

The Catholic Church of the
Immaculate Conception

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August 31, 2014

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Parish Office Hours

Monday: Noon to 4:00 pm
Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday: Closed

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: Monday - Saturday at 8:00 am
First Friday Mass & Devotion: 8:00 am

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 P.M.
Sunday Morning: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A.M.
Sunday Evening: 5:15 P.M.

Holy Day Masses: 8 A.M., 5:30 P.M.

Penance: For daily Mass goes 7:30 AM, For Parish on Saturday: 4:30 to 5:00 P.M., and by appointment

Baptisms & RCIA: *By appointment only.* Please email Deacon Fitzmorris at rfitzmor@diocese-sdiego.org.

Weddings: By appointment only. Arrangements must be made at least **one year** in advance. Please contact the office

Funerals: *For arrangements, please call the parish office.*



History of Immaculate Conception Parish

It was here in Old Town that Father Junipero Serra celebrated his First Holy Mass in California on July 2, 1769, near the site of the present Immaculate Conception Church, and it was on the hill overlooking Old Town that he planted the cross which marked the site of the Mission and the Presidio.

In 1849, the first parish church was established in Old Town with the name of Immaculate Conception and was dedicated in 1858. It still stands and is known as the Old Adobe Chapel on Conde Street. The cornerstone to the present Immaculate Conception Church was laid in 1868 under the direction of Father Antonio Ubach. With the population swing toward the south, it was not until July 6, 1919, that the church was dedicated by Archbishop John J. Cantwell of Los Angeles.

WE PRAY

MASS INTENTIONS

1	8 AM	Weekday †Mary Neyshba	MT
2	8 AM	Weekday Cristal Spera, SI	RE
3	8 AM	St. Gregory the Great †John Ryan	MT
4	8 AM	Weekday †Eileen Chojnowski	MT
5	8 AM	Bl. Teresa of Calcutta Bishop Cirilo Flores, SI	MT
6	8 AM	Weekday, BVM Rev. Richard Perozich, SI	RP
7	5:15 PM	Bishop Cirilo Flores, SI	RP
	8:30 AM	Marie Wagner, SI	RP
	10:00 AM	People of Immaculate Conception	RE
	11:30 AM	Bishop Cirilo Flores, SI	RP
	5:15 PM	Bishop Cirilo Flores, SI	RP

MARRIAGE BANNS

- October 4-Alex Blundell & Lilli Lovberg
- October 11-Joseph Jordan & Meghan Dyer
- October 18-John Gonzalez & Roselinda Serratos

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

September Intentions of the Holy Father
Universal: That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life.
Evangelization: That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering.

PRAY: SEMINARIANS IN THEOLOGY

2nd	David Exner	North American College Rome,
3rd	Bernardo Lara	Mt. Angel Seminary, OR
2nd	Corey Tufford	North American College Rome,
3rd	Derek Twilliger	Mt. Angel Seminary OR
3rd	Billy Zondler,	Mt. Angel Seminary, OR

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

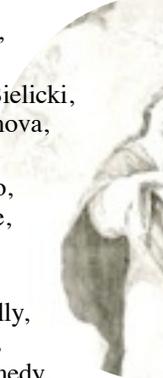
1	Pope Francis
2	Bishop Cirilo Flores
3	Bishop Robert Brom
4	Bishop Gilbert Chavez
5	Very Rev. Msgr. Richard Duncanson
6	Rev. George Dunkley
7	Rev. Stephen Dunn

PRAY THE SCRIPTURES

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-21; Lk 4:38-44
 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 5:1-11
 Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-40; Lk 5:33-39
 Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jesus, we ask you to bring your peace and healing touch to those who are ill, afraid or worried. Amen

Lisa Becerra, Ann Bethel, Ann Marie Bielicki, Ismael Casanova, Bob Curry Joanne Daleo, Albina Farrie, Julie Fish Esther Fitch Margaret Kelly, Sylvia Kelly, Patricia Kennedy, Dorothy Kleint,	 Deena Marchiano, Dena Mendoza, Jean Miller, Patricia O'Grady, Shirley Pearson Ellen Quigley, Lupe Riccio, Michelle Sullivan Mary Jane Tiernan, Marguerite Vorst, Floyd Watson, Marie Whitman. Martha Zamudio
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PRAY FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY

Jesus, protect all who serve our country.

