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In 1 Cor. 12:4-11, St. Paul writes, "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another mighty deeds; to another prophecy; to another discernment of spirits; to another varieties of tongues; to another interpretation of tongues. But one

The Gift of Prophecy

by Bob Canton

and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes."

Purpose of the Spiritual Gifts

These gifts, described by many as "Charisms or Charismatic gifts," are given by the Holy Spirit to individuals for service or ministry to edify or build up, to encourage, and to comfort the body of Christ (see 1 Cor. 14:3-5). The word "gift" in Greek is "charismata," meaning "favor freely given to whomever the Lord chooses." It is not something that the recipient has earned or deserved. In the *Catechism of the Catholic Church, Section 799*, the Church asserts, "Whether extraordinary or simple and humble, charisms are graces of the Holy Spirit which directly or indirectly benefit the Church, ordered as they are to her building up, to the good of men, and to the needs of the world." The gifts of the Spirit manifest the presence and power of God in our midst. Jesus says in Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." The Greek word for this kind of power is "dunamis," meaning "dynamite."

God's power is surely more potent than all powers in this world combined because God's power is supernatural and un-equalled in nature. When the Lord unleashes His power, it is always to accomplish His purpose and to establish His Kingdom. I believe that the Holy Spirit is looking for people whom He can count on to further God's Kingdom and to achieve His purposes for His honor and glory. The *Documents of Vatican Council II* under the *Decree of the Apostolate of Lay People*, state, "From the reception of these charisms, even the most ordinary ones, there arises of each of the faithful the right and the duty of exercising them in the Church and in the world for the good of men and the development of the Church, of exercising them in the freedom of the Holy Spirit who "breathes where He wills."

In his homily at the closing Mass of the World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia in July 2008, Pope Benedict XVI stated, "But what is this power of the Holy Spirit? It is the power of God's life! It is the power of the same Spirit who hovered over the waters at the dawn of creation, and who, in the fullness of time, raised Jesus from the dead.

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The Power of Prayer + The SCRC Convention = SPIRITUAL BREAKTHROUGHS!



Instrumental to the success of SCRC's annual Catholic Renewal Convention are the many people who are convinced in their hearts that prayer truly does access God's Spiritual Power.

Many prayer warriors commit themselves each year to prayerfully intercede for the manifestation of the Holy Spirit's Gifts & Graces in the lives of everyone who attends this SCRC Weekend at the Anaheim Convention Center. We invite you to be a channel of prayer during the 9 days (*August 25 to September 2*) leading up to the start of this awe-inspiring weekend event.

The SCRC Office will compile one master chart of all the total sign-ups. Please inform us of the prayer time slot you have committed to:

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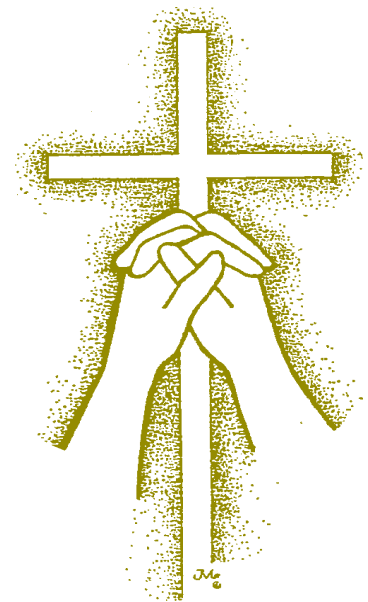
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Intercessory prayer originates in Jesus Christ, our Eternal High Priest, who is interceding now in heaven (Hebrews 7:24-25). This divine intercession then flows from Christ into the members of His Body through the Holy Spirit.

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or simply email your prayer time slot to: spirit@scrc.org

It is a power which points us, and our world, towards the coming of the Kingdom of God."

