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Our Lady of the Mountains and All Saints Catholic School



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8:30a.m. ~ 5:00p.m. Monday ~ Friday Closed for lunch 12:30-2:00p.m.

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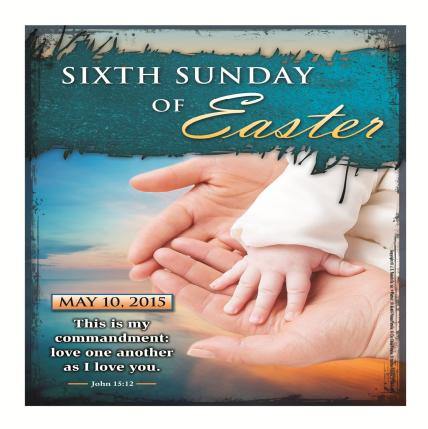
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Living God's Word

Sometimes we may feel that we are not even capable of loving as Jesus loved. In today's first reading we see that God is so eager to enter our hearts and enable us to love that the Holy Spirit falls upon those listening, even though they have not yet been baptized. Ask God to help you love as Jesus loves.

Vivamos la Palabra de Dios

Algunas veces puede parecernos que no somos aptos para amar como Jesus amo. En la primera lectura de hoy vemos que Dios desea tan ardientemente entrar en nuestro corazón y hacernos aptos para amar. El Espiritu Santo descendió sobre aquellos que escuchaban aungue todavía no bahian diso bautizados. Pidele a Dios que te ayude a amar como Jesus amo.

Mass Schedule

Mon, Wed, Thurs \sim 7:00am Tues \sim 8:00am Fri \sim 8:10am Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am (Spanish) & 5:00pm Holy Day of Obligation: Varies see inside

Other Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick ~ By appointment

<u>Baptism</u> ~ By appointment only. Registration & Baptism classes required. Please call Parish Office.

Marriage ~ Minimum 4 months advance notice.

Please call Parish Office.

<u>Confessions</u> ~ Saturday 4p.m. or anytime by appointment.



May 9, $2015 \sim Saturday$

5:00p.m. Cliff Bondarek, Barbara & Kelly O'Brien

by RayAnn Bondarek

May 10, 2015 ~ Sunday

Marilyn Smith by Frank & Linda Smith 7:30a.m Anna Wallace by Walter & Sandra Prill

9:30a.m. **‡**Larry Inman by Morjo Keen

₽Jon Johnson by Morjo Keen

For the people of the parish 11:30a.m.

Vocations to the Franciscan Sisters of 5:00 p.m.

Christian Charity

May 11, 2015 ~ Monday

Intentions of the Pastor 7:00a.m.

May 12. 2015 ~ **Tuesday**

8:00a.m. Intentions for St. Vincent de Paul Society

May 13, 2015 ~ Wednesday

\$Sr. Ann Spenner by Sr. Carol Seidl 7:00a.m.

May 14, 2015 ~ Thursday

7:00a.m. For the deceased of the parish

May 15, 2015 ~ Friday

8:10a.m. For the 8th Grade Graduation Class

May 16, 2015 ~ **Saturday**

5:00p.m. Deceased members of the Nichols Family

by Bernie Nichols

♥William Gilpatrick by Al & Cacilia Eckles

-Edmond

May 17, 2015 ~ Sunday

7:30a.m Prichard Casper by Edelgard Casper

₱Karin Buckmaster by Barbara Adric

For the sick of the parish 9:30a.m. 11:30a.m. For the people of the parish

\$Frances Herring by Al & Cacilia Eckles-5:00p.m.

Pat Skeehan by Jim & Cathy Beatty



The Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at the home of Sherry Zimmerman until May 16th

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter: Mother's Day Tuesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras

Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord

Friday: St. Isidore

Saturday: Armed Forces Day



ADORATION I WAIT FOR YOU

the Blessed Sacrament

Please join us for Adoration on the Thursday Solemn Exposition of before the First Friday of the month. All are invited to come and spend an hour with the

WEEKLY CALENDAR



PLANNING

Planning Calendar

May

May 15 ~ 8th Grade Graduation

May 17 ~ Youth Donut Sales May 22 ~ Last day of school

May 22 ~ Potluck for Jim & Mary Burke

May 24 ~ Breakfast for Sr. Carol

May 25 ~ Church office Closed for Memorial Day

May 27 ~ Calendar Planning Meeting

Please Note: Starting May 25th All weekday Masses will be at 8:00am until further notice

