

Catholic Community at Stanford

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Sunday Mass January 29, 2012

10:30am Tresidder Oak Room4:30pm Memorial Church10pm Memorial Church

Daily Eucharist

M - W- F 12:20pm Memorial Church T - Th 12:20pm Old Union Sanctuary

Confessions

Tuesday 1:30-2:30pm and 9-10:30pm Old Union, 3rd Floor, 304 or 305 or by appointment: call 725-0080

Marriage

To arrange a Catholic Wedding, call the wedding coordinator at Memorial Church at 650-723-9531.

Infant Baptisms

Baptism is celebrated once per quarter. For more information, please visit http://catholic.stanford.edu/baptisms/eligibility.html or contact Teresa Pleins tpleins@stanford.edu.

Baptisms for the 2011-2012 academic year: Today, January 29, 2012 May 20, 2012

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Religious Ramblings

Real Authority

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR JANUARY 29, 2012

fr David McLean wonders what sort of authority Jesus had.

In the Gospel, Mark gives us an account of Jesus teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum. Mark does not tell us what Jesus teaches, but does tell us that he does so with authority. Not entirely surprising, because Mark is often more concerned with what Jesus does rather than with what he says. What was important for Mark here was not so much what Jesus actually taught, but that he did it with authority. Apparently, Jesus made a deep impression on those in the synagogue, because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

There are, of course, different kinds of authority. Teaching with authority could simply mean speaking well or speaking with self-confidence, like the good speaker who wins the debating competition. The speaker's argument doesn't matter so much: the matter under consideration is how well he or she presents the argument. We can presume that there was something more to Jesus's authority than debating skills.

Another kind authority comes from representing people. Members of Parliament have been elected to represent, in some sense, their constituents. We don't send delegates to Parliament who are directed by their constituents on every issue, but send as our MPs people whom we want to represent us. A MP's authority comes from those they represent. Again this is not the nature of Jesus's authority; it does not come through representing people. The people often get things wrong and Jesus cannot be seen as a representative of that. Jesus calls his followers rather than his followers calling him.

It is the unclean spirit in the gospel reading who points to where Jesus's authority does come from. The unclean Spirit says to Jesus, 'Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' We tend to think that a man with an unclean spirit means an evil man, and it could mean that here, but it could mean a man who was a bit mad or simply somebody who was ill. Ordinary illnesses could be seen as being the work of unclean spirits.

In any case, it means that the man with the unclean spirit was not as he should be. He was not the human being that God intended him to be. Jesus was able to recognise that. Some may not be impressed by that, but I think that it is something that

everybody fails to do at least some of the time. We admire some people we shouldn't. We admire their achievements, but if we think about it, we realise they are not something to admire. In the end, cornering huge amounts of power and wealth does nobody any good. Even considering ourselves, we will take pride in things we actually should be sorry for.

The authority Jesus possessed came from being able to see through all human misperceptions and malaise to identify where the truth of the matter lay. In every case he was right. Whether it be malice or illness, Jesus saw that the issue was a lack of humanity. In the man with an unclean spirit, Jesus saw a lack of humanity. The man was not as God intended.

In the end, Jesus's authority came from being right: right about the human condition. The unclean spirit knew this ability could only come from God, who alone knows what human beings are really can be.

Speaking the truth gave Jesus his authority. The unclean spirit recognised that divine authority and knew that it was subject to that authority. There is no room here for a dualism between good and evil. God and goodness are not in some cosmic battle with evil spirits where we eagerly await unknowable outcome. Evil spirits are subject to divine authority. In the Gospel, the evil spirit 'went out' of the man at Jesus's command.

Jesus's authority came from God: knowing and proclaiming the divine truth. It gave Jesus authority over evil spirits. The people then knew that Jesus taught with authority.

When we recognise truth and justice we see God. Just as people in the Gospel saw God and authority in the truth and rightness of what Jesus said. Ultimately, Jesus's authority denies space for evil and reaffirms the goodness of humanity and creation.

fr. David M. McLean O.P. is a chaplain to the Royal Navy.

GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Religious Education for Children:

Our program continues on Sunday mornings. The new-parent orientation is today, Sunday, Jan. 22. This program is for registered members of the community whose children are ages 3-13. It includes sacramental preparation. For more information, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

Sacrament of the Sick at Masses: (NEW DATE!!!)

We will celebrate this sacrament at all the Masses on Sunday, Feb. 12. Please invite anyone who wishes to receive the sacrament to attend this weekend. The sacrament is also available on an individual basis by contacting one of the parish priests.

