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## PASTORAL MUSINGS . . .

# Why Do You Believe All This?

*(This week's Pastoral Musings . . . is offered by Fr. Bob Hutmacher, OFM, Director of Worship)*

A good friend asked me that question a few months ago - amid the crush and noise of the Blue Line! My immediate response was a very loud "Because it works!" A multi-pierced man next to us raised an arched eyebrow and smiled while a lady next to my friend almost cracked her neck when she whirled around. I sensed they both wanted to know more. When my friend pushed for further details, I asked if he could wait till we left the train. Disappointed commuters went back to their own pierced and tired worlds and we exited three stops later to continue the conversation.

Every Sunday and on major feasts we stand in church and recite the Creed. I can recite it flawlessly. I do believe what we profess. Some tenets have been and still are surrounded by questions; I believe questions are vital in keeping our faith alive, vibrant and meaningful. But I don't intend this column to be a checkpoint for orthodoxy. I want to share two things about our faith that enrich my own life.

In 1976 I was in graduate theology studies at Catholic Theological Union, working toward the Master of Divinity degree we must complete before being ordained. At the time I was in the middle of a two quarter course on Christology with our own Fr. Zachary Hayes, O.F.M. and Fr. Don Senior, C.P. It was one of those courses that first challenged everything you thought to be fixed and safe and then new ideas propelled you at warp speed into an entirely new perspective on the subject of the course. One day I was talking in the hallway with Zachary, not knowing what to do with all this new information

about the historical Jesus, dense and difficult theological concepts, scriptural titles like "Kyrios" and conciliar statements from the 4<sup>th</sup> century. Zach just smiled and gave me the best advice ever: "**The purpose of any religious system is to help us make sense out of life and point us beyond ourselves.**" I've never forgotten his advice. And you know what? It works!

Two years after I was ordained I was very seriously ill and faced Sr. Death, even though my doctors didn't realize it at first. *We look for the resurrection from the dead, and the life of the world to come.* That is a doctrinal statement we profess weekly. Theology is rooted in the lived experience of God and my lived experience on April 21, 1981 was realizing that I could die at 32. Where was God? In the prayerful support of my family, fellow friars and medical personnel. Doctors and nurses were wonderful and they rectified the problem through surgery and restored me to life. My three weeks in Mercy Hospital taught me what a lived faith does for one's life. I touched death and God touched me profoundly. Our faith helped me **make sense out of life**, and it worked!

The concept of an afterlife is found in all the world's revealed religions. I love ours: the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ. It has brought salvation and eternal life to all. There are eye witnesses to the Resurrection of Christ. I have come to understand that the Paschal Mystery is an historical fact in Scripture, a theological concept, a revealed doctrine and a Catholic dogma we must believe. I also know the Paschal Mystery is a pattern for life, a rhythm we actually experience. *Praise be to you, my Lord, for our Sister Death, from whom no mortal can escape.* St. Francis wrote added that to his "Canticle of the Creatures" a few weeks before his death in 1226; it also holds much meaning for me and millions who believe in the Resurrection. Death

is a part of life, an event to be embraced. And we don't have to wait until the moment of death to experience the Resurrection.

Consider the periods of life when one lives in constant darkness or inner pain or a total loss of meaning. What or who is it that pulls us through? How do humans survive the horrors of war, genocide, the loss of a child, unjust imprisonment, hatred, or other terrible events without a view of life that **points us beyond ourselves**? How do we cope with realities like losing a job or the bank repossessing our house? When any of us is diagnosed with cancer how do we accept it, fight and live on with dignity? I can't tell you how much I love our faith! Were it not for the kernel my parents planted in me and my brothers and sister long ago I would not be writing this column. Were it not for an incredible education in many Catholic institutions I wouldn't have the faith I have. Were it not for the fact that Zachary taught me to **look beyond myself** with eyes of faith, I would not have passed through that April of 1981 with equanimity.

I do not fear death. I not only believe in *the life of the world to come*, I know it awaits us. The Paschal Mystery, with all its scriptural, theological and doctrinal layers, is real. Faith in this Mystery helps us know that God raises us to new life more than once during our earthly existence. These Sundays of August we're reading the "Bread of Life Discourse" from the Gospel of John. *I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever.* That forever began with the Christ event and **helps us make sense out of life**. Yes, it works! It really does work!

