



Discipleship and how?

Rejection is a major theme of Luke's Gospel because it was a frequent experience of our Lord. It is interesting to note a pattern: each major phase of **Jesus' ministry begins with rejection**. How does this apply to us as the Lord's disciples?

First we should realize that it is OK to desire understanding and acceptance and to hurt when it is not received. Our Lord did! But then we must also realize that He steadfastly preferred the pain of rejection to compromise of his principles or his mission. Are we willing to follow him in that? We must, if we love him and love lost sinners. The biggest reason why opportunities to witness for Christ are missed is not our inability to articulate the Gospel clearly or handle objections to it effectively (though some of us surely need work there), nor is it our failure to care (though none of us cares enough). If we are to be honest we must admit that the biggest reason is **simple fear of rejection**. We are not willing to risk that pain, for it is surely among the greatest that we ever face. **He was despised and rejected by men, and it hurt him more than we will ever be able to understand**. But he also heard his Father say, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." He has had a mighty host of followers who were gladly ready to give their lives for him, they loved him so much. Some day every knee will bow and every mouth will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. He could never have had that joy if he had not been willing to face that pain. And neither can we. How then should we deal with rejection as disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ? Expect it. **Those who rejected Him will reject us as well, for the same reasons. Accept it**. The joy that is set before you, acceptance by God, hearing the Father say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," is not worthy to be compared with the sufferings we undergo now. And, most importantly, respond to it as our Lord did, not with rejection in turn, but with love. James and John reacted to rejection in the natural human way: **they were hurt and they wanted to strike back**. But Jesus rebuked them. "You do not know what kind of spirit you are of. The Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them" (9:55-6). Can I love those who reject me? Can you? No. But Christ has already done it. And Christ in us can do it still. Let us ask him to do so, for the opportunity is certainly going to be presented.

Helpful Story:

On a British Airways flight from Johannesburg, a middle-aged, well-off white South African Lady had found herself sitting next to a black man. She called the cabin crew attendant over to complain about her seating. "What seems to be the problem Madam?" asked the attendant. "Can't you see?" she said. "You've sat me next to a kaffir. I can't possibly sit next to this disgusting human being. Find me another seat!" "Please calm down Madam." the stewardess replied. "The flight is really full today, but I'll tell you what I'll do- I'll go and check to see if we have any seats available in club or first class." The woman cocks a snooty look at the outraged black man beside her (not to mention at many of the surrounding passengers also). A few minutes later the stewardess returns with the good news, which she delivers to the lady, who cannot help but look at the people around her with a smug and self satisfied grin: "Madam, unfortunately, as I thought, economy is full. I've spoken to the cabin services director, and the club is also full. However, we do have one seat in first class". Before the lady has a chance to answer, the stewardess continues... "It is most extraordinary to make this kind of upgrade however and I have had to get special permission from the captain. But, given the circumstances, the captain felt that it was outrageous that someone be forced to sit next to such an obnoxious person." With that, she turned to the black man sitting next to her, and said: "So if you'd like to get your things, Sir, I have your seat ready for you in first class up at the front..." at which point, apparently, the surrounding passengers stood and gave a standing ovation while the black guy walks up to first class in the front of the plane.

God bless you,
Fr. Rudolf

GUARDIAN ANGELS NEWS & EVENTS

Special Celebrations in July:

- **Feast of our Lady of Mount Carmel- July 16**
There will be a Special Mass in the evening at 7:00 pm; brown scapulars of Our Lady of Carmel will be blessed and distributed before Mass – light reception follows in the Millennium Parish Hall.
- **GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION FOR OUR PASTOR, FR. RUDOLF (50th Birthday)!**
Saturday, July 24th at the Millennium Parish Hall. DINNER PLUS!!! MUSIC APPRECIATION featuring PS. 98 BAND; you may dance to the music too if you feel like it! Tickets at \$15; please call Cecile at 604 683-0143 or the parish office.

