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## THE LESSONS OF FATHERHOOD FROM THE SACRED HEART

By Dominicanis

We are all familiar with the image of the Sacred Heart, the image of our Lord Jesus Christ extending His Heart towards us. But more than just a sentimental icon of folk piety, the image of the Heart of Jesus is a symbol of two great loves. It represents the Eternal Love of the Trinity which burns deep within the Heart of Jesus (He who is both God and Man) and the human love of Jesus, infused and transformed by divine love. And just as Jesus revealed that He and the Father are one, indeed, the Sacred Heart throbs with the heartbeat of God the Father.

What are some of the lessons of fatherhood that we can draw from the Sacred Heart?

### FATHERHOOD IS SACRIFICE.

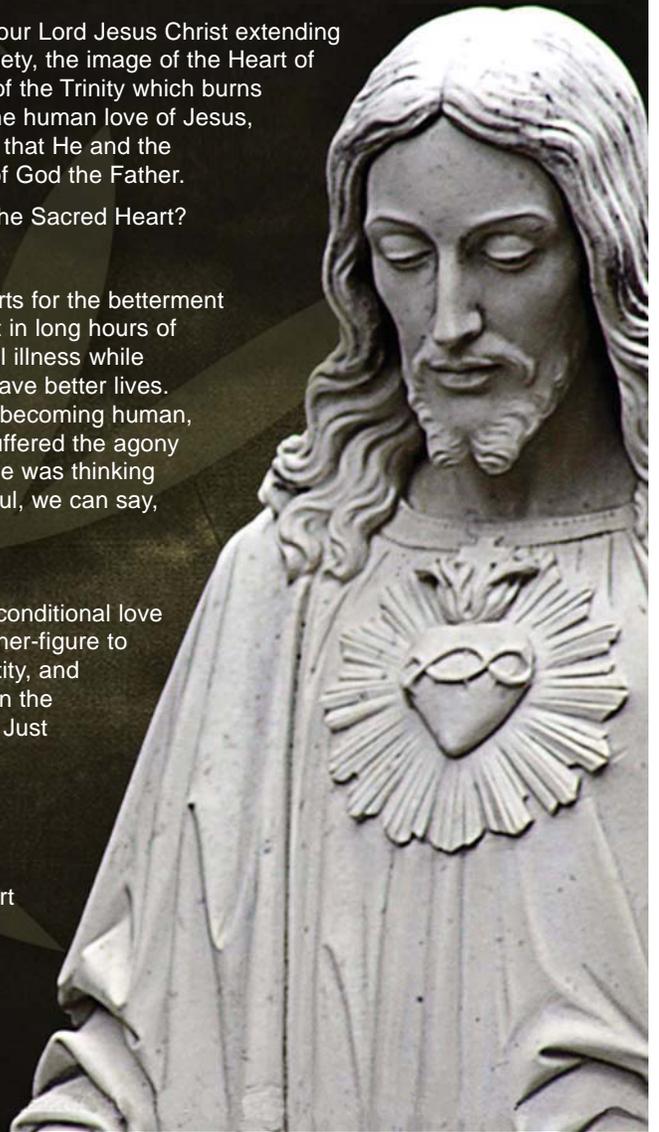
Everyone knows that a father will sacrifice his own needs and comforts for the betterment of his children. We may have friends or relatives who, as fathers, put in long hours of work and even endure terrible loneliness, discrimination and physical illness while working at jobs far away from home, just so that their children may have better lives. Isn't this so much like Jesus who came down from heaven, endured becoming human, experienced alienation from the people He came to save and who suffered the agony of the Cross, just so that we may have eternal life? Think about it - He was thinking of me, doing it for me, opening the path to life for me. And like St. Paul, we can say, "The Son of God loved me and gave Himself up for me" (Gal 2:20).

### FATHERHOOD IS PRESENCE.

In one of the Lenten Recollection talks on the *Language of Love*, unconditional love was defined as spending quality time with the beloved. Without a father-figure to look up to, to love and learn from, a child loses a part of his/her identity, and grows up angry, bitter and wounded. In turn, when we contemplate on the Sacred Heart, we see that He is always with us; we are never alone. Just as the Father's Heart and Love are in the Heart of Jesus, so Jesus' Heart is in us. As St. Augustine says, "He is closer to me than I am to myself".