June

June 07 ~ St. Vincent de Paul Stuff the Trailer

June 20 ~ Fr. Mike's 40th Anniversary Potluck Dinner

June 27 ~ Tumbleweed Auction





Schedule for Next Weekend

May 16/17

Altar Servers

Sat, 5:00p.m. Chelsea Ng, Charity Scudella, Ian Pottebaum
 Sun, 7:30a.m. Karen Acosta, Judith Gordon, Bobby Widhalm
 Sun, 9:30a.m. Barry & Tess Nelson, Billy Tomes
 Sun, 5:00p.m. Jaime Hernandez, Lora Lorentsen, Julian Valenzuela

Lectors

Sat, 5:00p.m. (1) D. Whipp (2) J. Tritz

Sun, 7:30a.m. (1) B. Jans (2) D. Spartz

Sun, 9:30a.m. (1) ASCS (2) ASCS

Sun, 5:00p.m. (1) F. Valenzuela (2) L. Huerta-Nunez

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, 5:00p.m. Joel Childs, Mary Kay Holcomb, RayAnn Bondarek, Betsey Hartwigsen

Sun, 7:30a.m. Mark Lobner, Bryon Spartz, Karen Ward, Bobby Widhalm

Sun, 9:30a.m. Wanda Balbuena, Carmen Sodies, Carol & Joe

Ushers

Sun, 5:00p.m. Chuck & Debby Everding, Bill Hansen, Gerald

Sat, 5:00p.m. Al & Cacilia Eckles-Edmond
 Sun, 7:30a.m. Queta Ramirez, Frank & Linda Smith
 Sun, 9:30a.m. Gloria Fiaschetti, John & Lauren Pohl
 Sun, 5:00p.m. Jaime Hernandez, Mo Pryor, Patrick Schottenbauer

Wolfer

Wertis

Linens

Debbie Laszok



MINISTRIES AND CONTACTS

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Adoration, Delores Martins	803-0325
All Saints Catholic School	378-7012
,	910-578-7905
AVE Neighbor, Jan Ross	378-1754
Baptism Class, Steffani Hays (En)	678-6739
Dcn. Reynaldo Romo (Sp) 559-2400
Bereavement, Dcn. Jim Schaff	378-2332
Blanket Ministry, Phyllis Ballard	378-3192
Bulletin Folding, Pat Jensen	803-1052
Compliance Officer, Dcn. Jim Schaff	378-2332
Charismatic Prayer, Dcn. Bob Sador	f 378-1527
Cursillo, Spanish, Jesus De La Rosa	378-1056
Dancers Etc., Doris Sims	417-0092
Divine Mercy Cenacle, Liz Nelson	378-6836
Eucharistic Ministers, Dave Gilcreest	458-7135
Justa Valles	378-1837
Gift Shop, Millie Dalton	459-3889
Hispanic Spiritual Dir, Dcn. Romo	559-2400
Holy Rosary Group,	
Hospital Euch. Ministers, Joel Childs	378-9415
Jail Ministry, Dcn. Gene Tackett	378-6501
Knights of Columbus, Gary Imdieke	803-0302
Lectors, Mark Lobner	458-5609
Mayra Velasquez	236-7134
Linens, Laura Gilcreest	458-7135
Marriage Preparation,	
Den. Jim & MaryAnn Schaff	378-2332
Money Counters, Barbara Wedge	378-7086
Music Ministry, Jo Merritt	241-8337
Prayer Garden, Doris Sims	417-0092
Rectory Project Mgr. Keith Mullen	266-4230
Religious Education Kathleen Shilson	378-2720
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults	
Dcn. Jose & Leonor Huerta-Nunez	459-1967
St. Vincent de Paul	378-2720
Strengthening Our Faith, Betty Jans	378-0554
Mo Pryor	335-6056
Ushers/Greeters, Dave Waldmann	378-0159
Gloria Dutton	378-3486
You Are Not Alone, Suzanne DeRosie	
Young at Heart, Pat Wagner	803-0722
Youth Group, Andrew & Amy Kjolsru	
Tour Group, Imaion writing Hydisic	2100



We welcome the addition of names of parishioners and family members who are **HOSPITALIZED** or **CRITICALLY ILL**. Names of CHROINICALLY ILL PARISHIONERS and FAMILY MEMBERS are in our BOOK OF PETITIONS, which is in the back of the church. You and your loved ones are in our prayers daily.