***Psalm 98 Band is a group of young adult Catholics who are members of the Youth Ministry of different parishes in the Archdiocese.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS-

Next meeting: Thursday, July 8th at 7:00 pm in the Millennium Hall. Contact: Sean Hinton 778-938-7326

FIRST FRIDAY- Please sign-up for the all day adoration on Friday, July 2nd. Benediction at 6:40 pm will be followed by Mass at 7:00 pm

PROJECT ADVANCE 2010

As of June 21, 2010

Total Pledges Received	\$ 44,270.00
Total No. of Donors	- 60 -
Percentage of Donors	10 %
Archdiocesan Goal	29,500.00
Parish Goal	59,000.00

Thank you to the donors who have already responded to our appeal. If we hit our parish goal, we will get a Rebate. This can be used to help fund our projects like the renovation of the Sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity. Fr. Rudolf

(Diocesan news continued) :

DIOCESAN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Please visit www.rcav.org/employment and www.cisva.bc.ca for details.

IN AND AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on October 15, 2010, e-mail 1009@retrouvaille.org OR call 604-530-6710 OR visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

IF YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED, THIS IS FOR YOU...

If you're planning on getting married in the Catholic Church, there are two options available for you from Catholic Engaged Encounter:

- 1) **Marriage Preparation Course at St. Peter's:** July 24 to 25 in New Westminster. Meals provided. Cost is \$175 per couple.
- 2) **Marriage Preparation Weekend at Rosemary Heights:** October 15 – 17. Meals and accommodation provided at a cost of \$350 per couple. Couples and priests are welcome to volunteer their service. For more information visit www.ceewest.com or phone 604.451.3300.

LAY MINISTRY COURSE IN ST. MARK'S COLLEGE

Come to St. Mark's from July 12 to 16 (1:30 to 4:00) for a course taught by Susan Campbell, Director of the Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Prince George, on how lay persons are called to serve within the Church. This course will examine the thoughts and reflections of church leaders, theologians, and lay ecclesial ministers. For info visit www.stmarkscollege.ca, email registrar@stmarkscollege.ca or call 604.822.4463

ARCHBISHOP MILLER LAUNCHES NEW WEB CALENDAR

Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, has recently launched a new online calendar that lists his upcoming events. This calendar is useful for anyone looking to hear him preach and teach, or for groups who are interested in having him attend their gatherings. View his calendar today: www.rcav.org/archbishopscalendar

PARISH INFORMATION:

Fr. Rudolf V. D'Souza, OCD Pastor

In-Residence:

Fr. Mario Fernandes, OCD - St. Paul's Hosp. Chaplain
Riz Geronimo - Parish Secretary

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Office hours: Monday & Tuesday; Thursday & Friday
8:30 am – 4:00 pm
(Lunch break 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm)

Church Open: Mon. Tues, Thurs., and Friday
8 am to 4 pm (except during Holidays).
CHURCH CLOSED: Wednesday and
Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass

New in the Parish? Please register by filling in the 'NEW' Parish Registration / Census Form available in the vestibule. You may drop in the collection basket at Mass or submit to the Parish Office.

Moved / Moving? -Pls. fill out 'Change of Address' form

Sunday Envelopes - will make your contributions / donations tax deductible. If you need a set of Sunday envelopes after you have already registered, please fill out the little form 'Request for Sunday Envelopes'.

Prayer Requests:

For the sick and infirm priests, our brothers and sisters, Linda Smith, Iva Bricel, Harold Chisholm, Barry McDermott, Dick Herring, Eddie Bilek, Margaret Stepler, Lucille Johnston, Ralph Milbum, Marjorie McLaughlin, Milta Rapalo, Ida Brown, Sonja Lawrence, Colleen Mason, Jara Asterova, Ollie Korinetz, Zenaida Nicolas, Doreen Millburn, Helena Glavot, Zeenith Garay, Florence Nichols, Joanne Borrys and all the sick / shut-ins of our Parish whom we may not know by name.



