



Eleventh Southern California Congress of Divine Mercy

Jubilee of Mercy

Merciful like the Father

September 10 – 11, 2016

Christ the King Roman Catholic Church
617 N. Arden Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90004
(Corner of Melrose and Vine)

Congress Schedule

Saturday – September 10, 2016

8:00 A.M

Congress Check-In & Registration

9:00 A.M

Opening/Welcome Remarks & Invocation (*Bilingual*)

9:30 A.M – 10:30 AM

**Conference: A Church with Open Doors.
The Prophecy of Pope Francis**

"A Church with closed doors betrays herself and her mission, and, instead of being a bridge, becomes a roadblock... The church must be a 'field hospital' with doors wide open to whoever knocks in search of help and support; to reach out to others with true love, to walk with our fellow men and women who suffer, to include them and guide them to the wellspring of salvation."

(Pope Francis, Homily in St. Peter's Basilica on Oct. 4, 2015)

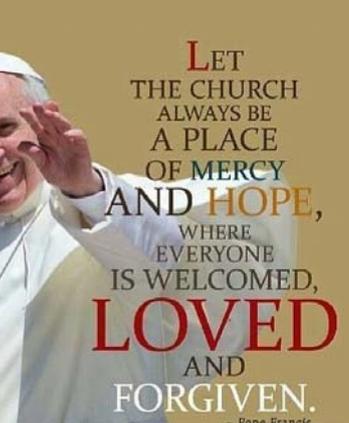
Speaker: Bishop Oscar Solis

11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Conference: Mercy as the Mission of the Church

"Mercy is the very foundation of the Church's life... All of her pastoral activity should be caught up in the tenderness she makes present to believers; nothing in her preaching and in her witness to the world can be lacking in mercy. The Church's very credibility is seen in how she shows merciful and compassionate love." (Pope Francis, "Misericordiae Vultus", April 11, 2015)

Speaker: Fr. Joseph Fox, O.P.



12:00 PM

LUNCH BREAK

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

**Conference: Mercy – the Heart of Revelation
and Center of Kerygma**

"The kerygma is trinitarian. The fire of the Spirit is given in the form of tongues and leads us to believe in Jesus Christ who, by his death and resurrection, reveals and communicates to us the Father's infinite mercy."

(Pope Francis, APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION "EVANGELII

GAUDIUM")

Speaker: Fr. Luke Mata

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Mercy in Deeds and Offertory (*Bilingual*)

Fr. George J. Bobowski and Fr. John-Paul Gonzalez

3:00 PM

The Hour of Great Mercy – 3:00 O'clock Prayer (*Bilingual*)

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Conference: The Grace and the Challenge of the Year of Mercy

"This Extraordinary Holy Year is itself a gift of grace....To pass through the Holy Door means to rediscover the infinite mercy of the Father who welcomes everyone and goes out personally to encounter each of them. This will be a year in which we grow ever more convinced of God's mercy...Let us set aside all fear and dread, for these do not befit men and women who are loved. Instead, let us experience the joy of encountering that grace which transforms all things." (Pope Francis, Homily, December 08, 2015)

Speaker: Robert Martinez

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Penance Service and Individual Confessions

5:30 PM

Concelebrated Healing Mass (*Bilingual*)

Sunday – September 11, 2016

10:30 AM

Solemn Holy Mass presided by Bishop Edward Wm. Clark will be preceded by the crossing of the Holy Door

12:00 PM

LUNCH BREAK

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Conference: Communion in Mercy, Mission for Mercy. Called by compassion, sent for Mercy

God's merciful graciousness actually creates a NEW COMMUNITY, which is his universal gift to all people, Jews and Gentiles, those near and those far away (Rom 11:31; 15:9). Mercy is the way God acts towards his people, independent of their efforts. The appropriate way to name God's kindness and choice of those to love and forgive is mercy. Mercy is God's invitation of relationship extended to anyone who is alienated and disobedient. Whether saint or sinner, all receive God's mercy.

Speaker: Fr. Don Woznicki



3:00 PM The Hour of Great Mercy (Bilingual)

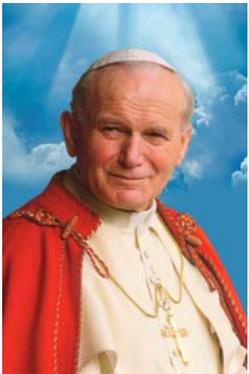
Meditation: "May You be Witnesses to Mercy! May you be Apostles of Divine Mercy"

Speaker: Fr. George J. Bobowski and Fr. John Paul Gonzalez

- Stations of the Cross
- Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
- Veneration of the Relics

4:30 PM

Closing Remarks: Your Experience And Testimonies. Conclusion. Fr. George J. Bobowski and Fr. John-Paul Gonzalez



INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE DURING THE TWO DAYS OF THE CONGRESS

"First, the fact that the forgiveness of our sins is not something we can give ourselves. I cannot say: I forgive my sins. Forgiveness is asked for, is asked of another, and in Confession we ask for forgiveness from Jesus. Forgiveness is not the fruit of our own efforts but rather a gift, it is a gift of the Holy Spirit who fills us with the wellspring of mercy and of grace that flows unceasingly from the open heart of the Crucified and Risen Christ. Secondly, it reminds us that we can truly be at peace only if we allow ourselves to be reconciled, in the Lord Jesus, with the Father and with the brethren. And we have all felt this in our hearts, when we have gone to confession with a soul weighed down and with a little sadness; and when we receive Jesus' forgiveness we feel at peace, with that peace of soul which is so beautiful, and which only Jesus can give, only Him". (*Pope Francis, Feb. 19, 2014*)



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