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Pentecost Sunday Mass

May 27, 2012 10:30am Tresidder Oak Room 4:30pm Memorial Church 10pm Memorial Church

Daily Eucharist

M - \tilde{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 2012-2013 academic year: TBD

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Religious Ramblings

The Importance of the Number Seven

Pentecost Sunday May 27, 2012

fr Neil Ferguson preaches on the menorah.

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Throughout Lent, Easter and Ascension the scriptures use the imagery of the Temple to show us who Christ is and what he does for us. We might think of his High Priestly Prayer during Holy Week from John's Gospel, the Letter to the Hebrews depicting the once and for all sacrifice of Christ, and the psalms of enthronement used for the Feast of the Ascension.

In fact, the whole of the work of Christ can be illustrated from the liturgical life of the people from whom he came, the worshipping community of the Second Temple. They understood their worship as being ordained by God, and as stretching back all the way to their ancestors' time in the desert. That Christ can be understood by means of such imagery is no surprise, since he was always the High Priest through whom this worship was, and is, offered. He came to fulfil in his own person all the rites and sacraments of the Old Law. He is the Lamb of the Passover, the High Priest who passes beyond the veil of creation to return to Father, the Holy of Holies. The Letter to the Hebrews actually discusses the layout and furnishings of the Temple as being used by the Holy Spirit to prefigure and illuminate the role of Christ.

So if Christ is prefigured by the rites of the Temple, so too is the Holy Spirit. The Spirit was much on the minds of Jews around the time of Christ. They meditated upon who might be the servant of the Lord who had been given the Spirit (Isaiah 42). Some hymns from Qumran depict the Spirit as doing very much the same thing as in our Pentecost Sequence; giving rest, refreshing, strengthening, comforting and illuminating.

But in the Temple itself one of the most important furnishings was the Menorah, or seven-branched candle stand. Like our own sanctuary lamp it stood in front of the holy place, and itself became to represent the Lord, according to one vision of Zechariah (Zech 4). The seven lights of the lamp were said to represent the seven 'eyes of the Lord', connected with the seven spirits of the Lord who range throughout the whole earth. The Menorah was also thought to symbolise both the Tree of Life from Eden, and the burning bush, which though it blazed with fire was not consumed. The lamp was never allowed to go out. One medieval Jewish illustration shows Aaron, like a diligent sacristan, refilling the Menorah with olive oil. Later Jewish tradition saw the lamp as symbolising 'God who gives light, and the Torah.' Such views passed over into Christian interpretations: John sees Jesus dressed as a priest among seven lamps at the beginning of Revelation. St Irenaeus wrote that

...the earth is encompassed by seven heavens, in which dwell Powers and Angels and Archangels...That is why the Spirit of God in his indwelling is manifold, and is said by the prophet Isaiah to rest in seven forms on the Son of God, that is, on the Word in his Incarnation... And Moses revealed the pattern of this in the seven-branched candlestick.

And later Jerome clearly says that the lampstand is the Law, the head of the lampstand is Christ the light, and the seven lamps are the graces of the Holy Spirit, but he regards this interpretation as the one given by his Jewish instructors!

Today we celebrate the fact that through Jesus, the law has been given anew, the law which is the indwelling, the inner illumination, of the Holy Spirit. Each of us becomes a temple of the Holy Spirit, where the sevenfold graces shine. We are grafted onto the Tree of Life, we become the bush, blazing with the love of the Spirit but not consumed - rather, strengthened and illuminated. By looking at the Menorah in the actual liturgical life of the Jewish people at the time of Christ, as well as in the scriptures and tradition, we see how fundamental such patterns are, how far back they go in the priestly life of the people of God. It's not an accident that there are seven virtues and seven sacraments.

So whether we consider the Church as a whole, or her individual members, today we rejoice in the living temple we have become by the gift of the Spirit, and pray for the grace and gifts the Spirit gives, as St Leo the Great wrote: 'For the Spirit of Truth himself makes the house of his glory shine with the brightness of his light, and will have nothing dark or lukewarm in his temple.

fr. Neil Ferguson O.P. is a member of the Priory of Our Holy Father Saint Dominic, London.

GENERAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Religious Education Program for FALL 2012: We are currently accepting preregistration for our Children's Religious Education Program. The program is called the "Catechesis of the Good Shepherd" and involves a Montessori-based learning style. We meet Sunday mornings in the Old Union Building on campus. Enrollment is open to children ages 3-13. Sacrament preparation (for First Reconciliation and First Communion) is included in the program. The program is open to families of current students, faculty, staff, post-doc, and registered permanent community members. For more information contact Teresa Pleins, tpleins@stanford.edu by Monday, June 11. Note: Currently enrolled families will preregister through their program.

Latin Rosary, June 9 at 9pm:

All are welcome to join us for the annual, end of year Latin Rosary! This is one of our premier events for the student community in which we get to pray together, enjoy refreshments, and commemorate another successful year at Stanford. Come to the Sanctuary on the 3rd floor of Old Union on June 9th at 9pm. Knowledge of the Latin language is not required. Contact Kenny for more info at kcapps@stanford.edu.

