

From the Pastor

John Henry Newman once said: "I read the Bible to know what people ought to do, and my newspaper to know what they are doing." Now it is a fact that between 'ought' and 'is' there is a big difference, a wide gap or disconnect. In a way, we can say that it is the same between word and action, between intention and deed. St Paul expressed it thus, "I do not understand myself. For I do not do the good I want but I do the evil I do not want." (Rom 7, 19)

Jesus came to bridge that gap, to remove that disconnect. That is why his teaching not only came from his mouth and mind, like the scribes, but from his heart, from within. He was talking of God first hand. No wonder as the gospel says, "The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes."

And because the reason for the disconnect between 'ought' and 'is', between word and action is sin and the power of Satan over us, it is highly significant that as he taught with authority in the synagogue, he also drove away the evil spirit. Jesus' word packs tremendous power and truth. Understandably, because it is the same powerful word of the Father that brought the world to existence. And God said, "Let there be.." and so it was.

Word and Action. "Ought' and 'Is" – to make it one, that's why Jesus, the Word, became flesh. The Word, Jesus, His Life and Action – they are one synchronized package, with the same message and mission. Integral, transparent, connected.

In the midst of a scattered and splintered life and world, this is the invitation to all of us – to make Christ's word alive in us, to build our life on the rock of his word. In other words, to make our word and action consistent, to be authentic disciples of Christ.

It is also the invitation of this year's DSF (Diocesan Services Fund) Campaign 2012 which is launched today as we read the Cardinal's letter, "Go forth and bear fruit that will last .."

I hope that we respond to this invitation both of the gospel and the Cardinal with the attitude of the Psalmist in today's responsorial Psalm, "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." And pray for the same commitment to the Lord that St. Paul speaks of in the second reading.

Your brother and friend,

Fr. Roland

A little tickler

"I just hope it's not Alzheimer," confessed the older gentleman to his doctor. "Maybe, there's some kind of memory medicine you can give me. See, I'm getting terribly forgetful. I lose track of where I'm going or what I'm supposed to do when I get there..

What should I do?" he asked glumly.

"Pay me in advance," the doctor promptly suggested.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, Jan 29. FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Schedule— 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.(in English), 7:00 p.m., (in Spanish)

--Coffee and fellowship by the Youth of Notre Dame in the Community Center after the morning Masses.

--2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. CCE 6th Grade – High School

--3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. CCE 5th Grade – High School

--5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. CCE –Pre-K 3 yrs - 4th Grade

--2:00p.m. to 4:00 p.m. CCE-Parents/Students Second Confirmation Retreat Information- Meeting in the Community Center

--Monday, Jan. 30, Mass at 6:15 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

--6:00 to 7:30 p.m. CCE-1st Grade – 4th Grade

--7:00 p.m. RCIA-Parish Hall

--7:30 p.m. Our Lady of Miraculous Medal-chapel

--7:45 p.m. Neocatecumenate-Community Center

--Tuesday, Jan. 31 Mass at 6:15 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

--7:00 to 8:30 p.m. CCE- 1st Grade – High School

--7:00 p.m. Notre Dame Choir-Rehearsal-Parish Hall

--7:30 p.m. Youth Ministry-Welsch Center

--7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts-Conference & St. Maria Goretti Rooms

--7:45 p.m. St. Joseph's Novena-chapel

--8:00 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group-chapel

--Wednesday, Feb. 1 Mass at 6:15 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

--6:00 p.m. Angel Choir Practice- Room "F" CCE Building

--6:30 p.m. Holy Hour for Vocations

--7:00 p.m. That Man is You-Parish Hall

--7:00 p.m. Ensayo Coro en Español-Salón "F"

--7:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer- Room "C"

--7:30 p.m. Rosary-Spanish-chapel

--8:00 p.m. Apostolado de la Cruz-Salón Obispo Odin

--8:00 p.m. Novena Our Mother of Perpetual Help—Church-

--8:45 p.m. Neocatecumenate-Meeting. Alleluia, Noah's Ark & "A"

Thursday, Feb 2, Mass at 6:15 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

