

MAY 2007 Newsletter



Connecting Young Adults to Jesus, the Catholic Church & One Another. For Anyone 18-40, Single or Married.

The Archdiocesan Office of Young Adult Ministry invites you to...



Feed My Sheep

....a Leadership Day Retreat
designed especially for those who lead
YAM groups or who would like to start a
YAM group at their parish.

Saturday, May 19th, 9am – 5pm
Monastery of the Holy Spirit
2625 Highway 212 SW, Conyers

www.trappist.net

Cost: \$20, includes breakfast and lunch

RSVP by May 12th to Ana Nagel 404-885-7458 or email ana@yam.org.

Thank God It's *First* Friday!

St Michael Catholic Church, Gainesville

Friday, May 4th

7:30pm Mass

1440 Pearce Circle
Gainesville, 30501

Gather-7p

Praise & Worship-7:15p

Bilingual Mass-7:30p

"Cinco de Mayo" Dinner Social to follow
in the Parish Hall

Karen at Kassia525@yahoo.com



REVIVE!

June 8th—Please join us in
welcoming Father Leo Patalinghug
and Matt Maher to the Georgia
International Convention Center!

This year's Revive will be like
none other! We are proud to have Amazing Grace
dancers, Matt Maher on music, and Fr. Leo, a new
highly acclaimed speaker on the young adult
circuit. Come and show your gratefulness to our
Archdiocese for their support of the Office of Young
Adult Ministry!

The events on pages 2 and 3 are parish- or group-sponsored events.

May Highlights...

May 2- CTK Derby Event at Sweet Lowdown

Come out to the Derby Event at Sweet Lowdown from 7p-11p and help us support the Atlanta Community Food Bank. Contact Cassie at 404-889-3855

May 4- TGIFF "Thank God It's First Friday at St Michael's in Gainesville

Join the St Michael's Humble Hearts Young Adults for TGIFF Mass. Gather-7p. Praise & Worship-7:15p Bilingual Mass-7:30p. "Cinco de Mayo" Dinner Social to follow in the Parish Hall. 1440 Pearce Circle Gainesville, 30501 Karen at Kassia525@yahoo.com.

May 13- Mass and a Meal with St Jude Young Adults

Join St. Jude YAM every second Sunday for 6:00pm mass, a meal and fellowship as we caravan to a different restaurant every month! All singles and marrieds ages 21-35 are invited to attend and friends are welcome! On May 13th, we'll be at La Rumba Mexican Restaurant 6317 Roswell Rd Atlanta, GA 30328 Meet at the main church entrance after mass or meet us at the restaurant. RSVP Preferred! 678- 252-5639 or kpowell@stjudeatlanta.net.

May 15- CTK Financial Peace Seminar w/ Dave Ramsey Begins

Information night for the seminar will be May 1st with the series running on Tuesday night from 7p-9p beginning May 15th. Seminar will be held in the CTK parish hall. Contact Christine at 404-233-2145 x451 or csmolynsky@ctking.com

May 19- YAM Leadership Retreat & Day of Reflection

A retreat especially for those who lead YAM groups or who would like to start a YAM group at their parish. Saturday, May 19th at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers from 9:30pm-5pm. Join us for this opportunity to fellowship with other YAM leaders and to renew yourself spiritually. Cost is \$20 and includes breakfast and lunch. Contact Ana at 404-885-7459 or ana@yam.org to sign up!

May 20- Supper After Mass with St Brigid Young Adults

Please join St. Brigid YAM for Supper After Mass - May 20th. 5pm mass, 6:30pm dinner at Alessio's. 3005 Old Alabama Rd Alpharetta, GA 30022 (down the street from the church behind the Walgreen's). Contact Stephanie Kelly at Skelly19@gmail.com for more information.

For more detailed information on these events and many more, visit the YAM website at www.yam.org

Featured YAM Group for MAY...