High School Confirmation For 2013:

We are currently assessing the need for a high school confirmation class next year. If you are interested in having your high school child confirmed, please contact Nancy Greenfield at ngreenfield875@gmail.com ASAP.

Rice Bowls:

You may still drop them off at Room 305 in Old Union (Fr Isaiah and Lourdes' office).

Grad Masses & University Baccalaureate:

Please mark your calendars for our Graduation Masses to be held on Saturday, June 16. The Mass in Spanish is at 1:00pm. The Mass in English is at 5:30pm. Both are in Memorial Church. The University Baccalaureate is held that morning at 9:30am in the Main Quad. This year's speaker is Sr. Joan Chittister. All are welcome to attend.

There will be no Sunday Masses the following day, June 17, as it is University commencement.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed for 4:30 Mass:

Our roster of eucharistic ministers has fallen short. Do you feel drawn to serving the community in this part of the liturgy? Training is provided for you. You would be scheduled approximately every 3 weeks. Contact Teresa for more information, tpleins@stanford.edu.

UNDER GRADS

Thursday Night Topics:

Thursdays at 6:30pm. Join us as we explore the award winning video series, "Catholicism." The videos have been featured on PBS and EWTN. In them, Father Robert Barron paints a beautiful and mysterious image of what it takes to be a follower of Jesus. We will watch short clips of selected videos and discuss them over dinner at Arillaga Dining Hall. Contact Ben at bvb@stanford.edu for more information.

Come Welcome CC@S' New Deacon:

John Kerrigan, one of our community and the head of CC@S' ESTEEM team (Engaging Students to Enliven the Ecclesial Mission) was ordained as a deacon this month and will officially join our staff on July 1. Please come join us for a reception on the side lawn of Memorial Church after the 4:30pm Mass on June 3.

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

Join us at our community for Korean Catholic at Stanford University. This Friday we are going to share the following Sunday's readings and gospel in addition to rosary prayer and worship songs. Please bring your own bible, rosary, and open mind. Also, lunch gathering every Wednesday is ongoing during this spring quarter. For more information, contact Eun-Soo at eschoi@stanford.edu.

GRADS

Catholicism 101: Answering Questions about Mary Date: Monday May 28 2012 at 7pm

Location: **NOTE ROOM CHANGE:** Old Union 3rd Floor Common Room

Why do Catholics honor Mary? What is the Immaculate Conception? Why do we believe in her perpetual virginity? Some of these teachings we can take for granted as a Catholic, unless we're asked to explain them! In this session, we'll equip ourselves with reasons behind these beliefs using Scripture, Church teaching, and Christ as our compass. All grad students and post-docs are invited. Dinner will be served.

6/4 David Pleins Old Testament

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adult Mass:

-Announcements for May 27, 2012-

Tues. May 29th at 7:30pm, St. Simon Church, 1860 Grant Rd, Los Altos. The Young Adult Circle will be gathering for Mass in the Small Chapel at St. Simon Church in Los Altos. Celebrate the Eucharist with young adults (20's and 30's, single or married) from this and neighboring parishes with fellowship to follow. If you have questions or would like more information on the Mass, please contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

Young Adult Bible Study:

Tues. June 5th at 7:30pm, Our Lady of the Rosary, 3233 Cowper St, Palo Alto. We will be starting a new topic this month so it would be an excellent time to join us even if you have never attended a Bible study before! We meet regularly on the first Tuesday of each month.

Dinner at Slider Bar Cafe:

Tues. June 19th at 7:30pm, 324 University Ave., Palo Alto The Young Adult group meets for its monthly social gathering. Please confirm your attendence on our Facebook Page "Young Adult Circle" or contact us at yacircle@gmail.com.

Summer of Fun Kick-Off BBQ:

Sat. June 23rd from 11am - 3pm, Mitchell Park, 600 E Meadow Dr, Palo Alto. Join us for our Summer of Fun Kick-Off BBQ. Summer of Fun is our annual series of events held for the purpose of bringing together Catholic Young Adults for fellowship. For the BBQ, please bring a dessert, drink, or side dish and a small donation to cover the costs of the meat entree. Contact us at yacircle@gmail.com for more information.

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

Weekly Readings

Monday, May 28 1 Pt 1:3-9 Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 29 1 Pt 1:10-16 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 30 1 Pt 1:18-25 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Mk 10:32-45

Thursday, May 31 Zep 3:14-18a Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Lk 1:39-56 Friday, June 1 1 Pt 4:7-13 Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 Mk 11:11-26

Saturday, June 2 Jude 17, 20b-25 Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6 Mk 11:27-33

Sunday, June 3 Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 Rom 8:14-17 Mt 28:16-20

Community Prayer Corner

5/23/12 - Please pray for our dear Pastor Fr Nathan and his family. His dear mom went to the Lord this day. May Our Heavenly Father receive her with open arms. May the angels guide her way - GJC

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Not only did we experience a deeper sense of unity and joy, but the intimacy and excitement in our marriage continues to grow since our Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!" Married Couples - Experience a weekend for yourself. The next local Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is: Jun 8-10, 2012 (Mountain View). For more information or to register, please visit our website at: http://sanjose. wwme12.org or contact Thomas & Sandy Pavick, 408 262-4061 or Email: gr8marriages@sbcglobal.net.