The Presentation of the Lord. Blessing of Candles

--6:30 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes-Novena-chapel

--7:00 p.m. Solo para Parejas-Parish Hall & Meeting Room

--7:30 p.m. Youth Ministry-Welsch Center

--7:30 p.m. Legion of Mary-Room "B"

--7:45 p.m. Neocatecumenate-Community Center

--11:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. Precious Blood- Chapel

--Friday, Feb. 3 Mass at 6:15 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

First Friday of the Month Devotions-Sacred Heart of Jesus

Blessing of Throats in honor of St. Blaise

--6:30 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes-Novena-chapel

--7:00 p.m. Mass/Misa Bi-lingual-church

--7:45 p.m. Divine Mercy-church

--7:30 p.m. Lord's Flock Prayer Group-Alleluia Room

--7:30 p.m. Sacred Heart-Meeting Room

--8:00 p.m. Hora Santa al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús-capilla

--8:00 p.m. Totus Tuus Prayer Group-Parish Hall

--Saturday, Feb. 4, Mass at 8:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

--10:30 a.m. Legión de María-Jóvenes-Salón "C" Edificio de CCE

--4:00 p.m. Confessions

--5:00 p.m. Legión de María-Adultos-Salón "C" Edificio de CCE

--7:00 p.m. Ministerio Hispano-Junta Mensual-Salón Aleluya

Sunday, Feb 5. FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Schedule— 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.(in English), 7:00 p.m., (in Spanish)

DSF SUNDAY

--Coffee and fellowship by the Filipino Community in the Community Center after all morning Masses.

10:45 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Masses; Blessing for all February

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Continues...

Sunday, Feb. 5 Continued...

--2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. CCE 6th Grade – High School

--3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. CCE 5th Grade – High School
 --5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. CCE –Pre-K 3 yrs - 4th Grade
 --2:30 p.m. Catholic Mothers- Parish Hall
 --7:00 p.m. Misa en Español-iglesia



**OUR CONFRATERNITY INVITES ALL OF YOU AND
 CELEBRATE
 THE “154th FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF
 LOURDES”**

**ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2012 AT
 10:30 AM,**

**Holy ROSARY followed by Holy MASS
 @ NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**PRESIDER: MSGR. ROLANDO DIOKNO,
 REV. MR. ELIE CALONGE**

**RECEPTION will follow AT THE COMMUNITY
 CENTER.**

*Prior to the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, there will be a 9 days Novena in the chapel that will start on Thursday, February 2, 2012 @ 6:30 pm.

Youth News

Retreat weekend for our Confirmation students – please pray that they be open to the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as they grow into Christian Adulthood.

Collection for the Church in Latin America

Thank you for your generous donation to the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your gifts will continue to **keep faith** in the region by supporting evangelization and strengthening religious and seminarian formation.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan. 28- St. Thomas Aquinas, P.D. Obl. Mem..

2 Sm 12: 1-7a,, 10-17; Mk 4: 35-41

--8:00 a.m. Aurelio + & Florencia Rodriguez + (Anniversary)
 --5:30 p.m. Teresa Michelle Nguyen (Birth Day)

Sunday, Jan. 29 – FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dt 18: 15-20; 1 Cor 7: 32-35; Mk 1: 21-28

--7:00 a.m. Noreen O’Mahoney +
 --9:00 a.m. Louie Kafka (Special Intention)
 --10:45 a.m. All Parishioners
 --12:30 p.m. Benedicto Marcelo + (Death Anniversary)
 --5:00 p.m. Chanhome Thongphoun + & Deceased Family
 --7:00 p.m. Felicita Hernandez + (Death Anniversary)

Monday, Jan. 30 -

2 Sm 15: 13-14, 30;16: 5-13; Mk 5: 1-20

--6:15 a.m. Mirian Guana (Health)
 --7:00 p.m. Román & Suyapa Mejía (33rd Wedding Annivry.)

Tuesday, Jan. 31- St. John Bosco, Priest Obl. Mem.

