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# "Baptism constitutes the foundation of communion among all Christians, including those who are not yet in full communion with the Catholic Church....

Baptism therefore constitutes the sacramental bond of unity existing among all who through it are reborn."

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# The Call to Christian Unity

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by Dean Tougas

I recently stumbled upon an account of the highly ecumenical character of the Charismatic Renewal in the 1970s—a

time when I attended Sunday night prayer meetings at Blessed Sacrament church in Seattle and routinely visited other Christian churches and events all over the region. The remarkable circumstances God used to remind me of the Spirit of unity that permeated the renewal in the

1970s, has highlighted for me, what I see Him doing to reawaken that ecumenical unity today.

My story begins late in December 2015. The nondenominational International House of Prayer in Kansas City hosted its annual One Thing conference. It was webcast around the world. The event included—for the first time—a Catholic ecumenical track. And the main session the final day featured Catholic musicians leading worship. The session continued with leaders of numerous churches gathering to repent for contributing to division in the Body of Christ and pledging a new commitment to unity.

In January, I was standing in the WWCCR office with that powerful ex-

ample of interfaith fraternity fresh in my mind. I noticed a stack of old *New Covenant* magazines from the 1970s and

80s. Glancing at some of the covers, one cover in particular jumped out at me. The headline was: *What Happened in Kansas City?* It was dated October 1977, and contained articles about the Conference on Charismatic Renewal in the Christian Churches in

Kansas City, a huge, interfaith event in July of that year.

At first I thought that finding a magazine about another Kansas City event from long ago was just a coincidence. But then I noticed the names on the magazine's address label. The magazine had been addressed to my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Tougas. Somehow it ended up at the WWCCR office for me to find at that moment. And being named Dean, after my dad, it seems clear that it was now being addressed to me.

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## From Sue's Desk

"Lord may we be in full accord and of one mind."

## Dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

The theme article this month by Dean Tougas is excellent. The call for unity that we hear from the Lord is very timely as we recognize the movement in our society away from Christian values. If we are to stand strong, we must stand together. If all baptized Christians united in the love of God and the power of the Holy Spirit, we could win more souls for Christ.

I like the quote from Fr. Michael Scanlan in Dean's article, "We know that we are called to be one body. We know that a Spirit of unity—the Holy Spirit of God—has been given to us, and that the Spirit won't rest until we are one." He said this 50 years ago, and today the Spirit has spoken to Pope Francis who is calling for ecumenism.

Dean and many others who are listening for the move of the Spirit, sense

God's desire that all of His children be united in His Son Jesus Christ. The theme for 2015 in the National Renewal was "unity."

As we continue in this year of mercy, let us join together in prayer to listen to the voice of God as He points us in the right direction. This prayer will help us keep our hearts humble and open to hear His voice in scripture and in our hearts: "May we be in one accord as we put on the mind of Christ."

On May 14th the Holy Spirit will unite and rekindle us with His Spirit at our annual Pentecost Celebration. I hope you will join us! We will praise and worship together, listen to Fr. Armando Guzmán giving testimony to the power of Pentecost in our lives today, and end with a prayer for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. See the ad on page 8. Bring a family member or friend.

In Jesus Holy name, Sue+



Descend, Holy Spirit of Life!

Come down into our hearts, that we may live.

Descend into emptiness, that emptiness may be filled.

Descend into the dust, that the dust may flower.

Descend into the dark, that the light may shine in darkness.

Prayer by Caryll Houselander

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#### **WWCCR Vision and Mission**

### Vision:

That all Catholics mature in a personal relationship with Jesus, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to the glory of God the Father.

#### Mission:

Our mission is to renew the face of the earth by nurturing and inspiring Catholics:

- To experience a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through baptism in the Holy Spirit
- ❖ To fan into flame the gifts we receive through the Sacraments
- \* To develop a deeper life of prayer and worship.

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The magazine's editor, Bert Ghezzi, described the phenomenal gathering of 50,000 Christians from many denominations representing the "three streams" of Christianity; the Catholic, the Evangelical and the Pentecostal; "to pray, to sing and above all to declare that Jesus Christ is Lord."

"Rev. Dennis Bennett [pastor of St. Luke's Episcopal church in Seattle] described the streams of Christianity which, he said, were flowing together in the charismatic renewal. The Catholic stream, he said, brought an awareness of the history and tradition of the Christian people. The evangelical stream focused on the word of God. both in scripture and teaching. The Pentecostal stream centered on the immediate experience of God. All those in the charismatic renewal, Rev. Bennett said, share a common spiritual heritage, are solidly grounded in scripture and doctrine, and have experienced God through being baptized in the Holy Spirit."

