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THE SCRIPTURAL BACKGROUND FOR HONORING THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Our devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus is founded upon the actual commands of scripture. In the gospel of St. Luke, we read that Mary is told to give her child the name of Jesus. In his letter to the Philippians, St. Paul provides a fuller understanding of the grandeur and meaning of this sacred name. It is upon these inspired words that the beautiful tradition of the Church gives homage to our blessed Lord Jesus by expressed devotion and reverence to his most sacred name.

Jesus' name was given by God himself. The angel Gabriel said to Mary: "Mary, you have won God's favor. You are to conceive and bear a son, and you must name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son to the Most High." (Lk 1: 30-34.) The name "Jesus" is the Latin spelling of the original Greek word for his name and is derived from the Hebrew "Yesua" which "Yahweh is Salvation." The actual meaning of this name declares God's redemptive act of love for all by freeing humankind from sin through Jesus' life, death and resurrection.

St. Paul exclaims this breathtaking truth: "God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord to the glory of God the Father." (Phil 2: 9-11.)

Why is the name of Jesus so powerful and why is such high reverence right and appropriate? In his letter cited above, St. Paul carefully and clearly (Continued on page 3)

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BISHOP PERRY'S MEN'S CONFERENCE

“Keep your hand to the plow” ~ The powerful role of the Father.”

Catholic Men Chicago Southland Presents

In cooperation with Young Adult Ministries
Chicago and Chicago Archdiocese Office for
Black Catholics

WHEN: Saturday, February 4, 2012, 9:00am – 12
NOON (Doors open at 8:30, event starts at 9am
sharp).

WHERE: Seton Academy, 16100 Seton Drive •
South Holland, IL 60473

FEATURING: His Excellency, Bishop Joseph N.
Perry, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of
Chicago.

KEYNOTE: Father Andrew Smith, Associate
Pastor at Saint Ailbe Church, Chicago.

Closing Remarks: Mr. Andrew Lyke, Director,
Archdiocese Office for Black Catholic's.

**GET YOUR TICKETS NOW AND BRING A
MAN WITH YOU!**

Ticket Pricing: Donation \$15.00 for one man, or
\$12.00 each for two or more. Parking is free.

Inquiries contact Tim @ (708) 374.7729

Make checks payable to Catholic Men of Chicago
Southland (CMCS), and postmark by Friday,
January 27, 2012.

Mail your check to: CMCS, Post Office Box 673,
Homewood, IL 60430



HOLY NAME DIAMONDS!

Several years back I heard about a unique activity that the Holy Name Society was involved in. They were involved with diamonds. Not the sparkling ones, but dusty ones. So I did a little digging and got the scoop on them. They were playing on softball diamonds! I was able get in contact with Dan McVicker who is the Athletic Director for the St. Christina Holy Name Society. He was able to provide me with some information on this activity.

The activity is the Southwest Holy Name Society Softball League. The league was founded in 1978 by St. Christina's Charlie Knock. Charlie is an advisor to St. Christina's Holy Name Board. The league plays on Sunday afternoons at the St. Christina Parish Fields at 111th & Central Park. The league started with 6 teams, which consisted of St. Christina, Christ the King, St. Gerald, St. Thomas More, Queen of Martyrs, and Most Holy Redeemer.

The league now consists of 14 parishes from the southwest side of Chicago and surrounding suburbs, consisting of St. Christina, St. Cajetan, St. John Fisher, St. Bede, St. Linus, St. Gerald, St. Germaine, St. Bernadette, Most Holy Redeemer, Incarnation, Our Lady of the Ridge, Our Lady of Loretto, St. Catherine, and Queen of Martyrs. The league starts in May and ends in August. It is very competitive yet is a great way to meet gentlemen from other parishes and enjoy camaraderie. Current board members of the league are St. Christina's Bill Fitzgibbons and Jack Ullrich, St. Catherine's Larry Daly, St. Linus's Dave McCarthy, and Most Holy Redeemer's Ed Murphy.