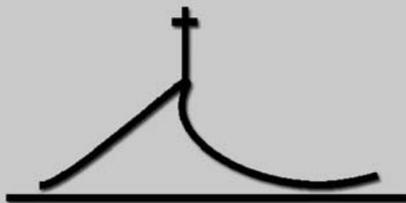
### FATHERHOOD IS TEACHING LITTLE ONES.

Another lesson of fatherhood that we can learn from the Sacred Heart is that it is a teaching heart; we can learn lessons from it. And what kind of lessons are these? By learning to make His Heart our heart too, we learn to listen to His voice and allow Him to enter (Revelation 3:15-20), we learn to be His true followers by loving others as He did (John 13:34-35) and we learn to forgive them (Mark 11:25-26). A good father will teach his children to be good also. How so much like the Sacred Heart!



This year, guest Salesian priests will expound on more lessons from the Sacred Heart as presented in Pope Benedict XVI's book, *Jesus of Nazareth Vol II* during the Novena Masses from June 22 - 30 and the Mass for the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart on July 1. The lessons or themes were prepared by the Archdiocese of Manila's Apostleship of Prayer (AP).

The AP is a worldwide association of Catholics which propagates as a way to sanctification the devotion to the Sacred Heart, the Daily Offering which offers one's daily life for the intentions of the Pope and active participation in the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation.



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**Monday to Friday:**

6:30am • 7:30am • 12:15pm • 6:00pm

Holy Hour every Thursday after the 6:00 pm Mass

**Saturday:**

6:30am • 7:30am  
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6:00am • 7:15am • 8:30am • 10:00am  
11:15am • 12:30pm • 4:00pm • 5:30pm  
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**Confessions** are held during all the Masses

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**Thursday:**  
8:00am - 11:30am • 12:30pm - 4:00pm

**Saturday:**  
8:00am - 12:00pm • 1:00pm - 5:00pm



**JESUS' SPECIAL LOVE FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE**

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

Last June 17, Friday, a Mass was organized by our lay catechists who are working in the very modern, five-storey *Special Education School (SPED)* right in our Barangay Pio del Pilar - Dulo. For obvious reasons, this special school and its "special" students did not want to be left out as the nation's students trooped back to their classrooms.

I entered a room so full of "everybody": parents, yayas, SPED teachers, catechists, school workers, security, the administrator and above all the eager students in their bright yellow shirts and blue pants. The Holy Mass was the ordinary Friday liturgy, with the homily cut shorter because of the special needs of the children. As I realized it then, as now, it was no "ordinary" mass - our mass songs were punctuated by occasional shouts from an intelligence-challenged boy, the Down's Syndrome class joined in chorus with the priest's prayers, autistic kids imitated my gestures during consecration, all throughout the Mass, an ADHD student repeatedly came to the front of the altar, while many of the students were constantly moving their heads or trying to break loose from their yayas.

Because I am "normal", I could have easily lost my concentration, with my temper flaring up at these disruptions during the most holy Sacrament. But no, at that

"sacred time", I felt the need to be "abnormal" like them and "enjoy" the life of these very special children. I felt that these mentally-challenged kids have as much right to the sacraments as anybody else, notwithstanding their physical and mental handicaps. **The grace of God affects all types of people.**

What I received from this celebration was the powerful message of the love of Jesus, symbolized by his Sacred Heart. That the heart of Christ will never be defeated by the ugliness of sin and the stubbornness of man's pride. That the love of Jesus who embodies the Fatherhood of God for us will flow even and especially to the lowliest and the poorest, both physically and spiritually. The abnormalities that afflict these "special" children in their minds and bodies, also afflict us, "normal" people, in the spiritual and moral sense. As much as we need God's grace of forgiveness and healing because of sin and pride, so do they need God's grace of compassion and presence. That "ordinary" celebration of the Holy Eucharist among "very extraordinary", beautiful children is the expression of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus** that says, **"I love you, and I will care for you, no matter who you are."**

— Fr. Ting Miciano, SDB

**SJBP 2011 SERVICE AWARDEES**

Four parish employees received service awards on May 24, 2011, the Feast of Mary Help of Christians during the 6:00 PM Mass.



