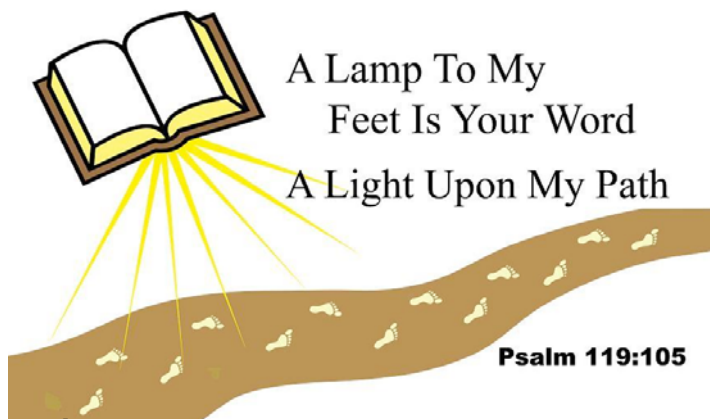


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Psalm 119:105

Praise the Lord!

Now is the time to make your final plans for our 27th Catholic Charismatic Conference which will take place on October 12, 13, 14, 2007, at the Hilton Fort Lauderdale Airport Hotel, 1870 Griffin Road, Dania Beach, Florida. The hotel is giving us a rate of \$104.34 per night, which includes 11% tax, for a single or double occupancy room. For a triple or quadruple room, the cost is \$120.99, including 11% tax. You must call the hotel, (954) 920-3300, to make reservations. This discount price will be in effect until September 20th. It helps this office a great deal if you make your reservations early. We encourage those who possibly can to stay at the hotel. This will help ease the financial burden of this office. Catholic Charismatic Services is responsible for filling a quota of 160 rooms. On page three, you will find a registration form for the Conference.

Bring your family, friends, and loved ones who need a healing touch from the Lord and invite those who don't know Him to come. The Conference is a very special gift to all of us, and it is a time when the Lord pours out His healing love and mercy upon His people.

Archbishop John C. Favalora will be with us for the 11:00 AM mass on Sunday. Bishop Felipe Estevez will open the Conference on Saturday evening at 7:00 PM. Chuck and Peggy Hornsby will be the main speakers. They are from the Alleluia Community in Augusta, Georgia. The music ministry from the Alleluia community will lead us in praise and worship for the weekend. Father Daniel Doyle and Father John Fink will also be speaking.

Please pray daily for the success of the Conference, for the speakers and workers and that the Lord will bless us with good weather.

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PRAYING AS THE SONS OF GOD

by Rev. Tom Forrest, CSsR

In the Scriptures, Jesus tells us how to pray for the things we need. "Ask in My Name," He says. (Jn. 16:23) Some people interpret this to mean "Pronounce My name when you pray." But the meaning of Jesus' instruction goes deeper. To pray in the name of Jesus, we first must ask, "Who is Jesus?" As we read the New Testament, the answer stands out clearly: "Jesus Christ is the Son of God." And by His death on the cross and His resurrection, He makes it possible for each of us to be what He is, a Son of God. Through baptism He confers on us the title of His greatness, His glory, His power.

In the Scriptures, Jesus teaches the depth and meaning of our sonship: we are to call His Father our Father. In place of "Yahweh," the unspeakable name of God, Jesus gives us the right to pronounce God's name as "Father." In Chapters 15, 16, and 17 of John's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we are to have the same loving, intimate, and confident relationship with the Father that He has. Jesus withholds nothing from us that the Father has given Him. Jesus loves us with such a total divine affection that He gives us the ultimate gift, the gift of His own sonship with the Father.

In the Old Testament, God promises this gift of intimacy with Himself. Through prophet Hosea, He said, "I will betroth you to myself with faithfulness and you will come to know Yahweh." (Hos. 2:20) Jesus fulfilled this promise. He brought the name of God, the knowledge of God, to man – "Father, I have made Your name known," (Jn. 17:6) He says after His work was finished. It is that name – Father – which Jesus has made known.

Jesus also revealed the Father to us through His own relationship with the Father. "To have seen Me is to have seen the Father" is Jesus' mysterious reply to a disciple who asked him to reveal the Father. Jesus is not the Father, but we see the Father in Jesus' living relationship with Him. As we see Jesus confiding in Him, loving Him, receiving from Him, we can understand who the Father is. All that Jesus has belongs to the Father and all that the Father has belongs to Him. (Jn. 17:10) Because we are one with Jesus, all that the Father has belongs to us as well.

We can truly ask in Jesus' name because Jesus' name is now our name. When Jesus prayed in front of Lazarus' tomb, He said, "Father I know you always hear My prayer.

(Jn. 11:42) Every word of that sentence I can now pronounce. "Father, I know that You always hear my prayer. I am your Son."

