a Bigger World. Notice that almost every theophany (revelation of God) begins with the same warning: "Do not be afraid." Fear is an entirely predictable response to any God encounter, because any authentic experience of the Absolute relativizes everything else. God is actually quite wild and dangerous, but we domesticated divine experience so much that a vast majority of people have left the search entirely, finding most religious people to be fearful conformists instead of adventurous seekers of Love and Mystery.

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PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS
 FROM CHRISTA FAIRFIELD

■ **THE RIGHT TO HOUSING AND
 CATHOLIC MORAL DISCERNMENT**

By Greg Colley OFS

As Concord Catholics, we have a very local and immediate moral choice to discern.

In our City of Concord, there are both homeless and those who are struggling to retain their housing in the face of rapidly escalating demands for much higher rent made by landlords. The residents of an apartment complex on Virginia Lane—people who often must choose between paying rent and buying food for their families—are working to seek justice for themselves. They are trying to avoid becoming homeless because of large rent increases. Their repeated requests for dialogue with landlord representatives have not been fruitful, and so they have initiated legal action.

This is not a situation on which Catholic teaching is silent.

In November of 1975, the Catholic Bishops of the United States declared this country to be in the midst of a severe housing crisis - "that millions of American families are condemned to live in poor housing or unsuitable environments unless dramatic action is taken." Last year while Pope Francis was in Washington DC, he repeatedly emphasized the needs of the poor and our national obligation to do something in response. Immediately after addressing Congress he spent lunchtime with DC residents experiencing homelessness. The Pope said to all, "we can find no social or moral justification, no justification whatsoever, for lack of housing." And he reminded everyone that Jesus entered the world as a homeless person.

In the 40 years separating these two observations, it is unfortunate that insufficient progress has been made towards addressing the housing plight of the poorest in this country. According to the social and moral teaching of the Church, the poor have a right to housing. And so the bishops stated unequivocally, "In the face of this cruel and discouraging condition, we...cannot remain silent." They observed that the inherent dignity of all people and their moral right to grow and develop their potential compel a response from Catholics "whenever social and economic forces imprison or degrade people." They described poor or no housing as one of these debilitating conditions.

It is frequently observed that these rights of the poor exist in tension with the rights of property owners. Church teaching guides us clearly on this as well. In his 1967 encyclical *Populorum Progressio*, Pope Paul VI articulated the ancient position of the Church: "The recent Council reminded us of this: 'God intended the earth and all that it contains for the use of every human being and people...' All other rights whatsoever, including those of property and free commerce, are to be subordinated to this principle." This teaching is known as the "universal destination of material goods," or the social function of property. It is a long-standing tenet of Christian thought.

It establishes clear moral priorities, ones repeated by Pope Saint John Paul II. Solutions to housing problems are neither simple nor easily agreed upon. It is precisely because Catholic teaching provides guidance, however, that Catholics in and around Concord have created a movement for action - *Catholics United for Justice*. Ethics are crucial in guiding the economic and social choices which determine how various rights are to be balanced. Adequate solutions will be found only in ethical choices made by individuals, groups, and even governments. Catholic teaching is also clear that government has an important role to play in ensuring that material possessions are used in ways which will benefit the greatest number of people. The challenges of the most vulnerable among us present complex moral challenges to those of us who are Catholic. Prayerful consideration of the teaching of the Church on the right to housing will help guide us to choices and actions that will benefit our neighbors, and help us to live out our calling as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Greg Colley is a parishioner at St Bonaventure. After completing graduate degrees at the Franciscan School of Theology in Divinity and Theology, he now works in social justice and as a chaplain. He is a professed member of the Ordo Franciscanus Saecularis, the Franciscan third order. He can be reached at gregcolleyofs@gmail.com.



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Weekend of July 9 & 10 Collection

Goal: \$25,440

Actual: \$21,267

Deficit: (\$4,173)

2nd Collection

Bosco Project: \$17,468

Parish Loan Debt: \$16,394.89

Food for Family: 369

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LITURGY & PRAYER

■ DAILY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE DURING BIBLE CAMP

During the week of July 18-22, the 9:00am Mass will begin at 8:00am. The 6:30am Mass time will remain the same. There will also be NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, July 22. We will return to the normal schedule once Bible Camp week is over.

■ JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY – Sunday, July 17, 2016 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Last Sunday's "Good Samaritan" parable concluded with Jesus' command: Go provide hands-on mercy to the next person you meet, no conditions, no limits, no exceptions. But

today, Jesus seems to criticize Martha's hands-on mercy of hospitality, while praising Mary's "hands-off" as "choosing the better part" (Luke 10:42). Mary sat listening (10:39), leaving Martha "burdened with much serving by herself" (10:40). So, is the contemplative life of prayerful silence "superior," but the active life of earning a living, raising a family, running parishes, schools, hospitals, and social service ministries "second-class" discipleship? No; Jesus' example is not either/or but both/and: silent communion with God, boundless compassion for people. If we do not seek Jesus in silent prayer, how will we find Jesus in all others? If we do not serve Jesus in others, will our worship, despite its beauty, be anything but empty ritual? This *Jubilee Year of Mercy* offers us Jesus' two-fold challenge: both "go and do" and "sit and listen."

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PORTRAIT DATES

August 2 – August 5 (Tues – Fri)
 August 6 (Saturday)

August 11 – August 12 (Thurs – Fri)
 August 13 (Saturday)

Sept. 1 – Sept. 2 (Thurs – Fri)
 September 3 (Saturday)

Sept. 7 – Sept. 9 (Wed – Fri)
 September 10 (Saturday)

APPOINTMENT TIMES

1:00 pm – 8:30 pm
 10:00 am – 5:30 pm

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Sign – Ups

1. Available online. Just go to our St. Bonaventure website, <http://www.stbonaventure.net/lifetouch>, click on the Lifetouch link, OR
2. Sign-ups available in the church foyer, July 9/10 and July 23/24

FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

■ EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY DVD SERIES

The Women's Christian Fellowship invite you to *Reflections on the Year of Mercy DVD series by Michael Renninger*, pastor of St Mary's Church in Richmond Virginia. Fr Mike has been a retreat master for two women's retreats and his joy and enthusiasm are contagious. Please join us for 5 weeks of DVDs and discussion. Monday evenings starting July 25 at 7:00 pm in classroom A2. Sessions are as follows: *Who God is*; *What is God's Mercy*; *How Can We experience God's Mercy*; *God Keeps Showing up*; and *The Mercy of Christ*. Questions? Call Maureen ☎ 925-360-1621



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON: MI 6:1-4, 6-8; PS 50:5-6, 8-9, 16BC-17, 21, 23; MT 12:38-42

TUE: MI 7:14-15, 18-20; PS 85:2-8; MT 12:46-50

WED: JER 1:1, 4-10; PS 71:1-4A, 5-6AB, 15, 17; MT 13:1-9

THU: JER 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; PS 26:6-7AB, 8-11; MT 13:10-17

FRI: JER 3:14-17; PS 63:2-6, 8-9; JN 20:1-2, 11-18

SAT: JER 7:1-11; PS 84:3-6A, 8A, 11; MT 13:24-30

SUN: GEN 18:20-32; PS 138:1-3, 6-8; COL 2:12-14; LK 11:1-13

■ HEALING THE HEART WORKSHOP

If you or someone you know is grieving the death of a loved one, we'd like to invite you to attend the **Healing the Heart** workshop. The workshop provides a safe place to express grief and begin healing after the loss of a loved one. Our grief companions have also lost someone who is dear to them and know the value of having someone listen with their heart. They recognize that each person's grief is unique. The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Whether the death was sudden and tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us shocked, confused and sad. These feelings may linger for years.

The grief workshop is a six-week program characterized by trust in prayer, open sharing and spirituality. It is a Christ-centered program, but you do not have to be a member of St. Bonaventure's parish or a Catholic to attend. It is open to anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one. The loss may have been a recent one or a long time ago.

The next grief workshop begins Tuesday evening, August 23, from 7:30-9:00pm at St. Bonaventure Church. Registration is required by August 10. There is no cost to attend the workshop. Please call Helene Billeci at ☎ (925) 686-4870 for more information and to register.

■ **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

So many times we are like Martha, “anxious and worried about many things,” that we forget the most important thing – Jesus. Learn how to make Jesus a part of your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on **August 5-7 and Nov. 18-20**. Early registration, 4 to 6 weeks out, is highly recommended. For more information, contact Mike & Jeanne (☎ 925.672.2016) or Joe & Sue (☎ 925.680.7767) now or go to www.oaklandwwme.org. Weekend presentations are in the Pleasanton/Dublin area.

