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The Role of the Holy Spirit

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Fr. Nathaniel Haslam LC discusses the Holy Spirit's importance in our movement's charism

"Giver, architect, sustainer."

These are the roles of the Holy Spirit in relation to the Legion and Regnum Christi, according to Fr. Nathaniel Haslam LC.

As the Church celebrates Pentecost, Fr. Nathaniel reflects on the influence of this third person of the Trinity in the Legion of Christ and the Regnum Christi movement. To listen to this insightful presentation concerning our movement's charism, click the following link in the Resources audio section of this website.



<http://www.regnumchristi.org/english/multimedia/video.phtml?id=3082>

Mission Trip

Regnum Christi Live – June 9
By Fr Simon Devereux LC



"Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that have received--you take only what you have given." - St. Francis of Assisi

This week I have the privilege of being on mission. We are about an hour and a half outside of Cancún building a chapel with our Mexican friends in La Zone Agricola. They have Mass just once a month (when a priest can visit) yet they come every week to catechism given by two young women from Cancun. Please pray we can help them finish their chapel which will replace this very provisional structure which they have been using up until now.

Leadership Training Program Internship

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Leaders of tomorrow encountering the leaders of today

The Leadership Training Program will host its Summer Internship Course for high-school-aged young men in Washington, D.C. from July 13-18, 2014.

“These young men gather to deepen their leadership skills, learn from successful men and women, and grow in their faith,” said Br. James Wilson, LC, who helps organize the program.



The 2013 LTP interns with Congressman Paul Ryan.



During the LTP program, participating students visit the offices of executives and leaders who share their advice for personal and professional success, emphasizing the importance of character and faith. At the close of each meeting, students have the opportunity to interview these leaders during question and answer sessions.

This year the interns are tentatively scheduled to visit the following leaders and groups, among others:

The Jones Day Law Firm
Fox News
CEO of

The Gallup Group, Jim Clifton
Cofounder of the Carlyle Group, Dan D’Aniello
Congressman Mario Diaz Balart (R-FL)
Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL)
Shawn Smeallie of the American Continental Group
Wall Street Journal Washington Bureau Chief, Jerry Seib
The Susan B. Anthony List



Posing with Lila Rose of Live Action.



In addition to meeting and spending time with political, social and business leaders, participating students will visit successful leadership and management teams and experience the sights and sounds of

Washington D.C.

Accommodations will be at the Catholic University of America.

In the evenings they will enjoy some sports and downtime, as well as formation activities to

help with their public speaking skills, and group discussions and debates on hot-button issues and the challenges of today's culture.

Spots are still available. Contact James Hernandez (jaherna3@gmail.com) for more information, or visit www.ltpwashingtondc.com/ltpinternship.

The LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE PROGRAM

INTERNSHIP COURSE JULY 13 - 18, 2014

An opportunity for high school students take the advantage of spending time with some of today's most respected and accomplished business, political and cultural leaders!

During this program, participating students visit the offices of executive leaders who share their advice for personal and professional success, emphasizing the importance of character and faith. In addition to meeting and spending time with these leaders, students will have the opportunity to visit with successful leadership and management teams, and experience the sights and sounds of Washington D.C.

EVENING ACTIVITIES

- Sports including basketball, soccer and football
- Washington Nationals Game
- Debates, public speaking and Guest Speakers
- And much more!

Cost: \$900

Includes room and board, as well as transportation to and from airport.

The following leaders have tentatively agreed to participate in this year's LTP Internship Course:

- Jerry Seib (Washington Bureau Chief, Wall Street Journal)
- Chris Donatelli (President of Donatelli Development)
- Mario Diaz Balart (US Congressman from Florida)
- Devin Nunez (US Congressman from Arizona)
- Dan D'Amelio (Founder, Carlyle Group)
- Jon Clifton (CEO, The Gallup Group)
- Jones Day Law Firm
- Fox News and more!

Partial Scholarships Available!