Sgt. Ahmed John Alexander, Natalie Augustine, Major Jerry Bloomquist, Col. Mike Bodkin, Danny Carpenter, USMC, LTJG Joseph Colangelo, USN; Cpl. Samuel James Comer, Daniel Dinglebeck, USN, PFC David Eley, USMC, Micah Emery, Sgt. Christopher Escalona, Capt. Pedro Esquivel, 1Lt. Cortez Fabia, Juan Carlos Galazza; SSGT. Vincent Charles Lucario;	Robert Clinton Long, MC2; Sgt. Adriana Matizel; Wendell Miculob, LTJG Joe F. Moralez, USN; LCPL Matthew A. Pena; Sgt. Richard Pierce; Sgt. William Paul Powers and Cinco, CPL Wilson Santiago; Alfred Tello; Ricky Thibeault; Tony Tulloss; PFC Travis Vliet; & 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing.
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† PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED †

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace Amen.

Brandon Blaine Bielicki, Georgene Bielicki, Elizabeth Cantoni, Salvador Carrillo, David Diaz Stephen Falley, Norm Henkels, Helen Kennedy, William Kennedy Jirair Khalatian, Mary Lynch,	Bette June Marciel, Robert McMahon, Kianna Meade, Julia M. Ocampos Ernie Proo, Joan Schmittin, Karina Sosa, Clyde Southern, Jr., Mariana S. Tadena William Bethel Lillian Sinclair
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**THE NOBLE TASK OF MAN,
TO PRAY AND TO LOVE**

—*St John Mary Vianney*

FROM THE PASTOR

Consider, children, a Christian's treasure is not on earth, it is in heaven. Well then, our thoughts should turn to where our treasure is.

Man has a noble task: that of prayer and love. To pray and to love, that is the happiness of man on earth.

Prayer is nothing else than union with God. When the heart is pure and united with God it is consoled and filled with sweetness; it is dazzled by a marvelous light. In this intimate union God and the soul are like two pieces of wax moulded into one; they cannot any more be separated. It is a very wonderful thing, this union of God with his insignificant creature, a happiness passing all understanding.

We had deserved to be left incapable of praying; but God in his goodness has permitted us to speak to him. Our prayer is an incense that is delightful to God.

My children, your hearts are small, but prayer enlarges them and renders them capable of loving God. Prayer is a foretaste of heaven, an overflowing of heaven. It never leaves us without sweetness; it is like honey, it descends into the soul and sweetens everything. In a prayer well made, troubles vanish like snow under the rays of the sun.

Prayer makes time seem to pass quickly, and so pleasantly that one fails to notice how long it is. When I was parish priest of Bresse, once almost all my colleagues were ill, and as I made long journeys I used to pray to God, and, I assure you, the time did not seem long to me. There are those who lose themselves in prayer, like a fish in water, because they are absorbed in God. There is no division in their hearts. How I love those noble souls! Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Colette saw our Lord and spoke to him as we speak to one another.

As for ourselves, how often do we come to church without thinking what we are going to do or for what we are going to ask.

And yet, when we go to call upon someone, we have no difficulty in remembering why it was we came. Some appear as if they were about to say to God: 'I am just going to say a couple of words, so I can get away quickly.' I often think that when we come to adore our Lord we should get all we ask if we asked for it with a lively faith and a pure heart.

From a letter attributed to BARNABAS

Because the Lord has granted you an abundance of blessings, I rejoice immeasurably in your blessed and glorious company.

