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REY FLORES TO ADDRESS CATHOLIC SOCIAL JUSTICE AND CCHD ON APRIL 22

Rey Flores is the former Program Director for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) in the Archdiocese of Chicago. He was born in 1967, the son of Mexican immigrant parents, in Chicago, where he attended St. Hedwig School and the City Colleges of Chicago. His professional career, in what he calls "people work," has covered more than 20 years in some of Chicago's toughest and poorest neighborhoods. As a freelance journalist for over ten years, Rey Flores has had his work published in the Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times' Herald News, Crisis Magazine, The Wanderer, and others.

Flores and his wife, Mary, are homeschooling five children, and are both active leaders in promoting the beauty and richness of the Catholic faith through the Joliet Latin Mass Community in Joliet, Illinois. In November, 2011, Rey and Mary started "Better Catholic Giving" as a positive alternative to the problematic Catholic Campaign for Human Development. To help Rey and Mary in their effort, to alleviate poverty without compromising the teachings and moral values of the Catholic Church, visit www.BetterCatholicGiving.org

Please come and bring a friend to hear Rey Flores discuss,

"From Social Justice to Justice in Christ's Truth"

WHERE: Blessed Sacrament Church Hall

(Enter SE corner of building)

South 40th Street and Oklahoma Avenue

WHEN: Sunday, April 22

TIME: 2:00 p.m. - Program 1:45 p.m. - Rosary

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO BE HELD AT APRIL MEEETING

Because our "May" event will be a dinner meeting instead of a routine Chapter meeting, the annual election of officers (normally held in May) will be held at this April meeting.

The candidates are: **President**, Al Szews; **Vice President**, Dirk Wichgers; **Secretary**, Jerry Schmutte; and **Treasurer**, Ann Taucher. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the time of the election. For questions, or to submit nominations, call Larry Schmidt at 414-774-2824.

PLAN TO ATTEND MAY CROWNING ON SUNDAY, MAY 13, AT 68TH ST. MARIAN SHRINE

You are encouraged to "Spend Mother's Day with the Blessed Mother" by attending the 32nd Annual May Crowning Celebration at 2:00 p.m. on May 13, at the Archdiocesan Marian Shrine (68th and Stevenson just north of I-94). The event is sponsored by Roses for Our Lady. For questions or information, contact Anne Bender at 414-328-1568, or visit www.rosesforourlady.org Donations are tax deductible. (email address is: rosesforourlady@yahoo.com)

Most Reverend Donald J. Hying, Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee, and Spiritual Director for Roses for Our Lady, will be the presider and homilist. Assisting Ministers include Fr. James Kubicki, S.J., Fr. Matthew Widder, and Fr. Christopher Klusman. The event will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, May Crowning of Our Lady's statue, Eucharistic procession with rosary and hymns, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. First Communicants are encouraged to wear First Communion attire. This is an outdoor event - please bring a lawn chair to sit on. In case of rain, go to St. Vincent Pallotti-West, 201 N. 76th St.

THE APRIL, 2012, PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE BENEDICT XVI

During April, Pope Benedict XVI asks that we pray for two intentions: 1) **Vocations,** That many young people may hear the call of Christ and follow him in the priesthood and religious life., and 2) **Christ, Hope for Africans**, That the risen Christ may be a sign of certain hope for the men and women of the African continent. For information regarding the activities of the **Apostleship of Prayer**, please visit: apostleshipofprayer.org

PRO-LIFE MOVIE,"OCTOBER BABY," IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

The April, *Catholic Herald Parenting* section, contains a positive movie review, in which the reviewer describes a climatic scene, set in a Catholic cathedral, in which heroine, Hannah, "a self-identified Baptist," receives council in prayer from a Catholic priest, who provides "an informal version of confession," with no "contradiction of Catholic teaching."