New Training for Liturgical Ministers:

We welcome anyone who is interested in joining the choir, serving as lectors, greeters, altar servers, or eucharistic ministers. If you've managed to survive the first quarter at Stanford and can now think about the REST of your life, please contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu. Service can take place around your schedule. The rewards for ministry are great--serving the Lord, deepening your bond to the community, making new friends!

Altar Servers:

We are looking for 4 students to help with the ministry of altar serving for the 4:30 Sunday Mass. You would be scheduled about every 4 weeks and trained for special liturgies such as Holy Week, in addition to the Sunday Masses. Altar servers arrive at 3:45 to help with set up. This is a vital ministry to our liturgies, so if you could help out once a month, we would be grateful. For info, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

Greeting Ministers Needed for 4:30 Mass:

We need 6 more friendly faces to complete our greeting ministry roster at the 4:30 Mass. This is such an important ministry, as we welcome all who pass through our doors on Sunday. It is very rewarding, as you have the opportunity to meet the face of Christ present in his people. You would be scheduled approximately every 3-4 weeks. For info, contact Iris Clark, iris.ccas@live.com.

Catholic Conference, March 23-25, 2012:

You are invited to prayerfully consider joining us at the largest annual gathering of Catholics in the nation! This year, Lourdes and a group from the Catholic Community at Stanford will travel to Anaheim, CA for the the 2012 Religious Education Congress. Learn about a variety of topics offered by nearly 200 speakers ranging from personal growth to theological topics. Experience liturgies representing a variety of cultures and traditions. Enjoy entertainment from a variety of Christian artists, composers, and filmmakers. The 3-day conference is open to all who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith or seek personal growth. Registration for RECongress 2012 is only \$60 (\$70 after Feb 4th) and there will be additional expenses for lodging and transportation. For more information and to register, please visit http://recongress.org/. Lourdes Alonso will coordinate carpools and provide information on lodging. We welcome any assistance with contacts in the Los Angeles area that could help provide housing. Please email Lourdes if you have any questions at lalonso@stanford.edu.

Called & Gifted: Topic 1: Deepen Your Faith

If you have ever wondered how you fit in God's Plan, this may be for you. The Called & Gifted workshop is a two-day event which helps every Christian discern the gifts that God has given in order to bring them joy and purpose. The workshop will take place on Feb 10th and 11th. Registration is only \$20. If you have any

questions, contact Fr Isaiah or refer to the bulletin. Please see the table outside to reserve your seat, or go to the website and register online.

Korean Catholic At Stanford (KC@S, prayer meeting:

As for short introduction about ourselves, KC@S is a catholic community for Koreans at Stanford University representing a number of undergraduate, graduate students, post-doc, and research fellows. KC@S promotes various religious events during the academic year to grow in faith and to serve the Lord. Currently, we have a lunch meeting on Thursday and a prayer meeting on Friday this winter quarter. For more information, contact Eun-Soo at eschoi@stanford.edu.

Alternative Spring Break Trip: El Salvador:

We are happy to announce that a number of students will be journeying with Fr Isaiah to El Salvador to witness the Church's involvement during their civil war (1980-1992). They will embark on the physical and spiritual journey between March 23-30. We welcome any prayer partners on this journey, as well as any potential benefactors. We have over \$1500 of the \$16,000 needed for our journey. If you would like to be part of this dream by making a donation, you may now donate on the website. If you would like to give a check, please place on the memo "ASB El Salvador". For more information, please contact Fr Isaiah at frisaiah@stanford.edu.

Wedding Anniversary Mass:

Greetings! The Diocese of San José will once again acknowledge the couples who have honored the sacrament of matrimony with their faith and love for God and their spouses at a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration.

Bishop Patrick J. McGrath invites couples celebrating their 25th, 40th or 50th wedding anniversaries (or more) to a Mass celebrating their commitment at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph on February 4, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. The Mass will be bilingual in English and Spanish, and the couples will have the opportunity to renew their wedding vows. A reception in the Cathedral's parish hall will follow.

Please make copies of the registration form to distribute to your parishioners and their families who may be interested in participating. They can print or type their information on the form and mail it to the Diocese of San José or fax it to 408-983-0121 (attention: Sylvia Blanch). They may also register online.

The deadline for registration is January 25, 2012. Due to limited seats, please reserve seats only for anniversary couples and handicapped.

If you need more information or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sylvia Blanch at 408-983-0128 or email her atsblanch@dsj.org.

Please know that the Bishop also invites the pastors to concelebrate at the Mass with him if they are able. Please let Diana Macalintal know if your pastor plans to join him at this celebration.