Who is this Father to whom we pray? What is He like? He reveals Himself in His relationship with Jesus. We know He is loving because the Son loves Him. We know He is faithful, because the Son faithfully prays to Him. We know He is powerful, because the Son works miracles and overcomes evil through His power. We know He is attentive, because He is with the Son in His moments of pain and sacrifice. We know He is wise, because the words of His Son are wise. We know He is generous, because He gave the Son all that He has.

All that the Father has is ours as well. We can know this with confidence, as Jesus did when He prayed, "Father, all that I have is Yours and all that You have is mine." (Jn. 17:10)

But our prayers are not magical. To ask as sons means that we must live and act as sons. If we are rebellious and disobedient, if we do not know and love the Father, we are not acting as His sons. We are called to walk with God in the same relationship of filial love and trust that exists between the Father and the Son. As we do this, we shall experience what Paul refers to as the "freedom of the sons of God." Before we were slaves, to the world, to sin, and to our passions. Now we are sons – sons of God – with the freedom that comes with sonship.

We all need to ask to what extent we experience this freedom of sonship. "Do I know the Father? To what degree do I confide and trust in God as a son trusting in his father? To what degree have I studied, listened to, and put into practice the plain words of Jesus telling me about the Father?"

You are not living out your sonship if you do not talk to your Father each day. If you're busy making money, watching television, and reading the newspaper that you do not have the time to pray, you're failing to act in your role as a son of God. Even when Jesus was the busiest, He would go up into mountains, out into the desert, or out on the lake to pray. He made time for His Father; He knew that He needed the Father. We should imitate Jesus in this important practice of daily prayer.

It is in this context that Jesus says, "If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it" and, "The Father will give you anything you ask in My name." (Jn. 15:7, 16) If you remain one with the Son, and His teachings are realities in you, then when you ask you shall receive. These are the conditions for perfectly effective prayer. (Reprinted with permission from Charisindia, September 2004)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Every Monday - **Healing through the Word**
7:30 PM - St. Louis Church - Maria Vadia
Hospitality Room A
Healing Service
7:30 PM - Last Monday of each month
- 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
- Last Thursday - **Mass and Healing Prayer**
7:30 PM - St. Monica Church - Opa Locka
- First Friday - **Mass and Healing Prayer**
8:00 PM - Nativity Church Shrine
Filipino Community
- Forth Friday - **All Night Adoration**
St. Stephen Church - 8:00 PM
Concluding with Mass 8:00 AM-Saturday
- Sep 5 - **Mass and Prayers for Healing**
8:00 PM - Notre Dame D'Haiti Catholic Church
110 NE 62th St, Miami, FL 33138
- Sep 20 - **Mass and Prayers for Healing**
7:00 PM – St Maurice Catholic Church
Celebrant: Fr. Swanger
- Oct 3 - **Mass for the success of the Conference**
7:30 PM - St Bartholomew Catholic Church
At University Dr. and Miramar Parkway
- Oct 12, 13 & 14 - **27th Annual Catholic Charismatic Conference** - Hilton Fort Lauderdale Airport Hotel
1870 Griffin Rd, Dania Beach, Florida
- Oct 16 - **Life in the Spirit Seminar** Nativity Church –
7:30 PM every Tuesday for 7 wks.
- Oct 20 - **Magnificat Luncheon** - Miami Airport Hilton
Hotel - 5101 Blue Lagoon Dr., Miami, FL
11:30 AM – 3:00 PM – Guest Speaker: Annie Figueras
For tickets call Caridad Torres 305-599-3924

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 up-coming events.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY October 12

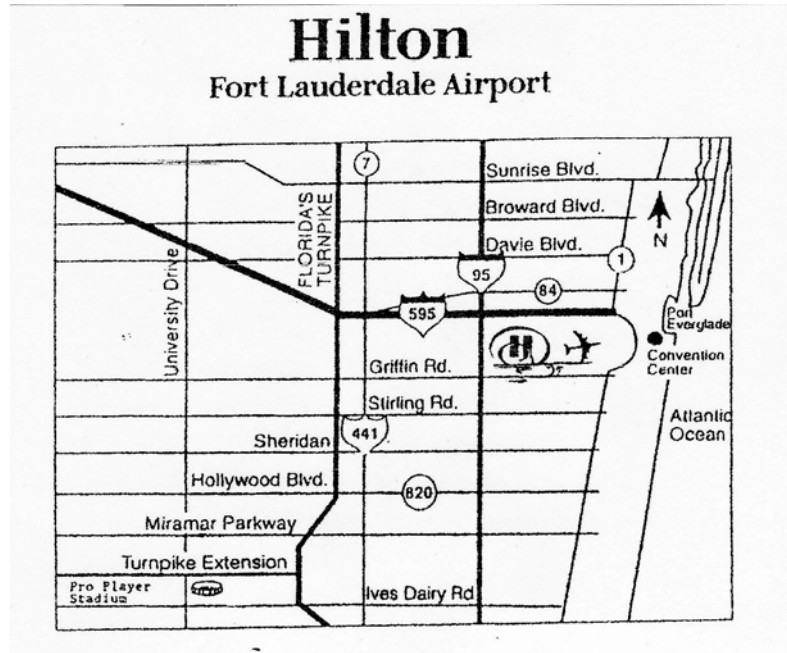
4:30 PM.....Registration
 7:00 PM.....General Session
 9:00 PM.....Chuck Hornsby