Patrick Barry-Piccirilli (grandson of Mary Piccirilli), Lorraine Schieffer (formerly #110), Dimitar Stoyanof #121, Katrina Chovich (sister of Pat Hortien)#107, Sue Backus (daughter-in-law of Stan & Jan Ross)#104, Pamela Warren, Tom Bannan & Julie Fulton (son & daughter of Tom & Carol Bannan) #116, Susan Gwiazda #124, Ivy Penix (sister of Tim Penix)#112, Michael Martin (nephew of Phyllis Ballard)#102, Kaitlyn Wildenthaler (niece of Phyllis Ballard) #102, Jim Wedge #106, Georgia Romero (sister in law of Barbara Adric)#116, Deacon Rodger Miller #112, Luke Garcia (grandson of Jeanne Herbert #114), Carmelyn Borroz #115, Calla Kindred #105, Jackie Bisby (daughter of Sue Zook) #123 Don Allan (son of Leon & Laura Vander-Heyden)#101, George Kirmse #101, Robert "Bob" Lusignan #105, Rosalio Rios(father of Ana Escamilla #114), Donna Parsons #115, Peter Chovich(brother of Pat Hortien)#117, Cesaer Nicolas Serrera (grandson of Esperanza & Nicolas Avitia) #107, LaMoreaux & Alene LaMoreaux (family of Teresa Mullen #114, Mary Alice Adamczyk #109, Wayne Shilson #125 and Sue Zook(formerly of #123), Frank Smith #116, Maximo Matarrita (father to Maria & Hubert Schroer #110), Donald Johnson, Marion Gardner (brother-in-law Caroline Bentley #101), Pat Wachendorf #125, Dorothy Hopkins #111, Dave Waldmann #106, Lonnie Massey (brother of Teresa Mullen #114), Alex Aguilar(father of Victoria Peters), Sherry Zimmerman #115, Mary Helen France #124.

Heavenly Treasures Gift Shop

The Heavenly Treasurers Gift Shop is open before and after all weekend Masses. You can also shop during the week by stopping by the office between 9:00 and 4:00. The gift shop does not accept

credit cards or debit cards, cash or checks only. Thank you for supporting the Heavenly Treasures Gift Shop.

JMJ

Weekly Readings, 11 - 17 May 2015

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 - 16:4a Tuesday:

Sts. Nereus and Achilleus

Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: St. Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Friday: St. Isidore

Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28 Sunday Seventh Sunday of Easter

> The Ascension of the Lord Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 **or** Eph 4:1-13 **or** 4:1-7, 11-13; Mk 16:15-20

OLM Monthly Stewardship Report

April 2015

April 4/5	\$6,424.95
April 11/12	\$4,833.40
April 18/19	\$4,143.25
April 25/26	\$4,358.44

Online contributions (as of 04/27/15) \$ 4,685.00 \$24,445.04 **Total Church Contributions**

Total contributions of \$ 35,000.00 + monthly are needed to meet OLM obligations + Operations reserve and future needs.

OLM Special Contributions: Inc. online 04/27/15

Building Fund/Capital Imp.	\$860.00
Mortgage Reduction	\$778.00
Rectory Building Fund	\$915.00
Support Our School	\$6,862.55
* *Other Church Contributions	\$5,319.77

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

* Total Church Contributions ** Total Other Church Contributions Total Parish Activities Income	\$273,037.94 \$22,531.23 \$21,392.28
YTD Contributions/Income YTD Expenses YTD School Mortgage payments/Adj. YTD Total (+Over/-Under)	\$316,961.45 \$299,161.96 \$2,775.04 \$ 15,024.45
GOAL: (12 x \$35,000.00) Contributions % to date of our goal	\$420,000.00 75.47 %

Current No. of OLM Families: 1002

Easter Sunday Collection as of: 4/27/15 \$5,079.00

Monastic Experience

Benedictine Monastery in Tucson, Arizona: May 23-May 29

The Monastic Experience encourages women who are discerning a religious calling to experience monastic life without any strings attached. It will provide participants an in-depth look at monastic life and the opportunity to experience it on a daily basis. Women discerning a religious calling will enter into the rhythm of monastic life, receive daily input on prayer, their discernment, ask vowed women religious questions about their own vocations and engage in faith sharing with others who are traveling on a similar journey. The event is for single Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 47 who are discerning a religious vocation. The Monastic Experience is free for participants and includes room, board and recreation.