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 June 2nd or Saturday June 23rd from 8:30 until 1:00 PM, 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"

Bi-lingual volunteer needed:

The St Francis St. Vincent de Paul Society in East Palo Alto needs a bi-lingual volunteer (Spanish & English). Please contact Ed Ehmke, 650-326-7988 or ehmke@stanford.edu.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 27, 2012

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

Monday, May 28 - Friday, June 1

- 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:

More Announcements

- M \widetilde{W} F 12:20 Memorial Church
- T Th 12:20 Old Union Sanctuary

Pentecost Sunday, June 3, 2012

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- 4:30 pm Memorial Church
- 10 pm Memorial Church

Join Our Living Faith Society:

Become a CC@S Living Faith Society member by donating a set amount each month on a predetermined day. You no longer need to remember to bring money to Mass! By joining LFS, not only are you supporting your Stanford Catholic campus ministry, but you will also receive the Living Faith devotional each quarter, a devotional that provides a different scripture verse and short meditation for each day of the year. Join today:



Vocation Events: Dominican Sisters, Mission San José

For single Catholic Women 18-40

Live-in Experience Monday, June 4—Friday, June 8, 2012 Dominican Sisters MSJ Motherhouse 43326 Mission Blvd. Fremont, CA 94539 (entrance on Mission Tierra Pl.)

Discernment on the Mountain Top Arrowhead Retreat June 25-29, 2012 Fatima House, Crest Park, CA 92326

RSVP: Call Sister Marcia, O.P. 510-502-5797 no later than one week before event. Experience will include discernment, sharing, quiet, community, Mass, prayer, study & service (Live-In) Overnight accommodations, meals & snacks provided. Freewill Offering

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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 Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

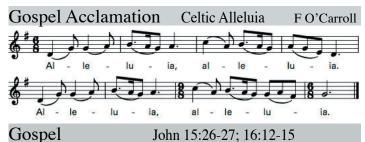
On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was sent to the disciples in the form of fiery tongues. They began to speak in different tongues "as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim."





Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

The apostle Paul wrote that there are many gifts but the same Spirit, different ministries but the same Lord.



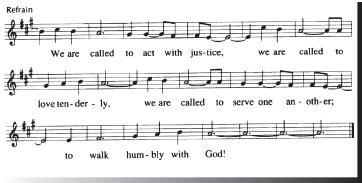
The Holy Spirit, our Advocate, is the "Spirit of truth" who will guide us to all truth.

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.





Vallombrosa Retreat Center

Vallombrosa Center is sponsoring the following and events:

A Retreat for Family & Friends of Alcoholics:

with Fr. Tom Weston, SJ, August 3-5, 2012, Vallombrosa Center in Menlo Park. Rachel Alvelais, 650-325-5614 www.vallombrosa.org

Alcoholism is a family disease, and it takes a long and deep toll on those who love alcoholics, work with alcoholics, are related to alcoholics, and who have been on an emotional roller coaster with them. Whether the alcoholic is one of our parents, or our spouse, or one of our children, we need support and refreshment and recovery. This weekend will look at the tools and treasures of Al-Anon. We will have some conversations, some prayer, some quiet, and some time to rest and to share our experiences, strength, and hope.

Fr. Tom Weston, SJ has lived in Oakland, Ca since 1981, He has been an active member of the recovery community since 1976. He was ordained a priest in 1978, and is a reader, a gardener, a member of the Jesuit Community, and does some pastoral work in Oakland. He also has taught English as a Second Language in China, Thailand, Vietnam, and Myunmar.

There are scholarships available to those who need assistance. Contact Rachel at rachel@vallombrosa.org or 650.325.5614.

Silent Private Retreat Weekend:

August 24-26, 2012, Vallombrosa Center in Menlo Park Rachel Alvelais, 650-325-5614, www.vallombrosa.org

Vallombrosa opens its doors several weekends throughout the year to people to make a silent retreat beginning Friday afternoon and concluding mid-day Sunday. We offer opportunities for spiritual direction and morning and evening prayer each day. The cost for the Silent Private Retreat Weekend is \$226.00 for a private room and \$202.00 for a shared room, with all meals included. As always there are scholarships available to those who need financial assistance. Contact Rachel at rachel@vallombrosa. org or 650.325.5614.

Vallombrosa Center Gift Shop and Book Store:

Vallombrosa Center has many beautiful gift items for special occasions. The Gift Shop is open during regular business hours: Daily 8am – 4pm and many evenings until 8pm. For more information visit www.vallombrosa.org or phone (650) 325-5614 and speak with Rachel.

