Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.” (Gospel)
steward (stoo-erd) - “One who receives God’s gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord.”

Engage. Say “I DO.”

Now is the time for you to get engaged! You can contribute your TIME & TALENT in one of over 60+ SMDP Ministries, Events, Activities and Organizations. If you are:
• not currently involved with a Ministry,
• seeking further involvement and engagement in a Ministry, or
• are called to assist other Parishioners through The Ambassador Program

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St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church

Simply complete the “I DO” card with your name, email address, and phone number and return it to one of our Ambassadors outside after mass in our White Welcome Tent. One of our Ambassadors will contact you. You can also turn in your “I Do” card at the Parish office.

Thank you for saying “I DO”!

This weekend’s video was made possible by the generous donation of a St. Martin parishioner. No parish funds were used for its production.
ST. MARTIN’S DAY OF PRAYER IS SATURDAY MARCH 21ST

40 Days for Life is a community-based campaign that takes a peaceful approach to ending the evil of abortion. It involves, prayer, fasting and community outreach. Our local participation in 40 Days at Planned Parenthood allows us to share in this mission of saving babies lives....one child at a time.

Please visit our tables after mass to sign up for 1 hour of prayer. We offer carpools at 9:00 AM 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM. Bring your lawn chair or umbrella. Since the first coordinated 40 Days for Life campaign took place in 2007, we have reported these blessings: 9,699 lives saved from abortion, 107 abortion workers quit, 59 abortion facilities closed! We ask you to join us this Lent.

Contact Peggy Leger at 719/291-3426 or go to www.40daysforlife.com

FAITH FORMATION

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**2015 GALA DINNER DANCE**

"AN EVENING UNDER THE STARS"

**SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2015**

6 PM to 11 PM

St. Martin’s Parish Hall

Tickets are $75 each. RSVP and Sponsor info is due by March 31. Questions? Contact Gala co-chairs Lisa Sherg and Mike Reger at gala@smdpyl.org

**GALA SILENT & LIVE AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!**

The Gala Silent auction and the Live Auction are in need of big ticket items! Some items we could use are:

- A condo, timeshare, cabin or any type of vacation rental
- Special or desirable tickets or suites to sporting events, concerts or other events.
- One of a kind experiences, golf rounds or art pieces.
- Signed sports or celebrity memorabilia.
- Smaller items that can be bunched as a package, such as Child’s Birthday Party or Wine and Cheese Tasting Party.
- Any other valuable item that would be appropriate for a live auction

If you don't have direct access to any of these items, perhaps you know someone who does? Contact Janice Reger, at 714/746-0856 or gala@smdpyl.org

**Thank you!**

**NOW’S YOUR CHANCE TO GET EXPOSURE IN THIS YEAR’S GALA SOUVENIR PROGRAM.**

Both business and personal ads are welcome and this year we have tiered participation levels:

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Don’t delay!!! Get your orders in now. Send your camera ready/digital artwork to our Gala email address, gala@smdpyl.org. All sponsorships are due by March 31, 2015. If you have any questions, please contact the 2015 Gala Sponsorship chair, Debbi Purpura at 714/292-1574.

**CONCERN AMERICA’S WALK OUT OF POVERTY SIGN UP**

This 5-mile walk around Mile Square Park, Fountain Valley, raises funds to support Concern America’s work training people to provide health care services, clean water systems, etc. in impoverished communities around the world.

St. Martin de Porres has been a long-term supporter of the Walk. Last year, we raised $11,555, helping to make it one of the most successful Walks ever! Join us for this wonderful opportunity for families and individuals to have fun and help those in need! Please pick up a Walk Sponsorship Packet in the Covered Courtyard over Masses or in the parish office. To make a donation to support our Walkers or find out more, contact Mark Rhoades at 949/370-4511 or at markr@highmarkergo.com.

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL, MARCH 21/22**

There are over 80 home mission dioceses in the United States. These dioceses are unable to fund essential pastoral work, such as religious education, seminarian formation, and lay ministry training. Because of this, they are unable to attend to the unique needs of the communities they serve without outside help. Through your support, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal helps to ease the struggle of these dioceses and helps them form vibrant faith communities. Please help strengthen the Church at home by giving generously to this Appeal.
**SENIORETY CLUB NEWS**

Help us celebrate St. Patrick’s Day on Sunday, March 15, from 2-4 PM in the Parish Meeting Rooms, as we welcome our Irish guest speaker, who is a retired Senior Deacon. The topic is "The Best is Yet to Be." He will share his views on how our spirituality and our natural lives are entwined. If you have any questions, please contact Irene Gonzalez at 714/779-1812. Don’t forget to wear GREEN!

**“BAND OF BROTHERS” (MEN’S GROUP) NEW SERIES STARTING**

Starting with the March meeting we will be starting a series of Exploration of the Eucharist. The meetings follow the 8:00 AM Saturday mass; start about 8:40. We will have a presentation from various speakers, and then leave time for small group reflection. This is a wonderful time for the men of our Parish to gather, bond and reflect … and as always we promise to have you out by 10:00 AM.

