Wasn’t Lent, Holy Week and Easter, 2011, just spectacular here at the FCMM? From the Friday Stations of the Cross to the five nights of the ‘PABASA’; the prayers during the Anointing of the Sick to the reading of the Passion at Palm Sunday, through the Mass of the Lord’s Supper, the celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday, the Great Easter Vigil and our beautiful liturgy on Easter morning, our church was alive with the presence of Jesus Christ! Holy Week and Easter are central to us as we celebrate our faith as a Catholic community. Certainly here in the FCMM, the large crowds at all of our Masses and liturgical services are testament to the powerful presence of Jesus in our midst. It doesn’t seem that long ago that we came together and proudly wore the sign of the cross—in ashes—on our foreheads as we began our spiritual journey to meet the Lord in Resurrection. Hopefully our Lenten practices, prayers and sacrifices helped each of us to become ready to open our hearts to the Lord’s beautiful presence. There can be no doubt that the special celebrations of Holy Week and Easter brought our Lenten journey to a high point—how could we not be moved by the love of our Lord—how could we not be proud to proclaim the presence of Jesus Christ to everyone! Isn’t it something how the small cross on our foreheads has led to the waving of the palm, the washing of the feet, the arrest and suffering of Jesus, the horrible death of Jesus by crucifixion? Finally that small ashen cross has led us to the joy of Resurrection—the Empty Tomb! Our Lenten preparation doesn’t end now. As we celebrate the joy of the ever-present Jesus in our midst, we need to continue to remain active participants in the Christian virtues of prayer, penance and sacrifice if we are to continue to fully share in Christ’s salvific action in the world. All too often, the light of Christ that is now ablaze in our hearts slowly lessens in its intensity—sometimes to the point that even we forget that it is there. Our task now is to continue to live our lives totally connected to the risen Lord—to stoke the fire that is Christ so that it burns ever brightly in our hearts for all to see. Jesus Christ is the answer to the ills of the world. And Jesus Christ is alive and present in the world today—seen and heard by all through us: through our actions and through our words. So live Christ in all you say and live Christ in all you do!

Did you notice? Today is called the “Second Sunday of Easter,” not the “First Sunday after Easter.” Our celebration of Easter is not over. These Sundays of Easter continue to present the mystery of Jesus Christ’s victory. The readings begin with the “signs and wonders” abounding in those earliest days. Sick people lay in the street, hoping that at least Peter’s “shadow might fall on one or another of them.” Then, in a powerful passage from the Book of Revelation, the visionary falls down “as though dead” upon seeing the victorious Christ. But Christ extends a gentle touch: “Do not be afraid … once I was dead, but now I am alive forever.”

In the Gospel, that same Christ appears and breathes on the disciples, and gently leads Thomas to believe. This Christ—more powerful than any evil force, victorious over death itself—touch us and whispers, “Do not be afraid.”

POPE JOHN PAUL II
Karol Josef Wojtyla (1920 – 2005)
Reigned as Supreme Pontiff
October 16, 1978 – April 2, 2005
Beatified – 01 May 2011

“Be Not Afraid”
JOHN PAUL THE GREAT, PRAY FOR US!
ST. Faustina Kowalska was a Polish nun who died on October 5, 1938 at only 33 years of age. She had lived a very simple life proclaiming an extremely simple message: the Heart of Jesus is overflowing with divine mercy toward sinners and wants all to come to him with trust-filled love. This invitation is powerfully expressed in the classic painting of the Risen Christ, which an artist executed under the guidance of Sr. Faustina herself who, on 22 February 1931, had seen him with red and pale rays of light emanating from his chest. Those rays of light recalled the blood and water that flowed down from the pierced heart of Christ on the cross and symbolized the inexhaustible richness of his merciful love made present and available to all through the Sacraments. Jesus himself had instructed Sr. Faustina to have the sentence “JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU” written at the bottom of that painting. This sentence expresses the response of humble faith on the part of the sinner to the endless mercy with which God views mankind and constantly brings about the salvation of the world. This is the mercy that brought God’s Son to become a human being and to give his life on the cross for all sinners. This is also the same mercy that led the Risen Christ to go in search of his disciples the very day he rose from death, to reassure them of his forgiving love. No revenge for having been deserted right when he needed their allegiance most, but only the gifts of his peace and comforting presence. No bitterness against the doubting Thomas who persisted in rejecting the witness of his companions, but only patient understanding for his weakness, and a tender desire to arouse in him faith in the Resurrection. “My Lord and my God!” exclaimed the bewildered apostle as he felt himself inundated by the love of the Man-God who had only words of mercy and forgiveness for him. “Jesus, remember me when you enter into your reign!” had been the earnest plea of the man being executed with him on Calvary as he viewed his life as a total failure and Jesus’ mercy as his only hope. And he was not disappointed. “Jesus, have mercy on me. I trust in you!” is the expression of complete self-surrender which all of us should address to our Savior as we realize our unworthiness and our need to be forgiven. What can save us from the devastating consequences of our sins is only God’s merciful love. And this is what we implore, in all humility and confidence, not only on this Second Sunday of Easter, but throughout our lives, until our last moments. Like the repentant thief dying on a cross, side by side with the Innocent Victim, we place all our trust in Jesus, the King of Divine Mercy.