**Carmelita B. Penus**  
(30 years) handles applications for baptisms, funeral chapel reservations and Mass intentions



**Rosario L. Romero**  
(30 years) is in charge of wedding applications & records & appointments with the SJBP priests



**Eduardo S. Padin**  
(20 years) is the Parish driver and messenger



**Romeo M. Lolo**  
(15 years) maintains the funeral chapels

## THE ARCHITECT AT HOME

by Loudette Zaragoza Banson

With excerpts from the book, *JOSE MARIA V. ZARAGOZA, Architecture for God, For Man*, by Ruben D.F. Defeo and the author

Jose Maria Zaragoza, the architect, loved his work so much. I don't think I know of another person who loved to work and who loved his work more than Daddy did.

In my last year in high school, Daddy was busy preparing studies and drawings for a new church in our neighborhood, which I later learned would be our parish church, Saint John Bosco Parish. He asked me to do some research on the *anahaw leaf*, which he wanted to use as a background for the main church's tabernacle. I understood that he wanted to achieve the effect of a leaf indigenous to the Philippines, pointing upward toward our Father in Heaven.

What struck me most was what he said he wanted to achieve in the back chapel, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. He told me that the Tabernacle of this Chapel, which was the same receptacle as that of the main Church, would be mounted on a flame-like structure representing Yahweh's presence. He designed the chapel to give an illusion of being inside a tent, with its molded ceiling simulating the folds of the tent's roof. He said that was how the Israelites built communities and did their worship.. I thought it was a great idea: people intimately gathered in a tent around the flame of God's



Photos of the Church by Menchit Ongpin



The Author with Architect Zaragoza

loving presence.

Daddy rarely entered my room. I was the one who rushed out of my room as soon as I heard the jingling of his house keys to give him a warm embrace and a welcome-home kiss. My bedroom door was diagonally across a wall where the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus hung. Daddy greeted this image each time he came and went. His fingertips brushed Christ's pierced hand extended in a blessing.

It must have been during one of these reverential greetings to the Sacred Heart's image that Daddy glimpsed my prayer corner: just a mat with a kneeler, a candle and a crucifix on the floor.

When I came home from school one day, I was pleasantly surprised to see my crucifix was now resting on a cube of white marble.

It looked like someone came to measure the base of the crucifix and had specially cut a slab of marble for a perfect fit. It did a lot to enhance my sanctuary but it kept me guessing. Who could have done this wondrous deed?

Later at dinner that night Dad said to me, "You know what, *hija*, you never put a religious object directly on the floor. I put a stand for your crucifix." I was speechless for a few seconds until I managed to say, "Thank you, Daddy" while holding back tears of gratitude.

Daddy didn't know it but he built me a little temple in my room. It had no roof over it but because of Daddy's simple gesture, I felt like I was in a cathedral but intimately meeting my Lord in a tabernacle. He certainly fanned the flame of my love for God and my need to meet Him in a sacred space.



## 3RD MOMCA MUSIC WORKSHOP

From April 25 to June 3, SJB Ministry on Music and Cultural Affairs (MOMCA), headed by Mr. Gaylord Villa, held its 3rd Music Workshop which culminated in a joint recital for Piano/Keyboard, Voice and Guitar on June 4.

SJB Chorale members from the Philippine Women's University College of Music facilitated three separate workshop sessions for 85 participants, ages 6 to 16 years old : Vincent Olandesca for piano and keyboard, Juan Carlo Antonio for guitar and Carissa Mae Powao for voice.



## BUDGET MEALS AT THE COFFEE & SAINTS COFFEE SHOP

Tasty budget meals are now available from 0900 to 1100 AM, Monday to Friday, at the newly refurbished Coffee and Saints Coffee Shop run by PUGAD. Entrées with rice sell from 35 to 45 pesos.

While PUGAD Center Director, Fr Dave Buenaventura, initially launched this service to "uplift the dining experience" of the Parish employees, parishioners and church visitors have likewise enjoyed Filipino home-cooking as prepared by PUGAD Scholars from the PWU Culinary School.

## SUNDAY MASS REFLECTIONS

Simbahay features the Sunday Mass Readings' themes from Fr. Sal Putzu's "*Exploring God's Word*".

These themes are part of a systematic approach to study and have a good knowledge of the Biblical passages which will be used in the coming Sunday Masses and to relate these readings to our lives.

Visit [www.sjbmakati.com](http://www.sjbmakati.com) for more detailed excerpts of the study notes for each week.