MONTHLY ALL-NIGHT VIGIL OF REPARATION AND PRAYER AT HOLY HILL ON MAY 4 & 5

Plan to attend the Monthly All-Night Vigil of Reparation and Prayer on May 4 and 5 at Holy Hill. It opens with a Mass at 8:00 p.m. on Friday night, followed by a procession with the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration, talks and confessions are available throughout the night, concluding with First Saturday Mass at 5:00 a.m. Come for the opening Mass and stay as long as you like. This All-Night Vigil is a First Friday/First Saturday activity held at a different location each month, and includes a rotation of priests who speak and hear confessions. For questions, call 414-254-2790.

PLEASE READ ENCLOSED REGISTRATION FLYER FOR TALK BY MICHAEL VORIS ON MAY 12

On Saturday evening, May 12, **Michael Voris** will address the topic of "social justice" at the **Clarion Hotel and Conference Center** at 5311 South Howell Avenue. If you are not familiar with **Michael Voris**, visit him at: RealCatholicTV.com

Because we hope to make the program available to as many as possible, the price of the dinner is almost equal to the cost. If you are in a position to make a donation to help defray costs, it would certainly be appreciated. Hope you can come!

"CATECHETICAL CORNER"

Question: What is meant by "the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass?"

Answer: The term "Holy Sacrifice of the Mass" clarifies that the Mass is the same sacrifice as the sacrifice of the cross. The manner in which the sacrifice is offered is different: On the cross Christ physically shed His blood and was physically slain, while in the Mass there is no physical shedding of blood nor physical death. The Mass is the sacrifice of the New Law in which Christ, through the priest, offers Himself to God in an unbloody manner under the appearances of bread and wine.



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Book of the Month: "A Heart on Fire"

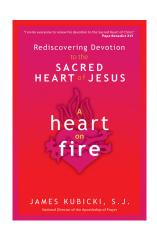
Author: Fr. James Kubicki, S.J. **Publisher:** Ave Maria Press, 2012

"A lively introduction to devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus – showing clearly how the Heart of Christ can be a source of joyful transformation for contemporary Catholics. In this persuasive and entertaining book from Ave Maria Press, Fr. James Kubicki, S.J., explores the spiritual roots of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. He demonstrates how the faithful may encounter the Sacred Heart in one another, Scripture, and especially the Eucharist."

"At first communion I was taught to say first thing every morning, 'Sacred Hear of Jesus, I place all my trust in Thee!' Reading Fr. Kubicki's splendid book has only made that prayer all the more sincere and meaningful."

Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York

Contributors of \$12 or more per year to the Chapter are entitled to discounts on all books displayed at CUF meetings.



The Tangled Web of Community Organizing...

"How Obama Came To Chicago And The Ties That Bind"

The Wanderer, March 22, 2012, p. 1

By Rey Flores: Executive Director of "Better Catholic Giving" and "National Director of Outreach" for the American Life League

Chicago - Last week we left off discussing Jerry Kellman, who, I wrote, was given unfettered access to Chicago's Catholic churches by the bishops to guide them and lead them to the appropriate pastoral responses in addressing a myriad of social injustices, some real, some perceived, most concocted. lman was the guy who posted an ad in The New York Times seeking an organizer for his Calumet Community Religious Conference. This is the ad that brought Barack Hussein Obama to Chicago. Kellman himself came to Chicago from New Jersey because the newly formed United Neighborhood Organization (UNO) needed an organizer. UNO is now a powerful Chicago entity that acts as a strong arm of the Democratic Party and has taken over many former Catholic schools. UNO itself was started by Gregory Galluzzo of Gamaliel Foundation infamy, so again, the tangled and incestuous-like web of Chicago's community organizing community can clearly be seen here. Still worse is that all of this shows us the ties that bind the now-sorry Catholic bishops' long history of liberalism and Obama's current attack on Catholics.