You have received abundantly that indwelling grace which is the Spirit's gift, and for this reason I hope in my own salvation and I give thanks all the more when I see the bountiful fullness of the Lord's Spirit pouring over you. I have longed so much for you that when I saw you I was overwhelmed.

I am now convinced and fully aware that I have learned much by speaking with you, for the Lord accompanied me on the road to righteousness, and so I am driven in all ways to love you more than my own life. For surely there is a great store of faith and charity within you because of your hope for life in Christ. Therefore, I have been thinking that if my concern for you inspires me to pass on to you a portion of what I have received, then I will be rewarded for ministering to souls such as yours. Consequently, I am writing you, that you may have perfect knowledge along with your faith.

The Lord has given us these three basic doctrines: hope for eternal life, the beginning and end of our faith; justice, the beginning and end of righteousness; and love, which bears cheerful and joyous witness to the works of righteousness. Now the Lord has made the past and present known to us through his prophets, and he has given us the ability to taste the fruits of the future beforehand. Thus, when we see prophecies fulfilled in their appointed order, we ought to grow more fully and deeply in awe of him. Let me suggest a few things – not as a teacher, but as one of you – which should bring you joy in the present situation.

When evil days are upon us and the worker of malice gains power, we must attend to our own souls and seek to know the ways of the Lord. In those times reverential fear and perseverance will sustain our faith, and we will find need of forbearance and self-restraint as well. Provided that we hold fast to these virtues and look to the Lord, then wisdom, understanding, knowledge and insight will make joyous company with them.

Truly, the Lord has revealed to us through the prophets that he has no need of sacrifice, burnt offerings or oblations. He says in one place: *Your endless sacrifices, what are they to me? says the Lord. I have had my fill of holocausts; I do not want the fat of your lambs, nor the blood of your bulls and goats, nor your presence in my sight. Indeed, who has made these demands of you? No more will you trample my courts. Your sacrifices of fine flour are in vain; your incense is loathsome to me; I cannot bear your feasts of the new moon, nor your sabbaths.*

AROUND THE PARISH



Gifts of Treasure

August 24, 2014

With gratitude for the gifts we have received, parishioners and visitors made a joyful return to the Lord.

Total Collection...\$4560.70

Envelope:\$2,613.00

Plate:\$1,947.70

Total contributing households: 99

Total registered households: 490

5:15 Sat	\$ 425.59
8:30 Sun	\$1529.18
10:00 Sun	\$1267.46
11:30 Sun	\$ 453.22
5:15 Sun	\$ 504.25
Mailed in	\$ 381.00

Quarters & Cans: \$736.00

EXPENSES (week of August 18-22)

Payroll (incl. tax)	\$ 5,551.57
Supplies-Office	\$ 33.00

TOTAL: \$ 5,584.57

In observance of the Labor Day holiday, the Parish Office and Serra Gifts will be closed on Monday, September 1.

The I.C. Seniors luncheon will be on Monday, September 8.

06 SEP ... "Night Fever. Let's Evangelize! Our Parish will be wide open 7-10pm inviting passers-by to come see, sit in contemplation, listen to music, and pray. Help

R.C.I.A.

Be Catholic--Be Happy--Have Hope
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The ongoing formation process begins on

Wednesday, September 3

7:00-8:30 pm

in the Parish Hall

and continues every Wednesday until
Easter 2015

Come or call
Deacon Robert Fitzmorris
858-490-8332

rfitzmorris@diocese-sdiego.org



2014 Baptism Schedule

Class: September 15
Baptism: September 21

The Baptism preparation classes are held in Serra Hall on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The Baptisms take place in the church on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 pm.

Please contact Deacon Bob Fitzmorris at
rfitzmor@diocese-sdiego.org

Santa Maria BBQ

Saturday, September 13
6:00 pm - Serra Hall
\$15 per person
No-host bar

Tickets on sale after Sunday Masses or in Parish Office during the week.