Listen to Fr. Salvatore Putzu, SDB (General Manager and Editor, *Word and Life*) at *Bisperas sa Veritas* 846 AM, 5pm Saturday.



### 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

July 3, 2011 Readings

- \*Zec 9:9-10 – The Messiah will be a promoter of peace among nations.
- \*Rom 8:9.11-13 – The Spirit of Jesus lives in us and will make us share in his resurrection.
- \*Mt 11:25-30 – Jesus is the perfect exemplar of humility and gentleness.

#### **Theme: THE HUMILITY AND LOVE THAT LIGHTEN ALL BURDENS**

Life can be quite tiresome at times and all of us have surely experienced moments of fatigue, loneliness, or discouragement. We may also have experienced bitter disappointments at seeing that those on whom we counted were not there when we needed them most. Such was the situation of the Israelites after their return from the exile in Babylon, and they are tempted to react with bitterness and requite hatred with hatred. God boosted up their morale through the prophet Zechariah, who

described for them the coming of the Messiah as a humble, victorious, and peace-loving king.

We are more fortunate than the Israelites and we all have enjoyed Christ's meekness and loving care. Through himself loaded with a heavy cross and hurt by so many forms of suffering, he always shows an active and loving concern for all those who entrust themselves to him. But in order for us to enjoy his consolation, we have to come so close to him as to share the yoke that burdens his shoulders and learn the virtues of humility and meekness that characterize him. That sharing in Jesus' yoke will work a wonderful magic because in the process we will have also imbibed from him the virtue of **LOVE** which makes all burdens lighter.



### 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

July 10, 2011 Readings

- \*Is 55:10-11 – The Word of God is as fruitful as the rain.
- \*Rom 8:18-23 – The whole creation is eagerly awaiting to reach its fulfillment in God.
- \*Mt 13:1-9.18-23 – God's Word is like a seed sown in our hearts.

#### **Theme: THE POWER AND WONDER OF GOD'S WORD**

God's Word is very powerful indeed. It is His Word which brought the universe into existence. When the Eternal Word became a human being, the words he spoke fascinated the crowds, chased out demons, quelled storms, brought dead people back to life, and restored peace to souls tormented by sin or remorse. No other human being had been able to accomplish all those wonders just by uttering a sentence. Jesus could do that because his words were charged with a divine power.

After two thousand years, God's Word, whether uttered by Jesus or the prophets, or written by the inspired writers, has lost nothing of its efficacy. It can still produce the wonders recorded in the Scriptures. Its power can be limited only by a wrong use of our freedom. **Its fruitfulness depends on the way we respond to it.** This is our privilege and our responsibility. May today be a day of attentive hearing, loving acceptance, and fruitful harvest of God's Word.



### 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

July 17, 2011 Readings

- \*Wis 12:13.16-19 – God is exemplar of patience and kindness to all.
- \*Rom 8:26-27 – The Spirit inspires us to pray according to God's mind.
- \*Mt 13:24-30 – God is patient with all. Final justice will come only at the end.

#### **Theme: OBSTACLES TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

The presence of evil people in the world usually clashes with our concept of God's omnipotence and justice. We ask: "Why does God allow these evil people to live on and continue their evil deeds?" Today's First Reading and the Gospel passage answer that question by pointing out that God's apparent tolerance of evil is not due to His inability to stop it, but to His immense patience and His desire that the evildoers may change for the better, and thereby reach salvation.

The parable also assures us that, in the end, justice will be done; evil will be eliminated and good will triumph for ever. As disciples of the Lord, we are expected to imitate his patient attitude toward the sinful members of our communities. This does not mean, however, to let evil go

unchecked, for society and individuals have the right and duty to protect the innocent victims of evil. Rather, it means that while protecting and promoting what is right and good, we should not deprive the offenders of the opportunity to reform. We should, actually, actively encourage them to do so and thereby accelerate the establishment of God's Kingdom.



### 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

July 24, 2011 Readings

\*1 Kgs 3:5.7-12 – The Lord grants Solomon the gift of wisdom.

