



DIGNITY / FORT LAUDERDALE

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President's Column

The end of the AIDS begins with a healthy self-image, a maturing spirituality and a responsible sexuality. Here are two quotes to read and to live:

"One of the most negative characteristics of frequent tricking is the inability to express actual love for another's totality as a unique human. It is impossible for sex with a person one has just met to be a thoroughly fulfilling and genuine expression of love. One cannot love someone one does not know. At most, such sex is a response to first impressions and body chemistry. This illustrates part of the difficulty that is encountered, especially in the gay community, in discovering the proper divinely ordained function and meaning of sex. far too often gay persons use sex as a means of introduction to a new found acquaintance. But intimacy should be initiated only between those whose feelings have drawn them together in a developing relationship of love and commitment. Anything other is not the Creator's divine intent (original), it is irresponsible sexuality."

--Source unknown, possibly Chris Glaser

As we evolve toward spiritual maturity, each of us must struggle with our sexual drive, so that, with God grace, it will cease to be a totally selfish destructive force and instead become a power integrated into our personality for the means of communicating love.

--John J McNeill, Sex as God Intended

Upcoming Events:

Every Sunday 7:00 PM..... Liturgy
Dec 8th 7:00 PM.....Home Mass & Dinner
Dec 14th 7:30 PM.....Gay Men's Chorus Concert
Dec 16th 7:00 PMDeadline for Gay Youth Gifts
Dec 25thChristmas
Jan 1st 5:00 PMNew Year's Social

HOME LITURGY AND DINNER SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH AT 7:00 PM

Joe and Danny will be hosting a Liturgy and social for the feast of the Immaculate Conception at his home in Hollywood. Mass will begin around 7:00 followed by dinner around 8:00 PM. Fr. Roger will be the celebrant.



If you plan to attend, please call 954-981-9431 or email JoeMele16@hotmail.com. Joe & Danny live at 5100 Harrison Street in Hollywood. Directions: Take I-95 to Hollywood Blvd and turn west. Go to S 50 Avenue and turn left. Go to Harrison Street and make a right

GAY MEN'S CHORUS CHRISTMAS CONCERT
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14TH 8:00 PM

A group of us are going to see the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida's annual Christmas concert on Friday, December 14th at 8:00PM at MCC Church. The theme of this year's concert is "Mighty Sounds of Joy!"



There are two tickets left. If you would like to go, please call George at 954-465-3317.

GAY YOUTH GROUP'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DONATION

For the last two years, we have donated Christmas gifts and cash to the Gay Youth Group that meets at MCC under the guidance of SunServe. We are again going to participate in collecting gifts for the group.



If you would like to make a donation of a gift or cash, please do so by Sunday, December 16th before Mass. The ages of its members range from 13 to 21. If you wish to donate by check and let the moderator of the group purchase the gifts, please make your check out to SunServe.

Thank you in advance for your donation.



NEW YEAR'S DAY PARTY
TUESDAY, JANUARY 1ST AT 5:00 PM

George Cullen will be hosting a New Year's Day party at his home. It will be held on January 1st from 5 PM to 8 PM. If you wish to attend, please contact George at 954-465-3317 or at GFCullen@bellsouth.net. Deli platters will be served that evening. We hope all of our members and friends will be able to join us.

Directions: Take I-95 to Oakland Park Blvd West. Go west on Oakland Park Blvd and turn right on NW 27th Ave (a Texaco station is on the right.) Go two blocks and you will see a "Welcome to Oakland Forest" sign. Turn left and you are on South Oakland Forest Drive. Go ½ mile until you come to Pines West on your left. Go to the gate and press 021 to ring George's unit and he will buzz you in. After you enter the grounds stay left and make your first left. Go down one block to the end and turn right. George townhouse is on the left - #2906.

DIGNITY FORT LAUDERDALE SHIRTS

We have found a local vendor who has digitized our two logos and we can now get shirts, caps and coffee mugs with either design. The first design is similar to our banner which is displayed at Mass each week. The second is the National logo with our name underneath it.

If you bring in any shirt new or old, polo, dress or tee, we will have it embroidered with the logo of your choice for free.

Please bring your shirt or cap this month and we will have the work down by the first week in January.

WE SURVIVED!!!

December 2nd marks the one-year anniversary of switching to the sacramentary and the new responses. We almost have it down pat!

The Lord be with you
and with your spirit!

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Suggested Dues: \$50.00

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