Rev. (Larry) Christianson (chairman of the Lutheran Charismatic Renewal Service Committee) urged the charismatic renewal to continue, and further its ecumenical stance: "A number of people have observed that where the charismatic renewal loses its ecumenical character, it tends to shrivel up. Yet there are some who want to cultivate a nice, cozy, well-insulated Episcopalian or Lutheran renewal. But the Lord has not brought the renewal to prop up and bless the status quo... [but] to make us one, as he and the Father are one."

Ralph Martin, director of the International Communications Office, gave a prophetic word calling for repentance: "Mourn and weep, for the body of my Son is broken. Come before me with broken hearts and contrite spirits, for

the body of my Son is broken. Come before me with sackcloth and ashes, come before me with tears and mourning, for the body of my Son is broken. I would have made you one new man, but the body of my Son is broken. I

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and sisters in Christ

would have made you a light on a mountaintop, a city glorious and splendorous, that all the world would have seen, but the body of my Son is broken. The light is dim, the people are scattered. The

body of my Son is broken. Turn from the sins of your fathers. Walk in the ways of my Son. Return to the plan of your Father, return to the purpose of your God. The body of my Son is broken."

"Fr. Michael Scanlan, president of the Catholic charismatic renewal's National Service Committee, summed up the Lord's prophetic word: 'We know that we are called to be one body. We know that a Spirit of unity—the Holy Spirit of God—has been given to us, and that the Spirit won't rest until we are one."

As I read this and remembered that era of openness to unity, I was aware that the call to unity is as much needed today as it was then; perhaps more. But I am also aware that the Spirit of unity is stirring today in ways similar to the days leading up to the 1977 conference in Kansas City. And I think it is significant that the call to unity at the One Thing event in 2015 also occurred in Kansas City. God uses patterns to get our attention.

But there is more. On January 1, 1901, Pope Leo XIII triggered the modern "Pentecostal" movement when

he prayed for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon God's church. The very same day, not far from Kansas City, in Topeka, Kansas, the Holy Spirit fell upon a small (non-Catholic) Bible school. Five years later, in Los Ange-

> les, the Spirit poured out His gifts even more broadly at a church on Azusa Street, sparking a huge revival.

> Last month, Christians from all the streams joined again in Azusa; now a huge prayer gathering that filled the Los Angeles Coliseum. Arch-

bishop Gomez welcomed the event and publicly encouraged Catholics to fully participate in this and other similar events. Auxiliary Bishop O'Connell attended and commented that the event reminded him why he became a bishop. But the movement toward unity goes beyond Kansas City and Los Angeles. It is world-wide!

Today, we're seeing this renewed call to unity among all the streams of Christ's body. Pope Francis is inspiring us to follow his example as he reaches out to the other churches. I am hearing God's call to be awake and alert as he brings forth opportunities to join together as one body with brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. Fr. Scanlan, spoke the truth 39 years ago in Kansas City: "[We] are Peter, sent to bring about the unity of God's people. We have a mission. We have to be true to the word that we've heard: that we are to be one, and that there's no other way."

Dean Tougas is a member of the WWCCR Board of Directors. He cites from New Covenant magazine, October 1977.

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## **Share Your Good News**

## My Family's Healing Experience

I am always amazed at how God answers our prayers! I was wondering if I had time to write this, when the phone rings. I see my father's name on the caller ID; when I answer, it's my mom telling me he has had another episode or 'spell' this morning around 10AM. I listen intently, knowing the outcome of this conversation could greatly impact my day. For now he is ok, she has even left him at home to go to her women's health class. This is a big stretch, as she is constantly worried that one day she will return home to find him lifeless. I feel the constant stress as well. Yet today she and the new neighbor prayed with him before she left, I could hear the relief in her voice. This new neighbor goes to her Church, and believes in hands-on

healing. My mom told her the account of her own healing experience when she was in Seattle. I knew that the Good Lord had answered my prayers for my parents, that they would find some greatly needed help.

In December, I took my parents and daughter to the Dwelling Place Healing evening at St. Pius X. A dear friend, who I have gone with before, drove us all. My Father was coughing during the beginning of the evening; he sat next to my mother. I wasn't sure what they would think, but they all settled in and fully participated. It was an amazing healing evening. My friend went to a prayer team for joint pain and felt the indwelling of the Holy Spirit throughout his entire body. My daughter went to kneel and pray in

veneration to the Blessed Sacrament, and was renewed in her Catholic faith. I prayed for my family's healing and for my own sadness. They asked anyone suffering from depression to stand, which I did; the hands and words that came to me brought healing tears. My parents were amazed by the love and devotion they witnessed; it gave us all renewal for our weary spirits. I trust in the healing power of our Lord Jesus Christ. I can see how he works in each of us.

