

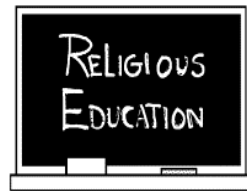
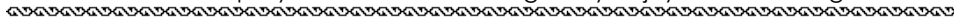


Death is one of the inescapable sad realities of our life. It is particularly hurting when it snatches away people who are young or are specially good, strong, or needed in a family or society. Our faith tells us that suffering and death are not part of God's original plan for mankind. They were introduced into our life by the devil when he convinced the first human beings to disobey God's instructions.

Their destructive presence is further strengthened every time we sin. Today's Liturgy of the Word reminds us that the God in whom we believe does not want death and suffering because He is a "GOD OF LIFE."

He wants that all human beings may have life and have it to the full. Such is the message of the First Reading and the Gospel. In the Eucharistic celebration, let us be thankful to the Lord for the gifts of life and wholeness in mind and body.

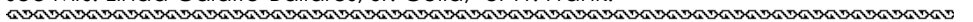
Let us also pray that all human beings may enjoy these blessings.



DON'T FORGET TO PRE-REGISTER YOUR CHILD !

Parents who would like to enroll their children in the CLEC for the coming school year must signify their interest by pre-registering their child(ren) with the Catechetical Ministry. Formal Registration will be on all the Sundays of August. For more information please see any of our Catechists or visit the FCMM Office.

CATECHISTS NEEDED!!! This important Lay Ministry is in need of more people who can assist our children in their journey as young Catholics. Those interested may see Mrs. Linda Caldito-Ballares, Sr. Celia, or Fr. Frank.



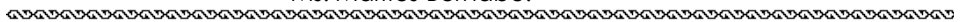
Raise funds for the FCMM every time you shop!

Get Gift cards from the FCMM every week for your shopping needs !

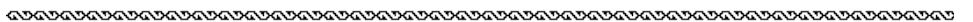
Please be reminded that Shopping cards for many local stores, gasoline stations, and supermarkets are available



ALL YEAR-ROUND to all who wish to support our church. Cards are available in amounts from \$25.00 to \$100.00. **5% of your purchase goes to support our parish!** Please see Ms. Marites Bernabe.

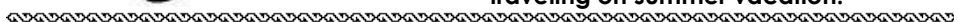


We wish our parishioners a blessed and enjoyable summer vacation. As many of us make vacation plans, let us also pray that as we travel, we travel with the Lord. May we also remember to include Our Lord in all our travel and vacation plans this season!

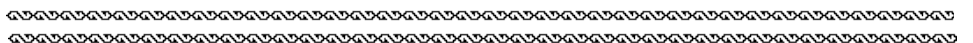


Please be informed that in the FCMM, during the summer months of July and August there is **NO CHANGE** in the schedule of our celebration of the Weekday and Sunday Eucharist
 + Wednesdays and Fridays at 6:00 p.m.
 +Sundays at 11:30 a.m.

Parents are particularly encouraged to make the extra effort to find a Sunday Mass when the family is traveling on summer vacation.



The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** and **AS THANKSGIVING** offered by **DIANE MARIE FERNANDEZ**





PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

on SUNDAY, JULY 08, 2012 @ 2:00 P.M.
HOSTS: FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY and THE YOUTH MINISTRY



IT'S THE FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH on JULY 6, 2012, There will be exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Mass.



Plan to spend time with Christ in the Eucharist !



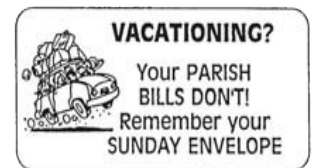
STEWARDSHIP: *The concept of Christian Stewardship giving is the very essence of Church support. Each of us should return to the Lord a portion of our blessings so that the Church may continue to grow and provide a spiritual haven for the faithful. A faithful steward manages his Time, Talents, and Treasury for the glory of God and His Church.*

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



VACATIONS---VACATIONS---VACATIONS

Now is the season for vacations, out-of-town weekends, etc. Please remember you parish when you are on vacation. Please "make-up" you donation for the weeks you miss over the summer months. Our expenses are ever-escalating, and we all need to work together if we are going to successfully keep the FCMM alive! Thank you.



You enter this Church...not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. God is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into God's presence, offering God your love and service.

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 the parish office during normal business hours and ask how you can have a Mass offered for your special intention.

OUR HOSPITALITY CORNER IS CURRENTLY BEING UP-DATED.

Please inform the FCMM Office (514- 387 5292) for your intentions to be included in the Bulletin.



"God keep our land glorious and free!

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee."



DO NOT FEAR... Wherever Jesus went he was sought out by individuals and crowds and no wonder - Jesus had power; power to feed the hungry, power to restore sight and hearing, power to cure the crippled, to set the demon-possessed free, power over wind and sea, power to forgive sin, and power to raise the dead. Jesus had power to set us free from the two realities which we humans most fear - suffering and

death. Today again the Gospel insists on the milling crowds. They sought him out and pressed closely round him, each eager to get close enough to secure some blessing from this astonishing Teacher and Healer. A synagogue official desperate for his daughter's welfare and a woman suffering a haemorrhage succeed in reaching the Lord. These two represent each one of us while the crowds represent the whole of poor, struggling, helpless humanity. I love the way Mark describes the woman's plight: *Now there was a woman who suffered a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse.*

Jairus, too, is in an awful predicament. He is braver than the woman and approaches Jesus directly. His daughter is about to die. Aren't we all. *He fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.'*

Death was never God's plan for us, and neither was its prelude, suffering. As the first reading tells us: *Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living ... it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world ... Both suffering and death entered the world because mankind, through the temptation of the devil, turned away from God and this turning away had dire consequences, one of the worst of which was that we refuse to take responsibility for our sin. So we blame everyone except ourselves - [Adam] replied, 'It was the woman you put with me....' and [Eve] replied, 'The serpent tempted me ...'. (Genesis 3:12)*

And some hospital patients will say: 'Why is God doing this to me?'

We accuse God of failing us because he doesn't just simply take it all away, make it all better, fix it, which, of course, is precisely what he has done and in a way which wonderfully satisfies both mercy and justice.

Jesus took upon himself the very scourge we ourselves brought into the world through Original Sin. He took upon himself suffering and death and made them a path to eternal life for those who follow his steps. In other words, the very suffering and death which led to our ultimate destruction now leads to eternal life - but we have to believe!

This is what is so singular about Jairus and the woman with the haemorrhage - they both *really* believe. In fact, the power of their faith stands in stark contrast to their powerlessness over the circumstances of their lives. It is this faith which touches Jesus and moves him to grant their wishes.

The miracles of Jesus never failed to astonish the crowds and made them even more eager to be near him. For us, who read of these miracles our faith in the Lord grows too. For us they are signs, signs of what is awaiting our faith when we reach our heavenly homeland. His earthly miracles were meant precisely to teach us to believe that the same wonders would one day, unfailingly, be worked for us.

Occasionally our faith is renewed by reports of contemporary miracles at Lourdes or some other shrine. I occasionally meet sick or dying people who suffer cruel pains but who jokingly reassure me it will all be made good in heaven. One lady who lost both feet through diabetes said smilingly 'Don't worry, Father, I'll get a new set when I reach heaven'.

Jesus invites us to a faith which transcends present suffering and future death. He invites us to the peace and joy of total faith in a future which is in his loving hands. No matter what we may suffer, even death, he invites us, not to fear, but to rejoice and trust in him.