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“The Spirit of the Lord
is upon me”

Luke 4:18



Jamie Acevedo, Father Dan Doyle, Father John Fink and Father Bob Richardson. Steve Swenson from the Alleluia Community in Augusta, Georgia will be our Master of Ceremonies and we will be blessed by the Alleluia Music Ministry leading us in praise and worship throughout the weekend.

Please remember to pray daily for the success of the Conference, for the speakers and all the workers and for good weather.

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PRAISE THE LORD!

Time is passing quickly and before we realize it the Conference will be upon us. Make your plans early for our 28th annual Catholic Charismatic Conference which will take place at the Hilton Fort Lauderdale Airport Hotel on September 19, 20, & 21, 2008. The hotel rate is \$115.44 per night which includes 11% tax for all rooms, single, double and quadruple. Be sure to call by August 28th to guarantee this room rate. Again we encourage all who can to stay at the hotel. This will help the financial burden of this office.

Bring your family, friends and loved ones who are in need of a healing touch. The Conference is a very special gift to all of us and a time when the Lord pours out His healing love and mercy upon His people.

We will be blessed with several guest speakers. Archbishop John C. Favalora will celebrate the 11 AM mass on Sunday. Bishop Felipe Estevez will open the Conference on Friday evening. Father Anthony Ozele, a priest from the Diocese of Warri in Delta State, Nigeria will be our guest speaker for the weekend. Other guests will include Father

IN LOVING MEMORY

Recently the Lord called home three members of the Catholic Charismatic Community.

Father Raymond Middendorf, SM
January 7, 1929 – April 8, 2008

Jean M. Baldwin
February 27, 1935- February 6, 2008

Jeanne A. Mendes
May 25, 1938- March 17, 2008

Fear of the Lord warms the heart, giving gladness and joy and length of days. He who fears the Lord will have a happy end: Even on the day of his death he will be blessed.

Sirach 1:10-11

Each one of these loved ones will be greatly missed. We remember them as true servants of the Lord who were shining examples of His unconditional love. They will not hunger or thirst anymore. For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them. Rev 7:15

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT By Fr. George De Prizio. C.C.S.

To know Jesus, to enter into His life and experience the living reality of Him in your own life, you must learn more about the one Jesus speaks about and desire His coming— the Holy Spirit. So now let's talk about the Holy Spirit.

You say—"Oh, I don't know about that. Isn't Jesus enough?"

Oh, yes if I have Jesus, I have enough and more than enough. But how do I have Jesus? How do I get to know Him? I mean really know him—not just know about Him. Knowing about Him is one thing—truly knowing Him is another. You can know about a good many people—without knowing them directly, intimately, personally. You know about Shakespeare—Napoleon or the President. But do you know them personally? We are speaking about a person-to-person relationship.

So many people have read about Jesus in the Bible.

They have heard many sermons preached about Him. They have not come into His life in a way that just changed everything. Knowing Him is an experience that is hard to describe. At prayer meetings you will sometimes hear people sing a hymn that says: "Oh, He walks with me—He talks with me"... This is a way to try to express the person-to-person relationship we mentioned. It's a way of trying to say: "I know Him."

I hear you saying, "Is that really possible? Or is it just an emotional feeling?"

It's possible, you have to find it out for yourself. "How?"

That's where the Holy Spirit comes in. It's through the Holy Spirit that we really get to know Him. Now I'll ask you a question. What do you know about the Holy Spirit?

You say—"Oh, not much really. I heard about Him way back in school Bible class. I heard Him called the Holy Ghost. It didn't mean much to me."

Well, it doesn't matter. Call Him Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit... what matters is the reality. What matters is to know what Jesus said about Him—about the one we call the third person of the Trinity. Jesus made it clear that there is a Holy Spirit—equal to Himself and the Father. He told us who the Holy Spirit is—what He does and just how He works in our lives.

At this point, you might say—"well, I never thought of Him in that way. I always thought of the Holy Spirit as someone or even something very mysterious—not having much to do with me at all."

