MSYG shares summer plans on “Pilgrimage to Loards”

_Tongue-in-cheek social a seasonal hit with our youth_

Although we have yet to find miraculous healing springs of water, they do say that ice cream heals the soul.

For six or seven years now, the last meeting of Middle School Youth Group takes the form of a “pilgrimage” (okay, a walk) to Loards (not Lourdes) in downtown Orinda. Our youth, teen leaders, and adult chaperones enjoy the spring weather, greet others walking to their cars from BART, and talk about their plans for the summer and, for the 8th graders, where they’re going to school the following year.

Many of our youth will be staying around this summer, but some are going to be camp counselors or participate in service trips. A few will be leaders in our first Lakeside Sports Camp with CCIH’s Lakeside Apartments—which, if successful, will hopefully become an annual event!

For those who think ministry to youth is tough, it’s really not. Just ask them questions you’re interested in hearing their answers to—ice cream optional.

Maybe for some, the conversation of this social is miracle enough.

_To help out with Youth Ministry or for more information on our youth and teen programs, contact Megan at megan@smparish.org!_
We encourage you to register in the parish so that you can receive regular communication via both email and regular mail. Registration information is essential for responding to request to be sponsors/godparents and other ministries.

Please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket, and we will mail you a Parish Registration Form!

Or register online at www.santamariaorinda.com/registration!

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Come get your Holy Spirit on!

Our 22 Confirmation candidates will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, June 9. Keep them in your prayers as they are “sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit” and sent out to proclaim to the world Christ crucified!

Candidates and Sponsors will meet Saturday, June 8 from 5:00 -7:30pm for their Twilight Retreat and Rehearsal Dinner to study the readings, reflect on the Rite of Confirmation, and practice their respective parts of the Confirmation Mass.

On Confirmation Sunday, candidates and sponsors will gather at 9:45am in the Parish Hall and will have pews reserved in the front of the church, while families’ and friends’ seats are first come, first served.

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PRAYER

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There will not be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on Tuesdays after May 28th.

We will begin Adoration again on Tuesday, September 3rd.

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AROUND THE DIOCESE

Refresh your marriage!

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honeymoon? Rekindle that spark on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

Jun 28-30, 2019 in Danville OR

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Spreading the Good News of the Resurrection

The Lord is risen! As Christ’s disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish’s many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting us with electronic donations through Faith Direct.

Signing up is easy! Visit www.faithdirect.net and securely enroll using our parish code CA891—or find a paper form in the Parish Office.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

If you have any questions, please contact Megan in the Parish Office by phone at 925-254-2426 x308 or by email at megan@smparish.org.

OUTREACH

Weekly Food Collection

1st/2nd Weekends: St. Cornelius School

3rd/4th Weekends: St. Peter Martyr Church Pantry

Please put all donations in the bins in the Narthex.
Due to the early publication of this bulletin the actuals for May 26 collection will be published in June 9th bulletin.

Thank you for your patience!

Donuts and coffee this weekend are hosted by…

Donna & Angelo after the 8:30am Mass
James & Jackie Bava after the 10:30am Mass

This Week’s Readings

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60
Psalm 97:1-2, 6-7, 9
Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17,20
Gospel: John 17:20-26