Switch gears now... One day in Daley Plaza I met a man who comes to St. Peter's and he asked: "How come you're always in a good mood?" Hmmm. That's a nice compliment and he (*continued on page 4*)

**Activities This Week**

**Sunday, August 20**

10:30 am Santa Maria de Guadalupe SFO (C)

**Monday, August 21**

12:10 pm Ministry to Divorced/Separated (C)

**Tuesday, August 22**

5:30 pm Legion of Mary (P)

**Wednesday, August 23**

12:10 pm Repair My House (A/B)

12:10 pm San Damiano SFO (C)

12:45 pm Organ Recital (Ch)

5:30 pm Meditative/Contemplative Prayer (B)

6:30 pm St. Pascal SFO (C)

**Thursday, August 24**

12:10 pm AA (C)

12:10 pm Prayer Group (P)

**Friday, August 25**

12:10 pm Bible Study (C)

**Key to Abbreviations**

A/B/C: St. Clare Auditorium

CH: Church

P: St. Paschal Room

FCh: Friary Chapel

**12- Step Meetings**

AA: Thursdays at Noon (A)

**WEEKEND PRESIDERS**

**Saturday, August 19**

5:00 pm - Fr. Bob Hutmacher

**Sunday, August 20**

9:00 am - Fr. Michael-Luke Ubben

11:00 am - Fr. Bob Pawell

12:30 pm - Fr. Elric Sampson

6:00 pm - Fr. Bob Sprott

**Ministry to Divorced and Separated - Mondays: 12:10 - 12:50 pm in St. Clare Auditorium (C)** This is a support group for divorced or separated who want to find recovery and reclaim peace in their heart and mind.

**Organ Concert - Wednesday, August 23** Br. Gary Jeriha, OFM, St. Peter's organist and Jazz pianist, will give a 20 minute concert following the 12:15 pm Mass to acquaint all visitors to the renewed 1953 Reuter organ of three manuals, 30 registers and 47 stops. All are welcome. *Next concert - Wednesday, September 20 by Andrew P. Fredel*, St. Peter's organist and choirmaster.

**Meditative/Contemplative Prayer Group Wednesdays: 5:30 - 6:00 pm in the St. Clare Auditorium (B)** Br. Clarence Klingert, ofm, leads this one-half hour of silent contemplative prayer. The meditation is followed by a short period of shared reflection and/or questions. The session begins and ends promptly to allow for commuting schedules. All those with an interest in this prayer style are invited to participate.

**Bible Study - Fridays: 12:10 - 12:50 pm in the St. Clare Auditorium (C)** Fr. Lawrence Jadgefeld, OFM, leads discussion on the Scripture readings for the coming Sunday. All are welcome to attend.

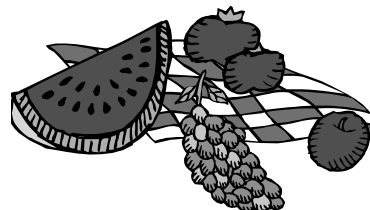
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*(Pastoral Musings continued from page 2)* obviously never saw me when I get a publisher's rejection slip. But after further thought, why shouldn't I be in a good mood most days? I love God's creativity and humor. We are surrounded by God's works of art and funny, funny things.

Have you ever looked a camel in the face? Whew! Now there's a masterpiece! Think of the strata of rock you see when driving on a highway carved through a mountain? You should know from our church's environment that I love flowers, mystified since a little boy by the beauty each variety holds within itself. How do roses know how to do what they do? Why do clouds take such marvelous shapes and forms? How did the waters of the Colorado River carve the grandeur of the Grand Canyon? What of our universe that seems to have no end and no center? And babies! Wow! Just the noises they make are hilarious, to say nothing of gestures they use to discover their feet! Why can a snake smell with its tongue and I can't smell a thing with my nose?