Prophetic Gift

Since the space in this newsletter is limited, let me focus more specifically on the gift of prophecy. St. Paul says "pursue love, but strive eagerly for the spiritual gifts, above all that you may prophesy." 1 Cor. 14:1. In Acts 2:17-18, we read about Peter standing up with the Eleven and reiterating what the prophet Joel had prophesied, "It will come to pass in the last Days, God says, that I will pour out a portion of my spirit upon all flesh. Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams. Indeed, upon my servants and my handmaids I will pour out a portion of my spirit in those days, and they shall prophesy," To prophesy means to speak or sing a message from God under the unction or direction of the Holy Spirit. Simply put, to prophesy is to be a spokesperson for God. However, not all who prophesy are prophets, but all prophets must prophesy. Some who are called into the prophetic office by the Lord, are continually using the gift of prophecy and other gifts of revelation such as the word of wisdom, word of knowledge, and discernment of spirits, in their lives and ministries.

Prophecy may forth-tell or foretell the truths from God. A prophecy that forth-tells means a message that doesn't necessarily pertain to the things in the future. An example of this is when Jesus, from the Cross, told the 'good thief'. "Amen, Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." Luke 23:43. On the other hand, foretelling relates to the things or circumstances that will come to pass in the future. An illustration of this is found in Acts 11:28, "One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine all over the world, and it happened under Claudius Caesar." I was once a

recipient of this type of prophecy that foretells about the future.

After my wife, Chita and I experienced the baptism in the Holy Spirit back on November 11, 1984, we started to pray together. On December 8, 1984, while we were praying, my wife came up to me and started prophesying, "My son, do not be afraid. My name is Jesus and I'm talking to you through your wife. I'm going to use you to heal millions in my Name. Believe my son that this will happen and be humble always. You will preach the gospel in my Name. Many will come to ask for healing. Heal them in my Name because healing is good news. You will travel far and wide. You may find this hard to believe, but remember, for me nothing is impossible."

Soon after, I asked her what had prompted her to say those words to me. She said, "I only repeated what I heard the Lord was saying in my 'inner being'. To date, I have been to 39 countries, preaching and proclaiming the gospel and healing the sick in the Name of Jesus, in spite of my many limitations. The Lord had opened the doors for me to start traveling and ministering internationally in the year 1991, exactly seven years after I received the prophecy about the works that the Lord wanted me to do for Him and for His Kingdom. A prophecy may also come forth through someone who speaks in "tongues." In 1 Cor. 14:5, St. Paul says, "Now, I should like all of you to speak in tongues, but even more to prophesy. One who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may be built up. When someone speaks in tongues in a prayer meeting, for instance, the gift of interpretation of tongues should also be operative to make the message in tongues understandable to the hearers. The person who is speaking in tongues may give the interpretation under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit or somebody else in the congregation may be prompted to do it. It should be noted that interpretation is not necessarily a translation of the message delivered

through speaking in tongues.

How To Hear the Voice of God

The Lord wants to talk to us and He is always speaking to us! In the book of Genesis, we read these words many times, "Then God said" In John 10:27, Jesus says, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me." Jesus also says, "Amen, Amen, I say to you, many prophets longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it" (Mt. 13:17).

Our God wants to have fellowship with us. Jesus died on the Cross for us not only to set us free from the bondage of sin and death, but also to bring us to a personal relationship and fellowship with Him. The Lord is more delighted to speak to us than we are to hear from Him. Most of the time, the Lord communicates with us through a still small voice from within our spirit. A person may perceive it as a sudden impression, or a "sense" of something that God is saying, or a passing thought. If we open ourselves, our hearts, our senses, and our minds to God, and be obedient to Him, we will surely hear His voice. The Lord can give us an impression, or a vision, or a thought. He can also communicate with us through dreams, through scriptures, through our circumstances, through other people, and even through His audible voice which is very rare indeed. He is sovereign and He has no limitations.