Thank you for your continued care for the all members of our diocese. WeddingAnniversaryMass

25 and 50+ Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration Aniversario de Bodas de Plata y Oro February 4, 2012 / 4 de Febrero, 2012 2:00 pm Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph / Catedral Basílica de San José

-Announcements for January 29, 2012–

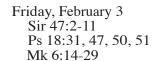
Weekly Readings

Monday, January 30 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 31 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30; 19:3 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 1 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 2 Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40



Saturday, February 4 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 5 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39



UNDER GRADS

Ice Skating under the stars:

Friday, February 3rd, 8-10pm. Come and Ice Skate with us on Friday night. We are heading to Winter Lodge in Palo Alto for a fun night with friends. Take a break and let off some steam while skating around a beautiful outdoor rink. The cost is only \$5 to help with skate rentals and entrance fees. Contact Amy Harris if you would like to join us at aharris5@stanford.edu.

Volunteer to Make Dinner for a Women's Shelter:

Saturday, Feb 4th. Join undergrads from the Catholic Community as we team up with Intervarsity to make dinner for the guests of Hotel de Zink. This is a shelter supported by Stanford students to provide meals and housing for fifteen women during the winter months. We will prepare the dinner at Old Union and take it to a local church to serve and share with the guests. Contact Natalie Hernandez if you would like to take part at nawitime@stanford.edu.

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen:

The Catholic Community at Stanford is committed to serving the needy, elderly and homeless at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen in Menlo Park. If you are interested in volunteering on Saturday February 4th or Saturday February 25th from 8:30 until 1:00pm, please contact Michael Bova at mpbova2001@yahoo.com to have a volunteer position reserved for you. In general, the CCAS has the first and fourth Saturday's of the month reserved for us at St. Anthony's. So plan your schedules in advance and please join us in helping those in need."

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Marriage Enrichment Opportunities for the New Year!

Make Your Marriage Your Top Priority this Year! Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to rekindle your romance and renew your marriage. The next weekend in the San Jose Diocese is Mar. 2-4, 2012 in Mountain View. For registration information go to www. wwme12.org or contact Thomas & Sandy Pavick at 408-262-4061 or gr8marriages@sbcglobal.net.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, January 29, 2012

- 10:30 am Tresidder Oak Room
- 4:30 pm Memorial Church
- 10 pm Memorial Church

Monday, January 30 - Friday, February 3

- Office hours (Tues Fri) 10am 4pm
- Confessions

Tuesday 1:30-2:30pm and 9-10:30pm Old Union, 3rd Floor, 304 or 305 or by appointment: call 725-0080

Daily Liturgy:

- M W F 12:20 Memorial Church
- T Th 12:20 Old Union Sanctuary

Sunday, February 5, 2012

- 10:30 am Tresidder Oak Room
- 4:30 pm Memorial Church
- 10 pm Memorial Church

GRADS

Catholicism 101:

Grad Community Center, Mondays at 7pm.

Join us on Mondays for Catholicism 101, a forum for graduate students and young adults that fosters community and open discussion of pressing issues impacting Catholics worldwide. Come for dinner and an engaging conversation. We meet in the Nairobi room at the GCC at 7pm. For more information, contact Chris at ckark@stanford.edu.

Upcoming Topics include:

Jan 30, The Dignity of the Human Person

Feb 6, Lenten Spirituality

Feb 13, Living out the Call of Justice in Everyday Life

Students:

Learn more about your Catholic Faith, March 23-25, 2012 Spend your spring break in Anaheim, CA growing in your faith by joining us for the largest gathering of Catholics in the nation! Learn about this trip under "Catholic Conference" in the General Community Announcements section.

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adult Mass:

Tues. Jan. 31st at 7:30pm, St. Simon Church, 1860 Grant Rd, Los Altos. We will not be having a Young Adult Mass in December. Details for the January Mass to be announced.

