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In my many years in providing priestly spiritual direction I have often been approached by clients complaining of a symptom that they find hard to describe— not quite the same as depression, but a kind of heavy-heartedness—the opposite of what a "light-hearted' exuberant happygo-lucky person might manifest. In one counseling session, a farmer client told me, in his quaint and graphic phraseology, that his heart was "as heavy as a bucket of hog livers."

After I probed his psyche with a series of exploratory questions, I discovered that he was suffering from a not uncommon symptom of suppressed guilt—a series of moral failures in his past that he hadn't been able to face directly because of an unfounded fear of encountering a wrathful God who would respond with a threat of hellfire.

With a quick silent prayer, I slipped into my "good shepherd" role and gently sermonized him, kindergarten-style, with Jesus'



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# A Lamb in a Thornbush

by Fr. John H. Hampsch, CMF

parables of the lost sheep and the Prodigal son. I tried to describe the simple truth of Jesus' gentle mercy, and show that God's driving eagerness to forgive us is far stronger than our desire to be forgiven.

This Bible-based "reality therapy" proved to be more therapeutic than simple "non-directive counseling." He had heard of, but never seriously pondered, the beauty of God's very personal loving mercy. His heart melted when he suddenly realized that he had never pleaded with God to extend his mercy, but that God had, for years, been pleading with him to receive it.

His edge-of-the chair eagerness to Tearn of God's gentle compassion was gratifying for me to witness, and his sudden transition from habitual heavyhearted demeanor to liahthearted tearful joy was a graced moment in my ministry that I'll never forget. When I quoted Jesus' words, "Do not let your heart be troubled," he fell to his knees and asked me for what no lay counselor could ever provide confessional absolution. He left my office as a light-hearted, joy-filled person, miraculously transformed emotionally and spiritually!

Of all 27 human emotions, guilt is probably the most

corrosive to our physical and human emotional integrity. Yet, most guilt-torn souls have at least some faint awareness that God has the answer, and their healing very often can be almost miraculous if their heart cries out, even silently, the pleadings of heavy-hearted David in his repentance: "Let your steadfast love become my comfort according to your promise... Let your mercy come to me" (Ps. 119:76-77).

Jesus explains the slavery that sin produces: "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin...But if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed:" (John 8:34-36). To escape from the slavery of sin and guilt, one needs to become poignantly aware of the Lord's passionate desire to deliver every soul from such bondage—instantly—by his great mercy. How to avail yourself of that ever-present divine loving mercy is what this Jubilee Year of Divine Mercy is all about. Do you hear the Good Shepherd calling out to you by your name? Don't die trapped in a thorn bush!



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Come receive a blessing from
Fr. John Hampsch, CMF at the SCRC
Convention, Sept. 2-4, 2016 at the
Anaheim Convention Center. He
will be at his Exhibit Booth throughout the weekend.



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## Saturday, September 24

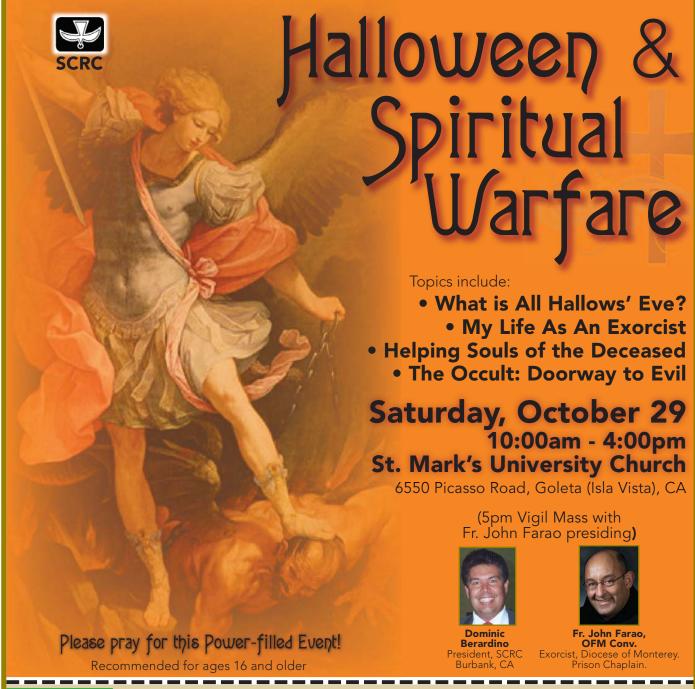
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### September, 2016 Calendar

#### San Fernando Region

Thursday, September 15

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm with Fr. Raul Gatbonton at St. Joseph the Worker, 19855 Sherman Way, Canoga Park.