■ **TAI CHI FOR HEALTH**

Blessings from Tai Chi for Health! Join us in the powerful, playful practice of Tai Chi & Qi Gong. Sessions are each Wednesday, in the Small Hall, and Friday in A4, from 10am to 11am. Bring an open mind and bottled water. Love offerings \$10. Contact Instructor Ben ☎ 925 565-4636 with questions.

NEED A NEIGHBOR?

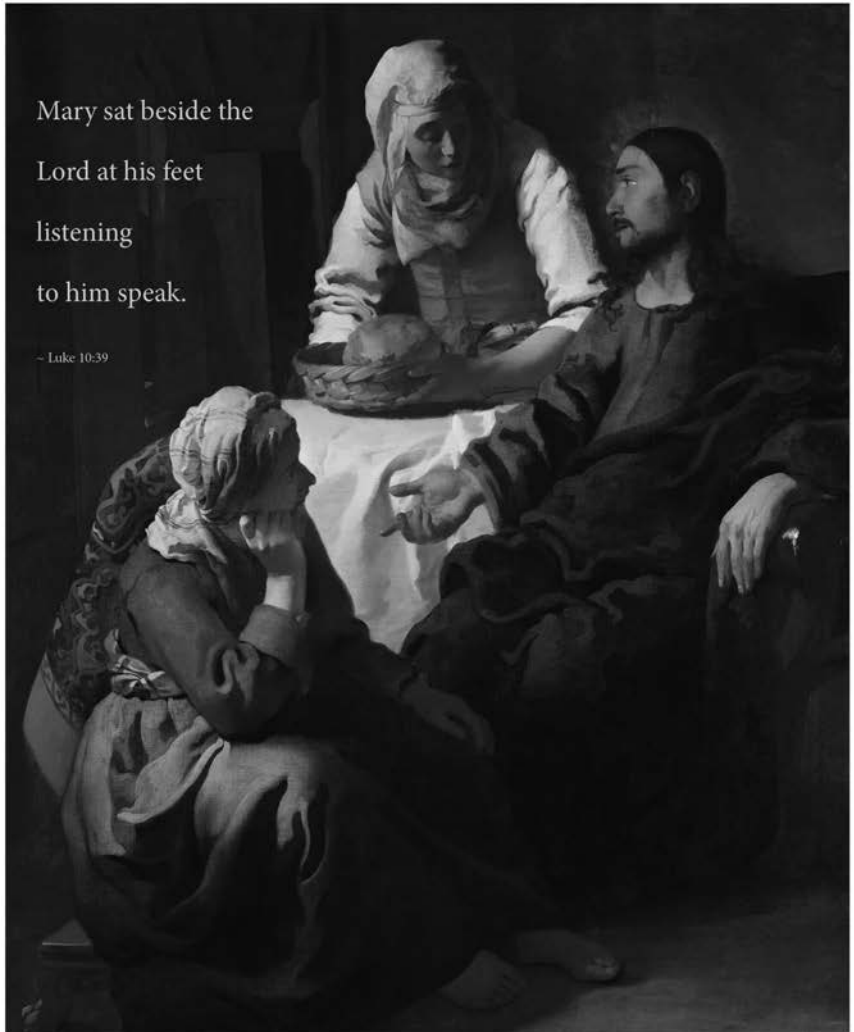
Neighbor-to-Neighbor Ministry is here to assist parishioners with temporary, minor needs. Those we serve must be adults (over 18 years old) and physically mobile. There are established community organizations in place to meet long-term and other needs.

We Offer:

- Assistance with transportation to the parish, the grocery store or doctor. *We can assist in finding regular rides to a specific Mass or parish offering
- Assistance with an errand or a light task
- Visiting the sick or homebound

For assistance leave a message ☎ 672-5800 x2238. We will pick up calls Monday-Friday. Every effort will be made to respond within 24 hours of the call. Please note that the ministry is not designed for immediate or emergency needs. It can take a few days to locate a volunteer to meet the need.

