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The Eternal Light is Shining

*Our Mission: "To evangelize the love of God through the power of
the Holy Spirit."*

Feast of The Assumption of our Lady August 15



Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark
of his covenant could be seen in the temple. There
were flashes of lightning, rumblings, and peals of
thunder, an earthquake, and a violent hailstorm.

Revelation 11: 19

True Love

Set me as a seal on your heart, as a seal on your arm;

For stern as death is love, relentless as the nether world is devotion; its flames are a blazing fire.

Deep waters cannot quench love, nor floods sweep it away. Were one to offer all he owns to purchase love, he would be roundly mocked.

Song of Songs 8: 6B-7

Commentary from the New American Bible

Seal: this could be worn bound to the arm, as here, or suspended at the neck, or as a ring. It was used for identification and signatures. Stern...relentless: in human experience, death and the nether world are inevitable, unrelenting; in the end they always triumph. Love, which is just as certain of its victory, matches its strength against the natural enemies of life; waters cannot extinguish it nor floods carry it away. It is more priceless than all riches.

Words from Intercessory Prayer at CCR Office on July 6, 2011

Praise Report! A Powerful Testimony of God's Love and Healing ...by Rhonda Hamilton

Wow, what words can I use to express my gratitude to my ever-loving God? He is so good and faithful to me and I will praise His name forever! God has been continuously healing me since I joined the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in different areas of my life.

Perhaps, the most difficult burdens and wounds that I carried with me throughout my life were those from childhood. I have clung to these burdens and tried to carry them, for the most part, by myself. Sure, I went to therapy and let others help me make sense of these trials, but I didn't really feel free from my torments at all. They were always there, knocking on the door of my soul; keeping me from experiencing all the joy that God had in store for me.

There were also times when I did feel God's healing touch come over me; especially at the Women's Retreat last October. I was healed from most of the unforgiveness I had been clinging to. It was also then that I thought I could carry the rest by myself. I figured that God had done His part and now I would do the rest through therapy. Please don't underestimate how much God can do for you! He is the burden-bearer. He can carry it all! Praise God!

Since last October I have gone through A LOT of trials and temptations. And although I believed God had healed me from so much, I still prayed I could make it through each day without giving up. I was still so very wounded. So was my family.

At the end of last year my sixteen year old son became a different person to me. I found out that he had began seeking out drugs to overcome his pain. He had been drinking alcohol as well without anyone knowing. He had become suicidal. It was more than I could handle on my own. I began praying like I never before, but still claimed the baggage for myself. After all, wasn't it my fault?

I was believed so many of the enemy's lies. I was in the pit of hell on earth and blind to Satan's tactics. We kept taking my son to the hospital each time he tried to kill himself, hoping to get the right meds for him. We did everything we could to help him want to live.

By the end of January I was hospitalized for a week in Texas. My therapist was unable to help and sent me there with the message that it was either Texas or no therapy. I went to Texas to focus on recovery from trauma that I had experienced as a child. I was trusted so many people to help keep me sane. Then the rug was pulled out from under me.

I asked my ex-husband to keep our son while I was gone. But I was too trusting of him. When he asked me to sign some papers for school, I did. Since I was on too many new medications and had difficulty to even focus, I signed away custody thinking that it was just papers for school.

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So, then, right before I left for Texas I lost custody of my son. My heart was ripped out from me. I was devastated. I became so numb. Prayers were going up for me from my many friends at the CCR when I did not have the strength to pray for myself.

Shortly after my arrival in Texas, while I was grieving for the time I would lose with my son, I was taken into a therapy session that would turn out to further break my heart. My therapist, who I had been working with for two years, decided to discontinue our sessions. She said she could not do it anymore. Again, I had put my trust in the wrong place.

I tell you all of this because I want to glorify what God has done in my life. Not to complain about all of the trials. You see, I was trying to do it on my own and it wasn't going very well at all. I am learning now to TRUST GOD. It is very rewarding. Things aren't perfect in my life by any means, but some things have changed for me.

First of all, God used my son's struggles to show me how precious life is. I no longer give in to the lies of the enemy that tell me otherwise. Also, I have given up trying to do it all myself. I can't make my son do the right thing. But I can trust God that He will be with my son. I pray for him now more than ever and put him in God's hands. I know that God has a plan for my son that is far better than mine.