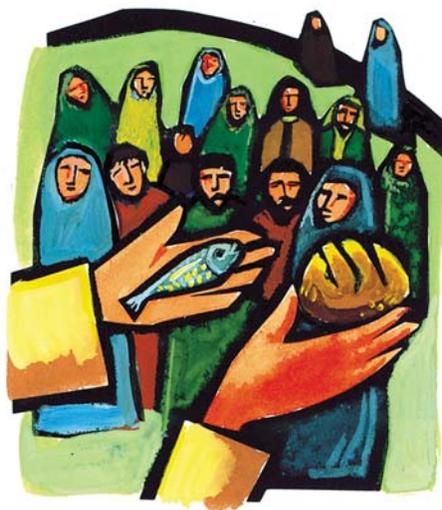
\*Rom 8:28-30 – God has a wonderful plan for us.

\*Mt 13:44-52 – If we want to possess the Kingdom, we must be ready to renounce everything else.

#### **Theme: THE PRECIOUSNESS OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND OUR COOPERATION**

Unfortunately, many Christians today no longer have a clear understanding of what is meant by "Kingdom of God" and of the richness of the reality which this term has in the Gospel. And yet, in the teaching of Jesus, the proclamation and establishment of the "Kingdom" have an unmistakable central role. Jesus himself narrated so many parables in order to illustrate its nature, its preciousness, its demands and its fulfillment. **The "Kingdom" is essentially God's plan for mankind.** Its "coming" means the beginning of the actualization of this plan in Jesus Christ, as well as its progressive fulfillment through our cooperation. When we speak of its "preciousness," we mean its importance for our eternal happiness. *Selling all one's possessions* in order to acquire it essentially means to be ready to give up everything we hold dear in order to be a

part of it. The Kingdom is both a gift from the Father to us, His children, and His reward for the efforts we exert to make God's Kingdom a reality in ourselves and around us. Such is the invitation and challenge of today's theme.



### 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Fil. Mission Sunday

July 31, 2011 Readings

\*Is 55:1-3 – The Lord invites all peoples to Himself, the source of all goodness.

\*Rom 8:35.37-39 – Nothing can separate us from the love of God.

\*Mt 14:13-21 – Jesus feeds a large crowd through a miraculous multiplication of bread and fish.

#### **Theme: SATISFYING THE HUNGERS OF MANKIND**

The term "bread" often stands for all that is needed to satisfy our material needs and renew our physical and intellectual energies. Material food is indeed an indispensable requirement of our life. As a practical person, Jesus was aware of this need and did not hesitate to work a miracle, not just once, but twice, to satisfy the hungry crowds who had been following him for days, avid to satisfy the spiritual hunger at the banquet of his inspiring teaching. In his wisdom and power, Jesus provided for all the needs of his audience. And he did that with wonderful generosity and abundance.

As his disciples who live in a world that hungers not just for material bread, but also for acceptance, respect, appreciation, solidarity, and love in all its varied forms, we are expected to do our best to offer to our neighbor what Jesus offered the hungry crowds of his time: not just material bread, but also the affirmation, encouragement, and trust.



### POPE BENEDICT XVI'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION

Catholics worldwide are asked to mark the 60th anniversary of Pope Benedict XVI's ordination to the priesthood with sixty hours of Eucharistic prayer for the Sanctification of Priests and for Priestly Vocations starting on the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul on June 29 (also Pope Benedict XVI's presbyteral ordination date) and ending on July 1, 2011, the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please join SJBP's related activities.



### SJBP HOLDS PENTECOST TRIDUUM

SJBP prepared for the Solemnity of Pentecost with a Holy Hour Triduum from June 9 to 11 after the 6:00PM Mass with Rev. Fr. Ting Miciano presiding. More than a hundred parishioners attended the event.

On its last day, the Triduum culminated with a Taize prayer service where short prayers were sung repeatedly as meditative chants. The St. John Bosco Chorale led in the community singing while members of the Lectors and Commentators Guild read reflections on the Holy Spirit.



### ROSARY RALLY

On May 24, The Don Bosco Youth Center held a Rosary Rally for the Feast of Mary Help of Christians in the Parish Gym. The ceremony was presided by Bro. JM Mangubat. Floral offerings and performances by several choirs and the Teatro Kids followed.



Artworks by Therese Grace and Bettina Angela Bautista

"Dad", for Therese Grace (17) and Bettina Angela (11), is Floren Bautista, a computer graphics designer, whose impressive digital image enhancement skills has earned him the moniker "digital image doctor from the top photographers he has worked with. Floren is himself, an advertising photographer and a member of the Camera Club of the Philippines. He is married to businesswoman, Didi Eustaquio-Bautista who kindly agreed to be the food stylist for Floren's photos in BUDGET MEALS AT THE COFFEE AND SAINTS COFFEE SHOP (see page 3).



