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CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS

APRIL/MAY 2009

April/May Mass Schedule

Sunday, April 5

11 AM 7PM 9 PM

Easter Sunday, April 12

11 AM

Sunday, April 19

11 AM 7PM 9 PM

Sunday, April 26

11 AM 7PM 9 PM

Sunday, may 3

11 AM 7PM 9 PM

Weekdays: 8 AM Chapel at Donahue Hall & 12:05 PM Chapel of Mary
Confessions: Please come to Campus Ministry or call ext. 1487 for an appointment to see one of the priests to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

HOPE RETURNS

After long journeys to distant lands and interesting places, a tired but energized group of Stonehill students returned from their H.O.P.E. experiences in Peru, Honduras, the Dominican Republic, Tennessee, New Orleans, Texas and New York City. While their places were distinct and the work accomplished varied, one and all of our happy travelers returned with stories of new friendships made, projects accomplished, new skills learned, laughter and tears and a burning desire to do more because so much more needs to be done.

This years trip saw a record number of Stonehill students participate and saw the addition of Texas as a site. Another trip is preparing for departure during the local school break for those who could not go at this time because of student teaching. They will be traveling to the Dominican Republic. (See page 4)

Tennessee



New Orleans



THE TRIDUUM: CELEBRATING REDEMPTION IN CHRIST



The Easter Triduum, (April 17-19) the culmination of the entire liturgical year, is the most important time of the church calendar. Recalling the events of these days, our meditation is marked by sorrow and joy as we dwell on the mystery of our redemption and the gift of eternal life. The observance begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the night of April 17, Holy Thursday, which marks Jesus' last supper with his friends, the washing of the apostles' feet and the institution of the Eucharist "in remembrance of me." Good Friday is a day of fasting and mourning, focused on the Passion of Jesus and the adoration of the Cross but always within the context of the Resurrection. The Easter Vigil marks the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and ranks as the "mother of all vigils." It is marked by the lighting of the new fire and the blessing of the Paschal Candle, the proclamation of the great stories of our redemption, and culminates in the celebration of the initiation sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, with the use of water and holy oils. "There is a wealth of important symbolism within the Easter Triduum,"

ETHNIC CUSTOMS INVOLVING THE TRIDUUM

While the ritual observances remain the same, there are also cultural celebrations of various ethnic groups associated with the observance of these days. For example on the Thursday of the Triduum, following the Eucharistic Liturgy, members of the Polish, Slovak and Hispanic communities, among others, often visit several nearby churches to continue the Eucharistic adoration. On Good Friday, especially in the Hispanic community, there is a traditional procession of the Stations of the Cross through the streets of the parish to focus on the Lord's passion and death. On Saturday of the Triduum, the blessing of baskets of the food which will be served at the family's Easter meal, an Eastern European custom, often extends to the entire parish community. All of these celebrations are connected to the theme of the Triduum, "Christ's dying and rising again, which is key to our faith."

Easter Parades - Frolicking While Rome Burns

The Roman Emperor Constantine has alleged to be responsible for starting the traditional Easter Parade. It seems the common folk were ordered to dress up in their Sunday-Best to observe the Holy Day. That's one of the nice things about being an Emperor, you get to do things like proclaim "Easter Shall Be Sunday" and make it stick.. One thing led to another and all those dressed up people started sashaying around and thus the parade thing began. (Something like that).

APRIL 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Lights are On	2	3	4
5 Palm Sunday	6 Tenebrae 7 PM	7	8 Way of The Immigrants 1:30	9 Holy Thursday 4:30 PM	10 Good Friday 3 PM	11
Easter Break				Easter Break		
12 Easter 11 AM	13	14	15	16	17	18
Easter Break						
19 Confirmation 7 PM Mass	20	21	22 Academic Dev. day	23	24	25 Student Life Awards
26	27	28	29	30		

MAY 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 CM Open House	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Baccalaureate Mass
17 Commencement—no Masses	18	19	20	21	22	23

Honduras



New York City



Texas



Peru



Dominican Republic



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Chapel and Office Hours during Academic Year: Monday through Thursday 8:30 AM to 9:00 PM, Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

The Chapel of Mary is open every Sunday through Thursday, twenty four hours a day, when classes are in session, for *prayer and quiet reflection*. The Chapel is also open Fridays until 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. You are invited to use this beautiful sacred space