We have an exciting year of speakers/education/fellowship/reflection ahead.
- March 21st: The Eucharist – The Sacred Meal
- April 18th: The Eucharist – Sacrament of Reconciliation
- May 16th: The Eucharist – The Sacred Meal

Come join your Brothers - a simple commitment with Great Rewards!!

**LITURGY**

**This Week!**

**MANDATORY HOSPITALITY MINISTER MEETING**

Date: Wednesday, March 18th
Time: 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Place: St. Elizabeth Room, Parish Center

This meeting is mandatory for all actively serving Hospitality Ministers. New Hospitality Ministers must attend this meeting and complete the training to become official. Anyone interested in joining our ministry is also invited to attend. For questions, please contact Rob Lam at roblam@roadrunner.com.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Each Friday, 7:15 PM.

**FAITH FORMATION**

**The Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday**

3:00 PM Holy Hour at St. Martin’s

April 12, 2015

9-Day Novena begins Good Friday, April 3rd

**How do we prepare as a parish to celebrate this Feast?**

**Pray the 9 Day Novena** begins Good Friday, April 3rd through to April 11th. This is a 5 minute powerful prayer given by Jesus to St. Faustina to pray for God’s Mercy. It’s prayed following the 8:30 AM Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel and at 3:00 PM. It can also be prayed at home as a family. It’s most powerful when prayed at the 3 PM Hour of Mercy. Jesus asks us to pray the Chaplet for the sick, the suffering and the dying. You will find several Novena brochures in the vestibule pamphlet rack.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** Tues. April 7th 7:00 PM & Sat. April 11th 4:00 PM (or sometime near the feast)

**Divine Mercy Sunday** Mass, Holy Communion, Pray for Pope’s intentions and perform a Work of Mercy (see brochure)

**Eucharistic Adoration at 3 PM Holy Hour** of Divine Mercy Sunday here at St. Martin de Porres

**Receive a Plenary Indulgence** (remission of temporal punishment due to confessed sin) on this great Feast. Pope Francis said that Saint Pope John Paul’s promotion of Divine Mercy Sunday showed his intuition that a new “Age of Mercy” was needed in the church and the world. (See Works of Mercy brochure.)

**Fr. John Bradley will be celebrating his 80th Birthday** ... on March 25th. If you wish to add to his big day and send him a card, it could be dropped off at the Parish Office.

**LENT PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULES**

for St. Martin’s & Neighbor Parishes

- La Purisima - Mon, March 16th
- St Martin de Porres - Thur, Mar 19th
- St Norbert - Wed, Mar 25th
- St Angela Merici - Thur, Mar 26th

**BAPTIZED ON MARCH 1**

Sadie Bokina
Please Make a Note

...that our monthly Outreach Food and Fund collection will not be on Easter but rather on the following weekend, April 11/12. Thank you!

Fish Fry Deliveries to the Homebound Continue

The Saint Martin de Porres Outreach Ministry and the Knights of Columbus are continuing to sponsor the “Friday Night Fish Fry Dinner Deliveries to the Homebound” during the Lenten season. Please help us identify anyone who cannot leave home, but would enjoy a hot fish dinner. Also, if anyone would like to volunteer a little bit of their time to help us deliver these dinners we’d appreciate that as well. Contact Jim Thomsen at 714/970-5665 or jimandcathy@earthlink.net

Thank You from Higher Ground Youth & Family Services

Higher Ground would like to thank the many volunteers who continue to give of their time and talent toward the success of this ministry that helps at-risk youth in Anaheim, to find a better path in their young lives. The past couple of weeks John Avery, Dave Moreno and Ed Leaverton worked tirelessly to trench HG’s park, to bring in and distribute electricity and water to the modular classrooms and restrooms for our after school programs. Your hard work and generosity of your time is greatly appreciated! For information on volunteering with the children, please contact Joe Baldo – 714/931-9391 or joseph.baldo@gmail.com

Find the E-Bulletin Under the “News/Events” Tab on Our Parish Website
COME HOLY SPIRIT!
Our Confirmation 2 Retreat is next weekend, March 20-22. Our retreat theme: “You are God’s Masterpiece.” Please pray that students and team will have a Spirit-filled retreat experiencing God’s infinite love & mercy. May we set the world ablaze with our burning love for God & His people with renewed zeal.
“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good work, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.” Ephesians 2:10

CONFIRMATION CLASSES
- Mar. 17: Confirmation 1, 7:00-9:00 PM
  “Mary & the Saints”
- Mar. 20-22: Confirmation 2, 7:00-9:00 PM
  Confirmation 2 Retreat

NOTE: *All Service hours Due* by March 24

Any concerns, contact Cathy Fitzpatrick cathyf@smdpyl.org, or Lan Dinh, land@smdpyl.org 714/970-0514.

