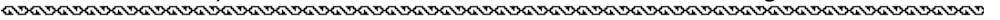




**FEBRUARY 5, 2012 - 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

In a world full of suffering and illnesses, Jesus was the most powerful and welcome “total Healer.” His presence brought hope and salvation to all the afflicted, even as it meant defeat for the Evil One.

The “healing journey,” which began on the trail of the proclamation of the Gospel two thousand years ago, continues today in the whole world. Christ, the compassionate Healer, continues his mission through the Church and all the people of goodwill who care for the sick and the afflicted. Wherever human beings do their best to relieve the pains of their neighbor, Christ is present and active in them as instruments of his healing love.



*World Day for Consecrated Life*  
*February 5, 2012*

Like the fishermen Peter and Andrew, all over the world men and women left everything and followed Jesus to lead a consecrated life. This Sunday we commemorate World Day for Consecrated Life, a wonderful opportunity to reflect and pray in thanksgiving for the gift that consecrated life has been and continues to be for the Church.

This celebration was started by the late Pope John Paul II in 1997. In the post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Vita Consecrata* issued in 1996, he wrote, In effect, the consecrated life is at the very heart of the Church as a decisive element of her mission since it manifests the inner nature of Christian calling and the striving of the whole Church as Bride towards union with her one Spouse.



Traditionally, the day is celebrated in Rome on Feb. 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which commemorates the presentation made by Mary and Joseph of Jesus in the temple to present him to the Lord. (Lk. 2:22).

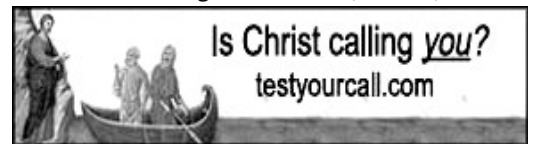
*For the Sake of the Gospel*

The purpose of the day was Pope John Paul’s call for consecrated life to be promoted throughout the universal Church. Pope Benedict XVI continued with his predecessor’s tradition of celebrating World Day of Consecrated Life at St. Peter’s Basilica.

The day is also considered a day of thanksgiving. The religious are given a celebration to thank God for the gift of consecrated life and it gives lay people an opportunity to thank those consecrated persons who have made an impact in their life. In addition, it raises awareness about vocations and what consecrated life is.

Hopefully young people will understand the option for ministry and service and the witness of being together as religious and laity. Consecrated life is a beautiful way God calls us to serve Him and others. Today, let us stop and reflect also on the need for more women and men to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Let us thank the Lord for the gift of **Fr. Frank, Sr. Luz, Sr. Celia**, in our Mission Community.

We must pray for vocations to the consecrated life and we must encourage young people to hear the call to follow Jesus. May the FCMM be a seedbed of vocations to the consecrated life!

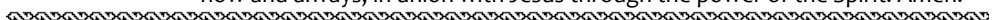


**PRAYER**

Loving God, We rejoice in your gift of life to us.  
You created us out of your abundant love.

Empower us to nurture this gift with the grace of gospel living.  
You sent us your son, our Lord Jesus to show us the way to fullness of life.

Open us, through your Spirit, and guide us on our journey to holiness.  
Grace our Church with women and men who respond wholeheartedly to your call to the consecrated life for the sake of the gospel. We praise you now and always, in union with Jesus through the power of the Spirit. Amen.



**Secular Franciscans establish Our Lady of the Philippines Fraternity**

Eastern Canada's Secular Franciscans established the new Fraternity of Our Lady of the Philippines last Saturday, January 28, in rites during a joyful Mass celebrated at the Notre-Dame-des-Philippines Catholic Mission in Montreal.

Witnessed by several parishioners of the Filipino parish and many members of several Secular Franciscan Fraternities from Montreal and Ottawa, the rites took place after the Homily with Rev. Fr. Marc Le Goavec, ofm – Minister Provincial of the Franciscans of Eastern Canada, Leonarda Mac Neil, ofs- Regional Minister, Eric Lasota, ofs - Regional Vice-Minister, and Bernadette Jalea, ofs- Facilitator assisting.

The Mass was preceded by the election of the new council of leaders of the Fraternity composed of 31 initial members of professed men and women. Appointed as Spiritual Adviser to the new Fraternity was Rev. Fr. Andre Comtois, ofm.

The Our lady of the Philippines Fraternity will be part of the Regional Fraternity of Eastern Canada which includes 18 Anglophone SFO fraternities located between the Diocese of Pembroke in Ontario and the Archdiocese of Halifax in Nova Scotia. This Regional Fraternity of the SFO will now include approximately 250 active Secular Franciscans.