STREET CLOSURES

(San Diego Avenue & surrounding streets)

Old Town Chamber of Commerce
Fiesta de Kustom Kulture
Saturday, September 6, 2014

Parishioners planning to attend Mass on Saturday may obtain parking pass from ushers after Mass.

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer is a method of silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of contemplative prayer. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship.

The Immaculate Conception Centering Prayer Group welcomes newcomers to attend and learn the method of Christian contemplative prayer.

Thursday Evening-September 11 & 25
Immaculate Conception—Serra Hall
7:00-8:30 pm

FAMILY CATECHESIS

Beginning September 7 from 9:45 - 10:45 Immaculate Conception will offer Family Catechesis in the brides' room of the hall to prepare children and parents in the faith. Classes will meet every two weeks.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Culture of Life *Family Services*

5th Annual Pro-Life Is Good Gala & Auction
Saturday, October 4, 2014
Rancho Bernardo Inn
Keynote speaker: Senator Rick Santorum

Information: 619-564-3307 or GALA@COLFS.ORG

Serra Gifts **Street Level of Fr. Serra Hall 619-297-3426**



7 days a week
 Monday - Friday 9:00 -4:00
 Saturday 10:00 to 4:00
 Sunday 9:30 to 3:00

Serra Gifts offers a beautiful assortment of religious items for your home, and for your family and friends

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New items arrive weekly

Remember, your purchases help to support our parish

THANK YOU

RE-CONSTRUCTION OF JUAN STREET

Beginning September 8, construction will take place in various stages from Taylor Street to Sunset Road.
 Construction hours--7am to 4:30pm

Parking and vehicular access will be restricted .
 The project is expected to take approximately one year.

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION!

To register at the parish, please fill out the form below, and drop it in the basket or call the office at 295-4141.

NAME _____

STREET _____

CITY/ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

1373 "Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us," is present in many ways to his Church: in his word, in his Church's prayer, "where two or three are gathered in my name," in the poor, the sick, and the imprisoned,¹ in the sacraments of which he is the author, in the sacrifice of the Mass, and in the person of the minister. But "he is present . . . most especially in the Eucharistic species."

1374 The mode of Christ's presence under the Eucharistic species is unique. It raises the Eucharist above all the sacraments as "the perfection of the spiritual life and the end to which all the sacraments tend." In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist "the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, *the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained.*" "This presence is called 'real' - by which is not intended to exclude the other types of presence as if they could not be 'real' too, but because it is presence in the fullest sense: that is to say, it is a *substantial* presence by which Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present."

1375 It is by the conversion of the bread and wine into Christ's body and blood that Christ becomes present in this sacrament. The Church Fathers strongly affirmed the faith of the Church in the efficacy of the Word of Christ and of the action of the Holy Spirit to bring about this conversion. Thus St. John Chrysostom declares:

It is not man that causes the things offered to become the Body and Blood of Christ, but he who was crucified for us, Christ himself. The priest, in the role of Christ, pronounces these words, but their power and grace are God's. This is my body, he says. This word transforms the things offered.

from the Office of Young Adult Ministry



Theology on Tap

Mondays in August at Off Shore Grill—Bay Park (2253 Morena Blvd, 92117)
 Grab dinner at 6:30-7:30pm and the speaker will start at 7:30pm-8:30pm

Diocesan Young Adult Retreat
Sept 19-21 at Whispering Winds Join Young Adults (18-39 years) from the around the diocese. Retreat begins Friday, 6:30pm and ends Sunday at noon. Cost is \$138. For details go to www.yamsd.org or call 858-490-8260.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

GUEST SPEAKERS

Adam & Bonnie Curtis



Our Lady of the Rosary Chapter

Magnificat

A Ministry to Catholic Women

Visitation Scene: Luke 1:39



Magnificat Meal Central San Diego

Saturday, September 6, 2014

9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Sheraton Hotel • 1433 Camino Del Rio South

As a Navy couple, Adam and Bonnie Curtis faced the significant challenge of raising a family in the midst of military training, uncertain schedules and long deployments. They will share a formative crisis experience they faced as a young couple that shaped their relationship and served as a touch point through their 26 years of marriage.