UPCOMING YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS
For questions contact Lan Dinh, land@smdpyl.org, or Mary McDevitt, marym@smdpyl.org

Jr High 1st Eucharist: 4:00-5:15 PM, March 15 and March 22

SMYL Meeting: 3:00-5:00 PM, April 12

Jr High Youth Ministry: 7:00-8:30 PM, March 16 and April 13 (ie, after Easter

CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION CORNER
- March 16th: Eucharist I class
- March 17th: Eucharist II class
- March 18th: Faith Formation for Grades 3-5
- March 25th: Kids of the Kingdom

Contact Nicole Castillo if you have any questions. nicolec@smdpyl.org

SUNDAY PRE-SCHOOL
3 and 4 year old Sunday Pre-School: Share with others.
  We will learn about Jesus’ teachings about sharing.
4 and 5 year old Sunday Pre-School: God Forgives and Helps Us
  We will discuss how God and parents love children even when they have done something wrong while talking about the importance of saying, "I’m sorry" and making things right.

WINGS
WINGS-- Women in God’s Spirit, meets Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11 AM in the parish hall. Women from any parish are invited to join us and bring a friend, as we listen and learn how to put our faith into action.

On March 18, Dr. Kathy Schinhofen, Instructor in Pastoral Care and Counseling, will share on Pope Francis and the Works of Mercy: "Every Parish a Field Hospital".
Light refreshments and free child care are provided. For further information, contact Christie Shyne at wings@smdpyl.org.

FR. SY’S CLASS MARCH 16
Join us as Fr. Sy continues taking us through the Catechism paragraph by paragraph!
Please note that this class is the last one until after Easter.
These Monday classes are free; no registration is required. (St. Paul Rm, 7:15-8:30 PM).

EMMAUS
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
...invites all young adults, 18-30s to deepen their faith through fellowship. For more information on our upcoming events, please contact LanD@smdpyl.org.

CHILD CARE... IS OPEN EVERY SUNDAY AT 8:45 & 10:30 AM
MASSES
If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Picou at colleenp@smdpyl.org.
I want to be Catholic because...

I want to become Catholic because I believe it is necessary for the salvation of soul(s). (Ann Dao-Nguyen)

From the very beginning of my faith journey, St. Martin’s has welcomed me with open arms. I feel extremely at home and comfortable in the Catholic Community and my heart is telling me that this is the right path for me. Additionally, I feel that my journey to becoming Catholic has strengthened my relationship with my husband, my family and my friends. Becoming Catholic can only continue to strengthen these relationships. (Chelsey McConnell)

I love God and want to follow him. I believe that the Catholic Church is the true church that Jesus founded, and I desire the sacraments and the graces offered through them. (Desirae Terrien)

I want to become Catholic because it will sustain my faith. I can grow and have a greater connection with the Lord. Baptism means to be a part of the Church and God’s family, and I want to feel like I’m built into the Church, like I’m meant to be in the Church. (Dimitri)

I know in my heart I am being called to do it, that my life has greater meaning because of it, and I can share it with those around me. That without it, I am lost... but with it I am not. (Jared Pfeifer)

I want to be Catholic because it is so rich with history. It's traditions span all the way from the lineage of Christ himself. With this being said, Catholicism is the oldest Christian faith, but it is very much alive and thriving. Catholicism has really allowed me to connect with God. Along the way I have meet incredible people, each of whom, have Christ inside them. So, I thank all of YOU, my brothers and sisters in Christ, for helping me get to this point. (Sean Phayakapong)

It is the only thing in my life that I will be 100% sure about. (Aaron Ojeda)
WORSHIP

MSS SCHEDULES
Saturday 5:30 PM
Sunday 7:15 AM, 8:45 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM, & 5:30 PM

For CHILDREN During 8:45 & 10:30 AM Sunday Masses:
♦ Children’s Liturgy of the Word (Gr 1-5) in Parish Center’s Saint Paul Room

WEEKDAY MASSES: 8:00 AM & 6:30 PM (Saturdays, 8:00 AM)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Prayer at 6:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Every day, 24 Hours each day

12:15, 10:30, 8:00 (Saturdays, 8:00 AM)

15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33 Alternate readings

Sunday, March 15:
7:15AM, (Fr Sy) Jeff Bertsch †
8:45AM (Fr Sy) Arthur (liv) & Charlotte Curry †
10:30AM (Fr Sy) Mass For The People
12:15PM (Fr Jeff) Vincent Vargas (liv) & Paul Vu †
5:30PM (Fr Jeff) Blanche Lei †

Monday, March 16:
8:00AM (Fr Sy) Hyacinth Heideman †
6:30PM (Fr Jeff) Leticia V. Rivera †

Tuesday, March 17:
8:00AM (Fr Sy) Priest’s Intention
6:30PM (Fr Jeff) Priest’s Intention

