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# Pope Francis: The Devil is Real and He Must Be Fought

Christian life is a constant battle against the devil, who is not the stuff of legend, but really exists, Pope Francis has said in a recent homily.

Battling the devil will not be easy because the evil one's traps and temptations are many, and "the devil is not tossing flowers at us," but "flaming arrows" aimed to kill, the Pope said during a Mass in the Domus Sanctae Marthae where he lives.

There are three "enemies of Christian life," Pope Francis said: "The devil, the world and the flesh," in other words, the carnal passions that are "the wounds of original sin."

"But this generation, and many others, made people think that the devil was a myth, a character, an idea, the concept of evil," the Pope said, according to Vatican Radio.

"The devil exists and we have to fight against him. Paul says so — I'm not the one saying it. The word of God says it," the Pope added, referring to the day's reading from St Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (6:10-20), which calls on believers to "stand firm against the tactics of the devil".

Even believers "are not too

convinced" the devil exists, he said, or else "we are a bit lazy in the fight and we let ourselves be led by our passions, by some temptations. It's because we are sinners — all of us."

"However, do not be discouraged. (Have) courage and strength because the Lord is with us" and supplies all that is needed in battle, the Pope said.

Because the devil is "the father of lies, the father of deception," Christians must arm themselves with the "armor of God — the truth."

St. Paul says Christians must be "girded in truth, clothed with righteousness as a breastplate, and your feet shod in readiness for the Gospel of peace," the Pope said. People need to "hold faith as a shield" and take up "the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God," he added, and they must pray all the time.

"You cannot be Christians without working continuously at being righteous. You can't," the Pope continued.

People need faith to go forward and they need to know "that it is God defending us, to resist the



devil's temptations," he said.

"Is that clear? You cannot think of a spiritual life, a Christian life," he said, "without resisting temptation, without fighting against the devil, without putting on this armor of God, who gives us strength and defends us."

"Christian life is a battle, a very beautiful battle because when the Lord wins at every step of our life, he gives us a joy, a great happiness, that joy that the Lord has won in us" with his free gift of salvation, the Pope said.



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# PRAYER ALERT!

Major new additions are being featured at the next SCRC Renewal Convention (ie: Mega-Healing Service, Christ Triumphant Track, Young Adult Conference and Unbound Spanish Conference). Your prayer backing is urgently needed now! Please read this reprint article!

## HELP OPEN THE HEAVENS!

by Dominic Berardino

### AN URGENT REQUEST

A well-respected priest, long associated with SCRC, was examining details of the upcoming Convention's potent addition of the Christ Triumphant Track. He looked at me and said: "Start asking people to fast for this! It's very important that as many people as possible do some form of fasting one day each week from now until the Convention!" I knew he was absolutely right and that there is no time to waste!

Once I was browsing in a bookstore's Religion section. Two women were also there and were carrying on a not-so-quiet conversation. One of them remarked that she was in the midst of a fast. The other woman immediately replied: "Let me fast together with you. What is your prayer intention?" I was in total amazement! Never in my life have I come across anyone so eager and willing to join in a fast!

If Jesus fasted during his earthly ministry, how very important must it also be for those who follow in Christ's footsteps. Fasting channels God's Power in a most pronounced way. How Should We Fast?

There is no one set pattern for fasting. How we choose to fast is a choice of one's own heart. It depends on the level of our ability and availability.

Possible Suggestions

- Eliminate 1 or 2 meals on your fast day.
- Cut out selected items from your diet on your fast day. Such



as desserts, snacks or meat.

- Abstain from something other than food. Perhaps fasting from watching TV or time spent on a hobby.

Remember the object of fasting is not just to give something up, but to make room for prayer.

What Are We Fasting and Praying For?

We are spiritually joining together asking God to manifest His Power and Presence at the SCRC Convention for:

- Spiritual Breakthroughs
- Changed Hearts and Lives
- All Manner of Healings
- Freedom from Oppression & Darkness
- New Anointing of the Holy Spirit

Please join us in this vital endeavor. Even if you're unable to physically attend the Convention, you can take part

and share in the spiritual victories that take place.