YAM Toastmasters is focused on helping Young Adult Catholics develop public speaking and leadership skills within a Catholic environment. Learn how to use techniques such as voice, language and gestures. Learn how to persuade, inspire and become a more effective and powerful communicator. Come to our next meeting to find out more. Guests are always welcome.

Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at St. Andrew in Roswell, from 7:45 PM to 9:00 PM. St. Andrew is located at 675 Riverside Road. We're in Building D, room 202. Contact John Hartwell at yam_toastmasters@yahoo.com or by phone at 404-543-8825

*For information on the many YAM Ministries go to our website under **MINISTRIES** or to www.yam.org/ministries.*

Sunday

Monday

Want to see what's coming up in JUNE?

WWW.YAM.ORG

Want to hear podcasts from past YAM events? www.yam.org/enrich/podcasts.php

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HSYP New Member Wine and Cheese, Cinco de Mayo "Beer and Salsa" Following 5:30 mass in McDonough Hall. RSVP to HSYPNewMember@hotmail.com

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Mass & Trivia on the South-Side at Holy Trinity 7p

Spirit and Truth at KSU, UGA and St Andrew's, 7:30p

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Teach ESL w/ SVdP 11a

Bible Study & Pot Luck w/ St Michael's Humble Hearts, 1p

Mass and a Meal with St Jude young adults after 6p Mass (*See Highlights*)

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CTK Bingo 6:30p-8p

HSYP Trivia, 7:30p

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Teach ESL w/ SVdP 11a

Bible Study & Pot Luck w/ St Michael's Humble Hearts, 1p

Supper after 5p Mass with St Brigid Young Adults (*See Highlights*)

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Mass & Trivia on the South-side at Holy Trinity 7p

Spirit and Truth at KSU, UGA and St Andrew's 7:30p

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Teach ESL w/ SVdP 11a

Rosary Hike with St Michael's Humble Hearts, 1p

Mass in French 4:30p at Mary Our Queen in Norcross

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MEMORIAL DAY

YAM OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 Liturgy of the Hours w/ St Michael's Humble Hearts at 6p</p> <p>CTK "Financial Peace Seminar" Info night <i>(See Highlights)</i></p>	<p>2 CTK Service, 5:30p</p> <p>Mass, Dinner & Trivia at St Matthew, Tryone, 6p</p> <p>CTK Derby Event, 7p-11p <i>(See Highlights)</i></p>	<p>3 Spirit and Truth St. Philip Benizi 7:30p</p> <p>YAM Toastmasters 7:45p</p>	<p>4 <i>Thank God It's Just Friday!</i> St. Michael, Gainesville 7:30pm Mass 1440 Pearce Circle Gainesville, 30501</p> <p>"Cinco de Mayo" Dinner Social to follow. For more info, contact Karen at Kassia525@yahoo.com</p>	<p>5 Helper of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil, 10a-Noon</p>
<p>8 Liturgy of the Hours w/ St Michael's Humble Hearts at 6p</p>	<p>9 Rosary after the 7p Mass at Holy Trinity</p>	<p>10 Spirit and Truth St. Philip Benizi 7:30p</p>	<p>11 Respect Life SOS Prayer Vigil 6:30a</p> <p>HSYP TGIF: Come meet our new Deacons and hear about their vocation and Journey. RSVP to HolySpiritYP@hotmail.com 6 p mass, 6:30p dinner and talk in McDonough hall</p>	<p>12 CTK VA Nursing Home Pet Therapy 9a-11a</p> <p>CTK Lunch and Movie with Calvin Court Seniors 11a-4p</p> <p>Helper of God's Precious Infants for Mother's Day from 10a-1p</p>
<p>15 Liturgy of the Hours w/ St Michael's Humble Hearts at 6p</p> <p>CTK Financial Peace Seminar Begins <i>Tuesdays</i> from 7p-9p in the Parish Hall <i>(See Highlights)</i></p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Spirit and Truth St. Philip Benizi 7:30p</p> <p>YAM Toastmasters 7:45p</p>	<p>18 Respect Life SOS Prayer Vigil 6:30a</p>	<p>19</p>  <p>DAY OF REFLECTION & LEADERSHIP RETREAT 9a-4p Monastery in Conyers <i>(See Highlights)</i></p>
<p>22 Liturgy of the Hours w/ St Michael's Humble Hearts at 6p</p>	<p>23 Rosary after the 7p Mass at Holy Trinity</p>	<p>24 Spirit and Truth St. Philip Benizi, 7:30p</p>	<p>25 Respect Life SOS Prayer Vigil 6:30a</p>	<p>26 Helper of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil, 10:30a-12:30</p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 CTK Food Bank, 6p</p>	<p>Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb!</p> <p>Luke 1:42</p>	