The created order spills over into how God imparts his creativity into our genetic codes. How did Gustav Mahler shape notes into the power of his mighty symphonies? Frank Gehry's *Pritzker Pavillion*, Piensa's *Crown Fountain* and Anish Kapoor's *Cloudgate* are world class treasures just four blocks from church. The personal computer just marked its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary this month; consider how creativity brings incredibly rapid changes in technology. Breeze through a card store and be amazed at how artists create such a variety that it takes a half hour to choose the right birthday card! Think of what it took for a master craftsman to carve those great doors of our Cultural Center. Gaze at the detail of our copy of Michelangelo's *Pieta* in church; his ability to carve the veins in Christ's hands

and the folds in Mary's garments could only have come from divine inspiration.

I love to be amazed by God's creativity. Whether it's a masterpiece by a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader on a refrigerator or the majesty of a wave, we are surrounded by the Mystery of our Creator. That's probably why I prefer to read marvelous novels like Lisa See's *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* or *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini and see new lands than spend a vacation at a certain amusement park in Florida. When we, God's children, allow ourselves to see, hear, smell, taste and touch God's creation, wondrous things happen. Friendships grow. We become more sensitive to others' needs. The artist within is freed. Life is embraced as sacred, people are seen as images of our Creator. Idyllic? Yes. So is the vision of our Lord's promise that *whoever eats this bread will live forever*. The Paschal Mystery and the creativity of God ... two reasons why I love life and do not fear death. Two reasons **why I believe all this**. And it works! It really works! Now get out there, create something beautiful and have no fear.

Peace ~ Fr. Bob Hutmacher, ofm

## MEMORIAL CANDLES

You can arrange to have a year-long MEMORIAL VIGIL LIGHT lit for your special intention here at St. Peter's Church for a donation of **\$150**. Your gift to St. Peter's for the year-long Memorial Vigil Light helps to support our ministry and works. And on our part, you and your intentions are remembered daily in our prayers for our helpers and benefactors. Application Forms are available in the Front Office. For more information call (312) 372-5111 or contact Br. Tom Krull via e-mail at [SPC110MC@aol.com](mailto:SPC110MC@aol.com).

**WORKING WITH THE SCRIPTURES***(John 6:51-58)*

“You are what you eat.” You’ve probably heard the expression. It’s a favorite of dieticians and health food advocates alike. And if you’re on a diet, like I am much of the time, it might even prompt one to ask, “Do I really want to be a chocolate chip cookie?”

The fact is that what we eat forms the basic building blocks for every cell in our body. If our diet is too high in fats and carbohydrates we’re likely to become overweight. If sugars are off we may become diabetic. If we don’t get enough fiber it could affect our digestive system. Too little calcium could result in osteoporosis. Do we drink enough water? Is the food we eat organically grown? What kind of dietary supplements have been fed to the cow that ends up as the steak on our grill? The more we learn about how what we eat affects our health the more we find ourselves paying attention to what kinds of food we put into our body.

But what about our spirit? How do we feed and sustain that? Joe was downsized three times in five years. His spirit was starving. What kept him going? His family and friends. Their love and support fed him when his self-image – not to mention his bank account – was running on empty. “I am the living bread...”

Annette suffered a crippling injury when a truck slammed into her car. During the frantic ambulance ride to the hospital the only thing she heard was the voice of the EMT assuring her that everything was going to be all right. That voice was the lifeline that kept her connected to the world of the living. “[M]y flesh for the life of the world...”

Jesus feeds us in many ways – through a friend who gives us money to buy groceries; through a stranger who stays with us when we’re afraid. Jesus feeds us, and then He waits. Will we become bread for others? Will we feed as we have been fed? What would it look like if we really believed that we are called to become what we eat?