2 Sm 18: 9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 – 19:3; Mk 5: 21-43

--6:15 a.m. Nelinda Sajor + & Deceased Family Members
 --7:00 p.m. Cornelius & Margaret Amugo (Thanksgiving)

Wednesday, Feb. 1-

2 Sm 24: 2, 9-17; Mk 6: 1-6

--6:15 a.m. Aspasia Dandria + (Birthday)
 --7:00 p.m. Vocations

Thursday, Feb. 2- PRESENTATION OF THE LORD. FEAST

Mal 3: 1-4; Heb 2: 14-18; Lk 2: 22-40

--6:15 a.m. Erlinda Quian +
 --7:00 p.m. Andres Mendoza +

Friday, Feb. 3-.St. Blaise, B.M. Opt. Mem.,

Sir 47: 2-11; Mk 6: 14-29

--6:15 a.m. Elizabeth, Martha & Philippe Nguyen +
 10:00 a.m. Dominick Adamo, Sr. (Birthday)
 --7:00 p.m. Joseph Tu Nguyen +

Saturday, Feb. 4- ..

1 Kgs 3: 4-13; Mk 6: 30-34

--8:00 a.m. Marie Tran
 --5:30 p.m. David Lowell + & Deceased Gomez Family

Sunday, Feb. 5 – FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jb 7: 1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23; Mk 1: 29-39

--7:00 a.m. Dominick Adamo, Sr. (Healing)
 --9:00 a.m. Johnie + & Erlinda Quian +
 --10:45 a.m. Benito Rafanan +
 --12:30 p.m. All Parishioners
 --5:00 p.m. David Lowell +
 --7:00 p.m. Israel M. Flores + (Segundo Aniversario)

Sanctuary Candles Burn for/Velas En El Santuario Encendidas por

MOISES MEJIA

From / De: FAMILIA MEJIA - CASTELLANOS



SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2012 HYMNS:

ENGLISH

ENT # 733 - OFFT # 613- CMN # 556, # 542 - CLSING # 557

ESPAÑOL

ENTRD # 471 – OFERT # 563- COMN # 498- # 501- DESPD # 574



For our Brothers and Sisters

Johnny Abernaehy, Lupe Alden, Dominick Adamo Sr., Carlos Andrés, Catherine Babin, Laura Baronette, Sarah Barker, Tom Batovich, Jeanette Bender, Ed Breaud, Alice Bremer, Ruby Borzilleri, Mrs. Mary and William Campbell, Sylvia Castillo, Rosa Aminta Cortes, Lydia Cevilla, David Cevilla, Dolly Cyganski, Beverly Chisom, Mary Escareno, Violeta Eserella, Sophie Fattig, Janie Fikac, Molly Fuller, Alejandro Garcia, Armando Garcia, Mabel Gaspard, Rocío Gómez, Oscar Gregorio, Jr., Emma Guerrero, John Harding, Roberta Harding, Baby Hayden, Bernadete Haynes, George Haynes, Cooper Hecker, Melissa Hernandez, Cliff Howard, Rita Janak, Eleanor Kanach, Cary Kearns, Sidonia Klekar, Pat Kruczynski, Ramón Lorenzo, Helen O'Connor, Isaac Ostler, Mercedes Machuca, Connie Marks, Pat Milford Murphy, Carolyn More, Mary Murillo, Tuyet Nguyen, Elva Perricone, Kevin Pervis, Guadalupe Rivera, Mercedesita Rodriguez, Rosa Rojas, Ollie Salazar, José T. Salazar, Albert Spanel, Dorothy Sollenberger, Albin Telke, Adalgiza Torres, Christine Trevino, Richard Treviño, Elia Vazquez, Darren Vass, Pedro Villaycana, Rosa Waguespack, Anna Wyszogrodzki, Alejandro Zapata.

Homebound

Keith Burns, Janet Berezna, Mary Cusick, Marie Canalito, Jessie Carrolez, Joseph Chrustek, Peggy Drinkard, Pauline Dattalo, Allen Francis, Avis Hartley, Polly Holden, Rita McDermott, Theresa Hartman, Chester Juszczyk, Lily Janak, Marty Lacy, Jordan Landry, Magdelena Meline, Beatrice Maris, Joe Martin, Stella Munis, Magdalen Nzskwu, Omowunmi Osinowo, Flora Pavon, John Perez, Nenita Rubico, Gerry Trepagnier, Chester Urban, Luis Valdivieso, Martha Weaver, Joyce Willis, Dan Weglar, Beverly Wood, Perry Weaver, Mary Zimmerman.