For more information, please contact Sister Ruth Elaine at (660) 944-2221 or vocation@benedictinesisters.org.



Sexto Domíngo de Pascua 10 de Mayo de 2015

Hispanic Ministry Contacts

Acolitos	Esperanza Avitia	255-0931
Lectores	Mayra Velasquez &	236-7134
	Monica McCall	559-639-3704
Cursillos	Jesus De La Rosa	378-1056
Bienvenida	Gloria Dutton	378-3486
Coro	Maria Acuna	378-2319
Eucarista Ministres	Justa Valles	378-1837

Para El Proximo Fin De Semana Programa De Acolitos

Alondra Lopez Victoria Lopez Victor Lopez

Programa De Ministerios De Eucarista

Luis y Justa Valles Connie Vildusea Nicolas Avitia

Programa De Lectores

Leonor Huerta-Nunez y Patricia Parra



Consejo Matrimonial de la Semana

Matrimonios sólidos pueden tener problemas, pero el matrimonio saludable se ha comprometido a trabajar a través de ellos y encontrar ayuda cuando se enfrentan con problemas que no pueden resolver solos. Buscar consejo es un signo de fortaleza.

Virgen Peregrina de la Familia Virgen de Guadalupe

Las imágenes de la Virgen Peregrina de Guadalupe estarán el mes de Abril a Mayo en la casa de las familias de:



Doris Combs, Ruth Cruz, y Martha Rivera respectivamente. Para más información contacte al Diácono José o Leonor Huerta-Núñez al teléfono (520) 459-1967



In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us, "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you...You are my friends if you do what I command you."

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you fulfill the commandment to love one another as Jesus has loved you.



OLM COUNCIL 10799 Grand Knight, Gary Imdieke 803-0302

Council Business Meeting (Election night) is scheduled for <u>Thurs</u>, <u>14 May</u> in OLM's Lower Hall. All Knights are welcome to attend.

Assembly Business Meeting is scheduled for **Mon, 18 May** in the Columbian Hall. All 4th Degree Sir Knights are welcome to attend.

Project Graduation at Buena High School is scheduled for <u>Thurs/Fri, 21-22 May</u>. Thank you all for your donations and volunteer time to help with our Horse Racing Game.

1st Degree Exemplification is scheduled for <u>Tues</u>, <u>26 May</u> hosted by Council 4584 in the Columbian Hall. All Knights are welcome to attend.

"For planning purposes", OLM has an American Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled for Sat, 25 Jul.

Wheelchair/walkers - Anyone having a need for a wheelchair or walker, please contact Al Edmond at 458-5060.

Our Lady of the Sierras has an immediate job opening for a weekend Site Coordinator. This position will work Saturday 9:00am - 5:00pm & Sunday 10:00am - 6:00pm and possible additional days during the week based on need. Job duties included by not limited to: open shrine, greet visitors, stock supplies, light housekeeping duties, handle situation decisions and lift 40 lbs. Bilingual preferred. Applicant must know the Catholic faith and Sacraments. Pay \$13.00 / \$15.00 DOE. Email resumes to: ourladysierrashrine@msn.com



Marriage Tip of the Week

Strong marriages can have problems, but the healthy married couple is committed to working through them and finding help when faced with problems they can't solve alone. Seeking counsel is a sign of strength.



All Saints Catholic School News

All Saints Catholic School News Thurs., 14th-3:00 Last time for choir to meet Fri., 15th-8th grade graduation at 8:10am Mass

Employment Opportunities: All Saints Catholic School Teachers for the following grades: 7th & 8th and Kindergarten fulltime and must have AZ teaching Certificate; Physical Education teacher part time. Call 378-7012 or stop in at 1425 Yaqui Street for an application.



Youth Group: May Calendar

May 10 th	NO YOUTH GROUP
May 17 th	DONUT SALE: 8:00am
	Youth Group 3:15pm
May 24 th	NO YOUTH GROUP
May 31st	Youth Group 3:15pm

Position Openings, Diocese of Tucson

The following vacant positions within the Diocese of Tucson are available as of 5/4/15.

