



22 August 2010  
21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C



*Modern psychology gives great importance to "feeling good" and "loving one's self" as a precondition to love others. But in today's Gospel passage Jesus warns us that there is no easy way to be his disciples as he declares that the Kingdom of God can be "accessed" only through a "narrow gate."*

*Obviously, Jesus is not speaking of a material gate but of the "narrow gate" of daily faithfulness to one's duties and the loyal observance of God's law in all circumstances of life. That is what makes life challenging, but that is also the only way that leads to eternal happiness in heaven. In the Eucharist, let us ask for the grace to have the moral strength to choose the "narrow gate" of self-denial, in preference to the wide gate of self-indulgence and other forms of self-gratification.*



❖ **FAITHFIRST 2010-2011 REGISTRATION DATES:**  
-August 29, September 5 & 12  
( 9:00 –11:00 a.m. / 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.)  
@ the Church Hall

*Parents who would like to enroll their children in the CLEC for the coming school year must signify their interest by registering their child(ren) with the Catechetical Ministry.*

**Please bring:**

- **PHOTOCOPY of BIRTH and BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATES/**
- **2 ID SIZE PHOTOS/**
- **FEES (accdng. to each level)**

**\*Parents and children must be present during registration for an interview.**

**\*Old Students must bring their Certificate of Participation from the previous year.**

**\*Students from other parishes must bring a Letter of Certification.**

**September 19 (9:00 – 11:00 a.m.)**

- **FaithFirst Class Orientation Day/ Parents' Meeting**

*For more information, please call the FCMM Office ( 514- 387-5292 )*



❖ **THE 10<sup>TH</sup> FCMM PASTORAL DAY** (Community Picnic) will be held on **SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2010**, at the **CHURCH Grounds** from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. We will celebrate the Holy Mass @ 11: 30am followed by a whole day of fun and enjoyment ! Bring your favorite food to share. Tick off the date on your calendars and don't forget to take along your family and friends. **OPEN TO EVERYONE !!!**

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## BACK TO SCHOOL...

When our Lord our God wanted to teach us about His love and truth, He sent us a special teacher. Jesus is the model for all teachers, sharing knowledge and insight as well as inspiring curiosity and faith in His followers. Let us pray for students, young and old, who are returning to school this coming week to continue on their journey of faith and knowledge.

### PRAYER FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR



*Lord God Your spirit of wisdom fills our lives and teaches us your ways.*

*Look upon our young people.*

*May they enjoy their learning and take delight in new discoveries.*

*Help them to persevere in their studies and give them the desire to learn all things well.*

*Look upon our teachers.*

*May they strive to share their knowledge with gentle patience and endeavour always to bring the truth to eager minds.*

*Grant that students and teachers alike may follow Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the life, for ever and ever. Amen.*

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### HELP KEEP OUR HOSPITALITY CORNER CURRENT



#### From The Editor

After the Summer break, it is imperative to up-date the bulletin's hospitality corner. Please contact the FCMM Office or the Bulletin Editor if you would want to put a name on our prayer list.

(E-mail address JHNARACENA @GMAIL.COM)



**IN ALL THINGS  
GIVE THANKS**

- ❖ To the **new arrivals** from the Philippines;
- ❖ To the **visitors** from other places;
- ❖ To those who have **been away and are back**;

We join in the **Thanksgiving Intentions** of:

MANCY SOTELO & FAMILY, MR. & MRS. NILO VALENZUELA & FAMILY, JUN & NESIE SERASPE & FAMILY, LINA TAN, MR. & MRS. CRIS ESTOQUE & FAMILY.



Please join in lifting up to the Lord the **special intentions** of: THE BELTRAN FAMILY, THE MINON FMAILY May the Lord grant them their heart's desires.

- ❖ Your prayers are humbly requested for all the sick and suffering members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: FR. ROGER BEGIN pme,

SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, ELECITA ARACENA, JESS ALCAIDE, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., FE PADERANGA, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, DAWN DELA PAZ, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, GIGI SALARDA. May God bring them healing and peace.

- ❖ Remember also all of our **deceased relatives and friends**, especially ALFRED GALARDO, MIGUEL & MERCEDES DE LA SANTA, GODOFREDO BADO & LAUDINA BADO, LORETO MONTERO, ROSALINDA PAPA MANGINO, EUFROSINIO PAPA & ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY and those dying everyday in battles and calamities around the world. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

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### MASS INTENTIONS

Do you have a deceased relative for whom you wish all the Grace of God; or perhaps a dear friend who could use a bit of divine assistance in their lives, or simply if you have reason to offer thanksgiving for a new-born son, daughter, God-child, niece, nephew or the like? Well the Sacrifice of the Mass contains within it all of the graces of God and all that man can do to worship Him. Stop by or call the FCMM office (514 – 387 5292) during normal business hours and ask how you can have a Mass offered for your intention.

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**STEWARDSHIP** - *"For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last."* - Luke 13:30

Our standards in our society are so different from God's standards. We often rate or rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards.



*Your Offerings for the week ending August 15, 2010 totaled \$1,255.00*

Thank you for your continuing generosity!  
God bless you always!!!



The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** and **FOR THE SPECIAL INTENTIONS** offered by **REY and LINDA BALLARES and ANGIE GUBAT.**



It has been awhile since we focused on the saints included in the liturgical calendar. Saints are ordinary people who lived and loved God in extraordinary ways. They are our models of holiness; they are our spiritual heroes and heroines. What the Church looks for in venerating a saint is not a faultless or sinless life, but a passionate and single-minded dedication to Christ manifested in a life of prayer and good works.

The month of August is rich with memorials and feast days.

In the first half of the month, we celebrated the feasts of two Franciscan saints: St. Clare, a close friend and follower of St. Francis, and St. Maximilian Kolbe who gave his own life to spare another man's life at Auschwitz in 1941. This past week, we celebrated the Assumption of Mary into heaven, the greatest Marian feast. Yesterday, August 21 we honored St. Pope Pius X. Pius served as pope from 1903 to 1914. His wish was "to renew all things in Christ," and he is credited with beginning the liturgical renewal of the Church. Today, August 22nd, we again remember the Blessed Mother under the title of the "Regina Coeli," the Queen of Heaven.

At the end of the month, we celebrate a number of great saints, one right after the other. August 23rd was the feast of St. Rose of Lima, who died in 1617. She was the first person to be named a saint from the western hemisphere

and is a patron saint of South America. The following day, we honor the apostle, St. Bartholomew, about which little is known other than his mention in the Gospels as one of the twelve. August 25th marked the memorial of St. Louis of France. As king, Louis provided homes all over France for orphans and widows, and he provided food for the poor from his own table, sometimes waiting on them himself.

August 27th is the feast of St. Monica, the mother of one of Christianity's greatest saints, St. Augustine, whose own feast day falls on the following day- August 28. Finally, on August 29th, we remember the martyrdom of St. John the Baptist. John is also honored each year on June 24th with a solemnity Mass marking the anniversary of his birth.

We look to all the saints in heaven—named and unnamed—as our mediators and intercessors through, with and in Christ.

We pray to these holy men and women and in turn, they pray for us.  
Enjoy the week!