Assisted Care & Nursing Facilities Served by Notre Dame

**Nissi Care Home, Temple Assisted Living, No. 1
Beechnut Manor Nursing Home, Westwood Rehab,
Home Sweet Home-No. 1 & No. 2
The Hampton No.3 & No. 4,
Autumn Years No.1, No.2, & No. 3
Group Home Angel of Care No. 1**

**Retirement Community
Evening Star Villa**



Encounter Christ in the RCIA

Free to everyone – Learn more about our faith. **Monday evening in the Parish Hall. 7:00—9:00 pm.** Each week we will be posting the RCIA topic of the week. Everyone is welcome to attend any or all of the classes.

Monday, Jan. 30 --- Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist

Presenter: Msgr. Roland

Monday, Feb. 6 --- Sacrament of Reconciliation/Exorcism “A”

Presenter: Deacon Elie Calonge

Monday, Feb. 13 --- Anointing of the Sick

Presenter: Joe Wittmer



**Weekly Need –\$17,400
Collection for 1-22-2012**

Regular Collection.....	\$16,353.14
Poor Box.....	\$104.00
Novena.....	\$120.04
Sto. Nino Mass.....	\$540.50
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“United the Vision Continues”	
Number of Families	734
Amount Pledged	\$1,577,693.00
Total amount Paid	\$855,946.81
Collected Sunday, Jan. 22.....	\$8,849.01



**DSF SUMMARY REPORT—2011
Activity Thru: 01/10/2012**

Parish Goal:	\$86,000.00
Total Amount Paid:	\$84,682.85
Total Amount Pledged:	\$91,330.01
Total Number of Participants:	472
Average Participant Pledge:	\$193.50
Paid Over (<i>under</i>) Goal:	(\$1,317.15)
Pledged Over (Under) Goal:	\$ 5,330.01
Percent Paid:	98.47 %

VIRTUS Update!!

If you were not able to attend the certification workshop “Protecting God’s Children” or the re-certification workshop “Keeping the Promise Alive” offered here at Notre Dame. Other workshops are scheduled at area churches. Information and details will be published in our bulletin and announced during the Masses.

To Register...

- Log on www.virtus.org
- click on “Registration” left hand side of screen (in Green Box)
- Begin “Registration” or “View List of Sessions”
- Select your Archdiocese “Galveston-Houston”
- Follow Instructions for Registration.

***If you want to be involved in Ministry, you have to be Certified or Re-Certified.**

John Henry Newman una vez dijo: “Yo leo la Biblia para saber que debería de hacer la gente, y mi periódico para saber que es lo que están haciendo.” Ahora esto es de hecho que entre “deberían” y “están” hay una gran diferencia, una separación ancha o una desconexión. En un modo, podemos decir es lo mismo entre la palabra y la acción, entre intención y obra. San Pablo lo expresa así, “Yo no me comprendo a mi mismo. Porque no hago lo bueno y lo quiero hacer pero hago el mal que no quiero hacer.”

Jesús vino a llenar esa separación, a quitar esa desconexión. Es por eso que sus enseñanzas no solamente venían de su boca y de su mente, como los escribas, sino de su corazón, de adentro. El hablaba de Dios en primera mano. No es de asombrarse como dice el evangelio, “La gente estaba asombrada de sus enseñanzas, porque él enseñaba con autoridad y no como los escribas.”

Y porque la razón de la desconexión entre ‘debería’ y ‘está’, entre la palabra y la acción es el pecado y el poder de Satanás sobre nosotros, es altamente significativo que mientras él enseñaba con autoridad en la Sinagoga, el sacó el espíritu del mal. La palabra de Jesús contiene tremendo poder y verdad. Comprensiblemente, porque es la misma palabra poderosa del Padre que trajo el mundo a su existencia. Y Dios dijo, “Que se haga...” y así fue hecho.