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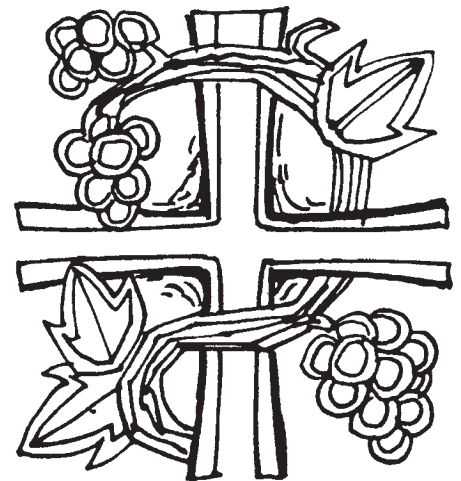


Mary sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak.

— Luke 10:39

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PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

■ **FAITH AND FAMILY DAY AT THE A'S VS. SEATTLE MARINERS**

I have 40 tickets on hand for purchase. Tickets are in Section 225, (all in the shade), \$23. This event has always been fun. Stay after the game for performances by Donnie Moore and the Radical Reality Team; as well as faith testimonials from A's players and coaches. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested. Call Gerry ☎ 709-5404. Cash or checks made payable to Gerry Ferri.

■ **SAVE THE DATE: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MOVIE NIGHT**

On Saturday, August 20, the St Bonaventure Knights of Columbus are hosting the showing of the animated feature movie **ZOOTOPIA**, a story about how a policewoman rabbit and a con artist fox solve a terrible crime.

We will be showing the movie under the stars from the stage on the west side of the St Bonaventure Campus on Clayton Rd. Seating will be on the grassy area next to the stage. We will also have a few tables and chairs set up on the sidewalk area on the east end of the grassy area. There will be games for the children, before the movie.

There is no charge to attend the movie, but there will be food for sale – hot dogs, hamburgers, soda, water & popcorn. The Food Court will open at 7 PM. Show Time will be 8:15 PM.

■ **ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING BRIDGE?**

Our group is organized so two partners meet in someone's home to play twenty hands of bridge once a month. The two couples make the time and place arrangements and then send me the scores after they have played. I keep a running record. We play September through May. In June we meet in the Small Hall at church for a salad dinner and play a couple hours of bridge. At this time, we find out our total scores and award prize money to the top three couples. If this sounds interesting to you, phone Sheryl Caskey at

☎ 672-4087 by the end of July.

We ask for a \$20 donation from each person playing. We donate our extra money to the Food Pantry here at church. This year we donated \$335 to the Food Pantry.

■ **ST. BONAVENTURE CANCER SUPPORT**

A community of parishioners and survivors of cancer are waiting and willing to share your experience, pray with you and be there to help you through your ordeal. We offer ourselves in love and prayer to be at your side in many ways. *Please call us; know that you are not alone:* ☎ Elaine Shingleton at 672-1850, or Maria Padilla Fulmore (*Que habla Español*) 686-6916.

■ **PREGNANT? NEED HELP?**

☎ 1-800-910-0191, The Gabriel Project

■ **CLAYTON VALLEY COUNSELING CENTER (CVCC) AT YOUR SERVICE**

For 15 years, CVCC has been serving the St. Bonaventure Community. The Counseling Center, with licensed therapists, serves individuals, couples and families, and prepares engaged couples for marriage using the well-established Prepare Program. ☎ 925-210-6176.

The one who does
 justice will live
 in the presence
 of the Lord

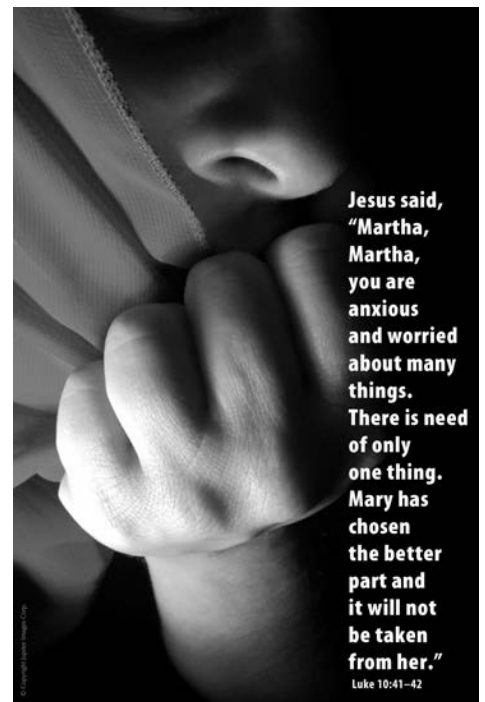


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OUTSIDE PARISH

■ **ST. AGNES PRESCHOOL/PRE-K NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS**

St. Agnes Preschool and Pre-K program nurtures 3, 4 and young 5-year-olds. Children must be potty-trained. Help them start their journey in becoming independent and faith-centered learners. Application and registration forms can be found on our website stagnesconcord.com or call 925-689-3990 for more information.



