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Message from the Chaplaincy

It's Holy Week again. And I already miss that Chrism Mass in our Archdiocese on the morning of Holy Thursday when all the priests renew their vows before the Bishop and before the community attending the Mass. I can still remember when I once talked to a lay faithful after that Mass, and he told me that it was indeed edifying to see and to hear priests confirming their commitment again to be of service to God and to His community. It is indeed true, and this is common knowledge, that priests can inspire the people. But I don't know if this is also known that the lay faithful can also edify their priests by their generous and zealous showing of service to the community, and by their constant prayer for their

priests.

Pope Benedict XVI declared a "Year for Priests" beginning with the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 19, 2009. The year will conclude in Rome 9-11 June 2010 with an international gathering of priests and the Holy Father. With the announcement of this Year for Priests, and on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of his death as Curé d'Ars, St. John Vianney was declared by Pope Benedict to be the Universal Patron of Priests.

In this year and in the coming years, we, your priests of the Filipino Catholic Chaplaincy, ask you most sincerely to continue to pray for us and for all the priests of the world. We ask for your prayers not only in this year of the priests but

always, so that we can continue to offer our lives to you and for you. We will continue to edify you, but please also edify us with your prayers.

Blessed be the Lord for the gift of the priesthood in us, his unworthy servants.

We love you.

Fr. Joey, Fr. Ely, Fr. Jojo

See page 2 for a beautiful prayer for



Photo: W. Limot

priests which we hope you will always offer for us.

Holy Week 2010

Several natural catastrophes such as typhoons, earthquakes and floods have struck not only our country, the Philippines, but several other countries all over the world. Many continue to suffer from deprivation of basic needs in life. But I guess for those who die every day of hunger and thirst, the pain is not from the lack of material things but rather from the lack of care and sensitivity from their fellow men. The truth is: it was not really from the lack of food and water that they died, but it was from the lack of love and care. It was other people's indifference that killed them.

What have we done to our brothers and sisters? This is a question to all of us Christians. Christianity is never a religion that is numb to the plight and suffering of other people. True Christians feel and empathize with the pain of others pains because, in the first place, this is the very core of Jesus' life: He became human to feel our humanity in all its facets of light and shadow. And He finally embraced the cross leading to His death so that we may have life. Indeed, it is not just empathizing but it is also about giving life to others. This is our vocation as Christians.

We must never be silent and indifferent. We have to move and do something. We have to GIVE. We may not be able to eradicate poverty, but at least, by caring we might be able to relieve the symptoms of poverty. Remember, the Savior ended on the cross because nobody dared to speak out, nobody cared. We should never again allow Jesus' crucifixion in our suffering brothers and sisters.

What have we done with our brothers and sisters?

This Holy Week 2010 we will together reflect on our Christian duty to be involved with other peoples' lives. Hopefully through these themes, our soci-

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al involvement with the needy may be more and more kindled. Hopefully, at the end of this Holy Week 2010, the following can be our song too:

Walang sinuman ang nabubuhay para sa sarili lamang.

Walang sinuman ang namamatay para sa sarili lamang.

Tayong lahat ay may pananagutan sa isa't isa.

Tayong lahat ay tinipon ng Diyos, makapiling n'ya.

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Holy Week 2010, continued...

General Theme:

"Whatever you do to your brothers and sisters, you do it to me."

THE SUFFERING CHRIST IN OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS: A CALL TO SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Specific Themes:

Palm Sunday

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do"

Our sins of indifference and silence towards the needy

Holy Thursday

"If I, therefore, the Master and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet."

Breaking our bread, and sharing it with others

Good Friday

"I thirst."

Sensitivity to the deprivation of others

Easter Vigil

Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is risen.

We are instruments of Christ's resurrection in others

Easter Sunday

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put Him."

Finding the Lord in the needy

Lenten thoughts

We enjoy celebrating [Palm Sunday](#). The children get to make paper palm branches and for many it is one of the few times they get to take an active role in "big church." We wave the palm branches and celebrate. And we all love Easter Sunday! It is a happy time, with flowers, new clothes, and the expectation of spring in the air. But it is too easy, and promotes too cheap a grace, to focus only on the high points of Palm Sunday and Easter without walking with Jesus through the darkness of Good Friday, a journey that begins on Ash Wednesday.