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When sinners become children again

Regnum Christi Live – June 10, 2014
By Paola Trevino



After almost three hours of Mass in Tagalog with Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle of Manila, we finally started our drive to the Manila Minimum Security Detention Center.

I didn't know what to expect. It isn't my first experience in prison ministry but things are very different here in the Philippines.

The prison gates opened to a basketball court surrounded by rectangular buildings. Four of us missionaries divided ourselves into three groups, led by two Missionaries of Charity and a fifth missionary. We walked around the living quarters to invite people to Mass. We entered the rectangular "buildings" that look more like containers, with little air circulation, space and even light. Bunk beds were so close together that walking had to be done in one straight line. Mattresses consisted of thin plywood or cardboard and it didn't take us much time to realize that those were the cells. Each unit has a "mayor" as they call the inmate in charge.

We proceeded to the main event of our visit: the Mass to celebrate Pentecost. Little by little, these very fragile bodies got out of their cells and walked towards the church at the left of the basketball court. Suddenly the chapel was full, more than 150 inmates. But what a surprise; all of them were old people. It felt more like in a retirement home than in prison.

Mass started, I stood up at the back waiting for the late arrivals that literally kept coming all the way to the very last Amen.

During Mass, I contemplated how the old prisoners were so fragile, simple and in a sense like little kids: innocent, dependent, simple, joyful. "Let the children come to me", Jesus said. I kept looking at these convicted men. They were once children, but as they grew older, they changed, life happened and they became hard, mean and got in trouble with the law.

They became murderers, rapists, thieves -- and most of them have spent their adult life in prison.

Time passed and tough men became like "little children" once again, fragile, innocent, simple, dependent, joyful, all gathering around their Heavenly Father to praise and worship Him. I stood there watching them raise their wrinkled hands, singing along and praising the Lord. The words of Christ "Let the children come to me" kept pounding in my heart. I begged for the grace to cultivate and to keep a child-like heart, in a sense I prayed to "not grow up" and get lost in the world and loose that child-like spirit that will always keep me close to my Lord.

Let's all try to cultivate a child-like heart and stay very close to our Lord. And like children, let us get closer to our Heavenly Father!

He sent us out 3 by 3

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Florida Conquest Club holds door-to-door mission

By Tom Buser (RC Member and Conquest Dad)

"I loved it!! Nobody was mean to us! We received a lot of positive responses."

This was the feedback from the high school seniors Tim Truss, Jonah Wilamowski and Chris Buser, who led the Jacksonville Conquest Club boys during their door-to-door mission apostolate last month.



Boys in grade 5-7, organized into teams of 3, stepped far out of their comfort zone, overcame their fears and, with great courage, knocked on doors to speak out about our Lord Jesus Christ.

The mission goal on that Saturday in May was to reach out to the families

surrounding the local St. Joseph's parish, invite them to Mass, ask for prayer requests and share the news about the new pastor, Father Thanh. The boys had a copy of this weekend's bulletin to hand out that contained Mass times and other information regarding ministries and activities at St Joseph's.

A few minutes into the adventure, missionary Dominic D'Amico said, "I was very nervous before we started, but I'm not anymore because nobody is answering the door." Shortly afterwards, many doors started opening, and a confident Dominic fearlessly spoke to those he met.

The excitement from the boys walking through several neighborhoods was contagious and helped them continue as the Florida sun rose high in the sky. Another obstacle presented itself as the boys were greeted at one house by a snake sunbathing on the path to the front door. The boy's safely maneuvered around the "obstacle," and were able to speak with



Armed with bulletins and ready to invite



the young woman who lived there. They learned she had just graduated from the University of North Florida. The boys invited her to Mass, gave her a bulletin and wrote down a prayer request to help her find employment.

At another home, the owner asked the boys if they would be attending Mass on Sunday as well. They said yes, and he answered, "Well, I'll be there too!"

During another conversation, one of the men they visited gave a prayer intention for his niece who had applied for a teaching position at St Joseph's school -- the same school where many of the boys attend! (Since then, parishioners at St Joseph said she did get the job! Prayers answered! Praise God!)