*Vinal Van Bentem*

**Scripture Readings  
for the Week****Sunday, August 20**

Prv 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

**Monday, August 21**

Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday, August 22**

Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday, August 23**

Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday, August 24**

Rev 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51

**Friday, August 25**

Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday, August 26**

Ez 43:1-7; Mt 23:1-12

**Saints' Days and  
Special Observances****Sunday, August 20**

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday, August 21**

St. Pius X, Pope, III Order

**Tuesday, August 22**

The Queenship of Mary

**Wednesday, August 22**

St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

**Thursday, August 23**

St. Bartholomew, Apostle

**Friday, August 24**

St. Louis IX, Patron of III Order

**Saturday, August 25**

Blessed Virgin Mary



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### **United Nations International Day of Peace Thursday, September 21, 2006**

Please help us create **1,000 Origami Cranes** to celebrate this Day of Peace! The cranes will soar above the shrine of St. Francis, the little man of peace from September 21 through the days of our Franciscan Festival in October. After the Festival, we will send them to Hiroshima, Japan, to be hung in the Children's Museum for Peace. We invite you to be part of this Day of Peace by making the origami cranes at home or with us here at St. Peter's. Some people involve their religious education classes, family members, scout troops - be creative! We don't want to limit ourselves to 1000 cranes. **Andrew Fredel will offer a hands-on session of origami crane folding on Friday, August 18 from 12:10 - 12:50 pm in the St. Clare Auditorium.** Instructions are also available in the Front Office.

#### **Ever thought about becoming a Secular Franciscan . . . ?**

Have you ever thought you had a vocation yet never felt drawn to religious life? God may be calling you to be a **Secular Franciscan**. The Brother Jacoba Community, a Secular Franciscan Fraternity here at St. Peter's, will be having the orientation session of its new inquirers' class on Wednesday, August 30, following the 5:00 Mass, in the St. Clare Auditorium (basement of St. Peter's).

*Many thanks to those of you who have contributed to St. Peter's collection this last week. Your gifts are essential to our ministry, and we are grateful.*

**\$4,650.00 Total Weekday Collection during the week of August 3 - 9, 2006**

**(An average of \$129.16 for each of 36 weekday Masses)**

\$3,264.00 Total Sunday Collection for August 5 - 6, 2006

**(An average of \$652.80 for each of 5 Sunday Masses)**

**\$7,914.00 Total Collection at Sunday and Weekday Masses August 3 - 9, 2006**

*Some who visit St. Peter's are confused about our funding and think we are a supported ministry of the Archdiocese. Not so! The costs related to the 41 Masses, the 57 hours of Confession, and counseling from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM that we provide each week must be funded by those of you who grace our pews. The Friars are delighted to provide these and other services, but can only do so with your support—both prayerful and financial. Please be generous!*

**Your FINANCIAL PLANNING can help St. Peter's Church have a future!  
Peter Wells can point out how a gift to our Church can be in your financial best interests as well as those of your other heirs. Please, give him a call at 773-775-5310. You might just do yourself, them, and us a favor!**

# Franciscan Festival

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2006

Here at St. Peter's Church one of the ways in which we hope to be of service to the Chicago community is our annual *Pax et Bonum* (Peace and Everything Good) Award. Each year St. Peter's Church offers this recognition to an individual in the Chicago area who "EXEMPLIFIES THE FRANCISCAN VALUES OF LOVE OF GOD, CARE OF THE POOR THROUGH THE WORKS OF JUSTICE AND PEACE, AND RESPECT FOR ALL CREATION." This year we honor **KATE MARSHALL**.

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KATE MARSHALL

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## Announcing the

### 2006 Franciscan Festival Art Exhibition

The Solemnity of Francis of Assisi is October 4. This year we are inviting artists to submit works of a RELIGIOUS or SPIRITUAL NATURE for our exhibition that will be open to the public October 1 - 10, 2006 in the St. Clare Auditorium (lower level of St. Peter's Church). This invitation is extended to all artists who work in 2 dimensional media and sculpture. The deadline for submission of slides/works is September 1. This is a juried show and cash prizes will be awarded. Application forms stating all the necessary requirements for submission of works are available at the front office of St. Peter's or through Fr. Bob Hutmacher, Director of Worship (312) 853-2412 or e-mail: [stpeterloop.org](mailto:stpeterloop.org).