A beautiful testimony with many examples of mercy and love. If you have not attended Dwelling Place in the past, we invite you to plan on coming one day soon. See the ad below for full details. There are locations in North and South Sound. Praise the Lord!!!

# Acts of the Apostles

Catholic Way Bible Study

by Lavinia Spirito, member of Renewal Ministries

WHEN: Introduction on Monday, June 6th -

6:30 to 8:00 PM

CLASSES: Monday from June 13th to

November 14th, 6:30–8:00 PM

No class on July 4th or Labor Day, September 5th

WHERE: Saint George Church

in the Saint Francis of Assisi Hall 5306 13th Ave. S, Seattle 98108

COST: \$20.00 non-refundable registration fee,

due on June 6th

**Questions?** Contact Karen Klobucher klobucherk@gmail.com



Behold, God's dwelling is with the hjuman race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people...He will wipe every tear from their eyes and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain." Revelation 21:3-4

## **Dwelling Place Healing Nights**

now in 2 locations each month

Monday, May 16th 7:30 to 9:00 PM St. Pius X Church

St. Pius X Church
22209 58th Ave W
St. Stepl
Church

Mountlake Terrace, WA

7:30 to 9:00 PM **St. Stephen the Martyr** 

Monday, May 23rd

13055 SE 192nd St. Renton, WA

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www.wwccr.org/healing-ministry/dwelling-place-healing-nights/

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# PENTECOST NOVENA

It is that time of year again when the excitement builds as we prepare to celebrate Pentecost anew. We encourage you to join with people throughout the world who will be praying a novena to the Holy Spirit.

There are several excellent choices on our website: www.wwccr.org/pentecost. In 2016 we will begin on May 6<sup>th</sup> and pray through the vigil of Pentecost. Let us pray in one accord for a fresh outpouring of the Spirit and a renewed sense of mission in our hearts.

## Veni, Sancte Spiritus Come, Holy Spirit The Pentecost Sequence

Come, Holy Spirit, come!
And from your celestial home shed a ray of light divine!
Come, Father of the poor!
Come, source of all our store!
Come, within our bosoms shine.

You, of comforters best;
You the soul's
most welcome guest;
Sweet refreshment here below;
In our labor, rest most sweet;
Grateful coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

O most Blessed Light Divine, shine within these hearts of thine, and our inmost being fill. Where you are not, we have naught, Nothing good in deed or thought, Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour your dew; Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will. Melt the frozen, warm the chill. Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore And confess you, evermore In Your sev'nfold gift descend; Give us virtue's sure reward; Give us your salvation, Lord; Give us joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia

# Intercessory Prayer Network (IPN)

The Intercessory Prayer Network (IPN) is comprised of all who have offered to pray regularly for God's will to be accomplished through the people and programs of WWCCR. We know that prayer changes things!

Please pray for God to bring about His desires through the work of preparation and the events you see in this newsletter, and particularly...

- for the unity of faith that the Lord desires. "I pray not only for them, but also for those who will be lieve in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me."

  [John 17:20-21 NABR]
- for our priests and prayer groups to respond to the Holy Father's exhortation to have Holy Spirit seminars in our parishes.
- · for abundant fruit for the Church as a result of the ICCRS Leadership Training Course attended by over 70 people last month.
- for the students attending the School of Healing Prayer, that they will discover the joy it is to listen, love, and pray with those in need of the Lord's tender care.
- · for the Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers of WWCCR.

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Lord Jesus, we pray that these men, united to You through prayer and sacrament, may cooperate with You in building Your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen (adapted from Pope Francis)

### Please pray for these priests, deacons and serminarians this month:

- May 1 Pope Francis
- May 2 Archbishop J. Peter Sartain
- May 3 Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, MSpS
- May 4 Fr. Jim Northrop
- May 5 Fr. Robert L. Evenson Dcn. John Elshaw
- Fr. Sean P. Fox May 6 Dcn. Dale Fickes
- Fr. Patrick W. Freitag May 7 Den. Jim Fish
- Fr. John Fuchs May 8 Dcn. Peter Flatley
- May 9 Fr. Andrzej Galant
- May 10 Fr. Richard J. Gallagher
- May 11 Fr. David Gese
- May 12 Fr. Patrick B. Godley Dcn. Clark Goecker
- May 13 Fr. Jorge I. Gomez del Valle, MSpS
- May 14 Fr. Emilo R. Gonzalez Dcn. Lawrence Gorman
- May 15 Fr. Jerry Graham Den. Gerald Graddon
- May 16 Fr. Armando Guzmán Dcn. Jeffrey Greer
- May 17 Fr. Mark A. Guzman Peter Guthrie (seminarian)
- May 18 Fr. Brad Hagelin Dcn. Bill Haines
- May 19 Fr. Dominic Hahn, OSB Den. Bill Hamlin
- May 20 Fr. W.R. Harris Dcn. Roy Harrington
- May 21 Fr. Richard Hayatsu Dcn. Frank (Tom) Hawkins
- May 22 Fr. Anthony J. Haycock
- May 23 Fr. Kenneth W. Haydock
- May 24 Fr. Joseph Heffernan, FSSP
- May 25 Fr. Raymond J. Heffernan
- May 26 Fr. Jarlath M. Heneghan
- May 27 Fr. William J. Heric
- May 28 Fr. Brian L. Hersey
- Chad Hill (seminarian)
- May 29 Fr. Phuong V. Hoang Chris Hoiland (seminarian)
- May 30 Fr. John the Baptist Kwang Choi Hong Dcn. Del Hoover
- May 31 Archbishop Raymond G. Hunthausen

# Financial update

"Scripture is clear on the generosity of God. "Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart." Psalm 37:4

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"Give and there will be gifts for you; a full measure, pressed down, shaken together and overflowing, will be poured into your lap; because the standard you use will be used for you." Luke 6:38

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Prayers of gratitude for the generosity of all who make this ministry possible. May you be abundantly blessed.

The large numbers in this report reflect registrations for the Leadership Training Course. We look forward to sharing with you stories and information from this experience in the coming months.

Cash at beginning of 20	16 \$17,7	88.72		
	Feb	Mar	YTD	
Income all sources expenses adjustments net income/shortfall	\$45,117.21 \$27,773.08 (\$1,101.25) \$16,242.88	\$22,589.37 \$40,745.64 (\$210.01) (\$18,366.28)	\$95,468.34 \$93,169.14 (\$1,744.67) \$554.53	
Cash at end of March		\$18,343.25		

May our daily lives be an answer to someone else's prayers.

## Have you heard the news?

Tammie Stevens recently accepted a job near Pittsburgh as Operations Manager for The Ark and The Dove Retreat Center. We are sad to see her go but wish her well on her new adventure. Tammie worked at WWCCR for over 11 years and has been a volunteer in our ministries since she was a teenager. She has been an editor for GLEANINGS and has written many articles. Look for a full report in next months newsletter!



May 2016



May 11 **WWCCR Office Mass** at 11 AM followed by Potluck lunch

May 14 **Pentecost Celebration**, St. Matthew Community Center 7–9 PM (see ad p. 8)

May 15 Pentecost Sunday

May 16 Dwelling Place, Mountlake Terrace, see p. 4

May 23 Dwelling Place, Renton, see p. 4

May 23 Gleanings Volunteers needed!

May 26 Pray for WWCCR Board of Directors

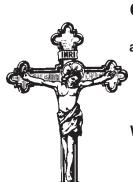


# **WWCCR Masses**

## with Prayers for Healing and Empowerment

Healing Masses are sponsored by WWCCR, by prayer groups and parishes in various locations in the archdiocese of Seattle. At these Masses we are focusing our attention on the healing power of God truly present at every celebration of the Eucharist.

**Healing Mass in May**: information to come soon in your email and on our website.



## **Our Eucharistic Chapel**

is available for private prayer any time that our office is open, 9:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

Office Masses
Wednesday, May 11, 11:00 AM
Fr. Cal Christiansen

Monday, May 23, 7:00 рм Fr. Tony Bawyn

**Holy Hour:** We would love to have you join us every Friday from 2:30 - 3:30 P.M. as we pray for charismatic renewal, the work of WWCCR and your own special intentions.

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## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

# "Equipping the Saints" DVD Gathering!

July 10 2:00 to 4:00 PM WWCCR Ofice

Featuring Charles Simpson speaking on "Unity in the Body of Christ" from the 2015 National Charismatic Conference in Virginia.

All are welcome!

## \* PERSONAL TESTIMONY \*



**Fr. Armando Guzmán** Priest Administer, St. Matthew Parish

Wednesday, May 11, 7 PM St. Matthew Community Center 1240 NE 127th St. Seattle, WA

Fr. Armando has served in charismatic renewal for many years, and is also known as a banjo musician specializing in Bluegrass music.

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Saturday, May 14, 2016

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Be rekindled with us as we celebrate Pentecost!

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