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Mass Intentions For The Week



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SATURDAY, JULY 16

- 5:00 Mary Simas
Emidio Busuttil
Ben & Vic Marquez
Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, JULY 17

- 7:30 St. Bonaventure Community
9:00 Joey Mangini
Edgardo Cortez
Joaquina Angel Martinez
Bernie Krieg
11:00 Rodrigo Dala
Efren Lao
Rosalia M. Escosa
Franklin Relva
5:00 Margarita Flores
Editha Labadnoy
Leonard Tibbits
Emmanuel Kahulugan

MONDAY, JULY 18

- 6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Karen Saguiped

TUESDAY, JULY 19

- 6:30 Jeanette Buscaglia
9:00 Emidio Busuttil
Dean Bernice McCoy

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

- 6:30 Gavin Harris
9:00 Communion Service

THURSDAY, JULY 21

- 6:30 Bob & Effie Cartan
9:00 Linda Galeon

FRIDAY, JULY 22

- 6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Don Davis

SATURDAY, JULY 23

- 5:00 Sandra Widjaja
Kepris Meletiou
Emido Busuttil
Bill Baas

Mary
sat
listening
to
Jesus



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■ AÑO JUBILAR DE LA MISERICORDIA Décimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



La Parábola del "Buen samaritano" del pasado domingo concluyó con el mandato de Jesús: "ir a practicar la misericordia con la próxima persona que conozca, sin condiciones, sin límites, sin excepciones." Pero hoy, Jesús parece criticar la práctica de Misericordia de Martha (hospitalidad), mientras que alaba a María que "automáticamente" "elige la mejor parte" (Lucas 10:42).

María sentada escucha (10:39), mientras que Martha "está cargada de trabajo atendiendo ella sola" (10:40). ¿Así, es la vida contemplativa silencio, oración "superior", pero la vida activa, formar una familia, ganarse la vida, formar parroquias, escuelas, hospitales y el ministerio de servicio social es discipulado de «segunda clase»? No. El ejemplo de Jesús no es ni uno ni otro; sino ambos, silenciosa comunión con Dios, infinita compasión por la gente.

Si no buscamos a Jesús en el silencio de la oración, ¿cómo encontraremos a Jesús en los demás? ¿Si no servimos a Jesús en otros, será nuestra adoración, a pesar de su belleza, ritual vacío? Este *Año Jubilar de la Misericordia* Jesús nos ofrece doble desafío: tanto "ir y hacer" como "sentarse y escuchar"

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■ FRASES DEL PAPA FRANCISCO

Si estamos verdaderamente enamorados de Cristo y sentimos cuánto nos ama, nuestro corazón se «inflamará» de tanta alegría que contagiará a cuantos viven a nuestro alrededor. Como decía Benedicto XVI, aquí, en este Santuario: «El discípulo sabe que sin Cristo no hay luz, no hay esperanza, no hay amor, no hay futuro»

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■ JESÚS MODELO DE MISERICORDIA

El mensaje bíblico de este Domingo nos trae ejemplos de hospitalidad. En algunas culturas, como en la nuestra, recibir a un forastero con cariño es un deber social. Así era en tiempos de Abrahán, en la cultura de aquella sociedad de nómadas. Algo parecido sucede en nuestra cultura latina. Llega el viajero al hogar del latino, e inmediatamente se le ofrece un café. Y mientras se habla en la sala, en la cocina se preparan los pasteles, el arroz, pupusas, o las enchiladas. Los dueños de casa tienen el orgullo de ofrecer lo mejor que tienen a aquel que lo visita, no importa cuán humilde o estrecha sea la situación. Hay placer en complacer y obsequiar a los demás.