Artwork by Mary Kimberly V. de Guzman

3 ½ year old Kim made this for her daddy, Michael de Guzman, the president of the SJB Lectors and Commentators Guild and a core member of the Don Bosco Prayer Group along with wife, Lourdes. Mike heads the Technical Support Department of a group of restaurants.



**THANK YOU, DAD**

by Lucy Torres-Gomez

Thank you, Dad, for all the lessons you've taught me along life's way.

Our family always ate our meals together, we watched films on VHS and Betamax together, at night, we prayed the rosary together (okay, that was more mom than you), we went to the rocky beach in Albuera on weekends and pretty much moved through life as a single unit. I thought this was the norm for all families until my world got bigger and I realized it is not. Now, more than ever, I appreciate the joys of belonging to a close-knit family. It is a gift that keeps on giving, a balm that never fails to soothe and heal.

You are 71 years old, yet you still have a full head of thick black hair peppered here and

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**LIVING WITH DADDY**

By Jason Cabellon

My Daddy, Fred, was a loving father and very devoted husband; my Mommy Nars was the love of his life. Their love story is the stuff *telenovelas* are made of. When we lost Mommy to cancer, Daddy changed. While he still took good care of me and my brother, it seemed that the sparkle in his eyes had been replaced by a quiet sadness.

Aside from loving well and true, another valuable lesson that Daddy taught me, by example, was to treat everyone with dignity

and respect: "*Wala akong pinipiling kaibigan*". He welcomed and entertained people at home with as much warmth whether they were businessmen or *kanto boys*.

Less than a week before Mommy's first death anniversary, my father was killed. The previous day started as usual: before he left to work in a party needs shop, Daddy woke me up and told me that my packed lunch was ready - still another lesson in loving service. Little did I know that that would be the last time he would wake me up or prepare my lunch. Early next day, I was awakened by a commotion outside our house - Daddy was being attacked by a man with a knife! I tried to protect him but his attacker stabbed me first.

No day passes without me thinking of Daddy. I often find myself wishing that he was still around to guide and give me strength, especially now that the trial has begun. But as I strive to live by the lessons he taught me, somehow a part of him will always live in me.



## LESSONS FROM PAPA ABE

by Lito Yabut

With excerpts from the article, *Movers and Shakers in the History of Philippine Advertising* by, J.J. Calero

If we had taken a poll among those who knew our Papa, Abelardo "Abe" Yabut Sr., he would have won the title "Mr. Pogi" hands down, with Mr. Nice Guy, a close second. He wasn't only good-looking but had a good heart to match.

He often said, "*Lahat tayo ay ipinanganak na hubad sa mata ng Dios*". All of us are equal in His eyes. What we make out of our lives depend on us and the grace of God. As he used to say, "*Ano ang suerte kung hindi mo tratabuhin?*"

This was not empty rhetoric on the value of hard work, coming from a man who worked his way up from bookkeeper of Bolinao Electronics, to its general manager for provincial radio when it eventually became ABS-CBN, and finally, to owner of his own broadcasting network. For his contributions

as a media pioneer, Papa was conferred the Lifetime Achievement Award by the *Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster ng Pilipinas*.

A self-made man, Papa, nonetheless, reminded us of our duty to help others, "*Huwag mong ipagkait ang tulong kung puede ka naman tumulong*". He would pawn Mama's jewelry rather than miss paying his staff's salaries on time.

As head of our family, Papa was no less deserving of his *Uliirang Ama* Award. We were the envy of our friends for having Papa and Mama keeping our family together. Even when we were all grown up, some with families of their own, we were all expected to come together for Mama's lunches at least once a week; Papa made sure of that! To this day, we have kept this tradition which has kept our family bonds strong.

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there with just a little gray probably because you've never allowed stress to get to you or make you lose sleep. Thank you for always showing, by example, that worry should have no place in a life. Once a person has done his best and committed all else to God, he has every right to claim a good night's rest and upon waking, cruise in that elusive ship known as "Peace of Mind".