Wednesday, March 18:
8:00AM (Fr Sy) Betty Cicchillo †
6:30PM (Fr Jeff) Mari Thach Vu

Thursday, March 19:
8:00AM (Fr Sy) Ralph Barry †
6:30PM (Fr Sy) Lutgarda Gervacio †

Friday, March 20:
8:00AM (Fr Jeff) Andrew Papah Nguyen †
6:30PM (Fr Jeff) Andrew Brad Jacobs (liv), Gloria June Dunn †, Helen Purty †

Saturday, March 21:
8:00AM (Fr Sy) Raymond Pfister †,
Hugh McDevitt †, Dolores Rosales †
5:30PM (Fr Sy) Asuncion Clinaco
Natividad †

Sunday, March 22:
7:15AM (Fr Jeff) Denis O’Neill †
8:45AM (Fr Jeff) Diane Wietor
10:30AM (Fr Jeff) Rodolfo Jeturian
12:15PM (Fr Sy) Mass For The People
5:30PM (Fr Sy) Ann Sorenson

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK
Fr. John Bradley
Victor Correa
Bill Donovan
Jim Kirby
Kent Kirkpatrick
Mike Mahoney
Kevin Nguyen
Parker Family
Michael & Corbin
Stanley
Jack Swaving
Michael Sweeney
Martin & Marion
Vertson
Len Wickson

LISTEN TO AM 1000, IMMACULATE HEART RADIO

Immaculate Heart Radio’s daytime coverage should now reach from near LAX to the Mexican border and east towards Riverside. Plans to build a radio station on the Christ Cathedral campus are ongoing.

FAITH QUESTIONS

Recall an extended electrical outage and how isolating it was to be in the dark, not only at night time but also during the day. What was your response when the power came back on? How do you feel on an overcast day? How do you feel on a sunny day? What darkness in you needs Christ’s healing light? How deep is your trust in God? How aware are you day by day that God is with you?


PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Send to pulpitamt@smdpyl.org plus a copy to FrontOffice@smdpyl.org by the Tuesday prior to the weekend. Elements are to be only 1-2 sentences.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Submit articles 10 days before the weekend. (Holiday submissions vary.) Send to patw@smdpyl.org or leave a printed copy at the parish office.

ADMINISTRATION

PARISH WEEKLY TITHE REPORT
Thank you for your weekly contribution!

Regular Sunday ...........................................$25,630.
Regular Collect’n Digital Donors ..................195.
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Outreach ..................................................$1,180.
Birth Choice .............................................$297.
Other ......................................................$725.

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Maria Conception Hernandez
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Kenneth Shea

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Roz Odion Ext.116
Music Director:
Mark Haas Ext.114
St Martin Outreach 970-0147
Hours: M/WTh 1:30-4:00 PM,
Tu 4:00-6:30PM
St. Francis of Assisi School
(Tri-Parish) Tom Waszak,
Principal 695-3700

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Parish Pastoral Council:
Ruben Barron 970-0076
Stewardship:
970-2771
PSA
Tom Arendt 281-3980

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Pack 851:
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A Compassionate and Faith Filled Response to the Push for Assisted Suicide

SAVE THE DATE - APRIL 11, 2015 | 9AM - 3PM

Following a groundswell of community response to the tragic death of Britany Maynard, a young women diagnosed with terminal brain cancer that travelled to Oregon to end her life, several state senators have introduced the End of Life Option Act (SB 128) that would allow California physicians to prescribe life ending barbiturates to assist patients in committing suicide.

Join fellow community and faith leaders as we discuss a compassionate response to this current legislative push to legalize physician assisted suicide and as we seek to educate and form Catholics with regard to approaching the end of life with humility, courage and love. Speakers will include healthcare professionals and physicians as well as clergy and theologians. Registration is free of charge but places are limited.

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Sarah Hart
When she was pregnant with her first daughter, one of Sarah Hart’s many creative collaborators brought her a set of juggling balls, and taught her how to use them. Between singing, songwriting, traveling, speaking and parenthood, Hart’s friend figured she’d benefit from the skill.

Over years of balancing a family and multi-faceted musical career, Hart’s become a seasoned and grateful juggler, with a list of accomplishments that attest to her commitment to keeping all those balls in the air.

Sarah’s signature blend of contemporary folk, pop and rock welcomes and delights listeners of every age and background and her most recent release, Above Earth’s Lamentation, her eighth album as a solo artist, is no exception. Her talent for songwriting is showcased by the likes of Amy Grant, Celtic Woman, Matt Maher, Jason Crabb and The Newsboys—whom have all recorded her songs. Grant’s recording of “Better Than a Hallelujah” (for 2010’s Somewhere Down the Road) earned Hart a Best Gospel Song Grammy nomination. She has also had several song placements in film and television, and her songs appear in OCP and other hymnals all across the world.