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TRANSITUS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3 - 7:30 PM

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

SOLEMN MASS - 11:40 AM

**Confidentially from Fr. Paul Gallagher - Director of Young Adult Ministry @ St. Peter's...**

My experience in the confessional leads me to the conclusion that there is a growing number of young adults struggling with the issue of pornography, largely, via the internet. For those struggling with this issue, often will power and prayer aren't enough to break out of the cycle. I would like to help those who are dealing with this issue but do need some help from those of you are dealing with this issue with some success. I invite your comments and suggestions. Please contact me at frpaul.stpeter@yahoo.com or call me on my direct line at (312) 628-1252.

***From the Mission Diocese of Tezpur, India . . .***

The Diocese of Tezpur is situated in the North Eastern corner of India, bordering on China, Tibet and Myanmar (Burma), having an area of 90,000 square kilometers; with 6,000,000 inhabitants of whom more than 200,000 are Catholics looked after by 90 Priests, 236 Religious Sisters in 43 Parish Centers. It comprises the lofty Himalayan Mountainous Ranges on the North covered with dense tropical forests. Down below in the South is the vast Brahmaputra Valley named after the Mighty Brahmaputra River which runs its course some 1500 kms and broadens as much as 10 kms in some places. The Brahmaputra Valley is famous for its Assam Tea.

The land is beautiful and picturesque, and the people are simple and good, but they are poor illiterate, backward and very much exploited. They are tribal people. Most of them live in the forests or valleys, where there are no roads, no schools, no hospitals. Even if there are some schools and hospitals, these are found in few towns and among well to do people. Apart from education, social and economic developments, these simple tribal people need food, clothes, medicine, good drinking water etc., as their most essential commodities for their daily livelihood.

One of the most urgent needs of our people is the health care. For lack of doctors, medicines and medical equipments, thousands of people die, mostly women and children. Once, the Bishop had gone with a group of Sisters and Priests, with due permission from the Government, to a place on the Himalayan Mountains some 600 Km away. They remained 3 days there. The Sisters treated hundreds of people suffering from various sicknesses, giving free medicines. When the time came for the Bishop and the Priests and Sisters to go away, some came and told the Bishop, "Bishop, the Government has built here 3 buildings for a Health Center, but no Doctor wants to come and stay here. Kindly tell the Sisters to stay here and take care of the sick." The Bishop replied, "The Government does not want the Priests and Sisters to stay here." Another lady came and said to the Bishop, "Bishop, kindly allow me to take my child in your jeep to a doctor 50 kilometers from here." The Sisters on consultations said "The child is too sick and will not survive in the rough road if taken by jeep. We have already given the medicines to the lady." But on the mother's insistence the child was put in the jeep. Hardly had the jeep gone 1 Km the child died.

All this make us feel the need of having a Health Center in our Diocese where it is most needed. We have chosen a center at Halam where some preliminary treatment can be given to people suffering from most common sicknesses and diseases. The Health Center at Halem will cost about Rs 40,000,000.00 or \$80,000.00. We would appreciate very much if our friends of good will, and generous heart and lovers of the Missions extend their hand to help us to make it possible for us to realize this project.

May the Good Lord bless all of you.

***A missionary will be here the weekend of August 26 - 27 speaking at all the Masses about this project.***

## September Programs

**All programs take place in the St. Clare Auditorium (basement of St. Peter's) from 12:10 - 12:50 pm. Programs are open to all. No registration is required. Free-will offering.**

**A Natural Way to Pray**  
*with Fr. Bob Pawell, O.F.M.*  
**Monday, September 5**

There is a great difference between "saying prayers" and praying. This multi-media presentation will offer some simple guidelines which can enhance and strengthen our prayer experience.

**The Book of Revelation and the Apocalyptic Literary Form**  
*with Fr. Bill Burton, O.F.M.*  
**Thursdays: September 7 - 28**

This four part series will focus on the Book of Revelation and the apocalyptic literary form employed in its service. Fr. Bill Burton will begin this series with an introduction to the apocalyptic genre and its sources beginning with the history of ancient Israel and the Old Testament; followed by a closer look at the only explicit example of apocalyptic literature in the Old Testament found in the Book of Daniel; in the final two weeks we will examine the use of the genre of apocalyptic as the mode through which the message of admonition and hope were transmitted by the early church as it suffered Roman persecution, and investigate why this particular book of the New Testament has sparked such wonder, devotion and misguided interpretations.

