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April 2009 Newsletter



## Liturgical Calendar

A-Station of the Cross every Friday @ 6pm followed by Bible Study @ 7pm. The theme for next Friday April 3: Palm Sunday.

B-Candles for Palm Sunday available at Church.

C-Sun Apr 5: Palm Sunday (Shaanineh) 9:30AM: Mass / Eng 11AM: Children Mass-Bring & share Luncheon.

D-Mon Apr 6: 6PM Mass.

E-Tues Apr 7: 8AM Mass.

F-Wed Apr 8: 6PM Mass & Healing Prayer followed by soup.

G-Thur Apr 9: 6PM Washing of the feet followed by Benediction and Holy Hour.

H-Fri Apr 10: Good Friday: 9:30AM: Mass Signing of the Chalice Pre-Consecrated Mass. 3PM: Burial of Jesus & Divine Mercy Chaplet. 6PM: Movie: Jesus of Nazareth (Franco Zeffirelli).

I-Sat Apr 11: Great Saturday of The Light. 10AM: Confessions. 11:30AM: Prayer Saturday of Light 5:30PM: Mass & Blessing of the Fire. 10:30PM: Al Hajmah followed by Mass.

J-Sun Apr 12: Easter Sunday: 9:30AM: Mass / Eng 11AM: Mass.

K-Mon Apr 13: Easter Monday: 8AM: Mass.

L-Sun Apr 19: Feast of The Divine Mercy: 9:30AM: Mass / Eng. 11AM: Mass .

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DAILY MASS: MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00 AM

SATURDAY MASS: 5:30 PM ENGLISH

SUNDAY MASSES: \*\*\*\*\* 9:30 AM ENGLISH (NEW TIME) \*\*\*\*\* - 11:00AM ARABIC | ENGLISH

## I Know

Let us all enter 2009 knowing who God is and what He can do for all of us.

I Know;

- I know He is the beginning, so why do I worry about the end?
- I know He is the creator, so why do I wonder who will destroy?
- I know He has forgiven me, so why can't I forgive myself?
- I know He is the healer, so why do I speak of sickness?
- I know He can do all things, so why do I say I can't?
- I know He will protect me, so why do I fear?
- I know He will supply all my needs, so why can't I wait?
- I know he is my strength and salvation, so why do I feel weak?
- I know that everything and everyone has a season, so why when someone's season is over, do I weep instead of rejoice?
- I know He is the right way, so why do I go the wrong way?
- I know He is the light, so why do I choose to walk in darkness?
- I know that whatever I ask of GOD, GOD will give me, so why am I scared to ask?
- I know that tomorrow is not promised, so why do I put off for tomorrow what I can do today?
- I know that the truth shall make me free, so why do I continue to lie?
- I know He gives us revelation, knowledge and understanding, so why do I lean on my own understanding?
- I know I should live in the spirit as well as walk in the spirit, so why do I choose to live in the spirit but walk in the flesh?
- I know that when praises go up, blessings come down, so why do I refuse to praise Him?
- I know I am saved, so why do I refuse the word He has given me?
- I know He has a plan for me, so why am I rushing it because I am eager to do His will, when it is His time not my time?



The shortest distance between a problem and a solution is the distance between your knees and the floor.

The one who kneels to the Lord can stand up to ANYTHING.

## The Best Gift to Give

The best gifts to give:

To your friend - Loyalty

To your enemy - Forgiveness

To your boss - Service

To a child - Good Example

To your parents – Gratitude

To your wedding mate – Love and Faithfulness

To all men – Charity

To God – Your life

## Godly Humor

Subject: Acts 2:38

A woman had just returned to her home from an evening of church services, when she was startled by an intruder. She caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables and yelled: 'Stop! Acts 2:38!' (Repent and be Baptized, in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins may be forgiven.) The burglar stopped in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done. As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar: 'Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell a scripture to you.'

'Scripture?' replied the burglar. 'She said she had an Ax and Two 38s!'

Send this to someone who needs a laugh today and remember: Knowing scripture can save your life - in more ways than one!

## He Laughs in the Heavens

### Today's Scripture

"He Who sits in the heavens laughs" (Psalm 2:4, AMP).

### Today's Word

Can you get a picture of God laughing in the heavens? Right now, God is on the throne. He's not mad. He's not worried about the economy. He's not upset with you and me. What's He doing? God is full of joy and laughing on the throne. It goes on to tell us in Psalm 37 why He's laughing, because "He can see the destruction of the enemy coming." In other words, the reason God laughs is because He knows the end of the story. He knows the final outcome. The good news is that you and I win. God always causes us to triumph!

Imagine you're watching the Super Bowl, but you already know the outcome. You already know who is going to win. No matter how far behind the winning team falls, no matter how bad it looks for them, you wouldn't get upset. You wouldn't be worried. Why? You've got inside information. You know the final outcome. That's what God is saying to us today. When it gets tough and things don't look like they're going to work out, we know with God, we are on the winning team! You can laugh with Him today knowing that He has favor, strength, and victory for you in every area of your life!

