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Saturday 6/11 Grad Masses
1pm Spanish Grad Mass
5:30pm English Grad Mass

Sunday
no Masses today, June 12, 2011
Starting June 19, 8am and 4:30pm

Daily Eucharist
no daily Masses this week

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To arrange a Catholic Wedding, call the
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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.

July 17 - during 4:30 Mass
preparation class May 9, 10-11:30am.

Religious Ramblings

Enthusiasm

In my ministry over the last ten years as a bishop I have come to experience the gift of the Holy Spirit in a new way and immediate way.

A large part of a bishop’s work is to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the young people of the diocese, and to ordain men to the diaconate and priesthood. Both sacraments are explicitly about the conferring of the gift of Holy Spirit on the recipient. As I look at the young people who are about to receive Confirmation I see on their faces real joy and expectation. The hope of a life lived in the Spirit lies ahead of them but they know they will be confronted with the inevitable challenges of modern life. However they also show a confidence about the present and the future that is deeply encouraging.

This experience reveals to me the real meaning of enthusiasm. Enthusiasm shows itself in the youngsters who are bubbling with joy on their confirmation day, but it is also there in the hard work of the catechists who many years, even decades, after their own confirmation want to pass on the faith they have received. I see enthusiasm in the way that these young people take part in local community work or support the efforts of CaFOD. The flame of the Holy Spirit continues to burn in them when they have children and wish to pass on to them their love of God.

It is all too easy to see what is wrong with our Church rather than look for the gift of the Spirit that is alive in its members. Maybe because I see the church from a different vantage point my view is different. But as I look over the local church, the Diocese of Nottingham, for which I have been given a particular responsibility, I see individuals and communities that are enthused with God’s spirit. In one parish I confirmed twenty teenagers who represented several ethnic backgrounds. Their families were from Goa, Sri Lanka, the Philippines, Nigeria, Poland, Lithuania, Pakistan, Zimbabwe, Ireland and England. Each of the candidates heard the call of the Holy Spirit and became united in the Spirit of Christ through the laying on of hands and the anointing with chrism.

It was like that first experience of the infant Church when many people from around the Mediterranean heard the preaching of the apostles in their own language and the Word united them.

It struck me that diversity is almost a prerequisite of unity. To appreciate what it means to be one in Christ it is necessary to have the experience of being separated from him and different from each other. On that occasion I was also reminded by the presence of the ladies from the Hindu community who provided the refreshments that the Holy Spirit is a gift to the world as well as to the Church.

The spirit we receive is not just a gift for the moment. It is a spirit that endures within our communities. When Bishop Leyburn conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation in a small town in Lincolnshire in 1689 he was not to know that the faith that he confirmed would still be alive in the descendants of those people 320 years later. You can imagine what a joy it was to me see the same family names in the parish register for that period so long ago as those of the young people I was confirming.

A true sign that despite the hardships that were endured over the centuries the flame of the spirit was not extinguished but still burns in the hearts and souls of the community.

Today’s readings remind us of what happened amongst the first followers of Jesus as they dealt with the pain of separation from him, the fear of those who were against them, and apprehension about their future. The gift of the Spirit, which is nothing less than the life of God itself, enabled them to break out from their fear and face the world around them. They were transformed from a group turned in on itself to a community with a mission. They were people who were sent by Christ himself to bring a message of liberation and freedom to the world. It must have seemed an impossible task to those first disciples, just as it can often appear that way to us today.

But the remarkable thing is that even in our much more complex and secular world I see the Spirit enthusing our communities with the vision of a life that enables us to be freed from those things that oppress us today and to give us a clear view of who we are as God’s liberated children.

This Pentecost in my Cathedral I will be confirming people of all ages and all backgrounds. It will be, for them and for us, like a new Pentecost. Today’s feast will be a reminder of great events in the past; but more importantly it will also be sharing in that timeless moment when Holy Spirit is given to the Church. Through this gift we believe that the Church continues and grows not for its own sake but for the world that it serves.

Today we pray that the flame of the Spirit within each of us flares into a great fire so that we may have the courage to bring to the world Christ’s words, ‘Peace be with you’. Then we may be sure that the Spirit is alive in our Church and that the face of the earth will be renewed.