Palabra y Acción. “Debería” y “Está” – para hacerlo una sola cosa es el porqué Jesús, la Palabra, se hizo carne. La Palabra, Jesús, Su Vida y Acción – ellas son un paquete sincronizado, con el mismo mensaje y misión, íntegra, transparente, conectada.

En medio de una vida y mundo repartido y astillado, esta es la invitación para todos nosotros— hacer vivir la palabra de Cristo, para construir nuestra vida sobre la roca de su palabra, en otras palabras, para hacer nuestra palabra y acción consistentes, para ser discípulos auténticos de Cristo.

Es también la invitación de la campaña de este año para el DSF (Fondo de Servicios Diocesanos) 2012 que se empieza hoy cuando leemos la carta del Cardenal, “Vayan y den fruto abundante y duradero...”

Yo espero que respondamos a estas invitaciones, ambas la del evangelio y la del Cardenal con la actitud del Salmista del Salmo Responsorial de hoy, “Ojalá escuchen la voz del Señor: No endurezcan el corazón”. Y oremos por el mismo compromiso hacia el Señor del que San Pablo habla en la segunda lectura.

Su hermano y amigo,
Padre Rolando

Una Cosquillita:

“Espero que no sea Alzheimer,” confesó el anciano a su Doctor, “Tal vez, exista alguna medicina para la memoria que me pueda dar. Ve a, me estoy haciendo olvidadizo, Pierdo la noción adónde voy y que tengo que hacer cuando llegue allí. ¿Qué debo de hacer? preguntó con tristeza.

“Págume por adelantado,” sugirió el Doctor rápidamente.

En Nuestra Parroquia

Domingo 29 de Enero-Cuarto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario
--2:00 p.m. CCE- Segunda Conferencia con los Padres del Retiro de

Confirmación-Centro Comunitario

--5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. CCE –Pre-K 3 yrs - 4th Grade

--6:20 p.m. Rosario antes de la Misa

--7:00 p.m. Misa en Español

Lunes 30 de Enero-

--6:00 a las 7:30 p.m. CCE 1er – 6to Grado

Martes 31 de Enero-

--7:00 a las 8:30 p.m. CCE 1er Grado - Secundaria

Miércoles 1 de Febrero-

--7:00 p.m. Ensayo del Coro en Español-Salón “F” (CCE)

--7:30 p.m. Rosario en la Capilla-guiado por el Grupo del Apostolado de la Cruz

--8:00 p.m. Apostolado de la Cruz-Salón Bishop Odin

Jueves 2 de Febrero-Festividad La Presentación del Señor

--7:00 p.m. hasta las 9:00 p.m. Sólo para Parejas-Salón Parroquial

11:00 p.m. hasta las 3:00 a.m. Sangre Preciosa-Capilla

Viernes 3 de Febrero- Primer Viernes del Mes

--7:00 p.m. Misa Bilingüe-iglesia

--8:00 p.m. Hora Santa al Sagrado Corazón-capilla

--7:30 p.m. Grupo de Oración Jesús de Nazareth-Salón “A”

Sábado 4 de Febrero-

10:30 a.m. Legión de María-Jóvenes-Salón “C”

-4:00 p.m. Confesiones

--5:00 p.m. Legión de María-Adultos-Salón “C”

Domingo 5 de Febrero-Quinto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario

--5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. CCE –Pre-K 3 yrs - 4th Grade

--6:20 p.m. Rosario antes de la Misa

--7:00 p.m. Misa en Español

¡Atención!



Gran Concierto de Alabanza

VIERNES 10 DE FEBRERO 7:00 P.M.

En el Centro Comunitario

“Cantemos y Alabemos”

con MIGUEL AQUINO

Tendremos antojitos y refrescos de venta para recaudar fondos para la Campaña de Capital

Además: **HORA SANTA**

dirigida por el Rev. JESUS LIZALDE, inmediatamente después del Concierto.

(Capilla o Iglesia depende del # de personas presentes)

Colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina

Muchas gracias por su generoso donativo a la Colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina. Sus donativos continuarán **manteniendo la fe** en la región financiando proyectos de evangelización y fortaleciendo la formación de seminaristas y de religiosos.