

CLERGY NEWS

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ILLNESSES

Please keep all our frail, elderly and infirm priests in your prayers.

2010 DATES FOR PRIESTS TO RESERVE

1. The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston **Convocation of Priests** is scheduled for May 10-13, 2010 at the Moody Gardens Hotel, Galveston. Registration material will be mailed at the beginning of Lent.
2. **Transitional Diaconate ordinations** are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 15, 2010, at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.
3. **Priesthood Ordinations** are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 10, 2010, at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.

RETIRED PRIESTS

Please remember the retired priests who reside at the Pope John XXIII Priest Retirement Residence, Maloney Hall and the retirement houses of the religious order priests. These men would benefit greatly from the prayers and periodic visits of their brother priests.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In case of emergency, Msgr. Sheltz can be reached at the following numbers:
713-686-6844 x 252 (home) or
713-501-2166 (cell).

CONVOCATION UPDATE

All priests, both diocesan and religious, are encouraged and expected to attend the Ministry to Priests Days May 10-13 at Moody Gardens Hotel and Convention Center in Galveston. In this Year for Priests the convocation focuses on the powerful spiritual leadership of a unified presbyterate. Fr. Ron Knott of the Archdiocese of Louisville and the founding director of the St. Meinrad School of Theology's Institute for Priests and Presbyterates will be our presenter.

Registration materials have been sent to all priests in the archdiocese. If you have not yet received a mailing, please contact Mary Blanton at 281-290-4627. Deadline for registering is April 16. We've held the cost of registration once again at \$275. Hotel registration is separate and can be made directly with Moody Gardens at 888-388-8484. Remember that priests can use their annual Continuing Education budget or the Account Reimbursable Plan to cover registration and hotel costs. Additionally, scholarships are available for all retired priests to attend or for those priests in special need. Please contact the Office of the Chancellor for more information on scholarship assistance.

Please plan on joining your brother priests for this week of prayer, learning and fellowship amidst the relaxing setting of Moody Gardens on Galveston Island where the Church of Texas was first formed. For more information on the convocation, contact Fr. Norbert Maduzia (281-370-3401) or Fr. Sean Horrigan (281-469-5533).

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

1. The second collection at all Masses on the weekend of April 24-25, 2010, is for Home Missions.
2. The second collection at all Masses on the weekend of May 15-16, 2010, is for the Catholic Communications Collection.

Please promote these collections in your parish.

NECROLOGY

Please pray for the following priests whose anniversaries of death are during the month of May.

May 1, 2008	Rev. Albert Moraczewski, OP
May 2, 2009	Rev. Royce Hughes
May 3, 1984	Rev. Wm. Peter Elder, OP
May 3, 1985	Rev. John F. Kiernan, SSJ
May 3, 1993	Rev. Ignatius Gutmann
May 4, 1977	Rev. Maurice Dho
May 5, 1897	Rev. Antoine Faure
May 5, 1972	Rev. Thomas H. Dailey, OP
May 5, 1991	Rev. Lawrence Fanning, OMI
May 5, 2002	Msgr. James A. Jamail
May 5, 2008	Rev. William H. Brenda, OP
May 6, 1946	Rev. Michael I Hurley
May 7, 1974	Msgr. John A. Cummings
May 7, 1981	Rev. Leo Joseph Munelly, CSB
May 7, 2004	Rev. Sylvester Heppner, OFM
May 8, 1996	Rev. Walter H. Principe, CSB
May 9, 1965	Rev. Florencio Andres, OMI
May 9, 1974	Msgr. Victor A. DiPrimeo
May 9, 2003	Rev. Anton Sheltz
May 11, 1928	Rev. Theodore Buffard
May 11, 1969	Rev. Anthony A. Keil, SSJ
May 11, 2003	Rev. David Burns
May 14, 1884	Rev. Victor de Lisicki
May 15, 1962	Rev. Edward A. Sheffield
May 15, 1996	Rev. Jose Barandiaran, SSS
May 16, 1986	Rev. James O'Connell, CSsR
May 21, 1895	Bishop Claude M. Dubuis
May 22, 1944	Rev. Innocent Raska
May 24, 1962	Rev. Joseph P. Sullivan
May 25, 1870	Bishop Jean M. Odin, CM
May 27, 1929	Rev. Matthew McSorley
May 28, 1934	Rev. Benedict C. Pfiffner
May 28, 1990	Rev. Rudolph G. Beranek
May 29, 1958	Rev. Authur J. Flannagan, SSJ
May 29, 2009	Rev. Joseph Luc Van Do, OP

DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS

The Discalced Carmelite Nuns are a cloistered community in New Caney, Texas, and have long been a part of the Religious Communities in the Archdiocese. One of the ways they generate revenue to sustain themselves is through the distribution of communion hosts. I encourage you to consider supporting these nuns who have dedicated their lives to prayer and contemplation. They can be reached at 281-399-0270 or by fax at 281-689-3615.

SUMMER REPLACEMENT PRIEST - PLAN EARLY

If you plan a vacation from June to late August, please begin now to look for priests to cover your Masses.

Though priests are responsible for finding their own replacements, if the visiting priest is without faculties in this Archdiocese, he must be approved for ministry from the Chancellor. The visiting priest must provide a recent letter from his bishop or religious superior stating that he is a priest in good standing and has permission to be in the Archdiocese.

RANDOM IRS AUDITS

The IRS is conducting random audits of IRS Forms 941 "Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return" for the next three years. These 6,000 audits are part of the National Research Program (NRP) audits. Employers selected will receive an intensive audit of payroll taxes, employee classification, fringe benefits, backup withholding and IRS Forms 1099. All IRS issues are to be referred to the Office of the Internal Auditor (Fax: 713-654-5792, or email: cgoneau@archgh.org). More information can be found at <http://www.archgh.org/ParishForms/download.asp>. The user name is Parish_Administrator and the password is adminforms.

CONDOLENCES

Condolences to Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza on the death of his brother, Vincent Charles "Charley" Fiorenza, who passed away on Wednesday, March 24 in Temple, Texas. He was 75 years old. The funeral services were held at St. Anthony Cathedral in Beaumont on Saturday, March 27. Burial was in Salado Cemetery, Salado, Texas. Please remember Mr. Fiorenza and his family in your prayers.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Parishes are encouraged to have a separate program for adult Catholics seeking to be confirmed. The Adult confirmations will be on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2010. Priests do not have the faculty to confirm an adult unless they are being received into the church (by baptism or profession of faith) at the same ceremony. **A list of parishes offering classes is published in the Texas Catholic Herald, the Chancery Advisory and on the Archdiocesan Website.**

SECRETARIAT FOR PASTORAL AND EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES

The Secretariat for Pastoral and Educational Ministries is sponsoring a workshop for Parish Pastoral Councils on Saturday, April 17, 2010, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at St. Dominic Center Auditorium, 2403 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77021. The theme of the workshop is **"Parish Pastoral Council Basics"**. The workshop will cover the primary functions of a Parish Pastoral Council and the role of its members. It will outline the main responsibilities and offer resources for organizing the council. It will be presented by James Barrette, Director, Secretariat for Pastoral and Educational Ministries. Registration fee is \$45.00 per Parish, after April 9, 2010 - Registration fee is \$50.00 per parish. For more information you can go to the website at http://www.archgh.org/pastoral_pishpastoralcouncils.htm or call Jim Barrette or Gloria Manint at 713-741-8785.

MINISTRY TO PRIESTS

For all priest-mentors, both the ones who are currently in a mentoring relationship and those who are not, and to all priests ordained for the Archdiocese in the years 2006, 07, 08, 09, 10 and the transitional deacon class of 2010:

The Early Mentoring Overnight session will be held on August 18-19, 2010, at Holy Name Retreat Center. Please place this date on your calendar. Further information will follow by letter.