Diocese of Tucson:

Catholic Foundation, Tucson – Development Associate

Parishes:

Sacred Heart Parish, Parker – Bookkeeper

San Martin de Porres, Sahuarita – Parish Activities Coordinator (Part-time)

Our Lady Queen of All Saints, Tucson – Administrative Assistant (Part-time)

Schools:

All Saints Catholic School, Sierra Vista-KindergartenTeacher, 7th/8th Grade Teacher, Part time PE Teacher

St. Augustine Catholic High School, Tucson-Theology Teacher, Physical Education Teacher, Athletic Director (Part-time)

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School, Casa Grande-Computer Teacher, Pre-school Teacher, Pre-school Aide (part-time), Music Teacher (Part-time)



GOSPELS AND QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

6th Sunday of Easter, John 15: 9-17 Love of Your Neighbor May 10

<u>Adults:</u> How is love of others connected to love for God? <u>Children/Youth:</u> Who needs Jesus' love this Week? How can you show them His love?

> Next Week's Gospel Preparation Feast of the Ascension, Mark 16:15-20 May 17

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday, 10:30-2:30 p.m.

Those Religious Education students who received their First Communion on April 25 and ordered pictures may come and pick them up in my office during office hours or call to make alternate arrangements.

We will have a parent meeting and registration for Religious Education for new and returning students on Sunday, July 12 at 10:45 AM and Monday July 13 at 6:00 PM. There are new changes in the program. It is important that parents attend.

Classes will begin again on Sunday, August 16 at 10:45 AM.

We are in need of a 4^{th} grade catechist and a $7^{th}/8^{th}$ grade catechist for the 2015-2016 school year. You do not need to "know a lot" to be a catechist. Training is provided. If the Holy Spirit touches your heart please give me a call at the church office. Kathleen (520) 378-2720 Ext. 116. Thank you for considering this important ministry.

It is time for **Vacation Bible school!!!** We will meet July 20-24 from 9:00 AM to noon here at Our Lady of the Mountains. Help is needed. You will need to be in compliance with the Safe Environment program. Please call Kathleen (520) 378-2720 ext. 116 to volunteer or to register your children by June 5.

Strong Catholic Families

Strong Catholic Families invites everyone to "Get into the Spirit" on Friday, 15 May at 5:30 p.m. followed by pizza at 6 p.m. Have you been feeling peaceful, joyful, kind, self-controlled lately? Come learn about the awesome gifts the Holy Spirit gives us today just as he gave to the disciples on Pentecost. Adults and children will have separate Holy Spirit activities. Bring a salad or dessert to share. Sign-up board is in the back of the church. Contact Amy Kiolsrud 459-2188 or Steffani Hays 678-6739 for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June is movie night.

July is Karaoke night.



In the readings we are commanded to love one another. Jesus tells us in the Gospel that through living in love we will have complete joy! Attend a Marriage Encounter to gain the tools to truly love your spouse more and receive the joy that it can

bring. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on May 29-31 in Tucson and July 10-12 in Phoenix. For other dates and more information visit www.wwmearizona.com (Para los fines de semana en español, por favor visite www.emm14.org)

Creating YOUR Catholic Legacy...

Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church, Fr. Mike Bucciarelli and the Catholic Foundation are hosting this free workshop.

Learn the answers to...

"Why should I have a will?"

"Do I really need a power of attorney?"
"What is a living trust and what are the benefits?"

"How can I support my family and my parish or favorite charity?"

Wednesday, May 13, 2015 4:30-6:00p.m. Bryerton/Brazaskas Meeting Rooms Our Lady of the Mountains Church

Please RSVP by May 10, 2015 to: Nancy Kirk, Director of Major & Planned Giving, Catholic Foundation, 520.838.2508 or nkirk@diocesetucson.org

Thank you to Paul Melo, Attorney at Law, for offering his time to present this workshop.



Thank you to EVERYONE who made the Variety Show a great success. Everyone involved volunteers their time and talent to create such a great evening. Dancers etc., Emcee, Kitchen staff, office staff, even

Priests gave a helping hand. Here is a big Thank You to everyone who helped, even in a small way this year.



If you are a Religious Education student who recently had First Communion and ordered pictures, they are here. Please come by and pick them up from Kathleen. Her office hours are Monday – Friday 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. Thank You.

Produce on Wheels—Without Waste

Anyone can contribute \$10 to shop for up to 60lbs. of fresh nutritious rescued produce. Please share the produce with neighbors, friends, family or someone who's in need. For up to date information about POWWOW please visit www.borderlandsfoodbank.org

Saturday, May 16th 7:00am to 10:00am Southeast Arizona Behavioral Health Services 4755 Campus Dr. Sierra Vista



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Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, who once was Mary, be our Advocate!

