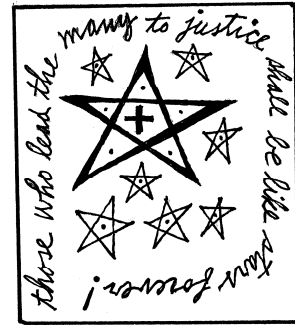


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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 19, 2006

Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.
— Mark 13:31



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Emcee Auditions

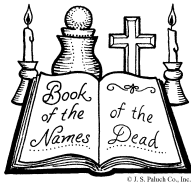
Have you ever been told you're funny? STRONG wants you! We are searching for Emcees to auction off the dates at the 2007 "Souled Out" Dinner and Date Auction which will be held on January 27, 2007 at 7 pm. Come audition on Monday November 27 at 6 pm in the Mother Theresa room! Email dateauction@utcatholic.org with questions.

Calling all Catholic Men!

Have you ever been curious about deacons in the church? What does "transitional deacon" mean? Permanent deacon? How can you be married and ordained at the same time? Come have dinner with our deacons, John De La Garza and Tom Johnson on Thursday, November 30 at 6:00pm in the UCC Library. Explore the vocation to the diaconate as you continue your life's discernment. In order to plan for food, email kraft@utcatholic.org if you can attend.

ALL SOUL'S DAY - REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES:

Traditionally, the month of November has been a special time for the Church to remember its deceased loved ones. So that we may keep your dear ones in prayer, we invite you to write the names of your beloved dead in the Book of Remembrance. This book was blessed in a special Evening Prayer service on Thursday, November 2 – *All Soul's Day*. We also invite you to bring pictures and mementos of your loved ones for a special display near the Book of Remembrance. The Paschal Candle, symbol of Christ's resurrection over death, will be lit near the book each time we celebrate the Eucharist during November.



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Matching Gift Sunday Update

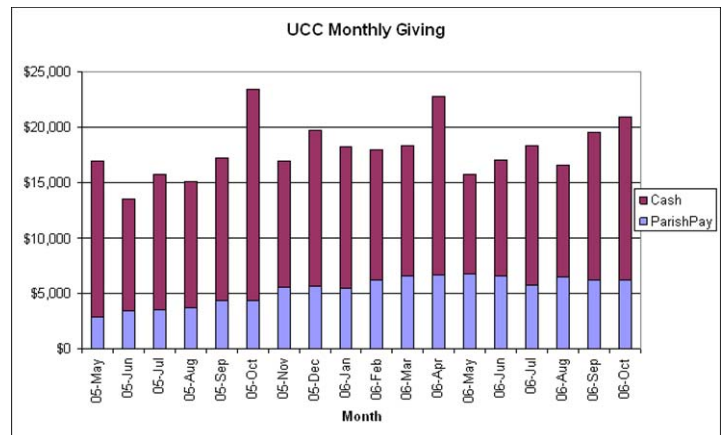
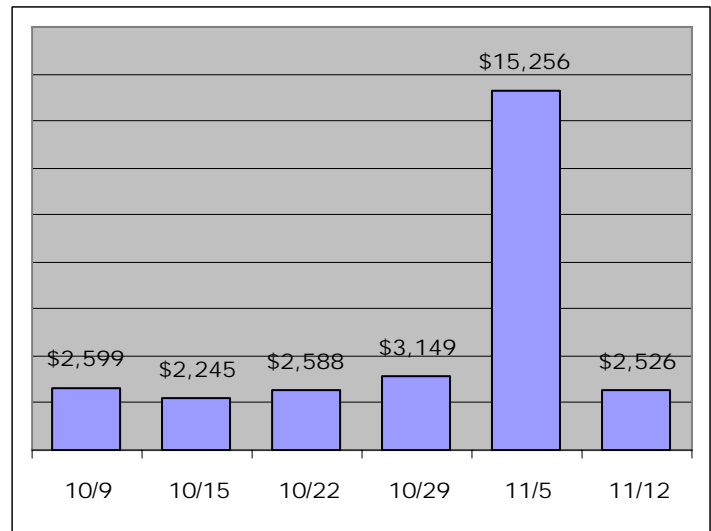
Generosity abounds. Our Sunday collection from November 5 totaled over \$15,000 – a record high. We never dreamed of such a collection since our average Sunday collection is \$2,000 to \$4,000. Our anonymous benefactor agreed to match up to \$5,000 which he has honored. Thank for you this much needed boost in operating funds. – Father Dave.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43
 Tues: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10
 Wed: Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28
 Thurs: Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44
Thanksgiving Day—Suggested:
 Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
 Fri: Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48
 Sat: Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40
 Sun: Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37