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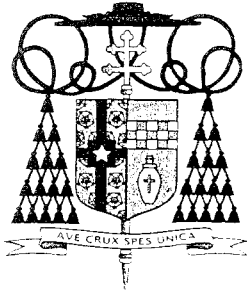
The Office of Ministry to Priests would like all priests to mark their calendar with the dates of the 2011 Priests' Retreats.

January 10-14, Holy Name Retreat Center,
Bishop David Ricken (Green Bay, WI)
January 17-21, Christian Renewal Center,
Father Donald Nesti, C.S.Sp.
February 7-12, Holy Name Retreat Center,
Bishop Samuel J. Aquila (Fargo, ND)

NOTICES

1. The Diocese of Tyler advises of its concerns regarding Fr. Robert "Bob" Poandl, a Glenmary priest who served in the diocese from 1993-1999. Fr. Poandl was indicted in West Virginia in January on 3 counts of sexual assault/abuse of a minor dating from 1991. For more information, please contact the Bishop's office, Diocese of Tyler, 903-534-1077.

2. St. Edward, Spring, St. Martha, Kingwood, St. Mary Magdalene, Humble and St. Anthony of Padua, The Woodlancs, have reported that a group of people have been coming onto their properties to beg for help. Each parish has offered to help them with food and other necessities but they continue to solicit funds in the parishes' parking lots. Several of the parishes' security officers have requested that they leave the property but they continue to return week after week. Only when the Security officers threaten to have them arrested do they stop coming. Please contact the Chancellor's office if you are experiencing similar problems.



Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Office of the Cardinal

April 1, 2010

To: All Pastors

My brother priest:

The 2010 **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** is scheduled for the weekend of April 24-25. Catholic Home Missions is committed to providing poorer dioceses in the United States with the support they need to sustain essential pastoral care. Over the years, the Appeal has supported religious education, evangelization, youth ministry, seminarian education, and ministry training in mission dioceses in Alaska, Appalachia, the Southwest – all across the United States – as well as in Puerto Rico and U.S. territories in the Pacific Islands.

One tangible way to strengthen the Church is through vibrant youth ministry programs in dioceses and parishes. Through youth ministry, young Catholics are evangelized, catechized, trained in leadership roles, and encouraged for religious vocations. The young faithful energize the Church and provide a unique vision for the future. Without the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, this essential ministry would not be possible in many mission dioceses in the United States.

Please encourage your parishioners to give generously to the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As we continue to recover from the economic downturn, it is important to remember our Catholic brothers and sisters in the United States whose dioceses are financially fragile even in the best of times. The Church in the United States needs our support. Together we can **strengthen the Church at home**.

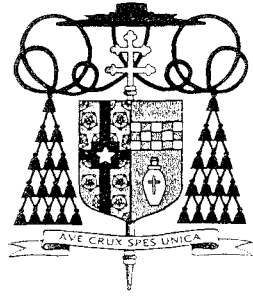
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The Catholic Communications Campaign has been the Church's voice in the media: educating, entertaining, inspiring, and informing the public about Gospel values. This effort remains one of the most important in the Church, because CCC keeps us connected to our faith – no matter where we are – through all the communications media we use every day.

The CCC provides faith-centered television and radio programming, Catholic news, helpful marriage and family resources, audio versions of the daily Scripture readings and so much more. These projects, delivered in a wide variety of ways, aim to connect everyone to the faith, the Church and God's Word.

This year's collection is scheduled for the weekend of May 15-16, 2010. Remember that our archdiocese keeps half of all proceeds from this collection to fund local communication projects.

Please encourage your parishioners to generously support this Collection which will insure the continued availability of media resources that promote Gospel values and foster the pastoral teachings of the Catholic Church. Invite your parishioners to visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections to explore the materials available to them.

