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The mission of the Catholic Community at Stanford (CC@S) is to develop and form well educated, passionate, and faithful Catholic leaders in order to bring positive change to their disciplines, communities, Church, and world.

Sunday Mass  March 10, 2013
10:30am Tresidder Oak Room
3pm Spanish Mass in MemChu
4:30pm Memorial Church
10pm Memorial Church

Daily Eucharist
M + W + F  12:20pm Memorial Church
T + Th  12:20pm Old Union Sanctuary

Confessions
Reconciliation Service:
  Tuesday, March 12, 7pm
  Memorial Church

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.

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  July 21, 2013

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Religious Ramblings

Two Ways Of Looking At The Prodigal

MARCH 10, 2013

fr Robert helps us to envision how we can see our own lives in the mirror of today’s Gospel.

Today’s gospel, which we hear well into the season of Lent, is extremely familiar. To describe someone as a ‘prodigal’ or behaving just like the prodigal son has become almost proverbial, a way of speaking which does not depend on being a Christian. The familiar can of course lose its power, its capacity to startle us into repentance.

Because the parable is so well-known, in listening to it we probably knew what was coming next and could even race ahead while it was being read out. So let’s take step back, and then perhaps the parable will speak to us in a fresh way.

When we read the Bible, with its histories and its stories, do we basically think we are spectators looking out of a window at something that this happening out there to others? Or do we think of reading the Bible as more like looking into a mirror, when we too are very much in the picture?

If we look at the Bible as we do when we look out of the window, then we are at some distance from what is going on, we need not get involved if we do not want to, we can remain at a safe distance. The people ‘out there’ do not include us, and what they say and do is not aimed at us. But if we look at the Bible as we look into a mirror, then we are in the middle of what is going on, we are part of the picture. In the mirror we see ourselves as well as others; we are caught up and involved in the story.

In reading or hearing the parable of the prodigal son, as the story is usually even if not too accurately called, we should not remain spectators looking at the drama of someone else’s family. If we are directly involved then we will not just ask questions about what is going on, but are ourselves called into question. In fact, we are made to question ourselves.

We are meant to be ‘at home’ in God’s house, without rivalry or estrangements. There are to be no alienating distances between the children and their Father or between the children. Looking into today’s gospel as into a mirror, what should we look for? Clear-sighted honesty about how each of us stands, to begin with. We can distance ourselves in all kinds of ways. The prodigal son’s distancing of himself is brought out geographically in that he travels to a distant land, but also in his life-style and how he has to ‘return to himself’ as well as to his father. At one level the older brother is near to his father, but more deeply he is not close to him and he cuts himself off from being related to his younger brother: ‘this son of yours’, as he describes his brother. Especially in Lent, we should look and see if there are features of the prodigal in us as well as features of the older brother.

The gospel, however, is Good News as well as a way of gaining self-knowledge. If it contained only judgment then this might well increase our sense of alienation from God, from ourselves and from others. In the mirror of today’s parable, the generous and lavish welcome of the Father is the feature to concentrate on. Putting the focus on God will allow us to discover the truth about ourselves and at the same time not to think that is the whole picture, the end of the story. God makes change possible, more than we sometimes dare to hope for.

At this point, in a way the mirror scene turns out to be part of a film, a film in which each of us is one of the cast, and there is development and change. We have seen how the story unfolded so far, and in a dramatic manner the story finishes with the end of one estrangement and the risk of another. How will the older brother finally react? Will he accept and imitate the generosity of his father?

Where does each one of us stand in all this?

fr. Robert Ombres, until recently Procurator General of the Order of Preachers, now lives and teaches at Blackfriars, Oxford.

 Help Steward CC@S Ministry!

Gifts received July 1 - January 31

Our ministry helps students, faculty, staff and permanent community members become more closely engaged with the Gospel and the richness of the Roman Catholic tradition. Recommit yourself to your faith community by supporting CC@S. To make a one-time gift or join the Living Faith Society, go to: catholic.stanford.edu/giving/treasure

Or scan here:
Reconciliation Service:
The Lenten reconciliation service will be held on Tuesday, March 12, at 7:00 p.m. in Memorial Church. Prayers for forgiveness and healing are followed by an opportunity to individually receive the sacrament of reconciliation (penance).