VISITORS:

Thank you for visiting. We wish you a safe trip to all places you may have to go until you reach home. Please visit our website: www.guardianangelsocd.org

Liturgical Celebrations: Regular Schedule

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday 4:00 pm (Anticipated Sunday Mass)
Sunday 9:00 am; 11:00 am; & 12:30 pm

Weekday Mass Times:

Monday 7:00 pm
Tuesday – Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am
First Friday 7:00 pm

Devotions / Prayers / Studies:

Morning Prayers/ Breviary: Tuesday-Friday 7:40 am
Sat. & Sunday 8:30 am
Perpetual Help Novena Wednesdays 7:00 pm
Infant Jesus of Prague Novena Mondays 6:30 pm
Divine Mercy Chaplet - Sundays 1:30 pm
1st Fridays– All Day Adoration – Benediction @ 6:40 pm
(except during Lent) 6:00 pm
RCIA - Tuesdays (Closed for summer) 7:00 pm
P.R.E.P. – Sundays (Closed for summer) 10:00 am

Celebration of the Sacraments:

Confession :

Saturdays –3:00 to 3:45 pm or by appointment.

Baptism:

Sundays at 12:30 pm. **Baptismal Prep Class is a requirement for parents** who register their babies for baptism. To register, please call the Parish Office at 604 684-5775 or **Tom Weaver – 604 408-2125.**

Matrimony:

One (if not both) of the parties is a registered parishioner for at least one year. Marriage Preparation Course is a must before any arrangements for the wedding are made.

Holy Communion for the Sick / Shut-ins:

Arrangements can be made with the Pastor or the Parish Office to receive Holy Communion at home.

Funerals and / or Prayers:

Please make arrangements with the Parish Office.

Guardian Angels Parish

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Rev. Rudolf V. D'Souza, OCD

Pastor

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13th Sunday In Ordinary Time



Love
your neighbor
as yourself.

Galatians 5: 14

June 27, 2010

Mass Intentions

Mon. June 28: +Nora Walsh+ By: Daniel Brooks

Tues. June 29: Int. of Barry McDermott

By: Gina McDermott

Wed. June 30: +Ernesto Mendoza+ By: Family

Thurs July 1: +Stephen Keane+

By: Sheila O'Flynn

Fri. July 2: Int. of Frs. Jason C. Oriasel &

Warren Puno By: Gloria McDermott

Sat. July 3:

9:00 am : Int. of Wilson Lownang

By: Family

4:00 pm: +Jaime & Josefina Chua Tiampo+

Sun. July 4:

9:00 am: +Jaime & Josefina Tiampo+

By: Helen Tiampo

11:00 am: Int. of Guardian Angels Parishioners

Scriptural Readings

Mon, June 28– St. Iranaeus
Amos 2:6-10, 13-16; Psalm 50; Matt. 8:18-22

Tues June 29 – Sts. Peter & Paul
Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34; 2Tim.4:6-8,17-18; Matt.16:13-19

Wed, June 30– Ferial
Amos 5:14-15,21-24; Ps. 50; Matt. 8:28-34

Thurs, July 1 –Canada Day
Amos 7:10-17; Psalm 19; Matthew 9:1-8

Fri, July 2 – Ferial
Amos 8:4-6,9-12; Psalm 119; Matt. 9:9-13

Sat, July 3- St. Thomas
Eph. 2:19-22; Psalm 117; John 20:24-29

Parish Committees / Ministries:

Parish Council **Barry Kovalskie** 604 605-1372
Project Advance 604 684-5775
Knights of Columbus **Arie Smits** 604 324-3758

Baptismal Prep **Tom Weaver** 604 408-2125
RCIA - **Ola Grodecka** 604 669-4745
P.R.E.P. **Theresa Walls** 604 646-6652

Altar Servers **Fr. Jerry / Heather** 604 684-5775

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Readers **Theresa Walls** 604 646-6652

Legion of Mary **Rufina Amandiz** 604 325-9921

Marivic Escribel 604 434-8280

Hospitality **Cecile Bozyk** 604 683-0143

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Let us offer prayers for the soul of: