

## What is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults?

The goal of Christian Initiation is to foster or to deepen one's conversion to Christ



and to assist the new Catholic in becoming an active member of the church. The RCIA is a process that involves preaching and teaching the news, prayer, spiritual formation and direct contact with members of All Souls. These Catholics share their faith and values with the candidates. The initiation process also includes various rites that are celebrated along the way to full church membership. These rites mark the spiritual growth of the candidates and visibly express the community's concern for them.

For more information or Confirmation or First Communion, call (626) 284-7835 x 2, Sr. Eilene. Please read next week's bulletin for more information regarding the Christian Initiation of Adults.



## You Can Save Your Marriage!

If your marriage has become troubled or stressed, unloving or uncaring, or if your relationship has grown cold and distant, if you are thinking of separation or divorce, or if you already are separated or divorced, but you want to try again-then the Retrouvaille Program can help you. For more information and a confidential brochure, call (909) 900-5465 or 1-800-470-2230. The next program in your area will begin on September 9-11, 2005. Spaces are limited and reservations are made on a first come, first served basis, so please call early. The Retrouvaille website is: [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org) and local information is available at [www.retrocal.com](http://www.retrocal.com).

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**Date:** July 16th, 2005

**Location:** Zuma Beach—Malibu, CA

**Time:** 9 a.m. 'til 7 p.m.

All Souls Youth Ministry invites you to a **NO COST** day on the beach! Just bring your towel and modest bathing suit for Mass on the beach, volleyball, and sand castle building contests. Transportation, food and just plain fun in the sun. For more information please contact John Perez at (626) 576-0116.



**DON'T BE LEFT OUT-SIGN UP NOW!**

## Charismatic Healing Mass

Friday July 15th, 2005 @ 8:00 P.M.  
At Saint Louis of France  
Fr. Robert Faricy will be our Celebrant  
Music provided by Spirits Delight



The cross and the Spirit Prayer Group of *our Parish* invites you all to come and receive God's LOVE, MERCY & HEALING.

Please call Ray & Helen at (626) 330-8954 or Sue Herrera at (909) 941-0792



● **Comment** What is within reach is daily and taken for granted. But much that is far off and out of reach is exotic—as long as it stays far off, that is. The lawyer who stood up to question Jesus received a response that was too close for comfort. First, Jesus answered the lawyer's question with a question of his own. It was an easy question, and the lawyer, of course, knew the answer. It was right out of the Jewish Scriptures. The first part, about loving God, was from Deuteronomy, the “second law.” The second part came straight from Leviticus, the book that details the myriad sacrificial and ritual laws prescribed for the priestly tribe of Levi. Clearly, the lawyer was at home in this discussion. He might even have thought that he could teach Jesus a thing or two. Confidently, the lawyer presses on, and Jesus answers the question “Who is my neighbor?” with a story we all know.

The problem with the story for the listeners that day was that the Samaritan as neighbor was just too much to swallow. The problem of the Samaritans in general hit too close to home. They were the hated ones, the infidels who occupied a large chunk of land that inconveniently cut off easy access between

**Within Reach** *We natives are reminded of the uniqueness of our place when a stranger points out some characteristic of personality or land or speech that we have taken for granted. They marvel, and we look again. We had just never thought of our place or ourselves in quite that way. Or once we may have been aware of some quality of our life and place, but we just forgot what was within reach.*

the north and south of Israel. This was a pain, because the roundabout route to Jerusalem from the south was long and arduous. And the Samaritan inhospitality was galling. So the resentment and daily irritation continued in a kind of mutual “in your face” coexistence that showed no sign of abating.

It is precisely a hated Samaritan who is the hero of Jesus' story. He ministers to the helpless “enemy,” a Jew lying half dead on the roadside. And furthermore, the Samaritan's “betters” pass on by and do not deign to aid their suffering fellow countryman.

After telling the story, it is Jesus' turn to ask, “Which ... was neighbor?” The lawyer could not manage to get the word “Samaritan” out of his mouth, however. So “The one who treated him with mercy” would have to do as an answer. This answer is correct. The new law is to go out and “do likewise,” to be merciful, compassionate, toward the neighbor, who is anyone in need—even one's worst enemy.

The first reading from Deuteronomy makes clear that the law of Moses is not just within reach, but within the heart. The entire book of Deuteronomy is set as a farewell speech given by the great lawgiver and law receiver, Moses. One does not have to go anywhere for the laws; one need only attend to the command that is indelibly written

in the human heart. To seek to erase or suppress or repress the demands of this law of God is to betray one's very self.

The second reading insists on the centrality, or better, the all-pervasiveness of Christ, who is in and above all. Paul is contending here with some hare-brained teaching, which confuses the place and power of angels, astral occurrences, and whatnot. Paul's ecstatic hymn elegantly insists that Christ is the center and source of all life. So we are right back at the heart, right near home. We are being addressed exactly and precisely where we live.

● **Reflection** To act compassionately toward one's neighbor—whether he or she is the sworn enemy or not—is the fullest and best reading of the law. It encompasses everything and everyone. In the story today, the sworn enemies, Jew and Samaritan, are united because the heart of the Samaritan is moved to compassionate action. In any moment in history we can name the neighbors who rub daily against each other and whose enmity seems never to abate. The mutual hardness of heart seems impermeable. Often, their sustained hatred is, sadly enough, based on religion. However, with equally painful results, the division can be ethnic or racial or economic. No matter; hate is murderous, and the anguish predictable.

**Treasures**  
From Our  
**Tradition**



Charlemagne, crowned Holy Roman Emperor on Christmas Day, 800, had a major interest in shaping the worship life of the church, and began a long period of reform and regulation. We owe many confirmation policies and practices to his rule. A baptized person was required to be confirmed as soon as the bishop's presence made it possible. Priests were expected to do their best in seeing to it that a newly-baptized child received the Eucharist. One twelfth-century ritual insists that if the child is not yet capable of eating or drinking, then the priest might give him or her some of the Precious Blood on a leaf or a finger. Despite the best efforts of the Empire to hold liturgical life together, the rules were not always lived out with great beauty. St. Richard of Chichester of thirteenth-century England, for example, was canonized for his holy life as a bishop. One of the remarkable signs of his sanctity was his willingness to climb down from his horse to confirm "merely baptized" layfolk who crossed his path! This praiseworthy practice points a finger of blame at less zealous bishops, whose casual attitudes revealed a sacrament in need of rescue.

**CLELIA BARBIERI**

*Also known as*

Cloelia Barbieri

*Memorial:* July 13th



From her earliest life, she paid no attention to this world and focused solely on the spiritual life. She founded the *Congregation of Minims of the Sorrowful Mother* who concentrate on ministering in hospitals and elementary schools to the sick, the aged, the lonely, and a prayer ministry for the poor. Since her death, her voice has been heard in the houses of her order, accompanying her sisters in song. *Born* 13 February 1847 at Bundrie di San Giovanni, Persiceto, Italy. *Died* 13 July 1870 at Bologna, Italy of tuberculosis. *Beatified* 2nd of October 1968 by Pope Paul VI. *Canonized* 9 April 1989 by Pope John Paul II. *Patronage* people ridiculed for their piety.

**When did the Church start honoring saints?**

By the year 100 A.D., Christians were honoring other Christians who had died, and asked for their intercession. Many people think that honoring saints was something the Church set up later, but it was part of Christianity from the very beginning. As a matter of fact, this practice came from a long-standing tradition in the Jewish faith of honoring prophets and holy people with shrines. The first saints were martyrs, people who had given up their lives for the Faith in the persecution of Christians.

# MASSSES for the WEEK

SATURDAY/SABADO, July 9, 2005

- 5:30 P. M. – † Carlos Alberto Clavijo
- † Mario Cabrera

SUNDAY/DOMINGO, July 10, 2005

- 7:30 A. M. – † Rosario & Alfonso Quilala Sr.
- 9:00 A. M. – Parishioners
- 10:30 A. M. – Alvin Cuatico (Int.)
- 12:00 P. M. – † Socorro Gonzales & Gilbert Morales
- 5:30 P. M. – † Guillermo Nuñez

MONDAY/LUNES, July 11, 2005

- 7:30 A. M. – † Felipe & Sotera Pilares

TUESDAY/MARTES, July 12, 2005

- 7:30 A. M. – † Francisco Cornejo

WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES, July 13, 2005

- 7:30 A. M. – † Jayme Robert Chua

THURSDAY/JUEVES, July 14, 2005

- 7:30 A. M. – Justin Perez (Int.)

FRIDAY/VIERNES, July 15, 2005

- 7:30 A. M. – † Juan B. Urbano

SATURDAY/SABADO, July 16, 2005

- 7:30 A. M. – † Jose Mora



## GIVING OF ONESELF

Scientists have recently begun to discuss the idea that the primary force behind all life in the universe is self-gift. This is how everything from galaxies to human babies are born and sustained. If we read the opening of today's passage from Isaiah correctly, we see that he an-

icipated twentieth century scientists by over twenty five hundred years. Using the self-giving example of the rain and snow clouds that water the earth that then yields fruit, which in turn is given over to nourish creatures, Isaiah leads us to understand that the primary force behind all life is the word of God. The ultimate giving of that word, we believe, was Jesus Christ, who, in the greatest revelation of divine love, gave of himself on the cross. To what degree are we in touch with that self-giving God in whose image we are made? To what extent do we really follow the self-giving example of Christ into whose death and resurrection we were baptized, whose ultimate self-gift we celebrate every week in the Eucharist? With God's help, our lives can be like Isaiah's rain and snow, and we will not return to heaven until we have done our part to make the earth fruitful.

## RENUNCIAR A SÍ MISMO

Los científicos recientemente empezaron a debatir el hecho de que la fuerza primordial detrás de toda vida en el universo es la entrega de sí. Eso es lo que hace nacer y lo que sostiene a todo, desde galaxias a bebés. Si leemos la apertura del pasaje de Isaías de hoy correctamente, escuchamos que él se adelantó a los científicos por unos 2500 años. Usando el ejemplo de la lluvia y la nieve que dan su agua a la tierra para que pueda dar fruto, que a su vez da su fruto para alimentar las criaturas, Isaías nos lleva a entender que la fuerza primaria detrás de toda la vida, es la palabra de Dios. El mejor ejemplo de esa entrega de sí, creemos que fue Jesucristo, quien, en la revelación más grande del amor divino, se entre-gó en la cruz. ¿Hasta qué punto estamos en contacto con ese Dios que se entrega y en cuya imagen he-

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### Nuevos Parroquianos!

**¡Para nuestra familia Parroquiana!** Solicitamos a todo adulto que viva en el area cerca de la Parroquia que se registre. La registración es necesaria para verificar la afiliación del miembro, especialmente para aquellos que desean casarse, ser bautizados, ó ser padrinos. Porfavor llene esta forma, depositelo en la canasta de ofrendas los Domingos en Misa o en la oficina de la Iglesia. *¡Nos gustaria escuchar de ud. y conocerle en persona.*

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