SATURDAY October 13

8:30 AM.....Registration
 9:00 AM.....General Session
 9:45 AM.....Talk-Chuck Hornsby
 11:00 AM.....Mass- Rev. John Fink
 Noon.....Lunch Break
 2:00 PM.....General Session
 3:00 PM.....Talk-Rev John Fink
 4:00 PM.....Prayer Ministry
 5:00 PM.....Dinner Break
 7:00 PMGeneral Session
 8:00 PM.....Healing Service
 . Benediction

SUNDAY October 14

9:00 AM.....General Session
 9:45 AM.....Rev. Dan Doyle
 11:00 AM.....Mass-Archbishop
 Noon.....Conference Ends



SCRIPTURE READINGS

September

1. 1 Thes 4:9-11 Mt 25:14-30
2. Sir 3:17-18,20,28-29 Heb 12:18-19,22-24a
Lk 14:1,7-14
3. 1 Thes 4:13-18 Lk 4:16-30
4. 1 Thes 5:1-6,9-11 Lk 4:31-37
5. Col 1:1-8 Lk 4:38-44
6. Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11
7. Col 1:15-20 Lk 5:33-39
8. Mic 5:1-4a Mt 1:1-16,18-23
9. Wis 9:13-18b Phlm 9-10,12-17 Lk 14:25-33
10. Col 1:24—2:3 Lk 6:6-11
11. Col 2:6-15 Lk 6:12-19
12. Col 3:1-11 Lk 6:20-26
13. Col 3:12-17 Lk 6:27-38
14. Nm 21:4b-9 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
15. 1 Tm 1:15-17 Jn 19:25-27
16. Ex 32:7-11,13-14 1 Tm 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-32
17. 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 7:1-10
18. 1 Tm 3:1-13 Lk 7:11-17
19. 1 Tm 3:14-16 Lk 7:31-35
20. 1 Tm 4:12-16 Lk 7:36-50
21. Eph 4:1-7,11-13 Mt 9:9-13
22. 1 Tm 6:13-16 Lk 8:4-15
23. Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13
24. Ezr 1:1-6 Lk 8:16-18
25. Ezr 6:7-8,12b,14-20 Lk 8:19-21
26. Ezr 9:5-9 Lk 9:1-6
27. Hg 1:1-8 Lk 9:7-9
28. Hg 2:1-9 Lk 9:18-22
29. Dn 7:9-10,13-14 Jn 1:47-51
30. Am 6:1a,4-7 1 Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31

October

1. Zec 8:1-8 Lk 9:46-50
2. Zec 8:20-23 Mt 18:1-5,10
3. Neh 2:1-8 Lk 9:57-62
4. Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12 Lk 10:1-12
5. Bar 1:15-22 Lk 10:13-16
6. Bar 4:5-12,27-29 Lk 10:17-24
7. Hb 1:2-3;2:2-4 2 Tm 1:6-8,13-14 Lk 17:5-10
8. Jon 1:1—2:2,11 Lk 10:25-37
9. Jon 3:1-10 Lk 10:38-42
10. Jon 4:1-11 Lk 11:1-4
11. Mal 3:13-20b Lk 11:5-13
12. Jl 1:13-15;2:1-2 Lk 11:15-26
13. Jl 4:12-21 Lk 11:27-28
14. 2 Kgs 5:14-17 2 Tm 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19
15. Rom 1:1-7 Lk 11:29-32
16. Rom 1:16-25 Lk 11:37-41
17. Rom 2:1-11 Lk 11:42-46
18. 2 Tm 4:10-17b Lk 10:1-9
19. Rom 4:1-8 Lk 12:1-7
20. Rom 4:13,16-18 Lk 12:8-12
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22. Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21
23. Rom 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21 Lk 12:35-38
24. Rom 6:12-18 Lk 12:39-48
25. Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53
26. Rom 7:18-25a Lk 12:54-59
27. Rom 8:1-11 Lk 13:1-9
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29. Rom 8:12-17 Lk 13:10-17
30. Rom 8:18-25 Lk 13:18-21
31. Rom 8:26-30 Lk 13:22-30