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**Please mark your Calendars for December (Christmas):
SD Monday 24, LA Tuesday 25, SF Sunday 30.**



"Thanksgiving Day" falls this year on Thursday, 22 November. When I think about what we have accomplished as a mission, I am amazed. It's almost unbelievable. Many of you must overcome great distances to get to Mass; many are involved in food preparation, altar service, preparing liturgical texts, etc. Thanks to your generosity and financial support, we are able to keep our three missions - LA, San Francisco and San Diego - in relatively good condition. For all that we have, I would like to thank you in our way: **May God reward you!!!**

OCTOBER 2012

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Almighty God, hear our prayers for our deceased brothers and sisters and strengthen our hope that as your Son rose from the dead, we too will rise to a new life and will meet you in your heavenly kingdom.

FROM THE PEN OF BISHOP ESTERKA

Dear Members and Friends in California!



● We are slowly approaching the end of the liturgical year, which ends Sunday with the feast of Christ the King, 25 November. This feast reminds us that throughout the year we lived under the auspices of Christ our Lord. Before the end of the liturgical year we celebrate the first day of November dedicated to All Saints' Day and 2 November All Souls, when, especially in prayer, we remember our dear deceased. It is the day when we visit the graves of our parents, relatives and friends of those who have gone before us into eternal life, we have them remembered and we pray for their salvation. And they are already with the Lord, so that they can intercede for us when we need God's help in our everyday worries.

● As you can see, in this Vestnik I want to write about faith. There are many things and activities that could revive or awaken our faith. How many of us say that we are believers, but we are often sleepy: our faith is not able to rouse us to fervor in doing good. Therefore, we need to think about times in our lives when we could be provoked to action. In the Church we have largely spiritual programs and works of mercy. Various activities, such as, for instance, retreats, days of recollection and others motivate believers to translate the teaching of the Church into everyday practice. Here we use the Benedictine principle: "Pray and work!" When we look at today's parish life both in our homeland and here in the U.S., we believers can not only gain new experience, but also be motivated to applied it to everyday life.

● The Vatican website lists some activities related to the awakening of faith: a pilgrimage to Rome, the Holy Land, one of the places of pilgrimage around the world, doing good deeds for those less fortunate, entering a process for marriage renewal /family relations, common prayer in the family Can you make your own list?

● In this Vestnik we are again publishing the "list of needs for our mission." This list gives you an opportunity to help out at our work with different levels of commitment. You asked to see it again, so here it is. We will publish it occasionally, showing which items have already been donated.

● As you can see, this issue of Vestnik goes back to the original format of the 12th pages. It is a response to your response, which pleased me. I am glad that you are interested in articles and information.

The Year of Faith was announced by Pope Benedict XVI last year in his apostolic letter *Porta Fidei*. It will begin on Oct. 11, 2012, the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. It also coincides with the 20th anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The year will end on Nov. 24, 2013, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King.

The document from the Vatican's doctrinal congregation offers a sketch of what should take place at every level of the Church during the Year of Faith.

At the universal level, the Pope will engage in various events, including the solemn opening of the Year of Faith, the Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome, and World Youth Day 2013 in Brazil. There will also be "various ecumenical initiatives" aimed at "the restoration of unity among all Christians," including "a solemn ecumenical celebration in which all of the baptized will reaffirm their faith in Christ."

Bishops' conferences will focus on increasing the "quality of catechesis." Some of the efforts in this area will involve examining "local catechisms and various catechetical supplements in use in the particular Churches," in order "to ensure their complete conformity with the Catechism of the Catholic Church."

The Vatican body also hopes that the bishops' conferences will use the media to evangelize, such as "television and radio transmissions, films and publications focusing on the faith, its principles and content."

At the level of dioceses, the Year of Faith is expected to provide an occasion for "renewed creative dialogue between faith and reason," among both the academic and artistic communities. It should also be a year for "penitential celebrations" in which Catholics can "ask for God's forgiveness, especially for sins against faith."

In local parishes, the Vatican would like to see a focus on the liturgy, especially the Eucharist, since in it the "mystery of faith and source of the New Evangelization, the faith of the Church is proclaimed, celebrated and strengthened."

