

HOW'S YOUR HEARING?

Reflection

Just as vibrations, fluids, and nutrition directly form the baby from the mother's own body, God breathes life into us from the substance of God's own Self. We are shaped in God's own Divine Image, and marked with the vibrations of God's own Voice; and since we know from Jesus that "the Father and I are one," we can be assured that we are also of one body with Jesus.

Since we are born of God's substance, there will be no way in our future life that we can be entirely deaf to the Voice of God. The Scripture tells us, "Faith comes by hearing." We all know, however, that at times, we don't really want to hear that Voice. We can try to ignore it. We can avoid prayer and times of reflection upon our situation; we can refuse to seek help or wisdom from others when we need it; we can keep busy and surround ourselves with as much loud music, noise, drink and distraction as we can bear.

This Easter season is the best time to have our hearing checked! When we listen to Jesus in the Scriptures, in prayer, in our daily lives with friends and families-let's try to listen with every fiber of our being-not just with our ears. To listen well requires more silence. Maybe it's time to go on a Day of Reflection, or a women's or men's retreat. When you listen with your whole body, your body's wisdom tells you what needs resting, changing, or renewing. You will hear the Good Shepherd calling you, who is longing to protect and refresh you.

Finally, the test of our hearing will be whether we resemble the disciples, who "knew only how to be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." Jesus' love is so generous that it reaches the hearing of everyone and anyone. Let's listen generously, too.



Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-

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HOLY HOUR AND LECTIO DIVINA*

Another way to make a Holy Hour is to set it aside for mediation on Scripture. One popular way is through Lectio Divina which consists of four parts.

1. Lectio (Reading)
2. Meditatio (Meditating on the Scripture)
3. Oratio (Conversing with God on the Scripture)
4. Contemplatio (Contemplating God Himself)

In the reading you toil in the "vineyard" growing and harvesting the "grapes" by reading a portion of the Word of God, paying special attention to each word and looking for the connections between passages that you are reading.

In the Meditation on the Scripture you work at squeezing the "grapes" for all the "juice" you can wring from them. One way is to simply commit some of the reading to memory and reflect on deeper meaning.

In Conversing with God, you ponder God's word in your heart, as Mary did, and talk the Scriptures over with God. You ask questions, wrestle with the text and try to discover the depths of meaning.

As God reveals himself to us through the Scriptures we begin to see that the truth of God is not merely a collection of facts but the gift of a Lover to His Beloved. We are moved to both gratitude and obedience; indeed we may discover that our gratitude is meaningless without obedience.

*-The above is taken from "How to Make a Holy Hour by Our Sunday Visitor.

APPEAL FOR CATECHISTS

Every year about this time we start asking you to consider teaching in the Fall. And with God's blessings, every year we need fewer people to replace retiring catechists. Why? Because:

By teaching, catechists are surprised that they discover a deeper personal faith in Jesus Christ;

They learn more about their faith;

They feel a deeply satisfying sense that their efforts make a difference;

Their work becomes their Ministry in the Body of Christ.

This year we have an exceptionally large sixth grade.

In addition, we can always use co-teachers or aides for all classes.

Volunteers can work Sunday mornings, Monday evenings or Tuesday afternoon. If God is nudging you, call 201 288 5133 ext. 141.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

YOUTH MINISTRY

ACCTM will meet on Sunday night at 7pm at Corpus Christi's Early Childhood Learning Center (on Blvd next to Minit Mart) for a roundtable discussion on "Catholic 2.0." We are excited to welcome four special guests to be part of our panel. All **high school** teens are invited to attend.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

As a Catholic Care Medical Center we at Holy Name Medical Center would like to invite those interested in ministering to the sick to assist in bringing Eucharist to our patients.

Training will be provided. If you are interested please call Maureen Morosco at 201 833-3243.

WINE, HOSTS AND CANDLES FOR THE WEEK

The wine and hosts to be consecrated at all Masses this week and the candles to be burned on our altars were donated in loving memory of **Lucy and Albert Fantaccione** by daughter Diane.

LIVING CHRIST RETREATS

Have you had the desire to make a retreat, but could never find the time? We are offering a retreat experience here in our parish called:

A LIVING CHRIST RETREAT

The schedule for the Retreat is:

Thursday, May 13 from 5:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Friday, May 14 from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Saturday, May 15 from 8 A.M. to 12 P. M.

Participants return home at the conclusion of each evening. Deepening your faith in the Risen Lord is a wonderful Easter gift you can give to yourself. A donation of \$20 is requested to cover the cost of meals and supplies. Please complete below and return to Father Raymond via the collection basket or drop off at the Parish Center by Monday April 26.

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**LIVING CHRIST RETREAT
May 13-15**

NAME: _____

TEL # _____

ADDRESS: _____

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

The six week program continues with a service and a witness talk from 7 to 7:45 PM. **All are invited to attend.** Candidates and sponsor/parent will attend a further small discussion group till 8:30.