As Hart navigates an increasingly busy time in her own journey, she’s taken as many pointers as she’s given. And her friends and collaborators continue to share important lessons, too: that juggling isn’t a skill so much as a process, and that doing it successfully means you have to keep moving.
WHY WE OPPOSE AN ASSISTED SUICIDE LAW

Logical Extensions and Expansions

The claim to a right to assisted suicide raises many questions, not the least of which is this: if there is a "right to assisted suicide," why would such a right be restricted only to those in the throes of terminal illness? What about the elderly person suffering a slow but non-terminal decline? What about the adolescent or young adult in the throes of depression, demoralization, or despair? What about the middle-aged man who is alone and simply tired of life? While laws may initially erect fences around the practice of assisted suicide—having six months to live, being over the age of 18, having mental capacity, etc.—these "safeguards" will eventually be unmasked as arbitrary. Legal challenges through the courts will chip away at such restrictions, once the basic "right" to assisted suicide is enshrined in the law.

That these restrictions will eventually be abandoned has been illustrated by the situation with assisted suicide in Belgium and the Netherlands: to cite just a few examples, in Belgium assisted suicide has been granted to a man with "untreatable depression" and to a prisoner suffering "psychological anguish". In the Netherlands, similar cases have unfolded on a nationwide basis, in changes over the four decades since assisted suicide was first legally tolerated. Recently, for example, assisted suicide was granted to a woman in the Netherlands because she did not want to live in a nursing home. These countries show that the slippery slope is not just a practical one, it is a logical one: such inevitable expansions are built into the very principles by which assisted suicide is legally justified from the outset. Quality end-of-life care is not enhanced in countries where assisted suicide has been legalized; instead, vulnerable populations have been placed at risk.

Research on Suicide

Psychiatrists see patients every day who demonstrate suicidal thinking and behavior, people whose life stories are every bit as heartbreaking as Ms. Maynard's, and whose "reasons" for suicide may seem every bit as compelling. And yet medical professionals are duty-bound to intervene on their behalf, to take measures to prevent such persons from taking their own lives. The legalization of assisted suicide can only undermine these efforts at suicide prevention.

The recent debates on assisted suicide have largely ignored what research in psychiatry and the social sciences has demonstrated about suicide itself. It is important for us to appreciate what motivates suicidal behavior, which individuals are at risk for suicide, and how suicide risk can be lowered. We know, for example, that suicide is typically an impulsive and ambivalent act. The number-one suicide "hot spot" in the world is the
Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, where 1400 people have died; only a handful have survived the jump. A journalist tracked down the survivors and asked them what was going through their mind in the four seconds between jumping off the Golden Gate Bridge and hitting the water. Every one of them responded that they regretted the decision to jump, with one saying, "I realized that all the problems in my life that I thought were unsolvable were actually solvable—except for having just jumped."

This ambivalence comes from the fact that suicidal individuals typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive as intolerable suffering—either present or anticipated. When comfort, relief, or other services are offered, such as more adequate treatment for depression, better pain management, more comprehensive palliative care, or counseling leading to the resolution of other issues such as family problems, the desire for suicide wanes. An example is Michael Freeland, an Oregonian with a 40-year documented history of severe depression, who received a prescription for a lethal drug in Oregon. After receiving adequate psychiatric care, pain management, and social support, his desire for death vanished and he lived for two more years until his natural death from cancer.¹

**Social Effects of Suicidal Behavior**

We also know that there is a "social contagion" aspect to suicide, which leads to copycat suicides—particularly for well-publicized cases where the person’s death is portrayed by the media with romanticized overtones.² Some have called Brittany Maynard’s death "courageous" and "inspiring." We worry that her death will indeed "inspire" other vulnerable individuals—particularly the young—to follow her example, as research on suicide consistently shows. One may wish that hers was an entirely private decision and private action, but research on suicide suggests otherwise: her well-publicized decision will have an affect on what others in dire circumstances decide to do. Given what we know about suicide’s social effects, and given the media portrayal around her death, we anticipate that her decision will influence other vulnerable individuals to likewise take their own lives.

Suicide rates constitute a public health crisis: suicide is currently the 2nd leading cause of death among adolescents and young adults (behind motor vehicle accidents) and the 11th leading cause of death overall in the U.S. Not all suicides can be prevented, but many can, and our collective efforts at suicide risk reduction have the capacity to save many lives. Studies show that when we intervene during a crisis—for example, during the

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¹ For the full case history, see: [http://www.pceef.org/articles/art32HouseOfords.htm](http://www.pceef.org/articles/art32HouseOfords.htm)

months of difficult adjustment after a new diagnosis of a serious or terminal disease—we can substantially lower the person’s risk of suicide. Studies of those who survive suicide attempts dispel the myth that suicide prevention is useless because suicidal individuals will eventually commit suicide anyway. On the contrary, research demonstrates that those who survive suicide attempts are later grateful that physicians or others intervened to protect them, even if during the crisis they did not want intervention.\(^3\) We know that suicide completion requires not just intent (which typically waxes and wanes over time) but also easy access to means. Increasing access to suicidal means by allowing doctors to prescribe deadly drugs will worsen the current health crisis of suicide.