Young Adult Bible Study:

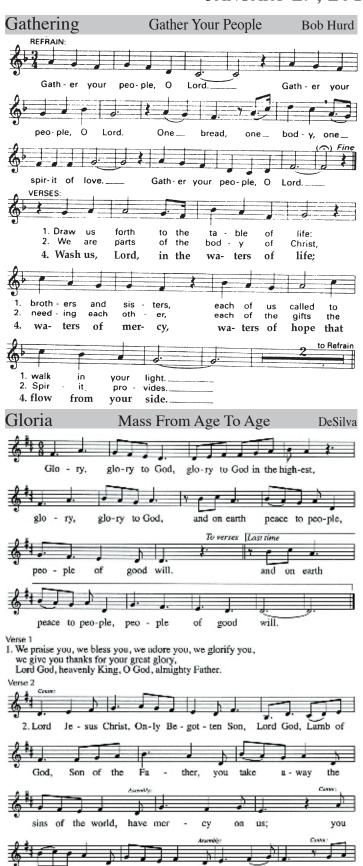
Tues. Feb. 7th at 7:30pm, Our Lady of the Rosary, 3233 Cowper St, Palo Alto. We will be starting a new topic, "Genesis to Jesus" (http://tinyurl.com/GenesisToJesus) and plan on meeting on the first Tuesday of each month. Our next lesson "The Covenant with David" will focus on the importance of God's everlasting covenant with David. Please join us even if you have never attended a Bible study before!

For more info, see our website, www.YoungAdultCircle.org, check the Facebook Fan Page "Young Adult Circle", or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR JANUARY 29, 2012





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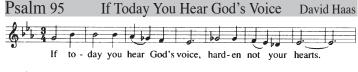


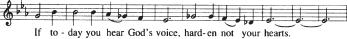
Verse 3

3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading Deuteronomy 18:15-20

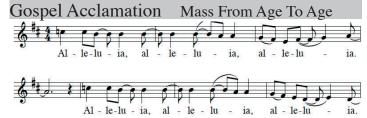
Moses told all the people that the Lord would raise up a prophet among them and put words into his mouth.





Second Reading 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Paul encouraged the people, in view of the times, to remain free of worry and devoted to God.



Gospel Mark 1:21-28

Jesus entered the synagogue to teach. All were amazed because he spoke with such great authority. Even unclean spirits obeyed him.

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.

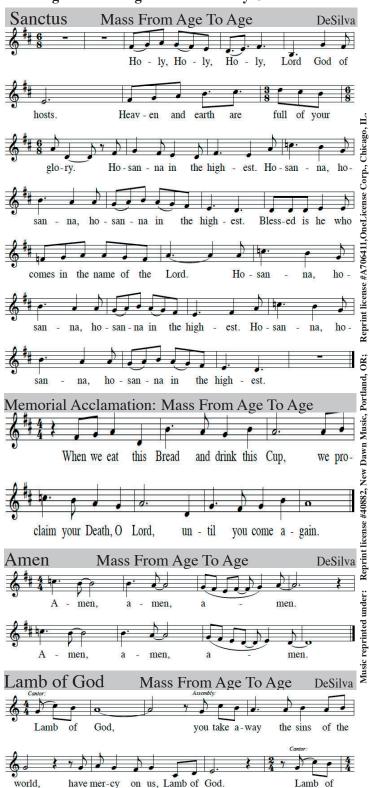
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen. Offertory instrumental

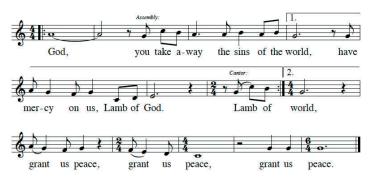
Invitation to Prayer

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

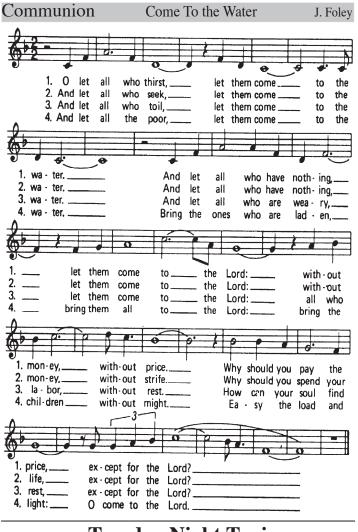




Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my foof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.



Tuesday Night Topics:

Jan 31 (Nitery 210), The Role of human reason in moral decision making

Feb 7 The Role of the Magisterium in moral decision making

Tuesday Nights at 7:30-8:30, in the Common Room of OU unless otherwise posted.



Dominican "Come & See" Vocations Weekend:

Have you thought about entering religious life or studying for the priesthood? Come to the Dominican Vocations Weekend at St. Albert's Priory in Oakland, California. 4pm Friday, March 9 – 1pm Sunday, March 11. St. Albert's is the house of studies for the Dominicans in the Western US. Meet the brothers studying for the priesthood, visit the school and novitiate, listen to presentations on the religious and priestly life, and spend time in prayer. For more information or to register contact Fr. Steven Maekawa, OP. (510) 596-1821, vocations@opwest.org



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