A few weeks ago, I had the opportunity to conduct a Parish Mission in Sarasota, Florida. While giving a talk on "Repentance and Forgiveness," the Lord "spoke" into my heart that there was a person in the congregation who tried to commit suicide and that the Lord was setting him free from the feelings of guilt and self-condemnation. When I received the words, there was a deep conviction in my heart that they came from the Lord. I announced what the Lord had said, and a man

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Day of Teaching & Intercession

for the Nation



with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ



Saturday, July 10
12:30pm-4:30pm

Day of Intercession - July 10

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- Time of Prayer -
Charismatic Intercession
- Mass for Saturday (1:00pm)
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Glimpses of the Hereafter

Glimpses of the Hereafter July 25

Topics:

- The Life of the World to Come
- Examining Near-Death Experiences
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- Healing After Death
- Communion With Those in Eternity

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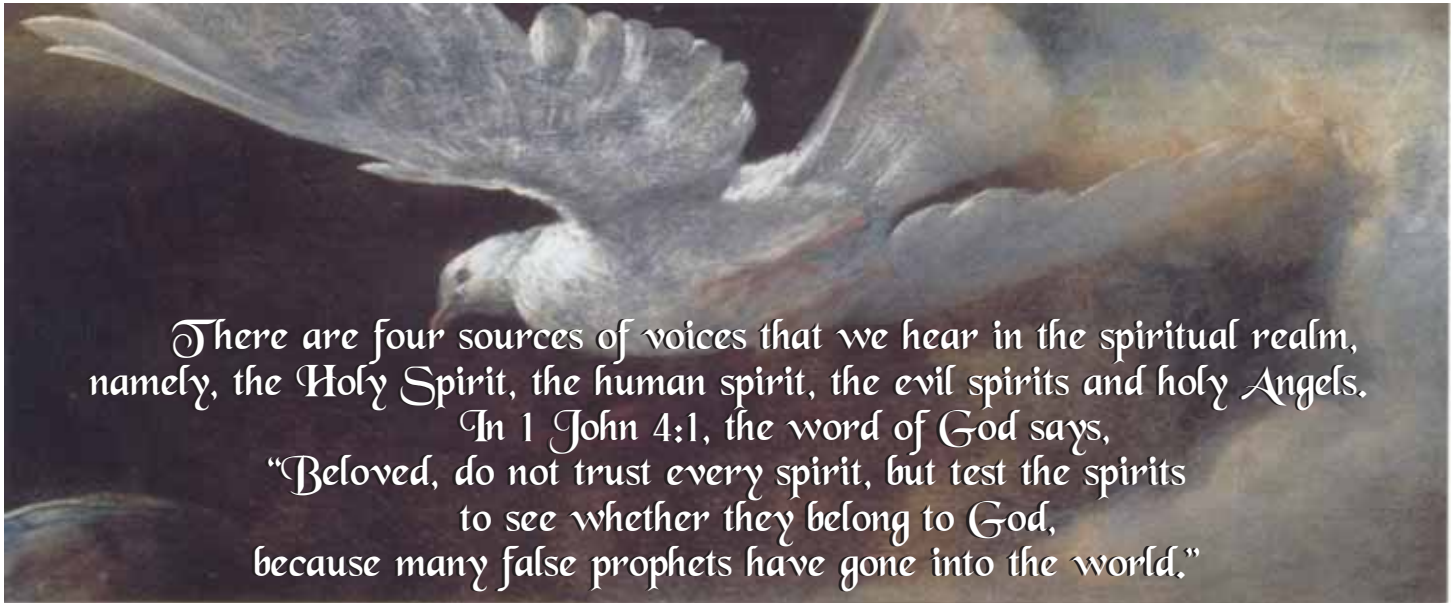
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with
Dominic Berardino

Sunday, July 25
1:00pm-4:30pm



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In 1 John 4:1, the word of God says,
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named John came up to the altar, with tears in his eyes, to acknowledge everything that I said. I “sensed,” that John tried to do it not only once but twice, and he admitted it when I asked him about it. That day, he received an emotional and spiritual healing and an assurance that the Lord, in His mercy and love, had not condemned but rather had forgiven him. Recently, John told me that his life had been changing rapidly for the better since that time because he had become closer to the Lord.

Discernings of Spirits

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who “guides us to all truths.”