### A Prayer for Today

Father in heaven, I choose to rest and trust in You. Thank You for bringing victory in every area of my life. Give me opportunities today to share Your joy and love with the people around me. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

## A Little Boy's Explanation of God

It was written by an 8-year-old named Danny Dutton, who lives in Chula Vista , CA . He wrote it for his third grade homework assignment, to 'explain God.' I wonder if any of us could have done as well? [ .... and he had such an assignment, in California , and someone published it, I guess miracles do happen ! ... ]

### EXPLANATION OF GOD:

'One of God's main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die, so there will be enough people to take care of things on earth. He doesn't make grownups, just babies. I think because they are smaller and easier to make. That way he doesn't have to take up his valuable time teaching them to talk and walk. He can just leave that to mothers and fathers. 'God's second most important job is listening to prayers. An awful lot of this goes on, since some people, like preachers and things, pray at times beside bedtime. God doesn't have time to listen to the radio or TV because of this. Because he hears everything, there must be a terrible lot of noise in his ears, unless he has thought of a way to turn it off.' 'God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps Him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting his time by going over your mom and dad's head asking for something they said you couldn't have.' 'Atheists are people who don't believe in God. I don't think there are any in Chula Vista. At least there aren't any who come to our church.' 'Jesus is God's Son. He used to do all the hard work, like walking on water and performing miracles and trying to teach the people who didn't want to learn about God. They finally got tired of him preaching to them and they crucified him but he was good and kind, like his father, and he told his father that they didn't know what they were doing and to forgive them and God said O.K.' 'His dad (God) appreciated everything that he had done and all his hard work on earth so he told him he didn't have to go out on the road anymore. He could stay in heaven. So he did. And now he helps his dad out by listening to prayers and seeing things which are important for God to take care of and which ones he can take care of himself without having to bother God. Like a secretary, only more important.'

'You can pray anytime you want and they are sure to help you because they got it worked out so one of them is on duty all the time.' 'You should always go to church on Sunday because it makes God happy, and if there's anybody you want to make happy, it's God! Don't skip church to do something you think will be more fun like going to the beach. This is wrong. And besides the sun doesn't come out at the beach until noon anyway.' 'If you don't believe in God, besides being an atheist, you will be very lonely, because your parents can't go everywhere with you, like to camp, but God can. It is good to know He's around you when you're scared, in the dark or when you can't swim and you get thrown into real deep water by big kids.' 'But...you shouldn't just always think of what God can do for you. I figure God put me here and he can take me back anytime he pleases.'

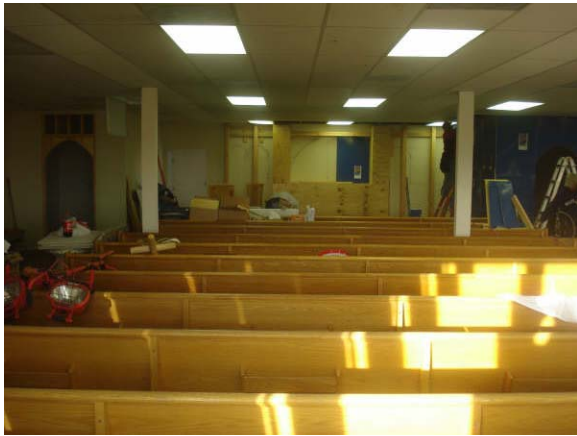
And...that's why I believe in God.'

## Parish News

HERE IS THE NEW CHURCH OF SAINT SHARBEL LAS VEGAS. DONE ONLY IN THREE WEEKS.  
TWO CHAPELS WITHIN IN THE RIGHT AND LEFT IN HONOR OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER MARY  
AND OUR BELOVED PATRON SAINT SHARBEL CHAPEL -HERMITAGE( MAHBASI).  
REMINDS US OF OUR ANCIENT CHURCHES IN THE HOLY LAND AND FAITH OF THE MOUNTAINS.  
WE GIVE ALL GLORY AND THANKSGIVING TO GOD.  
AND THANKING ALL OF YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP.  
THIS PLACE TO BE A PLACE OF PRAYER AND LOVE.  
"THE WAY TO SUCCESS IS ALWAYS UNDER CONSTRUCTION"  
TO BE CONTINUED...

FR NADIM

ENJOY THE PICTURES!



## Bishop Pepe Visits Our Parish For Saint Paul Movie Event



## First US Syriac Stamp



اول طابع برسومات وكتابات سريانية يصدر في امريكا عنكاوا كوم / خاص - رودى هرمز بدأت الولايات المتحدة الامريكية التعامل مع اول طابع من نوعه صدر مؤخراً ويحمل الرسوم والكتابات السريانية. الطابع من تصميم الاب عبدو بدوي، مؤسس ورئيس قسم الفن المقدس بجامعة الروح القدس في الكسليك - لبنان. يحمل الطابع صورة ايقونة، صورت بوحي من بعض النماذج الملكية و الغربية تمثل القديس "يسي" ملقى على جنبه و بيده اليسرى الكتابة، ويخرج من وراء "يسي" فرع من جذع، ينمو بشكل دائري يلتف حول والد الاله من النوع الإيليبي، حاملة مخلص العالم، وعلى الأوراق الخضراء كتب اسماء بالسريانية من يسي و داوود حتى يوسف رجل مريم التي ولد منها يسوع . ثمن الطابع 42 سنت امريكي مما يجعله في متناول العامة فهو يستخدم كطابع للمراسلات وليس مجرد طابع تذكاري. جدير ذكره، ان للاب بدوي عشرات الأعمال التي زينت كنائس لبنان، سوريا، العراق، قبرص، المكسيك، والولايات المتحدة الامريكية. والاب الفنان عبدو بدوي من مواليد مزرعة يشوع - لبنان 8 كانون الأول 1948، درس في طالبية الرهبانية اللبنانية المارونية في الكسليك 1961، راهب في الرهبانية اللبنانية المارونية 1965، قبل السيامة الكهنوتية عام 1975، مؤسس قسم الفن المقدس بجامعة الروح القدس في الكسليك عام 1994.



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