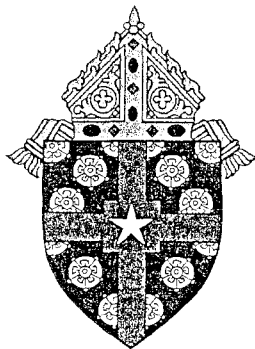
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Office of the Internal

William J. Prime

From: Office of the Internal Auditor
To: Pastors, Administrators, Bookkeepers and Volunteers

Subject: Festival and Bazaar Presentation

We have scheduled a three hour presentation for Thursday, April 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for those interested (including volunteers) in learning about the laws, procedures and best practices for fundraising activities such as raffles, festivals and bazaars. This presentation will be conducted at the Catholic Charismatic Center by the Archdiocesan Office of the Internal Auditor and the Risk Management Department. Please RSVP by April 16th to Carmel at 713-652-4472 by phone, 713-654-5792 by fax or cgoneau@archgh.org by email.

RSVP

Name of Parish _____ City _____

Name of School _____ City _____

Name of Person Responding _____ Title _____

Attending: Yes ___ No ___ Number of People Attending _____

Today's Date _____

**Retirement Fund for Religious
As of March 25, 2010**

#	Parish	2010	#	Parish	2010
7001	St John-Alvin	2,427.00	7370	St Albert	731.75
7007	St Stanislaus-Anderson	339.00	7377	St Alphonsus	1,236.35
7013	Holy Trinity -Angleton	1,999.60	7384	St Ambrose	1,096.50
7025	St Martin-Barrett Station	470.45	7391	St Andrew Kim	908.00
7031	O L Guadalupe-Baytown	-	7398	St Anne	13,677.00
7033	St John-Baytown	1,993.00	7405	St Anne de Beaupre	279.00
7037	St Joseph-Baytown	921.00	7412	St Augustine	1,773.60
7043	St Wenceslaus-Beasley	677.00	7419	St Benedict	1,007.00
7049	Sts Peter/Paul-Bellville	1,284.04	7426	St Bernadette	12,605.25
7055	St Joseph-Brazoria	485.35	7433	St Catherine	2,092.00
7067	St Andrew-Channelview	3,000.09	7440	St Cecilia	10,622.07
7073	St Jerome-Clute	618.00	7447	St Charles	4,202.19
7079	Sacred Heart-Conroe	10,226.61	7454	St Christopher	1,860.00
7085	Sacred Heart-Crosby	1,342.00	7461	St Clare	3,907.31
7091	Sts Cyril/Methodius-Damon	298.00	7468	St Cyril	4,788.00
7097	St Anthony-Danbury	1,072.00	7475	St Dominic	1,275.77
7103	St Hyacinth-Deer Park	1,607.00	7482	St Elizabeth	9,432.00
7109	Shrine/True Cross-Dickinson	3,148.30	7489	St Frances Cabrini	2,748.36
7125	St Mary Star/Sea-Freeport	1,356.91	7496	St Francis de Sales	5,959.58
7131	Mary, Queen-Friendswood	9,049.69	7503	St Francis Assisi	453.38
7137	St Mary-Frydek/Sealy	906.00	7510	St Francis Xavier	1,845.94
7143	O L Fatima-Galena Park	935.69	7517	St Gregory	503.00
7149	Holy Family	7,244.82	7524	St Jerome	5,055.00
7183	St. Katharine Drexel-Hempstead	942.20	7531	St John Neumann	3,038.42
7193	St Jude-Highlands	642.00	7537	St John Vianney	13,697.00
7199	O L Lourdes-Hitchcock	5,842.75	7543	St Joseph	1,169.00
7201	All Saints	2,734.00	7549	St Justin	3,808.35
7207	Annunciation	3,925.21	7555	St Leo	2,656.00
7213	Ascension Chinese	984.00	7561	St Luke	1,318.00
7219	Assumption	-	7567	St Mark	1,463.07
7225	Blessed Sacrament	1,133.15	7573	St Mary	759.00
7230	Christ/Incarnate Word	635.00	7579	St Matthew	1,332.63
7231	Christ the King	1,887.00	7585	St Maximilian	2,289.34
7237	Christ the Redeemer	8,672.86	7591	St Michael	15,067.18
7243	Corpus Christi	4,326.64	7597	St Monica	707.27
7249	Holy Ghost	4,059.18	7603	St Nicholas	181.00
7255	Holy Name	716.00	7609	St Patrick	895.10
7261	Holy Rosary	7,951.35	7615	St Paul	5,086.75
7267	Imm. Conception	974.39	7621	St Peter Claver	300.00
7273	Imm. Heart of Mary	1,700.00	7627	St Peter Apostle	712.00
7285	Notre Dame	2,732.24	7634	St Philip Neri	547.87
7291	O L Czestochowa	216.00	7641	St Philip Jesus	1,313.00
7297	O L Guadalupe	910.00	7648	St Raphael	738.44
7303	O L Lavang	1,223.00	7655	St Rose of Lima	2,283.00
7306	O L Lourdes	1,180.00	7662	St Stephen	562.00
7309	O L Mt Carmel	2,068.00	7669	St Theresa	5,675.02
7315	O L Sorrows	310.00	7676	St Thomas More	11,271.00
7321	O L St John	2,008.76	7683	St Vincent de Paul	35,230.71
7327	O L Walsingham	782.00	7690	Vietnamese Martyrs	2,123.00
7333	O L Star of the Sea	-	7696	St Philip-Huffman	3,157.50
7339	O M of Mercy	1,608.00	7701	St Mary-Humble	6,955.00
7345	Prince of Peace	7,740.00	7707	St Thomas-Huntsville	1,280.00
7351	Queen of Peace	2,015.00	7713	Imm. Conception-Industry	718.00
7357	Resurrection	915.00	7723	Epiphany of the Lord-Katy	17,797.98
7363	Sacred Heart Co-Cath	3,930.00	7727	St Bartholomew-Katy	5,174.25