The following are some of the practical guidelines in judging or discerning a prophecy:

- 1. It must edify or build up and give comfort. If a prophecy is negative and condemnatory, it is a sure sign that it is not from God.**
- 2. It must bear good fruit. “Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. So by their fruits, you will know them” (Mt 7:19-20).**
- 3. It must be scriptural. Jesus says, “My words, they are Spirit and they are life” (John 6:63).**
- 4. It must conform to the teachings of the magisterium of the Catholic Church. The magisterium is the teaching authority of the Church.**
- 5. It must produce peace. St. Paul says, “God is not the author of confusion but of peace” (1 Cor 14:33)**
- 6. It must ultimately bring glory and honor to God. St. Paul states, “So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God” (1 Cor 10:31).**
- 7. It must strengthen the faith of**

both the “giver” of the prophecy and the “hearer or hearers.” “Faith comes from what is heard and what is heard comes through the words of Christ” (Rom 10:17).

Conclusion

The gift of prophecy, if properly used, has the power to change people’s lives. I believe that the Lord has chosen and appointed us, in spite of ourselves, to be His instruments. The world is waiting to experience the life-changing and life-giving power of the Holy Spirit. Are you willing to say “Yes” to the Lord and be His vessel to change the world around you?



Bob Canton will be a speaker this year and also assist at the Healing Service at the upcoming SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention, Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 3-5, 2010 at the Anaheim Convention Center.

Reprinted from the Oct-Dec 2009 ICCRS Newsletter (Int’l Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services) based in Vatican City.

Please keep Fr. John Hampsch, CMF and Linda Schubert in your prayers...

They are both dealing with serious health issues.

May God’s healing touch be upon them.



July, 2010 Calendar

SANTA BARBARA REGION

Wednesday, July 14

Mass & Healing Service, 7pm with Abbot David Geraets, OSB, at St. Mary of the Assumption, 207 S. School, Santa Maria, 93454.

Fri., July 23 - Fri., Aug. 6, 2010

Monastery of the Risen Christ-School for Spiritual Directors to be held at the Santa Barbara Mission Renewal Center. Contact Monastery of the Risen Christ, PO Box 3931, San Luis Obispo, CA 93403 (805) 546-8286 or (805) 544-7808 or Dr. Marie at Joyologist@gwi.net

SAN FERNANDO REGION

Thurs. & Fri., July 1 & 2

Growing in the Spirit, 7:00pm with Alejandro Aguspina at Incarnation Parish, 1001 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale, CA, 91202.

Saturday, July 10

Day of Intercession for the Nation, 12:30pm-4:30pm with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ at the SCRC Teaching Center, 9795 Cabrini Drive, Suite 209, Burbank, CA 91504. Praise & Worship, Mass at 1:00pm, Teachings & Prayer. Love offering. See page 4.

Sunday, July 25

Glimpses of the Hereafter, 1:00pm-4:30pm with Dominic Berardino at the SCRC Teaching Center, 9795 Cabrini Dr., #209, Burbank, CA 91504.

Topics: The Life of the World to Come • Examining Near-Death Experiences & Pre-Death Visions • Healing After Death • Communion With Those in Eternity. Free! Love offering will be taken. All Are Welcome! See page 4.

Wednesday, July 28

Mass & Healing Service, 6:30pm with Fr. Bill Adams, CSSR, at St. Mel's, 20870 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills, 91364.

Friday, July 30

Young Adult Mass, 8:00pm with Fr. Charles Lueras, CRIC, at St. Catherine of Siena Parish (Bethany House), 7317 Lindley Ave., Reseda, 91335.

SAN GABRIEL REGION

Friday, July 2

Mass & Healing Service, 8:00pm with Fr. Charles Lueras, CRIC at Holy Family, 1501 Fremont, South Pasadena, 91030.

Friday, July 23

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ at San Gabriel Mission Chapel, 428 S. Mission Dr., San Gabriel, 91776 (Praise 7:15pm)

Saturday, July 31

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm at St. Louis of France Church, 13935 Temple Ave., La Puente, 91746

SAN PEDRO REGION

Thursday, July 8

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with

Fr. Jesse Galaz at Our Lady of the Rosary, 14815 S. Paramount Blvd., Paramount, 90723. (Praise & Worship 7pm)

Monday, July 19

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Joseph Visperas at St. Linus Church, 13915 Shoemaker Ave., Norwalk, 90650.