Our Weekly Offerings to God



Gabriel Project Sunday at the UCC

What is the Gabriel Project?

The Gabriel Project can be described as a Good Samaritan approach towards helping women who are in a crisis pregnancy. The project involves a network of churches working together to provide these women with the love, care and the spiritual, material, and emotional support they need. Each parish hangs up a Gabriel Project sign (ours is on the west wall of the UCC) to advertise the Gabriel Project and the central phone line, the quickest way for a mother to reach this help. After a mother makes the call, it is up to the Gabriel Project volunteers to assist her.

How can I help?

Specially trained volunteers called "angels" are assigned to the mothers to provide them with the help they need. Angels are crucial as they are the representatives of the Gabriel Project that the mother should feel free to turn to throughout her pregnancy. They ensure that the mother's material needs are met and they supply emotional and spiritual support. If you don't feel called to be an angel, there are many other ways you can help: fundraising, organizing materials, contributing to parish-wide baby supply drives, and more.

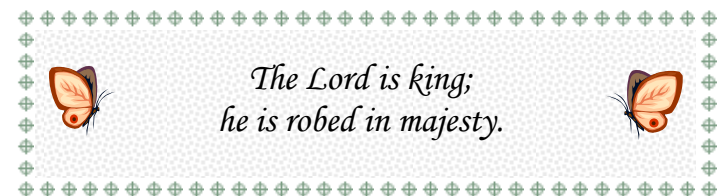
Where can I find more information?

The UCC Gabriel Project will be having its monthly meeting on Monday, November 27 at 7:30 PM in the Mother Teresa Room. Please come to find out about upcoming trainings and how you can get involved. Can't make it or want more information? Email UCC's Gabriel Project Coordinator Marynia Demkowicz at marynia@mail.utexas.edu with questions or to sign up for the mailing list.



Imagine the unthinkable –

The University of Texas and Texas A&M as partners! Your eyes won't be deceiving you on November 24, 2006 when the Catholic Centers from the rival schools will join as one in the celebration of the Eucharist. Join us at 9 am for a Mass at the University Catholic Center, followed by a reception for Longhorns and Aggies!



Rez Week



Each year, Christian groups across campus unite for a week around Easter to celebrate Jesus in our lives. This week, called Rez Week, is from March 26th to 30th. Last year nearly 1000 students gathered each night, while hundreds participated in the events that happened during the day in Gregory Plaza. This year, we are working on putting together another wonderful week. We need about 200 students to help make Rez Week happen. Singing, handing out coffee, helping to decorate the tent, or leading prayer are just some of the many ways you can help. If you are interested in learning more, fill out a Rez Week card (located at the front desk of the UCC) and drop it off by the box. Filling out a card just means you want to learn more, and will not commit you to anything. If you are interested in learning more, contact Beth Fernandez at beth@astro.as.utexas.edu.

ON LINE.....Fr. Dave's homilies are now online!