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7729	St Edith Stein-Katy	2,636.25
7733	St Martha-Kingwood	14,099.25
7739	Queen of Peace-La Marque	1,300.70
7745	St Mary-La Porte	1,684.00
7751	St Michael-Lake Jackson	2,169.00
7757	St Mary-League City	7,268.19
7769	St Matthias-Magnolia	2,532.85
7775	Sacred Heart/Jesus-Manvel	3,315.37
7781	Holy Family-Mc Nair	755.00
7787	Holy Family-Missouri City	2,700.45
7789	St. Angela Merici	3,113.00
7793	Christ Our Light-Navasota	408.28
7805	St Michael-Needville	735.75
7811	St John-New Caney	505.00
7817	St Joseph-New Waverly	1,247.58
7823	St. Juan Diego-Pasadena	1,277.00
7829	St Pius V-Pasadena	718.00
7831	Sacred Heart-Pattison	781.87
7835	St Helen-Pearland	7,561.00
7841	St Mary-Plantersville	3,170.26
7847	St Stephen-Point Blank	461.00
7865	Sacred Heart-Richmond	7,291.00
7869	St John-Richmond	817.19
7873	Holy Rosary-Rosenberg	5,584.37
7879	O L Guadalupe-Rosenberg	506.66
7885	Imm Conception-Sealy	1,359.00
7891	O L Grace-South Houston	
7901	Chr/Good Shepherd-Spring	5,324.00
7906	St Edward-Spring	7,230.46
7911	St Ignatius-Spring	9,285.52
7916	St James-Spring	1,227.28
7925	St Joseph-Stoneham	830.00
7931	St Laurence-Sugarland	18,405.78
7937	St Theresa-Sugarland	7,803.99
7946	St Thomas-Sugarland	3,511.00
7951	O L Perpetual Help-Sweeny	599.62
7957	St Mary-Texas City	-
7963	St Anne-Tomball	2,951.50
7969	Guardian Angel-Wallis	1,038.00
7975	St John the Apostle-W Columbia	277.00
7979	St Anthony-The Woodlands	16,647.84
7981	Sts Simon/Jude-The Woodlands	6,516.00
0000	Other	
	TOTAL	519,177.22