Let's examine this community organizing phenomena a little closer. Saul Alinsky always said that one must go talk to the people, not ask but tell them what their problems are, and cause a reaction. It's equivalent to the games children play when they egg on one kid to pick a fight with another kid. Even if the poor person living in a ghetto or barrio seems to be accepting of his lot in life, the community organizer is there to tell him that his conditions are the fault of someone or some institution. Never mind teach-

ing personal responsibility to people. The street agitator's job is to sell the idea of victimhood. The community organization already has a target in the crosshairs and then it's the organizer's job to get the people's blood boiling, get them mad as hell, and go and "sic 'em." The organizer sees the person as not much more than a dog or a useful idiot which he or she can command at will to do his dirty work. The organi-

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zer will call this "leadership development" or "empowering" the indivi-Who made the community organizer such a powerful entity to have the ability to "empower" others? Oh, that's right... the liberal clergy and laity in the Catholic Church. Funded through the Church's Campaign for Human Development, Obama's job was the typical community organizer's job. Go out and agitate people about their conditions, use them, and, at the end of the day, the only winners are the community organizations and the political cronies who benefit by voter registration drives that are really blatant canvassing efforts in favor of liberal politicians. The people being "organized" are nothing more than pawns for the political self-interest of the community organizers, their organizations, and their political cronies. I refer to this as poverty-pimping. The community organizations knowingly perpetuate the poverty to perpetuate the perceived need for them to be there as the "problem-solvers." I will note that in 99% of communities with community organizations in them, the communities rarely improve and oftentimes become

times: If community organizers truly wanted to save a community, they would have been able to do so already. The problem is that if they did effectively combat all of the social injustices they claim to be fighting, there would no longer be a need for them to be there - except that some of the liberal priests in Chicago would miss them and would find more ways to give them money from our churches just to keep them around. Much like the hapless flower-shop clerk Seymour in the 1960 movie, The Little Shop of Horrors, the bishops in Chicago were feeding Obama our very lifeblood and sold our Church down the pike in the name of a secular social justice. Now Obama is the giant, bloodthirsty plant that has an insatiable appetite for power and literally, the very blood of the aborted babies his friends at Planned Parenthood provide for him. Am I being overly dramatic? Perhaps yes, but if you want real drama, try talking to post-abortive women or watch the Silent Scream abortion video. But it's not just Obama; he's only the tip of the iceberg. The fact of the matter is that if one looks into the majority of grants that continue to be awarded through the Catholic Campaign for Human Development today, they are not that different from the same grants given years ago that brought us to the Catholic persecution we have today. Today it may be Obama, and tomorrow it may be 20 more like him, but never mind; let's just blindly keep giving the CCHD our cash and trust that the peace and justice clergy and laity will do the right thing with it. It is no surprise that the unchecked liberalism that has permeated our Church for the last five decades is coming to bite us with a vengeance. Fool me once, fool me twice, but keep fooling me today as we continue to allow the peace and justice shenanigans to go on, then shame on us all. It will be up to the concerned laity to ask questions and then for us to become actively involved in local diocesan peace and justice activities...rather than becoming guilty of the sin of omission.

I've said it a thousand

even worse.

THE 2012-2013 SCHEDULE of EVENTS:

April 22 FROM SOCIAL JUSTICE TO JUSTICE IN CHRIST'S CHURCH, by Rey Flores

May 12 SOCIAL INJUSTICE: How a Corrupt Social "Gospel" Promotes Evil Under the Guise of

Justice, by Michael Voris [Clarion Conf. Cntr.: 5 pm Social, 6 Dnr., 7 Program]

September 16 To Be Announced

October 21 MSGR. POPEK AWARD DINNER----Recipient: Fr. James Kubicki, S.J.

November 18 To Be Announced

December 9 MSGR. POPEK BIRTHDAY/CHRISTMAS DINNER

January 20 To Be Announced

February 17 AFTERNOON OF RECOLLECTION, by Fr. James Kubicki, S.J.

March 17 ADDRESSING HISTORICAL ISSUES – THE INQUISITION, by David Archibald



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