Adam and Bonnie, parishioners at Ascension Catholic Church in Tierrasanta, have three daughters, two sons and recently welcomed a new son-in-law into their family. Their three oldest children are currently serving in the Navy, as is their son-in-law. After homeschooling their kids for many years Bonnie is working towards a Master's degree in theology. Adam retired from the Navy after a career for the SEAL Team and works for the Navy as a civilian.

FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CONTACT:
Karen O'Malley (619) 701-2718
or email: SDMagnificat@gmail.com

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Sophie Piconi (619) 823-1212
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ADVANCED RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
\$25.00 per person
Must be postmarked by August 30, 2014
\$30.00 at the door - cash or check only

****Register On Line****
Visit our website at: www.magnificat-sd.org
Doors open for seating at 8:45am

Registration Form must be received by August 30, 2014

Name _____
Guest(s) Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone# _____ Parish _____
Email _____

Please print email address clearly.

I request financial help.
Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____ Reservations.

** Please Mail Reservation Form & \$25 per person to: Magnificat Central San Diego P.O. Box 19121 San Diego CA 92159**

PLEASE NOTE:
Tables of 10 may be reserved in advance.
All other seating will be open to choice of early arrivals. In Christ's love, we ask that you not save seats.

EVANGELII GAUDIUM- Pope Francis

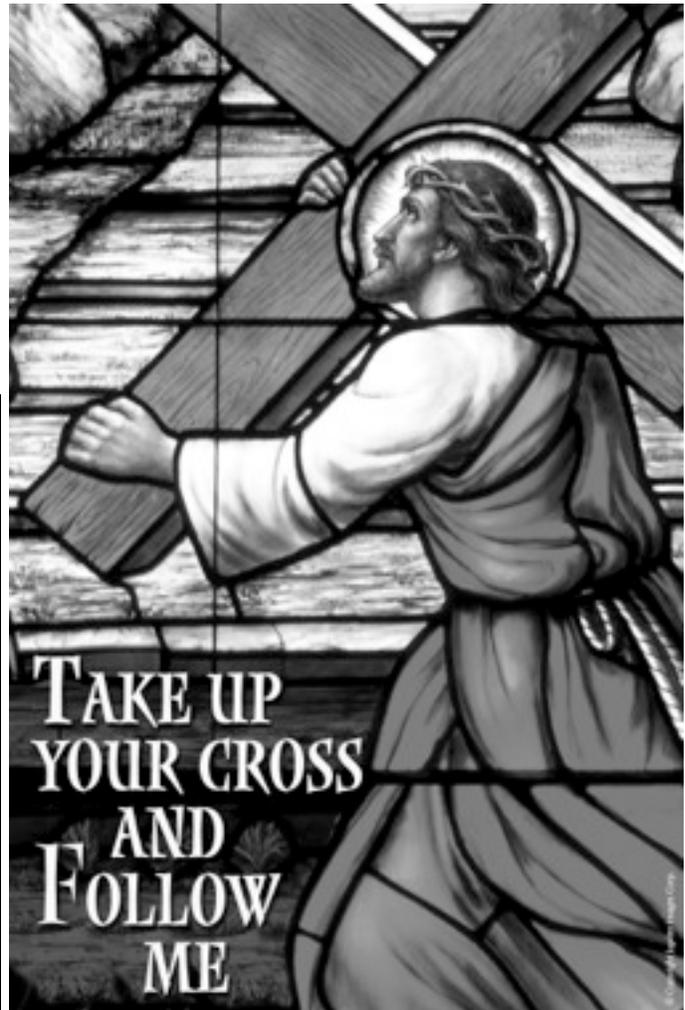
10. The Gospel offers us the chance to live life on a higher plane, but with no less intensity: "Life grows by being given away, and it weakens in isolation and comfort. Indeed, those who enjoy life most are those who leave security on the shore and become excited by the mission of communicating life to others". When the Church summons Christians to take up the task of evangelization, she is simply pointing to the source of authentic personal fulfillment. For "here we discover a profound law of reality: that life is attained and matures in the measure that it is offered up in order to give life to others. This is certainly what mission means". Consequently, an evangelizer must never look like someone who has just come back from a funeral! Let us recover and deepen our enthusiasm, that "delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing, even when it is in tears that we must sow... And may the world of our time, which is searching, sometimes with anguish, sometimes with hope, be enabled to receive the good news not from evangelizers who are dejected, discouraged, impatient or anxious, but from ministers of the Gospel whose lives glow with fervor, who have first received the joy of Christ."