The practice of assisted suicide—by whatever name one calls it—sends a message that some lives are not worth living. The law is a teacher: if assisted suicide is legalized, this message will be heard by everyone who is afflicted by suicidal thoughts or tendencies, and especially by the young. Assisted suicide will thereby undermine our collective efforts to save the lives of those trapped in the throes of demoralization and despair. These at-risk individuals need real compassion and hope. When death becomes inevitable, they need good palliative care at the end of life.

Problems with Oregon Law

Compassion and Choices plans to model a California law permitting assisted suicide on the current law in Oregon. There are several serious problems with this law, in addition to the problems in principle outlined above. We know that the vast majority of suicides are associated with clinical depression or other treatable mental disorders; yet alarmingly, less than 6% of the 752 individuals who have reportedly died by assisted suicide under Oregon’s law were referred for psychiatric evaluation prior to their death. Based on what we know about suicide risk factors, this constitutes gross medical negligence. Furthermore, the fact that no witnesses are required at the death invites abuse.

The reporting structure for gathering statistics on assisted suicide in the Oregon law is grossly inadequate, as it relies on self-reporting of the physicians who write the deadly prescriptions. Such reports are required on paper, but there are no penalties for failing to report. If the public health department wanted accurate numbers here, the appropriate strategy would include penalty-linked mandatory reporting from the doctors who write the prescription as well as the pharmacists who fill the prescription. Furthermore, there are other gaps in the data as it is not clear how many of the patients who receive the deadly prescription actually take the drug. Complicating matters even further, in a gross abuse of medical and public health transparency, the Oregon and Washington laws re-

\(^3\) Eagles JMI, Carson DP, Begg A, Naji SA. *British Journal Psychiatry.* Suicide prevention: a study of patients’ views. 2003 Mar;182:26i-5.
quire in effect that the death certificate be falsified in cases of assisted suicide: the cause of death is to be listed as the medical illness, even though the death was actually caused by the lethal drug, even by patients as-yet asymptomatic. Such a practice is unheard of and found nowhere else in medicine. This is an example of the abuse of language re-quired to mask what really happens with assisted suicide.

Palliative Care Alternatives

Medical ethics, going back to the Hippocratic Oath, has long understood that there is an important distinction between actively killing a patient by giving a deadly drug, and allowing natural death by foregoing futile or excessively burdensome treatments at the end of life. That medicine often provides the technological ability to extend life does not mean that patients need to pursue such life-extending treatments at all costs. The rise of palliative care as a distinct medical discipline, as well as the hospice movement, have provided a necessary corrective, and have advanced the practice of compassionate, humane care at the end of life. With good palliative care, patients need not spend their last days in intolerable pain. In the rare cases when pain is more difficult to control, a legal alternative in all 50 states that doesn’t have the significant dangers of legalizing assisted suicide is palliative sedation, wherein the patient is sedated to the point at which the discomfort is relieved while the dying process takes place peacefully. Thus, today there is a legal solution to any remaining painful and uncomfortable deaths—one that does not raise the very serious difficulties of legalizing assisted suicide. Physicians have a duty to dispensing any means that are necessary to alleviate person’s suffering (rather than dispensing with the person who is suffering, which constitutes abandonment), and to safeguard human life, especially life of the most vulnerable. For the medical profession, assisted suicide inherently conflicts with the tasks of the physician: to heal when possible, to comfort always, and never to intentionally harm.

The language of “choice” in this debate frequently misses the mark: introducing assisted suicide as a legitimate and available end-of-life option will actually have the effect of reducing patients’ choices and autonomy. Subtle social pressures, and not-so-subtle economic pressures, are inevitably brought to bear on such decisions. This danger is particularly acute for marginalized or vulnerable populations, such as those with disabilities who may be perceived as socially “useless” by a crass utilitarian calculus, or economically disadvantaged individuals with fewer medical care resources or options. Autonomy will be reduced, not enhanced, by introducing assisted suicide.

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4 The primary intent of such intervention is to provide pain relief but not to hasten death or relieve the person from the burden of consciousness. This can also allow physician time to reassess the person’s pain control needs. In this scenario, the terminally ill sedated person may later be withdrawn from the sedatives and brought back to consciousness, with his or her pain under control.
Manipulation of Language

Finally, among the more troubling recent developments in the assisted-suicide debates are the efforts on the part of advocates to redefine suicide. The euphemistically renamed Compassion and Choices (formerly the Hemlock Society) claims that "physician aid in dying" is not really suicide, simply because the means employed—taking a deadly drug—are nonviolent and "peaceful." By this absurd logic, the tens of thousands of individuals in the U.S. who commit suicide by less violent means—drug overdose, carbon monoxide poisoning, etc.—should likewise not be considered suicides. But this is plainly ludicrous, and this Orwellian attempt to manipulate language is irresponsible and deceptive. The definition of suicide is clear, and it does not depend on which particular means are employed. We need to begin by being honest about what is at stake and clear about what is being debated: "physician aid in dying" is assisted suicide.
Californians Against Assisted Suicide Coalition Statement
On New Senate Bill

There are no assisted suicide “safeguards” that can ever protect those most vulnerable in society, particularly in a state as diverse as California.