Friday, September 16

Healing of Memories Mass,7:30pm with Fr. Patrick Crowley, SSCC at Incarnation Church, 1001 N. Brand Bl., Glendale.

Fri. & Sat., September 23 & 24 Unbound: Freedom in Christ at St. Mary Church Hall, 1600 E. Ave. R-4, Palmdale. \$25. For info., contact Celia (661) 618-3990.

#### San Gabriel Region

Monday, September 12

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm with Fr. Lou Cerulli at Miraculous Medal Church, 820 N. Garfield Ave., Montebello.

Saturday, September 17

Mass & Healing Service, 9:00am with Fr. Mark Strader at St. Luke Church, 5605 Cloverly, Temple City.

#### San Pedro Region Monday, September 19

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Lester Niez at St. Linus Church, 13915 Shoemaker Ave., Norwalk.

#### Friday, September 23

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Bill Adams, CSsR at Mary Star of the Sea, 870 W. 8th St., San Pedro. (Praise/Worship, 7pm)

Monday, September 26

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Bill Adams, CSsR at St. Cornelius Church, 5500 E. Wardlow, Long Beach.

#### Monterey Diocese Monday, September 12

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm with Fr. Jose (Beto) Vazquez at St. Patrick Church, 501 Fair Oaks, Arroyo Grande.

#### Orange Diocese

Fri.-Sun., September 2-4
45th Annual SCRC Catholic Renewal

45th Annual SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention, "Merciful & Gracious is the Lord". Anaheim Convention Center & Arena. Doors open at 8:00am!

Saturday, September 17

Magnificat Prayer Breakfast, 9:30am-12:30pm at Embassy Suites Anaheim-South, 11767 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove. Guest Speaker: Mary Carey. \$33/person at the door. Contact Anne (714) 420-5482 or magnificat-ministry.net

Saturday, September 24

Heavenly Miracles Touching Earth, 9:30am-3:30pm with Fr. Ben Tran,

Fr. Dan Wilder & Dominic Berardino at St. Edward the Confessor Parish Hall, 33926 Calle La Primavera, Dana Point. \$20 before 9/19. \$25 after 9/19. Catered lunch included. Healing Mass Included. See pg. 2.

Monday, September 26

Mass & Healing Service, 7:15pm with Fr. Jerry Thompson at St. Angela Merici Church, 585 S. Walnut, Brea.

#### San Bernardino Diocese Saturday, September 10

Palm Desert Chapter Breakfast, 9:30am-12:30pm with guest speaker: Maria Echeverria at Indian Wells Country Club, 46000 Club Drive, Indian Wells. \$35/person. Contact Janice (760) 902-7395 or magnificatpalmdesert.org

Holy Spirit Seminar 7 Fridays, Sept. 16-Oct. 28

Life in the Spirit Seminar, 7:00pm-9:00pm at St. Jerome (Religious Ed. Room) 5550 Thornburn St., Los Angeles. Contact: Donatus/Murglen 323-294-1940.

Saturday, September 24

Life in the Spirit Seminar, 9:00am-6:00pm at Incarnation School Auditorium, 1001 N. Brand Bl., Glendale. Light lunch/snacks will be served. Contact: Zenny 818-421-1354.

### October, 2016 Calendar

#### Santa Barbara Region

Saturday, October 29

Halloween & Spiritual Warfare, 10:00am -4:00pm with Fr. John Farao, OFM, Conv. & Dominic Berardino at St. Mark's University Church, 6550 Picasso Rd., Goleta (Isla Vista). \$20 before Oct. 24 or \$25 at the door. Free Admission for Students with current Student ID. See opposite pg.

#### San Fernando Region

Thursday, October 13

Mass & Healing Service (Healing the Family Tree), 6:30pm with Fr. Michael Barry, SSCC at at. Our Lady of Grace, 5011 White Oak Ave., Encino.