Lent is a way to place ourselves before God, humbled, bringing in our hands no price whereby we can ourselves purchase our salvation. It is a way to confess our total inadequacy before God, to strip ourselves bare of all pretenses to righteousness, to come before God in dust and ashes. It is a way to empty

ourselves of our false pride, of our rationalizations that prevent us from seeing ourselves as needy creatures, of our "perfectionist" tendencies that blind us to the beam in our own eyes.

Through prayer that gives up self, we seek to open ourselves up before God, and to hear anew the call "Come unto me!" We seek to recognize and respond afresh to God's presence in our lives and in our world. We seek to place our needs, our fears, our failures, our hopes, our very lives in God's hands, again. And we seek by abandoning ourselves in Jesus' death to recognize again who God is, to allow His transforming grace to work in us once more, and to come to worship Him on Easter Sunday with a fresh victory and hope that goes beyond the new clothes, the spring flowers, the happy music.

But it begins in ashes. And it journeys through darkness. It is a spiritual pilgrimage that I am convinced we must make one way or the other for genuine spiritu-

al renewal to come. I have heard the passage in 2 Chronicles 7:14 quoted a lot: "...if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." This usually is quoted in the context of wanting revival or renewal in the church, and the prayer is interpreted as intercessory prayer for others. But a careful reading of the passage will reveal that the prayer that is called for here is not intercessory prayer for **others**; it is penitential prayer for the faith community, for **us**. It is not to call for others to repent; it is a call for **us**, God's people, to repent. It is **our** land that needs healed, it is **our** wicked

ways from which we need to turn, **we** are the ones who need to seek God's face.

Perhaps during the Lenten season we should stop praying for others as if we were virtuous enough to do so. Perhaps we should take off our righteous robes just long enough during these 40 days to put ashes on our own heads, to come before God with a new humility that is willing to confess, "Lord, be merciful to me, a sinner." Maybe we should be willing to prostrate ourselves before God and plead, "Lord, in my hand no price I bring; simply to the cross I cling." That might put us in a position to hear God in ways that we have not heard Him in a long time. And it may be the beginning of a healing for which we have so longed.

O Lord, begin with me. Here. Now.
(Kristina Tan)

A prayer for priests

By the late John J Cardinal Carberry

Keep them; I pray Thee, dearest Lord.
Keep them, for they are Thine
The priests whose lives burn out before
Thy consecrated shrine.
Keep them, for they are in the world,
Though from the world apart.
When earthly pleasures tempt, allure --
Shelter them in Thy heart.
Keep them and comfort them in hours
Of loneliness and pain,

When all their life of sacrifice
For souls seems but in vain.
Keep them and remember, Lord,
They have no one but Thee.
Yet, they have only human hearts,
With human frailty.
Keep them as spotless as the Host,
That daily they caress;
Their every thought and word and deed,
Deign, dearest Lord, to bless.

Recall notice

The Maker of all human beings is recalling all units manufactured, regardless of make or year, due to a serious defect in the primary and central component of the heart. This is due to a malfunction in the original prototype units code named Adam and Eve, resulting in the reproduction of the same defect in all subsequent units.

This defect has been technically termed "Subsequential Internal Non-Morality," or more commonly known as S.I.N., as it is primarily expressed.

Some other symptoms include:

1. Loss of direction
2. Foul vocal emissions
3. Amnesia of origin
4. Lack of peace and joy
5. Selfish or violent behavior
6. Depression or confusion in the mental component
7. Fearfulness
8. Idolatry
9. Rebellion

The Manufacturer, who is neither liable nor at fault for this defect, is providing factory-authorized repair and service free of charge to correct this SIN defect. The Repair Technician, Jesus, has most generously offered to bear the entire burden of the staggering cost of these repairs. There is no additional fee required.

The number to call for repair in all

areas is:
P-R-A-Y-E-R.

Once connected, please upload your burden of SIN through the REPENTANCE procedure. Next, download ATONEMENT from the Repair Technician, Jesus, into the heart component. No matter how big or small the SIN defect is, Jesus will replace it with:

1. Love
2. Joy
3. Peace
4. Patience
5. Kindness
6. Goodness
7. Faithfulness
8. Gentleness
9. Self control

Please see the operating manual, the BIBLE (Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth) for further details on the use of these fixes. As an added upgrade, the Manufacturer has made available to all repaired units direct monitoring and assistance from the resident Maintenance Technician, the HOLY SPIRIT. Repaired units need only make Him welcome and He will take up residence on the premises.

For free emergency service, call on JESUS.

WARNING: Continuing to operate



the human being unit without correction voids any manufacturer warranties, exposing the unit to dangers and problems too numerous to list and will result in the human unit being permanently impounded.

DANGER: The human being units not responding to this recall action will have to be scrapped in the furnace. The SIN defect will not be permitted to enter Heaven so as to prevent contamination of that facility.

Thank you for your attention!

GOD

Please assist where possible by notifying others of this important recall notice, and you may contact the Father any time by "kneemail"

(Source: <http://www.swapmeetdave.com/Bible/Recall.htm>)

L'insignifiance du temps



Il y a une chose qui m'agace toujours. C'est le temps. Il semble contrôler tout ce qu'on fait : premièrement, les petites choses comme l'heure à laquelle on doit se lever, manger et aller dormir. Puis,

sans en prendre conscience, il détermine quand il faut commencer à étudier, terminer ses études, travailler,

avoir une famille et cetera...

Ce que je trouve triste, c'est qu'on attache tellement une grande importance au temps. Cela a pour conséquence le fait qu'on commence à prévoir chaque petit détail de son avenir. On s'inquiète de savoir si on arrivera à réaliser tous ses projets à temps. De plus, on a tendance à croire qu'il est trop tard pour faire quelque chose. Et voilà, on devient une victime du temps.

Au fond, le temps est seulement une illusion qu'on ne doit pas prendre trop au sérieux. On dit toujours qu'on doit profiter du temps car on n'en a pas assez. Je suis d'accord qu'on doit en profiter mais pas parce que le temps nous manque. En fait, on est riche du temps.

(Ena Abila)

Prayer

Dear Anna,

Times are definitely tough. Gone are the days of innocent, carefree childhood when parents only worried about bruised knees and fractured bones, chicken pox and measles, uneven teeth and teenage pimples, puppy love and sometimes, tuition fees. Life nowadays is not for the faint-hearted. The media seem to thrive on the bad and the scandalous. Newspapers are filled with stories of neighbourhood brutalities and the heartbreaking failure of the government to protect the small and the poor. Television and radio are more than happy to report on infidelities, making broken homes the apparent norm of society.

So what is there to do? Should we pack our bags and just head off to ... where? Well, it is really tough, but we are not faint-hearted. We are brave because we have an ally who promised to protect us as long as we abide in Him. And He is always available – 24/7 – we don't even need to write an email, dial a 'phone nor send an SMS, we only need to ... pray.

Like you, I was introduced to prayer at an early age. I can still see my little six-year-old self, kneeling on the first pew on the right side of Pasig Church where your Lolo used to serve, praying the rosary. It must have been a cute sight because an old lady once tested me on what prayer is said on each bead. I'm sure I satisfied her curiosity because at that age, I really did know how to pray the rosary.

Now, six as well, you have already joined us in reciting the many Our Fathers, and Hail Marys. But do I sense a small voice of rebellion when you asked if we could just stick to the Glory Be's because the Hail Mary's make the family prayer time soooo long? But there surely is no reason to be alarmed, my siblings

and I did that too. When we were young, our *Lola* would gather us every afternoon for the Angelus. However, her age and failing health always made her ask our eldest brother to lead the prayers after the end of the third mystery. She had to answer the call of nature. As you can guess, the moment she was out of earshot, we all jumped to Hail Holy Queen! She never failed to be amazed at how fast we prayed, or she probably knew all along but in her indulgent goodness, never told us off!

Prayers have always been a part of my life. As a child I was taught to pray for my toothache, for my bruises, for my dead pet, for a coming school examination. A cross drawn on top of the test paper was always an inspiration and assurance. Prayers eased many pains and allayed many fears. In college, hours of studying were ended with a prayer, worries about missing funds to pay the tuition fees were made

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lighter with the thought that He will provide. Alone at a bus stop in Ayala, after a 2-10 p.m. shift, I drove away all evil by singing, "Yahweh, I know you are near". It was a long way to Pasig but I knew He was standing always at my side. The early days in Vienna were lonely but never frightening. *Stephansdom* was home and the Holy Mass was family, never mind that I only understood one word: Amen.

You, my dearest child, are the answer to many years of prayers. As such, I would like you to grow up knowing God and His goodness. Daddy and I will try to shield you

from life's many challenges, but time will come when you'll have to deal with them on your own. Money, beauty, talent, academic qualifications cannot give you the security that prayer and faith in Him provide. Of course, there will be times when you have to wait for answers. Be patient. He does everything in His own time because it's the best time.

But sometimes the answer comes so fast, you'll be amazed! A few minutes before landing in Manila I looked at my face in the mirror and I was horrified. I had been crying for three days because your *Lola* had died: my eyes were swollen, my skin was dry and my hair was a mess. I've never been very particular about my appearance, but the prospect of seeing all our relatives in such a state was a bit frustrating. But I thought, never mind, I have the look of a child mourning her mother's death. I was seated alone in that row so I was not surprised when a man briefly took the seat near the aisle. He turned to me and after a few pleasantries stood up again and said in parting "*Alam mo, kamukha mo si Susan Roces.*" What a truly loving God! He is quick to the rescue. For a short while amidst all the sorrow and pain, He wanted to restore my confidence,

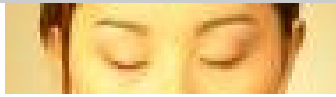
He wanted me to smile.
*Kahit na bola lang.
Siguradong magagalit si Susan Roces*

kapag nalaman yung sinabi nung mamá.

I could write a book about my answered prayers. I will tell you about them in another letter. For now, I'd like you to know how pleased I am that you are slowly discovering the wonders of prayer. You pray not only for yourself but also for others. Yesterday, you prayed for the children of Haiti. Last week you prayed for the wrinkles and spots on my face, and Daddy's thinning hair. I will wait for the answer to that one.

Love,
Mommy

Hoy, gising!



May naaninag ka bang liwanag sa iyong buhay? Anong buhay meron ka? Ito ba ay kapakipakinabang, o ikaw ay nagbibingibingihan sa tawag ng mabuting kaugalian? Naisumpungan mo na ba ang iyong sarili? Nadama mo na ba ang tunay na kaligayahan? Saan hahantong ang iyong buhay kung wala kang patutunguhan? Kay gulo ng iyong isipan, galaw ng tao sa buong sansinukuban ay hindi magkayaw. Patayan, barilan, unos ng malakas na ulan, pagguho ng lupa ay hindi mapigilan, pero kailan pa magigising ang tao sa sindak ng panahon na kanilang pinagmamasdan. Hampas ng hinanakit ng Panginoon ay hindi magulantang parang naghihintay pa ng mas matinding galit upang magi-

sing sa katotohanan.

Kasabihan na anong meron ang iyong buhay kung ikaw ay nakatunganga at walang ginagawa, buti pa ang palaka at hunihuni ng pokakak kaysa ikaw na aking nilikha na buksan man ang bibig ay panay pagdutsa at hinanakit ang sumilay sa iyong dila. Buksan mo ang iyong mga mata at isipan, damhin ang damyos ng aking palad upang malasap mo ang matagal na pag-ibig na sa iyo'y ipinamalas.

(Julie Albacea)



An open letter, or, Minamahal kong kababayan

Dear *Kabayan*,

Greetings to everyone!

As the winter season nearly ends, so do our spirits slowly look forward to warmer temperatures. If you are new here in Vienna, welcome to the Filipino Community! It is possible that you may have just experienced your first winter season ever!

Well, Vienna is beautiful! It has a rich culture to boast of, preserved for centuries in museums and still very much evident in her buildings, parks and opera houses. Amidst all these, a "Pinoy newcomer" can be homesick and compare the life he left behind - the Pinoy Life Style.

Being a Pinoy and knowing how hard it is to leave our country, it is indeed a privilege to be living here in Vienna. As our *kababayans* are apt to say "You're lucky to be able to go abroad!" Surely you are happy not only because of that, but more so because you can be with your dear wife and child-to-be, whom you have longed for since those days of pink-coloured love letters and marriage plans. Well, that was during my time, because nowadays high-tech communication via email and Facebook is the norm.

Those plans came into being and at long last you arrived. As I have seen in many Filipino males, I'm sure you did a lot of thinking before you decided to move. You must have thought a hundred times of the things that you would have to give up: your job at the office, your teaching job at the local college or that

so called white-collar-job, your ever supportive and loving family, your close relatives and your *barkada*. All these you would have to leave behind.