Sacramento, CA - A diverse, bipartisan coalition is once again prepared to educate, advocate and defeat legislation that will permit assisted suicide in California. In this state, there is a long history of disability rights, medical professionals, hospitals, faith-based organizations and ethnic communities joining together against assisted suicide. Last year, similar coalitions helped reject bills in Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire and another is currently stalled, facing bipartisan opposition in New Jersey. Oregon-style assisted suicide bills were defeated in California in 2006 and 2007.

Nothing in the Oregon-style assisted suicide model can protect from the pressures to commit suicide or personal fears of “being a burden.” Further, six-month diagnoses are arbitrary standards; nothing prevents these laws from being expanded to include individuals with longer prognoses or people “suffering” from other illnesses or disability.

“Assisted suicide is a direct threat to those who are viewed as a significant cost liability,” says Catherine Campisi, PhD, former Director of the California Department of Rehabilitation appointed by former Governor Gray Davis, noting some of the reasons disability rights organizations oppose assisted suicide. “By adding assisted suicide to the suite of treatment options available, it becomes the cheapest option available and makes it easier for implicit and explicit pressure to be levied on the most vulnerable.”

There are no assisted suicide “safeguards” that can ever protect those most vulnerable in society, particularly in a state as diverse as California. These are just some reasons why there is such a broad, bipartisan coalition formed to aggressively advocate against this bill.

For more information on the coalition please go to: www.NoAssistedSuicideCA.org

Californians Against Assisted Suicide is a coalition of disability rights, healthcare, civil rights and patient advocacy organizations dedicated to preventing legalization of physician assisted suicide in California.
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The Bishops’ Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs affirmed the teachings of Nostra Aetate in the document “Dialogue with Muslims,” released in August 2014. The bishops expressed their conviction that “encounter and dialogue with persons different than ourselves offers the best opportunity for fraternal growth, enrichment, witness, and ultimately peace.” As the world mourns violence under the guise of religious fundamentalism, it’s important to remember our teaching and recommit ourselves to the transforming power of dialogue and encounter.
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Dr. Louise Dunn, New Hope Director at: 714-620-8810 or dunnlouise@rocketmail.com
Knights of the Holy Eucharist

Attention, single Catholic men 18-30 years: The Knights of the Holy Eucharist, a community of consecrated brothers faithful to Holy Mother Church and dedicated to fostering reverent devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord, invite you to discern your vocation at their House of Formation, located at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. Learn more at http://www.knightsoftheholyeucharist.com/

How Does Someone Become Catholic? They Join the RCIA!

What is the RCIA? RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults but, according to a young man who recently went through the process, it should also stand for Righteous, Compassionate, Inspirational and Amazing. He speaks for the hundreds of individuals who have been a part of this challenging, exciting, and life-changing experience at St. Martin’s.

Have you or a friend ever considered joining the Catholic Church? The RCIA process will give you the opportunity to ask questions, learn about the Church’s teaching, and be part of a community who will walk with you on your journey of faith. Those who are not baptized, were baptized in other Christian denominations, or were baptized Catholic but have not been Confirmed or received the Eucharist are led by a team made up of clergy, staff and volunteers through an unforgettable one to two year process. RCIA meets mostly on Sundays after the 8:45 AM Mass, culminating with Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. If you would like to have a Righteous, Compassionate, Inspirational and Amazing experience leading to full communion with the Catholic Church, call Curtis Keddy at 714/970-2771 or email curtisk@smdpyl.org.

Catholic Detention Ministry is Looking for Volunteers!

Every day nearly 5,000 Catholics call Orange County jails and juvenile facilities home! The Bible calls us to visit those in prison (Matt 25:36). How about you! Can you spare a couple hours each month to visit our incarcerated brothers and sisters, sons and daughters? If you would like to learn more or to join our ministry, please sign up for our Overview presentation. For dates, times and more details, go to www.rcbo.org/restore or call us at 714/634-9909.

Human Trafficking Awareness

What does Catholic Social Teaching say?

“Action on behalf of justice...appear to us as a constitutive dimension of the preaching of the gospel...the Church’s mission for the redemption of the human race and its liberation from every oppressive condition.”

(Justice in the World – 1971 World Synod of Bishops)

It is not necessary for a victim to cross a border. Women and children, who are domestically trafficked for prostitution and/or forced labor within their own countries, are considered trafficked. Youth under 18, who are involved in prostitution, are also considered trafficked. If you think or suspect that someone is a victim of human trafficking, call the Trafficking Information/ Referral Hotline: 1-888-3737-888.

