

FRUITFUL OR PRODUCTIVE?

"Yes," said Joel, "I'm hooked on productivity. I run a business, and my wife and I have three young children. I have to produce and my employees have to produce if we're to accomplish anything. My days are jam-packed. If there's any time left over I spend it with my family." Joel's thinking on productivity received a shake-up at a men's retreat. The retreat leader asked a question. "When you think of Jesus, do you think of him with a daily to-do list? ('Three people healed today. Two fast comebacks to the scribes and Pharisees. One really great parable told. Oh yes, and dinner for 5,000. And I got the disciples to distribute the leftovers. A very good day. Well done, me')." Joel listened intently. "Jesus spoke wisely and constantly extended mercy and grace. He might now and then retreat from the crowds, yet when he was with people, he was really with them. He saw needs that others could not see. He loved people well. But was he productive? Productivity can become a mind-set of constantly moving forward. Being busy, not at times and in moderation, but as a lifestyle. Productivity seeks what fruitfulness claims as its starting point—the assurance of God's presence and love." Fruitfulness, Joel saw, allows you to be fully present in the moment. Fruitfulness is deeply rooted in the soil of God's grace. Fruitfulness requires a fundamental trust in the Holy Spirit, like compost around the roots of the fig tree in today's Gospel. The Spirit is working at all times and in all places and, if we allow it, is at work in us—busy or not.

MARCH 7, 2010

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES OF THE WEEK: MARCH 7 TO 14

This Sunday, March 7:

7:30 a.m. **Parishioners, Benefactors & Friends**

9:00 a.m. **Joseph Busalacchi** by Annette Busalacchi
(Hall) **Antonino Balistreri** by Joseph & Antonia Vitale & Family

10:30 a.m. **Ellen O'Connor** by Rosalie Tarantino

12:00 noon **Poor Souls in Purgatory** by Don & DJ

Monday:

7:30 a.m. **Edith Declerco** by Raymonde & Michel Wagnon

12:00 noon **Ross Ritto** by Bill & MaryAnne Gleason

Tuesday:

7:30 a.m. **Daniel Alessio** by Rose LiMandri

12:00 noon **Esther Turricano** by Josephine Abrahamson

Wednesday:

7:30 a.m. **Perpetual Membership**

12:00 noon **Adriana Assenti** by Jerry & Julie Giacalone

Thursday:

7:30 a.m. **Intentions of Remedios & Samuel Brown**

12:00 noon **Onofrio Pecoraro** by Pete & Lisa Pecoraro

Friday:

7:30 a.m. **Jack, Lillian & Frank Tarantino** by Nick & Joan Pecoraro

12:00 noon **Carlo Vinci** by Luke Vinci

Saturday:

7:30 a.m. **Ross Ritto** by Hortensia Mullally

12:00 noon **Intentions of Joseph Carini** by Joann Carini

5:30 p.m. (Vigil) **Josephine Bongiovanni** by Frank & Anna Zizzo

Next Sunday, March 14:

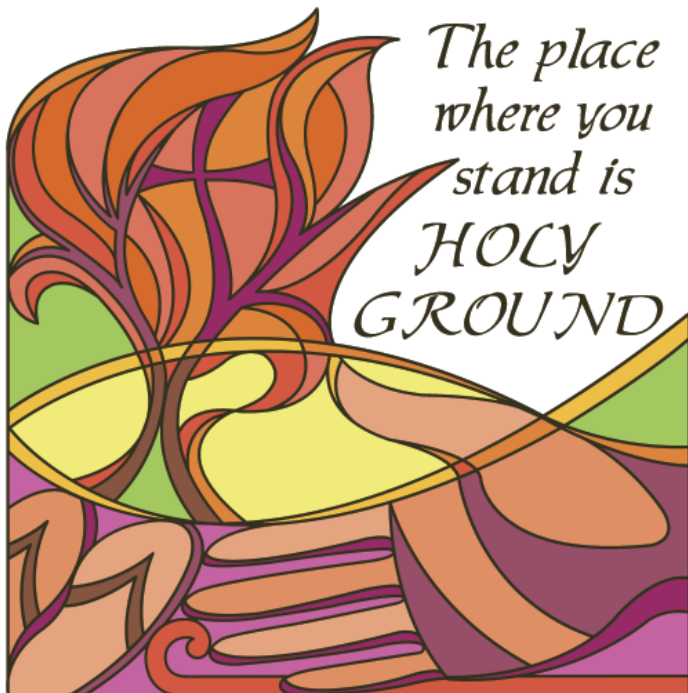
7:30 a.m. **Joseph Scafidi, Jr.** by Parents

9:00 a.m. **Madonna del Paradiso**

10:30 a.m. **St. Joseph Society**

12:00 noon **Giuseppe Daniele** by Maria, Children & Grand-Children

Please remember that our daily Mass Calendar fills rapidly. Presently the wait is two to four months in advance. If you hope to have a mass celebrated on a special date, look ahead and call early.



Our Lady's Gifts

Now in stock

Little Italy: The Way it Was

by **Peter Corona, Ph.D.**

Peter Corona shares personal stories of the early days during the first half of the twentieth century when San Diego's Little Italy had more than 6,000 families living within its boundaries. As one of the original residents of Little Italy, Dr. Corona leaves a lasting record for future generations about a fascinating neighborhood with a unique history.