Mail or email ([spirit@scrc.org](mailto:spirit@scrc.org)) your name with your Weekly Fast Day to the SCRC Office to be placed at the Tabernacle of the Blessed Sacrament.

The SCRC Staff and volunteers will intercede that God's Strength, Blessing and Graces will clearly be upon you as we prayerfully join together to help open the heavenly storehouses of God's Power and Might!



Register online: [scrc.org](http://scrc.org)



# Heaven

# Help Us!



**Fr. Bob Garon**  
Pastor, St. Didacus, Sylmar, CA  
St. Didacus Location ONLY



**Dominic Berardino**  
President, SCRC, Burbank, CA  
Both Locations



**Fr. Ed Benioff**  
Dir. of New Evangelization, Archdiocese of LA  
Our Lady of the Assumption Location ONLY

- Miracles Happen Today
- Connecting With God's Communion of Love
- Are Angels for Real?
- Healing Encounters With Heaven's Helpers
- Mass Included!

## Two Dates & Locations!

**Saturday, June 6**  
**St. Didacus Parish Hall**  
 13447 Astoria St.  
 Sylmar, CA  
 9:30am-4:00pm

Registration Deadline June 1: \$20  
 (includes catered chicken lunch)  
 After June 1 or at the door: \$25

**Saturday, June 27**  
**Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall**  
 3175 Telegraph Rd., Ventura, CA  
 9:30am-4:00pm

Registration Deadline June 22: \$20  
 (includes catered chicken lunch)  
 After June 22 or at the door: \$25

If you plan to register at the door, please call or email for lunch count. (Registration is the same price, with or without lunch).



Return completed registration form with payment to:  
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Total Number of Registration(s) including Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20 per person \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Enclosed

Check box of Location Attending:  June 6-St. Didacus, Sylmar OR  June 27-OLA, Ventura

Spiritually enriching Books, CDs/DVDs and gifts will be available for purchase throughout the day.

# May, 2015 Calendar

## QUEEN OF ANGELS REGION Saturday, May 9

Day of Renewal with Prayer and Healing, 10:00am-3:30pm with Bob Canton at St. Jerome Parish Hall, 5550 Thornburn St., Los Angeles. Bring sack lunch. Love offering taken. Contact: Donatus/Murglen (323) 294-1940.

## SANTA BARBARA REGION Wednesday, May 13

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm at St. Mary of the Assumption, 207 S. School St., Santa Maria.

## SAN FERNANDO REGION Thursday, May 21

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

## Saturday, May 23

### SCRC Pentecost Vigil Celebration & Mass,

"Seeking a Fresh Outpouring of the Holy Spirit", 1:30pm-5:30pm with Dominic Berardino, Dr. Elizabeth Kim & Mass Celebrant: Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ

at St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall, 18115 Sherman Way, Reseda. Free! All Are Welcome! (see page 7 for details)

## SAN GABRIEL REGION Friday, May 1

Mass & Healing Service, 8:00pm with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ at Holy Family, 1527 Fremont Ave., South Pasadena.

## Saturday, May 2

Mass & Healing Service, 9:00am with Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ at St. Luke the Evangelist, 5605 Cloverly, Temple City.

## Saturday, May 9

San Gabriel Valley Chapter Magnificat Prayer Meal, 10:00am-1:00pm at Via Verde Country Club, 1400 Avenida Entrada, San Dimas. Guest Speaker: Karen Moses. \$29. Contact Clara: (626) 963-5532.

## SAN PEDRO REGION Monday, May 18

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Msgr. Joe Brennan at St. Linus, 13915 Shoemaker Ave.,

Norwalk.

## ORANGE DIOCESE Saturday, May 16

Orange County Magnificat Prayer Breakfast, 9:30am-12:30pm with Guest Speakers: Lourdes & Michael Carroll at Embassy Suites, Anaheim-South, 11767 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove. \$28. Contact: Christina (714) 809-9832. magnificat-orangecounty.org

## Monday, May 18

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

## HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARS 4 Fridays, May 8, 15, 22 & 29

Life in the Spirit Seminar, 8:00pm at St. Columban Church, 125 So. Loma Dr., Los Angeles. (Registration at 7:30pm.) For information, (323) 661-4158 rmol1257@yahoo.com

## Saturday, May 30

Life in the Spirit Seminar, 9:00am-6:00pm (Registration begins 8:30am) at Incarnation Church Auditorium, 1001 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale. For information, (818) 421-1354 heartofjesus@att.net

# June, 2015 Calendar

## QUEEN OF ANGELS REGION Friday, June 26

Mass and Healing Service, 7:00pm-9:00pm with Fr. John Hampsch, CMF at St. Jerome Church, 5550 Thornburn St., Los Angeles. Contact: Donatus or Murglen (323) 294-1940.