Thursday, October 20

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm with Fr. Roberto Rueda at St. Joseph the Worker, 19855 Sherman Way, Canoga Park.

Saturday, October 8

Special Conference: "Healing Your Family Tree", 10:00am- 4:00pm with Fr. Lou Cerulli and Dominic Berardino at St. Dominic Parish Hall, 2002 Merton Ave, Los Angeles (Eagle Rock). Registration: \$25, thru 10/1, \$30 (after 10/1 or at the door). See pg. 3 for info/registration or scrc.org

#### LOOKING AHEAD!

Saturday, November 5

SCRC Banquet "Walking in the Spirit of God", 11:00am-2:00pm with

special guest speaker: Deacon Milt Rosenberg at the Oakmont Country Club, Glendale. Please see pg. 7 for reservation form or go to: scrc.org

#### San Gabriel Region

Monday, October 3

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm with Fr. Ismael Robles at Miraculous Medal Church, 820 N. Garfield Ave., Montebello.

Friday, October 21

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm with Fr. Lou Cerulli at at. St. Elizabeth Church, 1879 N. Lake Ave., Altadena.

#### San Pedro Region

Saturday, October 1

"Angels Among Us", 10:00am-4:00pm with Fr. George Reynolds & Dominic Berardino at St. Cornelius Parish Hall, 5500 E. Wardlow, Long Beach. \$20 before 9/26. \$25 after 9/26. Catered lunch included. Mass Included. See pg. 3 for info/registration or scrc.org

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Monday, October 24

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Mike Gleeson at St. Cornelius Church, 5500 E. Wardlow, Long Beach.

Friday, October 28

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### San Diego Diocese

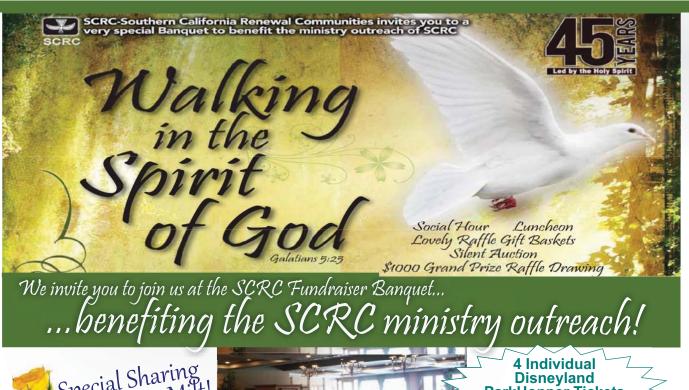
Saturday, November 12

"Healing From Heaven", 9:45am-3:45pm with Fr. Jerry Thompson & Dominic Berardino at St. Patrick Parish Hall, 3821 Adams St., Carlsbad. Catered lunch included. \$20 before 11/7. \$25 after 11/7. Healing Mass Included. See pg. 3 for info/registration or scrc.org

#### **Holy Spirit Seminar**

Saturday, October 22

Thy Kingdom Come: Life in the Spirit Seminar, 10:00am-4:00pm with speakers: Dominic Berardino, Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ, Deacon Steve Greco and other speakers to be announced. Location: San Gabriel Mission Parish Hall, 428 S. Mission Dr., San Gabriel. Freewill love offering.





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Galatians 5:25

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Saturday, November 5, 2016 11:00am-2:00pm



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Special Guest Speaker: Deacon Milt Rosenberg

Deacon Milt was raised in a kosher, prayerful Jewish home. He attended Hebrew school for 6 years to prepare for his bar mitzvah. After working for many years as a CPA, he earned a Doctorate in Psychology and became a Licensed Marriage and Family Counselor. Deacon Milt worked for 20 years in a Kaiser's Dept. of Addiction Medicine. In 1981 he had a conversion experience at a Life in the Spirit Seminar. In June of 1999, he was ordained a Permanent Deacon for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He was then recruited by St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, to

then recruited by St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, to serve as their Director of Psychological Services, where he has served for the last 13 years. Deacon Milt and his wife Jeannie serve on the SCRC Convention Service Committee as Prayer Ministry Supervisors



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