Monday, July 26

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Patrick Moses at St. Cornelius Church, 5500 E. Wardlow Rd., Long Beach, 90808.

ORANGE DIOCESE

Monday, July 26

Mass & Healing Service, 7:15pm with Fr. Mike Barry, SSCC, at St. Angela Merici, 585 S. Walnut, Brea, 92821.



HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARS

Sat. & Sun., July 17 & 18

Life in the Spirit Seminar, 9:00am-5:00pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 1201 E. Highland Ave., San Bernardino, 92404. Free Admission. Bring your own lunch. For registration/info: (909) 475-5365 or (909) 684-8495.

Saturday, July 24

Baptism in the Holy Spirit Seminar, 9:00am-6:00pm (Registration: 8:30am) at Incarnation Parish, 1001 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale, 91202. (818) 546-1012.

August, 2010 Calendar

SANTA BARBARA REGION

Wednesday, August 11

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 207 S. School St., Santa Maria, 93454.

SAN FERNANDO REGION

Saturday, August 7

SCRC Convention Volunteer Orientation & Prayer Gathering, 9:30am-12:30pm at Holy Family Elementary School Auditorium, 400 S. Louise Ave., Glendale, 91205. Mass Celebrant: Fr. Budi Wardhana. (see back page for more details!)

Wednesday, August 18

Mass & Healing Service, 6:30pm with Fr. Ramon Valera at St. Mel's, 20870 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills, 91364.

Saturday, August 21

Antelope Valley Magnificat Chapter Breakfast, 9:30am-12:30pm at The Hellenic Center, 43404 30th St. West, Lancaster. Guest speaker will be: Maureen Scanlon. Reservations: \$26 due by Aug. 12th. For information, please call Anne (661) 949-6208.

SAN GABRIEL REGION

Friday, August 6

Mass & Healing Service, 8:00pm with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ at Holy Family Church, 1501 Fremont, South Pasadena, 91030.

Friday, August 27

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Mike Sears at San Gabriel Mission Chapel, 428 S. Mission Dr., San Gabriel, 91776 (Praise 7:15pm)

Saturday, August 28

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm at St. Louis of France Church, 13935 Temple Ave., La Puente, 91746

SAN PEDRO REGION

Thursday, August 12

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Jesse Galaz at Our Lady of the Rosary, 14815 S. Paramount Blvd., Paramount, 90723. (Praise & Worship 7pm)

Monday, August 16

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ at St. Linus Church, 13915 Shoemaker Ave., Norwalk, 90650.

Monday, August 23

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Msgr. Joe Brennan at St. Cornelius Church, 5500 E. Wardlow Rd., Long Beach, 90808.

ORANGE DIOCESE

Friday, August 20

Charismatic Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Jerry Thompson at St. John the Baptist Church, 1015 Baker St., Costa Mesa, 92626.

Monday, August 30

Mass & Healing Service, 7:15pm with Fr. Alex Aclan at St. Angela Merici, 585 Walnut, Brea, 92821.



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Sat. & Sun., August 7 & 8

Life in the Spirit Seminar, 8:30am-5:00pm at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, 19855 Sherman Way, Winnetka, 91306.

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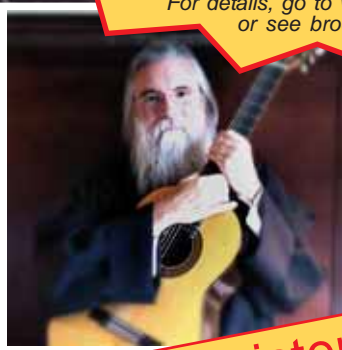
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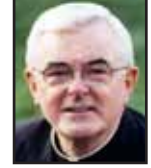
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Mass Celebrant: **Fr. Budi Wardhana**
Associate Pastor, St. Rose of Lima, Simi Valley

**Saturday,
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9:30am - 12:30pm

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Glendale, CA 91205



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