Lenten Penance Liturgies:
St. Joseph (Mt. View) – March 12 at 7:00pm (English/Spanish)
St. Athanasius (Mt. View) – March 12 at 7:00pm (English/Spanish)
St. Nicholas (Los Altos) – March 13 at 3:30pm
St. William (Los Altos) – March 13 at 7:00pm
St. Simon (Los Altos) – March 18 at 3:30pm & 7:00pm
St. Albert the Great (Palo Alto) – March 18 at 7:00pm
Our Lady of the Rosary (Palo Alto) – March 25 at 7:00pm (English/Spanish)

Spring Quarter Course for Stanford Credit:
CC@S has been given permission to offer a two-credit course in Spring Quarter 2013 on the Second Vatican Council called “Catholicism Meets Modernity”. It will be offered through the Department of Religious Studies, (RELS 64) and through Continuing Studies as well. (REL 82). The course will consist of lectures by visiting professors, followed by remarks and small group discussion from Stanford respondents from the various disciplines. For further information please visit: http://www.stanfordvatican2.net/index.html. Those interested in taking this course for credit are encouraged to sign up now!

Donate Flip Flops and Socks by Next Sunday:
Help our Alternative Spring Break Team collect all sizes of flip flop sandals and athletic socks. Bring new items to Mass on Sunday, March 17 and leave them with students attending the ASB trip to Arizona. All items will be donated to the Kino Border Initiative, a Catholic humanitarian aid organization. Their director, Fr. Sean Carroll, is a Stanford Alumnus. Check out their website at www.kinoborderinitiative.org. Contact Lourdes at lalonso@stanford.edu with any questions.

Newman Nights:
Presenting the breadth and depth of Catholic Theology, is a theological lecture series that answers the needs of RCIA, Adult Confirmation, and faith formation for the entire CCAS Community and environs. 7:30pm, Old Union, 3rd Floor, Common Room

Upcoming topics for Newman Nights:

- 2-Apr Baptismal Call part II - triple office of XT
- 9-Apr Church in the world - freedom of religion according to V-II
- 16-Apr Church in the world - Principles of Social Justice
- 23-Apr Eastern Churches
- 30-Apr Church in the world - interaction with monotheistic faiths
- 7-May Consecrated Life & Structure of Church
- 14-May Charisms of the Holy Spirit (Catherine of Siena)
- 21-May Church in the world - Science & Religion
- 28-May Liturgical Objects, liturgical year ‘tour around the church’
- 4-Jun The Catholic Imagination

Stay-At-Home Retreat:
The Gospel reading for the fourth Sunday of Lent is the famous parable of “The Man with Two Sons”, known popularly as “The Prodigal Son”. We have prepared a Stay-at-Home retreat based on this parable and the wonderful book by Henri Nouwen: The Return of the Prodigal Son. Please check our website by clicking the CTSF under Ministries tab and look for our On-Line components and the Lenten retreat at the end of that page. Enjoy!

Stations of the Cross at the DISH, March 15:
This is an early edition of our Stanford Dish Hike. Since students will be away from campus, we’ve ADDED another Stations of the Cross at the Dish. Join us at the entrance near Stanford and Juniper Serra on Friday, March 15 at 4pm. Wear good walking shoes and bring a bottle of water. Contact Kenny Capps for more info at kcapps@stanford.edu. The “Good Friday” Stations at the Dish is still as scheduled.

Friday Prayer Group:
“One-Friday-morning-a-month” prayer group meets at Old Union on campus. All are welcome! If interested call Jo Owen (650) 529-1105 for more details.

Free Piano Concert:
March 14, 6pm. Our accompanist, Albert Tomasso invites you to a special concert, “Lift Every Voice and Sing: the Fascinating Interaction Between Black and White Church Music Traditions.” Join him on Thursday, March 14 at 6 p.m. in the Ujamaa Lounge at Lagunita Residence Hall. This is part of a series in the Ujamaa Scholars Program. Contact Albert for more info at tomasso@stanford.edu.