As we celebrate Mercy Sunday, let us give thanks to the Lord for his goodness and everlasting love.

Pista’y Dayat 2010 - (Our Lady of Manaoag Fiesta)
The FCMM will once again be the venue for this year’s celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of The Rosary of Manaoag on SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2011. Sponsored by the Pangasinan Association of Quebec Inc., the celebration will start at 11:00 a.m. with the Recitation of the Novena to Our Lady of Manaoag followed by the Holy Mass. The Mass will be highlighted by a Floral Offering to the Virgin. Come and join us!

Your Offerings for the week ending April 24, 2011 totaled $5,925.50

Thank you for your continuing generosity! God bless you always!!!
The Beautiful Flowers that adorn the Sanctuary were lovingly donated for the glory of the Risen Lord and the following intentions:

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- THE PARENTS, BROTHERS and SISTERS of FR. GERRY LOISELLE, pme
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For the SPECIAL INTENTIONS of:

- To the new arrivals from the Philippines;
- To the visitors from other places;
- To those who have been away and are back;
- We join in the Thanksgiving Intentions of:
- DR. EDDIE PELAUSA, VIDEO ULTRA LASER, MARITES QUIRAPAS, KERABELLE DERIQUITO, JOSEFINA YABUT, BURT ARACENA, THE SAMPANA FAMILY, JOSEFINA BAUTISTA, LYDIA & RODRIGO DAID and FAMILY, ROWENA and ARTHUR VELASQUEZ, THE KARDS FAMILY, ROMEO AQUINO, PATRICK ALCAIDE, RANDY & GLORIA ANTONIO and FAMILY, THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER, ROSIE CALUMPIANO, TONY 7 NORMA FOZ and FAMILY, RAFFAELE SCAGLIONE, PEPING & AMOR TOLENTINO and FAMILY, NELSON & SUSIE and MARY ANNE ALEJANDRO, DUSTIN JAMES ALCAIDE, MR. & MRS. WENEFREDO REY, ROSE RODRIGUEZ, IMELDA ARALAR, MICHAEL REMEGIO.

- Please join in lifting up to the Lord the special intentions of:
- THE MANGUBAT FAMILY.
- ALL FCMM BENEFACTORS.
- JOHN NICHOLAS MEJIA.

- Please pray for all the sick and suffering members of our Mission community and their loved ones, especially:
- FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, ELECITA ARACENA, JESS ALCAIDE, JULIE PERLAS-TAN, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., FE PADERANGA, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, DAWN DELA PAZ, NORA ESPIRITU, CARMENCITA TRIVINO, ANNY MADOJO, GREGORIO DEL MONTE, EDMOND GABA, MABEL TUVIDA, EDITH VALENZUELA, BOLDOMERA AMBAYEC, IMELDA RUIZ, LUZ ORMILLO, WILFRED DARIO, CRISTY RABILAS, LILIA LAMADORA, SALLY VINEBERG.

- May God bring them healing and peace.

- all of our deceased relatives and friends, especially:
- SOFIA CONSTANTINO, RUFINO GASATAN SR., MA. FLORA GASATAN, ANNABELLE GASATAN, VI-ANNIE MARIE GASATAN, RUFINO GASTAN JR., ALLEN RICK GASATAN, ANDRES JUDE GASTAN, CORNELIO CONSTANTINO, BONITA CANTO, MARGARITA ABASTA, PRISCILLA QUEJA, FRANCISCO RIOFLORIDIO, RITA MOLINA, CONCEPCION FLORES, GREGORIO CELEBRADOS, EDNA OMABAO MOISES, JUN ALMONT, DOLORES ACURANTES, MARIA VALLE, JECHE VANCE, IEME CALUMPIANO, RAYA CILINDRO, MARIA NUGUIT, AMBROSIO FLORES, LERIDAN GALANG, JESSIE GALANG, ADORMEO MABAYOC, AGUSTIN AGUILAR, SR., AGUSTIN AQUINO JR., GENEROSA AQUINO, ANITA BOUTIN, MATILDE OLARTE, ROSALINA AMORES, TOMASA AGUAYA, MAITE LOCUQUIO, BENJAMIN NIEVA, ROSENDA BALOT, PRISCILLA & PESCASIO DIWA SR., EMILIO and JOEL AGUILA, ANDREA PUZON, LORENZO TAALA JR., FE MULATA, LORITA MUNDO, JUANITA CELEBRADOS, RAEQUA, RUDY & CRISTY BAUTISTA and those dying everyday in calamities and battles around the world.

- May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Stop by or call the FCMM office (514 387 – 5292) during normal business hours and have a Mass offered for your intention.

The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the GLORY OF GOD and AS THANKSGIVING offered by JOSEFINA, CELY and TOMAS GARCIA.
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