Magnificat Day of Prayer

Please join Magnificat on our Day of Prayer, the 26th of each month, as we lift our hearts to the Lord for the intentions of Magnificat Ministry, Pro-Life issues, our beloved priests, and families.

Hospice Volunteers

Hospice Volunteers are needed in our community to provide supportive services to terminally ill patients and their families. VITAS Innovative Hospice Care® is seeking interested individuals who can commit an average of two hours per week to make a difference with patients or in our offices – you can volunteer around your schedule and in the area you live or work. The only necessary qualifications are a caring heart, the ability to listen, and a willingness to learn. Please contact Libby Davis, Volunteer Manager at 714/734-2723 or email elizabeth.davis@vitas.com

Join our LinkedIn Group and Job Bank

St. Edward the Confessor invites our fellow Catholics in the Diocese of Orange to join our LinkedIn Group. The group was established in 2011 for the purpose of creating a job bank for the many unemployed, to network professionally, and to invite members to promote their businesses. We are pleased to announce that we are welcoming fellow Catholics within the Diocese of Orange to network with us. To find out more about our group, visit http://stedward.com/businesses/. We look forward to networking with other Catholics in our diocesan community. Please tell your friends and colleagues by sharing this Good News! If you have any questions, please contact our Group Administrator at Lsaine@stedward.com.
Come and enjoy the new Nutrition Education & Obesity Prevention (NEOP) program at Catholic Charities of Orange County. This program provides information for families on how to: a) make better choices for healthy food within a limited budget, b) prevent type 2 diabetes and heart problems, c) enjoy physical activities (games and dance) with family, and d) look and feel good! For more information regarding class schedules and services of the NEOP program please call or email: Luz Vela 714/347-9611 – lvela@ccoc.org or Maria Ballesteros 714/347-9617 mballesteros@ccoc.org

Catholic Charities of Orange County can help you apply for CalFresh Food Stamps

Need help with food?
If so, CalFresh, formerly known as Food Stamps, may be the answer. CalFresh is a federally funded program that helps people and their families with little or no income buy nutritious food. Catholic Charities of Orange County (CCOC) can help you apply for CalFresh (Food Stamps) benefits. To find out if you qualify, call our CalFresh Specialists: Jenny Rodriguez - 714/347-9601 or Michael Tijerino - 714/668-1130 Ext. 207

Caridades Católicas del Condado de Orange le puede ayudar a solicitar Estampillas de Comida CalFresh

¿Necesita ayuda con alimentos?
Si ese es el caso, CalFresh, conocido anteriormente como Estampillas de Comida, podría ser su respuesta. CalFresh es un programa financiado por el gobierno federal que ayuda a personas y a familias con bajos ingresos a comprar alimentos nutritivos.
Caridades Católicas del Condado de Orange le puede ayudar a solicitar los beneficios de CalFresh (Estampillas de Comida). Para saber si usted califica, llame a nuestros Especialistas de CalFresh:
Jenny Rodríguez - 714/347-9601 o Michael Tijerino - 714/668-1130 Ext. 207
CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF ORANGE COUNTY
1800 E. 17TH STREET, SANTA ANA, CA 92705

IMMIGRATION SERVICE
Volunteers Needed!

Catholic Charities of Orange County is recruiting and training volunteers of all ethnicities & languages to help us provide immigration services. We want to be ready to assist the many immigrants in our Diocese who may soon be eligible to stabilize their immigration status in the USA should immigration reform take place. For more information please contact Catholic Charities of Orange County: Alba Ramiro, Director of Volunteers
aramiro@ccoc.org, 714/347-9668

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL’S LIGHTS ON PROGRAM

...assists hundreds of men and women released onto the streets from the O.C. jail during the overnight hours. Men and women exit the jail with the same clothing they were arrested in or in some cases have no clothing and are given jail issued paper jump suits. In either case, it is not enough to protect them from the chill of the winter night while Lights On volunteers search their resources for getting them safely off the streets. Warm clothing donations are greatly needed especially during these winter months. Of particular immediate need are new or used, jackets, sweaters or sweat outfits. If you can help contact the St. Vincent de Paul Center at 714/542-0448, 1505 E. 17 St., Suite 109, Santa Ana, CA. 92705

NEED HELP WITH MEDICAL OR CALFRESH?

Catholic Charities of Orange County provides FREE assistance to the community for MediCal (Children and Adults) and CalFresh. We help with applications and renewals for both programs. For information please call:

Guillermina Lopez, Certified Enrollment Counselor/MediCal,
714/347-9606, glopez@ccoc.org

Or

Jenny Rodriguez, Certified Enrollment Counselor/MediCal,
714/347-9640, jrodriguez@ccoc.org

Or

Michael Tijerino, Certified Enrollment Counselor/MediCal/CalFresh,
714/347-9601, mtijerino@ccoc.org