I find this very fascinating! The Southwest Holy Name Softball League and the Chicago Association of the Holy Name Society Annual Spiritual Assembly Mass and Procession of Banners have been in existence for almost the same amount of time. The Spiritual Assembly Mass will be in its 32nd year and the Southwest Holy Name Softball League will be in its 34th year. What a parallel! To repeat what Dan McVicker said above, "...a great way to meet gentlemen from other parishes and enjoy camaraderie"

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OFFICERS BOARD MEETING

PLACE ST. CORNELIUS CHURCH (**NOTE CHANGE**)
5430 W. FOSTER AVE., CHICAGO 60630
TIME 7:30PM IN PACOCHA CENTER
Wednesday January 25th 2012

SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY PLANNING MEETINGS

PLACE ST. CORNELIUS CHURCH
5430 W. FOSTER AVE., CHICAGO 60630
TIME 7:30PM
MONDAY FEBRUARY 6TH, 2012 (IN SCHOOL BASEMENT)
NO MARCH MEETING
MONDAY APRIL 9TH, 2012 (PACOCHA CENTER)

MEETING LOCATION: IN PACOCHA CENTER, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CHURCH HALL. ENTRANCE IS FROM THE NORTHWEST CHURCH ENTRANCE. THERE IS A RAMP AND ELEVATOR FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE TO BRING YOU DOWNSTAIRS TO THE LOWER LEVEL.

CONTACT: TONY WEYERS HNSSTCORN@GMAIL.COM

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLACE MATER CHRISTI CHURCH
2431 S 10TH AVE., NORTH RIVERSIDE 60546
TIME 9:00AM
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 18TH, 2012
708-442-5611

LENTEN MORNING OF RECOLLECTION

PLACE ST. CONSTANCE CHURCH
5843 W AINSLIE AVE, BOROWCZYK HALL CHICAGO 60630
SATURDAY MARCH 3RD, 2012 TIME 8:00AM –NOON
GUEST SPEAKER: Fr. Robert J. Botthof O.P.
Mass at 8:00am in church followed by breakfast and a talk by Fr. Robert, Eucharistic Adoration & opportunity to receive sacrament of Penance. The morning will conclude with lunch at 11:30am.
Contact Rich 773-545-2491 to make reservation.

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describes the true nature of Jesus and what should be our response: “Every knee should bend and tongue acclaim” the sovereignty of the Lord. Jesus. We have a duty of reflecting awe, esteem and special respect to his holy name because of our profound realization of his divinity and lordship, though concealed in his humanity during his earthly life..

Jesus emptied himself of his glory and divine prerogatives voluntarily sharing all the weaknesses of the human condition apart from sin. Yet, his personhood as “Lord” implies that respect and honor are his due even though his divine nature was not always perceivable. Only through his miracles and at the scene of the transfiguration did the suggestion of the divine nature appear. However, when his mission was completed with his death, resurrection and ascension, the glory of his union with the Father and the Holy Spirit reappeared and became manifest.

And thus, we fittingly celebrate the “kingship of Christ” which reflects the true and authentic realization of who he was and the magnificence and ineffable significance of his name: “Yesua” - Jesus as savior and redeemer and Son of God. Behind the cloak of the incarnation, the divine nature of Jesus is made manifest as con-substantial with the Father and Holy Spirit. Thus, the respect and awe we give to his holy name comes from our deep awareness of who Jesus was and why Jesus entered our world and our personal lives. “Live Jesus in our hearts! Forever!”

Fr. Robert J. Botthof O.P.
Dominican Promoter, Central Province of St. Albert the Great

Blessed John of Vercelli
Cause for Canonization

Gary Lewis is the new CAHNS Advocate for the Cause for Canonization of Blessed John of Vercelli in the Archdiocese of Chicago. He'll help promote knowledge and devotion to Blessed John of Vercelli. He'll also be promoting the use of the special prayer and blessed medal of Blessed John of Vercelli. Gary will also notify the appropriate committee of the National Association of any miraculous favors granted through the intercession of Blessed John of Vercelli.

You may contact him at gary@assetdesigncenter.com

Pancake Breakfast

Divine Savior Holy Name

Ozanam and Montrose/Norridge

Sept. to Dec. /Feb. to April

Second Sunday of the month

7:30am to 11:00am

All you can eat pancakes & French toast.

One plate of scrambled eggs & 2 sausage.

Orange juice and coffee or milk for children.

Adults - \$5.00 (bring 5 and the 5th is free)

Students (ages 6-12) - \$2.50

Children (under 5 years) - FREE

SHARE YOUR HOLY NAME NEWS

If you have an article or news to share about your Holy Name Society, please e-mail it to johneortiz@sbcglobal.net.

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK NOW

CAHNS is now on FACEBOOK. You can search for us under: Chicago Assc. of Holy Name Societies. Check us out and "LIKE US". Please let us know what you think.

"Man can only be happy being truly man. Imitate Jesus without fear! Live and give your life without fear!" - Benedict XVI

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