Bookmark and Share

fr. Malcolm McMahon O.P. is the Bishop of Nottingham.
From 1992 to 2000 he was
Prior Provincial of the English Dominicans.
**Graduation Liturgies:**
We will hold two special graduation Masses on SATURDAY, June 11. Both are in Memorial Church. Please invite your families to these special liturgies.

**Spanish Mass will be at 1:00pm**
**English Mass at 5:30pm**

Note that there will be no Masses held on campus on Sunday, June 12.

Summer schedule begins on Sunday, June 19, with the 8:00 am Mass and 4:30pm Mass, both in Memorial Church. For more info, contact Teresa, tpleins@stanford.edu.

**Young Adult Women’s Prayer Group:**
Thursdays at 7 pm, Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 3233 Cowper St, Palo Alto. Join our new group as we attend a Thursday night series of Centering Prayer. Until August 1st, Centering Prayer will be held every Thursday at 7:00pm at Dermody Center in Palo Alto (located behind Our Lady of the Rosary Church). Carrie Skelly and Jean Ramacciotti will be leading the gatherings. Contact Liz for questions: lizlibrarian2.0 at gmail.com.

**Summer of Fun Kick-Off BBQ:**
Sat. June 11th from 11 am - 3 pm, 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 Scott at scott.a.harrison at gmail.com.

**Operation Rice Bowl:**
Please remember to bring in your Rice Bowls to one of the Sunday Masses. Your generous contributions will help feed many families in these times of great need. Thank you for your generosity. So far we have collected $436.80.

**Come enjoy Presentation Center’s 2011 Programs** and become enlightened! The programs are as follows:
- Modern Mysticism Spiritual Summer Camp: On Wednesdays, between June 22 to July 27 from 1:30 to 4:30 PM. Led by Sr. Joan Prohaska, OP. $20 for each retreat or $100 for the entire camp!

To register for programs call (408) 354-2346 or e-mail programs@presentationcenter.org. For program updates visit our website www.presentationcenter.org.

For more info, see our website, www.YoungAdultCircle.org, check the Facebook group “Young Adult Circle”, or contact Scott at scott.a.harrison at gmail.com.
**Weekly Readings**

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**Week at a Glance**

Sunday, June 12, 2011

No Sunday Masses this week

Monday, June 13 - Friday, June 17

- Confessions offices closed the week after Graduation.
- Daily Liturgy.
  - no daily Masses the week after Graduation

**Viewing Party:**
**Harry Potter & the Half-Blood Prince**

Monday, June 13, 7pm GCC Nairobi Room. Join other Catholic grad students to watch the sixth Harry Potter movie, Harry Potter & the Half-Blood Prince. Our aim is to watch one or two Harry Potter movies a month in preparation for the final installment, debuting this July. All levels of Potter fandom are welcome (from zero knowledge to Fr. Isaiah). Please note the new day (Monday), time (7pm), and place (GCC). Snacks will be provided. Email april.tessarzik@gmail.com with questions.

**Grads, join CBASS**
(Catholic Brothers and Sisters at Stanford)

CBASS is a new initiative that is similar to Sib families or peer mentor programs at Stanford. We are looking for students who desire to create a ministry experience that will welcome new students into a loving Catholic community. As a participant, you will be paired up with another student and be assigned a small group of incoming Frosh. All you need to do is build friendships with these students through regular interactions like having a meal or going to Mass. If you are interested in signing up or learning more, please contact Lourdes at lalonso@stanford.edu.

**UnderGrads, join CBASS**
(Catholic Brothers and Sisters at Stanford)

CBASS is a new initiative that is similar to Sib families or peer mentor programs at Stanford. We are looking for students who desire to create a ministry experience that will welcome new students into a loving Catholic community. As a participant, you will be paired up with another student and be assigned a small group of incoming Frosh. All you need to do is build friendships with these students through regular interactions like having a meal or going to Mass. If you are interested in signing up or learning more, please contact Lourdes at lalonso@stanford.edu.