The Franciscan Vision Series are lectures offered on September 18th, October 16th and November 20th from 7-8 p.m. It is a rare opportunity for interested individuals to learn about the mission of the Franciscan Intellectual Tradition.

The school has offered these free lectures throughout the years, and we are excited to present them for the first time at our new campus in Mission San Luis Rey.

Please contact Donna Foley, Director of Spiritual Formation and Students Services, for more information at dfoley@fst.edu or 760-547-1800 ext. 224.



06 AUG: THE TRANSFIGURATION

—St. Anastasius of Sinai

Upon Mount Tabor, Jesus revealed to his disciples a heavenly mystery. While living among them he had spoken of the kingdom and of his second coming in glory, but to banish from their hearts any possible doubt concerning the kingdom and to confirm their faith in what lay in the future by its prefiguration in the present, he gave them on Mount Tabor a wonderful vision of his glory, a foreshadowing of the kingdom of heaven. It was as if he said to them: “As time goes by you may be in danger of losing your faith. To save you from this I tell you now that some standing here listening to me will not taste death until they have seen the Son of Man coming in the glory of his Father.” Moreover, in order to assure us that Christ could command such power when he wished, the evangelist continues: Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter, James and John, and led them up a high mountain where they were alone. There, before their eyes, he was transfigured. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as light. Then the disciples saw Moses and Elijah appear, and they were talking to Jesus.

These are the divine wonders we celebrate today; this is the saving revelation given us upon the mountain; this is the festival of Christ that has drawn us here. Let us listen, then, to the sacred voice of God so compellingly calling us from on high, from the summit of the mountain, so that with the Lord’s chosen disciples we may penetrate the deep meaning of these holy mysteries, so far beyond our capacity to express. Jesus goes before us to show us the way, both up the mountain and into heaven, and – I speak boldly – it is for us

now to follow him with all speed, yearning for the heavenly vision that will give us a share in his radiance, renew our spiritual nature and transform us into his own likeness, making us for ever sharers in his Godhead and raising us to heights as yet undreamed of.

Let us run with confidence and joy to enter into the cloud like Moses and Elijah, or like James and John. Let us be caught up like Peter to behold the divine vision and to be transfigured by that glorious transfiguration. Let us retire from the world, stand aloof from the earth, rise above the body, detach ourselves from creatures and turn to the creator, to whom Peter in ecstasy exclaimed: Lord, it is good for us to be here.

It is indeed good to be here, as you have said, Peter. It is good to be with Jesus and to remain here for ever. What greater happiness or higher honor could we have than to be with God, to be made like him and to live in his light?

Therefore, since each of us possesses God in his heart and is being transformed into his divine image, we also should cry out with joy: It is good for us to be here – here where all things shine with divine radiance, where there is joy and gladness and exultation; where there is nothing in our hearts but peace, serenity and stillness; where God is seen. For here, in our hearts, Christ takes up his abode together with the Father, saying as he enters: Today salvation has come to this house. With Christ, our hearts receive all the wealth of his eternal blessings, and there where they are stored up for us in him, we see reflected as in a mirror both the first fruits and the whole of the world to come.