"Homilies from the UCC", a new podcast is up and running. More at <http://www.utcatholic.org>

Help needed with Micah 6 Food Pantry

UCC participates in the ecumenical Micah 6 food pantry. We donate food at Mass. Volunteers pick up and deliver the collected food to University Baptist Church on Thursday afternoons and assist at the pantry on Saturday mornings. Many of the people we serve are homeless. Please continue to bring canned goods and packaged dry goods to Sunday Mass, for the baskets near the fountain. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jim Harrington at jch@mail.utexas.edu to assist on Saturday. Micah 6 is comprised of a dozen churches around the University of Texas that have joined together to strengthen their community ties and ministries to the poor and those in need. We have to apply the words of Chapter 6 of the Book of Micah in our neighborhood: "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God."

Calling all UCC alumni!



We have 5000 names in our database. We estimate 100,000 UT Catholic alumni are out there somewhere. Do you know who they are? Are they on your Christmas card lists? Help me make our circle of friends larger. Give me your friends' names and addresses so that I can tell these folks about the good things happening here at the UCC. Take a few moments and send me an email including names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and any information about when your friends graduated from UT. You can make a significant contribution to the future growth of the UCC faith community by sharing your addresses with me. My email address is: frdave@utcatholic.org. God bless you!

**SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE WITH HIS HOLINESS
POPE BENEDICT XVI ON HIS PASTORAL VISIT
TO TURKEY**

NOVEMBER 28 - DECEMBER 1, 2006

Heavenly Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name, we humbly ask that you sustain, inspire, and protect your servant, Pope Benedict XVI, as he goes on pilgrimage to Turkey -- a land to which St. Paul brought the Gospel of your Son; a land where once the Mother of your Son, the Seat of Wisdom, dwelt; a land where faith in your Son's true divinity was definitively professed. Bless our Holy Father, who comes as a messenger of truth and love to all people of faith and good will dwelling in this land so rich in history. In the power of the Holy Spirit, may this visit of the Holy Father bring about deeper ties of understanding, cooperation, and peace among Roman Catholics, the Orthodox, and those who profess Islam. May the prayers and events of these historic day; greatly contribute both to greater accord among those who worship you, the living and true God, and also to peace in our world so often torn apart by war and sectarian violence.

We also ask, Heavenly Father, that you watch over and protect Pope Benedict and entrust him to the loving care of Mary, under the title of Our Lady of Fatima, a title cherished both by Catholics and Muslims. Through her prayers and maternal love, may Pope Benedict be kept safe from all harm as he prays, bears witness to the Gospel, and invites all peoples to a dialogue of faith, reason, and love. We make our prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayer composed by Bishop William E. Lori, Supreme Chaplain

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Bishop Aymond at the UCC
TOMORROW!!!**

Join us and Bishop Gregory Aymond at 7 p.m. as he leads us in reflecting upon forgiveness and healing. He has given this presentation at locations throughout the diocese and we've heard only good things.



There will be a follow-up session on December 7 at 7 p.m. Mark your calendar now!

Congratulations to the newest members of Mu Epsilon Theta and Lambda Omega Alpha who were initiated last week! The LOA Psi Pledge Class and the MET Alpha Zeta Pledge have worked all semester to get to this point. Congrats!

3 **Have you ever considered a Catholic education for your children?** We have one of Austin's finest schools right here in our community. St. Austin Catholic School has been educating students since 1917 and was the only private school in Central Texas to be designated a Blue Ribbon School. St. Austin will be hosting an Open House, today, November 19th from 1 pm to 3 pm. Come by and meet parents, students and teachers to learn more about the school. UCC members receive the parishioner tuition rate – a big discount. It's a fantastic school, so go on by and check it out. If you have any questions, contact Rolph or Alicia Sankar at 512-657-6733. Their son Aidan attends the school and they can tell you all about it.



Operation Turkey

Looking for a service opportunity on Thanksgiving Day? Go to www.operationturkey.com for ways to get involved in our community and help those most in need.



Father Dave's Movie Pick:

Two thumbs up for **The Queen** (PG-13), a movie that takes audiences behind the scenes of one of the biggest public events of recent times – the death of Princess Diana. The film provides an illuminating, deeply affecting, and dramatic glimpse into what happens in the corridors of power when a tragedy strikes. Directed by Stephen Frears, Helen Mirren *becomes* Queen Elizabeth II. Metacritic score: 91. (www.metacritic.com)



U.S. Bishops on Eucharist

The Mass is not simply a private encounter between an individual and Jesus Christ. In a mystical manner, the whole Church is present in every celebration of the Mass, including the angels and the martyrs and saints of all ages. While the celebration of the Eucharist itself is a communal act, the benefit that each individual receives from the Eucharistic celebration depends on the way he or she approaches the sacrament.

—*"Happy Are Those Who Are Called to His Supper"*,
3 November 14, 2006

THANK YOU STRONG!!

The middle school religious education class thanks Ashley Mackey and all the other members of STRONG who dedicated their time and effort to do a retreat all day last Sunday for the middle school class.

Your creativity, patience, and faith are awesome! What a wonderful example of living faith for the children and parents to see. Thank you all for a fun, faith-filled day.



Our Faith—Our Legacy Update

We are still confirming all of the pledges, but we're up to an additional \$9000 pledged last Sunday! Thank you for supporting the UCC and the local church of Central Texas.

Special Request for our kids

If anyone has some nice wooden puzzles that are no longer being used at home, we could use your help! We need puzzles for the 3, 4, and 5-year old children attending the pre-school religious education class. Please bring them to Amy Burkhart or Anne Gilbert at the 9:00 a.m. Sunday liturgy, or leave at the front desk, marked for RE. Thanks for your generosity.

Compass Bible Study!

Meeting on Thursday nights from 7-8 pm in the Mother Teresa Room, Compass is a fun and laid-back way to read scripture and get a little more out of Mass. Every week we spend an hour discussing the next Sunday's readings and sharing our faith. We are student run, student led, and totally low time commitment, so drop by whenever you can. Come hang out with us this Thursday!



Graduate Students & Professionals: UGAP

University Graduates and Professionals (UGAP) is a group of post-college age people. We share and live the love of Christ in community through worship, faith formation, social service, spiritual development and fellowship. We meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Mother Teresa Room.

Wednesday Carbos for Christ

Lambda Omega Alpha Fraternity invites all for food and fellowship at 12:30 pm on Wednesdays in the Atrium. \$3.00 suggested donation. Please contact Adam at schonsa@hotmail.com if you can help with set-up or clean-up.



UCC FUNCTIONS FOR THIS WEEK



Week of Nov. 19, 2006

Monday Nov.20

- 12:05 pm Mass HSC
- 7 pm Bishop Aymond HSC
- 9 pm Night Prayer BSC

Tuesday Nov. 21

- 12:30 pm Mass HSC
- 7 pm UGAP MT
- 7 pm CIW SMt
- 8 pm LOA Active SF
- 9 pm Night Prayer BSC

Wednesday Nov. 22

- 12:05 pm Mass HSC
- 12:30 Carbos for Christ ATRM

Thursday Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Day UCC CLOSED

Friday Nov. 24

- 9 am Mass HSC
 - 5 pm Korean Group Mass MT
- UCC CLOSED
Football vs Texas A&M

Saturday Nov. 25

Sunday Nov. 26

CHRIST THE KING

Reverence

"Eucharistic Amazement" is expressed in reverence and in the dignity and care brought to every celebration of Mass. These are attitudes that befit not only the priest and other sacred ministers, but all the baptized. Through Baptism and Confirmation, God has prepared his children to stand in his presence and offer him worship. "Christian," says Saint Leo the Great, "know your dignity."

Adults can show by their example that the Church is the house of God and that the Mass is the holiest of mysteries. In true reverence there is nothing constrained or artificial. Reverence is a joyful and gracious thing, akin to the wonder of one who finds himself face-to-face with a great beauty, or heart-to-heart with a great love. To every word and gesture of the Mass give the imprint of reverence. "I bow down before your holy temple," says the psalmist, "filled with awe." (Ps 5:8)