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## *Fr. Corey's Comments*

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➤ *In case you didn't know, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles welcomed its new Coadjutor bishop. His name is JOSÉ HORACIO GOMEZ, formally Archbishop of San Antonio. Archbishop José Gomez, who'll succeed Cardinal Roger Mahony at the helm of the 5 million-member church -- North America's largest, and the global fold's sixth-biggest -- come March 2011. A Coadjutor is sometimes named so that there is a smooth transition between archbishops. A coadjutor takes over when the current archbishop retires.*

*Accordingly, naming Archbishop Gomez as the next Archbishop of Los Angeles is historic not only for Hispanics but all American Catholics. Here are some statistics from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops:*

*More than 20% of all Catholic parishes in the United States have Hispanic ministry; this is well over four thousand parishes in the U.S. all serving Hispanic Catholics.*

*More than 80% of all Archdioceses have diocesan staff coordinating ministry among Hispanic Catholics.*

*Hispanics compose more than 35% of all Catholics in the United States.*

*Hispanics have contributed 71% of the growth of the Catholic Church in the United States since 1960.*

*More than 50% of all Catholics in the U.S. under age 25 are of Hispanic descent.*

*To date, 40 Hispanic bishops have been consecrated in the U.S., 27 of which remain active and 10 are retired. They make up 6% of all U.S. Catholic bishops.*

*Over the past few years 15% of all ordinations to the priesthood in the U.S. are of Hispanic descent.*

*Hispanics constitute 25% of all lay people engaged in diocesan ministry programs.*

*More than 30 million Hispanic Catholics reside in the United States today.*

*More than two-thirds (68%) of all Latinos in the United States consider themselves as Roman Catholics.*

*44.3 million is the estimated Hispanic population of the United States as of July 2006, making the people of Hispanic descent the nation's largest ethnic or race minority (15% of total population). Hispanics will surpass the 106 million mark by the year 2050 (25% of the total U.S. population projections for that year).*

*May Archbishop Gomez have a long and fruitful ministry to the Church in Los Angeles and all of the United States.*

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## Fr. Corey's Comments (Cont'd.)

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➤ *This weekend Bishop William E. Lori ordained four men as priests for the Diocese of Bridgeport at St. Augustine Cathedral. The men to be ordained are Deacon Jeff Couture, Deacon Karol Ksiazek, Deacon Jaime Marin-Cardona, and Deacon Michael Novajosky. These men come from Fairfield, Poland, Columbia and Trumbull respectively. Please remember to keep these young men in your prayers as they begin their work in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ.*

➤ *Congratulations to Owen Daly, Dylan DiSalvo, David Kallberg, Gerard Kane and Kevin Wood who attended the Catholic Scouting Awards Ceremony on June 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Theresa Church in Trumbull. Bishop Lori presented religious awards to all boy and girl scouts during this ceremony. Thank you for your commitment to scouting. May God bless you all!*

➤ *When we come to Mass we have a three fold purpose: to gather as the body of Christ, to worship God by joining ourselves to Jesus as he offers himself to God the Father, and to receive Jesus through His Word and His Body and Blood as spiritual food for our life's journey. It is often easy to forget our purpose and the sublime mysteries that are placed before us. It is true that what we wear doesn't lessen our worship, but if we understand what we are doing each week at Mass, perhaps our attire will mirror our experience. God not only deserves the very best of our souls but also the best of what we can wear. Though it is summer, dress as if you are meeting the Lord of Love, the King of Kings, the Prince of Peace, God who is all in all, because in fact .....YOU ARE!*

*(P.S. Over the weekend I went to Maggie McFly's and had a nice meal. On their door they have a dress code for their patrons.)*

*Latin Phrase: Laborare non amo*

*"I do not like to work."*

*This might be helpful when you want a day off.*



**REGISTRATION** – Rel. Ed is available for children in K-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

They **must** attend each year in **Grades 1-8** in order to make their sacraments. If your child entering **Kindergarten** or **1<sup>st</sup> grade** is not registered for the Fall, please call **Rel. Ed.** (743-4557).

**COFFEE & ...** will be served after the **8:30 & 10:00 Mass** on **SUN., JUNE 13<sup>th</sup>.**



**ST. MARY BOOK CLUB: JUNE BOOK**  
**Counterfeit Gods, "The Empty Promises of Money, Sex, and Power, and the Only Hope That Matters",** by Timothy Keller.



Please join Deacon John in the **Children's Room** on **TUES., 6/29**, at **7:30pm**, for discussion.

