

CONGRESS SPEAKERS



Most Reverend Oscar A. Solis, D.D. Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles

Bishop Solis was ordained a priest June 16, 1984. On February 10, 2004, Cardinal Mahony ordained him bishop—the first ordained in the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels and the first Filipino-American bishop ordained in the United States. He was born in San Jose in the Philippines. As Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, He previously served as head of the Ethnic Ministries and Office of Justice and Peace of the Archdiocese. On September 30, 2009 Cardinal Mahony appointed him Episcopal Vicar of the San Pedro Pastoral Region

Father Rodel G. Balagtas

Father Rodel G. Balagtas is a priest of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, California. He obtained his theological studies from St. John Seminary in Camarillo, California and earned his doctor of ministry in preaching from Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri. A gifted preacher, he is a frequent presenter on Homiletics. For eighteen years, he has been in parish ministry in large multicultural communities. Since 2002, he has been the pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Los Angeles.



Sister Paula Vandegaer, SSS, LCSW

Sister Paula Vandegaer, SSS, LCSW is a Sister of Social Service and the founder of International Life Services, Volunteers for Life, and School Institute of Bioethics. Sister is an internationally recognized leader in the pro-life movement and has trained, ministered, and inspired thousands. She is the best-selling author of the first textbook written for today's pro-life counselors, Introduction to Pregnancy Counseling. Sister's experience, energy and passion for pro-life work make her one of today's most popular speakers.

Father Leo Ortega

Fr. Leo was ordained on May 31, 2008 by Cardinal Roger Mahony at The Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. He holds a Master of Arts in Theology, Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Occupational Therapy, and Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy. Before ordination he was an Occupational therapist for 20 years, Clinical instructor at University of Southern California and Assistant professor of Occupational Therapy at California State University. Current Assignment: St. Thomas the Apostle Parish (Los Angeles)



Father John-Paul Gonzalez

Father John-Paul is a priest of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He was born on the first anniversary of the pontificate of Pope John Paul II. Father John-Paul studied at St. John's Seminary in Camarillo, California where he received his Master of Divinity and Master of Arts (Systematic Theology) degrees. He holds a certificate of the Art of Spiritual Direction from the Center for Spiritual Development in Orange, California. He is Chaplain of St. Paul High School in Santa Fe Springs, California



Deacon Salvador Ramirez

Deacon Salvador Ramirez was born in Guadalajara Jalisco Mexico. He is Deacon at Saint John of God Parish in Norwalk CA. where he is the director of RCIA since 1994. He attended 3 years at the East Los Angeles College and the University of Southern California. He is the Master Teacher of Natural Family Planification by the Method of Ovulation, of the Foundation of the American Families since 2001. He received his master in Theology and Bioethics from the Theology Graduate College of Cloverdale in 2008. Masters in Theology and Bioethics from the Graduate Theological Foundation in 2009. Currently he is initiating the first group of Divine Mercy in Spanish at Saint John of God Parish.

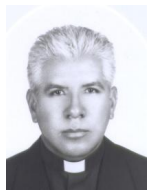


Father George J. Bobowski

Since 1990 Fr. George has dedicated his life to preach and spread the devotion to Devine Mercy. He initiated the Lay Institute of Divine Mercy to continue the research conducted by Blessed Fr. Michael Sopocko - Confessor and Spiritual Director of Saint Faustina Kowalska. Fr. George was blessed to have met Blessed Fr. Sopocko and be a witness of this holy Man. Fr. George J. Bobowski, along with Archbishop Senior Stanislaw Szymeccki and Metropolitan Archbishop Professor Edward Ozorowski from the Archdiocese of Bialystok, found and contributes to "Time of Mercy" magazine

Father Jose Cruz Mendez Garcia, CORC.

Father Jose Cruz Mendez Garcia was born on April 27, 1965, in Guanajuato, Mexico. Ordained Priest in the Basilica of Guadalupe, D. F. by Cardinal Antonio Canizares Llobera. He received his academic training in Santiago de Queretaro, Guanajuato and Aguas Calientes, Mexico.



Father John Meyer MS, STD

Father John Meyer is a priest of the Opus Dei Prelature, currently living in California, USA.

HOLY EUCHARIST DURING THE CONGRESS

November 19, 2010

6:30 PM – opening Mass

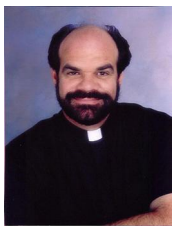


Reverend Monsignor Charles Chaffman, S.T.L., J.C.D.

Monsignor Charles Chaffman is the Judicial Vicar of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and Director of International Institute of Theological and Tribunal Studies. Msgr. Chaffman is a Professor of Tribunal Studies at the Foundation. Msgr. Charles Chaffman, born in Los Angeles in 1956 attended St. Luke School, Temple City, and Queen of Angels Seminary High School, Mission Hills. Having served in several positions in the Tribunal and has studied in Rome, he is now the Judicial Vicar for the archdiocese, and is in residence at Christ the King Church, Hollywood. "My highlight has been the challenge of ministering during this time of limited financial resources and finding new ways of doing God's work in the Tribunal, Christ the King parish and educating the faithful through the International Institute of Tribunal Studies."

November 20, 2010

5:30 PM – Healing Mass



Father Michael Sears

Fr. Michael is a native of Southern California and was ordained from St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, CA in 1994 for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Fr. Michael has served at Our Lady of Grace in Encino, St. Frances of Rome in Azusa, California, and is now Pastor at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Los Nietos, CA. He is very active in the healing and teaching ministries. He is a frequent speaker at Charismatic and Marian Conferences. He started The Confraternity of Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Mary and Joseph in 1996. He is the moderator of The Servants for the Sacred Heart of JMJ. He is the author of The Charism of Tongues: A Gift of Prayer and Edification.

November 21, 2010

10:30 AM– Solemn Holy Mass

Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ the King



Reverend Monsignor Paul Montoya

Msgr. Paul was born in Wyoming. He lived in Denver, Colorado, until the age of five, when his family moved to Southern California. He attended St. John Chrysostom Elementary School and Hawthorne High School. After high school he entered St. John's Seminary College from which he graduated in 1969 with a B.A. in Philosophy. Monsignor enrolled in St. John's Seminary Theology and completed his M.A. in Divinity in 1973. Msgr. Paul has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Catholic Charities since 1989. Currently, he is Vice President of the Board of Trustees and serves on the Executive Committee and the Resource Development Committee. Msgr. Paul was named and elevated to Prelate of Honor to His Holiness on June 6, 1995. From July 01, 2010 Msgr. Montoya is pastor of Christ the King Parish in Hollywood

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