Religious institutes, new communities and ecclesial movements are also expected to take their lead in celebrating the year from the pastoral guidelines.

The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith hopes that the Year of Faith will make the Second Vatican Council and the Catechism "more widely and deeply known" throughout the Church.

Read more: <http://www.ncregister.com/daily-news/vatican-releases-year-of-faith-guidelines/#ixzz28A3xV7aa>

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✓ large stainless steel pans and lids	\$110
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Pay security system	\$50 per month
Fire Insurance for the house	\$893 per year
✓ Repair concrete slab on patio	\$100
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✓ Pay Polish Center rent for LA-OC	\$200 per month
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May he rest in peace.

Frantisek Rycheky

13.2.1916 - 15.10.2012

The apostle Paul wrote:

„I have fought a good fight.
I have finished my course,
I have kept the fight.
Henceforth there is laid up for me
a crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous
judge, shall give me, at that day.

A memorial Mass was celebrated
on October 25, 2012 at the church
of *Saint Mary's by the Sea*.



Mostly remember we are called to live “The Year of Faith.” The precious flame of faith tends to be blown out when left unattended. Yet, faith is the door to all grace.

As you begin your preparations for Christmas...

please don't forget about the Czech Mission. What can we do to make our Christmas party an even more joyful event? Can someone arrange for a children's program? Will each of you set aside some gifts for our Christmas tombola so that it is a memorable year? Advent begins on December 2nd.

All Souls Day- A Day to Remember Our Faithful Departed

Our annual commemoration of all the faithful departed, known as All Souls' Day, is November 2. It is a great time to think about relatives, friends and neighbors who have transitioned into eternal life with the Triune God.

It should be a time of meditation on ways to work together to improve life here on Earth. It is also a time to appreciate how blessed we are to still have mothers, fathers, children, wives or husbands alive, when others mourn a close family member who has passed from earthly presence among us. While we celebrate those who have passed into eternal life, we miss their bodily presence in our midst. Even Jesus cried for Lazarus, a friend who had died. It is a tragedy that on our planet, 26,500 children die every day, including 18,000 of hunger and malnutrition. That is the equivalent of **a child dying every 3 seconds, or nearly 10 million children dying every year.** Among these children are the 50 000 Haitian less of five years old die every year of hunger, malnutrition and unclean water.

The world in which we live poverty can be deadly. While poor people starve in every nation of the world, many, particularly in rich countries, throw food into the garbage. Global resources are shared unequally. Much of the world's wealth is controlled by a few while poor people struggle to provide food, shelter and clothes for themselves and their families. The nations spending billions of dollars to store up instruments of death could better spend those dollars as instruments of life feeding millions of hungry people worldwide. The Gospel challenges Christians and citizens of the world to feed and care for the poor and hungry of our world.

Matthew 25:31-46

"When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you

gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see thee hungry ...?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see thee hungry ...?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.' And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

All Souls' Day is an appropriate time to meditate about the gift, purpose and finiteness of our earthly life and the God's promises regarding eternal life. Life on earth is short in comparison to eternal life. Each one of us will die and the worldly goods material possessions we have accumulated will be left behind.

As Christians we are called to make a difference in the world by following Jesus' way of love of others. Yet, some of us kill ourselves and our brothers and sisters trying to acquire the riches of the earth. We forget that we cannot take our earthly possessions with us when we die. Sadly, many believers fail to accept this basic reality. While we say we live in accord with Gospel values, our actions suggest otherwise. "Actions speak louder than words!"

For most All Souls' Day is not a happy day. When you remember a deceased dad, a mom, a son, a daughter, or other relatives and friends who have died our hearts are sadden. If their death was caused by the negligence of a physician, an accident, or homicide it is even more difficult to accept.

Brothers and sisters, I urge you to take time during All Souls' Day or later in November to meditate about our life and thank God for His blessings. Continue to pray for our family and friends who have left us for eternal life. Remember that we too will die since death is our one-way ticket to eternal life in God's presence.

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