Now I would like to share with you why I began writing this. It is because God has done something in me that is so amazing!! He has healed me from childhood traumas that I have carried around for thirty years. I am totally healed! Praise be to God! I finally gave my burdens to Him and that was all I needed to do. He has taken my grief, my torments, my emptiness and filled me with His joy. He can do the same for you, my friend. Just ask.

Overcoming the Darkness with His Light...By Cindy Welyczkowsky

I received these words during prayer on July 1st...

"My little ones, I give you a most excellent way; the way of love, for that is who I AM. Empty yourselves of all you are and I will give you all I AM. I give you eyes to see and ears to hear. Trust my Word, for it is trustworthy. You are shining with the light I give you. Where there is light, there is love. Where there is love, there is peace. Where there is peace, there is joy and where there is joy, there I AM. Shine, my children. Now is the time to shine."

***"I give you a new commandment; love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another."* John 13: 34-35**

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A Call for Volunteers...Share your Holy Spirit Gifts!

See our website www.columbusccr.org for a list of our ministries and volunteer opportunities

Not sure how you can help? Call us! We'll help you to discern. (614) 237-7080

Calendar of Events July & August 2011

July 6, 13, 20, 27

Intercessory prayer, CCR office, 1 to 2 PM

July 7, 14, 21, 28

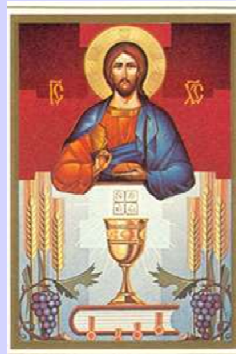
Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph in Plain City, 1 to 4 PM

July 27

Monthly Mass at St. Joseph PAC Center, Plain City, Rosary: 6:00 PM, Praise & Worship: 6:30 PM, Mass: 7:30 PM Fr. Patrick Toner. Fellowship following.

July 30

City Wide Prayer Meeting, Our Lady of Miraculous Medal, Mass: 9:00 AM, Praise & Worship: 9:30, prayer ministry, teaching on brokenness followed by fellowship



Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 **Intercessory prayer**, CCR office, 1 to 2 PM

Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25 **Eucharistic Adoration** at St. Joseph in Plain City. 1 to 4 PM

Aug. 8 **Pastoral Board Meeting**, CCR office, 4 to 6 PM

Aug. 24 **Monthly Mass**, St. James the Less, Rosary: 6:00 PM, Praise & Worship: 6:30 PM, Mass: 7:30 PM

The Light of Christ Prayer Ministry
Call Vicki Vennemeyer at (740) 548-9572 or contact the CCR office at (614) 237-7080



Praise the Lord! We just got back from our trip to Rome and I just wanted to thank all of you for your prayers. It was such a blessing! We had a private audience with the Pope, crawled up the Holy Stairs where Jesus descended and ascended on the day of His crucifixion, went to many Basilicas, including St. Paul Outside the Wall where the chains and tomb of St. Paul are kept. We got to visit Assisi and many other opportunities. I can assure you that I am not the same. I knew it would be a powerful experience, but it was much more than I could have dreamt! I have pictures on our facebook account. Just look up Catholic Charismatic Renewal, Inc. on facebook to view them.

Again, thank you and God bless you all!

Peace & Love in Jesus Christ, Jackie Temple, Director CCR
(Jackie and Faye returned from their trip to Rome and the Vatican on June 21, 2011.)



Pope Benedict XVI...on the Assumption of Mary

Now, what St Paul says of all human beings the Church in her infallible Magisterium says of Mary in a precise and clear manner: the Mother of God is so deeply integrated into Christ's Mystery that at the end of her earthly life she already participates with her whole self in her Son's Resurrection. She lives what we await at the end of time when the "last enemy" death will have been destroyed (cf. 1 Cor 15: 26); she already lives what we proclaim in the Creed: "We look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come".