**Flannery O'Connor: The Concrete Expression of Mystery**  
*with Fr. Bob Sprott, O.F.M.*

**Mondays: September 11 - December 4** (no session Oct. 2 & 9)

This book study will work its way through the works of Flannery O'Connor, one of the most interesting and powerful American Catholic writers of the 20th century. Most of the time will be spent on her fictions (two novels and many short stories), but we will also read some of her essays and letters. Although the full study has eleven sessions in the fall of 2006 and another eleven sessions in the spring of 2007, people are free to come and participate as much or as little as they wish. Free-will offering at the door.

No registration is required, however, please bring a copy of the book we will be using *Flannery O'Connor: Collected Works*, by Flannery O'Connor. (Published by the Library of America; ISBN 0-940450-37-2; retails for \$35.00 - hardbound). The book is available for purchase for \$28.00 in the St. Peter's Book and Gift Shop.

**Wake Up: Spirituality for Today**  
**Monday, September 11 - How to Pray**  
**Tuesday, September 12 - How to Be Real**  
**Wednesday, September 13 - How to Love**

Fr. Bob Pawell, OFM, will host this series of three video conferences given by the late Fr. Anthony DeMello, S.J. In each of these sessions Fr. DeMello invites us to reflect and acknowledge the common illusions induced by our societal programming that keep us from true prayer, contact with God, Ultimate Reality, and the way of love. Fr. DeMello teaches the wisdom of the ages as well as the insights of sound psychology with stories and gentle humor leading to true conversion.

# Negativity and Change:

## Managing Depression and Anxiety



with Dr. Jerry Hiller

Wednesdays: July 19 - September 6

12:10 - 12:55 pm

St. Clare Auditorium

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Pax et Bonum  
Award

**August 23 -Negativity and the Change(s) I Would like to Make (If I Only Could)** - Even though we have made past changes, we still discount our abilities. What tools do "people of change" utilize? How do they think, feel, and act?

**Please note: No session of Repair My House on September 30.**

**September 6 - "Keep the Change!" Negativity, Change, and Maintenance of Change** - OK, we've made some changes. Just luck? Just temporary? Just in one area of my life? Have I turned the corner? Is this the beginning of something wonderful, or a fluke? "My negativity (or is it 'reality') tells me 'it won't last!'" Learn maintenance tools others successfully use...for the 'long haul'!

**No registration required. Bring your lunch and bring a friend!**

Missed a week of this new series, or do you want to hear it again . . . ?

*August 9 -Negativity and Change I Can't Control*

*August 2 -If I Change, What Next?*

*July 26 - I Need a Change, But I Don't Want to Change*

*July 19 - Negativity, Change, Depression and Anxiety*

To order CDs or for more info about Repair My House: Call Marilynn at (312) 902-3553; e-mail: [repairmyhouse@earthlink.net](mailto:repairmyhouse@earthlink.net); or visit: [www.repairmyhouse.org](http://www.repairmyhouse.org).

*BALANCE: The Passion for Intentional Living*  
Repair My House booklet by Dr. Jerry Hiller and Marilynn Rochon  
is available for \$8 in the St. Peter's Book & Gift Shop

## True Intimacy . . . some assembly required! - Part II

Date Night Dinner & Discussion for Couples

**NEW DATES - Fridays: September 15, October 27, November 17 & December 1**

6:30 - 9:30 pm/ St. Peter's Church (St. Clare Auditorium )

The Young Adult Ministry of St. Peter's Church invites couples (*married or engaged*) to give their relationship a present! Each evening will include a candlelight catered dinner followed by a ninety-minute hands-on workshop to help strengthen and enrich your relationship. Hosted by Fr. Paul Gallagher, ofm, with guest speakers Karin & Dennis McNicholas.

The sessions are especially for couples who have been together less than ten years, but any couple may find these evenings a great gift to their relationship. You are welcome to attend all four sessions or only those you are able.

Date Night Package: \$275/couple for all four sessions. Individual Sessions: \$85/ Couple  
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