Yes, we miss so much when we don't recognize who

the Holy Spirit is—what He wants to give us. And no one can tell us who He is and what He does for us except Jesus Christ Himself. It's all a great mystery—all of God is in some way a mystery—we can never quite explain God the way we explain human things. But Jesus opened the door into this mystery. Through His words we know who the Spirit is—what He wants to do for you and me.

Let's explore the Word of the gospel a bit. Let's see what we find about the Holy Spirit. If you have a copy of the New Testament at hand, open it to the Gospel of John. In the first chapter read beginning with the 29th verse through the 34th verse. Read this several times—and read it aloud—so that you not only see the Word of God but hear it.

What does this mean to you? Let's share this together. It's John the Baptist who sees Jesus coming toward Him. He points to Jesus as the Lamb of God. You see, John is given a beautiful light by God. He sees Jesus as the one who will be offered in sacrifice for us. His blood will be poured out for us. As the lamb used to be slaughtered and offered as a sacrifice to God, so Jesus comes as the New Lamb to shed His blood for us.

Come, Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

ATTENTION

Because of the increased cost of printing and postage, we regret to have to tell you that this office will now have to ask for a minimum of **\$5.00 per year** to cover the cost of your "Paraclete" newsletter. For those of you who already send contributions specifically for the "Paraclete", we sincerely thank you. For those of you who have not, we ask you to prayerfully consider sending in your donation. We firmly believe that this Newsletter should continue to proclaim the truth of the Gospel and provide you with information concerning upcoming events.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Every Monday - **Healing through the Word**

7:30 PM - St. Louis Church - Maria Vadia
Hospitality Room A

Fourth Monday - **Mass and Healing Prayer**

7:30 PM - St. Bernard Church
Celebrant - Rev. Robert Richardson

First Tuesday - **Mass and Healing Prayer**

8:00 PM - Nativity Church – Hollywood

First Tuesday - **Mass and Healing Prayer**

7:00 PM - St. Mary Star of the Sea-Key West

First Thursday - **Mass and Healing Prayer**

8:00 PM – Nativity Church Indian Community

First Friday – **Mass and Healing Prayer**

8:00 PM – Nativity Church Shrine
Filipino Community

July 17 – **Mass and Healing Prayer**

7:00 PM – Rosary 6:30 PM
St Maurice Chapel
Celebrant – Fr. Bill Muniz

September 18 – **Mass and Healing Prayer**

7:00 PM – Rosary 6:30 PM
St Maurice Chapel
Celebrant – Fr. Andrew Chan A Sue

September 19, 20 & 21 – **28th Annual Catholic
Charismatic Conference**

Hilton Fort Lauderdale Airport Hotel
1870 Griffin Rd, Dania Beach, Florida

SCRIPTURE READINGS

July

1. Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27
2. Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Mt 8:28-34
3. Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29
4. Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Mt 9:9-13
5. Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17
6. Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30
7. Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26
8. Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38
9. Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7
10. Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Mt 10:7-15
11. Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23
12. Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33
13. Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23
14. Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34-11:1
15. Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24
16. Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27
17. Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30
18. Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8
19. Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21
20. Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43
21. Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42
22. Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
23. Jer 1:1, 4-10; Mt 13:1-9
24. Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17
25. 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
26. Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30
27. 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52
28. Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35
29. Jer 14:17-22; Jn 11:19-27
30. Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-66
31. Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53

August

1. Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58
2. Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12
3. Is 55:1-3; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21
4. Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:22-36
5. Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36
6. Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
7. Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
8. Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28
9. Hb 1:12-2:4; Mt 17:14-20
10. 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33
11. Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27
12. Ez 2:8-3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
13. Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20
14. Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1
15. Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
16. Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15
17. Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28
18. Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22
19. Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
20. Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16
21. Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14
22. Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40
23. Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12
24. Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
25. 2 Th 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22
26. 2 Th 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26
27. 2 Th 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32
28. 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
29. 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mk 6:17-29
30. 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30