**ATTN: MISSION TRIP ATTENDEES**

All paperwork and final payments were due last month. If you have not sent these in, please do so ASAP. Any questions, please call **Mrs. Fitz** (744-5777).



**ST MARY'S MEN'S MINISTRY** will not be meeting again until next fall. Thanks to all the men and speakers from this past season and have a great summer! If you want to be involved in any way next fall when we start up again, please contact **Dave Whitmore** (203-470-0909).



**MASS OF HEALING & HOPE:**  
**MON, JUNE 7**, will be celebrated at **7:30pm** here at **St. Mary's** by **Fr. Larry Carew**. All are invited to attend – and bring a friend. Any questions, please call **Patti Finn** (748-7312).



Schedules for **JULY & AUGUST** are due out. If you cannot serve any weekend during these months, please call **Sheila** (744-5777) by **FRI., JUNE 18<sup>th</sup>**, so you will not be scheduled for that week. Please call if you no longer wish to serve.





## **CAMP**

July 12-16, 19-23

*Monday - Friday, 8:30am-12:30pm*

**St. Mary School Grounds, Bethel**  
**Cost is \$100 per child per week**

**This is the 12th year of our summer camp for children in grades k-6 (for the 2009-10 school year). Amusements, Water Slides, Rock Wall, Games, T-shirts, Prizes, Bible and Saint Stories, Arts & Crafts, Songs, Prayer and much more!**

**Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Church, at the Rectory, and also on our website at [www.stmarybethel.org](http://www.stmarybethel.org). Make checks payable to: St. Mary Church, and return forms and payment to the Rectory.**

**For more information, please call Kate Fitzgerald at 744-5777 or visit our website!**

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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>MON., JUNE 7</b>	6:30	+	Ethel Gagendorf ( <i>Anniv.</i> ) – DiMatteo Family
	9:00	+	Daniel Kiah – Angelo & Carol Frascione
<b>TUES, JUNE 8</b>	6:30	+	Gertrude Zoppi – Pat Long & Daughters
	9:00	+	Erin Whitmeyer – O’Connor Family
<b>WED., JUNE 9</b>	6:30		Allie Cafferty ( <i>Health &amp; Blessings</i> ) – Mom & Dad
	9:00	+	John Flannery – Family
<b>THU., JUNE 10</b>	6:30	+	Frank Novinante – Stevens Family
	9:00	+	Daniel Kiah – Yolanda & Don Buonomo
<b>FRI., JUNE 11</b>	6:30	+	Cathryn Costello
	9:00	+	Walter Beck – Family
<b>SAT., JUNE 12</b>	8:00	+	Paul Grosshart – Family
	5:30	+	Ida Donnarumma – Family
<b>SUN., JUNE 13</b>	7:00	+	Cathryn Costello
	8:30	+	Mary Pizzarello ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.</i> ) – Edith Jaccarino
	10:00	+	Ron Polseno – Francesca & Enrico Bonacci
	11:30	+	Daniel W. Vecchia – Phoebe Ann Vecchia
	5:30	+	Christian Major – Parents



**WELCOME TO THOSE WHO WERE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

*Emily Julia Pysk*

*I – Chris Veloso & Sarah Stratman*



**GOAL: \$15,000**

**COLLECTION: \$12,267**

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**PARISH OFFICE (744-5777)**

**Sheila Kurjiaka:** *Bulletin Editor*  
**Kate Fitzgerald:** *Parish Secretary*  
**Paul Orsino:** *Property Manager*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (743-4557)**

**Mary Ferri:** *Director*  
**Peggy Gavin:** *Secretary*  
**Dennis Nauheimer (RCIA): 794-9488**  
*(Call if interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation as a Catholic with Confirmation and/or Eucharist.)*

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**Michael Ferrari:** *Music Director*  
**Elizabeth Barnes:** *Choir Director*  
**Debbie Caraluzzi:** *Contemp. Group Director*

**ST. MARY SCHOOL (744-2922)**

**Sister Anne McCarthy:** *Principal*  
**Linda Curry:** *Secretary*

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday – Friday: 6:30 & 9:00am**  
**Saturday: 8:00am & 5:30pm**  
**Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30am & 5:30pm**

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00pm.**

**BAPTISMS: Every Sunday at 12:45pm.**  
**(Call the Rectory to Schedule.)**

**PRE-BAPTISM CLASSES: Twice a Month.**  
**(Call the Rectory to Schedule.)**

**ARRANGEMENT FOR MARRIAGE:**

***Couples must meet with a parish clergyman at least six (6) months before the marriage is to be celebrate.***