So That Our Joy May Be Complete

Mary: My Mother and Yours

Pope Benedict XVI recently wrote a letter on the Eucharist, entitled *Sacramentum Caritatis*. In that letter (or more properly, post-synodal exhortation), he discusses Mary's relationship to the Eucharist in a manner that is both refreshing and illuminating. He illustrates that it is through Mary that we learn how to be in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord (cf. 33). In May, the Church celebrates the month of Mary, our true mother and the model of motherhood. Mary fulfills the mother's task of teaching us to pray and live in the presence of Jesus. Reflect with me, if you will, on Mary's way of being in the presence of Our Lord, so as to learn how better to be in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

1. When the angel appeared to her, Mary said, "Let it be to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38). She didn't say _____. <Fill in the blank with the response you might have given, had the angel appeared to you.>
2. She "kept all these things in her heart" (Luke 2:51). Mary was physically close to Christ. Even so, it required a great deal of faith and meditation to understand him.
3. At the Wedding Feast at Cana, Mary says, "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5). The wedding feast at Cana is not about the sacrament of marriage nearly as much as it is about Jesus' finding Mary's faith irresistible.
4. When Mary comes to find Christ during his public ministry, he says "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it" (Lk 8:21). This is not an insult to his mom; he is holding her up as the greatest of all Christians. After all, she is the Immaculate Conception, the only one who, like Christ, always obeyed when she heard the Word of God.
5. At the Cross, Mary stands by. She stays with her son, suffering with him. Christ gives John to Mary and Mary to John. John receives Mary for the Church, so that we would trust her to show us the way to Christ (cf. John 19:26-27).
So, how do we spend more time with our mother, learning from her? The Rosary is a very good way!!!! During each decade, try to reflect on the mystery from Mary's point of view. How did she feel? What did she think about it? Not good at "keeping things in your heart?" Ask Mary for her help. Remember, Jesus finds his mother irresistible!

DID YOU KNOW THAT...
THEOLOGY ON TAP is just around the corner!!!! The theme for Theology on Tap this year is, **"Love Is Not A Four Letter Word"**

We have an amazing speaker line-up planned for **YOU!**
Mark your calendars and plan to be with US Wednesday nights in July and September!
Stay tuned to the YAM website for more detailed information.

JULY 11th, 18th, 25th and **SEPT 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th**
7pm Gather. 7:30pm Speaker. Want to be a volunteer?
Contact at 404-885-7458 or Ana@yam.org

Our New Monthly Prayer features

"The Memorare"

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary that never was it known that anyone who fled to Your protection, implored Your help, or sought Your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To You we come; before You we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in Your mercy, hear and answer us.

Amen.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, appeared six times to three shepherd children ("the Three Seers") near the town of Fatima, Portugal between May 13th and October 13th 1917. Appearing to the children, the Blessed Virgin told them that She had been sent by God with a message for every man, woman and child living in our century. Coming at a time when civilization was torn asunder by war and bloody violence, She promised that Heaven would grant peace to all the world if Her requests for prayer, reparation and consecration were heard and obeyed.