The Secular Franciscan Order was established for lay persons by St. Francis of Assisi some 800 years ago in Italy. Local fraternities consist primarily of single and married men and women, but may also include some diocesan clergy. Spiritual assistance for local fraternities is provided under the direction of friars of the First Order of St. Francis. Prior to 1978, the Secular Franciscan Order was known as the "Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi". The Order now includes some 400,000 members in thousands of fraternities around the world. In Canada, there are more than 4000 members of different linguistic and cultural backgrounds, who are organized in 13 Regional Fraternities across the country.

St. Francis never intended to begin a religious order, but his lifestyle of poverty, simplicity and love for the poor attracted men to pray and work with him. Later, women committed themselves to the same way of life, foremost among them, St. Clare of Assisi and her order of Poor Clares.

As is the way when God's work reveals itself through loving and steadfast men and women, millions have asked to follow in their way, including lay men and women as they live and work in the world. These are the Secular Franciscans.



**The SEARCH for the 2012 FCMM KING and QUEEN OF ANGELS**

needs some more candidates. Those interested to help us see through this project may contact Mrs. Julie Tabamo and the other Administrators, or the FCMM Office for details. Thank you.

**THIS BULLETIN IS FURNISHED TO THE FCMM COMMUNITY**



**WITHOUT CHARGE** - The advertisements that appear at the back page completely defray all publishing costs with which our church would otherwise be burdened. THANK YOU to all who helped generously in this endeavour! We encourage you, dear readers, to patronize our continuing business sponsors and those that are new this year as a 'thank you' for their kind generosity.

**BAKE SALE – EVERY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**



*The Parents Support Group is holding a Bake Sale every first Sunday of the month at the Church basement from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.*

*Everyone is encouraged to come and patronize their goods.*

**SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HEATING EXPENSE**



**COLLECTION**

*Due to the increasing cost of heating oil, it was agreed upon during the last Pastoral Council meeting that a second collection for this purpose will be taken up once a month*  
**PLEASE PREPARE FOR THIS NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12.**

*THANK YOU in advance for your generous help.*

**WINTER IS A MESSY SEASON ... PLEASE HELP MAINTAIN THE CHURCH CLEAN. MAKE SURE THAT YOU LEAVE YOUR PEWS TIDY.**



The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** and for the **PERSONAL INTENTIONS** of **TONY & NORMA FOZ**.



**“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed... He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’”**

- Mark 1:35, 38

Through today’s Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to doing all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. Yet Jesus also makes time to be alone in prayer. It is only through prayer, through spending time with God, that any of us can find the strength to do all that God wishes us to do. Be sure to find time this week to be with God.

**Your Offerings for the week ending January 29, 2012 totaled \$ 1, 864. 50**

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



**PLEASE USE YOUR CHURCH ENVELOPE**

**The use of Church envelopes is the responsible way to support our parish faith community. Therefore, we strongly encourage our parishioners to use the WEEKLY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for the success of the operation of the Parish.**

**We depend on the financial support of our people in all our endeavors.**

**If all envelope holders follow the suggested amounts and use their envelopes regularly, our operational expenses can be taken care of easily.**

**This will enable us to embark on our other endeavors, plans and dreams.**

**And let us remember to give God what is right, not what is left**

**HELP SPREAD THE WORD AROUND ! HELP CAMPAIGN TO USE THE ENVELOPES !**



**welcome!**

- ❖ To the New Arrivals from the Philippines
- ❖ To the Visitors from other places;
- ❖ To those who have been away and are back;

**IN ALL THINGS  
GIVE THANKS**



- ❖ We join in the Thanksgiving Intentions of:

**KATRINA CELESTE TABAMO, AU AQUINO, JUN & DORY PAVICO, WINNIE, RUBY, & CARISSA DE MESA.**

❖ 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, FR. DONALD BOUCHARD pme, JESS ALCAIDE, SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, ELECITA ARACENA, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., FE PADERANGA, ANNIE MOJADO, WILFREDO QUIRAPAS, BALDOMERA AMBAYEC, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, DAWN DELA PAZ, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, WILFREDO DARIO, TRANQUILINO BIGCAS, BERNARDINO FERNANDO, ADRIANA BACQUIAL, JOSEFINA CALDITO RAQUIZA.** May God bring them healing and peace.

❖ Remember also all of our Deceased Relatives and Friends, especially **MARIA PAZ BELOSA , RAFAELLA, ANTONIA MISTICA, 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.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Stop by or call the FCMM office (514 387 – 5292) during normal business hours and have a Mass offered for your intention.



**Lord, Simon Peter said, "Everyone was looking for you," as you spread your message across Galilee. Whole towns flocked to you with their sick in tow.**

***We as well clamor to find you, now, in our day.  
Please, Lord, heal us. Take our hand. Help us up.***