



Guardian Angel Cathedral

May 2010

Volunteer and Staff Newsletter

Las Vegas, Nevada

Meetings and Committees

- **Television**
Wed May 5 – 6:30pm
Michael La Rocca
GAC Ofc: 735-5241
- **Senior Club**
Tues. May 4 – 1:00pm
Call: 363-6820
- **Oktoberfest**
Edgar Velazquez/Chair
Call: 813-2657
Barbara Burke/Crafts
Call: 871-9065
Theresa Gagliano/ Bake
Sale Call: 658-
3211
- **St. Joseph's Table**
Julie Andriaccio/Chair
Call: 735-1065
- **Meetings held in
Anderson Hall**

Music

- **Cantors and Holiday
Chorus** Debbie
Cenna/GAC Music Dir.
Call: 612-4466
- **Diocesan/Cathedral
Choir**
Mondays 7pm
Marek Rachelski/Dir.
Call: 565-5060

GAC Office Closed

Memorial Day – Monday
May 31, 2010

Our Lady of Fatima



*Thursday May 13th at the 12:10 pm Mass,
GAC will celebrate Our Lady of Fatima with
Mass for Our Lady, Procession of the Statue of
Our Lady of Fatima, recitation of the Rosary
and veneration of the Statue until 3:00 pm.
Proceeds from this annual event benefit our
Cathedral Television Ministry.*

Pope Benedict XVI announced he will dispense with the five-year waiting period established by Canon Law to open the cause of beatification of Sister Lucia, one of the three Fatima visionaries.

A communiqué of the Vatican press office states: "Benedict XVI has revoked the five-year waiting period established by the canonical norms (cf. Article 9 of the 'Normae Servandae'), and he has allowed for the diocesan phase of the Carmelite's cause of beatification to begin only three years after her death."

Lucia de Jesus dos Santos was 10 years old when she said she saw for the first time, on May 13, 1917, a lady whom she later identified as the Blessed Virgin Mary, in the Cova de Iria.

She saw the vision with her cousins Francisco and Jacinta Marto, who were beatified by John Paul II in Fatima, in 2000. In a pastoral letter dated Oct. 13, 1930, the bishop of Leiria-Fatima, José Alves Correia da Silva, declared the apparitions of Fatima worthy of faith and allowed public devotion. Since then, the shrine has become a center of spirituality and pilgrimage of international scope.

Born in Aljustrel in 1907, Lucia moved to Oporto in 1921, and at 14 was admitted as a boarder in the School of the Sisters of St. Dorothy in Vilar, on the city's outskirts. On Oct. 24, 1925, she entered the Institute of the Sisters of St. Dorothy and at the same time was admitted as a postulant in the congregation's convent in Tuy, Spain, near the Portuguese border. She made her first vows on Oct. 3, 1928, and her perpetual vows on Oct. 3, 1934, receiving the name Sister Mary of the Sorrowful Mother.

She returned to Portugal in 1946 and two years later entered the Carmelite convent of St. Teresa in Coimbra, where she made her profession as a Discalced Carmelite on May 31, 1949, taking the name Sister Maria Lucia of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart.

She wrote two volumes, one entitled "Memories" and the other "Appeals of the Fatima Message." In her writings, she recounts how the Virgin Mary and Child Jesus appeared to her on other occasions, years after the initial apparitions.

The mortal remains of the Carmelite were moved in 2006 to the Shrine of Fatima. The body of the nun, who died at age 97, is buried next to Jacinta. Francisco is buried in the same basilica.

Cathedral Events

- **Our Lady/Fatima Day**
Thurs May 13, 2010
12:10 Mass
- **6th Annual 2010 Oktoberfest Craft & Bake Sale**
Sat & Sun Oct 2 & 3
- **Christmas Midnight Mass LIVE Telecast**
Sat Dec 25, 2010
12mid to 1:30am on KLAS TV Channel 8
- **St Joseph's Table**
Sat March 19, 2011

2010 Workshops

- **Liturgical Ministries**
EM's May 18 & Sept 21 @ 6:30pm
Lectors May 19 & Sept 22 @ 6:30pm
Servers May 20 & Sept 23 @ 6:30pm
- You must attend a workshop once a year for each ministry in which you are involved.
All workshops in the Church & will not exceed 3hrs.

- The Monthly Schedule & Newsletter can be found online at: lasvegas-diocese.org Go to Parishes, and click on the GAC page.
- Deadline for schedule conflicts 15th of the month.
- **Contact: Michael La Rocca, Dir. Liturgical Ministries**
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The Ascension

The elevation of Christ into heaven by His own power in the presence of His disciples on the fortieth day after His Resurrection.

"...The National Conference of Catholic Bishops of the United States decrees that the Ecclesiastical Provinces of the United States may transfer the Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ from Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter to the Seventh Sunday of Easter..."

The Code of Canon Law / Canon 1246B2

Our Province has transferred the Solemnity of the Ascension. Therefore, **May 13, 2010 will be celebrated as the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima and the Ascension of Our Lord has been transferred to Sunday May 16, 2010 (Including the Saturday Vigil Masses.)**

LEMP GRADUATION AT GAC On **Sunday May 16th at 2:30pm** in the Cathedral, Bishop Pepe will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word and officially commission the second class of Lay Ecclesial Ministers for the Diocese of Las Vegas. Please show your support for this second class of graduates for our Diocese from the **Lay Ecclesial Ministries Program (LEMP)**.

PENTECOST CONFIRMATION AT GAC Young people from parishes in Pahrump and Laughlin will be coming to our Cathedral on Pentecost **Sunday, May 23rd at 2:30pm**, to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Pepe. You are invited to attend the Confirmation Mass and Reception in Anderson Hall following Mass. Please come and welcome our visitors to Guardian Angel Cathedral.

MAY LITURGICAL MINISTRIES WORKSHOPS Please remember that all Liturgical Ministries must attend one workshop per calendar year for each Ministry in which you are involved. **The May workshops are coming up and listed in the column to your left.** Please RSVP to Michael La Rocca by email or GAC office phone if you are planning on attending the May workshops.

MICHAEL'S BIRTHDAY FUNDRAISER FOR TV Mark your calendars now for **Friday evening June 4th between 5:00 and 9:00 pm** at Cici's Pizza, 4445 West Charleston Blvd. at Decatur in the Wal-Mart Shopping Plaza (702) 293-2422. Not only is this our beloved Michael's Birthday, but Cici's Pizza will be donating **10% of all sales from our group to the GAC Television Ministry.** If you have never experienced Cici's this is a really wonderful Pizza Buffet. Please check for fliers and bulletin announcements about the event. Gifts for Michael should be check or cash to the GAC Television Ministry only. He will not be accepting personal gifts. Michael's Birthday and Pizza! As Fr. Larry would say, "All this and heaven too."

MOTHER'S DAY **Sunday May 9th** we celebrate **Mother's Day.** Even though the secular holiday must not diminish the Celebration of the Eucharist (*The Ordo*), there will be a special intercession and blessing for our Mom's at Masses where the celebrant would like to use the blessing. All of us at GAC pray for our Mom's that have gone before us, and wish all Mom's a very **Happy Mother's Day!!!**

A MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE Let us all pause for a moment this **May 31st** and pray for the souls of our Military men and women, whom through their courage and sacrifice over the centuries have kept America, **"The land of the free and home of the brave!!!"**