Liturgy of the Hours:
8:20-8:45am, Mo-Fr, East side stairwell of Memorial Church. “It is now the hour for us to rise from sleep.” (Rom 13:11) Come consecrate your day to our Lord by praying the Liturgy of the Hours before class! We first hear a short reading from the Roman Martyrology and then pray in accordance with the wisdom of St. Benedict (d. 543). Contact George vidal@stanford.edu for more information.

Korean Catholic At Stanford (KC@S):
 KC@S is a Korean catholic community at Stanford consisting of a number of Korean under/grad students, post-doc at Stanford and workers in Bay area. During this winter quarter, we gather every Friday night to have a prayer meeting with various activities to deepen our faith together. Also, lunch gathering is planned on Tuesday noon at Thai cafe. For more information, contact Eun-Soo at eschoi@stanford.edu

Attention Catholic Singles:
Interested in joining an excellent Catholic singles organization? The Catholic Alumni Club International currently has a group in the San Francisco area! We provide a group dedicated to social, cultural, civic and spiritual relationships in a Catholic setting. For more information, please check out the following site or contact Elinor at tancke@sbcglobal.net; http://catholicsingles-sfbayarea.com/

Dinner at Jeffrey’s:
Tues. March. 19th at 7:30pm, 888 El Camino Real, Menlo Park. The Young Adult group meets for its monthly social gathering. Please confirm your attendance on our Facebook Page “Young Adult Circle” or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

Young Adult Bible Study:
Tues. April 2nd at 7:30pm. Our Lady of the Rosary, 3233 Cowper St, Palo Alto. We are meeting to discuss Vatican II documents that Catholics are being encouraged to study as part of the Year of Faith. We meet regularly on the first Tuesday of each month and we welcome you to join us!

For more info, see our website, www.YourAdultCircle.org, check the Facebook Fan Page “Young Adult Circle”, or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.
Weekly Readings

Monday, March 11
Is 65:17-21
Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b
Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday, March 12
Ez 47:1-9, 12
Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 13
Is 49:8-15
Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday, March 14
Ex 32:7-14
Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23
Jn 5:31-47

Friday, March 15
Wis 2:1a, 12-22
Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, 23
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday, March 16
Jer 11:18-20
Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12
Jn 7:40-53

Sunday, March 17
Is 43:16-21
Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Phil 3:8-14
Jn 8:1-11

Week at a Glance

Sunday, March 10, 2013
• 10:30 in Tresidder Oak Room
• 3pm Spanish Mass in Memorial Church
• 4:30pm in Memorial Church
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Monday, March 11 - Friday, March 15
• Office hours (Tues - Fri) 10am - 3pm

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If you suspect financial mismanagement or misconduct in your parish or in the Diocese of San José, please contact: EthicsPoint: dsj.ethicspoint.com or hotline telephone number 1-888-325-7863. Teresa Conville, 408-983-0241 or email: tconville@dsj.org.

GRADS and UNDER GRADS

Catholicism 101, TBD

Pray with Us, Daily Rosary:
All are invited to pray the Rosary in the Sanctuary of Old Union. The updated schedule is:
Monday-Friday 10pm. Saturday at 9pm
Saturday and Sunday at 9pm. Every Saturday night we will follow the Rosary with a game night at 9:30pm.
Contact Margaret Koehler mkoehler@stanford.edu with any questions or to be added to the Rosary List.

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Volunteer Opportunities

St. Anthony’s Soup Kitchen:
If you are interested in volunteering on Saturday March 23rd from 8:30 until 1:00pm, please contact Michael Bova at mbbova2001@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, follow the example of Jesus, and please join us in helping those in need”

Save the Date: Sat 4/27/2013:
CCAS Service Opportunity, National Rebuilding Day
The Catholic Community at Stanford is once again participating in National Rebuilding Day through the organization Rebuilding Together Peninsula, www.rebuildingtogetherpeninsula.org . We will be assisting a homeowner in need. Duties will include interior/exterior painting, erecting a fence, and replacing carpet. This service event is open to all in the CCAS. All shifts will run from 8:30am to 4:00pm, with some half day shifts available. Meals will be provided. Additionally, there will be a prep-day on the morning of Sat, 4/20. Spaces are limited, contact Larry Hu, hudat@stanfordalumni.org for more info or to sign up.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 10, 2013

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;
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.