Vienna has often given Filipino males a different self-image: a Pinoy Viennese Man, a skirted macho image! (Does that sound nice?) This is just another proof of the Pinoy versatility at coining words to subtly express the deep sentiments of a suffering ego. Why? Because from a working man who earned by the sweat of his brow, you have become a PHH – Plain House Husband. If you're lucky, you might land a job, but what job will it be? *Du kannst noch nicht Deutsch?* How many men have swallowed their pride and self-esteem just to earn a few thousand Euros, hoping against all hope that nobody back home would know the truth about the nature of their source of income? To answer the question honestly, and therefore see the truth face-to-face is agony.

.What is the price of success? Can it be obtained from material things? Or does it come from carrying out that low-earning but self-fulfilling job?

Do you enjoy your present status? How do you see your new role? Your wife is tired after work and you find it a natural expression of your love for her to do all the household chores. You hope that, sooner or later, you too can find work to earn money for your cigarettes, beer and clothes. Perhaps one day you may be able to afford a house, maybe a car, too? *Kabayan*, have patience and do not ever lose hope. Many of us went through this stage.

So in the meantime, it is enough to just smile and bear this skirted macho image with all the dignity you can muster.

Remember our Christian faith – there is the belief that glory can be achieved by bearing the cross that we have to carry. Our daily cross means being faithful to our Christian life, always putting God in the centre of our lives. Let us be reminded during this season of Lent and Easter; about Jesus' suffering on the cross. The usual reactions are "loneliness" and "pain" in grief. We may learn, like Jesus, to see our suffering as a privilege, an opportunity given to us by God to be closer to Him, and to our neighbours. There is no happiness without the cross.

Our celebration of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus should help us face life and its challenges with a healthy sense of transcendence.

Your *kabayan*,

Tim

Ps. By the way *kabayan*, while you are cleaning the house *o kaya'y nagsasampay ng nilabahan, or nagtitiklop ng mga pinalatsa habang nagbabantay ng sinaing at kandapilipit ang dila mo sa pag-aaral ng Deutsch, isa lang ang masasabi ko – Champion talaga ang Pinoy! Corny ko no? Pero hindi yan bola!*



Mama

Natatangi kang nilalang,
Na kaloob ng Maykapal
Sa amin ay inilaan,
Gagabay at magmamahal.

Mulang magkaisip kami
At matuto ng marami,
Lagi na'y ang pangaral mo,
Ang sa ami'y nagwawasto.

Dahil sa pagmamahal mo,
Sa asawa't mga anak
Tiniis mo ang malayo,
Mabigyan lamang ng bukas.

Ngayon nga ay nagtitiis
Namumuhay ng malayo,
Sa pamilyang minamahal,
Na mas higit pa sag ginto.

Ang tangi mong kaulayaw
Sa gabi at pag-iisa,
Ay mga sulat ng iyong
Minamahal na pamilya.

Aming inaasam-asam,
At dalangin sa Maykapal;
Nawa nama'y matapos na,
Ang panahong malayo ka.

(Glena A. Malabrigo)

My soul partner

In the midst of want and poverty
A soul was born of me.
Seeking and searching for a soul partner
Whose love is just for THEE.

I wish that God will send him to me,
And in heaven let our prayers be,
To live once on earth, with our love
All just for THEE.

Are not two prayers a perfect strength?
Whom Christ the Lord has given us to share?
Only to let us live and love
In respect, truth and righteousness.

We will pray for those in need of love,
Of unity, and strength, because,
For without You, and me
God's plan cannot be realized.

And now I ask the two of us,
To seek the groves where MAMA MARY is,
With her five handmaidens whose names are
Five sweet symphonies:
Cecily, Gertrud, Magdalene, Margaret and Rosalys.

I hope your prayers and mine be heard
And the dear mother will approve,
My utmost heart desire to have, a soul partner
For the rest of my live.