Amen.

Nihil obstat: John M.T. Barton, S.T.D., L.S.S. Censor

Imprimatur: Victor Guazelli, V.G. Westminster, 24.IX. 1970

Who Once Was Mary: Holy Scripture refers to Mary as "Woman" when Her task as Mediatrix is pointed out (in Genesis, at Cana, at Calvary). Hence the title "The Lady of All Nations" who once was Mary (the humble girl).

"The Lady" is shown on the picture in front of the cross, with which She was so intimately and painfully united. Thus She became Co-Redemptrix, Mediatrix and Advocate. And Her hands are seen radiating graces, redemption and peace for all nations on earth. These gifts She obtained from the cross and She will readily grant them to all who daily recite the prayer in front of the crucifix or facing this picture.

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The Ladies of St. Andrew's are hosting our seventh annual



A Baby Shower for Baby Jesus
All donations will benefit Care Net
Pregnancy Center of Cochise County.
We would like to invite the women of
OLM to the Baby Shower. As women of
faith, join with us in showering the babies
with our love. In this blessed Easter

season let's celebrate every new life! In honor of Christ the Risen Lord and his Blessed Mother donate a new or gently used clean unwrapped baby gift. Bring your unwrapped donated gift to the Shower. If you cannot attend but would like to donate an unwrapped baby gift, drop it by St. Andrew's Parish Office. Especially needed are disposable diapers sizes 3, 4, 5 & 6, baby socks, baby wipes and clothing up to age 2(especially boys).

Monday May 11, 2015 7:00p.m.

Parish Hall at St. Andrew's 800 Taylor Drive Light refreshments will be provided Join with us in Faith, Fun and Fellowship!

EARTHQUAKE IN NEPAL

On Saturday, a few minutes before noon, a massive earthquake struck Nepal. The epicenter of the quake, which registered 7.8 on the Richter Scale, was approximately halfway between Kathmandu and the town of Pokhara in central Nepal. Deaths and destruction have been reported from as far away as Tibet, Bangladesh, north India and Bhutan, but the major damage has been here in Nepal. 39 of Nepal's 75 districts have been seriously affected and around 5000 deaths and many serious injuries have been tabulated.

The total number of casualties is sure to be much higher our Prime Minister has said that the death number could rise up to 10,000 with lots of casualty. Nepal's underdeveloped communications system, and lack of government coordination, is such that many deaths will never be reported. On Sunday, at about 1 PM an after-shock registering 6.6 shook the country again. Significant tremors occurred again at 4.20 AM this morning, Monday.

Although the government has intensified the rescue efforts in and around Kathmandu, lack of equipment and accessibility has made the rescue operations slow. Hundreds of people are feared to be still trapped inside the rubble and debris of the collapsed buildings in the capital. Many historical buildings have been reduced to dust. Reports received so far suggest that many villages perched on mountainsides are devastated or struggling to cope.

The earthquake has spread horror from Kathmandu to small villages and to the slopes of Mount Everest, triggering an avalanche that buried part of the base camp packed with foreign climbers preparing to make their summit attempts. At least 18 people died there and 61 were injured.

In the capital, the government has announced free treatment to the victims. But the hospitals are overcrowded and many are not in a position to offer treatment. The people are still in shock as the aftershocks continue. Most of the people are staying out in the open places as they fear to go back to their partially damaged houses.

The main highways in and out of Kathmandu are blocked due to the landslides caused by the earthquake. This has hindered rescue teams that tried to use mountain trails to reach those in need.

At the moment the help is being rendered rather in a random manner than organized. The local communities and all those who are not affected by the quake are involved in rescue operations. Many roads are blocked and so it is hard to reach by road in many places. We hope to reach out to some more villages where relief work has not been done so far. For this we count on your help and prayers.

The media has broadcast dramatic images of the massive destruction to the Kathmandu Valley's temples and religious monuments. It is true that a number of historic sites have been reduced to piles of rubble, along with many of the city's traditional brick and tile homes. A large neighborhood near the Swayambhunath stupa has been wiped out, and the bridge connecting them to the city center has collapsed.

The damage to more recently-built reinforced concrete structures, though less obvious, is also significant. Consequently, many people are terrified of sleeping in their homes and have erected tents and make-shift shelters in open areas for the past two nights. Throughout the night one can see people simply walking the streets, or huddled under blankets by the side of the road, for lack of shelter. Unseasonal rain has sent night-time temperatures plummeting, adding to the misery of those displaced.