We can then ask ourselves: what are the roots of this victory over death wonderfully anticipated in Mary? Its roots are in the faith of the Virgin of Nazareth, as the Gospel passage we have heard testifies (Lk 1: 39-56): a faith that is obedience to the word of God and total abandonment to the divine action and initiative, in accordance with what the Archangel announced to her. Faith, therefore, is Mary's greatness, as Elizabeth joyfully proclaims: Mary is "blessed among women" and "blessed is the fruit of [her] womb", for she is Mother of the Lord" because she believed and lived uniquely the "first" of the Beatitudes, the Beatitude of faith. Elizabeth confesses it in her joy and in that of her child who leaps in her womb: "And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord" (v. 45). **Dear friends, let us not limit ourselves to admiring Mary in her destiny of glory, as a person very remote from us. No! We are called to look at all that the Lord, in his love, wanted to do for us too, for our final destiny: to live through faith in a perfect communion of love with him and hence to live truly.**

Excerpted from the Homily of His Holiness Benedict XVI on Aug. 15, 2010

Lessons From Our Faith

Catechism of the Catholic Church on The Assumption of Mary

966 "Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death." The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians:

In giving birth you kept your virginity, in your Dormition you did not leave the world, O Mother of God, but were joined to the source of Life. You conceived the living God and by your prayers, will deliver our souls from death.

Together we need to:



- Pray for the mission of the CCR to be accomplished
- Pray one Hail Mary every day at 3:00 PM for the intention of the CCR
 - Volunteer time and talent
 - Make sacrificial financial gifts

Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.

(Luke 6: 38)

We also need the following supplies:

- Copy paper
- Folders
- Stamps
- Mailing envelopes
- Plates, napkins, cups, forks, spoons, knives
- Coffee (reg. & decaf.), creamer,
- sweetener
- Cleaning supplies

Wish list:

Refrigerator

Please contact Fay if you can help with any of these items...(614) 237-7080

Continued from p. 3...Overcoming the Darkness with His Light

The song "More love, more power, more of You in my life." keeps playing over and over in my mind as I write this and I think it says it all. How else can darkness be overcome but by love? God is love and He is light. There is no darkness in Him at all. When we walk in love, we walk in God. What greater force is there in the universe? There is none. That's why the enemy will always attack with vengeance any weak links in human relationships based on love; marriages, families, friendships, and the church. But, the more firmly we are rooted and grounded in love, the more we shine with His light, the more power we have to resist and defeat the enemy. Not only that. God's presence in us shines through us and can influence those around us. We are like that tiny mustard seed growing into a large plant attracting the birds and animals that want to nestle in our branches. Shining with love, we are like yeast influencing the whole bowl of dough to expand. We become the cities upon the hill for all to see.

Over the last several weeks, starting with the homily at the Pentecost Mass and from at least 4 other sources, I've heard that we are in a very real battle for our souls. Our enemy is treacherous; a liar, murderer and thief and who hates us so much he will stop at nothing to pull us into the depths of hell with him. He does not want us to realize who we really are in the sight of God. He does not want us to realize the burning love God has for us and for all souls. He does not want us to operate in the fullness of God's power flowing through us. Because he knows that he is already beaten, he has to use trickery to play on our minds. If he can fool you into thinking God does not love you or that you have to work hard to get God to love you, you've given away the victory. St. Paul tells us, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast." (Eph. 2:8-9) If he can get you to worry, he's put doubt in your mind that God loves and cares about you. Jesus said that we should not worry about anything. "Notice the ravens; they do not sow or reap; they have neither storehouse nor barn, yet God feeds them. How much more important are you than birds!

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Charismatic Prayer Groups

Monday

Sword of the Spirit

7:30 PM St. Paul's School,
Multipurpose Room
61 Moss Rd., Westerville
Contact: Sue Donchatz
(614) 523-3045

Blood of Jesus

7:00 PM St. James the Less Church
1652 Oakland Park Ave.
Contact: Bill Purdin
(614) 777-9371 or Bob & Pat Woods
(614) 888-1304

Disciples of Christ

7:00 PM Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Grove City
Contact: Geno & Karyl Pulsinelli
(614) 871-0961

Tuesday

Fruit of the Vine

7:30 PM St. Francis Church (chapel)
Newark
Contact: Roger Sherer
(740) 345-1523

Light of Life

7:30 PM St Mark's Center
324 Gay St., Lancaster
Contact: Mike McDevitt
(740) 653-1121

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10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Monday through Friday

Wednesday

Loaves and Fishes

7:30 PM St. Elizabeth Church
Sharon Woods Blvd.
Contact: Ruth Shaner or Jo Crosswell
(614) 882-7387

Little Flock

8:00 PM St. Mary Church
602 Marietta St., Bremen
Contact: Leo Smeltzer (740)569-7758
Janice Fink (740) 743-2360

Come to the Water(1st & 3rd Wed.)