En la segunda lectura de este Domingo, San Pablo continúa este mismo mensaje. Habla no solamente de los sacrificios que uno tiene que hacer en orden a lo material, sino que nos habla también de los sufrimientos espirituales que hemos de soportar en este mundo. Y no es que a San Pablo le guste sufrir, no es tonto. Pero al reconocer que en la vida el sufrimiento es inevitable, piensa: mejor es sufrir por amor que simplemente sufrir. Por eso consagra su vida a los demás por el amor de Cristo. Y lo puede decir que él suple en su propia carne lo que le falta a la pasión de Cristo. Con esto no nos quiere decir que el sac-

rificio de Nuestro Señor sea imperfecto, sino que también nosotros hemos de estar dispuestos a los sacrificios que nos exige el amor al prójimo.

Volviendo al tema de la hospitalidad, podemos decir que ésta se convierte en algo religioso cuando abrimos las puertas de nuestra casa por amor a Cristo. Y este es el ejemplo que Cristo quiere señalar en el Evangelio de hoy. Si nos fijamos en las dos hermanas, Marta trabaja mientras María está al lado del Señor. Nuestra primera reacción es ponernos de parte de Marta: la pobre estaba cansada con los quehaceres del hogar y con razón reclamaba la cooperación de María. Marta se afana para que todo salga bien; por hacer que el Señor se sienta "Como en su casa", ofreciéndole buena comida y buen trato. Pero María se da cuenta de que lo más importante de la visita es la presencia y la compañía de Jesús. Así descubre que junto con la hospitalidad de la casa está la hospitalidad del corazón. Y por eso, el Señor la felicita. Con ello Jesús no recomienda la pereza sino que alaba la visión clara de María y su capacidad de establecer prioridades. Ella ha sabido escoger "La mejor parte". Porque para María el comprender las palabras del Salvador era lo primero. Después el dedicarse a la actividad cotidiana.

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A Marta siempre estamos imitándola, pero no a María. En nuestras comunidades, nosotros los hispanos, muchas veces andamos muy preocupados con los quehaceres y las actividades. Nos metemos en todo, desde lo que ocurre en nuestras propias familias hasta lo que ocurre o deja de ocurrir en la casa del vecino. Y mientras vamos de aquí para allá, tratando de buscar soluciones a todos los problemas del mundo, no encontramos sosiego, porque hay un vacío en lo más íntimo de nuestro ser. Y es que frecuentemente actuamos, sin ponernos a pensar qué actividad es la más importante en nuestra vida. Muchos padres hispanos se ocupan demasiado de actividades cívicas, de la escuela, o de la Iglesia, aun pensando en el bien de sus hijos: pero no sacan tiempo para estar con ellos, para hablarles y para escucharles. Los hijos, si bien necesitan que se hagan cosas por ellos, también necesitan que se esté con ellos. A padres como estos se les puede aconsejar que imiten a María; recuerden que los hijos necesitan atención material; alimento, ropa, es verdad, pero es muy importante para ellos la presencia y el afecto del padre y de la madre. Este es el mensaje de Cristo; primero amar con el corazón; después con las manos. Esto que decimos de la familia, también se aplica con la comunidad.

Hay una ley superior a toda ley creada y esta ley dice: ama al prójimo como a ti mismo. Y en otra parte del Evangelio, Cristo nos dice: "...porque lo que hiciste por uno de ellos, mis hermanos, lo hiciste por mí". Hoy estamos reunidos para la celebración de la Eucaristía. Cristo es el huésped. Nos invita a nosotros, peregrinos, a cenar con El. El Cordero Pascual ha sido sacrificado para darnos su propia carne. Y nosotros, los forasteros, somos caminantes que ansiamos comer el alimento de vida. Cansados buscamos refugio y descanso y lo encontramos en los brazos extendidos de Cristo. Pues, si Cristo nos recibe así, si da su vida por satisfacer nuestras necesidades, a nosotros nos toca lo mismo por lo demás, por amor. Dios les ayude. Diácono Mariano Preza.

BIENVENIDO PADRE KEVIN SCHINDLER-MCGRAW

Le damos la bienvenida al Padre Kevin como nuestro Nuevo Vicario Pastoral. El Padre Kevin ha estado con nosotros desde la última semana de junio y su estadía se prolongará hasta mediados de julio en un mini sabático. Comenzará sus funciones como Vicario Parroquial a partir del 10 de agosto. El Padre Kevin estará disponible para la gran variedad de vida pastoral como: celebración de sacramentos, orientaciones y participando en los diferentes ministerios. Puede contactar al Padre Kevin dejándole un mensaje en la oficina de la parroquia 925 -672-5800.



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