Much media attention has been given to the avalanches at Everest base camp because well-equipped foreigners are able to send news via social media; but it is the rural poor in districts around the epicenter who are suffering more profoundly. The destruction of homes in outlying villages has been even more catastrophic than those places appearing in the news.

Schools were declared closed for five days; and most shops, businesses and offices have not re-opened. It is unclear how badly the food supply chain to Kathmandu has been disrupted. Prices for vegetable and staples have already sky-rocketed. Phone service and electricity in the heart of Kathmandu Valley have gradually become more available, after a complete cutoff on Saturday. The service is very intermittent.. Fortunately, the 3G / broadband intermet in the capital area has remained open since the quake, allowing some communication to the outside world via the intermet.

One great concern now is water supply and food. As stored food and water supplies diminish, suffering will increase. In addition to providing medical care to those who were severely injured, medical teams are concerned about the possible outbreak of diseases, especially cholera, because of damage to the water supply system.

Kathmandu's small airport is strained to the limit as planes carrying emergency supplies and relief workers arrive. Meanwhile many commercial flights continue to operate in order to evacuate large numbers of tourists and trekkers. Local and international search-and-rescue teams continue to dig through the remains of collapsed houses, both here in Kathmandu, and in rural areas, hoping to find survivors before the ominous 72-hour mark passes. At this writing, they have less than 20 hours before that deadline.

Once the immediate rescue operations are completed, and emergency first aid is provided for the most seriously-injured, major recovery efforts will continue for those who have been made homeless, been disabled, or lost their livestock and other means of livelihood. It is critical that those in heavily affected villages, and not subject to the media spotlight, be helped.

The Jesuits of Nepal, along with other religious communities and the Vicariate of Nepal, are fortunate in that we suffered no loss of life or serious injury. There has been some damage to buildings at our institutions. When the risk of after-shocks has passed we will assess the situation more closely, in order to assure the safety of those we teach and serve.

St. Xavier's schools, college and St. Mary's school and Assumption Church have opened its compound for anyone who wants shelter. Caritas Nepal is making assessment in various districts to make response.

The highest number of casualty has been reported from Central Development Region with the toll reaching 2,797. According to National Emergency Operation Centre (NEOC), 1,448 people have been killed in Kathmandu Valley— 1,039 in Kathmandu, 250 in Bhaktapur and 159 in Lalitpur. Similarly, 258 deaths have been reported from Western Region, 51 from Eastern Region and two from Mid-Western Region.

The bodies of 3,982 victims have been handed over to their relatives while police is working to trace the relatives of unclaimed bodies.

Although the victims, mainly from the severely affected districts like Sindhupalchok, Rasuwa, Dolakha, Ramechhap, Nuwakot,Okhaldhunga,Gorkha and Dhading have claimed of delay in rescue and relief, the government has claimed that 5,300 people have received health care in the past three days while around 1,000 victims are undergoing treatment in different hospitals. have selected/identified five districts (Lalitpur, Sindhupulchowk, Kavre, Dhading, and Gorkha. We still need do some assessment and identify the villages most affected.

We will need to order the materials such as tents, mats, and food items. Definitely, we need financial help and we want to accompany the victims till the rehabilitation phase.

We have been coordinating and networking with various agencies and religious groups as well. We have enough volunteers for the next few days. We hope to begin the rehabilitation plans after doing some assessment.

We could not open a bank account because all the banks are closed. As per the information, the banks will open tomorrow.

We still need to organize ourselves to carry out the relief work more efficiently and effectively. We hope to update everyday about the progress of the relief operation.

The prayerful support, and material assistance of the wider church, and of the general public, will be of enormous help to us as we provide aid to those in immediate and in dire need, and begin to help Nepal recover from the devastating impact of the earthquake.

Thanking you for your continued support and prayers for the earthquake victims.

Yours truly, Fr. Silas Bogati Vicar General Apostolic Vicariate of Nepal

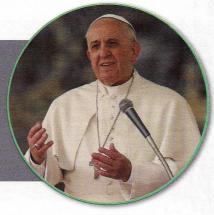
People living in the Tent.



FAITH WORSHIP WITNESS

"The digital world can be an environment rich in humanity a network not of wires but of people." —Pope Francis,

Message for the 48th World Communications Day



Digital media has become a part of our daily experience. We read news articles online, connect with friends on Facebook, and discuss current events on Twitter. Our lives are constantly shaped by communication through the Internet, radio, and print. However, Pope Francis has reminded us that "communication is ultimately a human rather than technological achievement." Through the Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC), we can "encounter others in the light of the Gospel" (Message for the 48th World Communications Day).