## SANTA BARBARA REGION Wednesday, June 10

Mass & Healing Service, 7:00pm at St. Mary of the Assumption, 207 S. School St., Santa Maria.

## Saturday, June 27

### Heaven Help Us!

A Day of Teaching, Prayer & Mass, 9:30am-4:00pm with Fr. Ed Benioff & Dominic Berardino Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall, 13175 Telegraph Rd, Ventura. \$20, includes catered chicken lunch. (See opposite page for details).

## SAN FERNANDO REGION Saturday, June 6

### Heaven Help Us!

A Day of Teaching & Prayer & Mass, 9:30am-4:00pm with Fr. Bob Garon & Dominic Berardino at St. Didacus Parish Hall, 13447 Astoria St., Sylmar. \$20, includes catered chicken lunch. (See opposite page for details).

## Thursday, June 18

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

## SAN GABRIEL REGION Saturday, June 13

Mass & Healing Service, 9:00am with Fr. Jerry Thompson at St. Luke the Evangelist, 5605 Cloverly, Temple City.

## SAN PEDRO REGION Monday, June 15

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm

with Fr. Joshua Lee at St. Linus, 13915 Shoemaker Ave., Norwalk.

## Monday, June 22

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Ed Benioff at St. Cornelius, 5500 E. Wardlow Rd., Long Beach.

## Friday, June 26

Mass & Healing Service, 7:30pm with Fr. Joshua Lee at Mary Star of the Sea, 877 W. 7th St., San Pedro. (Praise & Worship at 7:00pm)

## ORANGE DIOCESE Monday, June 22

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

## CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Lourdes and Fatima, July 7-17, 2015 with Fr. Perry Kenaston. For more info., please contact Proximo Travel, (855) 842-8001.





# Stretch of the Imagination

How special are you?

by Fr. John H. Hampsch, C.M.F.

Try this for a mind-boggler: All the molecules in a drop of water far exceed the number of all humans that ever existed. Let the number of all the molecules in the earth's oceans represent all the humans who could exist but never will. You and I became molecules in that single drop when God "called" us into existence (Rom 4:17; Rev. 4:11). That "call" makes each of us incredibly special to God!

But he didn't stop there. He called each of us to holiness (1 Th. 4:3; John 17:19) from an ocean of ungodliness to be his chosen heritage (Ps. 33:12). From heaven he watches each of us (v.14) who are called by another call to that same heaven (Heb. 3:1; 1 Th. 2:12) to enjoy eternal bliss beyond description (2 Cor. 12:4; 1 Cor. 2:9). That makes us super-special to God!

Furthermore, you are so special that he provides grace for you to "live a life worthy of your calling" (Eph. 4:1) to "make your calling and election sure...for a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom" (2 Pet. 1:10-11), "the eternal life to which you were called" (1 Tim. 6:12),

Have you stretched your imagination far enough to be awestruck at God's special love for you that called you into existence here, and into endless existence hereafter in bliss? Your imagination is still not stretched far enough, for God's special love for you "surpasses knowledge" (Eph. 3:19). You will never be able to encompass the reach of that love. Never.

.....Never!



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# Pentecost Vigil Celebration

St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 18115 Sherman Way, Reseda

Seeking a Fresh Outpouring  
of the Holy Spirit

The Vigil of Pentecost

**Saturday,  
May 23, 2015**

**1:30pm-5:30pm**

St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall



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Pastoral Coordinator, SCRC

**All Are  
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# Pentecost Vigil Celebration and Mass

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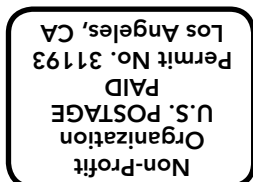
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