Located in the Pastoral Center Parking Lot

Monday - Friday
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Sunday
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

**** Proceeds to OLR Building Fund ****

INVITATION TO MORNING PRAYER

During the weekdays of Lent, you are invited to recite the church morning prayers with the **Priests** at **OLR** at 7:00 AM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent after the 12 Noon Mass and at 7:30 PM.

DECORATE THE CHURCH!

Buy an Easter Lily for a Loved One. \$15.
Call **Rosa Crivello** ~ (619) 295-0694

2010 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are grateful to the parishioners who have already contributed. We urge those who have yet to contribute to help us surpass the goal of \$23,000. If we should exceed the goal, the excess will come back to the parish for our Building Fund and for contributing to Cathedral High School. May the Lord and our Lady bless your generosity!

OLR Youth Night

Attention all high school and confirmation youth!

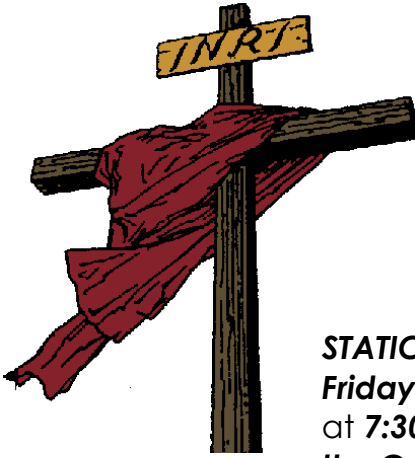
You are invited to snack, have fun and hang out with cool Catholics who love life and live it to it's fullest and truest.
Bring a friend!

Youth group meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month in the **Parish Hall - Upstairs** from 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Next gathering is Tuesday, March 16th.
www.Olyouth.blogspot.com

OLR SOCIALIZERS

Tired of the same old routine? Join us for lunch and visit with others who share your values. Sunday, March 28th at 1:00 PM - Charisma restaurant in Hillcrest. Call **Ellen Hogan** at (619) 236-0732 for information and reservations.



LENTEN SEASON ~ "Return to Me" says the Lord. Lent is a time to re-evaluate our relationship with the Lord. Is the Lord first in our Life? If He is not, who is our God? ... Money? Success? Ourselves?

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ~ Every **Friday** after the **Noon Mass** and at **7:30 PM** we have the **Stations of the Cross**, followed by **Benediction**

of the Blessed Sacrament. Come, share half an hour with the Lord in gratitude for His Love manifested to us in His Passion and Death.

CONFESSIONS are heard every **Saturday** from **4 to 5 PM** and **before every service** in our Church. OLR Priests are available at your request for confession.

TEACHER JOB FAIR

**Catholic Schools Diocese of San Diego
Cathedral Catholic High School**

5555 Del Mar Heights Rd
San Diego, CA 92130
Saturday, March 27, 2010
9:00 AM - 12 Noon

No registration required. Please bring resumes. You will have an opportunity to meet, speak with and share resumes with principals from our Catholic Schools.

Teacher Applications available at
www.diocese-sdiego.org.

Check under Institutions, Schools and Universities or Administration, Human Resources.

ST. VINCENT SCHOOL ~ OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, March 18 at 6:00~8:00 PM

Accepting applications for all grades.

Located **4061 Ibis Street I, San Diego 92103**. (619) 296-2222 Fax (619) 296-2763

www.svscatholic.org

WEEKEND GETAWAY ENRICHMENT

Worldwide Marriage Encounter's Mission of renewal in the church and change in the world is to assist couples and priests to live fully intimate and responsible relationships by providing them with a Catholic "experience" and ongoing community support for such a lifestyle. Let a Marriage Encounter weekend enrich your love for one another. Give your children the best gift they can get, parents with a great marriage. The next weekend encounters are April 9-11 & May 21-23. For information call **Mike & Anita Barletta** at (866) 473-7730 or email them at barfive@cox.net.



REMEMBER THE MYSTERY

This Lent, instead of simply giving something up, how about doing something extra? Spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament and focus on Christ. Commit to one weekly hour with the Lord in the **Adoration Chapel** (Church parking-lot). You will treasure the 60 minutes of peace and heart to heart with **Jesus in the Holy Eucharist**. If interested contact **Fr. Steven** at (619) 234-4820.

MARRIAGE BANNES ~ The following couples have exchanged a promise to marry in Christ:

Pedro Charles & Karina Chen

Joseph Macias & Luz Bautista

REST IN PEACE ~ Kindly pray for the repose of the soul of **Mary Rieger Gallucci**, who was called to her eternal reward. Please remember her and her loved ones in your prayers. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, March 14th, 2010

10:30 AM – Mass celebrated in honor of St. Joseph

Following the Mass

Everyone is Invited to the Parish Hall to Enjoy:
Homemade Baked Goods & Sicilian Pizza
Cannoli – Cookies – St. Joseph's Sfingi

Noon – 2 PM

Lunch includes Pasta Faggioli, Sausage
& Pepper Sandwich and Salad
Adults - \$8. & Children - \$4.

Buy tickets in advance!

Anna ~ 296-4066 or Rosa ~ 295-0694
or get them at the door.

Guest donations will be given to the poor.

Raffle Tickets ~ Donation \$1.

March 10 – 11 – 12 at 7 PM

Special Prayers in honor of St. Joseph
and Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CHURCH

State & Date Streets

Flower donations can
be given to any Altar
Society member or
Rosa Crivello, 295-0694.