When I just got married, you once remarked, "nowadays, people often say - 'I'll give you a call next week or let's get together or do this or that sometime - yet never follow through.'" Thank you for gently reminding me of something I learned back in kindergarten that should still hold true today - that I should mean what I say and say what I mean; life is simpler that way.

These are but a few of the many precious lessons I continue to learn from you, nuggets of wisdom I always carry around to pass on to my own little girl every chance I get. Thank you, Dad, for being the kind of Dad that you are to me and my siblings. I love you, happy Father's Day!



## PREX FOR YOUTH by Karl Ramos, Auxilium Choir

The Parish held its first Parish Renewal Experience (PREX) Seminar for the Youth last June 18-20 at the AVR of the SJB Parish Building. Rev. Fr. Ting Miciano, SDB was the Spiritual Director of the 3-day event. PREX provides basic adult catechism and conversion through reconciliation.

Initially, I didn't know what to expect from the PREX. I thought it was going to be boring. But over the 3 days, I learned more about myself, the things preventing me from being a good Catholic and how important I am to the Parish.

I now realize that the youth needs to take an active role in building our Catholic community and family but I must first learn about God and the teachings of our Faith to be able to share it with the next generations of youth. I hope that more young people can participate in the next PREX seminar and experience the joy of belonging to the Parish as I have.



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**JULY 2011 CALENDAR**

- 01 Fri Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 02 Sat Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 03 Sun 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 10 Sun 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 11 Mon St. Benedict, SDB Parishes Recollection
- 15 Fri St. Bonaventure
- 16 Sat Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Makati Jail Mass (Vicariate) 2:00pm
- 17 Sun 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 18 Mon SDB Community Recollection
- 19 Tue Clergy Recollection 9:00am
- 22 Fri St. Mary Magdalene
- 24 Sun 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 25 Mon St. James, Apostle, SDB House Council
- 26 Tue Sts. Joachim & Anne
- 29 Fri St. Martha
- 31 Sun 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Fil-Mission Sunday

**Sick Visitation** – Thursdays 9am  
**Holy Hour** – Thursdays 6:30pm  
**Medical & Dental** – Sundays 2:00pm  
**Street Mass** – Saturdays 7:30pm

Visit our website for the complete July 2011 Calendar  
<http://sjbmakati.com/parish-activities.html>



**DBYC HOLDS 1ST SUMMER LEAGUE**

Don Bosco Youth Center (DBYC) held its 1st Summer Basketball League from Apr 30 to May 9 to foster friendships and interest in the sport while providing young men and boys from the surrounding parishes with opportunities for catechism and formation. 144 participants were grouped in two divisions: Aspirants (ages 12-15) and Juniors (ages 16-25).

**Mass Collections for May 2011**

Php 1,128,866.26

**PnP COLLECTIONS for May 2011**

Php 16,150.00



**YOUTH CHOIR**

The St. John Bosco Parish Makati Youth Choir is one of the choirs of the MOMCA. They hold regular practices and sing during the Sunday 10:00 am Mass. The SJBP Makati Youth Choir welcomes young people ages 13-39, who are eager to use their musical talents for God's greater glory.



**TEATRO KIDS**

The Teatro Kids is the newly formed children's theater group of the Parish. Rev. Fr. Dennis Paez, Parish Family Counselling Ministry Head, was inspired to organize

*Please contact the Youth Ministry if you wish to share your time, talents and resources with any of its organizations.*

**YOUTH CORNER**

Youth Ministry Organizations in Focus  
 by Welly Cuna

**JR LCG**

The Jr. Lectors and Commentators Guild is composed of young people, ages 8-15, who proclaim Scriptural readings during the Sunday 8:30am Children's Mass as well as participate in other Parish-based activities of the Youth Ministry. Under the guidance of the LCG, the Jr. LCG members meet regularly to practice and prepare for the Sunday Mass to help the parishioners better appreciate the Word of the Lord. The group works closely with the Children's theater group on weeks when there are dramatized readings and gospels.

the Teatro Kids after the successful staging of the Bulilit Senakulo last Palm Sunday.

For the Feast of Mary Help of Christians, the Teatro Kids prepared a short play entitled "Confession, Communion and Devotion to Mary; Our Weapons Against the Enemy". They handled everything from music and choreography to props and costumes. On the day of performance, they lived out the message of the play by going to confession and attending Mass.