

Real Catholic Men Newsletter

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*Take care, brothers,
that none of you have
an evil and unfaithful
heart, so as to forsake
the living God.*

Hebrews 2:12

Keep Your Eyes Peeled

By the time you receive this newsletter, over 100 e-mails and letters have been sent to parishes throughout Oregon and SW Washington announcing the 3rd Annual Real Catholic Men Conference. The announcement is also attached to this e-mail.

If you don't see the announcement in your parish bulletin in the next few weeks, please contact the parish office to see if they can get it in. It's always better if the request comes from a live person rather than an e-mail.

I want to thank all of you in advance who have decided to help out in this way. The only way we can increase attendance is by expanding our coverage and by word of mouth. You are an integral part of this mission. God bless you all!

New Incentives to Attend RCM Conference

I know I sent this information last month, but I think it is important. I am doing whatever I can to give every man who wants to attend the conference a way to make it there.

Here are some of the options to save you – and others that you bring along – some hard-earned money.

- Any returning attendee who brings along a new attendee will pay **just \$25** for himself and each person he brings with him. **That's a savings of \$10 per ticket!**
- Anyone who registers before April 15th (tax day!) pays **\$30 per ticket. That's a savings of \$5 per ticket!**
- Parishes or men's groups that purchase a block of 10 tickets will pay \$250 (again, **that's just \$25 per ticket**).
- And lastly, there's the new **"50 Bucks and a Book to Help a Brother"** program. **For a donation of just \$50**, you'll get a ticket to the 2010 conference, and a copy of Fr. Dave Pivonka's book, *Spiritual Freedom: God's Life-Changing Gift*, plus you'll be an inaugural donor to the "RCM Scholarship Fund" for those men who may only be able to afford part of the cost – or nothing at all – due to financial difficulty. My goal is to not have to turn anyone away from the conference due to the cost.

Working together, let's do all we can to make this the biggest RCM Conference yet – and turn even more hearts to Christ!

Women's Tea Tickets: Going, Going, Gone!

Real Catholic Ministries' first women's event is officially SOLD OUT!

The 50 tickets that were available have disappeared. Much to the pleasure of those who scooped them up, and to the disappointment of those who may have waited too long.

The event, which features guest speakers, good food, a small silent auction and the music of a beautiful string quartet, is going to become a regular feature from Real Catholic Ministries. As the calls for tickets came in, the one thing we continued to hear was that we need to expand in the future. So that's just what we'll do. While no date has been set for the 2nd Women's Tea for Life, we are sure that there is indeed going to be one.

Until then, Real Catholic Ministries will begin working diligently on the planning of the 1st Women Rejoice! Catholic Women's Conference which will take place on Sept. 24th, 2011. Sister Ann Shields is our first confirmed guest with others to be announced soon. Stay tuned!

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How Can You Help Your Brother?

It's no secret that we are living in some tough economic times. As we approach this year's conference, I'd like to make a special request of those of you who might be in a better financial situation than others.

When you send in your registration, please make a note if you would like to purchase an extra ticket for someone in need, or make a donation that will go into a scholarship fund. There is also the **"50 Bucks and a Book to Help a Brother"** program which is mentioned on page 1 of this newsletter.

I am not asking for this money for myself, since we're still in the "barely breaking even" stage here at RCM. All monies that come into RCM stay with RCM. I just know how much attending the conference could mean to men out there who are struggling.

Let me give you an example. A few days ago, my wife was at a church function. Someone came up to her and told her how much he appreciated what RCM is doing. He gave her a check. The amount is not important, but the money allowed for two men to be able to attend the men's retreat who would not have otherwise been able.

So, thank you for your past, present and future support. Many of your brothers in Christ are depending on you. Have a blessed Easter Season.

Other Upcoming Events Outside of RCM:

- "Life is Precious" Fundraiser. May 7th at St. Joseph in Vancouver, WA. For more information: www.PreciousIsLife.com
- St. Matthew Parish/School Auction is looking for volunteers. Contact Jim Mignano at 971-238-0804 for details.

RCM Retreat: It's Almost Here!

Currently, almost 30 men have registered for the 1st Real Catholic Men Retreat. And it's not too late for you and your friends to sign up!

The retreat is the weekend of April 9-11, and there are some great things planned: Faith Football™; LIVE Stations of the Cross; a cool video presentation; Adoration and more.

If you can't pay until the actual event, yet want to reserve a spot, just call and let me know. **You can also make payments if necessary.** Register today!

www.RealCatholicMen.com or 503-640-3456

Important Dates in April

April 1 st	Holy Thursday
April 2 nd	Good Friday
April 3 rd	Holy Saturday
April 4 th	Easter Sunday. He Is Risen!!!
April 9 th -11 th	Real Catholic Men Retreat Our Lady of Peace Retreat Ctr.
April 11 th	Divine Mercy Sunday
April 17 th	Women's Tea for Life St. Cecilia Parish – Beaverton, OR
April 24 th	Men on a Mission meeting Location: TBD
April 28 th	St. Louis de Montfort
April 29 th	St. Catherine of Siena



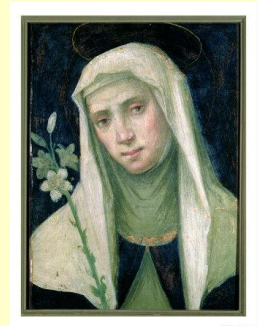
The Resurrection of Our Lord



Divine Mercy



St. Louis de Montfort



St. Catherine of Siena