Married couples around the world face tremendous challenges and stand in great need of both encouragement and practical resources. The USCCB-sponsored website For Your Marriage (www.foryourmarriage.org) provides advice and witness stories to help couples at every stage of their journey, from dating to marriage and parenting. For National Marriage Week in February 2014, the website offered a seven-day virtual marriage retreat as a way for couples to enrich their marriage. Over 9,000 people visited the retreat page during the week, and each day close to 7,000 people visited For Your Marriage's homepage.

During the retreat, several couples who were separated due to military assignments overseas expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to deepen their relationship.

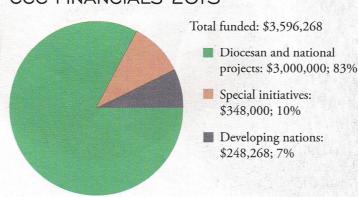
Thanks to funding from the CCC, the For Your Marriage website welcomes over 5,500 visitors every day. Because of the generosity of parishioners like you, couples will continue to receive the information and tools they need to strengthen their marriage and grow together in holiness.

The CCC allows us to share our experience of faith, worship, and witness with the world. Your generosity to this collection is a direct act of witness in itself, as you facilitate the communication of the gospel message. And remember, half of your donation stays in your (arch)diocese to support local communications projects.

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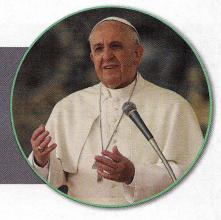


FE VENERACIÓN TESTIMONIO

La red digital puede ser un lugar rico en humanidad: no una red de cables, sino de personas humanas.

—Papa Francisco, Mensaje para la 48a Jornada

Mundial de las Comunicaciones Sociales



Los medios digitales se han convertido en parte de nuestra experiencia cotidiana. Leemos nuevos artículos en línea, nos conectamos con nuestros amigos por Facebook y discutimos temas de actualidad en Twitter. Nuestra vida está constantemente moldeada por la comunicación a través de la Internet, la radio y la prensa escrita. Sin embargo, el papa Francisco nos recuerda que "la comunicación es, en definitiva, una conquista más humana que tecnológica". A través de la Campaña Católica de la Comunicación (CCC) podemos "encontrar una persona según el Evangelio" (Mensaje para la 48a Jornada Mundial de las Comunicaciones Sociales).

Las parejas casadas en todo el mundo enfrentan tremendos desafíos y tienen una gran necesidad tanto de estímulo como de recursos prácticos. El sitio web auspiciado por la USCCB Por Tu Matrimonio (www.portumatrimonio.org) brinda consejos así como también testimonios para ayudar a las parejas en cada etapa de su camino, desde el noviazgo hasta el matrimonio y la crianza de los hijos. Para la Semana Nacional del Matrimonio, celebrada en febrero del 2014, el sitio web ofreció un retiro virtual de siete días acerca del matrimonio con el fin de que las parejas

enriquezcan su matrimonio. A lo largo de la semana, más de 9,000 personas visitaron la página del retiro y diariamente, cerca de 7,000 personas visitaron la página principal de Por Tu Matrimonio. A lo largo del retiro, varias parejas que se encontraban separadas cumpliendo con sus labores militares en el exterior, expresaron su gratitud por la oportunidad que se les daba para profundizar su relación.

Gracias a los fondos otorgados por la CCC, el sitio web Por Tu Matrimonio recibe diariamente más de 5,500 visitantes y gracias a la generosidad de feligreses como usted, las parejas continuarán recibiendo la información y las herramientas que ellas necesitan para fortalecer su matrimonio y crecer juntas en santidad.

La CCC permite que compartamos nuestra experiencia de fe, veneración y testimonio con el mundo. Su generosidad hacia esta colecta es, en sí, un acto directo de testimonio ya que usted facilita así la comunicación del mensaje del evangelio. Y recuerde que la mitad de sus donaciones permanece en su (arqui)diócesis para financiar proyectos locales de comunicación.

Por favor, visite *www.usccb.org* (busque "Catholic Communication Campaign") para que se informe más sobre la manera en que la Colecta de la CCC apoya nuestro cometido para comunicar la luz de Cristo.

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