Now I shall live forever more,
In all generosity and goodness.
Giving thanks to the Lord of Hosts,
For sending me a soul partner whose
Love is only for God and Church

(Anna A. Agbon)

Munting paalala sa panahon ng kwaresma

Nang si Hesus ay pumasok sa bayan ng Herusalem
Balabal ay inilatag, palaspas ay inihain
Sa ngalan ng Panginoon, atin siyang salubungin
Buong sigla't buong galak, atin siyang pupurihin

Yan ang sigaw ng balana na puno ng kasiyahan
Na tila ba buhay nila'y, walang bagyo na dadaan
Nguni't likod nitong saya ay di nila nalalaman
Nakatak dang magaganap dito sa'ting sanlibutan

'Di naglao'y dinakip siya sa harden ng Hetsemane
At sa huli ay dinala kay Pilato na siyang Hari
Mga Pari't sambayanan, iisa ang sinasabi
Nagpapanggap daw siyang Diyos, ang sa Kanya'y isinisi

Pinahirapan ng todo habang siya'y nakagapos
Korona ay ipinatong at ang dugo niya'y umagos
At saka siya iniharap sa madla na nagpupuyos
Sumisigaw silang lahat na ipako siya sa krus

Mga taong sumisigaw ng papuring ubod saya
Sila rin yong nagparusa at nagpahirap sa Kanya
At ang muling pagkabuhay ang nagmulat sa kanila
Hinatuan pala nila'y ang Diyos na walang sala

Bakit nga ba ang paghatol ay kay bilis nating gawin
Mga balitang di tiyak ay kay daling palawigin
Huwis na ngang tumitimbang ng maysala ng malalim
Kung minsan sa bandang huli, ang hatol ay mali pa rin

Tulad na lang ng nangyari sa'ting bansang Pilipinas
Nang umalis na si Marcos, si Cory ay itinaas
Mga tao'y sumisigaw ng papuring walang habas
Saan mang dako ng bansa ang saya ay mamamalas

Sa paglipas ng panahon ng kaniyang pamumuno
Tila yata nagbago, marami ang napupuno
Kaya dating kasiyaha't pagbubunying walang tanto
Ngayon nama'y ang sigaw ay patalsikin ang pinuno

Sa kabila ng maraming pag-aaklas na naganap
Natapos din ang termino ni Cory na naghihirap
Nguni't naron pa ang kirot, naron pa ang mga sugat
Mga paratang sa kanya'y mulit-muling inuungkat

At dumating ang sandaling si Cory ay nagpaalam
Mga tao ay nagising, ngayon sila'y nagdaramdam
Muli nilang napagtantong ang demonkrasyang inasam
Si Cory ang nagsimula, nagpunyagi't, nangatawan

Sana'y maging aral ito sa panahon ng kwaresma
Huwag sana na humatol sa kapwa ng basta-basta
Galit, inggit na nagtulak sa atin ng panghuhusga
Ay palitan ng pag-ibig upang hindi magkasala.

(Jun Rico)



First Holy Communion 2010

Our First Holy Communion candidates are:

- Adrian Lawrenz AGNO
- Pauline Ann AGUERO
- Jose Daniel ANTONIO
- Gino Vinz BANACIA
- Mary Angelique Quiala RAYMUNDO, and
- Mary Miquela RAYMUNDO.

They meet every Sunday morning with Nicole Savet and Lito Ramos to prepare for this sacrament, which they will receive on 25 April.

Confirmation



And our candidates for Confirmation are: Monique ALBANCES, Calvin Joshua ALDOVER, Kerstin Kay BERENA, Larlhen Ginza BIAG, Paul CASUPANAN, Marvin DOMINGO, Mark Josef ELEVADO, John Glenn EVANGELISTA, Schanell Jesley FEDERIO, Gerald GAVADAN, Janine HEREDIA, Alwin Alberto Philip KOKTA, John MORADA, Gerwyn OCA, Ralph Daniel PACHECO, Paul Erick PADUA, Stephanie RICO, Michael SAMONTE, Paula Marie SILVA, Ryan Albert URRO, Nicko VALINO. They attend formation classes given by Fr. Joey with the assistance of Lay Ministers Linda Cervantes, Alice Holitz, Flor Oandasan, and Aida Rodriguez. They meet on Saturday afternoons, and will attend a retreat in the countryside and the Way of the Cross on Holy Thursday. They have also been actively participating in our Community Masses by reading the Prayers of the Faithful. They will be confirmed on 23 May.