Jesus told his followers the parable of the prodigal son. It is
never too late to repent, to be received back by a loving parent,
and to enjoy God’s presence forever.

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Sanctus        Missa Oecumenica        R Proulx
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of hosts.
Heav’n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation: Missa Oecumenica        R Proulx
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come, until you come again.

Amen        Missa Oecumenica        R Proulx
Amen, amen.

Lamb of God        Missa Oecumenica        R Proulx
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Communion        You Welcome In Me        D. Haas
You welcome in me a new heart, a clean heart, a changed heart.

Communion        Amazing Grace        traditional
1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind but now I see.
2. Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; The hour I first believed!
3. Through man’s unbelief, (Parce Domine) instrumental
4. The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; And grace has brought me home.
5. When we’ve been there ten thousand years, Bright shining days to see. We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise.

Recessional        (Parce Domine)        instrumental
world, grant us peace.
From: Bishop Patrick J. McGrath:
Once more, particularly virulent strains of flu and other respiratory
contagions are manifesting themselves throughout our nation
and here at home. Because of this, I have been approached by
members of the medical community who have requested that we
make a number of temporary adaptations to our celebrations of the
Eucharist, so as to foster the health of our worshipping communities.
For this reason, I find it necessary to implement the following steps,
to be taken immediately wherever Mass is celebrated in the Diocese
of San José.

1. For the duration of the flu/cold/virus season, we will suspend
offering Holy Communion under both Species. Concelebrating
priests are to receive the Precious Blood by means of intinction.

2. For the duration of the flu/cold/virus season, Holy Communion
will be distributed only into the hands of communicants; during this
time, Holy Communion will not be distributed on the tongue.

3. For the duration of the flu/cold/virus season, the Sign of Peace
should be adapted so as to allow for a greeting that does not involve
shaking hands or touching.

4. For the duration of the flu/cold/virus season, people should
avoid holding hands during the recitation or singing of the Lord’s
Prayer.

5. For the duration of the flu/cold/virus season, all who administer
Holy Communion are to wash their hands with an alcohol-based
anti-bacterial solution, such as Purell, before and after they
administer the Sacrament. This precaution also extends to those
who minister to the homebound.

Lenten Fasting Regulations:
Abstinence: abstinence from eating meat is to be observed on
Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent. All persons are
bound by the law of the Church to abstain from the day after
their 14th. birthday.

Fasting: The Church’s law of fast binds on Ash Wednesday and
Good Friday. The law of fasting obliges from the day after one’s
18th. birthday until the day after one’s 59th birthday.
Fasting means that one full meatless meal per day may be eaten.
Two other meatless meals may be taken sufficient to maintain
strength, but together they should not equal a full meal.
Liquids, including milk and fruit juice, may be taken between
meals. If health or ability to work are affected, fasting does
not oblige.

Private, self-imposed observance of fasting on all week days
of Lent is strongly recommended. Pastors and parents are to
see to it that children who are not bound by the laws of fast
and abstinence are educated in an authentic sense of penance,
conversion and reconciliation.

Summer pilgrimages 2013:
(by former Campus Minister at Stanford)
Fr. Russ Roide, S.J., now director of adult spirituality at
Bellarmine Prep in San Jose for moms, dads, alums, AMEN,
and Dads of Grads, will be the chaplain on two pilgrimages this
coming summer - Classical Italy in June and The Way of St.
James (a partial walking pilgrimage based on the movie “The
Way” with Martin Sheehan) in July. Both are ready to go and Fr.
Russ Roide, S.J. would suggest taking ‘land only’ and coming a
few days early or staying a few days later’. You may want to use
some of your air mileage program or buy a consolidated airline
ticket. For more information, please see: www.pilgrimages.com/frroide or e-mail Fr. Roide at rroide@bcp.org or call at
(408)537-9360.