Missionary Luke Butler said he loved talking with the people, saying most were very warm and receptive to the boys, happily giving prayer requests, and even those who were not Catholic were very pleased and thankful to see them inviting others to learn about God.

The boys finished the mission in time for lunch where they enjoyed pizza and shared stories.

Luke said, "We need to go to more neighborhoods! Or maybe go to nursing homes and play bingo with the residents!" Andy Truss



Going door-to-door

said, “My favorite part of the day is how we would take turns speaking, handing out the bulletins and writing down the prayer requests.” Aaron Upchurch said he enjoyed when the “folks actually looked at the bulletin after we handed it to them!” Mikey Truss said, “Jesus sent the apostles out 2 by 2, but we went out 3 by 3!”

Gardening

Regnum Christi Live – June 11, 2014
By Fr Simon Devereux LC



“Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.” -- Paul of Tarsus, letter to the Philipians 4:8

Every second day I try to go for a run in the afternoon. As I see people cultivating their gardens, I start to think about how are we cultivating the garden of our souls. What are we feeding it with? Are we laying down the rich topsoil of thanksgiving and watering it with the Word of God? Or am I cramming my mind with the negativity that seems to fill our airwaves, TV and newspapers?

We reap what we sow...

Does the Pope hate Fido?

Regnum Christi Live – June 12, 2014
By Jim Fair



The bright young man entering my office had something wonderful to say; he and his wife were expecting their first child.

I was not only his boss and a bit of a mentor, but someone who already had children, so he wanted to know what to expect. He admitted he was a bit apprehensive.

After I shared a few general, positive insights, he shrugged and said he guessed taking care of a baby wouldn't be that hard. After all, he had a dog and had raised him from a tiny puppy to full-size Labrador – how much different would a baby be?

I smiled and told him he would discover many differences, especially when the child was around age two. But, frankly, I was appalled at the ridiculous comparison.

A dog is not a baby. A pet is not a child. And as the Holy Father has pointed out in recent days, raising children is a much higher calling.

I'm sure there are readers who wonder why it would cause controversy for the Pope to suggest people ought to put their time, effort and love into HUMAN families. But my experience with that young employee, comments from childless relatives and a scan of internet blogs attacking the Pope, well, prove there really are lots of folks who believe raising a cat is as noble as raising a child.

In fact, a little research via professor Google turned up some alarming data:

- 63 percent of American households have pets.
- 47 percent of American households have dogs.
- Fewer than 44 percent of American households have children.
- Only about 20 percent of American households have children and a mom and a dad.

Yes, there are some couples who can't have children for medical reasons. Yes, there are some couples who had children but lost them to disease, accidents or war. Yes, there are some people who carry some dreaded genetic defect and have decided not to risk imparting it to the next generation. But this is a small percentage of those who don't have children.

The Holy Father's words are sobering in light of the numbers: "There are things that Jesus doesn't like, such as married couples who don't want children, who want to be without fruitfulness."

Many folks these days seem to be questioning whether they can afford a child versus a big house, vacations, man toys or elegant clothes. But if someone is asking whether to have a child or a new car, they are asking the wrong question. They should be asking what material possession is worth more than a soul. There is a clear answer. The Pope doesn't hate Fido; he loves the child.

Ordinations in Rome this December

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Plan on a visit to Rome this Advent to see the Legion of Christ ordinations

You might not be thinking about the 2014 Advent season just yet, but why not consider a trip to Rome this December?

The Legion of Christ is anticipating the ordination of 30 young men to the priesthood during this coming Advent. The order would like to invite you to take an “Ordination Trip” to Rome from December 11-21, 2014.



Legionary priest Fr. Simon Devereux LC is vested following his ordination.



If you organize your trip through the official Legion travel agent, Candy Nesbit of Elite Travel, (contact information: phone (203) 271-0625 and email: candy@elitetravelct.com) you can count on “an amazing experience of Jesus Christ and His Church.”