From our calendar

Day	Time	Service / Activity
27 Mar.	09:00-16:00h	Lenten Recollection and Communal Penitential Service with Fr. Bong Alejo (Pfarrsaal)
28 Mar.	11:00h	Blessing of the Palms and Mass
	17:00h	Blessing of the Palms and Mass (Donaucity Church)
1 Apr.	08:00h	Holy Thursday, Way of the Cross (bus leaves for Heiligenkreuz)
	18:00h	Film showing: "Sa Kambas ng Lipunan"
	19:00h	Mass: Washing of the feet and Institution of the Eucharist
	20:30h	Vigil (hintere Kapelle)
2 Apr.	07:00h	Good Friday, Way of the Cross (bus leaves for Linz/Pöstlingberg)
	18:00h	Film showing: "Panata"
	19:00h	Adoration of the Cross
3 Apr.	19:30h	Easter Vigil
4 Apr.	11:00h	Easter Sunday Mass
	12:00h	Community Day (parish garden)
	17:00h	!! No mass at Donaucity Church !!
11 Apr.	11:00h	Jesus' Time Feast of the Divine Mercy
25 Apr.	11:00h	First Holy Communion
ALL SUNDAYS IN MAY		Floral offering to our Blessed Mother
9 May	11:00h	Jesus' Time
16-21 May		Pilgrimage to Fatima
23 May	17:00h	Confirmation
	17:00h	!! Mass at Donaucity Church cancelled !!
28 May	17:00h	Lange Nacht der Kirchen (Canisius Pfarre)
30 May	11:00h	Installation/Renewal of Lay Ministers
20 June	11:00h	Jesus' Time
26 June	To be adv.	Ausflug with ARGE communities

Unless otherwise indicated, the venue for **all** our services and activities is:
Maria vom Berge Karmel Church
 Stefan Fadinger Platz 1, A-1100 Vienna.

The closest (bus) station is "Gussriegelstrasse" and can be reached by:

- Bus 65A from U1 "Reumannplatz", or
- Bus 15A from U4 "Meidling Hauptstrasse" or U3 "Enkplatz"

Or, take tram no. 1 to the end station "Stefan Fadinger Platz"

A welcome to our little Christians! Community baptisms in 2009

Enrique Francisco ACHACOSO	Paula Josefa LAGUERTA
Maria-Criszell ALCARION	Jade Estrella MILLER
Carle-Samuel ALONSAGAY	Ciro Daryl MONTALES
Mikee Venice AMORA	Jayson NOBLE
Lemarcel ANG	Kassandra PINEDA
Mikaella Marie ARREZA	Gabriel Paolo QUISUMBING
King Vincent AUSTRIA	Mariel Celine REYES
Sophia Emmanuelle AY-AY	Gian-Lester SABADO
Audrey Ysabel BONDOC	Patrick Ray SAMIO
Giorgeline CRUZAT	Zenia Janine SANTOS
Katrin Mayon DOMES	John Louie SINGH
Christian Jed FABIA	John Michael SINGH
Leandro FUNDAN	Kayleen TAN
David John GARRATT	Julian James TIANGCO
Tristan-David GALACE	Reinfried Gideon TOLENTINO
Sean Hanz GINES	Maria Alexandra Ellaine UMALI
Ryan-Xerxes GUMBOC	Ronna Keisha VALEROSO
Shanelle Kate HERMOSO	Gabriel VELASCO

Our very best wishes to.....

- Olimpia Dematawaran and Franz Rudolf SCHILDER (28 March)
- Jeannie Clutario and Wojciech BOCIAN (22 May)

who tied the knot in 2009!!

Regular service	Sundays	10:30h — 11:15h	Confession
		11:00h	Community Mass
		17:00h	Community Mass, Donaucity Church
	Wednesdays	12:30h	Mass and Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Donaucity Church
		18:30h	Mass and Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Mariahilf Church
	Fridays	18:30h	First Friday, Mass and Novena to the Divine Mercy
		18:30h	Last Friday, Mass and Novena to Our Lady of Peñafrancia
	Saturdays	19:00h	Anticipated Mass, St. Stephen's Cathedral

Donaucity Church

Donaucity-Strasse 2, A-1220 Vienna
U1 "Kaisermühlen/VIC"

Mariahilf Church

Barnabiten-gasse 14, A-1060 Vienna
U3 "Neubaugasse"

St. Stephen's Cathedral

Stephansplatz 1, A-1010 Vienna
U1 and U3 "Stephansplatz"

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