7:30 PM Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
5133 Walnut St., Buckeye Lake
Contact: Jim Winnestaffer
(740) 246-4644

Thursday

Holy Spirit

7:00 PM Meets in various homes
Marion
Contact: Jan Kraschinsky
(740) 389-1908

Spirit's Love

7:30 PM St. Matthew Church
Gahanna
Contact: Loretta Brackman
(614) 478-7284

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Friday

Haitian Community (1st Friday of the month)

7:00 PM St. Matthias Church
Contact: Fr. Valcin (614) 299-5781

Jesus and Mary Prayer Group

7:30 PM St. Peter Church
6899 Smokey Row Rd.
Contact: Joe & Anastasia Rayen
(614) 792-8655

Saturday

Young Adults in Transition (2-3 times per month)

6:30 PM Contact: Theresa Brundage
(614) 297-0057
brundage.12@osu.edu

Sunday

Springs of Living Water

1:00 PM St. Mary of the Springs
Mohun Hall
Contact: Sr. Jeremy Lawler
(614) 253-8517 ext. 6257

People of God's Love Covenant Community

Meets twice per month
Contact: Bill Durant (614) 237-5216

Christ the King

5:00 PM Christ the King Church
2777 E. Livingston Ave.
Contact: Patrick and Cheryl Shroyer
(614) 595-2421

CCR Pastoral Board cont.

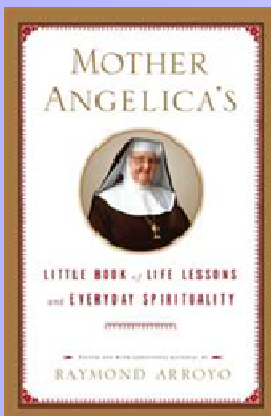
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Can any of you by worrying add a moment to your lifespan? If even the smallest things are beyond your control, why are you anxious about the rest?" (Luke 12:24-26). If he can get you to fear, he can pull you out of love, for scripture says, "There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear because fear has to do with punishment, and so one who fears is not yet perfect in love." (1 John:18) For God did not give us a spirit of fear but rather of power and love and self-control. (2 Timothy 1:7)

God, our creator, wants us to receive all He has to give us, because He is love. He is calling us to be holy as He is holy. (He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began. 2 Timothy 1:9) He's asking us to cooperate with His grace; to die to ourselves, so He may begin to do His transforming work within us. (Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. All of us, gazing with unveiled face on the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory, to glory, as from the Lord who is the Spirit. 2 Cor. 3:17) All we have to do is cooperate with His grace and allow God to work within us.

In conclusion, I leave you with some wise words and a meditation from Mother Angelica to help you empty yourself of you to be filled with the presence of God.



**From *Mother Angelica's Little Book of Life Lessons and Everyday Spirituality*
edited by
Raymond Arroyo**

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You don't practice the presence of God. You become aware of His presence. Faith reveals that He is in me. I have only to be still long enough to become aware of His presence and converse with Him. But His presence is not dependent on me.

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We are going to do something with the understanding that God lives within you. You have in your soul three distinct persons loving each other. I want you to close your eyes and become aware of God loving Himself – you are out of the picture entirely; forget the self. You are loving God purely free of personal desires.

Now let that act of God loving Himself touch you. Eventually, your heart will find itself in the eternal embrace of the Trinity. Five minutes of that kind of prayer will do more for your soul than anything else. Like a child you are observing the pure love of God and are part of it. Remember what Scripture says, "Whoever remains in Me, with Me in him, bears fruit in plenty." (John 15:5)