**Congratulations Class of ‘11**

PODCASTS. Did you know that the 4:30 Mass homilies are podcasted? Please subscribe to Catholic Cardinal Reflections, hosted by Fr Isaiah.

http://catholic.stanford.edu/media/podcast
The Catholic Community at Stanford University

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**JUNE 12, 2011**

**First Reading** Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were.

**Psalm 104** Send Us Your Spirit (Tony Eiras)

**Gathering** Be thou My Vision (Slane)

**Gospel Acclamation** Easter Alleluia (M. Haugen)

**Gospel** Jn 20:19-23

As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.”

**Offertory** Don’t Be Afraid (J. Bell)

**Sanctus** Mass of Light (D. Haas)

**Second Reading** 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ.
1. Guide my feet while I run this race.
   'cause I don’t want to run this race in vain.

2. Hold my hand while I run this race.
   'cause I don’t want to run this race in vain.

   Lord, guide my feet, direct my path,
   And keep my way.
   Can’t take a step without you.
   I don’t want to run this race in vain.

3. Be my friend, while I run this race.
   'cause I don’t want to run this race in vain.

   Lord, guide my feet, direct my path,
   And keep my way.
   Can’t take a step without you.
   I don’t want to run this race in vain.

4. Stand by me while I run this race.
   'cause I don’t want to run this race in vain.

   Lord, guide my feet, direct my path,
   And keep my way.
   Can’t take a step without you.
   I don’t want to run this race in vain.

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, broken and shared,
life for the world. Let us be wine, love freely poured.

Let us be one in the Lord.

Verse 1
1. I am the bread of life, broken for all.
   Eat now and hunger no more.

Verse 2
2. You are my friends if you keep my commands,
   no longer servants but friends.

Verse 3
3. See how my people have nothing to eat.
   Give them the bread that is you.

Verse 4
4. As God has loved me so I have loved you.
   Go and live on in my love.
Vallombrosa Retreat Center in Menlo Park is offering the following retreats and events:

Vallombrosa Center Gift Shop and Bookstore:
Are you looking for a special gift for someone making their First Communion or Confirmation? The Vallombrosa Center gift shop and bookstore has many gift items to choose from, in both English and Spanish. The gift shop/bookstore is open daily (in March) from 8am – 3pm. Vallombrosa Center is conveniently located at 250 Oak Grove Avenue in Menlo Park. Visit us at www.vallombrosa.org or phone 650.325.5614.

REFOCCUS: Marriage Preparation & Enrichment:
June 25, 2011, 9am - 4pm. Are you civilly married, that is, married outside the Catholic Church, whether by a justice of the peace, a judge, or a minister without a dispensation from the Catholic Church? Has your marriage been “blessed” by the Catholic Church? REFOCCUS is a program designed especially for you. No, that’s not a spelling mistake! The double “C” stands for “Couple Communication.” REFOCCUS is actually a dual program, intended both for marriage enrichment and as a marriage preparation tool for couples civilly married more than two years, who are seeking a Catholic wedding. What does that mean? To have your marriage blessed by the Catholic Church requires preparation, plus the necessary paper work. Convalidation is the name of the process that validates your marriage, often referred to as “blessing” your marriage in the eyes of the Church. It allows the Catholic partner to receive Communion and the other sacraments.

The workshop is limited to the first 25 couples who register. Fee: $150/couple includes REFOCCUS materials, lunch, refreshments, and registration fee. Speaker: Fr. George Matanic, O.P.

Volunteers Needed at 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 25th, from 8:30 until 1:00 PM, please contact Michael Bova at mpbova2001@yahoo.com to have a volunteer position reserved for you.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter
How would you rate your marriage?
You are eligible for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend not because you need it, but because you and your marriage deserve it! It’s a beautiful weekend experience designed for couples of all ages and backgrounds to enrich their marriage. Make this season special by devoting one weekend to your marriage. The next local Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is: Nov. 18-20, 2011 (Mountain View). For more information or to register, please visit our website at: www.rekindleyourmarriage.org or contact Thomas & Sandy Pavick, 408 262-4061 or Email: gr8marriages@sbcglobal.net.

Community Prayer Corner
please send any prayer requests to Guillermo at gcolumbetti@yahoo.com