Elite Travel regularly arranges Youth and Family Pilgrimages to Rome. Trips include tours of Vatican City and St. Peter’s Basilica, the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel and more, as well as an audience with Pope Francis. Pilgrims will attend daily mass and have opportunities for confession and spiritual direction.

Contact Candy for cost, lodging and flight

information. You can also contact Br. Samuel Chow LC for more information at schow@legionaries.org.

Click [here](#) for a trip brochure.



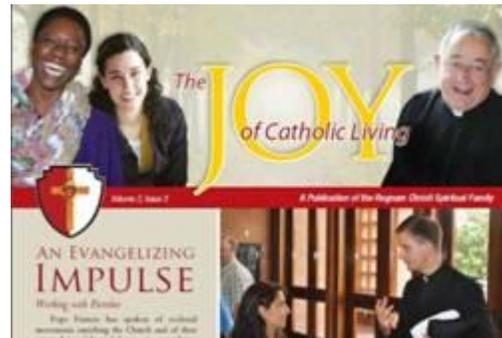
The JOY of Catholic Living

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The 2014 summer edition of the magazine is out

The latest issue of the *JOY of Catholic Living* magazine for friends of the Regnum Christi movement is now in the mail and on this website.

Check out this latest edition [here](#). Following is an overview of the headlines:



- An Evangelizing Impulse: Working with the Parishes
- Renewed for Our Mission: The Extraordinary General Chapter
- Graduation Celebration: On to Rome!
- Mater Ecclesiae Graduation 2014
- The School of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Our Greatest and Best Prayer: A Mass Program for All Occasions
- Lights of the World: Giving Back through Love and Service

The magazine can be found under the Resources section of this website at the "JOY Magazine" link.

How about a little TOB with your summer?



While summer months usually bring to mind sunny weather and vacations, I want to encourage you to think about boosting your effectiveness in the New Evangelization during these next few months. In between your downtime and getaways, why not fit a little Theology of the Body education into your schedule?

Please write down the following dates on your calendar:

Head and Heart Integration Course, August 3-8, 2014, north of Atlanta, Georgia

Sponsored by Regnum Christi, this event is for LC priests, RC consecrated and lay members of the movement who want to get a better understanding of this enlightening catechesis from our late pope.

“After the recent canonization of St. John Paul the Great, we hope to help others experience the beauty of this profound and timely teaching,” said Charlene Alexander, one of the event speakers. “As RC members, we also hope to learn more about the healing that needs to take place in each person and in the culture we aspire to evangelize.”

Other speakers will be Fr. Martin Connor LC, Tom McCabe and Suzy Grybas.

The event takes place at the beautiful [Carmel Retreat Center](#) in Hoschton, north of Atlanta.

Click here for a flyer about the event. To register go to <https://rcatlanta.org/services/retreats/theology-of-the-body.html>

Theology of the Body Congress, July 9-11, 2014, Philadelphia, PA

For those who have a good understanding of John Paul II's Theology of the Body (TOB), you can significantly augment that knowledge at the 2014 International Theology of the Body Congress. Sponsored by the [Theology of the Body Institute](#) (read a [letter](#) about the Congress from the Institute's episcopal vicar, Bishop Charles Chaput) this event boasts an impressive and intriguing list of topics to dig deeper into this amazing catechesis.

- Bringing TOB to the Spanish Speaking World
- Masculinity in the Priesthood
- Ending the Battle of the Sexes
- Authentic Femininity
- TOB and Pornography – “When Beauty is Broken”
- TOB for Youth and Young Adults
- TOB and Natural Family Planning
- TOB and Same-Sex Attraction
- The “Rule of Four” for the Divorced
- TOB and the Technological Age
- Starting at TOB Club on Campus

- TOB and the Synods of the Family

The keynote address, “The Importance of the Human Body,” will be given by Bishop Jean Laffitte, secretary of the Vatican's Pontifical Council for the Family.

Click [here](#) for the entire list of other speakers. For more information about the event, go to:

<http://tobcongress.com>

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