April 26

The Living Presence of Jesus

By Msgr. Lew Papera

The Parish community is asked to remember our Confirmation Candidates in their daily prayers as they continue to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

OUR VISIT WITH EMILY IN TANZANIA

We have returned from our African Adventure to visit Emily and would like to thank everyone who wrote letters and sent stickers for her. Because of your generosity, we presented Sr. Eugenie, the Headmistress of Gonzaga Elementary School with a greatly appreciated gift of stickers, note cards, pencils and other school supplies. We spent 3 days at Emily's school, meeting her students and teachers. We spent time with the other JVI's and their local friends. Then we took Emily with us to Zanzibar and on safari to the Serengeti and Ngorogoro Crater. It was the trip of a lifetime. It was hard to leave Emily but we left her with the big box of letters from all of you to read and enjoy at her leisure. She'll come home in December with lots of fabulous stories to tell. There is a photo collage in the back of church with some of the highlights of our trip.

God Bless You,
Kathy, Bill, Pat, and Mary Kathleen Wallace

SPECIAL ANNUAL LITURGY

A Mass for ***Those Whose Children Have Died*** will be offered at Notre Dame R. C. Church, 359 Central Ave. No. Caldwell, N J, on Friday, **May 7, 2010** at 7:30 PM. All who grieve the death of a child are invited to attend. This Eucharistic Liturgy can provide another step in the ongoing process of healing after the death of a child. A personal witness will also be offered as the name of each child is read during the liturgy. Pre-registration is requested. Please call the Office of Family Life Ministries at 973 497 4327 for information and registration.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember the deceased members of our families, friends, community and the Corpus Christi Parish.



May the **Holy Spirit** sustain those who are poor and oppressed, the sick, suffering, and sorrowing of all ages, especially, Joseph Cairns, Irene Diverio, Josephine Gurrisi, Arshie Nebbia, Nancy Panieczko, Thomas John Shokoff, Leighann Sweeny and Elvira Urgo.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY APR 24

8:00 PM Roseann Dispoto

SUNDAY, APR 25

7:30 AM People of the Parish
 9:00 AM Joseph and Mary Higgins
 John Milsop
 10:30 AM Lucy and Albert Fantaccione-
 73rd Wedding Anniversary
 12:00 NN Marian Borgman
 6:00 PM

MONDAY, APR 26

6:30 AM Kevin M. Shannon
 8:00 AM Theodore A. Trapp

TUESDAY APR 27

6:30 AM Gay Le Graziano
 8:00 AM Joseph Capanuno

WEDNESDAY, APR 28

6:30 AM Robert Guth
 8:00 AM Matthew La Porte – 3rd Anniversary

THURSDAY, APR 29

6:30 AM Eleanor Grace
 8:00 AM Anna Meyers

FRIDAY, APR 30

6:30 AM Edna Richardson
 8:00 AM Dorothy Sullivan

SATURDAY MAY 1

8:00 PM Doris and Henry Dickert and
 Laretta Geraghty

ANTICIPATED MASS/SATURDAY

5:00 PM John Curran

SUNDAY, MAY 2

7:30 AM Leocadia B. Zazula
 9:00 AM Patrick Power
 10:30 AM Jerry and Ann Enrico
 12:00 NN Robert Joseph Di Nallo - Birthday
 6:00 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, APR 25

Liturgy of the Word with Children - 10:30 AM Mass

MONDAY, APR 26

Adoration – Noon to Midnight/Adoration Chapel

TUESDAY, APR 27

Adoration – Noon to Midnight/Adoration Chapel
 AA Meeting – 8:00 PM/Msgr. Fitzpatrick Hall
 Bingo – 7:30 PM/Cafeteria

WEDNESDAY, APR 28

Adoration – Noon to Midnight/Adoration Chapel

THURSDAY, APR 29

Adoration – Noon to Midnight/Adoration Chapel

FRIDAY, APR 30

Adoration – Noon to Midnight/Adoration Chapel

SATURDAY May 1

Bingo – 7:30 PM/Cafeteria

SUNDAY, May 2

Liturgy of the Word with Children - 10:30 AM Mass

BINGO WORK SCHEDULE

The following is the schedule for the upcoming week:

Tuesday, Apr 27

Mullins,5A
 Carmona,5B
 Lafaso,5B
 Coban,6A
 Kahrer,6A
 Blythe,6B
 Sullivan,6B

Saturday May1

Baldino,5A
 Geda,5B
 Sirimolgu,5B
 Boyaci,6A
 Padilla,6B
 Presti,6B
 Riordan,6B
 Marella,6B
 Sullivan,6B

ADORATION IS NOW YEAR ROUND

Substitutes are needed for the summer months when adorers take vacation. Adoration is Monday thru Friday; from noon to midnight.

If you willing to be a sub, please complete this form and return it to the parish center.

NAME _____

PHONE _____

Days and times that I am available:
